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K. KRISHNASWAMI AY.
Superintendent
Madras R.

RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE,

DIARY AND CONSULTATION BOOK

OF

1700.

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[From January 2 to December 31, 1700.]

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1699-1700 —

The Consultation and Diary Book of Thomas Pitt Esq^r: President & Governour &c^a: Councill their Proceedings & Transaction in the Affairs of the Rt: Hon^{ble}: English East India Company in the Presidency of the Coast of Choromandell &c^a: Begun the ²⁹mo: January 1699-1700.

Received Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour &c^a: Councill at Fort S^t: David dated 30th: Ult^o: past, incloseing a Petition from Rowland Wilson to the Hon^{ble}: President &c^a: Councill, representing his being sent out Serjan[t] by the Company on the Nassaw, but detain'd by the Supra-cargoes of said Ship as their Linguist for Emoy in China, and after effecting their Business that he embarkt for Malacca, thence to Acheen and so to Fort S^t: David, where he now remains. hee further adds, that promise was made him by some of the Committee, that upon his arrivall here, he should have an Ensigns Comission, which by his Petition he now requests.

Therewith came Generall Letters from Mess^{rs}: Rawdon and Brewster Supra-cargoes of Ship Nassaw at Emoy dated ²⁹mo: January 169⁹ and from Cap^t: James Minty dated 29th: Dec^r: 1698 recomending said Rowland Wilson for his good service as the Linguist at Emoy.

ATT A CONSULTATION,

WEDNES-
DAY 3

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR	
FRANCIS ELLIS	ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT	MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL	JOHN MEVERELL

Order'd that Pag^s: 1577: 15: 1 be paid, being for the following Bills drawn by the Deputy Gov^r: & Councill of York Fort Viz:

Bills drawn
from York
Fort, Ordered
to be paid.

To Henry Harnett dated 20 th : Aug ^t : 1698 for Doll:	109: 2: 1	P: 64: 17: 2
William Proby ... 30	250: ..	147: 2: 1
Thomas Harris ... 3 Sep ^r :	175: ..	102: 33: 5
Henry Harnett	250: ..	147: 2: ..
Simon Kilpatrick ... 17	97: ..	57: 2: 1
Daniel Chardin and Sarah Blackwall. } 27 Dec ^r :	800: ..	176: 17: ..
Thomas Harris ... 13 Feb ^r : 169 ⁹	800: ..	470: 21: 1
William Hatsell Esq ^r :	400: ..	235: 10: 3
William Proby ... 20	300: ..	176: 17: ..

Doll^s: 2681: 2: 1 Pa: 1577: 15: 1

[3^{ms}]

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Portugues
Soldier dis-
charg'd.

Order'd that John Mountera Portuguez Soldier bee discharg'd this Garrison at his request.

Pag^s: 1000
order'd ye
Paym^t: to
defray
charges.

Order'd that Pag^s: one thousand be paid M^r: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

At Metch-
lepam: to draw
Bills, not ex-
ceeding 5000
Pag^s:

Upon Debate, It is resolved by Majority, that wee write a Generall Letter to Metchlepatam, Empowering Mess^{rs}: Lovell &c^s: to draw Bills on us, not exceeding Five thousand Pag^s: to enable their compleating what Goods they have already Contracted for, and carrying on the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys business.

Sea custom
acco^{ts}: for
Mo: Novem-
ber read &

M^r: Thomas Wright Sea Customer read his acco^t: Sea-Customs for month November last, particulars Viz^t:

To Custom on Goods Exported and Imported this month. Pag^s: 1031: 6: 5
To Custom on Grain ,, 41: 17: 4

Pag^s: 1072: 24: 3

Pag^s: 1382:
12 pd: on
that acct:
Pag^s: 1000
for fanams
coin'd pd: R^t:
H: Comp^s:
cash

and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Cash Pag^s: 1382: 13 on that account.

Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated 30th: Decem^r: last, read.

The President pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash Pag^s: one thousand for Fanams coin'd in the Mint to that amount.

Mr: Hunt to
be allow'd 100
Pag^s: ann:
& why. with
30 Pag^s: for
Palankeen
hire.
Pag^s: 500
advanc'd for
buying
Tobacco.

Order'd that Pag^s: one hundred be allow'd M^r: Rich^d: Hunt annually for his Pains in the management of the Tobacco business and Thirty Pag^s: for Palankeen hire, his attendance att the Petta's and out Vilages being required.

Order'd that Pag^s: five hunder'd be advanc'd to M^r: Richard Hunt to buy Tobacco for sale by retail acco^t: the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

5 Dispatch'd Generall Letters to the Deputy Governour &c^s: Councill at Fort S^t: David and to Mess^{rs}: Lovell &c^s: ffactors at Metchlepatam both dated the 3^d: Instant.

Ship S^t: Caietan John de Mark Noqueda arrived from Manilha & Acheen.

MONDAY
8th.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL.

Europeans
entertain'd
in ye: Gun-
room.

Order'd that Peter Jero and Adrian Barron bee entertain'd in the Gunroom.

R^t: H:
Comp^s: cash
for Mo: Dec^r:
read.

The President read his acco^t: of the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash for the month December, the Ballance being Pag^s: 3853: 30: 4.

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[8th]

M^r: John Meverell Land Customer read his acco^t: for the month November last, particulars Viz^t:

Land custom
acct: for
Mo: Novr:
read &

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	...	...	Pag ^s : 290:	27:	55
Trivlecane Custom	...	...	...	...	...	"	...	1: 50
Rubie Brokers	...	...	...	...	...	"	29:	25: 25
Clo ^h Brokers	...	...	...	...	...	"	...	26: 30
Registering Slave	...	...	...	...	...	"	...	8: ...
Town rents	...	...	...	...	...	"	6:	35: 78
Confiscation	...	...	...	...	...	"	5:	... ..

Pag^s: 333: 16: 78

and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Cash Pag^s: Four hundred seventy eight on that account.

Pags: 478
pd: on yt:
account.
Bill at In-
trest order'd
to be paid.
An English-
man enter-
tain'd
weigher &
measuror at
the Sea Cus-
tom house.

Order'd that Pag^s: 1036: 27 be paid M^r: Thomas Marshall, being both Principal and Intrest due on a Bond dated 11th: August 1699.

To prevent abuses at the Sea-Custom house in the weighing and measuring Duty It is agreed an Englishman be employed for that purpose, and Thomas Way being esteem'd a fitt person, that he be allowed five Pag^s: Ψ mensem, to commence the Ψ ^{mo}: Instant, and from that time, all Revenues to pay Servants wages &c^s: charges on the particular Branches.

M^r: Foquet reporting that great murmuring is made by demanding Quit rent of the Gunroom Crew, which amounting to no more then 12 or 14 Pag^s: annually, Order'd it be remitted them in consideration that the Souldiers are excused.

The Gun-
room
crew excus'd
paying Quit
rent.

The Ganjee leafs being included in the Cowle deliver'd the Tobacco farmers last year under the same limitation with the Tobacco, and by them let to Rent for 40 or 50 Pag^s: Ψ annum, and M^r: Hunt reporting he is offer'd Pag^s: one hundred & Ten for the Ganjee only, and that they cannot be persuaded to give more, which being so considerable an advance and judg'd by us not worth the Comp^s: Managery, It is resolv'd a Cowle be drawn for one year to be paid quarterly into the R^t: H: Comp^s: cash.

The Ganjee to
be rented for
110 Pag^s:

M^r: Richard Hunt Tobacco Manager read his acco^t: of Tobacco sold from the 21st: December last to the 31st: d^o: amounting to Pag^s: 222: 22: 15.

Tobacco
Manager his
acco^t: read.

- THO: PITT.
- FRANCIS: ELLIS.
- RO: BRADDYLL.
- THO: WRIGHT.
- M: EMPSON.
- THOM^s: MARSHALL.
- JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 6th: Instant.

9th

Ship Fleetwood Richard Rose Master arrived from Vizagapatam, by which received Generall Letters from the Cheif &c^s: Councill dated the 20th: & 21st: Dec^r: last, with their Diary commencing Ψ ^{mo}: Nov^r: & ending the 30th: December last.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY
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Present

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR | |
| FRANCIS ELLIS | ROGER BRADDYLL |
| THOMAS WRIGHT | MATTHEW EMPSON |
| THOMAS MARSHALL | JOHN MEVERELL. |

Generall Letter to Fort S^t: David of this date read & signed and Gen^l: Letters from Vizagapatam dated 20th: & 21st: December last, also from Fort S^t: David of the 6th: Instant, all read.

Gen^l: Letters
sent & read:
read.

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[11th]

Mint Acco^{ts}:
for four
months end-
ing Decr:
1699 read.

The President read his Mint acco^t: for the months of September, October, November & December last, Viz^t:

Sept ^r : To Custom of Gold & Silver coin'd	...	Pa:	62: 21: —	Rs. 196: 6: —
Oct ^r : To Custom of Gold coin'd	...	„	109: 19: —	
Nov ^r : To Custom of Gold and Silver coin'd	...	„	43: 5: 40:	629: 11: —
Dec ^r : To Custom of Gold coin'd	...	„	25: 22: —	

Pag^s: 240: 31: 40 R: 826: 1

the Ballance of December being Pag^s: 240: 31: 40 and Rupees 2865: 2.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort St: David of this Date incloseing Invoice of Sundrys sent wth Country Boat amounting to Pag^s: 155: 1: 4.

Received Generall Letter from M^r: Samuel Woolston at Maddapollam dated 25th: December 1699.

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Deliver'd Pass to Ship Ann burthen 80 Ton William Stock Master bound on a Trading Voyage to Persia.

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Said Ship saild bound for Persia.

MONDAY
15

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS
THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMAS MARSHALL
ROGER BRADDYLL
MATTHEW EMPSON
JOHN MEVERELL.

Genl: Lettem
&ca:
received,
read.

Generall Letter from Mess^{rs}: Lovell &ca^s: at Metchlep^m: dated the 2^d: Instant, with copy of a Paper to M^r: Lovell (as enter'd after this Consultation) from S^r: William Norris Barr^t: the new Comp^t: Ambassador to the Mogull, read.

Salary pay-
able in Eng-
land
Petition'd by
ye widow
of Mr:
field &ca:
to be repre-
sented home.
The acco^t: to
draw out ye:
same &ca:
Mr: Fields
Credit in
Indrapore
books to
be paid.

M^{rs}: Lucie Poireir having by her Petition, requested that her Deceased husbands Viz^t: M^r: John field and George Crokes salary payable in England may be represented home to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company.

Order'd that the Accomptant draw out M^r: fields Acco^t: and that wee write to Bengall to draw M^r: Crokes acco^t: he dying there.

Also that Pag^s: 101: 6: 2 be paid said Lucie Poireir, being for one hundred seventy two Dollars, the Ball: & amount of M^r: Fields outery paid into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash at Indrapore on the W^t: Coast as appears in the Generall Books of that Place.

No will of
Mr: R^t:
Darley
decd: being
found, the
Adm^{ty}:
Court
to take care
of his
Effects.

M^r: Wright and M^r: Empson report, that they having (with M^r: John Styleman) perused M^r: Rich^d: Darley decess'd his Papers, finds no will. Its Agreed by Majority that the Court of Admiralty take care of his Effects brought wth Ship Ann from Bencoolen.

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[15th]

The warehousekeeper delivers in a report made by himself and Mr: Wright of the Flint ware &c^a: brought Ψ Ship Ann from the West Coast. Also of the weight of two Chests Corral received from the R^t: Hon^r: Company Ψ Ship Scepter as enter'd after this Consultation.

Warehouse-keeper &c^a: deliver their report of Flint ware &c^a:

Order'd that Pag^s: one thousand be paid Mr: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

Pags: 1000 to be paid ye: Paymr: to defray charges. Tobacco manager pays 222 pn: on ye: acct.

Mr: Richard Hunt Tobacco Manager, pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company's Cash Two hundred Twenty two Pag^s: on acco^t: Tobacco sold.

Serapa &c^a: Joint Stock Merchants makeing complaint, that the Investment is impeded for want of money to Employ the Weavors.

Joint Stock wanting money. the remain-der du: on their last contract to be paid them. The Broken Flint ware &c^a: to be sold at outery.

Order'd that the remainder due on the Contract dated the 14th: April 1699 be paid them.

Order'd that the Broken Flint ware & damaged Looking Glasses sent from the West Coast Ψ Ship Ann be sold at Publick outery.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

By His Excellency Sr: W^m: Norris Barron^t:
his Mag^s: Embassadour Extraordinary to
the Great Mogull &c^a:

This is to Require and Comand you, not to presume to make any Address or Application either in your own person or by any other, directly or indirectly to Any publick Minister or Officer of the great Mogull without my knowledge and permission, as you will answer the contrary at your perill. Given at Metchlepatam Decem^r: 26th: 1699.

New Comps: Embassador paper to Thom as Lovell at Mstchlep^m:

WILLIAM NORRIS.

To Mr: Thomas Lovell Agent or Factor for
the Company of Merchants of London
trading to the East Indies at Metch-
lep^m:

A Report of the Condition of three Chests Flint ware N^o: 1, 2, 3 and of one chest Looking Glasses N^o: 11 received from Work Fort Ψ Ship Ann Cap^t: Harnet Comander. Also of the weight of two chests Corral received from London Ψ Ship Scepter Cap^t: Phenny Comander Acco^t: the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company, Viz:

Warehouse-keeper &c^a: report of damaged flint ware &c^a:

3 Chests Flint ware Invoiced for P ^s : 853 Poiz.	lb.	oz.	585:	9
found to contain whole P ^s : 561 P ^s :	lb. 339:	3	}	
	„ 206:	13		
	—————		546:	—

Wanting ... lb. 39: 9

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One Chest Looking Glasses No. 11 qt: Ψ Inv^o: 4 boxes N^o: 4, 5, 6, 7.
 No. 4 qt: 4 glasses each 20 Inches cost £ 6: — all damaged.
 „ 5 qt: 4 ditto 25 . . . „ 10: 12: spotted.
 „ 6 qt: 2 } 30 . . . }
 1 } 32 . . . } £ 16: 1: —spotted.
 ——— 3 }
 No. 7 qt: 2 Glasses each 32 Inches.
 1 33
 ——— 3 £ 20: — : 6 all broken.
 ———
 14 Glasses £ 52: 18: 6

Chest Corral N^o: 2 Poiz ^{lbs.} 452
 N^o: 3 Poiz. 417½ over 5 lbs.
 Invoiced for . . . „ 423 want^o: 5½
 Invoiced for „ 447

wanting in the 2 Chests half a pound.
 Ψ Order of Consultation.

ROGER BRADDYLL.
 THOMAS WRIGHT.

Finding Chest No. 1 to come short, the above two Chests were suspected, and the more, because the one was Tared at 207^{lbs.} & weighed but one hundred sixty three, the other at 20½ and weighed but one hundred sixty seven and an half.

Chest N ^o . 1 was opened Ψ us the Subscribers & was found to	... Poiz. 458 lbs.
Invoiced for	... „ 465
Wanting	... 7
Wanting in Chests N ^o . 2 & 3	... ½
Wanting in 3 Chests	... lbs. 7½ :

One Box N ^o . 4 polished Corral Ψ Ship Scepter—	Invoiced for Ounces	... 250
	Poized but	... 238
	Wanting.	... oz. 1
N ^o . 5 Rough d ^o : Knobs & P ^o :	Invoiced for	... 23[52] oz
	Poiz. but	... 23[40]
	Wanting oz.	... [12]

ROGER BRADDYLL.
 WILLIAM B[ULL.]

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Yesterday the Governour and Council met to peruse the following Letters Viz^t: to M^r: Thomas Lovell & c^a: factors at Metchlepatam. To S^r: William Norris Barr^t: Ambassador to the great Mogull. The Presidents Letters to Meddo Cawn Beague Nabob of the Gingerlee Coast & to the Governour of Metchlepatam, which with General Letter to the Cheif & c^a: Council of Vizagapatam all dated the 16th: Instant, were Dispatched this day.

Genl: Letter
 to the new
 Comp^a: Em-
 bassador.

To His EXCELL^t: S^a: WILLIAM NORRIS BARR^t:
 EMBASSADOR TO THE GREAT MOGULL ATT
 METCHLEPATAM.

S^r:

Wee having been inform'd by M^r: Thomas Lovell our Companys ffactor at Metchlepatam, that upon the approaching of the new Nabob, who is come to govern that Country, you sent for him, and deliver'd him a Paper, requireing and commanding him in a most extraordinary manner, not to make any application

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to any of the Mogulls officers (for the better carrying on our affairs) without your leave & Permission, threatening to do no less then send him home in Irons, from which wee imagine you resolve the utter ruin of our Company, hoping thereby to promote the Intrest of your Employers, the new East India Company.

Wee having no orders or Instructions to govern ourselves in this matter but the Act of Parliament, which in peruseing wee find, that there is five $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent laid on all Goods for the maintaining Embassadors & Consuls, from which our Company is excepted till September 1701: which Embassadors & Consuls are to be nominated and Elected by the Directors of the new Company and sent to such Emperor or Prince in these parts as they please, and they to pay the charge out of the five $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent, and the remainder to be divided amongst the adventure[r]s, and in a subsequent clause 'tis said, that nothing in this Act shall be constru'd to extend, to hinder or restrain our Comp^s: trade till the 29th: September 1701, so that they being excused from contributing to the charge of Embassad^{rs}.; Consuls &c^s: certainly 'twas never intended that their affairs in these parts should be subject^d: to the Direction or controul of the new Comp^s: Embassad^{rs}: Consuls or Agents dureing their limited time, wee being possest as the rightfull and Lawfull Proprietors of all Phirmaunds and Grants necessary for supporting the Trade, which has been procur'd at vast expences, and without corresponding with the Government, 'tis impossible to support our priviledges or Trade.

S^r: Wee think your proceedings not only Destructive to our Masters at Present, but will also prove fatal hereafter, if not intail a perpetual ruin on the trade. To prevent the Mischeifs that may attend us, and preserve the Intrest for which wee are concern'd, wee must acquaint you, that wee resolve to persist in corresponding with the Government as formerly, for the carrying on our Trade dureing the time limited by Parliam^t: and order all our Companys Cheifs and ffactors under this Presidency to do the same, untill his Majesty Comands the contrary, or that wee receive orders from our Company.

As for the Injuries you have already done [our] Company and others of the Kings Subjects, by embargoing their Ships (who traded here under their protection) wee doubt not but that they will repre[sent] it in such places where they may find a remedy and Justice. In confirmation whereof, wee have hereunto sett our hands and the Seal of our Company at Fort S^t: George in the city of Madrass this 16th: day of January 1700.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
ROGER BRADDYLL.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON.
THOMAS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY
18*Present*

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS MATTHEW EMPSON
ROGER BRADDYLL JOHN MEVERELL

The Councill being duely summond.

A Cowle (as entred after this Consultation) for the Ganjee, granted to Mar Chittee and Mandala Paupa for one year, commenceing this day, read & signed.

Cowle for
one year
granted for
the Ganjee
only.
Warehouse
Acco^{ts}: for
Nov^r: &
Dec^r:
deliver'd in.

M^r: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper delivers in his warehouse Account for the months of November & December last.

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Warehouse-
keeper not
to sell for
more than
17 Doll: 10
Pags:

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper sell Silver not exceeding seventeen Dollars for Tenn Pagoda's.

Europeans
discharg'd
& Enter-
tain'd.

Order'd that Jacob Figg a Trumpeter be Discharg'd he desireing it, and Charles Alleyn be entertain'd in the Gunroom.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
M: EMPSON.
THOM: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ganjee Cowle
for one year.

A Cowle Granted by Thomas Pitt Esq^r: President and Governour of Fort St: George &c^s: Councill, to MarChittee & Mandala Paupa Ganjee ffarmers.

1st. You the aforementioned ffarmers of the Ganjee shall have full power (exclusive of all others) to supply the Shopkeepers and retailers of the City of Madrass and Liberties thereof with Ganjee at such rates as is accustomed and as good as it used to be.

2. All such that are found to sell by retail without Licence first obtain'd from the said ffarmers, shall for every ffanams worth so bought or sold (excepting strangers, who shall be excused for the first offence only) forfeit one Pagoda to be paid in the Choultry, whereof one third part allowed the informer.

3. You the above named ffarmers are not to sell Ganjee at any time of the year dearer then the Justices of the Choultry shall think fit and if you offend therein after the third fault, you shall be liable to such fine and punishment as the Gov^r: & Councill shall appoint.

4. All Merchants that bring Ganjee into this City or the liberties thereof paying their Custom, may freely sell to any person or purposes whatsoever to be transported to other parts or places, but not to be retailed in this City or the liberties thereof, except they sell it to the aforesaid ffarmers.

5. The said Mar Chittee &c^s: ffarmers shall have leave to keep watch on the warehouses where other Merchants Ganjee shall be Lodged, to see that none of it be disposed off but for Transportation to other parts only.

6. They may also require of the Seller a knowledgo, whether it be sold and to whom, who is obliged to render an Acco^t: when required, to avoid all disputes or have his Goods stopped by the said ffarmers.

7. And the said Mar Chittee &c^s: are appointed the sole Brokers for buying and selling of Ganjee, hereby forbidding all others to intermeddle therewith.

8. Upon these terms, this Cowle is granted for one year, commencing this Eighteenth day of January 1⁶⁹⁹/₇₀₀ You paying to the R^{: B}: Comp^a: Twenty Seven Pagodas and Eighteen fanams every three months from the Date hereof.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
ROGER BRADDYLL.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOMAS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

By a Country Boat sent Duplicates of our Gen^l: Letters to M^r: Lovell &c^s: ffactors, and to S^r: W^m: Norris Barron^t: Ambassador to the great Mogull at Metchlepatam.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY
22

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCOIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATT: EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL.

Ordered that Pag^s: One thousand five hundred be paid Sen^r: Mattheus Carvalho de Silva, being for one Bill dated the 17th: Instant drawn by the Govern^r: & Council of Fort S^t: David.

Fort St:
David bill for
1,500 Pags:
order'd to be
paid.

None offering to Buy at 17 Dollars for Tenn Pagodas, and being in necessity for ready Cash Ordered that the warehousekeeper sell not exceeding seventeen & one eighth, and Lead by Outcry not for less then Pag^s: Six & eighteen fanams P Candy, having a large quantity by us.

Dollars not
exceeding
17 $\frac{1}{8}$ for ten
Pags: to be
sold.
To sell Lead
not for less
then 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ Pas:
 P Candy.

M^r: Ann Delgarno presenting a Petition, requesting that what wages due to her husband may be paid, was read which with copy of a Narrative of his sufferings at the West Coast, is referr'd to further consideration.

Wages due
to Capt:
Delgarno
requested:
The examina-
tion refer'd
to another
oppertunity.

M^r: Thomas Wright Sea-Customer read his Acco^t: Sea-Custom for the month December last, particulars Viz^t:

Sea Custom
Acco^{ts}: for
m^o: Dec^r:
read.

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month	Pag ^s :	66: 12: —
To Custom on Grain	"	571: 31: 4
To Salvage	"	216: 12: 3
To Rents & Revenues for Sundrys Sold P Order, the Owners being unknown	"	12: 34: —
	Pag ^s :	867: 18: 1

Ordered that Broad Cloth fine Invoiced 10^u: P yard be sold by Outcry not under 30 pag^s: P Peice, and the rest pro rato:

Limited
price to sell
Broad Cloth
fine &c^s:

Ordered that the Consultation Book and Book of Letters sent and Received do end the ultimo December 1699 and Copys thereof be sent home to the, R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company by Ship Benjamin.

Consultation
&c^s: books
to end the
ulto: Dec^r:
1699.

THO: PITT.
FRANCOIS ELLIS.
RU: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

This morning Ship Fleetwood Richard Rose Master saild for Vizagapatam, 23 by whom sent Duplicates of our Generall Letters to the Cheif &c^s: Council dated the 16th: instant, with the Presidents Letter to Nabob Meddo Cawn Beague, its translate and translate of the Letter to the Governour of Metchlepatam. Also Generall Letter of yesterdays date, incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading of Sundry particulars for Presents sent on ditto Ship amounting to Pag^s: 143: 24: 5.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 18th: Instant accom-panying another Pacquet as P List from N^o. 1 to 12 relating to the restoration

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of Padre Paulo de Saa in his Priestly function at the Churches of Cuddalore & Tevenapatam and removeall of Padre Gulielmo de la Valle from exercising there.

25 Ship Boanee Shankarah, Beriah Tandell Sailed for Topatore.

THURSDAY
d^o:

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDELL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL.

Fort St :
David bill for
253 pas: ord-
er'd to be
paid &
Tryamong
bill for 1000
Dollars.

Ordered that Pag^s: Two hundred fifty two be paid the President, being for one Bill dated the 17th: Instant drawn by the Govern^r: & Council of Fort St^t: David. Also Pag^s: 588 : 8 : 3 be paid Dorothy Phrip, being for one Bill dated 2^d: Jan^r: 1699 for one thousand Dollars drawn by the Cheif & Council of Tryamong as Ψ their Letter of ditto Date.

Paymasters
acco^ts: for
Nov^r: &
Dec^r:
month
seal.

General Letter from Fort St^t: David dated the 18th: Instant, read.

M^r: Matthew Empson Paymaster read his Acco^t: Disbursements for the months of Novem^r: & December last, particulars Viz^t:

Nov ^r :	Charges Garrison	...	...	...	...	Pa: 1,092 : [7]
	Charges Diet	...	...	...	...	285 : 15
	Charges Generall	...	...	...	...	415 : 11
	Charges Merchandize	...	...	...	...	102 : 10
	Charges Cattle	...	...	...	...	25 : 12
	Charges Extraordinary	...	...	...	...	9 : 19
	Fort St ^t : David	...	...	...	...	— : 30
	Fortifications & Repairs	...	...	...	...	29 : 13

Pags: 1,910 : 9

Dec ^r :	Charges Garrison	...	...	...	...	Pa: 1,117 : 6
	Charges Diet	...	...	...	...	371 : 12
	Fort St ^t : David	...	...	...	...	— : 30
	Charges Generall	...	...	...	...	375 : 5
	Charges Cattle	...	...	...	...	16 : 15
	Charges Merchandize	...	...	...	...	100 : —
	Charges Extraordinary	...	...	...	...	55 : 35
	Acco ^t : Presents	...	...	...	...	2 : 35
	Factors Provisions	...	...	...	...	5 : 32
	Fortifications & Repairs	...	...	...	...	43 : 2

Pag^s: 2,088 : 28

Warehouse-
keeper pays
5,000 pag^s:
on acco^t:
silver sold.

M^r: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Cash Pag^s: Five thousand on Acco^t: Silver sold.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDELL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVBRELL.

25

A Ship with French Colours past this road from Bengall, bound to Policherry. Sloop S^t: Antonio Peter Eyes Master arrived from Vizagapatam.

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Deliver'd a Pass to Parr Bone Success, Francisco Coelho Master & Owner bound to Policat & c^a: places on the coast of Choromandell.

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Sloop S^t: Antonio Peter Eyes Master Sailed in the night for Fort S^t: David.
Dispatched Generall Letter to Fort S^t: David of yesterdays Date.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 29

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCOIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL.

M^r: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: H: Comp^s: cash
Five thousand Seven hundred Pag^s: on acco^t: Silver sold.

Warehouse-
keeper pays
5,700 pag^s:
on Acco^t:
Silver sold.
Pag^s: 1000
order'd the
Paymaster to
defray char-
ges.

Ordered that one thousand Pag^s: be paid M^r: Matthew Empson Paymaster
to Defray charges Garrison, and one hundred Pag^s: to Paulo & c^a: Washers for
cureing the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cloth.

M^r: John Meverell Land Customer read his Acco^t: Land Customs for the
month December last, particulars Viz^t:

Land Custom
acco^t: for
m^o: Dec^r:
read &

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	...	...	Pag ^s : 345:26:40
Trivlecane Custom	...	...	...	...	...	" — 3:40
Rubie Brokers	...	...	...	...	...	" 47: 8:[50]
Cloth Brokers	...	...	...	...	...	" 8: 8:25
Registering Slave	...	...	...	...	...	" —: 8:—
						Pag ^s : 396:18:75

and pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Companys Cash Pag^s: Three hundred ninety
seven on that acco^t:

Pag^s: 397
paid inon
that acco^t:
Arrao far-
mers pay in
250 pag^s:
on that
acco^t.
Soldier from
the W^t: Coast
to be allow'd
wages dur-
ing his
passage
thence.

Peter de Pomera & c^a: Arrac farmers pay into the R^t: Hon^r: Comp^s: Cash
Pag^s: Two hundred & fifty on that Acco^t: for one month ending the 14th: Ins-
tant.

John Matthews Souldier being permitted to come on Ship Ann from the West
Coast for the better cure of his Legg, no Doctor being then on the Place. Order'd
that what wages due dureing his passage hither, be paid him by y^c: Paymaster.

Resolved, a Tryall be made of the Corral by Outcry that wee may see the
utmost what is offer'd, and then to consider the Disposeall.

Tryall for the
Sale of Corral
by Outcry.

THO: PITT. M: EMPSON.
FRANCOIS ELLIS. THOM^s: MARSHALL.
RO: BRADDYLL. JOHN MEVERELL.
THO: WRIGHT.

Ship Narsingum Grnia Tandell arrived from Ganjam.
Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated 29th: past.

30th
February
p^{mo}
THURSDAY
P^{mo}.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCOIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

M^r: Roger Braddyll Warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Companys
Cash Pag^s: Eleven hundred on Acco^t: silver sold.

Warehouse-
keeper pays
in 1,100 pag^s:
on Acco^t: Sil-
ver sold.

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[1st]

The President's account of Comps: Cash & Sec^{ys}: Accont: Passes for m^o: Jan^{ry}: read. Pag^r: 880 pd: in accont: Sea Custom's. Not to Stay for Gen^l: books of subordinate factories but to finish ye: books of this place. Town Conicopley's Duty order'd to be paid.

The President read his Acco^t: of the R^t: H: Comp^s: cash for the month January last, the Ballance being Pag^s: 25: 1: 3 and Charles Bugden Secretary his Acco^t: Passes for ditto month amo^t: Pag^s: Seven, and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Cash Pag^s: 4: 24.

M^r: Thomas Wright Sea Customer pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Cash Pag^s: Eight hundred & Eighty on that account.

Having thus long staid in expectation of the Vizagapatam and Metchlepatam Generall books, which being not yet come, Resolved that ours be forthwith clos'd, and copys thereof remitted the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: by Ship Benjamin.

Ordered that Pag^s: Twenty five be paid Wotta Ling[a] Town Conicopley for three m^o: ending the Ult^o: Jan^{ry}: last.

THO: PITT. M: EMPSON.
FRANCIS ELLIS. THOM: MARSHALL.
RO: BRADDYLL. JOHN MEVERELL.
THO: WRIGHT.

Last night Ship Benjamin John Brown Comand^r: arrived from Metchlepatam [on] whom M^r: Thomas Lovell took his passage and brought a Generall Lre from himself & c^o: ffactors at Metchlepatam, and the Captain comeing on shore this morning brought the Pacquets from Bengall and Vizagapatam containing Papers as Ψ their Lists inclosed.

SATURDAY
d^o:

ATT A CONSULTATION *Extraordinary*

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

Gen^l: Letters received, read.

Generall Letters from Anthony Testard on board Ship Benjamin in Pibley road dated 19th: December last, from Metchlepatam dated 30th: January last, from Vizagapatam dated 8th: January last, from Bengall dated 12th: December last, all read.

Paymaster pays in Pag^s: 472: 8: 4 for which bills to be given him on ye: Com-

M^r: Matthew Empson Paymaster pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Cash Pag^s: 472: 8: 4 being further part of the Estate of M^r: Batson Pearson Deceased. Order'd that Bills be given him by us on the Company payable to his relations in England.

Nath^l: Higginson pays ye: Ballance of his Mint Accont.

Nathaniel Higginson Esq^r: pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Cash nineteen fauams and Five Cash, as the Ballance of his Mint account.

Ship Benjamin from Bengall to be unladen, and bale Goods to be continued on board.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper immediately send off Boats to unlade all the Packing Stuff, Match and Rice on Ship Benjamin from Bengall, and to continue the 1,100 bags Salt-petre being her Charterparty Kintelage: also the Vizagapatam and Metchlepatam bales, except three of Stript Betteelas brown from Vizagapatam to be wash'd and that the following Bales be sent for on shore to be View'd Viz^t:

		Vizagapatam.						
LCO	No. 4: 5: 6	Bales 3	
SALO	" 3: 4: 5	" 3	
SCO	" 1: 2: 3	" 3	
SB	" 1: 2: 3	" 3	
							Bales ... 12	

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Metchlepatam.

	No.	1	2	3	Bales	3
LFC. Lougelothe fine	1	1	1
GS. Gingham Sheets	1	1	1
BP. Book Percolla's	1	...	...	...	1	1
CH. Chints Ordinary	1	...	...	...	1	1
SALF. Salampores fine	1	...	...	...	1	1
IZ. Izaries	4	...	...	...	1	1
OB. Oringall Betteela's	1	...	...	...	1	1
GB. Gulcondah Betteela's	8	8+	...	...	2	2
R. Romalls Saturgunties	21	...	...	...	1	1
CFH. Chints fine	45	...	...	...	1	1
SFP. Salpieada's flower'd	15	...	...	...	1	1
A. Alajars	1	...	...	...	1	1
CP. Collowaypoo's	1	...	...	...	1	1
SD. Sadderunocheres	1	...	...	...	1	1
CB. Chints Brampore	1	...	...	...	1	1
DBP. Diapers large	4	...	...	...	1	1
DSP. Ditto Small	2	...	...	...	1	1
SPP. Salpieadas plain	15	...	...	...	1	1

Bales ... 1

THO: PITT.
 FRANCIS ELLIS.
 RO: BRADDYLL.
 THO: WRIGHT.
 M: EMPSON.
 THOM: MARSHALL.
 JOHN MEVERELL.

Received [Du]plicate of Fort St: David General Letter dated the 2^d: and 3^d: 6th instant, inclosing Invoice and Bill Lading for two hundred bales Ship on Sloop St: Antonio, Peter Eyes master amount to Pag^a: 23,184: 29.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Metchlepatam of this Date with Invoice of 7 Sundrys for Presents sent on a Boat amount to Pag^a: 151: 35: 5.

ATT A CONSULTATION

WEDNES-
 DAY D^o:

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
 FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
 THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
 THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

The Cash being very low, and having severall Bills lately drawn on us and Bonds at Interest for considerable Sums, and M^{rs}: Dorothy Phrip having indors'd to M^r: Thomas Wright the Tryamong Bill for Pag^a: 583: 8: 3 (his receipt being taken) Order'd that a Bond be given him for the same.

Money taken
 up at Intrest
 & why.

Generall Letters from Fort St. David dated the 29th: January 2^d: & 3^d: february last, read.

Letters
 received,
 read,
 Soldier hath
 liberty to go
 for England
 at his request

Thomas Davis Soldier having Serv'd his covenanted time and requesting leave to go for England on Ship Benjamin It is accordingly granted him.

Ordered that Pag^a: one hundred & fifty be paid Thomas Harris being for one Bill drawn by the Governour and Councill of Fort St: David dated the 29th: January last.

Fort St:
 David bill
 for 150
 pag^a: or-
 der'd to be
 paid.
 Europeans
 Discharg'd
 and enter-
 tain'd the
 gunroom.

Order'd that Robert Saltmarsh be Discharg'd from the Gunroom at his request, and that John Richardson be Entertain'd.

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[7TH]

Freight
recd: by
Capt:
Brown dis-
allow'd.

The Agent &c^a: Councill having remitted us a List of Goods and Treasure sent hence to Bengall & Ship Benjamin, whereof Cap^t: Brown claim's as his right to receive, which being refer'd to us It is Agreed he be not allow'd it, but that hee reimburse the same, being Sixty two Rupees.

Board table
at Fort St:
David disap-
prov'd & a
Genl: table
order'd to be
kept.

Having had credible information that it gives a generall Dislike to the Companys Servant [s] being put to Board Table at Fort S^t: David, To prevent the inconveniencies that may attend it, It is resolved wee write them, that a Generall Table be continued there, the Deputy Gov^r: and Councill appointing a Discreate and frugall Steward.

Two Portuguez
Soldiers
from Wt:
Coast to be
allow'd pay
dureing their
passage
hither.
Pag: 36: 9
for Goods on
freight from
Wt: Coast
& Ship Ann
order'd to be
paid.

Two Portuguez Soldiers come by Ship Ann from the West-Coast, having requested pay dureing their Passage, Order'd that the Paymaster satisfies them.

Cap^t: Harnett delivering us an acco^t: of Goods sent on freight from the West-Coast & Ship Ann amounting to Pag^t: 36: 9, Order'd that the same be paid by the Warehousekeeper.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO. BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

9TH

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 5th: Instant with their Pacquet to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company to be sent & Ship Benjamin under a flying Seal, and copy of their Ledger letter I.

FRIDAY
D^o:

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

Mr: Wm:
Soame his
Expences on
the Comp^t:
Paggar
deliv'd: in &
given the
Accompts:
for examina-
tion.

Nathaniel Higginson Esq^r: delivers in an acco^t: of M^r: William Soame his Expences Pagering & building on the Companys compound in Acheen dureing his residence there, whereby appears due to the R^t: Hon^r: Company on Ballance Tale 6: 7 of the one hundred Tale deliver'd him by M^r: Enoch Walsh &c^a: for that purpose. Said acco^t: is order'd to be deliver'd the Accomptant to Examine and hee to make his report thereof.

Fort St:
David bill for
3654 pag:
order'd to be
paid.

Ordered that Three thousand six hundred fifty four Pag^t: be paid Thomas Pitt President, being for one Bill drawn by the Gov^r: & Council of Fort S^t: David dated the 5th: Instant.

Nathl: Hig-
ginson Esq^r:
requests
leave to go
for England
wth: in
granted.

Nathaniel Higginson Esq^r: delivers in a Paper (as entered next after this Consultation) requesting our Order to the Commander of Ship Benjamin, to receive him and family with necessarys on board for England, and to afford him such Privilege in accommodation and Tonnage as the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company allow to their returning Servants.

It is Resolved that an Order be given the Com^r: for receiveing him and family aboard with his necessarys, and to allow him the accomodation of the great

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Cabbin : and the Warehousekeeper do give orders for receiveing such Goods of his aboard as the R^t : Hon^r : Comp^a : have Directed to their returning Presidents.
 Ordered that the Paymaster do muster Ship Benjamins Company.

Ship Benja-
 mins Compa:
 to be
 muster'd.

M^r : Thomas Wright Sea Customer delivers in a Paper (as entred after this Consultation) giving his reasons why the Customs for the year 1699 falls so much short of the preceeding year.

Paper deli-
 ver'd why ye:
 Sea customs
 is lessen'd for
 the year
 1699.

Frances Monke &c^a : late Arrac farmers pay into the R^t : Hon^{ble} : Companys cash Three hundred Pagodas on that account : and Vincatee Kisna &c^a : late Tobacco farmers Seven hundred & fifty Pagod^a : on that account and M^r : Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper Two hundred & fifty Pagodas on Acco^t : Goods sold.

The late
 Arrac
 farmers pays
 in 300 pa:
 on that
 acct^t :
 late Tobacco
 farmers 750
 pa^s : on that
 acct^t : &
 Warehouse-
 keeper
 pays 250
 pag^a : on
 acct^t : Goods
 sold.

Ordered that One thousand Pagodas be paid M^r : Matthew Empson Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison.

Paga: 1000
 order'd ye:
 Paym^r: to
 defray char-
 ges.

Captain John Brown Comander of Ship Benjamin requesting liberty to bring ashore some brown cloth to whiten only, and that at Exportation he may be excused paying custom.

Capt: Brown
 requests to
 be exous'd
 payg: cus-
 tom on
 brown cloth
 Imported but
 not low'd.

The R^t : Hon^{ble} : Companys orders being so possitive that all Goods Imported & Exported pay them their due Custom of five Cent. It is resolved by Majority, that he cannot be excused from paying the same.

Generall Letter from Fort S^t : David dated the 5th : Instant, read.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper do use all expedition in the Ladeing of Ship Benjamin, sending off the Charterparty proportion of Redwood and the fine bale goods.

All expedi-
 tion to be
 us'd for the
 Lading Ship
 Benjamin.

THO : PITT.
 FRANCIS ELLIS.
 RO : BRADDYLL.
 THO : WRIGHT.
 M : EMPSON.
 THOM^t : MARSHALL.
 JOHN MEVERELL.

TO THE HON^{BLE} : THOMAS PITT ESQ^R :
 PRESID^T : & GOVERN^R : & C^A : COUNCILL.

I request your Hon^r : &c^a : will please to grant me an order to the Comander of Ship Benjamin for receiveing mee & my family (with necessary's) as Passengers for England, and for affording mee such Privilege in accommodation and Tonnage as the R^t : Hon^{ble} : Company have been pleased of their accustomed Goodness to allow to their returning Servants.

Nath:
 Higginson
 Esqr: his
 request to
 go for
 England.

Your Hon^r : &c^a : Most hum^{ble} : Serv^t :
 NATH^t : HIGGINSON.

Fort S^t : George 8th Feb^r : 1699-1700

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TO THE HON^{ble}: THOMAS PITT ESQ^r: PRESIDENT &
GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^t: GEORGE & C^a:

Hon^{ble}: S^r:

Reasons why
the customs
for the year
1699 are
lessen'd .

According to your Hon^{rs}: order have perused the Sea-Custom Acco^{ts}: for the years 1698 and 1699 by which find the reason why the Sea-Custom Acco^{ts}: for 1699 comeing so much shorter then the preceeding year, arises cheifly in the Armenians & Moors Trade from Bengall, and for want of our Annuall China & Manilha Ships, which by some misfortune was detained the last year in Manilha & China, and but two of them as yet arrived, and it is my opinion, that this year will not amount to so much as last first, because of the many great Traders that have and are adrawing in their stoc[ks] in order for England, which undoubtedly will much lessen the number of Ships belonging to this Port, Secondly for fear of the Pirats which are grown very numerous in these parts, and Thirdly, for want of a Moors Army in this Country, which for many years past, has taken off vast Quantitys of all sorts of foreigne Comoditys. I am

Hon^{ble}: S^r:Yo^r: Most Hum^{ble}: Servant

THO: WRIGHT.

Fort S^t: George 7th Feb^r: 1699-1700

10th

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated 7th: Instant.

The following order was sign'd by the Governour and Councill.

SATURDAY

d^o:

Bales 200
from Fort
St: David to
be unladen.

Sloop S^t: Antonio Peter Eyes Master being arriv'd: this afternoon from Fort S^t: David with Two hundred Bales Calicoes of the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys, It is resolved (being now late) that M^r: James Eustace go off on Monday morning early and Traverse the said bales on Ship Benjamin, takeing great care to compare the Boatswains receipts with the marks & numbers in said Sloops Bill Lading, which is to be deliver'd him for his Government and that he send ashore the following bales as they come to hand for our viewing. Vizt.

SALO.	Salampores—							Bale.
	No. 4	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
								2
BET.	Betteelas fine—							
	No. 25	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
	28	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
								2
BETP.	Shady Betteela's—							
	No. 1	1
	2	1
								2
NECF.	Neck cloths fine—							
	No. 38 +	1
	3: O	1
								2
SVC.	Succatoms—							
	No. 1	1
	2	1
								2

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LCOB. Long Cloth Brown—	Bale.
N ^o : D	1
	Bales ... 11

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCOIS ELLIS.
ROG: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THO: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship S^t: Antonio Juerda Mendez Poilot saild for Fort S^t: David. 11

ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY
12

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCOIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

Generall Letter to the R^t: Hon^r: Company to be sent by Ship Benjamin of this date to Par: 34 read & approved.

Ordered that Pag^a: Two thousand seven hundred be paid Sen^r: Mattheus Carvalho de Silva being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Govern^r: & Councill of Fort S^t: David dated the 2^d Instant.

Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 7th: Instant, read.

The Governour and Councill having been at the Godown to view the Vizagapatam and Metchlepatam Goods brought upon y^e: Benjamin, and finding the Betteela's from Vizagapatam very course and extravagantly dear, and the Goods in generall the same for Metchlepatam, in so much, that wee [have] just reason to be jealous that the Company at neither places are fairly dealt with.

Wherefore 'tis resolved that the warehousekeeper takes three peices of each out of the Vizagapatam bales of Betteela's, and that hee with M^r: Lovell present, takes three peices of each bale of the Metchlepatam Goods, each of them affixing their seals to the peices in order that so soon as the Benjamin is Dispatch'd, a strict scrutiny be made into those Investments, that the Comp^a: may have immediate reperation if found to be injur'd.

M^r: Thomas Lovell being upon the Place, was sent for before us, and Examined to severall particulars relating to the Investments he had made at Metchlepatam, to which he gave intricate and Disatisfactory answers, and it being demanded of him his accounts, he answer'd, he had left them at Metchlepatam to be finished and had brought none with him, not so much as a Day Book.

Letter to the Company, part read. Fort St: David bill for 2700 Order'd to be paid. Letter received, read. Vizagapatam & Metchlepatam Goods view'd by Gov^r: & Councill, and found to be bad. Three ps: to be taken & kept in order to a strict Scrutiny.

Mr: Tho: Lovell examin'd about the Metchlepatam Goods.

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THURSDAY
15th

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
 FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
 THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
 THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

Ship Benjamin's Company SS.
 Warehouse-keeper pays 3000 pag^a: on Acco^t: Silver sold.

M^r: Matthew Empson reports the Muster of Ship Benjamin's men to be Eighty eight.

M^r: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon: Companys Cash Three thousand Pagoda's on Acco^t: Silver sold.

Fort S^t: David Goods upon View being found bad, three p^a: of each sort to be kept for examination.

Upon viewing the Eleven bales of Fort S^t: David Goods sent on shore from Sloop S^t: Antonio and finding them not to answer expectation, The warehouse-keeper and M^r: Mead (being present) are ordered both to affix their Seals on three peices indifferently to be taken out by them of each bale for our Examination into their Investments.

Bengall Canvas 160 p^a: to be Laden on Ship Benjamin for England.

There remaining in the Godown 342 p^a: Bengall Canvas which have lain some considerable time and being too great a quantity for Sale here, It is resolved that 160 peices be sent home p Ship Benjamin, and the like number on Ship E^t: India Merchant when she arrives from Bengall.

THO: PITT.
 FRANCIS ELLIS.
 RO: BRADDYLL.
 THO: WRIGHT.
 M: EMPSON.
 THOM^s: MARSHALL.
 JOHN MEVERELL.

FRIDAY
16thATT A CONSULTATION *Extraordinary**Present*

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
 ROGER BRADDYLL
 THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
 THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

Former Order for paying 2 p Cent on Diamonds &c^s: Jewells recall'd & why.

The Order of Consultation dated 9th: October 1699 for paying two p Cent here by such persons as shall Lade Diamonds, Pearls, &c^s: Jewells standing still in force, wee beleive to be the reason none hath been brought in and Registered as formerly, which occasions an apparent Loss to the Company, wherefore 'tis unanimously resolved, that the aforessaid Order be recall'd, and notice given to all persons, that they may bring in their Diamonds, and Register 'em upon the same Term's as formerly.

THO: PITT.
 FRANCIS ELLIS.
 RO: BRADDYLL.
 THO: WRIGHT.
 M: EMPSON.
 THOM^s: MARSHALL.
 JOHN MEVERELL.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1699-1700—

Ship Kisna Pressader, Crumados Narrain Tandell arrived from Jackernott. 17TH
 This morning the wind blew very hard at East and gradually freshning, brought ashore Eight Boats at an anchor in this road, some having a considerable quantity of Paddy &c^a: Grain, which was all lost, but the wind abated towards the Evening.
 Yesterday Ship Humphry & Charles Will : folks Master arrived from Vizagapatam, by whom received Generall Letter from the Cheif &c^a : Councill dated 30th: January last. 20
 Ship Simon John Phowden Master sailed for Vizagapatam.
 Sloop S^t: Antonio Peter Eyes Master sailed for Vizagapatam. 21
 Brigantine S^t: David Edward Fort Master arrived from Malacca and Fort S^t: David.
 This night via Policherry received a Generall Letter from the Agent &c^a : Councill of Bengall dated 29th : January last sent by a French Ship, adviseing the Loss of Ship East India Merchant on the Eastward Sand going from the new Deeps, but the Pacquet mention'd to be saved is not yet received from Policherry.
 About six a clock this morning Ship Benjamin fired a Gun signifying her 22 being full.

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY
22^D

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
 FRANCIS ELLIS
 THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
 THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

The President read his Mint Acco^t: for the month January last Viz^t:
 To Custom of Gold coin'd in y^e : Mint Pag^a : 77 : 9 : 20.
 To Custom of Silver coin'd ... Rup^a : 506 : 11 : —
 and pays the Ballance Viz^t: Pag^a : 318 : 4 : 4 into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash, and Rup^a : 3871 : 13 : 0 to the Warehousekeeper.
 Further part of the Generall Letter to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company dated the 12th : Instant, from Paragraph 34, to 48 read and approved.

Mint Acco^t :
for JAN^y :
read.

Further part
of a Letter to
the Company
read.

M^t: John Meverell Land Customer read his Acco^t: Land Custom for the month January last, particulars Viz^t:

Land Custom
Acco^t : for
m^o : JAN^y :
read &

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	...	Pag ^a : 339 : 19 : 50
Trivlecane Custom	...	...	...	...	," 0 : 3 : 10
Rubie Brokers	...	...	...	...	," 22 : 16 : 70
Cloth Brokers	...	...	...	...	," 2 : 10 : 38
Town Rents	...	...	...	...	," 71 : 6 : 69
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	...	," 0 : 32 : 0

Pag^a : 486 : 16 : 77

and pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Companys Cash Four hundred thirty four Pag^a: on that Acco^t :
 Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated 30th: January last, and from Bengall dated the 29th: ditto, read.

Pag^a : 434
paid on that
Acco^t :
Letters re-
ceived, read

THO : PITT.
 FRANCIS ELLIS.
 RO : BRADDYLL.
 THO : WRIGHT.
 M : EMPSON,
 THOMAS MARSHALL.
 JOHN MEVERELL.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1699-1700 —

23

Received Generall Letter from Mess^{rs}: Woolston and Noden at Metchlepatam dated the 7th: Instant, with copy of a Paper sent by Sr: W^m: Norris Barr^t: Ambassador to the great Mogull to said M^r: Woolston, forbidding his making any address or applycation to any Minister of the Mogulls, without his knowledge and permission.

FRIDAY
23rd

ATT A CONSULTATION *Extraord^y* :

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

Letters re-
ceived, read.
Latter part
of a Letter to
the Company,
read.

Generall Letter from Mess^{rs}: Woolston and Noden at Metchlepatam dated the 7th: Instant, Also the latter part of the Generall Letter to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company to be sent by Ship Benjamin dated the 12 & 22^d: Instant, read and approved.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

SATURDAY
24

ATT A CONSULTATION *Extraord^y* :

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

The Accom-
ptants Answer
to the Audi-
tor Generalls
Letter read
& approv'd.

M^r: Francis Ellis Accomptant produces his answer dated this Day to the Auditor Generalls Letter, which being read and approv'd by us, hee is order'd to sign it.

The following Letters &c^a: were sign'd Viz^t:
To the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company dated the 12th: & 22^d: Ins^t:
Abstract of Ditto Letter.
To the Company, a Duplicate, Dat: 1^{mo}: & 13th: Oct^r: last all to be sent Ship Benjamin.
And Cap^t: John Brown Com^r: of Ship Benjamin his Dispatch for England.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

25th

Early this morning deliver'd Cap^t: John Brown his Dispatch, and about ten a clock Ship Benjamin saild for England.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1699-1700 —

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY
29TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEYRELL

Order'd that Pag^s: 4642: 31: 3 be paid Cap^t: William Brooke, being both Principal & Interest due on a Bond dated the 20th: October last.

The President pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Companys cash Pag^s: Five hundred & twenty, being for the permission of Passage of the following persons on Ship Benjamin for England Viz^t:

Interest Bond discharg'd. Pag^s: 620 paid in for permission of Passengers in ye: Benjamin.

Nath ^l : Higginson Esq ^r : Pa: 26	Bro ^t : over Pag ^s : 208
Elizabeth Higginson 26	Abraham Plymer 26
Elizabeth Higginson 26	Charles Metcalf 26
Richards Higginson 26	Mary Metcalf 26
Nath ^l : Higginson Jun ^r : .. 26	Carolina Metcalf 26
Sarah Higginson 26	William Metcalf 26
Mary Large 26	William Proby 26
Alvaro Dafonseca 26	Aron Cohen 26
	Five Slaves 130
Pag ^s : 208	Pag ^s : 520

M^r: Thomas Wright Sea Customer pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Companys Cash Pag^s: Six hundred on Acco^t: Sea-Customs, and M^r: John Meverell Land Customer Pag^s: 30: 14: 56 being for ten months Town Conicopies Duty at the Choultrey ending January last.

On acco^t: Sea customs paid in Pag^s: 600 & Pag^s: 30: 14: 56 for ten mo^s: Town Conicopies duty. Pag^s: 1000 order'd the Paymaster to defray charges. Warehouse-keeper pay^s Pa: 16142: 31: 40 on acco^t: Goods sold and read his Jan^y: mo^s: Acco^t:

Ordered that Pag^s: One thousand be paid M^r: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

M^r: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Companys cash Pag^s: 16142: 31: 40 on Acco^t: Goods and Silver sold, and read his warehouse Acco^t: for the month January last.

Letters sent, read.

Generall Letters to Bombay dated the 26th: to Surat and Anjengo dated the 27th: Instant, all read and sign'd.

Interest bond Discharg'd.

Ordered that Pag^s: 5157: 18: 0 be paid Mahomet Labe and Nenam Mestre, being both the Principal and Interest due on a Bond dated the 23^d: October last.

M^r: Francis Bett Prov^l: Storekeeper read his Storekeepers accounts for the months of December and January last, and pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Comp^s: Cash Two hundred Pag^s: on acco^t: Stores sold.

Storekeepers Acco^ts: for mo^s: Dec^r: & Jan^y: read and paye 200 pag^s: for stores sold.

Ordered that Pag^s: one hundred & forty be paid M^r: Francis Bett & Co^a: Owners of Sloop S^t: Anthony, being in full for the freight of Two hundred bales at Fort S^t: David the Master having received Ten Pag^s: there of the Deputy Gov^r: and Councill.

Freight for Fort S^t: David bales order'd to be paid.

There being about Thirty Garse Wheat in the Godown received last year from Bengall, and beginning to be worm eaten, Ordered that the Warehouse-keeper sell Twenty Garse by Outcry.

Wheat 20 Garse to be sold & why.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1699—1700—

[29TH]

Ensign
Gardners
Comission
to be taken
away & why.
An Ensigns
Comission
to be drawn
for Wm:
Read.

Ensign John Gardner whose Comission was formerly taken away, upon complaints made of his intemperance by Drink and other misdemeanours; and promising to reclaim, was on the 21st: July last restor'd again, since which time his behaviour giving us no better hopes of amendment, It is resolved (for Example sake) he be Degraded, by cancelling his Comission at the head of y^e: Company and that an Ensign's Comission be drawn out for Serj^t: William Read, esteeming him the fittest person.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

MARCH
2^{mo}:

Dispatch'd Ψ Pattamar the following Generall Letters Viz^t: To Anjengo dated the 27th: past.

To Surat of ditto Date, and to Bombay dated the 26th: past, incloseing Duplicate of our Letter to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company Ψ Ship Benjamin dated the 12th: & 22^d: past, and a short Letter to them of this Date.

Ship Chinna Caddu John Twyman Master arrived from Fort S^t: David, by whom received Generall Letter from the Deputy Gov^r: & C^o: Councill dated the 26th: past incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading for 170 bales amounting to Pag^s 11055: 25: 5.

FRIDAY
2^{mo}:

The following order was sign'd by the Presid^t: & Councill.

170 bales
from Fort
S^t: David to
be unladen.

Ship Chinna Caddu being just now arrived from Fort S^t: David with one hundred & seventy bales Calicoes belonging to the R^t: Hon^r: Company Order'd that the Warehousekeeper send off Boats early tomorrow morning to unlade the said bales.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
ROGER BRADYLL.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

MONDAY 4

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATT: EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

Letter re
ceived, read.
The State of
the northern
factorys laid
before y^e:
Councill and
what
methods to
be taken.

Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 26th: February last, read.
The Governour laying before the Councill the State of the Company's Affairs at Metchlep^m: and Vizagapatam, and pressing the urgent necessity of sending one of the Councill, to Inspect into the late Investments made by M^r: Lovell & C^o: at the former place; and to secure the great Remains at Vizagapatam, as also to [make] an Investment at Metchlepatam for the September Ship,

M^r: Brad-
dyll esteem'd
fittest to
Vissit the
No^rern: fac-
torys.

All esteeming M^r: Roger Braddyll in a [II] respects the properest person, desires he may be equip'd with all expedition to undertake the same.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1699-1700—

[4th]

Ordered that the following Stores be provided by the storekeeper and Laden on board Ship Chinne Caddu for Fort S^t: David Viz^t:

Stores to be provided and sent to Fort St: David.

Gunn Carriages	...	...	...	...	...	6
Axel trees	...	...	...	...	...	24
Rope	...	...	...	...	Coil's	2
Plank large	...	...	...	...	P ^t :	10
Jaggary	...	...	...	...	Candys	20

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

It's said M^r: [H]olcombe hath Effects in this Town to answer all the Companys demands, therefore I am of opinion that satisfaction ought to be Demanded of him, the which if he renders not, then a resolution ought to be taken to reduce him to compliance.

The Metchlepatam business is not to be Inspected but by one that can stay there to make an Investment, which is not required of me, nor do I esteem it consonant with the Companys orders, therefore humbly crave leave to be excused.

Mr: Braddylls paper desiring to be excus'd proceeding to the northern factories.

RO: BRADDYLL.

Ship Chinne Caddu John Twyman Master Sail'd for Fort S^t: David by whom sent General Letter to the Deputy Gov^r: &c^s: Council of yesterdays Date incloseing Invoice & Bill Lading for Sundrys amount 10 Pag^s.

Ship Dolphin George Weoley arrived from Syrian in Pegu, by whom received Generall Letter from M^r: Thomas Bowyear Resident there dated the 2^d: February last.

ATT A CONSULTATION

FRIDAY 8

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR	
FRANCIS ELLIS	ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT	MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL	JOHN MEVERELL

The President read his Acco^t: of the R^t: H: Comp^s: Cash for the month February last, the Ballance being Pag^s: 8611: 13: 0:

Comp^s: Cash for mo: febr: read.

M^r: Thomas Wright Sea-Customer read his Acco^t: Sea-Customs for the month January last, particulars Viz^t:

Sea Customer read his acco^t: for mo: January

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month	...	...	...	...	...	Pag ^s : 449: 5: 5
To Custom on Grain	...	...	...	...	..	418: 7: 0
To Anchorage & Tonnage	...	...	...	...	..	86: 8: 0
						Pag ^s : 953: 20: 5

Generall Letter to Vizagapatam dated the 6th: Instant, read.

Generall Letter sent, read.

Peter de Pomera &c^s: Arrac farmers pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Cash Pag^s. Two hundred and fifty on that account for one month ending the 14th: february last.

[8TH]

—FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1699-1700—

Generall Letter from M^r: Thomas Bowyear at Pegu dated the 2^d: February last, read.

THO : PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

- 9TH By a countrey Boat Dispatch'd Generall Letter to the Cheif &c^a: Councill at Vizagapatam dated the 6th: Instant.
- 10 Ship S^m: Mareia Coja Saffer Noqueda arrived from Pegu.
Ship Mahomadee [*Lacuna in the original*] arrived from Porto Novo.
Ship Surat Salamat, Sommo Siddee Noquedah arrived from Vizagapatam.
- 11 Ship Messahia Thomas Plumb Master arrived from Pegu, on whom came M^r: Thomas Bowyear, Also arrived Parr Recovery Lockyer Watts Master from Pegu.
- 12 Ship Jerusalem Coja Abraham Noquedah arrived from Pegu.
Sloop Christean Quintus, Andrew Sombar Master arrived from Tringombar.
- 13 Ship Maddapollam Coja Issa Cooley Noqueda arrived from Pegu.
Ship Sedgwick John Mabb Master arrived yesterday from Acheen.
Ship Bone Vøyage [*Lacuna in the original*] arrived from Pegu.
Received ¶ french Cossed, Generall Letter from the President &c^a: Councill at Surat dated the 25th: December last, with copy of a clause of a Letter to Surat from the Generall &c^a: at Bombay dated the 16th: December.
- 14 Sloop Allee Madut Mahomadoo Issee Noquedah arrived from Acheen.

THURSDAY
14TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
 MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

The Councill being duly Summond.

Letter from
Surat, read.

Generall Letter from the President &c^a: Councill at Surat dated 25th: December last, read.

Warehouse-
keeper pays
10,800 pag^s:
on Acco^t:
Silver sold.
Pag^s: 1,000
Order'd ye:
Paym^t: to
defray
Charges &
Pag^s: 600
the washers
to cure the
Comp^s:
Cloth.

M^r: Roger Braddyll Warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash, Ten thousand Eight hundred Pagoda's on Acco^t: Silver sold.

Ordered that Pag^s: One thousand be paid M^r: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison and Pag^s: Five hundred to Paulo &c^a: washers to cure the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cloth.

THO : PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

- 15 Ship Mahomadee, Mahomadoo Hussen Noquedah arrived from Quedda and brought fourteen Elephants.
- 17 Received Generall Letter from M^r: Sam^l: Woolston at Maddapollam dated 28th: February last.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1699-1700—

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated 14th: Instant, with copy 18 of their Journall Letter to remain here and Acco^t: Cash from June last to the ^{ph^{mo}}: Instant.

Sloop Christean Quintus, Andrew Sombar saild this night for Tringombar. 20

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY
21

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS WRIGHT JOHN MEVERELL
THOMAS MARSHALL
The Councill being duly Suñon'd.

Generall Letters from M^r: Samuel Woolston at Maddapollam dated the 28th: February last & from Fort S^t: David dated the 14th: Instant, both read.

Order'd that Forty Seven Pag^s: be paid M^r: Daniel Chardin, being for one Bill drawn by the Deputy Gov^r: & c^a: Councill of Fort S^t: David dated y^e: 14th Instant.

Order'd that Martheus Marthenis Portuguez be entertain'd a souldier in this Garrison, & John Dennis in the Gunroom, and Davis Johnson Discharg^d: therefrom.

Order'd that Pag^s: One thousand be paid M^r: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

M^r: Richard Hunt Tobacco Mannager, read his Acco^t: of Tobacco sold for the months of January and February last, Viz^t:

For the month of January	...	...	...	Pag ^s : 567: 28: 0
For the month of February	...	...	...	„ 619: 4: 40
				Pag ^s : 1186: 32: 40

and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash One thousand Pag^s: on that account.

The President read his Mint Account for the month of February last, Viz^t:

To Custom of Gold coin'd, in the Mint	...	Pag ^s : 167: 30: 0
To Custom of Silver coin'd	...	Rup ^s : 347: 6: 0

There being very great want of Brimstone for makeing Powder, and some lately come from Acheen, Resolved that the Storekeeper buy up Ten candy for that use and that he Impresses one hundred Pag^s: for the procury of Plank prope[r] for Gun Carriages, as a Store.

The Paymaster is Order'd to sell at Outery, the Mare presented by the Poligar of Vellore Pollem woods, where our souldiers were stop'd, who deserted this Garrison the 6th: October last.

Whereas in a Letter to Metchlepatam of the 3^d: January last, wee Empower'd M^r: Tho: Lovell & c^a: to draw on Us to the amount of Five thousand Pag^s: if there was an urgent necessity for't, and not otherwise, and that if M^r: Lovell was come away, the Power of drawing on us, was Null'd; soon after the receipt of said Order, M^r: Lovell Embarqu'd on the Benjamin for this place, yet nevertheless, hee drew two Bills on us to the amount of Five thousand Pagodas, which wee esteem contrary to the intent of our order; judgeing his comeing away so soon after the receipt of it, to be Tantamount as if he had been come away before, in regard wee did not intend to intrust the Companys estate in the hands of those who were not their Covenant Servants.

Letters received, read.
Fort S^t: David bill order'd to be pd:
Portuguez entertain'd a Soldier & Mr: Dennis in y^e: Gunroom & anther discharg'd.
Pag^s: 1,000
Order'd y^e: Paym^r: to defray charges.

Tobacco Managers Acco^ts: for Jan^y: & feby: read &

Pag^s: 1,000 paid in on y^t: Acco^t: Mint Acco^t: for mo: feby: read.

Brimstone & c^a: to be bought by the Store-kee, or.

A mare to be sold by the Paymaster.

The factors at Metchlepatam allow'd to draw 5,000 pag^s: & Bill if necessity requir'd.

[21st]

— FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1699-1700 —

They give the reasons for the necessity of drawing and two bills for 5,000 pag^s: order'd to be paid.

These two Bills for Five thousand Pagodas, having been often presented us for acceptance, & was this day in Council brought again, upon which M^r: Lovell was sent for to lay before us the necessity there was for drawing these two Bills, whereupon he answers, that there being so small remains as about Thirteen hundred Pagodas, hee did it to keep the Merchants employ'd in the Company's Service, that so they might not all go over to the new Company to be Employ'd, which considering, as also the Credit of the Comp^a: the Bills being drawn by their factors, It is resolved, that the two Bills dated the 25th: Jan^{ry}: last for Five thousand Pagoda's be forthwith paid Viz^t: One for Pag^s: Two thousand five hundred to Indoor Tripite, the other for Two thousand five hundred Pagoda's to Quorala Railue as advised in their Letter dated the 30th: January last.

At Metchlepatam their Goods to lye unsorted & why.

And 'tis further Order'd that a Letter be wrote to Metchlepatam, that they hasten the getting in of the Goods, and to lett them lye unsorted till our further order, wee intending with all speed to send a Supervisor to Inspect and Direct the management of the Companys Affairs in those parts, and to settle a Cheif & Council for the better management thereof.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

23

Received General Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 20th: Instant. Also General Letters from M^r: Sam^l: Woolston at Metchlepatam dated the 6th: Instant and from Vizagapatam dated the 24th: February last.

MONDAY
25]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS WRIGHT JOHN MEVERELL
THOMAS MARSHALL
M^r: ROGER BRADDYLL *indispos'd*

Letters received, read.

General Letters from Fort S^t: David dated the 20th: Instant from M^r: Samuel Woolston at Metchlepatam dated the 6th: ditto, and from Vizagapatam dated the 24th: february last, all read.

Fort S^t: David bill for 1,200 pag^s: order'd to be paid. Land custom acct: for mo: Febr: read, and

Ordered that Twelve hundred Pag^s: be paid Mess^{rs}: Stephen Frewen and Thomas Wigmore, being for one Bill drawn by the Deputy Gov^r: & C^a: Council of Fort S^t: David dated the 20th: Instant.

M^r: John Meverell read his Land Custom Acco^t: for the month of February last, particulars Viz^t:

Choultrey Custom	...	...	...	...	...	Pag ^s : 329: 2: 5
Trivlecane Custom	...	...	...	...	...	„ 0: 10: 40
Rubie Brokers	...	...	...	...	...	„ 10: 28: 60
Cloth Brokers	...	...	...	...	...	„ 4: 12: 0
Town Rents	...	...	...	...	...	„ 39: 34: 28
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	...	...	„ 0: 8: 0

Pag^s: 384: 23: 53

Pag^s: 376 paid in on that acct: Acco^t: Salary ending y^e: 25th: March to be drawn out.

and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash Three hundred Seventy Six Pagoda's on that account.

Order'd that the Accomptant draw out the Acco^t: Salary due to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^a: Servants ending this Day.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1699-1700—

[25th]

M^r: Thomas Wright read his Acco^t: Sea Customs for the month of February last, particulars Viz^t:

Sea custom
Acco^t: for
month
February
read, &

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month	...	...	...	...	...	Pag ^s : 735: 12: 85
To Custom on Grain	...	...	...	...	...	" 1190: 34: 70
To Anchorage	...	...	...	...	...	" 38: 18: 0
To Salvage	...	...	...	...	...	" 17: 26: 25
						Pag ^s : 1980: 19: 5

and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Cash Eight hundred Pagoda's on that account and M^r: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper (by his Conicoplie) pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Comp^s: cash Two thousand Six hundred Pag^s: on Acco^t: Silver and Goods Sold.

Pag^s: 800
paid in on
y^t: acco^t:
Warehouse-
keeper pays
2,600 pag^s:
on Acco^t:
Silver and
Goods sold.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Loyall Captain Armiger Gostlin Comand^r: and M^r: Edward Fleetwood 28
Supra cargo arrived from Canton in China.

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY
28th

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BEADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

Generall Letters to Fort S^t: David and to Mess^{rs}: Woolston &c^a: at Metchlepatam dated the 28th: Ins^t: both read and approved.

Letters sent,
read &
approv'd.
Warehouse-
keeper pays
2,500 pag^s:
on acco^t:
Goods sold.
Acco^t:
Salary ending
26th: March
amo^t: Pa:
988: 20: 5
order'd to be
paid.

M^r: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash Two thousand five hundred Pag^s: on acco^t: Goods sold.

The Accomptant produceing the last half years salary due to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Servants of this place ending the 25th: Instant amounting to Pag^s: 983: 20: 5, Ordered that the same be paid.

In persuance of our Consultation dated the 4th: Instant, It is resolved that Instructions be drawn out for M^r: Roger Braddylls proceeding to Metchlepatam & Vizagapatam.

Instructions
for M^r:
Braddylls
proceeding
to ye: o: ern
factorys
order'd to
be drawn
out.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Sloop Mahomadee Fakery Mahomadoo Noqueda arrived from Malacca. 28
Ketch Chindatry Mussa Nina Noqueda arrived from Quedda and brought Six Elephants.

Ship Johanna Richard Rawlings Comander and M^r: John Dolben Supra cargo 29
arrived from Emoy in China.

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[29th]

Ship Friendship William Morrice Comander arrived from Fort S^t: David and Pegu, by whom received Generall Letter from the Dep: Gov^r: &c^a: Council dated the 26th: Instant, incloseing Bill Lading for 148 bales Calicoes Account the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company amounting to Pag^s: 8770: 10: 0.

FRIDAY D^o:

The following Order was sign'd by the Govern^r: and Council.

Fort St:
David bales
148 order'd
to be
unladen.

Ship Friendship being arrived from Fort S^t: David with one hundred forty eight bales Calicoes belonging to the R^t: Hon^r: Company, The Warehouse-keeper is therefore order'd to unlade the same.

THOMAS PITT.
ROGER BRADDYLL.
THOM^s: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.

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Ship Conjevaron John Carroon Pilot arrived from Manilha.

31

Ship Prospect Francisco Nunis Master arrived from Bengall.

[APRIL] 3^d.

By a Country Boat Dispatch'd General Letter to Mess^{rs}: Woolston and Rowland at Metchlepatam dated the 28th: March last.

Brigantine S^t: David George Weoley Master Sald for Bengall, by whom sent a Gen^l: Letter to the Agent &c^a: Council dated this Day.

4

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^t: David dat: the 28th: March last.

Yesterday Ship S^t: Pedro, Manuel Gonsalvis Commander came into this road from S^t: Thoma.

MONDAY D^o:

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

ROGER BRADDYLL

THOMAS WRIGHT

MATTHEW EMPSON

THOM^s: MARSHALL

JOHN MEYERELL

Comp^s:
cash for mo:
March read.
Paymasters
acc^{ts}:
for Jan^y: &
February
last, read.

The President read his Acco^t: of the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash for the month March last, the Ballance being Pag^s: 7402: 34: 2.

M^r: Matthew Empson Paymaster read his Acco^t: Disbursements for the months of January and february last particulars Viz^t:

Jan	: Charges Garrison	...	...	...	Pa: 1100: 35
	Factors Provisions	...	...	...	156: —
	Charges Extraordinary	...	...	...	11: 23
	Fort S ^t : David	...	...	...	—: 34
	Charges Generall	...	...	...	810: 11
	Charges Diet	...	...	...	285: —
	Charges Cattle	...	...	...	5: 7
	Fortifications & Repairs	...	...	...	50: 34

Pag^s: 1901: —

Feb ^r	: Charges Garrison	...	...	...	Pa: 1077: 17
	Charges Diet	...	...	...	310: 31
	Charges Merchandize	...	...	...	1: 11
	Charges Generall	...	...	...	333: 16
	Charges Cattle	38: 1
	Charges Extraordinary	6: 31
	Fortifications & Repairs	17: 26

Pag^s: 1785: 25

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[4th]

The President pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash Pag^s: 16 : 3 : 4 for so much lost out of the Mint, with which he is charged in the last Generall Books, and M^r: Roger Braddyll Warehousekeeper pays Five thousand Pagoda's on acco^t: Silver & Goods sold. Also M^r: John Foquet Rentall General pays Seven hundred fifty five Pag^s: and Six fan^s: on acco^t: Quit Rents.

Money on sundry acco^{ts}: paid into Cash.

The time being expired on the 10th: Feb^v: last for the Merchants bringing in their Goods contracted for the 14th: April 1699, It is Ordered that they forthwith attend the warehousekeeper, and he to lay before us in writing the arrears standing out to compleat the said Investment, and if any Differences arrises between him and the said Merch^{ts}: in settling their accounts, that he likewise lays the reasons before the Gov^r: and Councill.

The Merchants to adjust acco^{ts}: of their last Investm^t: wth: the warehousekeeper.

Order'd that Deo Gramash Portuguez be Discharg'd from the Garrison.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERRELL.

Received Generall Letter from M^r: Sam^l: Woolston &c^s: ffactors at 10th Metchlepatam dated the 26th: March last.

Ship Bowanee Sancarah arrived from Topatore.

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY
11

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT
THOM^s: MARSHALL JOHN MEVERRELL
M^r: EMPSON *indisnos'd*

Order'd that George Watts be discharg'd from the Gunroom at his request. Generall Letter from Mess^{rs}: Woolston & Noden at Metchlepatam dated the 26th: March last, read.

European Discharg'd ye: Gunroom.

Mr. Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Cash Three thousand Pag^s: on acco^t: Goods and Silver Sold, and M^r: Thomas Wright pays One thousand Pag^s: on Acco^t: Sea Custom's.

Warehousekeeper pays 3,000 pag^s: on acco^t: Goods &c^s: Sold & the Sencu-tomer 1000 pag^s: on yt^s: Acco^t:

Order'd that Antonio be entertain'd a Souldier in this Garrison.

European Entertain'd a Soldier.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERRELL.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated 8th: Instant, with 12th Invoice of the 148 bales Laden on Ship Friendship.

Ship Enattaly Abdula Ryhim arrived from Bengall.

Ship Prospect Francisco Nunis Master Sailed for Bengall.

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- 17 Ship Dolphin Lockyer Watts Sail'd for Pegu.
Ship St^r: Marcia, Coja Saffer Noqueda, Saild for Pegu.
- 18 Ship Acheen Merchant Samuel Hart Master arrived from Pegu.
Ship Mahomadee, Mahomud Assud saild for Pegu.
- 22 Received Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 31st: March last.
Sloop Christian Quintus, Andrew Sombar Mast^r: arrived from Tringombar.

MONDAY
22^d

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOM^r: MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

Late Arrac
farmers pays
into Cash 150
pas: on that
Accot:
Interest
bonds order'd
to be Paid.

M^r: Francis Monk &c^r: late Arrac farm^{rs}: pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}:
Companys cash One hundred fifty Pag^s: on that account.

Portugues
discharg'd
ys: Gun-
room.
Genl: Lre
&c^r: papers
from Fort
St: David,
read.

M^r: John Affleck presenting two Bonds at Interest Viz^t: one dated the 8th:
July last for Pag^s: Two thousand, and one dated the 14th: November last for
Pag^s: Five thousand, Order'd that they be paid, with the Interest thereon.

John Fernando was discharg'd the Gunroom at his request on the 15th:
Instant.

Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 8th: Instant, with the severall
papers therewith received, all read.

Torn cloth in
ys: Merch^{ts}:
hands to be
made into
Shirts
Warehouse-
keeper pays
2000 pas: for
Goods sold &
ys: Seacus-
tomer 900
pas: on ys:
accot:
Pag^s: 1000
Order'd the
Paym^t: to
defray
charges.

Order'd that all the torn cloth fitting both fine and course be made into
shirts.

Receiver of
ys: Custom-
house
delivers in a
Paper.

M^r: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Comp^s: cash
Two thousand Pag^s: on Acco^t: Goods sold, and M^r: Thomas Wright pays nine
hundred Pag^s: on Acco^t: Sea-Custom's.

Order'd that One thousand Pag^s: be paid M^r: Matthew Empson Paymaster
to defray charges Garrison.

Some being
fallen, the
other Beaten
Godowns are
to be pull'd
down.

M^r: Thomas Wigmore delivers in a paper (as entered next after this consul-
tation) which is refer'd to further consideration.

Part of the Beating Godowns being lately fallen, and the rest so defective, that
wee beleive they cannot long stand, It is therefore order'd that the Paymaster
pull the rest down.

Pag^s: 30: 18
paid into
cash for a
mare sold.

M^r: Matthew Empson Paymaster pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Cash
Pag^s: 30: 18 being for the Mare order'd to be sold at Outcry as pp Consultation
dated the 21st: March last.

Pag^s:
211: 12: 70
paid into
Cash for 13
mo^s: Town
Conicoplys
Duty at Sea-
Custom
house.

M^r: Thomas Wigmore Receiver of the Sea Customs pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}:
Comp^s: Cash Pa: 211: 12: 70 on Acco^t: Town Conicoplys Duty for thirteen
mo^{ths}: ending the ult^o: January last.

Storekeepers
acco^{ts}: for
mo: February
& March
read.

M^r: Francis Bett Prov^l: Storekeeper read his acco^{ts}: for the months of
February & March last.

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[22ND]

Peter de Pomera for Acco^t: of M^r: William Proby pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^a: Cash One hundred twenty five Pag^s: for half a year for the Wine Licence ending the 25th: March last.

Order'd that Three hundred Pag^s: be paid Paulo &c^a: Washers for cureing the R^t: Hon^r: Comp^a: cloth.

Peter de Pomera &c^a: Arrac farmers pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Comp^a: Cash Two hundred fifty Pag^s: on that acco^t: ending the 14th: March last.

The Garrison Store of Butter and Wheat being much decay'd, Order'd that the same be sold at Outcry.

Serjant Ignatius White lately come from Fort S^t: David by the Deputy Gov^r: &c^a: Councill's permission, now requesting our leave to bee Discharg'd, It is accordingly granted him.

Page: 125
paid into
Cash acco^t:
Wine Licence
ending 25th:
March last.
Page: 300
advanc'd to
yo: washers.
Page: 250
paid into
Cash Acco^t:
Arrac farm.
Damaged
Stores
Order'd to be
sold.
A Serjant
discharg'd at
his request.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIN.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVEBELL.

TO THE HON^{BLE}: THOMAS PITT ESQ^R: GOVERN^R:
OF FORT S^T: GEORGE &c^A: COUNCILL.

Hon^{ble}: S^r: &c^a:

You having by an Act of Councill dated the 7th: December last, made all Collectors of the Comp^a: Revenues answerable for what received, whether by themselves or the Conicopies. And also therein for security of such collectors have given them liberty to chuse their own Conicopies with the approbation of your Hon^r: &c^a: And that it shall be in the Officers power to take Security of all Conicopies that Officiate under him; which order being made in a very short time after I had enterd upon the employment I now am in, and therefore consequently, before I could have a true knowledge of the manner of collecting the customs, or of the persons by whom a great part must be received, was the only reason I did not make my applycation to your Hon^r: &c^a: sooner. But since I am better acquainted with that business, I humbly conceive, that it is not in the power of any Englishman to receive all the customs himself, because great part arises from importations made by blacke Merchants, Strangers; The Conicoplys that are now employed in collecting thereof have declared themselves incapable of giving security nor can I find any that are, and 'tis hardly to be expected that men which serve for about Eighteen pence a week can give such as is sufficient. For w^{ch}: reasons if your Hon^r: &c^a: pleasure is that the Receiver shall be answerable for what received by all the Conicopies self-preservation obliges me to acquaint you, that on those term's I dare not continue longer in that employ, being necessitated to trust such persons whose honesty is but poor Security. But if your Hon^r: &c^a: shall think fitt to order any method whereby the customs may be collected without such apparent hazard of ruin to the collector, I shall use my utmost diligence to put the same in execution, all which is humbly offer'd to your Hon^r: &c^a: consideration by

Receiver of
the Custom—
house his
paper,
declaring his
unwillingness
to continue
in that
Employ &
why.

S^{rs}: Y^{or}: most Obed^t: Servant

Fort S^t: George, 22^d: April 1700.

THO: WIGMORE.

Ship Noss Senhora Rosairo Anthony Norangy Coñander came into this 24 road from S^t: Thoma.

[24TH]

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The Companys Ship Rubie Zachariah Stilgo Master arrived from Bengall, by whom received Generall Letter from the Agent &c^a: dated the 7th: March last, with the severall papers as ^{is} List from N^o: 1 to 15.

THURSDAY
25

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOM^a: MARSHALL
The Councill being duly Summond

Generall
Letters
received,
read.

Generall Letters from Vizagapatam dated the 31st: March last, and from the Agent &c^a: of Bengall dated the 7th: March last, copy of their Letter dated the 13th: and 15th: January last (the Original whereof never came to hand) with the severall papers received in the Pacquet, all read.

Ship Rubie
from Bengall
order'd [to]
be unladen.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unlade the severall Goods sent by Ship Rubie from the Agent and Councill of Bengall.

Warehouse
Acco^t: for
m^{os}: Febru-
ary & March
read.

Mr: Roger Braddyll read his warehouse acco^t: for the months of February & March last.

Ship Rubie
supply'd
wth: an
Anchor &
Cable being
in want.

The Master acquainting us that Ship Rubie wants an Anchor and Cable. Order'd that the Storekeep^r: send off an Anchor of about 600 weight and a Coire Cable.

Acco^t: Re-
mains to ye:
30th:
Instant of
all charges
to be brought
in.

Order'd that the respective Officers bring in Acco^t: Remains to the 30th: Instant, of the severall charges under them.

The Joint
Stock
Merch^{ts}:
desire a
Vessell, hav-
ing Cloth at
Kisnapu:
Ship Rubie
spared for
that purpose.

The Joint Stock Merchants acquaints us, that at Kisnapatam about 15 Leagues to the N^o:ward, they have about 4 or 5,000 Pag^a: of Goods lying ready to put on board, and requesting our assistance in the procury of a Vessell to fetch them hither, promising to pay freight, which being consider'd. It is resolved that Ship Rubie be spared for that purpose, not having any present employ for her.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^a: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVEBELL.

26TH

Ship Greyhound [*Lacuna in the original*] Master arrived from Bombay and brought a Generall Letter from the Generall &c^a: Councill there dated the 5th: March last.

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Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^t: David of this date.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY
MAY 2

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

Sarsapah &c^s: Minters pay into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Cash Pag^s: 108 : 16 : 1 being what they stand indebted upon the former Gen^l: books.

Balance of the Minters Acco^t: paid into Cash.

M^r: Thomas Wright read his Sea Custom Acco^{ts}: for the month March last, particulars Viz^t:

Sea Custom Acco^{ts}: for March m^o: read.

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month	...	...	...	...	...	Pag ^s : 686: 4: 90
To Custom on Grain	...	...	...	...	...	" 463: 16: 25
To Anchorage	...	...	...	...	...	" 70: —: —
To Freight of Ship Neptune from Metchlepatam	...	...	...	...	...	" 15: 2: 2
To Freight of Ship Benjamin to Bengall	...	...	...	...	...	" 16: 29: 70
To Freight of ditto from Bengall	...	...	...	...	...	" 217: 7: 75

Pag^s: 1468: 25: —

The President read his Acco^t: of the R^t: H: Comp^s: Cash for the month April last, the Ballance being Pag^s: 10,954: 20: 5.

Companys Acco^t: Cash for April m^o: read.

M^r: John Meverell read his Land Custome Acco^{ts}: for the month March last, particulars Viz^t:

Land Custome Acco^t: for March m^o: read and

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	...	...	Pag ^s : 461: 17: 30
Trivlecane Custom	...	...	...	...	...	" —: 11: —
Rubie Brokers	...	...	...	...	...	" 22: 3: 15
Cloth Brokers	...	...	...	...	...	" —: 8: 15
Town Rents	...	...	...	...	...	" 4: 32: 35
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	...	...	" —: 2: —
Fines	...	...	...	...	...	" 2: —: —

Pag^s: 491: 24: 15

and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Cash Pag^s: Four hundred Eighty five on that account.

Pag^s: 485 paid into Cash on y^r: acco^t:

The President read his Mint Accounts for the month March last, particulars Viz^t:

Mint Acco^t: for March m^o: read.

To Custom of Gold coin'd in the Mint Pa: 188: 17: 40.
Generall Letter from Bombay dated 5th: March last, read.

M^r: Roger Braddyll Warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash One thousand Pag^s: on Acco^t: Goods sold.

Warehouse-keeper pays into Cash Pa: 1,000 for Goods sold.

Order'd that Pag^s: Twenty five be paid Woota Linga Town Conicopley for three months ending the ultimo April last.

Town Conicopley is paid 25 pag^s: for 3 moths:

The Warehousekeeper is Order'd to pay the Owner of Ship Friendship Pag^s: One hundred & Eleven being for Freight of 148 bales Calicoes at $\frac{3}{4}$ Pag^s: $\frac{3}{4}$ Bale received from Fort S^t: David and the Warehousekeeper also to deliver the Store-keeper forty Candy Salt-petre for making of Powder.

The Warehousekeeper to pay for y^e: freight of Bales from S^t: David and to deliver Peter for Powder.

[2ND]

— FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1700 —

Persons
and Money to
be sent to
Metchle-
patam to
carry on y^e :
Comp^d :
affairs.
Tobacco
Manager
Acco^t : for
March m^o :
read and pays
481 pag^s :
into Cash.

Ship John Baptista being suddainly design'd for Metchlepatam, It is therefore resolved that Ten thousand Pag^s : be sent thither on her and persons to manage the R^t : Hon^{ble} : Comp^s : Affairs.

Mr : Richard Hunt Tobacco Mañager read his acco^t : of Tobacco sold for the month March last, being Pag^s : 534 : 4 : 60 and pays into the R^t : Hon^{ble} : Comp^s : Cash Pag^s : Four hundred eighty one on that account.

THO : PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO : BRADDYLL.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM^s : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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Ship Sedgwick Henry Harnett Master Sail'd for Bengall, by whom sent a Generall Letter to the Agent &c^s : Councill dated the 6th : Instant incloseing copy of ours dated the 3^d : April last.

Ketch Recovery Andrew Goodman Master Sail'd for Bengall.

FRIDAY 10

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

ROGER BRADDYLL

THOMAS WRIGHT

MATTHEW EMPSON

THOM^s : MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL

People dis-
charg'd the
Gunroom.

Torn cloth
to be taken
in.

Copper to be
bought &
coin'd into
Cash.

Mint Acco^t :
for m^o :
April read &
Pag^s : 1103 :
12 : 20 as y^e :
Ballance p^d :
into Cash.

Pag^s : 1,800
paid into
Cash acco^t :
Goods sold.

Pag^s : 1,000
to be paid
ye : Paym^t :
for defraying
charges.

Letter to
Vizagapatam :
read & sign'd.
Ship Rubie
being crank

John Webster on the 4th : and William Aked on the 7th : Instant, were Dis-
charg'd the Gunroom at their request.

There being a great quantity [of] torn cloth in the Merchants hands, Order'd
that it be taken in at the former prizes.

The Paymaster is order'd to Buy five Candy of Copper and deliver it into the
Mint, for y^e : Coining of Dooda's & Cash, there being great want of them in
Town.

The President read his Mint Acco^t : for the month April last, particulars
Viz^t :
To Custom of Gold Coin'd in the Mint Pa : 747 : 0 : 60 and pays into the R^t :
Hon^{ble} : Comp^s : Cash Pag^s : 1103 : 12 : 20 as the Ballance, and Pag^s : 211 on acco^t :
Fanams Coin'd. Also pays 53 $\frac{1}{8}$ Dollars and Rup^s : 347 : 6 an^s : to the Ware-
housekeeper.

Mr : Roger Braddyll Warehousekeeper pays into the R^t : Hon^{ble} : Comp^s : Cash
Eighteen hundred Pag^s : on acco^t : Goods sold.

Order'd that one thousand Pag^s : be paid M^r : Matthew Empson Paymaster to
defray charges Garrison.

Generall Letter to Vizagapatam of this Date, read & sign'd.

Ship Rubie being represented by the Agent &c^s : Councill to be very crank,
and for that reason sent hither being unfit for their Service, It is therefore
Agreed a Note be Affixt at the Sea Gate, signifying that said Ship be Put up to

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[10TH]

Sale at Publick Outcry on Wednesday next being the 15th: Instant, and that the Sea Customer do Bid so far as Fifteen hundred Pagoda's. Order'd to be sold.

THO: PITT.
FRANCOIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^S: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 7th: Instant, with the severall papers as Ψ List from No. 1 to 9. 11

Ship Humphry & Charles, William Folks Master Sailed for Vizagapatam & Bengall, by whom sent a Generall Letter to the Cheif &c^a: Councill of the former place dated the 10th Instant, incloseing Invoice and the Boatswains Receipt for a small Box of Factors Provisions. 13

Generall Letter from the Dep: Gov^r: of Fort S^t: David dated the 12th: Instant, advise Ship Chamber frigate Cap^t: Thomas South Com^{mander}, being arrived there that day from Europe, and that severall other Ships are design'd for the Coast, Bay & Surat. 15

Ship Fame Cap^t: William Brown Com^{mander} arrived from England, on whom was S^r: Charles Eyre Knight President for Bengall. 16

S^r: Charles Eyre came on shore, with the Com^r. 17

Received Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dat: 28th April last Ψ Cossed accompanying Gen^l: Letter from Bengall dated 12th: March, with Journall Parcels and Acco^t: Currant taken out of their Books RR relating to this Place. 18

Ship Bone Scetterah Matt: Martin Com^{mander} arrived from Surat and Goa. 20

Ship Joan Baptista, Coja Chatoon Noqueda Sailed for Metchlepatam and Bengall. 21

S^r: Charles Eyre went on board about six a clock this evening, and in the night Ship Fame W^m: Brown Com^{mander} sailed for Bengall.

Received Generall Letter from the President &c^a: at Surat dated 4th: April last, with two Papers of what Past in Discourse between S^r: Nichola's Waite Consul, and President for the new Comp^s: Affairs, and Mess^{rs}: Somaster and Terne our Masters Servants.

ATT A CONSULTATION

WEDNESDAY 22

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR	
FRANCIS ELLIS	ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT	MATT: EMPSON
THOM ^S : MARSHALL	JOHN MEVERELL

Generall Letters from Fort S^t: David dated the 7th: & 12th: Instant, from Bengall dated the 12th: March last, from Vizagapatam dated the 28th: April last, and from the President &c^a: at Surat dated the 4th: April, all read. Letters from Sundry places, read.

Order'd that Pag^s: 554: 26: 20 be paid M^r: John Affeck, and Pag^s: Eighty nine to M^r: Thomas Marshall, being for two Bills of Exchange drawn by the Dep: Govern^r: &c^a: Councill of Fort S^t: David. Two bills drawn from Ft: St: David order'd to be paid.

The Sea-Customer reports that Ship Rubie being put up to Publick Outcry as Ψ Consultat: the 10th: Instant, none advanc'd above Five hundred and five Pagoda's. It is therefore Order'd that she be return'd to Bengall, from whence she was sent us. Ship Rubie not Selling for the Sum Limited is order'd for Bengall.

M^r: Thomas Wright Sea Customer pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Companys cash Fifteen hundred Pag^s: on that account. Pag^s: 1,500 paid into Cash Acco^t: Sea Custom.

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[22nd]

Paym^{ts}:
Acco^{ts}: for
mo^o: March
read.

M^r: Matthew Empson read his Paymast^{rs}: Acco^{ts}: for the month March last,
particulars Viz^t:

Charges Garrison	...	...	...	Pa:	1045: 7
Diet	...	...	...	"	390: 6
Charges Generall	...	...	...	"	289: 31
Factors Provisions	...	...	...	"	4: 22
Charges Cattle	...	...	...	"	121: 28
Charges Extraordinary	...	...	...	"	4: 18
Fort S ^t : David	...	...	...	"	2: 5
Acco ^t : Presents	...	...	...	"	35: 24
Fortifications and Repairs	...	...	...	"	40: 8

Pags: 1934: 5

The Trustees
of Hamon
Gibbons
dece^d:
deliver in
a Petition.

Mess^{rs}: John Styleman and George Lewis Trustees of M^r: Hamon Gibbons deceas'd, delivering in a Petition (as entred, after this Consultation) with an Account, Order'd that M^r: Ellis and M^r: Braddyll do Examine the York Fort and Indrapore Books &c^a: and report the same.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^a: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVEBELL.

To

THE HON^{BLE}: THOMAS PITT ESQ^s:
PRESIDENT & GOV^r: OF
FORT S^t: GEORGE &C^a: COUNCILL.

Hon^{BLE}: S^r: &c^a:

The Trustees
of Hamon
Gibbons
dece^d: their
Petition.

M^r: Hamon Gibbons Deceas'd did in his last Will and Testament order us his Trustees to Petition Your Hon^r: &c^a: to adjust his account with the E^t: Hon^{ble}: Company, and pay y^e: Ballance into our hands. Wee find by the Acco^t: taken from the Companys Generall Books both of Indrapore and this Place, that M^r: Gibbons has Credit for Pag^a: Eleven thousand Two hundred and Three, Thirty three fanams, and fifty one Cash which Books of Accounts were framed & adjusted by the Companys Covenant Servants, who, wee presume, were no ways Biased, but did Enter the Accounts faithfully, as they found them first Examining them that they were as they ought to be, However if your Hon^r: &c^a: do Know or suspect that there is any mistake or Error in any part of M^r: Gibbons Acco^t: wee humbly request that your Hon^r: &c^a: would please to appoint some fitt Persons (that will take Pains to do it faithfully) to Examine and adjust his acco^t: without favour or affection. Wee have noe reason to Beleive, that M^r: Gibbons did ever desire that wee should demand or receive more than what was really his due, and wee are so abundantly satisfied in your Hon^r: &c^a: Justice, that wee are very well contented to leave it to your Hon^r: &c^a: to Determine whether all or part only of M^r: Gibbons's Credit be due. And if your Hon^r: &c^a: will please to pay us what you really find is due, wee shall as in duty bound Pray for your Hon^r: &c^a: being.

Yo^r: Hon^{rs}: &c^{as}: most hum: Serv^{ts}:Fort S^t: George 20th: May 1700.

JOHN STYLEMAN.
GEORGE LEWIS.

25

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^t: David of yesterdays Date, incloseing Journall parcells and Memorandums to be enter'd in their Gen^l: Book's.

SATURDAY
25th

The Governour & Councill sign'd the following Order Viz^t:

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1700 —

[7th]Paym^r:
Acco^ts: for
April, read.M^r: Matthew Empson read his Paymasters Account for the month April last, Particulars Viz^t:

Charges Garrison	Pag ^s : 1,031: 26
Diet	" 299: 6
Charges Cattle	" 18: 9
Charges Generall	" 356: 29
Fort S ^t : David	" 1: 14
Fleet Point	" 858: 10
Charges Extraordinary	" 3: 17
Fortifications & Repairs	" 31: 11

Pag^s: 2,600: 14Arrac farmers pays
100 Pag^s: in
full of that
farm ending
Novr: 1699.
For Customs
at Cuddalore
Pag^s: 472:
32: 77 paid
into Cash
here.M^r: Frances Monk & c^a: late Arrac farmers pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Cash One hundred Pag^s: and is in full of the Arrac farm ending the last November 1699.Men entertain'd & Dis-
charg'd the
Gunroom.Order'd that Fort S^t: David have Credit for Pag^s: 472: 32: 77 being so much paid into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Cash here by the President, for Custom due from Moccum Nina at Cuddalore.Land Cust-
omers
Acco^ts: for
y^e: m^o:
April read &Harmon Bruinno was Entertain'd in the Gunroom the 24th: May last, and Charles Alleyn and Henry Green were on the 5th: Instant Discharg'd therefrom at their requests.M^r: John Meverell read his land Custom Acco^t: for the month April last, Particulars Viz^t:

Choultry Custom	Pag ^s : 474: 19: 40
Trivleocane Custom	" —: 9: 40
Rubis Brokers	" 191: 24: —
Cloth Brokers	" 6: 4: 20
Town Rents	" 10: 30: 60
Registring Slaves	" 1: 20: —

Pag^s: 685: —: —Pag^s: 678
paid into
Cash on that
Acco^t: also
1000 Pag^s:
by the
Warehouse-
keeper.
The Comp^s:
Cash for
May m^o:
read.
Pag^s: 1000
Order'd the
Paym^r:
Men Enter-
tain'd in the
Gunroom.
Generall
from Fort
S^t: David
read.
No more
Shirts to be
made.and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Cash Six hundred Seventy eight Pagoda's on that acco^t: and M^r: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays One thousand Pagodas on Account Goods sold.The President read his Acco^t: of the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Cash for the month May last, the Ballance being Pag^s: 15974: 23.Order'd that Pag^s: One thousand be paid M^r: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.Order'd that Thomas Crum and W^m: James be Entertain'd in the Gunroom.Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 29th: May last, read.

Order'd that no more Shirts be made then what cloth already deliver'd out for that purpose.

THO: PITT.
FRANCOIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1700—

The Governour and Councill sign'd the follow^s: Order Viz^t:

SATURDAY
8

It is order'd by the Gov^r: & Councill that the Warehousekeeper permitts Serapa &c^s: Joint Stock Merchants to take out of the warehouse a Bale or two of each sort & number of Cloth that they complain off as to the Sorting of it, and let 'em carry it into the Consultation room, where the Govern^r: & Councill will meet and compare 'em with the Musters.

A bale or two of each sort of Cloth to be compared with the Musters.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
ROGER BRADDYLL.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Deliver'd a Pass to Ship Acheen Merchant burthen Seventy Tonn Samuel Hart Comander bound on a trading Vayage to Bengall & Mocha.
Ship Gunnaputty arrived from Cocheen, Fran[cisco] Rebarah Master.

8th

MONDAY
d^o:

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOM^s: MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

Andrew Gate and John Child were Discharg'd the Gunroom and Stephen Couch the Garrison all on the 8th: Instant at their requests.

Men Discharg'd the Garrison.

M^r: John Affleck in behalf of himself and severall Merchants of this Place, makeing this day a Proposition to the Govern^r: & Councill of takeing off Silver to the Amount of Fifty thousand Pagodas Certain, and not exceeding 70,000 Pagoda's, Conditionally, that a Europe Ship arrive by the 20th: Instant, and that he has then a Ship ready for China, or later to receive the Treasure if he requires it, and to pay the Company at the rate of Tenn Pag^s: for 17 $\frac{1}{4}$ weighty Dollars; which Proposition is accepted.

Proposition of takeing off Silver at 17 $\frac{1}{4}$ Doll^s: for Ten Pag^s: accepted.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Governour & Councill sign'd the following Order Viz^t:

TUESDAY
11th

Whereas there lyes in the Companys Warehouse, about One thousand peices of turn'd out Long Cloth Ordinary, 'Tis propos'd by y^e: Gov^r: (there being a Ship ready to go for Manilha) to take the said Long Cloth, and he will oblige himself to redeliver to be sorted up to their present Musters for England, as many peices into the Companys Warehouse on, or before the 10th: of September next, the Joint Stock Merchants having agreed to itt, and is also agreed by us.

Turn'd out Long Cloth to be recd: by the Gov^r: he delivering the like quantity, Good.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOM^s: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THO: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1700 —

13 Received General Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 10th: Instant.
 14 Ship Acheen Merchant Samuel Hart Comand^r: sail'd for Bengall.
 14 Dispatch'd General Letter to Fort S^t: David of Yesterdays Date, with an order from hence to remain for any Comander of any of the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Ships that shall arrive there.

15th Deliver'd Passes to Ship Friendship burthen Sixty Tonn William Morrice Comander bound to Surat & Persia, and to Ship Saram burthen Eighty Tonn Thomas Plumb Comander bound to Juné Seilon, Quedda & Surat.

MONDAY
 17 The Governour and Councill sign'd the following Order Viz:

Edwd: King late factor of the Comp^y: is admitted to go to Metchlep^m: he giving Bond for his Debt to the Hon^{ble}: Company.
 M^r: Edward King requesting our leave to go to Metchlepatam, having Invitation to serve the new Company there, But he standing Indebted to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company upon their General Books Pag^s: 73: 23: 2, It is Agreed he have leave given him to proceed to Metchlep^m: his Bond being taken for said Debt, which is Order'd to be remitted home, that it may be Deducted out of his Salary payable in England.

THOMAS PITT.
 FRANCIS ELLIS.
 ROGER BRADDYLL.
 THOM^s: WRIGHT.
 MATT: EMPSON.

TUESDAY
 18

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
 FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
 THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON.
 THOM^s: MARSHALL

Pag^s: 1,051 paid into Cash for Moneys Levied towards building the black town wall & works.

The President pays into the R^t: H: Comp^s: Cash the Sum of One thousand fifty one Pagoda's being money Levied by order of the Governour and Councill on the Inhabitants of the black Town, for the Building of the Wall and what works shall be thought necessary for y^e: Defence and security of the same. Wherefore 'tis order'd, that the Accomptant Arm's [sic] an Acco^t: thereof in the Companys Books, of what is or shall be paid in, under the head of, The Black Town Wall, & Works and that the Paymaster looks after the Building of the same, who is to follow the Directions from time to time of the Govern^r: and Councill and to them render a monthly Account thereof. And 'tis further Order'd that the Money already and what shall be collected be apply'd to that use and no other whatsoever.

Fort St: David bill Exchange order'd to be paid.

Order'd that Pag^s: Five hundred and fifty be paid the President, being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Dep: Gov^r: & C^o: Councill of Fort S^t: David dated the 15th: May last.

Fine Moorees to be deliv^d: for Paintings.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper deliver out all the fine Moorees in the Godown for Paintings.

The Necauts from Bengal to be return'd thither again.

The Necauts sent from Bengall for the Planting of Mulberry Trees and breeding of Silk worms at Fort S^t: David being sent thither the 28th: August 1699 and no Silks worms being come from Bengall and to [vent] any further charge, It is therefore resolved they have liberty to return to Bengall, and that Batty be allow'd for their Journey according to Agreement made with them by the Agent & Councill.

Ship Rubie to be Dispatch'd for Bengall with Redwood & Cables.

Order'd that Ship Rubie be forthwith Dispatch'd for Bengall, and that the Warehousekeeper Lade One hundred & twenty Candy of Redwood, and then the Storekeeper to Lade so many of the largest cables as she can take in.

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Order'd that the Storekeeper sell the Europe Cordage at 3 pag^a: 70 hundred And the Warehousekeeper to make tryall at Outcry of the Perpetuances, but not to sell for less then five Pagoda's 70 peice.

The Storekeeper to sell Cordage at 3 pag^a: 70c. Tryall for selling Perpetuances at Outcry but not under 5 pag^a: 70 p^a:

Mr: Frances Bett Prov^t: Storekeeper read his Acco^t: for the month April last, and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash Three hundred Pag^a: for Stores Sold.

Storekeepers Acco^t: for April m^o: read, and 300 Pag^a: paid into Cash for stores sold.

Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 10th: Instant, read, wherein they desire money for carrying on their Investment lately made for Thirty thousand Pagoda's. Order'd that Seven Thousand Pagodas be deliv^d: the Warehousekeeper out of Cash and he Lade the same with ten peices Broad Cloth Ordinary and a bale of Aurora on board Ship Saram, she being suddainly design'd for that place.

Money de- sired at Fort St: David for their Investment. Pag^a: 7000 Order'd them for that purpose, with some Broad Cloth &c^a: The Tobacco Managers Acco^t: for April month read and Pag^a: 361 paid into Cash on that acct^t: Pag^a: 1000 Order'd the Paym^t: for Garrison Charges.

Mr: Richard Hunt Tobacco Manager read his Acco^t: of Tobacco sold for the month April last, and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Cash Three hundred Sixty one Pagodas on that account.

Bezaleel Morrice Discharg'd ye: Comp^s: Service at his request.

Order'd that One thousand Pagoda's be paid Mr: Matthew Empson Paymaster to Defray Charges Garrison.

Mr: Bezaleel Morrice factor requesting leave to be Discharg'd the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Service being desirous to return for England, It is accordingly granted him and his paper enter'd next after this Consultation.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

To THE HON^{ble}: THOMAS PITT, President &c^a: Councill.
Hon^{ble}: S^r: &c^a:

Having a desire to quitt the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Service to the intent of returning for England, my humble, and earnest request to your Hon^r: &c^a: is, that you will be pleased (my time according to Indenture being long since expired) now to grant me a Discharge. I am with all respect.

The request of Bezaleel Morrice to be Discharg'd the Comp^s: Service.

Hon^{ble}: S^r: &c^a:
Your Obed^t: & hum^{ble}: Serv^t:
BEZALEEL MORRICE.

In Persuance of an Order of Consultation Dated, the 31st: May 1700, wee the Subscribers have met & summon'd the Joint-Stock Merchants, whose Objections to the Warehousekeepers Acco^t: and his Answers thereto are as followeth Viz^t:

Report of the Examination as to the difference between the Warehousekeeper & Joint Stock Merchants about the sorting of their Calicoes.

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[16th]

No: 3. Page:

30: 27:—

No: 4. Page:

29: 18:—

No: 5. Page:

28: 9:—

Q. Whether the Merchants were satisfied with the prizes wee have put upon the Ord^r: Long Cloth as in the Margent.

A. They are not Satisfied without wee make it at N^o: 2.

The warehousekeeper doth say that the Price of the Longcloth was made by the Gov^r: and Councill thò the Consultation was omitted to be Entred, to the best of his remembrance it was Pag^s: 30: 9 and accordingly it was Invoiced, but M^r: Mead saith it was Pag^s: 30: 27 Probably some of the Councill may remember something of it

Q. Concerning the Midling Longcloth whether they were contended with the difference of Pag^s: 3 between each number.

A. They will not allow more then Pag^s: 1: 18 on the same

The warehousekeeper and M^r: Mead doth affirm, that when these Goods were sorted, they sent severall peices to the Governour, acquainting him what they cutt from No. 1 to 2 who returned answer, that they ought to have cutt more.

As to the Salampores Ordinary they will allow 18 fanams from Number to Number and no more.

Upon examination of Journall RR wee find some at Pag^s: 1: 18 Pag^s: 1 & 18 fanams, thò wee are apprehensive there is a mistake in the Contract and that Pag^s: 14: 18 is put upon the Second N^o: which ought to have been Pag^s: 15: 18 and the 3^d: number Pag^s: 14: 18 the first being Pag^s: 16: 18.

The Ordinary Moores cutt Pag^s: 1: 18 between Sort and Sort they are not Satisfied with, but would have fan^s: 27 cutt; when it is apparent that the Weavers allowed Pag^s: 2 between N^o: 9 & N^o: 8, and N^o: 8 & N^o: 7 without Grumbling.

As to the Long Cloth fine they Object against Pag^s: 5 abatement between N^o: & N^o: and are willing to allow but Pag^s: 3 and whereas wee find the Ginghamms of 40 coveds long valued at Pag^s: 65[⁄] Corge & Pag^s: 5 cutt from the highest to the lowest N^o: gradually.

The Salampores fine is cutt Pag^s: 2 between N^o: & N^o: and they are against allowing more than Pag^s: one.

The warehousekeeper saith there hath been none of these sorts for many years and that the difference was cutt according to other Cloth of the same Nature, as fine Moores of Pag^s: 36 was cutt Pag^s: 3 and those of Pag^s: 20 [⁄] Corge Pag^s: 1: 18 and these being at Pag^s: 29 was cutt as above.

The Merchants Object nothing against the fine Moores, there being cutt but Pag^s: 3 between each number, thò wee find by the Generall books they have been cutt Pag^s: 4: 18 of which the warehousekeeper doth declare his ignorance.

Concerning the 40 Coved Gingham, Serapah doth alledge there is two sorts cleverly gone Viz: No. 35 & 35[⁄] as to the first wee find none, and the latter but few in Journall RR the warehousekeeper doth say they were sorted according to muster, and beleives they are all gone home, wishing that Serapa had made his complaint before, that they might have been Examin'd.

As to the 16 Coved Gingham, Serapa doth alledge the same as those of 40 Coveds and the Warehousekeeper gives the same answer.

The Succatoms he Objects the same as he doth for the Ginghamms, and farther saith, that whereas they cutt Pag^s: 5 between N^o: & N^o: they ought to cut but Pag^s: 2: 18. The Warehousekeeper saith there is 3 bales in the Warehouse, and desires they may be open'd and compar'd with the Muster, there being no more cutt then there is in the other Goods of the like value.

To the 40 & 50 Coved Betteela's and Chints they have no Objection.

For the Oringall Betteela's they Object against the cutting Pag^s: 5 between N^o: & N^o: and say they will allow no more then Pag^s: 2: 18. The Warehousekeeper answers, they are cutt according to Cloth of the like Value.

The valuation of the Long Cloth &c^s: wee refer untill it all comes from the Washerman's.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1700 —

[18th]

As to Stating the Merchants Acco^{ts}: wee defer till the Gov^r: & Council has perused and determined the Premention'd Articles Dated in Fort S^t: George this 5th: June 1700.

FRANCIS ELLIS.
ROGER BRADDYLL.
THOM^s: WRIGHT.

Ship Friendship William Morrice Com^{mander} saild for Surat.

20

Ship Tryall Richard Bush Master arrived from Persia, and Prince Charles [Lacuna in the original] from Tringombar.

21

Received this day 7th Pattamar the following Generall Letters Viz^t: from the Agent &c^a: at Bengall dated 27th: March last, with copy of theirs dated 7 & 12th: ditto from Vizagapatam dated 17th: May last, with Acco^t: Cash for months March and April last: also from M^r: Sam^l: Woolston at Metchlepatam dated the 3rd^{mo}: Ins^t: and copy of another (the Original not before received) dated the 4th: April last.

Ship Gunnaputty Francisco Rebarah Mast^r: sail'd for Bengall.

22

Ship Enattaly Abdula Ryhim Noqueda sail'd for Bengall.

ATT A CONSULTATION EXT^{ra}:

SATURDAY
22^d.

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

FRANCIS ELLIS

MATTHEW EMPSON

THOM^s: MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL

The Council being duly Summon'd.

Copy Generall Letter from M^r: Woolston at Metchlepatam dated the 14th: April (the Original not being received) and another dated 3rd^{mo}: Instant: also from Vizagapatam dated the 17th: May and from Bengall dated 27th: March last received 7th Pattamar, all read.

Letters received, read.

The Paymaster is Order'd to provide Necessarys for the Hospital according to a List now produc'd:

Necessarys to be provided for ye: Hospital.

THO: PITT.

THO: WRIGHT.

M: EMPSON.

THOM^s: MARSHALL.

JOHN MEVERELL.

Deliver'd a Pass to Ship Loyall Captain burthen about Two hundred Tonn John Tyler Com^{mander}: bound to Surat & Persia.

25

Deliver'd a Pass to Sloop Rawratoon burthen Thirty tonn Codju Syrang bound to Pegu.

26

Yesterday Ship Saram Thomas Plumb Com^r: sail'd for Fort S^t: David, by whom sent a Generall Letter of the 24th: Instant, incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading of Treasure &c^a: laden on her amounting to Pag^s: 7248 : 8 : 3.

Ship Loyall Captain John Tyler Com^{mander} sail'd for Surat & Persia.

3rd^{mo}: JULY

Ship Howland Cap^t: William Powers Com^r: arrived from England.

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— FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1700 —

TUESDAY
[2nd]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

FRANCIS ELLIS

THOMAS WRIGHT

MATT: EMPSON

THOMAS MARSHALL

JOHN MEYERELL

The Council being duly Summon'd

The Comp^s:
Pacquet P
Howland
open'd &
read.

Ship Howland being this day arrived, the Pacquet from the R^t: Hon^r: Company was open'd and found to contain as P^r List enter'd next after this consultation: also their Generall Letters dated the 30th: December 1699, 20th: January & 20th: & 25th: January ¹⁶⁹⁹/₇₀₀ all read.

Treasure
&c: P How-
land to be
unloaden.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper unlade the Treasure &c^a: Goods on Ship Howland with all expedition.

The Silver to
be deliver'd
Mr: Jno:
Affleck &c:
in perusance
of a former
Agreement.

Order'd that the Silver be deliver'd Mr: Affleck &c^a: Merchants according to Agreement in Consultation dated the 10th: June last.

Men Dis-
charg'd the
Gunroom.

Joseph Antonio on the 25th: June and Mathius Estrail this day are Discharg'd the Gunroom.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEYERELL.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACQUET TO THE FORT BY THE SHIP HOWLAND.

N^o:

1. Companys Generall to the Fort dated the 20th: day of December 1699.
2. Copy of the Companys Generall to the Fort dated 21st: November 1699, sent by the King William.
3. Copy of the Comp^s: Generall to Fort S^t: Davids, dated the 21st: November 1699, to be forwarded thither, sent under a flying seal for your perusal & takeing copy of.
4. Invoice of the Howland.
5. Bill Lading of the said Ship.
6. Charterparty of ditto.
7. Copy of the Kings Comission for takeing Pirats.
8. Auditor Generalls Letter dat: the 19th: day of Dec^r: 1699.
9. S^t: Helena Generall dated the 20th: day of Dec^r: 1699, to be forwarded thither by the first good conveyance.
10. Copy of the Companys Generall to President Pitt dated 21st: November 1699.
11. A List of Bills of Exchange drawn on y^o: Presid^t: & Council.

Ship Fortune James Lock saild for Bengall.

Ship Noss Senhora Rosairo Anthony Norangy Master sail'd for Manilha.

Ship Prince Charles Fredrick Bloom Comand^r: saild for China.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1700 —

MONDAY 8

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PIIT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

THOMAS WRIGHT

MATTHEW EMPSON

THOMAS MARSHALL

The Council being duly Summon'd.

MESSRS: ELLIS & MEYERELL *Indispos'd*

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid M^r: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Page: 1000.
Order'd the
Paym^r: for
Garrison
Charges.
Mr: Braddyll
blam'd by
ye: Comp^y:
His suspen-
tion or
Dismission
left to this
place.

Whereas in the 11th: Parag: of the R^t: H: Comp^y: Letter dated 21st: November 1699, they severely censure M^r: Braddyll for the reasons therein mention'd, and leaveing it to us, either by a temporary or Total suspension to act what seems most expedient. It is therefore order'd that the Secretary shew him the clause & report his answer, he not attending last Consultation nor this day.

Whereas there are seven chests & upwards of Ingott Silver, It is Order'd that the Warehousekeeper deliver it into the Mint to be coin'd into Rupees with all speed.

Silver to be
coin'd into
Rupees.

Doud Cawn having wrote the Governour to buy him some Liquors, and supposing his Interest may be of advantage to the Company in these parts, It is Ordered that six Dozen of french Brandy, six Cases of Spirits and two Chests of Syrach be provided, and the Paymaster to pay for the same.

Doud Cawn
writing for
Liquors, a
supply is
order'd him.

Order'd that the following Bills be paid when Demanded & Due, being drawn on us by the R^t: Hon^r: Company as advis'd in their Letter dated the 30th: December 1699 Viz^t:

Several bills
of Exchange
from the
Comp^y:
order'd to be
paid.

One dated 14th: Dec^r: 1699, payable to Henry Whistler Esq^r: or Order for Eleven hundred Pag^s.

One dat: 18th: Dec^r: 1699, payable to M^r: Jn^o: Bull or Order for Eleven hundred eleven Pagodas & four fanams.

One dat: 13th: Dec^r: 1699, payable to M^r: Jn^o: Bull or Order for Two hundred seventy five Pag^s: Twenty two fanams & Two Cash.

One dat: 18th: Dec^r: 1699, payable to M^r: Ozmond De Beauvoir and in case of Mortality to M^r: Daniel Chardin & Jn^o: Meyerell or either of them for Two thousand two hundred Sixty Six Pagodas & Twenty four fanams.

One dat: 19th: Dec^r: 1699, payable to M^r: Ozmond De Beauvoir for Twelve hundred fifty nine Pagodas and nine fanam's.

One dat: 21st: Dec^r: 1699, payable to M^r: Ozmond De Beauvoir for Two hundred fifty one Pagoda's, Thirty fanams & four Cash.

One dat: 19th: Dec^r: 1699, payable to M^r: Abrah: Houblon or Order for Two hundred-twenty two Pagoda's.

One dat: 20th: Dec^r: 1699, payable to M^r: Edward Bulkley or Order for One hundred twenty five Pagoda's.

One dat: 29th: Dec^r: 1699 payable to M^r: Benjamin Bridger or in his absence to M^r: Gulston Addison for Thirteen hundred twenty one Pagoda's and four fanams.

One dat: 30th: Dec^r: 1699 payable to Gulston Addison or order for Eight hundred and Eighty Pagoda's.

Generall Letters to Bengall and Vizagapat^m: of this date read and approved.

Letters sent,
read.
Ship Rubie
to call at
Vizagapat^m:
for delivery
of Treasure.

It is resolved that Ship Rubie in her way to Bengall be Ordered to call a Vizagapatam, and that Ten thousand Pagoda's be sent by her for that Place, to put them in a forwardness with their Investment against the Howlands arrival.

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Edw^d: Raw-
don late
Essaym^r:
to deliver up
the Mint
Utensills to
persons
appointed by
the Compa:
Essay-
masters.

Orderd that M^r: Edward Rawdon who was Entertain'd Essaymaster in the room of M^r: Stone be Discharg'd, and that he do deliver all the Mint Utensills in his possession, to Mess^{rs}: John and Francis Cook, appointed by the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company for that Employ.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TUESDAY
9th

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT MATT: EMPSON
THOM^s: MARSHALL

The Councill being duly Sumond
MESS^{rs}: ELLIS & MEVERELL *Indispos'd*

Sea Custom
Acco^ts: for
May mo:
read &

M^r: Thomas Wright Sea Customer read his Acco^t: for the month May, particulars Viz^t:

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported								
this month	...	...	...	...	Pa:	4119:	9:	5
To Custom on Grain	...	...	...	...	"	374:	5:	1
To Anchorage	...	...	...	...	"	54:	—:	—

Pag^s: 4,547: 15: 0

Pays 2300
Pag^s: into
Cash on that
Acco^t:

and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash Two thousand Pagoda's on that Account.

Mint Acco^t:
for May mo:
read &

The President read his Mint Acco^t: for the month May last, particulars Viz^t:

Pag^s: 266:
16 pd:
into Cash
on that
acco^t: also
Pag^s: 103
on Acco^t:
of the black
town Wall.

To Custom on Gold coin'd in y^e: Mint Pa: 266: 16: [O] which being the Ballance of that month, is now paid into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Cash, and the President likewise pays One hundred and three Pagoda's on Acco^t: of the Black Town Wall.

The Tobacco
farmers pays
into Cash 350
pag^s: on that
acco^t:

Vencatee Kisna &c^s: late Tobacco farmers pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash Three hundred & fifty Pagoda's on that Account.

Paymasters
acco^t: for
May mo:
read

M^r: Matthew Empson read his Paym^{ts}: Accounts for the month May last, particulars Viz^t:

Charges Garrison	...	...	...	...	Pa:	1017:	22
Diet	...	...	...	...	"	295:	—
Charges Generall	...	...	...	...	"	306:	22
Cattle	...	...	...	...	"	14:	26
Factors Provisions	...	...	...	...	"	124:	85
Charges Extraordinary	"	7:	10
West Coast	"	110:	—
Fortifications & Repairs	"	47:	25

Pag^s: 1923: 32

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In pursuance of yesterdays Consultation, the Secretary accordingly attended on Mr: Braddyll, who reports, that after perusal of the Entry in Consultation, return'd for answer, he had nothing to do with it, and was suddainly design'd for England. Upon which, It is resolv'd in pursuance of the 11th: Parag: of the Companys General Letter dated the 21st: Nov^r: 1699 that Mr: Roger Braddyll be Dismiss'd their Service, adjusting all acco^{ts}: of y^e: warehouse and deliver over the charge to Mr: Thomas Wright, who at the end of this month is to deliver the charge of the Sea Custom house to Mr: Matthew Empson, and that then Mr: Empson deliver the Paymasters Employ to Mr: Thomas Marshall.

Mr: Braddyll
dismiss'd the
Comps:
Service.

Warehouse:
keeper, Sea-
Customs &
Paymaster
appointed

The Warehousekeeper is Order'd to Lade on board Ship Howland Twenty four Ton of Redwood and Sixty four Ton of Salt-petre, the proportion mention'd in said ships Charterparty.

Ship How-
land's Char-
terparty of
Redwood and
Saltpetre to
be Laden.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

The two preceeding Consultations were sent to Mess^{rs}: Ellis and Meverell 10 for perusal, indisposition hindring their attendance, which were also approv'd by them.

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY
11

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^s: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^r: ELLIS *Indispos'd*

Mr: John Meverell read his Land Custom Acco^{ts}: for the month May last, particulars Viz^t:

Land Custom
Acco^{ts}: for
May mo^o:
read &

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	Pa: 590: 11: 65
Trivlecane Custom	...	...	..	.. " —: 3: 40
Rubie Brokers	...	...	...	.. " 100: 35: 15
Cloth Brokers	...	...	...	.. " 13: 13: 40
Grass Cutters	...	...	...	.. " 12: —: —
Town Rents	...	...	...	.. " 8: 14: 48
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	.. " —: 24: —

Pag^s: 725: 30: 48

and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Cash Seven hundred & Eighteen Pagoda's on that account.

Pag^s: 718
paid into
Cash on
acco^t: Land
Customs.
Comp^s:
Accont:
Cash for June
Mo^o: and the
Secretary's
Accont: Fees
both read.
Letter to
Fort St:
David read.

The President read his Acco^t: of the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Cash for the month June last, the Ballance being Pag^s: 13383: 25: 5 and Charles Bugden Secretary read his Acco^t: Fees for Passes for ditto month amo^t: to Seventeen Pagodas, and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Cash Pag^s: 12: 24 their part. General Letter to Fort S^t: David of yesterdays date, read and sign'd.

The Warehousekeeper is Order'd to buy up Two hundred Candy Red-wood at the cheapest rate he can, for a Store.

A Store of
Redwood to
be
bought.

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[11th]

Pays: 55000
paid into
Cash for
Silver &c:
sold.
Money to be
delivered: the
Warehouse-
keeper for
Metchlepm:
The Settlem-
ent of
Metchlepm:
& Madapollam dis-
cours'd on.

M^r: Roger Braddyll late warehousekeeper (by his Conicopley) pays into the R^t: H: Comp^r: cash Fifty five thousand Pagoda's on Acco^t: Silver and Goods sold.

Order'd that the President deliver the Warehousekeeper Twentyfive thousand Pag^s: to be in readiness for Metchlepatam.

Discours'd on the Companys Affairs to be Settled at Metchlepatam & Madapollam and the further resolution defer'd till tomorrow.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEYRELL.

11 Last night M^r: James Eustace factor deceas'd having lain 10 or 12 daies with a violent feavor and bloody flux; and this evening was interred.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^t: David of Yesterdays date, incloseing, other papers as Ψ List.

12 Ship Rubie Zachariah Stilgo Master Sail'd for Vizagapatam and Bengall, by which sent Generall Letter dated 8th: Instant to the Cheif &c^s: of the former place, with Invoice and Bill Lading for Ten thousand Pagoda's, and Generall Letter of ditto date to the President &c^s: Councill of Bengall, incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading for Sundrys Amo^t: to Pag^s: 1834: 17: [3] with other papers as Ψ List.

FRIDAY 12

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^s: MARSHALL
JOHN MEYRELL JOHN FOQUETT

M^r: ELLIS indispos'd

M^r: John Foquet chosen of Council of this place.

There being a Vacancy by M^r: Braddylls late Dismission, and the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^r: having in the 8th Parag: of their Letter dated 20th: Dec^r: 1699 recommended M^r: John Foquet. Wherefore 'tis resolved he be Sixth and last of Councill of this place, so being sent for, hee took his place accordingly.

The Settlement of the factorys agreed on.

Whereas it has been often debated in this Councill (as by the foregoing Consultations appears) the Settlement of the R^t: Hon^r: Comp^r: factorys at Metchlepatam and Madapollam, they having in severall of their General Letters to this place, possitively order'd us to send'em what Goods procureable and those parts afford, which having hitherto endeavour'd, by sending Mess^{rs}: Lovell and Woolston, who acted by Comission and made Investments to a considerable amo^t: In the management of which, wee have not only reason to suspect their Integrity, but are likewise jealous, that they have betrayed the Interest and honour of our Masters, in truckling and submitting to the Insults of S^r: William Norris and M^r: John Pitt the new Companys Ambassador and Consul, they pretending, that wee are not to correspond with the Government to preserve our Masters Privileges, which hath been purchased by them at vast Expence, and which wee esteem the most valuable part of their Estate.

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The Ambassador has not only presum'd to command M^r: Lovell by papers under his hand, to Desist from making applycation to the Government for the preserving our Privileges, but threatned him with Irons, if he should attempt the same as ^{is} his Affidavit of this Date.

Wherefore for the foregoing reasons, and in persuaunce to our Masters Orders to make them Investments in those parts, we resolv'd to settle a Cheif and Council in each place, and make our ffactorys as formidable as possible in order to preserve our Masters Intrest and to protect the persons of their servants from any injustices that shall be attempted to be done to them by the new Companys servants resideing in those parts, and the persons Elected by us for the management of this Affair are Viz^t:

*For Metchlepatam—*M^r: JOHN FOQUETT CHEIF.M^r: JOSEPH HILLER SECOND.M^r: THOM^s: FAUCETT 3^d: & DOCTOR.M^r: JOHN ROWLAND 4th: & LAST OF COUNCILL.*For Madapollam—*M^r: STEPHEN FREWEN CHEIF & SECOND OF METCHLEPATAM.M^r: EDMUND BUGDEN SECOND.M^r: JEREMIAH HARRISON THIRD.

M^r: Jeremiah Harrison being an ingenious and industrious man, wee have entertain'd him a ffactor in the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^y: Service for five years, he signing the usual Bonds, and have order'd him to write to his friends in England to give the usual security, provided the Company approves of him.

Jeremiah
Harrison
entertain'd
a ffactor.

Tis Order'd that the foregoing persons provide themselves for their takeing their Passage on Ship Howland, who is to be Dispatch'd with all speed; and that the Warehousekeeper and Paymaster provides the Presents &c^a: Necessarys as agreed on by List enter'd next after this Consultation.

The persons
for Settlem^t:
of the
Northern
Factorys to
get ready for
Embarquing
themselves.

And considering the new Company hath a great many people in those parts, who there as well as in all other places, have stuck at nothing whereby they could prejudice our Masters, either in their Estate or their reputation, wee think it necessary and resolve the same, to send Twenty four Soldiers, with a Lieutenant, Serjant and Corporall to be at the Command of the Cheif and Council of Metchlepatam.

And whereas Kitee Narrain, who has been an ancient servant of the Companys not only in this place, but likewise in Metchlepatam and those parts, and have been always ready to go upon any Expedition in the Comp^y: Service, and at this time wee being assured his going to Metchlepatam will very much facilitate the many Difficultys wee may meet with there, wee now sent for him, who readily accepted of the Service, giving us all possible assurances of his Integrity and Diligence, for which as a mark of the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys favour, wee have at his request Granted him a Cowle for Exempting him from paying the Pedde Nague and Pagoda Duty, dureing the Life of himself and his son Timapah (as ^{is} the form enter'd after this Consultation) and order that the Paymaster pay him One hundred Pagodas for defraying his Charges, whereof he is to give an Acco^t: at his return.

Kitee Nar-
rain to pro-
ceed to the
Northard
being
acquainted
with those
parts &
for his good
services to ye
Compa:
is exempted
paying the
Pedde Nague
& Pag^s: Duty,
as by a
Cowle
granted him.

THO: PITT.

THO: WRIGHT.

M: EMPSON.

THOM^s: MARSHALL.

JOHN MEVERELL.

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[12th]PRESENTS AND NECESSARYS FOR METCHLEP^m : AND MADDAPOLLAM VIZ^t :

Gold Chains to the Value of Four hundred Pagoda's.	
Corrall beads Large, Two hundred Pagoda's.	
Sword blades	20
Rosewater	4 Chests
Looking Glasses severall sizes	30 "
Ditto small	40
Knives	100
Spirits	10 Cases
Hubble-bubbles flintware	30
Basons & Ewers	20
Rosewater bottles	30 P ^s :
Rarities of flint ware	20 lbs :
Perpetuanoes red, fine and course	20 P ^s :
Crimson fine	4
China Silk	6
Spectacles	2 Doz.
Hour Glasses	4
Standards and flag—staffs with rigging	2

NECESSARY'S AND PROVISIONS.

Plate for the factory.	
Beetle box	1
Rosewater bottles	2
Pigdans	2
Plates	6
Spoons	6
Palankeen and furniture	
Wax	10 M ^d :
Clarret	1 Chest
Canary	1 do :
Syrash	4 do :
Arrac	1 hh ^d :
Sugar	2 bales
English beer	2 hh ^d :
Cheeses	2
Persia fruit of each sort	1 M ^d :
Table Necessarys	
Factors Provisions	
The Comp ^s : Seal for Maddapollam	
For Metchlepatam Viz:	
Paper large book	4 Quire
Second sort	4
Third d ^o :	6
Small d ^o :	[1]
Quills	200
Sealing wax	12 sticks

The like quantity of Factors Provisions for Maddapollam.

A COWLE GIVEN BY THOMAS PITT ESQ^r: GOVERNOUR OF FORT S^t: GEORGE & C^a:
COUNCILL FOR AFFAIRS OF THE R^t: HON^{ble}: EAST INDIA COMPANY TO KITTEE
NARRAIN.

Wee taking into our Considerations the many good Services formerly done
by Kittee Narrain for the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company, and his readiness at our desire to
proceed at this time to Metchlepatam and Maddapollam to give his assistance in
settling their affairs there, for which he desires no other gratification then to
be excused from paying any other Duty more than the five $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent custom as the

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Armenians and Portuguez are. Wee therefore for the reasons before mention'd, do exempt the said Kittee Narrain and his son Timapah dureing their two Lives, from paying otherwise than before mention'd, and Order that no more custom be collected of them, than five Cent. Given under our hands and the seal of the R^t: H: Comp^s: this 12th: day of July An^o: Dom: 1700.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOM^s: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
TH^o: MARSHALL.
JN^o: MEVERELL.
JOHN FOQUETT.

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY
16th

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

M^s: THOMAS WRIGHT

MATTHEW EMPSON

THOMAS: MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL

MESS^{rs}: ELLIS and FOQUETT *indispos'd*

M^r: Roger Braddyll late warehousekeeper (by his conicopley) pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}.: Comp^s: Cash Fourteen thousand Pagodas on account Silver sold, and M^r: Thomas Wright pays One thousand Pagodas on Acco^t: Sea—Custom's.

Page: 14000
paid into
Cash for
Goods sold,
Out of ye:
Warehouse
& Page: 1000
on Acco^t: Sea
—customs.

Order'd that one thousand Pagoda's be paid M^r: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Page: 1000
order'd the
Paymaster
for defraying
Garrison
Charges.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

The President received a Letter from the Dep: Governour of Fort S^t: David, 17 advising the arrival of Ship Colchester there from England on the 14th: Instant, and that the old Company were incorporated upon their subscription of £ 315000 with the new Company, and that by Act of Parliament.

Sloop Quintus John Bantam Master saild for Tringombar. 18

Ship Anna Cap^t: William Bridges Comānder arrived from England, and the Gov^r: & Councill being present at the opening the Pacquet, the same was read and found to contain as *q* List Viz^t:

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LIST OF THE COMP^s : PACQUET TO FORT S^t : GEORGE BY THE ANNA.N^o :

1. Comp^s : Gen^l : to the Fort dated the 6th : March 1699.
2. Copy of the Comp^s : Generall to d^o : Dated 20th : Dec^r : 1699.
3. Copy of the Comp^s : Gen^l : to d^o : dat : 5th : Jan^{ry} : 1699.
4. Copy of the Secretarys Letter to d^o : dat : 20th : & 25th : d^o : January 1699.
5. List of Utensills for the Coinage at Fort S^t : George.
6. Auditor Generalls Letter to Fort S^t : George dated 19th : December 1699.
7. Copy of the Comp^s : Gen^l : to Fort S^t : Davids dated 21st : November 99 to be forwarded thither.
8. Copy of the Bill for continuing the Company a Corporation.
9. Copy of the Bill for the more Effectuall Employment of the Poor, being a Bill for prohibiting the wear of wrought Silks Bengalls & stuffs mixed, with Herba or Silk of the Manufacture of Persia China or East India & all Calicoes painted, dyed, printed or stained there.

20th

Ship Colchester Cap^t : Benjamin Rous Com^r : arrived from England, and having touch'd at Fort S^t : David brought Generall Letter from the Dep : Governour & c^a : Councill dated 17th : Instant, with Invoice & Bill Lading for Twenty five bales Calicoes amount to Pag^s : 1550 : 7 : 8.

SATURDAY
d^o :ATT A CONSULTATION *Extraord^s* :*Present*

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR

THOMAS WRIGHT

THOM^s : MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL

MESS^{rs} : ELLIS, EMPSON & FOQUETT *Sick*Pag : 6387 :
18 : 60 paid
into Cash for
Silver Sold.

M^r : Roger Braddyll late warehousekeep^r : (by his Conicopley) pays into the R^t : Hon^r : Comp^s : cash Six thousand three hundred eighty seven Pagoda's 13 fan^s : 60 ca : Acco^t : Silver Sold.

Comander of
Ship Anna
delivers a
paper com-
plaining of
Soldiers
being
mutinous.

Cap : William Bridges Com^{and}er of Ship Anna presenting a Paper (as enter'd after this consultation) to the Govern^r : and Councill setting forth some disturbances he had on board with some of the souldiers and sailors, which tending to Mutiny; and being advised that the Comp^s : souldiers are very full of the scurvey and sickley, It is resolved that the Paymaster send for the souldiers ashore in order to Examine into the matter of this complaint and to refresh those that are sick.

The Presses
for coinage
to be brought
ashore.

Order'd that one of the Essaymasters go on board the Anna with the copy of the Invoice of the Presses for Coinage, in order to bring them ashore.

Ship Anna to
stay in the
road no
longer than
for ye:
refreshmt:
of her men.

Resolved that Cap^t : Bridges be advis'd the Companys Orders for his staying no longer in the road then the delivery of the Presses, and for takeing in of water and refreshing of his men, being much down with the scurvey.

Pacquet
from England
at Colchester
open'd.

The Companys Pacquet at Ship Colchester being open'd was read and found to contain Viz^t :

Comp^s : Gen^l : to Fort S^t : George dat : 23^d : Feb^{ry} : 1699.Copy Ditto dated 5th : January 1699.Copy of the Bill for continuing the Comp^s : a Corporation.

Said Ship touching at Fort S^t : David brought Generall Letter from the Dep : Govern^r : & c^a : Councill dated the 17th : Instant which was read, and adviseing

Calicoes 25
bales at
the Ship from
Fort S^t :
David to be
unladen.

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their having put on board Twenty five bales calicoes &c^a: for this place, The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unlade the same.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Hon^a: S^r: &c^a: Councill.

In, or about the 13th: of July 1700 one of my Sea-men Richard Cook committing a Misdeameanour, by Knocking down one Lovelace Green Midsp: had rais'd a bump on his forehead as big as an Egg and in some other parts of his Body: upon which I order'd the said Richard Cook to be seiz'd to the Gangway; One Lewis a souldier who then standing by this Cook and seeing his hand seiz'd, swore God dam him he wo^d: cut him loose and Imediately before my face did so, tho: I desired him not to concern himself in any such cases, with this, I order'd him to be seiz'd on the other side, in which time of standing there till the Irons and hand Cuffs were ready, he abus'd me very grossely, cal'd me villain and dam him desired but one minute time and he wo^d: do my business. These abuses were heard before the face of my Officers and Sea-men. After having secur'd them both, I order'd one of my Sea-men whose name is Nath^l: Bearor to take hold of them, to help them down on the Deck and he refus'd my comand and would not touch them, on which I order'd him to be seiz'd to the Gangway, intending to have him drub'd, but he not being very well, I remitted doing of, but in the time of his standing, it was heard spoke by one Gardner a Seaman, should say that if I had him drub'd, I should Drub all of them: this being heard by M^r: John Robinson, I had an account given me by my Boats: and Carpenter, that some of my Seamen when night came on, sett the Prisoners at liberty, and that I must have a care of further mischeif, for there was Souldiers and Seamen concern'd to sett them loose, upon which I was forced to secure my Gunroom and Steeridge. I took off their hand cuffs that very evening, and that very night broke their Irons from their Leggs and hove them overboard: about midnight my Cheif mate told me of it, so I secured them again. My humble request to your hon^r: for the safety of the Hon^{ble}: Companys Treasure, as also for the safety of the ship in severall accidents that this Lewis the souldier may not remain any longer on board, for who knows but in my going down to the Bay, but I may meet a Pirat, and such a fellow as this which sticks at nothing but ready for all mischeif when the first oppertunity will permit is of ill consequence. I am

The Coman-
der of Ship
anns paper
of complaint
about a
Mutiny he is
apprehensive.

Yo^r: Hon^{rs}: most hum^{ble}: Serv^t:
to Comand
W^m: BRIDGES.

Anna Madrass Road
July the 18th: 1700.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^s MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
MESS^{rs}: ELLIS AND FOQUETT *indispos'd*

MONDAY
22^d

The Comander of Ship Howland wanting Fifty five Tonn Saltpetre more then Charterparty proportion as Ψ his request (Enter'd next after this Consultation) It is order'd that the same be Laden on board.

Saltpetre 55
Ton Laden on
Ship How—
land more
than charter-
party.

[22nd]

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Page: 500
paid into
Cash by the
Arras
farmers.
Wm: Lewis
the Soldier
who caus'd
the distur-
bance on
board the
Anna,
exam'd.

Peter de Pomera &c^a: Arrac farmers pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash
Five hundred Pagoda's on that Account for two months ending the 14th: May
last.

William Lewis was this day brought before us, being the Souldier Cap^t:
Bridges complain'd of, who being Exam'd as also severall persons belonging
to the Ship it appear'd, that hee behav'd himself very Mutinous and turbulent
on board, as also that he gave very insolent Language to the Captain, for which
wee have sent him to Prison, intending to make an Example of him for the
same to deter others from doing the like

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TO THE HON^{ble}: THOMAS PITT, ESQ^s:
PRESIDENT & C^a: COUNCILL

S^r:

The Com^r.
of Ship How-
lands request
for 55 Ton
Saltpetre
more than
Charter-
party.

Having taken in my proportion of Saltpetre allow'd by Charterparty, and
finding my Ship want Fifty five Tonn more to make her sail-worthy, I desire
that quantity may be spared upon the term's according to Charterparty.

S^r:

Yo^r: Most humb: Serv^t:
W^m: PROWER.

FORT ST: GEORGE 22^d: JULY 1700.THURSDAY
25th

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

THOMAS WRIGHT

THOM^s: MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL

JOHN FOQUETT

MESS^{rs}: ELLIS & EMPSON *indispos'd*

Paper to be
bought by
the Pay-
master.

There being want of Factors Provisions for the use of this and the St
the Subordinate ffactorys, The Paymaster is Order'd to pay for Thirty
Rheam paper of Sev^t: Sizes amount to Ninety Pagoda's.

Two Pirats
from Fort
St: David
to be kept in
the Marshalls
custody.

The Dep: Govern^r: and Councill of Fort St: David having by St
chester, sent two men said to be Pirats, Order'd that they be bro^t: ash
put in the Marshalls custody.

JOHN MEVERELL.

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Sloop Chintadry Mússa Nina Noqueda saild for Arraccan:

SATURDAY
27ATT A CONSULTATION *Extraordy*:*Present*

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

THOMAS WRIGHT

THOM^s: MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL

The Councill being duly summonsd

MESS^{rs}: ELLIS & EMPSON *sick*

Page: 72:
11 paid
into Cash
on acc^t:
Court fees.

M^r: Henry Dobyns Register produces an Acc^t: Fees of the Court of
Admiralty comencing the 5th: August 1699 to this day, Amount to Pag^s: 72: 11
which he now pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash.

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[27th]

Instructions to M^r: John Foquett Cheif of Metchlepatam, M^r: Stephen Frewen Cheif of Maddapollam and the Councils to both places, proceeding wth Ship Howland. Gen^l: Letter to M^r: Samuel Woolston, to the Cheif &c^a: Council at Yizagapatam, and the Presid^{ts}: Letters to the Governours of Metchlepatam & Maddapollam all of this date, read and approv'd.

Instructions for the management of the Comp^{ts}: Affairs at the Northern factory &c^a: papers read.

Order'd that Pag^a: One hundred be paid the President, being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Dep: Gov^r: &c^a: Council at Fort S^t: David dated the 9th: Instant.

Bill of Exchange from Fort S^t: David, order'd to be paid.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY
29th

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
THOM^s: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
JOHN FOQUETT
M^r: ELLIS AND M^r: EMPSON sick

M^r: John Foquett produces his Acco^{ts}: of the Quitt Rents & Scavengers Duty to this day, and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash Six hundred Eighty three Pagodas & 23 fanams on Acco^t: Quit Rents; and delivers the Account and pays the Ballance of the Scavengers Duty to M^r: Francis Bett being Pag^a: 186: 35: 0.

Quit Rent & Scavengers Acco^{ts}: to this day produced. Pag^a: 688: 23 pd: into Cash on Acco^t: Quit Rents. Both acco^{ts}: deliver'd over to M^r: Bett. Letter to Bengall & Dispatches to Ships Anna & Colchester all sign'd.

General Letter to Bengall of yesterdays date, Dispatches to Ships Anna and Colchester bound for Bengall, and Howland for Metchlepatam all read, approv'd & signed.

Order'd that Pag^a: 688: 23. be paid M^r: Matt: Empson Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Pag^a: 688: 23 order'd the Paym^t: for Garrison expences.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship King William Cap^t: John Braddyll arriv'd from England, and touching at the Mauritius, found there Ship Scepter Cap^t: Phenny, who by his Letter to the President, advises that they arrived there the 10th: June last, having been 3 m^o: 5 d^a: Dispatch'd from Bencoolen, that they were within 200 Leagues of the Cape of Goodhope, but proving Leakéy and meeting with very violent storms, they bore away for the Mauritius.

30th

This evening the Comanders of the Howland, Anna & Colchester Embarqu'd on board their respective Ships, as also Mess^{rs}: Foquett, Frewen, Hiller, Faucet, Bugden and Harrison, who all took their Passage on the Howland for Metchlepatam, being sent thither Cheifs and of Council to that and Maddapollam factories, as by the Instruction &c^a: Papers deliver'd M^r: Foquett.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1700 —

TUESDAY
[30th]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

THOMAS WRIGHT

THOMAS MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL

MESSRS: ELLIS & EMPSON *indispos'd*The Pacquet
of King
William from
England
open'd.

The R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Pacquet of Ship King William being open'd, was found to contain as a list enter'd next after this Consultatⁿ: and their General Letter dated the 21st: Nov^r: 1699 and General Letter from S^r: William Hodges & Comp^{rs}: dated 11th: January last at Cadiz, read, which inclosed Invoice for thirty five chests treasure Laden on board the K William, also received Invoice for 35 chests treasure Laden on ditto Ship by Benjamin Ash & c^{rs}: but no Letter of advice therewith.

The Treasure
& c^{rs}: of K
Wm: to be
unladen.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unlade the Treasure by Ship K William, and 373 Pigs Lead, continuing the rest for Metchlepatam and Vizagapatam.

THO: PITT.

THO: WRIGHT.

M: EMPSON.

THOMAS MARSHALL.

JOHN MEVERELL.

N^o: List of the Pacquet to Fort S^t: George of Ship King William.

1. Companys Generall to Fort S^t: George Dated the 21st: November 1699.
2. Comp^{rs}: Generall to the Presid^t: of the same date.
3. Copy Comp^{rs}: Gen^l: to Fort S^t: George dated the 15th: December & 6th: Jan^{ry}: of Neptune & Scepter.
4. Invoice of the Ship King William.
5. Bill Lading of ditto Ship.
6. Copy of ditto Ships Charterparty.
7. Comp^{rs}: Generall to Fort S^t: Davids Dated 21st: Nov^r: 1699, sent under a flying seal for your peruseall and takeing copy.
8. Copy of the Kings Comission for takeing Pirats.
9. Comp^{rs}: Generall to the Fort sent open to Cadiz, wherein Invoice & Bill of Lading is to be inclosed for £. 70000 in Bullion.

WEDNES-
DAY 31st

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

THOMAS WRIGHT

MATH: EMPSON

THOMAS MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL

MR: ELLIS *indispos'd*The King
William in
her way to
Bengall to
call at the
Northern
factorys to
Deliver
Treasure
& c^{rs}:
What Money
order'd for
the Northern
factorys.

Wee resolveing to Dispatch Ship K. William for Bengall with all expedition, It's resolved that in her Passage she call at Metchlepatam & Vizagapatam, delivering 150 Piggs Lead & Ten thousand Pagodas at the former Place, & 150 piggs Lead with Twenty thousand Rupees at the latter.

Order'd that the President delivers the Warehousekeeper Ten thousand Pagoda's to send to Metchlepatam by Ship King William and that he also send Twenty thousand Rupees for Vizagapatam.

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[31st]

M^r: Roger Braddyll late Warehousekeeper (by his Conicopley) pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Comp^s: Cash Six thousand Pagoda's on acco^t: Silver sold, and M^r: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper Six thousand Pagoda's on the like account.

Page: 12,000
paid into
Cash for
Silver sold.

Whereas wee formerly Order'd the Deputy Govern^r: & Co^a: Councill at Fort S^t: David to make an Investment for Thirty thousand Pagoda's, It's agreed upon the arrival of Ship K. William, that wee write them to double their Contract, and they to advise, whether the sending Dollars or Pagodas is most for the Comp^s: advantage.

The Fort
S^t: David
Investment
to be doubled
upon the
arrivall of
Ship King
William.

Order'd that Philip Cane be entertain'd a souldier in this Garrison.

A soldier
entertain'd.
To Mount
Guns in the
room of those
sold & sent
out of the
Garrison.

Order'd that the Gunner mounts Guns in the room of those sold and sent out of the Garrison, and the Storekeeper to deliver Car[t]ridges for this purpose, and if not sufficient ready, that he provides them.

Page: 2000
paid into
Cash on
acco^t: Sea-
Customs.
Bills at
Interest to
be paid off.

M^r: Thomas Wright Sea Customer pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Comp^s: cash Two thousand Pag^a: on that account.

The Secretary is order'd to give notice to such persons who hath money at Interest in the R^t: Hon^r: Comp^s: cash, to bring their Bonds, that they may be forthwith Discharg'd.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Dispatch'd General Letter to Fort S^t: David of this date.

AUGUST
3rd mo:

Ship Merah Madud, Meera Noqueda arrived from Ramnadah Perum.

Received the following Gen^l: Letters of Pattamars:

from Vizagapatam dated 24th: June 1700 with their Acco^t: Cash for the month of May last:

from M^r: Samuel Woolston at Metchlep^m: dated 12th: July last:

from ffort S^t: David, dated the 31st: July last, and all papers therein mention'd.

ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY
5th

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

THOMAS WRIGHT

MATTHEW EMPSON

THOMAS MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL

M^s: ELLIS Sick

The President read his Acco^t: of the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash for the month July last, the Ballance being Pag^a: 70693: 18: 3.

The Comp^s:
Acco^t: Cash
for July
month, read.
Letters
received
read.

General Letters from Vizagapatam dated the 24th: June last, from M^r: Samuel Woolston at Metchlepatam dated the 12th: July last and from Fort S^t: David dated the 31st: July last, all read. Amongst which papers was received from Metchlepatam, Copy of a Letter from M^r: Woolston to M^r: Lovell (as enter'd next after this Consultⁿ:) who being sent for and show'd it, was demanded the Nabobs Letter to the Governour, but he possitively deny'd that he ever receiv'd such a Letter from M^r: Woolston or the inclosed mention'd therein for the Governour.

A demand
made of y^e:
Nabobs
Letter to the
Gov^r: sent
by Woolston
to Lovell
from
Metchle-
patam; but
the latter
denys his
having redd:
any such.

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[5th]

The chief
& ca: at
Metchlepatam:
to enquire
about it.

Order'd that a copy of the Letter be sent M^r: Foquett & c^o: at Metchlepatam, and they to make a Strict Scrutiny into the matter and to report the same to the President & Council.

Two bills
Exchange
from Fort
St: David
amt^o: to
10,000 Pag^{as}:
order'd to be
paid.
Sea Custom
Acco^{ts}: for
June mo:
read.

Order'd that Pag^{as}: 6,666: 24 be paid Boss Chittee, being for one Bill of Exchange and Pag^{as}: 3,333: 12 to Videe Chittee being for one other Bill both dated the 29th: July last drawn by the Dep: Govern^r: & c^o: Council for Fort St: David.

M^r: Thomas Wright late Sea Customer read his Acco^t: Sea Custom for the month June last, Particulars Viz^t:

To Custom on Goods Imported and Exported this month	Pa: 3,171: 35: 3
To Custom on Grain	„ 174: 2: —
To Anchorage	„ 30: 18: —
To Tonnage	„ 100: —: —

Pag^{as}: 3,476: 19: 9

Order'd that One thousand Pagoda's be paid M^r: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Pag^{as}: 1,000
order'd for
Garrison
expenses,
Storekeepers
Acco^t:
for May &
June read &
pag^{as}: 1,000
paid into
Cash for
Stores sold.

M^r: Francis Bett Prov^l: Storekeeper read his Acco^{ts}: for the months of May and June last, and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^o: Cash One thousand Pagoda's on Acco^t: stores sold.

Silver to be
sold at 16 $\frac{3}{4}$
Dollars for
Ten Pag^{as}:
& 350 Rupe^s:
for 100⁰
pag^{as}:
one chest of
Dollars to be
coin'd into
fanams.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to sell silver at the rate of 16 $\frac{3}{4}$ weighty Dollars for Ten Pag^{as}: and Three hundred and fifty Rupees for One hundred Pagodas, and to deliver one Chest of Dollars into the Mint to be coin'd into fanam's

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

M^r: LOVELL

Woolston at
Metchle-
patam
to Lovell in
Fort St:
George.

S^r: I writt you three days ago, and sent our Books directed to You as I advis'd his Hon^r: & c^o: in our Generall; and this serves only to accompany the inclosed Letter from Mide Cawn Beague, in answer to that you sent, which pray deliver to the Governour, and I hope you will not be unmindfull of letting me hear from you on all occasions. I am

Metchlepatam the

10th: february $\frac{1699}{700}$

Yo^r: hum^{ble}: Servant,
SAM^l: WOOLSTON.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700 —

ATT A CONSULTATION

TUESDAY
6th

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

THOMAS WRIGHT

MATTHEW EMPSON

THOMAS MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL

M^r: ELLIS indispos'd

M^r: Thomas Wright late Sea Customer pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Comp^r: cash One thousand Pag^r: on that account.

Pag^r: 1,000
paid into
Cash on
Accot: Sea
Customs.
Long Cloth
30 bales
order'd
for the W^t:
Coast:

There being a small ship bound to the West Coast, It is order'd that the Warehousekeeper Lade on board thirty Bales of Long Cloth marked Y for that place.

The Duan designing tomorrow for Arcott, and having given no disturbance to Madrass dureing his stay at S^t: Thoma, nor no Present made him by us, It's agreed the following be now sent by the Mullah.

A small
present
to be given
the Duan.
The parti-
culars.

Crimson	10 y ^{ds} :	Pag ^r : 15: —: —
Green	10 "	" 15: —: —
Yellow	10 "	" 15: —: —
Sword blades	2 p ^r :	" 4: —: —
Syrash Wine	2 Chests	" 24: —: —
Hubble bubbles	4	
Rosewater bottles	4: 8½ lb. at P. 1¼ p ^r lb. "	10: 22: 40
To be given among the Duans Serv ^{ts} : 10 Rup ^r :		

Wee have often had it under our consideration the makeing of a new Contract to provide good Cargo's for the January Ships, and in order thereunto, wee have taken a view and made a calculate of all the Calicoes unbal'd and those in the washers hands, and find that the present Joint Stock Merchants Serapah &c^r: are in Arrears to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company (Custom & Dustore included) Twenty thousand Pag^r: which makes us inclinable to accept proposealls from any other Merchants, that wee shall think more capable of carrying on the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^r: business and to perform their Contracts.

Considera-
tions of a new
Investment
to be made
either by
the present
Merch^{ts}:
or any
others.

Timapa this day (who was formerly Cheif Merchant) presented a Petition to us, desireing to be Entertain'd as Cheif Merchant, promising us to bring in such a sett of Merchants with him as should comply with their Contracts.

Timapa
offers to
bring a
sett of
Merch^{ts}:
who will
undertake a
Contract
for the
Company.

The further consideration of which is defer'd till tomorrow morning, wee resolveing to meet de die in diemto hear proposealls for the speedy makeing a new Contract, the season of the year not admitting of further delays.

Timapas
proposall
defer'd till
tomorrow
& to loose
no time
for the
makeing a
Contract.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMAS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter of yesterdays date to the President &c^r: Councill at Surat p^r an Armenian Cossed. 7th

Deliver'd a Printed Pass to Ship Tryall burthen 45 Tonn Richard Bush Comander. bound on a trading voyage to the West Coast of Sumatra & Batavia.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700 —

WEDNES-
DAY [7TH]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

THOMAS WRIGHT

MATTHEW EMPSON

THOMAS MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL.

M^r: ELWIS *indispos'd*Ship
K. Williams
men to be
muster'd.

The Paymaster is order'd to Muster Ship King Williams Company and report the same.

Perpetuanoes
to be sold at
Pag^s: 6: 18
P^e peice.Whereas by a former Order Perpetuanoes has been sold for five Pag^s: P^e peice, and none being sent out by this years Shipping, the Warehousekeeper is now Order'd to sell at Pag^s: 6: 18 P^e peice.The Settle-
ment of the
Comp^s:
Servts. in
this place
appointed
for what
Emplycs
Vacant.

The Settlement of persons for what places Vacant, being under consideration, It is resolved as follows Viz':

M^r: Francis Bett Rentall Generall and Scavenger.M^r: Vicessimus Griffith Chief Searcher at the Sea-Gate & Justice of the Choultry.M^r: Thomas Wigmore Judges Assistant.M^r: Matthew Mead Justice of y^e: Choultry.M^r: Gulston Addison Sorter in y^e: Godown.M^r: John Hutchinson under Searcher &M^r: Henry Marshall Writer at the Sea Gate.Gunner of
Queens
Point & a
Mate for the
inner Fort.Order'd that George Kimball be Gunner of Queens Point in the room of Richard Lush deceas'd, and Simon Everson Gunners mate of the inner ffort in the room of George Kimball and that four Pag^s: P^e mensem be paid Rob^t: Beesly, in consideration he serves both in the Gunroom and Cooper in this Garrison.Three
Soldiers
order'd for
the West
Coast.

Order'd that Simon Figuera, Pasquall Melior and Barnott Dulfury be sent Souldiers by Ship Tryall for York Fort.

Timapa
discours'd
about a new
Contract,
ten P^e Cent
abatem^t:
demanded:
he promises
his answer
tomorrow.Timapa was before us, with whom wee had much discourse concerning a new Contract. Wee demanding ten P^eCent abatement on the last Contract, in regard that rice is cheap, which he promises to consider of and bring us his answer tomorrow, with a List of the names of the Merchants that are to be join'd with him.A conference
with the
Joint Stock
Merchants.Serapa &c^s: Joint Stock Merchants were call'd in, and demanded of'em the reason of their not complying with their Contract, since there was so much time elaps'd, who complain'd of their being hard sorted in the Godown and of the great loss they had in takeing off the Cloth and Lead, which fell considerably in price on their hands. 'Twas also demanded of'em, where this money was that is in Arrear, who answer'd, that they sold great part of their Cloth and Lead for time, which was not yet paid, and that they had money standing out in the weavers hands, an Acco^t: whereof they will bring tomorrow; and they gave us all immaginable assureances, that the Company shall not be prejudic'd one Pagoda by them.

THO: PITT.

THO: WRIGHT.

M: EMPSON.

THOMAS MARSHALL.

JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Merah Madud, Meera Noquedah sail'd for Bengall.

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[ATT A CONSULTATION]

THURSDAY
8TH

[Present]

[THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR]
[MATHEW EMPSON] [THOMAS WRIGHT]
[JOHN MEVERELL] [THOMAS MARSHALL]
M^r: ELLIS [*indisposed*]

Generall Letters to the Cheif and Council of Metchlepatam, to the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam, to the President and Council of Bengall to be sent by Ship King William & To the Dep: Governour and Council of York Fort to be sent by Ship Tryall, all of yesterdays date read and approved.

Letters to several parts read.

The Paymaster reports the Muster of Ship King Williams Company to be 127 Men & Boys.

Muster of Ship K. Williams men. The Abatement of Ten Cent on an Investment to be made by Timaps, not agreed.

Timapa came before us, and told us, that he had consider'd on the abatement wee demanded on the last Contract, about which he had confer'd with his Merchants, who could not agree to any abatement.

Timaps delivers a List of Merch^{ts}: to be join'd with himself.

Hee also deliver'd us in a List of what Merch^{ts}: was to join with him in the Contract, some of them being unknown to us: wee told him [. . .] [. . .] tomorrow to inform [. . .].

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^r: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION

FRIDAY
9TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^r: ELLIS [*indispos'd*]

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper delivers the Mintmaster the following Chests of Ingotts to be coin'd into Rupees Viz^t: N^o: 1, 2, 3, 4, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16.

Rupees to be coin'd.

Lewis de Paz lately Entertain'd a Writer in the Companys Service, having several times since the arrivall of the Europe Ships, made it his [. . .] [. . .] rg'd, for that his [. . .] his Subsistances [. . .] icent to do, by reason [. . .] se]cretarys office and [. . .] ain: Upon which he [. . .] so much that it rende[rs . . .] Business; And he voluntarily offering his Oath of secrecy (as Enter'd next after this Consultation) wee have thought fitt to Discharge him, and order that what Salary due be paid him.

Lewis de Paz Writer discharg'd & why.

Upon the enquiry wee have all made of the List of Merchants deliver'd by Timapah, wee find most of them insufficient, and others that are not so, most of them strangers to the people and customs of the Country, where the cloth is made.

The List of Merch^{ts}: deliver'd by Timapa for carrying on an Investment: not approv'd.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700—

[9th]

Joint Stock
Merch^t :
delivers
an Acco^t : of
debts
owing them.

Serapa &c^a : Joint Stock Merchants deliver'd us in an acco^t : of their Debts standing out in the weavers hands, and what due to them for what Broad Cloth sold, to the amount of upwards of Fifteen thousand Pagoda's.

THO : PITT.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM^s : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Oath of
Lewis de
Paz.

[. . . m]ake it may request [. . .] this place, to be [. . .] service, who are not in [. . .] on I have been Employ'd [. . .] and thereby am capable [. . .] anys secrets.

[. . .] which Objection, I do here Voluntarily promise [&] swear, that I will not directly or indirectly Divulge, publish or Declare anything whatever that I have read, heard or copyed during the time I have been in the Secretary's Office, so help me God.

Sworn before mee

THO : PITT Gov^r :

LEWIS DE PAZ.

Late this night, Ship Tryall Richard Bush Com^r : sail'd for the West Coast, by whom sent Gen^l : Letter to the Dep : Govern^r : &c^a : Council of York Fort dated the 7th : Instant, incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading for 30 bales Calicoes &c^a : amounting to Pag^a : 1,404 : 32 : 2.

10 Dispatch'd General Letter to the Dep : Govern^r : &c^a : Council at ffort S^t : David of this date.

11 Ship King William saild for Metchlepatam, Vizagapatam & Bengall, by whom sent General Letters to the Cheifs &c^a : Council of the two former places, and to the President &c^a : of Bengall all dated the 7th : Instant.

MONDAY
12th

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR

THOMAS WRIGHT

MATTHEW EMPSON

THOMAS MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL

M^r : ELLIS *indispos'd*

The Storekeeper is Order'd to put to Sale at Outcry, the Hatts received Ψ Ship Howland.

Hatts from
England to
be Sold at
Outcry.

Doctor
Bulkley's
Apprentice to
be allow'd 3
pag^a : Ψ
mensem.

Doctor Bulkley having requested that Charles Venall come out his Apprentice by the last Shiping, may be allow'd some consideration, It is resolved that the Paymaster pay him three Pag^a : Ψ Mensem, M^r : Harrison formerly entertain'd, being lately remov'd from the Hospitall.

Three Mo^s :
Town Coni-
coplya duty
to be paid

Order'd that twenty five Pag^a : be paid Woota Linga Town Conicopley for three months ending the ultimo July last.

Woota Linga.
John Hut-
chinson dis-
char'd the
Comp^s : Ser-
vice at his
request.

M^r : John Hutchinson Writer, having by a request in writing, desired leave to lay down the R^t : Hon^{ble} : Companys Service, in order to return for England, It is resolved that the same be accordingly granted him.

Further dis-
course with :
Timapa
about a Con-
tract, and
his resolution
contain'd in
a paper en-
ter'd after
y^e : Con-
sultation :

Timapa was with us this day to discourse about the Contract, who told us he had conferred with his Merchants about the abatement [Wee...] not agree to more than [. . .]ther matters relating to a [. . .] considered, which he delivered [. . .] his resolutions thereon, as [enter'd after y^e:] Consultation.

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[12TH]

[. . .] for Serapa &c: Joint Stock Merchants [had] discours'd them about a new Contract, and that wee expected 10 Ψ Cent abatement upon the last, They answer'd that they could not make any, being losers by that Contract, nevertheless wee insisted upon it, and bid 'em consider thereof against tomorrow morning, and then to bring their answer to the Governour and Council.

The Joint Stock Merchants are discours'd about an Investment, and their answer.

THEO: PITT,
THEO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEYERELL.

[Tima]pa &c^s: Merch^{ts}. [. . .] cills, for making an [. . .] es for the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company [. . .] Pag^a: 1,60,000. Viz^t:

Timapa &c^s, proposition for an Investment: of 1,60,000 Pag^a:

1st: That [. . .] Comp]ly with the Contract wi[thin] [. . .] time as formerly have done [in] [other] Investments.

2^d: That there shall be brought in better Cloth than what Serapa brought in, in this last contract, one Ψ Cent cheaper, and better by 2 (or) 3 Ψ Cent than his was, as the Judgem^t: of your Hon^r: shall give.

3^d: That Our Stock shall be 7,500 Pag^a: (as Serapa's was) but without takeing it out again, and shall be Employ'd with the Companys money in the country, till the contract is comply'd with.

4th: The Contract to be for Pag^a: 1,60,000 in 18 moths: time at Serapa's prizes and Term's.

5th: And wee further oblige ourselves in February to bring in Goods to the amount of Pag^a: 50,000 as part of the above mentioned Contract.

ATT A CONSULTATION

TUESDAY
[13TH]

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEYERELL
M^s: ELLIS indispos'd

Jemseir Cawn having wrote the Govern^r: a Letter to pay to the Kings Duan the yearly rent for this place amount to Twelve hundred Pag^a: which was due last month Resolved that the said Sum be paid to the Duan with the usuall Present, takeing his receipt for the same.

The yearly rent for this place is order'd to be paid the Duan. Silver to be sold at 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ Dollars for Ten Pagoda's.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper sell silver at 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ weighty Dollars for Ten Pag^a: there appearing no buyers under that price.

Ship Mamodee being design'd for Fort S^t: David, It's agreed that the following be sent by her, as wrote for by the Dep: Gov^r: &c^s: Viz^t:

Stores order'd for Fort S^t: David: the particulars.

Arms with firelocks	...	...	...	...	...	200	P ^a :
Flints	...	...	...	...	...	3,000	"
Gunnys	...	...	...	...	...	3,000	"
Wax cloth	...	...	...	...	...	100	"
Twine	...	...	...	...	...	2	Candy
Rope	...	...	...	...	...	3	d ^o :

Paper for their Consultations & Gen^l: books.
Generall [letter . . .] St. David. [. . .]

Letter to Fort S^t: David.

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[13th]

After long
debate with
the Joint
Stock
Merchs: this
day, a small
progress is
made with
them towards
a New Con-
tract.

[The Joint-Stock mer] chants being be[fore the Hon^{ble}: Council &c:] wee had long & ted[ious debate relating] to a new Contract; wee in [sisting upon an] abatement, Rice being cheap: but [not prepared] to allow any, by reason that cotton keeps [up] it's price and the many Investments making by Europe nations round about us: and the small abatement offer'd by Timapa, wee think not for the Comp^r: interest to accept of, considering the risgo that must be run of his performance in point of time and ability, and the time of year being so far spent, wee resolve forthwith to Contract with Serapa &c^a: and in such manner as to prevent any future Disputes in y^e: Warehouse so that wee made some small progress this day and order that Serapa &c^a: attend us tomorrow morning.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON,
THOM^r: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

WEDNES-
DAY [14th]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^r: ELLIS indispos'd

A further
progress with
the Joint
Stock
Merchs:
towards a
new Invest-
ment.

The Merchants attended this day, with whom wee made a considerable progress in the Contract, and have order'd them to attend tomorrow again.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^r: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

15

Ship Mamodee, Mahomade Asheer Noquedah sail'd for ffort St^t: David, by whom sent General Letter to the Dep: Gov^r: &c^a: Council dated the 13th: Instant, incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading for sundrys Laden on her amo^t: to Pag^s: 742: 31: 5.

THURSDAY
15th

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^r: ELLIS indispos'd

An Invest-
ment for
150,000
Pag^s:
with the
Joint Stock,
Merchs:
finish'd.

The merchants [. . .], with whom wee finish'd the Contract for One hundred & fifty thousand Pagodas, and order that the same be Engrossed for our and their signing tomorrow, and that the warehousekeeper provide the usuall Tashereifs for them.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^r: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700 —

[15TH]

[. . .] a Letter from [. . .] mander of a french man [. . .] in Policherry road the [. . .] that being at Johanna, [. . .] twenty two of Ship Rubies [. . .] which [. . .] ten months past on the [. . .] nd May [. . .] Johanna, but the circumstances of this accident is not mentioned, nor what sav'd of the Rack, that Cap^t: John Barber the Comander, all his Officers and 60 of the Ships Crew dead, that the Purser in an open Boat with six men and a woman left Johanna about 3 months past, carrying abo[ve] 2,000£ Sterling in money, that 15 of the men they have brought to Policherry, the other seve[n] (the Boatswain being one) remain'd at Johanna having a large Booty as the other inform. The President by the same conveyance also received a Letter from Cap^t: John Ap Rice Com^r: of the Madrass frigate dated 26th: May last from the Cape, informing that they expected to sail the next day for Bencoolen, and being in Distress by the loss of two anchors in the harbour blowing at n^b: W^t: were releiv'd by the french ships then there, which Cap^t: Ap Rice attributes to the preservation of his ship.

ATT A CONSULTATION

FRIDAY
[16th]

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

THOMAS WRIGHT

MATTHEW EMPSON

THOMAS MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL

M^r: ELLIS *indispos'd*

The [. . .] 20th: Par. of their Letter dated the 21st: November 1699, urging the putting in suit the Bond given by Mess^{rs}: Daniel Chardin and Samuel Brown, and M^r: Chardin requesting a copy thereof, the same is order'd to be deliver'd him for his answer.

M^r: Chardin
to have Copy
of what the
Comps :
write about
the Bond
given by
himself &
Dr : Brown.

None offering to buy silver at 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ Dollars, the warehouskeeper is order'd to sell at 17 Ψ Ten Pagodas.

Silver to be
sold at 17
Dollars Ψ
Ten Pag^{as}.

The Contract not being Engross'd, it is defer'd till tomorrow to be sign'd.

The Merch^{ts}:
to sign y^e:
Contract
tomorrow.

THO: PITT.

THO: WRIGHT.

M: EMPSON.

THOM^s: MARSHALL.

JOHN MEVERELL.

[. . .] Martin Gov^r: [. . .] gratitude for the [. . .] Ships at Cape Bone [. . .] Madrass frigate [. . .].
Bill [. . .] Generall Letter to ffort S^t: [. . .] instant, with second [. . .] sent thither Ψ Ship Mamodee.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700 —

SATURDAY
[17th]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
 THOMAS WRIGHT
 MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
 JOHN MEVERELL
 M^r: ELLIS indispos'd

The Contract
 with the
 Joint Stock
 Merch^{ts}:
 for 160,000
 Pag^s:
 Sign'd.

This morning the Merchants attended and sign'd their Contract, which is Enter'd after this Consultation, and they were Tashereif'd according to custom and the usual complement of Guns.

THO: PITT.
 THO: WRIGHT.
 M: EMPSON.
 THOM^r: MARSHALL.
 JOHN MEVERELL.

A[n Agreement] and Contract.

A Contract
 for 160,000
 Pag^s:
 Callooes.

Made in [Saturday the] Sixteenth day of August 1700 [between] Thomas Pitt Esq^r: President & C^o: Councill for [. . .] R^t: Hon^{ble}: English East India Company, and [. . .] merchants in behalf of themselves Jo[. . .] and the rest of the hundred share Merchants [viz^t:] Checca Serapa, Nairo Verona, Checca Shevram, Coperte Cash, Ponagettee Narso, Cornapa Chittee, Iapa Chittee, Peditombe Adimolum, Racca Chittee, Perpandum Chittee.

The said Merchants do Contract that they will provide for the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company, the following quantities and sorts of Goods to the amount of One hundred & fifty thousand Pagodas, to be sorted by the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Servants according to the Musters now produced and agreed upon, and at the following prizes Viz^t:

	Covds:	Covds:	
Long Cloth Ordinary	... 72	Long 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ bro ^d :	Peices 30000 Viz ^t : N ^o : 1 at Pag ^s : 34: —: } " 2 " 32: 27: } Ψ Corga. " 3 " 30: 9: }
Long Cloth Middling	... 72	Long 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ bro ^d :	Peices 3000 Viz ^t : N ^o : 1 at Pag ^s : 41: —: } " 2 " 38: —: } Ψ Corga. " 3 " 35: —: }
Long Cloth fine	... 72	Long 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ bro ^d :	Peices 7000 Viz ^t : N ^o : 1 at Pag ^s : 75: —: } " 2 " 70: —: } Ψ Corga. " 3 " 65: —: }
Salampores fine	... 32	Long 2 $\frac{1}{8}$ bro ^d :	Peices 4000 Viz ^t : N ^o : 1 at Pag ^s : 29: —: } " 2 " 27: —: } Ψ Corga. " 3 " 25: —: }
[. . .]	... [2]	Long 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ bro ^d :	Peices 15000 Viz ^t : N ^o : 1 at Pag ^s : 16: 18: } " 2 " 15: 18: } Ψ Corga. " 3 " 14: 18: }
[. . .]	... 18	Long 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ bro ^d :	Peices 6000 Viz ^t : N ^o : 1 at Pag ^s : 36: —: } " 2 " 32: —: } Ψ Corga. " 3 " 28: —: }
[. . .] Ordinary	... 20	Long 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ bro ^d :	Peices 8000 Viz ^t : N ^o : 1 at Pag ^s : 20: —: } " 2 " 18: 18: } Ψ Corga. " 3 " 17: —: }

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[17th]

Succatons fine	40	Long 2 bro ^d : Peices 1500 Viz ^t :	
				N ^o : 1 at Pag ^s : 70 : — :	} ₹ Corge.
				" 2 " " 65 : — :	
				" 3 " " 50 : — :	
Betteelas Oringall	...	...	32	Long 2 bro ^d : Peices 6000 Viz ^t :	
				N ^o : 1 at Pag ^s : 70 : — :	} ₹ Corge.
				" 2 " " 65 : — :	
				" 3 " " 60 : — :	
Betteela's	...	...	40	Long 2 bro ^d : Peices 2000 Viz ^t :	
				N ^o : 1 at Pag ^s : 41 : — :	} ₹ Corge.
				" 2 " " 38 : — :	
				and none to be taken under that number.	
Betteela's	...	...	50	Long 2 bro ^d : Peices 3000 Viz ^t :	
				N ^o : 1 at Pag ^s : 48 : — :	} ₹ Corge.
				" 2 " " 45 : — :	
				and none to be taken under that number.	

All which Goods are to be deliver'd, Sorted and Embaled in Fort St: George on or before the first day of September 1701, and the Merchants in case of failure, are to forfeit twenty five ₹ Cent, Excepting only the impediments which shall unavoidably arise from war or the stops made by the Country Government. And the President & Council in case any such stops shall be made, do promise to use their Endeavours for clear [. . .] is underst[ood] [. . .] and for said Goo[ds] ₹ Cent and Dustore [. . .].

And w[. . .] the Dispatch and Loading of [. . .] day of Jan^r: next. The said M[erchants do promise] to have ready Embaled one thousand bales on or before that time.

The said President and Council do contract & promise to Pay the said Merchants the sum of Twenty thousand Pagodas on the sealing hereof, and afterwards upon the delivery of any quantity of Cloth on this Contract, either at the Land Custom house or measureing Godown, the like value in money then to be advanc'd and paid them if required, and so continue such Payments till the whole Contract is finished.

The said Merchants do further promise & agree forthwith to compleat their last Contract, separate & distinct from this present, in such proportion of Goods as are now due.

And the said Merchants do further agree to make a Joint Stock of Ten thousand Pagodas, and lay a Moiety of the same at signing this Contract, and the other Moiety in two months from this date. In witness whereof the aforesaid merchants have sett their hands and the seal of their Joint Stock, and the [. . .] have sett their hands. [. . .] R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company unto one [. . .] [sa]m^e Tenor and Date.

Signed & Sealed in the presence of

CHA : BUGDEN SEC^{RY} :

CHECOA SERAPA—చక్కా నరవయ.

KAICA VERONA—కాయక చరంబు.

CHECCA SHEVRAM—చక్కా నీరకాముదు.

COPERTE OASH—కొప్పకపు కాళి.

PONAGBTEE NARSO—బొన్న గండ్లి నక్క.

CORNAPA CHITTEE—కాణంబు చెట్టి.

IAPA CHITTEE—అయ్యప్పల.

PEDITOMBE ADIMOLUM—అద్దిమలమ్.

RACCA CHITTEE—రాకకల.

PERPAUDUM CHITTEE—పెరప్పల.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700 —

Received Generall Letter from ffort S^t: David dated the 15th: Instant, with the severall papers inclosed.

MONDAY
do :

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^r : ELLIS indispos'd

Land Custom Acco^{ts}:
for June
read & pays
Pag^s: 672
on that
acco^t :

M^r: John Meverell read his Land Custom Acco^{ts}: for the month June last, particulars Viz:

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	...	Pag ^s : 516 ; 20 : 20
Trivlecane Custom	...	...	...	...	" — : 3 : 30
[. . .]	" [. . .]
[ . . . ]	...	...	...	...	" [46] : 16 : 9
[ . . . ]	...	...	...	...	" — : 32 : —
[ . . . ]	...	...	...	...	" 9 : — : —

Pag^s: [676]: 8: 74

and pa[ys into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^r:] Cash Six hundred [seventy] two [Pag^s:] on that account.

Pag^s: 8000
paid into
Cash for
silver sold,
Fort S^t:
David bill
of Exchange
order'd to
be paid.

M^r: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^r: Cash Eight thousand Pagoda's on Acco^t: silver sold.

Order'd that Pag^s: 219: 24 be paid M^r: Roger Braddyll being for one Bill of Exch^a: drawn by the Dep: Govern^r: & C^a: Councill of Fort S^t: David dated the 15th: Instant.

Letter from
Fort S^t:
David read.

Generall Letter from ffort S^t: David dated y^e: 15th: Instant read.

Liquors for
the Genl:
table order'd
to be bought.

Order'd that Three tonn of Beer and two chests wine Viz: Canary & Clarett be bought for the use of the Generall table.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^r: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

[. . .] [le]tter from Metchlepm: [. . .] nt french Cossed.

MONDAY
[]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^r: ELLIS indispos'd

Pag^s: 1200
paid into
Cash on
Acco^t: Sea
Customs.

M^r: Thomas Wright late Sea Customer pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^r: Cash Twelve hundred Pagodas on Acco^t: Sea Custom's.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700—

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Order'd that Bernando Rodrigues bee Entertain'd a souldier in this Garrison.

Portuguez entertain'd a soldier. Long Cloth defective.

The Warehousekeeper & Sorters report, that there are lying in the Godown One thous^d: & twenty peices of Long Cloth Ordinary, some of which has been turned out, some have had holes and mended, some narrow and some short, but in General the cloth pritty good.

Wherefore it is agreed that the said Cloth be all taken in at Pag^s: 27: 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ Corge and marked N^o: 6 beleiveing they may sell for as much at the West Coast, as those which have cost much more.

To allow for said cloth Pag^s: 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ Corge.

Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 11th: Instant read, wherein 'tis observed, that [. . .] dem [. . .] that he [. . .] ion, but bele [. . .] ell in his own [. . .] am, which were [. . .] the ffactory by M^r: [. . .] ands arrivall.

Letter from Metchlepatam read. The Comp^s: papers in the hands of Woolston demanded by the Chief & Council, but he denyys his having any.

[7 lines lost.]

M^r: Lovell being sent for before us, Denys his ever giving M^r: Woolston such order, alledgeing that all General Letters &c^a: papers were deliver'd him with the Company's Seal, and offers to deliver us a Letter with flying seal for him, upon this occasion, to be sent M^r: Foquett &c^a: which he is order'd accordingly to do.

M^r: Lovell examin'd about it, who affirms they were left wt: Woolston.

M^r: Holcombe from Vizagapatam having requested a Letter from the President to the King of Acheen, hee designing a ship thither very suddainly.

The Presidents Letter to the King of Acheen requested by M^r: Holcombe.

A Letter to the King upon this occasion, and in General for the benefit of the English trade, with a Letter to M^r: Holcombe, read and approved.

Letter to ye: King of Acheen one to M^r: Holcombe, read.

The President produces a Paper for prevention of abuses by the Goldsmiths of this place, in [. . .] the same is refer'd [. . .] tion.

Paper produced, to prevent abuses by the working Goldsmiths.

[M^r: Richard] Hunt Tobacco Mafnager [pays into the] Hon^{ble}: Companys cash [Six hundred and sixty] nine Pag^s: on that Acco^t:

Pag^s: 669 paid [into cash for] Tobacco sold.

[Order'd that] One thousand Pagodas be [paid M^r: Thom]as Marshall Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

Pag^s: 1,000 paid for [Garrison charges.]

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to deliver the President Thirty Candy Saltpetre at the Market price.

Thirty Candy Saltpetre to be deliv^d: the President at Market price.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700 —

TUESDAY
[. . .]

[ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
 THOMAS WRIGHT
 MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
 JOHN MEYERELL
 M^r: ELLIS *indisposed.*]

[One en]tertained a Souldier [in this Garrison]

Portugues
 entert'd :
 a Soldier.
 The Mer-
 chanta
 produces a
 Stock of
 10,000 Pag^s :
 for carrying
 on their
 Investment.
 whereupon
 20,000 pag^s :
 is paid them,

The Joint Stock [merchants] produceing their Ten thousand Pagodas Stock as agreed by the Contract dated the 16th: Instant, Order'd that Twenty thousand Pagodas be paid them in part of the said Contract.

The Comp^s :
 Shroff to be
 paid what
 arrears due
 to him, as
 P^r accot :
 deliver'd in.

Tegapah the Shroff having long since presented a Petition to the Govern^r : & Council setting forth, that there were great Arrears of wages due to him, occasion'd by his not accepting of 1½ pag^s : P^r mensem, he insisting on two pagodas, which is his present Salary, and also alledges that he has given his constant attendance to shroff all the money received into the Revenues, Warehouse, by the Paymaster and in the Companys cash, and severall of the Council avering the same, its thought reasonable [. . .] arrears to be paid [. . .] March 1694/5 [. . .] he was at his [. . .] have serv'd or no. [. . .] Padres belonging to [. . .], having long since [. . .] Govern^r : & Council and often [. . .] em for an answer thereto; the [Purport] of which Petition is relating to [Charity] given them by the R^t : Hon^{ble} : Company from the first Settlement of this place, and continued till within 5 or 6 years last past, but not finding any orders from the Comp^s : to withdraw the same, or any reason upon the Books of the late Govern^r : & Council for retaining it, wee think it for the Hon^{ble} : Comp^s : service, that it be continued to 'em till their pleasure be signified to us, and therefore the Warehousekeeper is Order'd yearly to deliver 'em on the first day September next, One Garse of Paddy and two peices Long Cloth, when the Paymaster is also to deliver four Habits.

for[. . .]
 Comp
 [. . .]

which is
 Order'd to be
 deliver'd
 them.

The reasons
 for the same.

What induces us to this, is not only that it has been the Companys ancient Charity, but [a few lines missing] good [. . .] strat [. . .] en there can [. . .] and they brought in [. . .] Arms. The said Petition is Enter'd after this consultation

THO : PITT.
 THO : WRIGHT.
 M : EMPSON.
 THOM^r : MARSHALL.
 JOHN MEYERELL.

TO THE HON^{ble} : THOMAS PITT ESQ^r : PRESIDENT
 OF FORT ST^r : GEORGE AND GOVERN^r : OF THE
 COAST OF CHOROMANDELL & C^a : COUNCILL.

The Hum^{ble} : Petition of Padre Michael Anjo, Padre Jacques, Padre Espirito & Padre Renato.

May it Please Your Hon^r : & c^a :

Your Petitioners do humbly presume to acquaint your Hon^r : & c^a : that the R^t : Hon^{ble} : Comp^s : was [. . .] rest of the favours [. . .] Peti-

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[. . .]

tioners, annu [. . .] two a Garse of Paddy, [. . .] Canonnicall [. . .] of their Hon^r: [. . .] petitioners for some years past.

The Portuguese Padres Petition for the charitys formerly allow'd by the Company.

[May it] please Your Hon^r: &c^a: though [the petitioners] cannot pretend any right or claim to this gift, longer then is consistent with the good will and pleasure of their R^t: Hon^{ble}: Benefactors, yet they humbly request, that (if the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company have not by order contracted that part of their Charity) Your Hon^r: &c^a: would please to allow it them, and though yo^r: Petitioners are incapable of makeing any return, yet a due acknowledgement, a gratef[ull] sentiment of their Hon^{rs}: favours, and yo^r: Petition^{rs}: daily prayers for the advancement & prosperity of the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys affairs under the prudent management of Your Hon^r: &c^a: shall never be wanting.

By Boat, sent Gen^l: Letters to the Cheif &c^a: Councill at Metchlepatam, to M^r: Simon Holcombe Cheif at Vizagapatam, incloseing the President's Letter to the King of Acheen and translate thereof all of yesterdays Date.

[Several lines missing.]

Received Generall [letter] dated 24th: past.

SEPTEMBER
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Past by a large Ship to the [. . .] a Dutch flag at Topmast head, [. . .] to be the Heer Comens Govern^r: of Negapatam bound to Policat. Deliver'd Ship Bone Voyage a Pass burthen seventy five Tonn.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

FRIDAY
do:

Present

- THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
- THOMAS WRIGHT
- MATTHEW EMPSON
- THOMAS MARSHALL
- JOHN MEVERELL
- M^r: ELLIS indispos'd

The President read his Acco^t: of the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash for the month of August last, the Ballance being Pag^r: 26375: 35: 3 and Charles [. . .] his acco^t: Fees [. . .] Pag^r: Tenn, [. . .] Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash [. . .] forthwith to [Comp] anys Washers, [. . .] [no] torious Villains, [. . .] at the Choultry [. . .] incorrigible. It is order'd [that] they be Tr[ansported] to Pegu by a Ship now going over.

The Comp^s Acco^t: Cash for August read & [. . .]

The Warehousekeeper reports to have received of the President Malabar Pepper Candys 212: 19: 22^{md. lb.} which at 18 pag^r: Candy amount to Pag^r: 3833: 32: 9: the same is order'd to be paid for out of Cash.

[. . .] for [. . .] into [. . .] Paymasters Acco^t: for June and July read.

M^r: Matthew Empson read his Paymasters Acco^t: for the months of June & July last, particulars Viz^t:

June.

Charges Garrison	...	...	...	...	Pag ^r : 1,093: 24: —
Charges Extraordinary	...	...	...	...	55: 17: —
Charges Generall	...	...	...	...	681: 22: —
Ship Rubie	...	...	...	...	263: 18: —
Diet	...	...	...	...	456: 34: —
Cattle	...	...	...	...	17: 11: —
Fortifications & repairs	...	...	...	...	31: 24: —

Pag^r: 2,600: 6: —

July.

[Several lines missing.]

—FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1700—

ATT A CONSULTATION

TUESDAY
10TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

MESS^{RS}: ELLIS & EMPSON *indispos'd*

Order'd that William Jennings be Assistant to the Warehousekeeper in the room of William Bull.

Wm: Jennings Order'd assistant to the Warehousekeeper. Pag: 1000 paid into cash on Acco^t: Sea Customs. The Mint Acco^{ts}: for June, July & August, read.

M^r: Thomas Wright late Sea Customer pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company: cash One thousand Pagodas on Acco^t: Sea Custom's.

The President read his Mint Acco^{ts}: for the months June, July & August last particulars Viz^t:

June		
To Custom on Gold coin'd in y ^e : Mint	...	Pag ^s : 56: 5: —
To Custom on Silver	... ..	Rup ^s : 217: 2: —
July		
To Custom on Gold	... ..	Pag ^s : 32: 6: 40
To Custom on Silver	... ..	Rup ^s : 122: 14: —
August		
To Custom on Gold	... ..	Pag ^s : 10: 34: —
To Custom on Silver	... ..	Rup ^s : 590: 8: —

and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash Viz^t:

For custom of Gold coin'd	... ..	Pag ^s : 99: 9: 4
For fanams deliv ^d : out of Mint	... ..	„ 1615: 6: 3
For copper Cash	... ..	„ 840: — —

and delivers to the Warehousekeeper on Acco^t: Revenues of Silver and Coinage Rupees 15 [3] 5: 6.

Order'd that John Jacobs and John Bonard be Entertain'd souldiers in this Garrison.

Two persons ent'd: Soldiers. The Tobacco Managers acco^t: for May, June, July and August read.

M^r: Richard Hunt Tobacco Manager, read his Acco^{ts}: of Tobacco sold for the months of May, June, July and August last.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to sell Rup^s: at 355 for One hundred Pagoda's being answerable to the Price of seventeen Dollars @ Ten Pagodas.

Rupees to be sold at 355 for Ten Pag^s.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Saree Salam [*Lacuna in the original*] saild for Pegu.

11

Received by Overland Peons, General Letter from President Colt & Co^s: Councill at Surat dated 3th: July last, with copy of their Protest to S^r: Nichola's Waite of the 6th: ditto. Also General Letter from the Generall & Co^s: Councill at Bombay dated the 24th: May last, with all papers inclosed.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1700—

12 Received General Letter from the Majority of the Council at ffort S^t: David dat: 7th: Instant.

THURSDAY
12TH

ATT A CONSULTATION *Extraordy*:

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERRELL
M^r: ELLIS *indispos'd*

Letter from the Majority of the Council at Fort St: David complaining of the Dep: Govt: Letters received, read.

General Letter from the Majority of the Council at Fort S^t: David dated the 7th: Instant, read, complaining of a generall Disatisfaction in the Deputy Governours Department towards his Council, concerning which there are severall private Letters to the Governour, as also to some of the Council, which shall be speedily considered, to prevent the ill consequences that may insue.

Generall Letters from Surat dated the 8th: July last, and from Bombay dated the 24th: May last, with the severall papers therewith received, all read.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERRELL.

14TH Dispatch'd Generall Letters to the Dep: Governour &c^s: Council at ffort S^t: David, and to the Deputy Governour particularly, both of yesterdays Date; also to the Majority of the Council of this Date.

TUESDAY
17

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON

The Council being duly sumon'd

MESS^{rs}: ELLIS, MARSHALL, & MEVERRELL *indispos'd*

The Bond for appearance of Claudius Masson to be put in suit in the Adm^r: Court. Pag^s: 1000 to be paid the Paym^t: for Garrison charges.

The Attorney Generall is Order'd to put in suit in the Court of Admiralty, the Bond dated the 15th: May 1696 for one thousand Pagodas given by Mess^{rs}: Daniel Chardin & Samuel Browne, for the appearance of Claudius Massons person, he being absconded.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid M^r: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Henry Marshall Writer requ^{ir}: to lay down the Comp^s: Service wch: is granted.

Henry Marshall by his request in writing, desireing to lay down the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Service, in order to go home by the next returning ship, upon which being sent for to know the reason, he answers, that having news by the last ships of his fathers death, hee goes home to take care of the Estate left him.

It is resolved that the same be granted, and that Thomas Matthews be at the Sea Gate in his room.

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[17^{xx}]

Peter de Pomera &c^a: Arrac farmers, pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash Five hundred Pagodas on that account for two months, ending the 14th: July last.

Page: 500
paid into
Cash on
acco^t: of the
Arrac farm.

It having been an Epidemical complaint against the working Goldsmiths of this Place, of their unreasonable and unjust abaseing all Gold and Silver deliver'd them to work up, by which all people have been great losers when they come to Dispose of the same; To prevent this great Mischeif for the future, Wee the Gov^r: & Councill do order, that on & after the 29th: day of this present September 1700, that no Gold nor Silver shall be wrought up in this place nor the limits thereof, otherwise than the coin, but what shall be brought to the Essaymaster at the Mint, which if found to be according to the standard hereafter mentioned then he shall stamp it with a stamp made for that purpose, which is a Lyons head and Letter A the Letter to be alter'd yearly according to the Alphabet.

Complaint
of the work-
ing Gold-
smiths.

Methods for
future pre-
vention of
the same.

All wrought Silver to be English Standard.

All wrought Gold not to be worse than Pagoda Matt.

And whatsoever wrought Silver or Gold the Essaymaster shall find when brought to him, to be under the aforesaid Matt, he shall cause it to be broke in peices, and the Goldsmith that wrought such plate, shall be forthwith carried before some one Justice of the Choultry, who upon information upon Oath from the Essaymaster, that such Plate he then produces is worse than the standard aforementioned, then such Justice shall committ the Offender to Prison till next Court day when by the Justices of the Choultry, the person or persons so offending shall be fin'd or receive such punishment as the notoriousness of their crime deserves.

And whereas there are severall things wrought in Gold and Silver, which by reason of their smallness are incapable of being stamp'd, 'tis Order'd that such small work either Silver or Gold, shall be brought to the Essaymaster to be touch'd by him, and if found under touch, then the offender to be proceeded against, as in the case of large Plate to be stamp'd.

Furthermore, It is required & Order'd that no person whatsoever make any wrought Plate or Employ any Goldsmith to make the same, but before he pays such Goldsmith, hee shall bring or cause to be brought the Plate so wrought to be stamp'd or Touch'd, on failure of which and proof made of the same, a Quarter part of the Value of said Plate shall be forfeited, one third part of which, to be paid unto our Church, one third to the Company, and one third to the Informer or Discoverer thereof.

And if any one shall presume or offer to counterfeit the Stamp, hee shall bee proceeded against in the Court of Admiralty where hee shall be punished or fined according to the merit of the fact.

Wee further Order, wrought Plate stamp'd or touch'd by the Essaymaster, so that it be of the same standard hereby Order'd, that it Pays unto the Essaymaster half a fanam Madrass for each Pagoda.

Wee also order, that the Essaymaster keep an exact acco^t: of what Silver or Gold hee stamps or touches, with an Acco^t: of what hee receives for the same, and produce the same monthly in Councill.

And that none may have cause to plead Ignorance in this our Order for stamping of all wrought Gold and Silver, It is resolved that the same be Affixt at the Sea Gate, in the English, Portuguez, Armenian, [Persian], Jentu & Malabar Languages.

THO: PITT.

THO: WRIGHT.

M: EMPSON.

THOM^s: MARSHALL.

JOHN MEVERELL.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1700—

17 By Peons to Policherry to be sent by two French men of warr proceeding thence for Surat, Dispatch'd Generall Letter to President Colt: &c^a: Council of yesterdays date, incloseing our Journall parcells and Acco^t: Currant with that Presidency, from the year 1691. Also Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Bombay of yesterdays date.

21 Received Generall Letters from Metchlepatam of no Date, and from Maddapollam dated the 5th: Instant, with the several papers inclosed in both Pacquets.

26 Received Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated 20th: July last with their Acco^t: of the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash for the month June last.

FRIDAY
27TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

THOM^s: WRIGHT

MATTHEW EMPSON

THOM^s: MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL

M^r: ELLIS *indispos'd*

Part of a
Letter to the
Comp^s:
& Letters
from ye
Subordinate
factorys,
read.

General Letter to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company of this Date to Paragraph 66. Also Generall Letters from Metchlepatam of no Date, from Maddapollam dated the 5th: Instant and from Vizagapatam dated 20th: July last, all read.

Storekeepers
Acco^ts: for
July &
August read,
and 300 pag^s:
paid into
cash on that
Acco^t:

M^r: Francis Bett Prov^t: Storekeeper read his Acco^ts: for the months of July and August last, and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash Three hundred Pagodas on that account, being for stores sold.

Page: 50 be
repaid
M^r: Bett for
bringing up
the W^t:
Coast books
in p^rsuance
of ye
Comp^s:
orders.
Land Custom
Acco^ts: for
July and
August read

Ordered that Fifty Pagodas be paid M^r: Francis Bett, being so much received by him as a Gratuity for bringing up those Books when he went to the West Coast, and afterwards repaid back, but since allowed by the R^t: H: C: in the 39 Parag: of their Letter dated the 21st: November 1699, upon what wee wrote them about that matter.

M^r: John Meverell Land Customer read his acco^ts: for the months of July and August last particulars Viz^t:

	July.	
Choultry Custom	P ^s : 594: 10: 58
Trivlecane Custom 3: 45
Rubie Brokers 73: 2: 10
Cloth Brokers 10: 31: 60
Registring Slaves 1: 20: —
	August.	Pag ^s : 679: 32: 3
Choultry Custom	P ^s : 488: 13: 65
Trivlecane Custom 5: 40
Rubie Brokers 69: 25: —
Cloth Brokers 27: 45
Registring Slaves 8. —
		.. 559: 7: 70

Pag: 1176
paid into
Cash on
acco^t: Land
Custom.

and pay^s into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash One thousand one hundred Seventy Six Pag^s: on that account.

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[27th]

M^r: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper read his Accot^s: for the months July & August last, and pays into the k^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash Four thousand Pagodas on Accot^s: Goods & Silver sold, and M^r: Richard Hunt Tobacco Manager pays Four hundred & fifteen Pagodas on Accot^s: Tobacco sold.

Warehouse
Accot^s: for
July &
August read
and pays int
Cash 4000
pag^s: for
Silver &c^a:
sold.
Pag^s: 415
paid into
Cash for
Tobacco
sold.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Howland arrived from Vizagapatam and Metchlepatam and brought the follow^s: Generall Letters Viz^t: 29th

from the Cheif &c^a: Council dated the 4th: Ins^t: with Invoice & Bill Lading for 186 bales &c^a: amounting to Pag^s: 11079: 7: 3.

from the Cheif of Vizagapatam dated the 16th: Instant.

from the Cheif &c^a: Council of Metchlepatam dated 23^d: Instant, with Invoice & Bill Lading for 96 bales am^{ts}: to Pag^s: 25039: 25: 3.

from M^r: Samuel Woolston dated the 14th: Ins^t: and from Bengall dated the 10th: July last, wth: all papers mention'd in their several respective Lists.

The Governour and Council sign'd the following Order.

SUNDAY
d^e:

Ship Howland being this evening arriv'd from Metchlepatam and Vizagapatam, the Warehousekeeper is Order'd with all expedition to unlade the following.

Some bales
from the
Northern
factories to
be unladen
from the
Howland, &
inspection.

FROM VIZAGAPATAM.

Strip'd Betteela's Brown Viz^t:

N ^o : B	Bales	2
C	"	3
OC	"	1
+C	"	6
OB	"	1
+ [D]	"	1

14 bales which
being Brown,
are to be wash'd.

Europe Cloth Viz^t:

N ^o : A	Bales	2
" R	"	4
" G	"	5
" P	"	4
" I	"	1

All the Bengall Packing Stuff put on Shore there from Ship Benjamin, and all freight Goods.

Long Cloth	...	N ^o : O.	3	Bal:	1
Salampores Ord ^r :	...	"	4	"	1
Strip'd Betteela's	...	"	1	"	1

3 bales, for our
Inspection.

———FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1700———

[29th]

METCHLEPATAM GOODS.

LFC	+	N ^o : 1	Bale	1
P	+	" 1	"	1
BP	+	" 1	"	1
GS	+	" 1	"	1
SF		" 2	"	1
P		" 2	"	1
DMF		" 1	"	1
SH		" 2	"	1
GB		" 1	"	1
OB		" 1	"	1
IZ		" 2	"	1
CH		" 22	"	1
CB		" 1	"	1
SG		" 2	"	1
A		" 2	"	1
R		" 2	"	1
SPP		" 1	"	1

17 Bales, for our Inspection.

MADDAPOLLAM GOODS.

LFC		N ^o : 2	Bale	1
GS		" 1	"	1
BP		" 2	"	1

3 bales, for our Inspection.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

MONDAY
30th

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

FRANCIS ELLIS	THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON	THOM ^s : MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL	

Cloth brought
in by the
Joint Stock
Merch^{ts}:
unfit for
Europe to be
sold at
Outcry.
Ginghams of
18 coveds to
be taken in,
prohibited
by ye:
Comp^s: &
why.

There being some cloth lying in the Godown brought in by the Joint Stock Merch^{ts}: on their old Contract, which either by Badness or Shortness in Length & breadth are unfit for Europe, It is Order'd that the Warehousekeeper Affix notes at the Sea Gate, signifying that such Cloth be put up to sale at Publick Outcry, and the Produce thereof paid into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Cash. And whereas there are also about Eight hundred peices of 16 Coved Ginghams, brought in by the Joint Stock Merchants on the old Contract and they being considerable in arrears upon that Contract, wee think it adviseable not to refuse these, notwithstanding the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company have order'd that no more should be sent them.

Letters re-
ceived, read.

Generall Letters from the Cheif &c^s: Coun^{ll}: of Vizagapatam dated the 4th: & 7th: Instant, from the Cheif of Vizagapatam dated the 16th: Instant &c^s:

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[30th]

papers from Metchlep^m: dated 23^d: Instant, and M^r: Samuel Woolston dated the 14th: Instant; also from Bengall dated the 10 July last, all read.

M^r: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his Acco^t: Disbursements for the month August last, particulars Viz^t:

Paymaster's
Acco^t: for the
mo: August,
read.

Charges Garrison	...	...	...	...	Pa: 1124: 19
Charges Generall	...	...	...	...	308: 29
Charges Cattle	...	...	...	...	19: 9
Acco ^t : Present	...	...	...	...	3: 32
Charges Merchandize	...	...	...	...	—: 10
Diet	...	...	...	...	229: 30
Factors Provisions	...	...	...	...	576: 10
Charges Extraordinary	...	...	...	...	14: 35
Metchlepatam	...	...	...	...	102: 34
West Coast	...	...	...	...	10: 21
Fortifications & Repairs	...	...	...	...	30: 1

Pag^s: 2,421: 14

Order'd that One thousand Pagoda's be paid M^r: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Pag^s: 1,000
order'd the
Paymaster
for defraying
charges
Garrison.

Order'd that John Holston be Gunners Mate of the Outworks.

John Holston
entertain'd
Gun^{rs}: Mate
of ye: Out-
works.

M^r: Thomas Wright being in the warehouse, and not having time to attend the Choultry, It is therefore order'd that M^r: Matthew Empson be Cheif Justice of the Choultry in his room.

M^r: Empson
to be Cheif
Justice of the
Choultry.

The Accomptant is order'd to draw out the Acco^t: Salary due to the R^t: H: Comp^s: Servants ending the 29th: Instant, and the Paymaster to Muster Ship Howlands Company of men and report the same.

Acco^t: Salary
for 1 year to
the Comp^s:
Serv^{ts}: to be
drawn out.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Brigantine Commerce George Weoley Master arrived from Bengall, by whom 30 received Generall Letter from the President &c^s: Council dated the 5th: Instant, with the severall papers as ^{is} List of the Pacquet.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^t: David of this date.

OCTOBER
7^{mo} :

The following Order was sign'd by the Governour & Council.

WEDNES-
DAY
2^d :

Ship Howland being ready to take in her Lading for England, the Warehousekeeper is order'd to ship off sufficient for the same, takeing care that all the fine Goods be sent, and the Pepper as the Comander desires it.

Ship How-
lands Lading
for England
to be ship'd
off.

THOMAS PITT.
THOM^s: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1700 —

FRIDAY 4

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
 FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
 MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
 JOHN MEVERELL

Letters sent
& receiv'd,
read.

Generall Letter to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company dated the 27th: September last from Parag: 66 to 77 from Bengall dated the 5th: September last, To Bengall, Metchlepatam, Maddap^m: & Vizagapatam of this Date, all read.

The Ware-
housekeeper
to agree for
300 Candys
Red wood at
2 $\frac{1}{4}$ pag^s:

The Warehousekeeper reports, that hee cannot Buy any Redwood under 2 $\frac{1}{4}$ pag^s: p Candy, and to advance half the money before hand. So considering the Dutch and new Company are Buying up great quantities, 'Tis resolved & Order'd hee agrees for three hundred Candys upon those term's.

Mr: John
Styleman
upon his re-
quest, hath
leave to go
for England.

Mr: John Styleman in writing, requesting our Leave to take his Passage for England upon Ship Howland, Resolved that the same be granted, and that he has accomodation in the great Cabbin.

THO: PITT.
 THO: WRIGHT.
 M: EMPSON.
 THOM^s: MARSHALL.
 JOHN MEVERELL.

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Dispatch'd p Pattamars the following Pacq^{ts}: Viz: To Metchlepatam, Maddapollam, Vizagapatam and Bengall all of Yesterdays date, with the severall papers mentioned in the respective Generall Letters.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 28th: September last with the Sev^l: papers as p List from N^o: 1 to N^o: 13, also their Journall parcells and Account Currant with this place comencing p ^m: May 1699 ending April 1700. Likewise a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour dated the 27th: past, and all other papers as therein mentioned.

TUESDAY
7th

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

FRANCOIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
 MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^s: MARSHALL
 JOHN MEVERELL

The Store-
keeper to re-
deliver Ten
barrells of
English
powder to
Capt: Prower,
for so much
spared at
Vizagapatam.
Letters from
Fort S^t:
David, read,
and their
Merch^{ts}:
proposealls
for 30,000
pag^s: In-
vestment
approv'd
upon some
alterations
hence.

The Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam adviseing in their Generall Letter dated the 4th: Instant of Cap^t: William Prowers having spared them Tenn barrells Powder, and he now producing Mr: Stables receipt for the same, the Storekeeper is Order'd to deliver Cap^t: Prower ten Barrells English Powder.

Generall Letters from the Dep: Govern^r: of Fort S^t: David dated the 27th: Sep^r: last, and from the Dep: Gov^r: & Council. dated the 28th: ditto, both read: in the latter was sent us proposealls by their Merchants for an Investment of Thirty thousand Pagodas, which wee approve of, except the number of midling Long Cloth, one Moiety whereof to be taken off, and in Lieu the Amount in Commees & Neckcloths to be Agreed, & for their direction in the abatement between number to number, that wee send them copy of our last Contract.

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[7TH]

Ensign Thomas Salmon for deserting the Garrison and for drawing off severall men with him, having lain in Prison some months; for many considerations have tho^t: fitt to send him home upon Ship Howland on Charterparty Account, and there being arrears of wages due to him (having had but two pagodas p Mensem since in Prison) which by Law or equity he ought not to be allow'd, having been under confinement and done no service for the same; but considering his condition, that hee has neither apparell nor any manner of necessaries for the Voyage, the Paymaster is Order'd to give him Ten Pagodas, and that there be an Order for his going aboard forthwith.

Ensign Salmon for deserting the Garrison to be sent for England, and some small sum given for necessarys.

Serjant Owen having serv'd some time in this Garrison and being under great discontent of mind from being from his Wife and Children in England, in so much, that he has offer'd violence to himself, 'Tis order'd that he be Discharg'd and that he takes his passage on Ship Howland.

Serjant Owen to go for England & why.

'Tis order'd that Thomas Hitchman & John Ireland who was brought here from ffort S^t: David upon Ship Colchester, who were taken aboard by a Dane at Acheen, having been concern'd in severall Piracies in the South Sea's, but there being no evidence against them, otherwise than their own Declaration that they were forc'd to serve in a Piroet, 'Tis thought convenient to prevent their Infecting others, that they be sent home on Ship Howland and their declarations with them, and that the Paymaster provides them necessary apparell for the Voyage:

Two men lying under suspicion of Piracy to be sent for England.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 5th: Instant. 8
Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^t: David of this date.

ATT A CONSULTATION

FRIDAY
11TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
THE COUNCELL BEING DULY SUMMON'D

Generall Letter to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company dated the 27th: September last & 10th: Instant, from Parag: 77 to 85, read. Letter to the Comp^s: to Par: 85 read.

Resolved that the Secretary give orders to Cap^t: Prower for receiveing of Diamonds on board Ship Howland, as they are bro^t: to him to be Registred. The Secretary to give orders for receiveing Diamonds on Ship Howland, for England.

Ordered that Four thousand Pagodas be paid to Botchu Chitte & Colastree, being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Dep: Govern^r: & C^a: Council at ffort S^t: David dated the 5th: Instant. Fort S^t: David bill Exchange ord^d: to be paid.

Ordered that Thomas Crum be Discharg'd the Gunroom crew at his request and David Lee be Entertain'd therein. Men Discharg'd & Entertain'd in the Gunroom.

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[1700]

To report whether Messrs: Dolben & Styleman are indebted to y^e: Comp^y: The Acco^t: of the Comp^y: cash for September, read.

The Accomptant is order'd to Examine the Generall books, whether Mess^{rs}: John Dolben and John Styleman are anyways indebted to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company & report the same.

The President read his Acco^t: of the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^y: Cash for the month. September last, Ballance being Pag^s: 34906: 28: 2.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

13 Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 10th: Instant with their Pacquet to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company (under a flying seal for our peruseall) to be sent by Ship Howland. Also copy of their Consultations & Diarys comenceing January 1694 Ending ultimo December 1699.

14 The following order was sign'd by y^e: Gov^r: & Council.
To Cap^t: William Prower Com^d: of Ship Howland.

Wee require you to receive on board your Ship Thomas Hitchman and John Ireland in Irons, and keep them so till you sail out of this road, and when you come near any Port, you are to put them again in Irons to prevent their Escaping, and on your arrival in England, you are to advise the Company and follow their orders for the Disposeall of 'em. They were apprehended at Malacca for being concern'd in several Piracies in the South Sea's, and their own Declarations which goes with them, confirms their having sail'd up & down in Pirats. Wee cannot avoid sending 'em home to prevent their perverting others, which Mallafactors have already brought great Dishonour to our nation in these parts, as well as unspeakeable Prejudice to the Company's Affairs. Dated in Fort S^t: George the 14th: October 1700.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOM^s: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THO: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

14 Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam, dated the 29th: September last, with their Diarys & Consultations comenceing 6th: August to the 20th: September last. Also a paper of proposealls from their Merchants for an Investment of Pag^s: 44762: 18 deliverable in August next.

TUESDAY
15th

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^s: MARSHALL
MESS^{rs}: ELLIS & MEVERELL *indispos'd*

Bills to be drawn on y^e: Comp^y: for Pag^s: 49: 6 paid into their cash of Batson Pearson read:

M^r: Mathew Empson late Paymaster pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys- Cash Pag^s: 49: 6 being further part of the Estate of M^r: Batson Pearson deceas'd. Order'd that Bills be given him by us on the Hon^{ble}: Comp^y: payable to his relations in England.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1700 —

[15 H]

The President having provided Cloth and look'd after the Painting of Chints, of this place, whereupon some being lately brought in and approved by us very proper for the Europe Market, are order'd to be taken in, calculating the prime cost of the Cloth, what has and is to be paid y^e: Painters, and the Warehouse-keeper is Order'd to Embale the same and Lade them on board the Howland.

Chints of this place provided by the President to be paid for & Laden on the Howland for England.

The Paymaster reports the Muster of Ship Howlands Company to be Eighty men & Boys.

The Howlands Muster roll reported.

Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 10th: Instant and from Metchlepatam dated the 29th: September last, both read.

Letters received, read.

Ordered that Two thousand Pag^s: be paid Vengana & Kamana, being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Dep: Gov^r: & c^a: Councill of Fort S^t: David dated the 5th: Instant.

Fort S^t: David bill Exchange order'd to be paid.

The Accomptant reporting that Mess^{rs}: John Dolben and John Styleman are not anyways indebted to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company upon their Generall Books, Order'd that Certificates be accordingly given them.

Certificates given Mess^{rs}: Dolben & Styleman, they being not indebted to the Compa:

Order'd that David Davids be Entertain'd a Souldier in this Garrison in the stead of John Davis, he being Discharg'd upon his request of returning home Ψ Ship Howland and John Hopkins, Thomas Wetherly, Richard Ranwi[th] & John Dennis are all Discharg'd the Gunroom.

Exchange of a Soldier made & severall discharg'd y^e: Gunroom.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid M^r: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

Pag^s: 1000 Order'd y^e: Paym^r: for charges Garrison.

Agreed that what Brown Cloth brought ashore here at any times to be wash'd, may be Exported again upon paying 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ Ψ Cent custom.

Brown Cloth imported to be wash'd only, to pay 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ Ψ Cent custom.

Charles Bugden nearly related to M^r: Zouch Troughton (who died in his passage home on the Fame) being under some apprehention that his papers may be Lost or Embezled, have requested of us a certificate that the said M^r: Troughton nor M^r: John Cheney (whose relict he married) are not Indebted to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company in this Presidency, which wee now grant him, in regard that M^r: Troughton had a Certificate to the same purport as Ψ Order of Consultation the Ψ ^{mo}: October 1698.

Upon Charles Bugdens request a Certificate is given that Zouch Troughton & Jno: Cheney dead; are not indebted to y^e: Comps:

Order'd that Pag^s: 4: 8: 1 be paid M^r: John Hutchinson and Pag^s: 5: 11 to M^r: Henry Marshall, being for Salary due to them from the 25th: March last to the time of their Dismission from the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Service.

Jno: Hutchinson & Henry Marshall their Salary Order'd to be paid them.

THO: PITT.

THO: WRIGHT.

M: EMPSON.

THOM^s: MARSHALL.

Twelve a clock at noon, Ship Howland, fired a Gun, signifying her being fully Laden.

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WEDNES-
DAY 16

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
 THOMAS WRIGHT
 MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^s: MARSHALL
 JOHN MEVERELL
 M^s: ELLIS *indispos'd*

Letter part
of a Letter
to yo^e:
Comp^s: &
yo^e:
Howlands
Dispatch
read & sign'd.

The remaining part of the Generall Letter to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company from
Parag: 85 to 94 was read & sign'd, as also the Howlands Dispatch for England.

One of the
Gunroom
crew
discharg'd.

Order'd that Paul Springa be Discharg'd the Gunroom, he desireing it.

THO: PITT.
 THO: WRIGHT.
 M: EMPSON.
 THOM^s: MARSHALL.

16
17

Deliver'd the Comander of the Howland his Dispatch for England.
 Ship Howland Cap^t: William Prower Com^r: saild for England.

FRIDAY 18

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^r:
 THOMAS WRIGHT
 MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^s: MARSHALL

The Council being duly summon'd
 M^s: ELLIS *indispos'd*

Portugues
Entertain'd
in the
Gunroom.

Order'd that Padro Lacruiz be Entertain'd in the Gunroom.

Sea Custom
Acco^ts: for
the moth: July
read.

M^r: Thomas Wright late Sea Customer read his Sea Custom Accounts for
the month July last particulars Viz^t:

To Custom of Goods Imported & Exported this									
month	...	...	...	...	...	...	Pag ^s :	1861:	26: 98
To Custom on Grain	...	...	...	...	...	...	"	381:	22: 25
To Anchorage	...	...	...	...	...	...	"	98:	—: —
To Salvage	...	...	...	...	...	...	"	19:	22: —
To ffreight ꝑ Rubie from Beng ^l:	...	...	...	...	...	...	"	120:	15: 96

Pa: 2481: 15: 19

The Secre-
tarys Acco^t:
Fees for
Passes for
September
read.

Charles Bugden Secretary read his Acco^t: Fees for Passes for month
September last amount to four Pagodas, and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s:
cash Pag^s: 2: 24 their part.

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[18th]

The President proposes the farming out the Tobacco and Beetle for Eight thousand Pag^s: ̄ annum to be collected in the same manner as now by the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company, the further resolution whereof, is referred to our next meeting.

The farming of ye Tobacco & Beetle for 8000 pag^s: ̄ ann: propos'd by ye: Presid^t:

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Delivered a Pass to Brigantine Commerce burthen thirty ton George Weoley 21 Master bound on a trading Voyage on the Coast of India, and in the night said Brigantine sail'd, by whom sent Generall to S^r: John Gayre Generall of India &c^s: Councill at Bombay dated the 19th: Instant, incloseing a short Letter for the R^t: Hon^r: Company of this date adviseing the Dispatch of Ship Howland for England.

ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY
21^{rs}

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^r:
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

M^r: ELLIS indispos'd

The President pays into the R^t: H: Comp^s: cash Two hundred eight Pagodas, being for the permission of Passage of the following persons on Ship Howland for England, Viz^t:

Pag^s: 208
pd^d: into
Cash for
Passengers
on ye:
Howland.

John Dolben Esq ^r:	...	...	...	...	Pa: 26
John Styleman	...	...	...	...	" 26
James Perriman	...	...	...	...	" 26
John Mabb	...	...	...	...	" 26
John Hutchinson	...	...	...	...	" 26
Henry Marshall	...	...	...	...	" 26
Styleman Gostlin	...	...	...	...	" 26
Augustin Barton	...	...	...	...	" 26

Pag^s: 208

Governour Comans having been some time at Policat, and the Dispatch of the Howland preventing the doing it before, It is agreed that Mess^{rs}: Empson & Meverell proceed on Wednesday next with a complementing Letter from the Govern^r: & Councill.

Mess^{rs}: Empson & Meverell to complement ye: Dutch Gov^r: of this coast, be being at Policat. The Settlement for washing the Comp^s: cloth.

The Washers complaining of the smallness of their Pay for washing of the Companys Cloth and which they alledge to be the reason they cannot encrease the number of washers, having brought some from severall parts, who so soon as they have been inform'd of the prizes wee give, have deserted us, and now making great Investments, so that wee shall extreamly want washers to cure the cloth, for their encouragement wee have settled the following Prizes Viz^t:

Long Cloth	at Pag ^s :	1: —	} ̄ Corga.
Long Cloth Midling	"	1: 4	
Long Cloth fine	"	1: 10	

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[21st]

Salampores fine	—: 21	} <i>of</i> Corge.
Salampores Midling	—: 16	
Moorees fine	—: 12	
Moorees Ordinary	—: 10	
Succatums	...	...	...	...	—: 23
Betteelas Oringall	...	...	...	...	—: 25
Betteelas of 40 Coveds	...	...	...	...	—: 21
Ditto 50	—: 25	

Pag^a: 4000
paid into
Cash by y^e:
Warehouse-
keeper,
The Calicoes
Godowns to
be repaired.

M^r: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash Four thousand Pagodas on Acco^t: Goods & Silver Sold.

The Warehousekeeper representing that the large Godown where the Calicoes Embaled for Europe are kept is much decayed in the floring, and that the White aunts have of late often begun to eat severall of the Bales, and to prevent the great damage that may ensue thereby, It is ordered that the Paymaster new Paive y^e: Godown with Iron Stones, and lay them all in Chinam.

Pag^a: 1600
paid into
Cash on
Acco^t: Sea
Customs.
A Soldier
Entertain'd.

M^r: Thomas Wright late Sea Customer pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Comp^a: cash Eight hundred Pagoda's on Acco^t: Sea Customs, and M^r: Matt: Empson Sea Customer Eight hundred Pag^a: on that Account.

Ordered that Michael Horton be Entertain'd a souldier in this Garrison.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

23

This morning Mess^{rs}: Empson & Meverell proceeded on their Journey for Policat and carried the President & Councils Letter to Gov^r: Comans of yesterdays date.

24

Dispatch'd *of* Pattamars General Letters to Metchlepatam, Vizagapatam & Bengall all dated the 22^d: Instant.

25

Received General Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 22^d: Instant, with the severall pap^{rs}: mention'd.

26th

This Evening return'd Mess^{rs}: Empson & Meverell, and brought a Letter from Govern^r: Comans for the President & Council dated 5th: November 1700.

WEDNES-
DAY 30

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^s: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

M^r: ELLIS *indispos'd*

Land Custom
acco^t: for
Sep^r: mo:
read &

M^r: John Meverell read his Land Custom Accounts for the month September last, particulars Viz^t:

Choultry Custom	...	...	Pa:	393:	3:	75
Trivlecane Custom	...	...	"	—:	4:	5
Rubie Brokers	"	16:	15:	60
Cloth Brokers	"	2:	25:	45
Registring Slaves	"	—:	24:	—

Pag^a: 412: 27: 25

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[30TH]

and pays into the R^t: Hon^r: Companys Cash Four hundred fifty five Pagodas on that account, and Pag^a: 24: 23: 43 on Acco^t: Town Conicopies Duty from the ^{pp^{mo}}: February to the ultimo September last.

Pag^a: 455 paid into Cash on that acco^t: and Pag^a: 24: 23: 43 for Town Conicopies duty. Letter & co^a: papers from Fort St^t David, read. Fort St^t: David bill Exchange order'd to be paid. Paym^{ts}: Acco^{ts}: for Sep^r: read.

Generall Letter from Fort St^t: David dated 22^d: Ins^t: &c^a: papers therewith received, read.

Order'd that Six thousand Pag^a: be paid Vengana & Maura Chittee being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Dep: Govern^r: &c^a: Councill of Fort St^t: David dated the [20th:] Instant.

M^r: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his Acco^t: Disbursements for the month Sep^r: last, particulars Viz^t:

Charges Garrison	...	...	...	Pa: 1111: 2
Diet	...	...	...	„ 323: 6
Charges Generall	...	...	...	„ 361: 24
Charges Cattle	...	...	...	„ 18: 4
Charges Merchandize	...	...	...	„ —: 18
Charges Extraordinary	...	...	...	„ 20: 35
Fortifications & Repairs	...	...	...	„ 25: 14

Pag^a: 1860: 31

Generall Letter to the Deputy Govern^r: and Councill & to the Dep: Governour only, both dated the 29th: Instant, read & approv'd.

Letters to Fort St^t: David, read. Pag^a: 10000 paid into Cash by the Warehouse-keeper. No more of the turn'd out Cloth belonging to y^e: Merch^{ts}: to be sold & why.

M^r: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: Cash Ten thousand Pagodas on Acco^t: Silver & Goods sold.

The Warehousekeeper reports that in persuance of our Consultation dated the 30th: Sep^r: last, he has sold at severall times at Publick Outcry to the amount of Pag^a: 2127: 29: 42 of the Cloth in the Joint Stock Merchants Godown, and finding that Long Cloth Ordinary &c^a: that has holes in it sells at under rates, It is therefore Order'd that the remaining Cloth be kept till wee see whether the Ruffagurs comes from Bengall or not.

The Accomptant sent the last half years salary due to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys Serv^{ts}: ending the 29th: September last Amo^t: to Pag^a: 978: 11: Order'd that the same be paid.

The Acco^t: Salary order'd to be pd: the Comp^s: Servants.

Order'd that One thousand Pag^a: be paid M^r: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Pag^a: 1000 Order'd the Paym^t: for Charges Garrison. Translate of a Letter from Gov^r: Comans, read.

Translate of a Letter from Govern^r: Comans at Policat dated 5th: Nov^r: N.S. read.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^a: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

This morning Dispatch'd Generall Letters to the Deputy Govern^r: &c^a: 31 Councill of Fort St^t: David and to the Dep: Governour only both dated the 29th: Ins^t:

This Evening received Generall Letter from Fort St^t: David dated the 29th: Instant.

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NOVEMBER
PMO: The President received a Letter from M^r: Daniel du Bois on board the
Tavestock at Anjengo, who arrived there the 9th: past from England, incloseing
a Printed Act of Parliament for Incorporating the Old East India Company.

4 This being the Kings birthday, was more particularly chosen for publishing
the Act of Parliament for settleing our R^t: Hon^{ble}: Masters, upon occasion
of both which Solemnitys, the Govern^r: and Councill and all the Inhabitants of this
place mett at the Companys Garden House, where there was provided a splendid
Entertainment.

5 Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam, dated the 23^d: October last,
with the severall papers therein mention'd.

ATT A CONSULTATION

WEDNES-
DAY 6TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT

MATTHEW EMPSON
JOHN MEVERELL

The Councill being duly summon'd

M^r Ellis *indispos'd* & M^r: Marshall at y^e: Mount.

The President read his Mint Acco^{ts}: for the month September last.

Mint Acco^{ts}:
for Septem-
ber, read.
Letters read:
& sent read-

General Letters from Fort S^t: David dated the 29th: October last and Met-
chlepatam, dated the 23^d: ditto. Also to Metchlepatam of this date read, and
the latter approv'd.

Bill from
Fort S^t:
David paid.

Whereas a Bill of Exchange drawn by the Deputy Govern^r: & C^o: Councill of
Fort S^t: David dated the 28th: October last for Four thousand Pag^{ts}: being on the
4th: Instant presented, 'twas unanimously approv'd to be then paid, and the same
was accordingly paid.

Pag^{ts}:
12,000 paid
into cash
by the
Warehouse-
keeper.
Metchle-
patam bill
Exchange
order'd to be
paid.

M^r: Thomas Wright, Warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys
cash Twelve thousand Pagodas on Acco^t: Goods and Silver sold.

To sell
Perpetuances
at 6 Pag^{ts}:
½ Peice.

Order'd that Ten thousand Pag^{ts}: be paid to Muddu Perrimal & Yendoor
Trippaty, being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Cheif & C^o: Councill at
Metchlepatam, dated the 23^d: October last.

Whereas by Consultation of the 7th: August the Warehousekeeper was Order'd
to sell Perpetuan^{ts}: at Pag^{ts}: 6: 18 ½ peice, since which he has Dispos'd of none
except for the use of the Garrison, So considering that they lye and Perish, 'Tis
Order'd that he sell them off (if possible) at six Pagoda's ½ peice.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.

7 Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Metchlep^m: dated the 23^d: October last, with
the severall papers therein mention'd.

FRIDAY
7TH

The following Order was sign'd: by the Gov^r: & Councill.

Order'd that Pag^{ts}: 1088: 1[8] be paid M^r: Roger Braddyll, being both
Principal & Interest due on a Bond dated the 13th: November 1699 for One thou-
sand Pagoda's.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOM: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.

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Doud Cawn sent the President five Shawls with a kind Letter, which were 12
receiv'd at the Garden, the Council and many of the Inhabitants being present,
whereupon 21 great guns were Discharg'd from the ffort.

ATT A CONSULTATION

SATURDAY
16

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR

MATTHEW EMPSON

THOMAS WRIGHT

THOMAS MARSHALL

JOHN MEVERELL

M^r: ELLIS indispos'd

The President read his Acco^t: of the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash for the
month October last, Ballance being Pag^s: 36258 : 15 : 4, also his Mint Account for
ditto month. Charles Bugden Secretary read his Acco^t: Passes for ditto month and
pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash Two Pag^s: their part and M^r: Thomas
Wright Warehousekeeper read his Warehouse Acco^t: for the month September last

The Acco^t:
of the
R^t: H: O:
cash for Octo-
ber month,
The Mint
Acco^t:
The Store^s:
Acco^t: Fees
for Passes
and Ware-
house acco^t:
all read.

Whereas there was an order issued out from the Govern^r: & Council dated
17th: September last for the effectual preventing the Working Goldsmiths of this
place from Debascing Silver & Gold given them to work up, since which, there
having been numerous complaints to us, that the said order is impracticable &
vexations to y^e: Inhabitants, by reason that those who make Plate or Jewells of
Silver or Gold commonly have Goldsmiths to work in their houses clandestinely,
which plate or Jewells, if made Publick by stamping, would occasion severall in-
conveniencys to the Proprietors of the same, for which reasons & many others
that have been given us, wee the Gov^r: & Council do hereby reverse the said
order, and for the future, if any person or persons shall complain to us or the
Justices of the Choultry, that any Goldsmith has debased Silver or Gold given him
to work up, upon proof thereof hee or they shall not only have reperation for
what injury done them, but also the Offender punished according to the Merit of
the ffact. And this wee Order to be published in all Languages & Affixt at the
severall Gates as usuall.

The Order of
ye: 17th:
Sep^r:
last to the
working
Goldsmiths
revers'd
& why.

M^r: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: H: Comp^s: cash
Eleven thousand Pagodas on Acco^t: Silver sold.

Pag^s: 11000
paid into
Cash by the
Warehouse-
keeper.

The Joint Stock Merchants complaining their great want of money to carry
on their present Investment, alledgeing they are obliged to advance great sums to
the weavers at y^e: Looms, Wee considering the reasonableness of their request and
that they have brought in a good quantity of Cloth, It is agreed that Twenty
thousand Pagod^s: be paid them in further part of their Contract dated the 17th:
August last for 150000 Pagodas.

Pag^s: 20000,
Order'd to be
paid the
Merchts:

There being about 40 Garse Bengall Rice in the Warehouse & about 20 Garse
Paddy w^{ch}: was Bought in as a Store for the Garrison, also about 4 Garse Bengall
Wheat, which has lain a long time in the Godown & now beginning to spoil, It
is therefore order'd that all the Wheat and one half of the aforementioned Rice &
Paddy be sold at the price currant, to prevent further damage.

Store of
Grain to be
sold to
prevent
damage.

THO: PITT.

THO: WRIGHT.

M: EMPSON.

JOHN MEVERELL.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1700 —

18th
22Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 14th: Instant.Received Generall Letter from Maddapollam, dated the 6th: Instant with the three accompanying musters of Betteela's.Also from Vizagapatam dated the 2^d: Instant with their Acco^t: Cash for the months of Septemb^r: & October last, likewise copy of their Contract for Fourteen thousand Pagodas deliverable by the 30th: January next, with the severall musters of Cloth the said Contract is agreed upon.SATURDAY
23

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHTM^r: JOHN: MEVERELLMESS^{rs}: ELLIS & EMPSON *indispos'd*, & M^r: MARSHALL *at the Mount*.

The Ballance
of the Sea
Custo:
Acco^{ts}:
during M^r:
Wright's
time paid
into Cash and
Pag^s: 1,000
by Ye:
Present
Custom^r:
The Stewards
Acco^t: for
October Mo:
read.
Letter from
Fort S^t:
David, read.
& 28 parcells
of Pag^s: &
fanams rec^d:
thence
delivered to
be Essay'd.
Two bills of
Exchange
from Fort
S^t: David
order'd to be
paid.
Letters
received,
read.
Pag^s: 18,000
paid into
Cash by the
Warehouse-
keeper.
Pag^s: 25 paid
the Town
Conicoply.
The Jo:
Stock
Merch^{ts}:
refusing
other Pag^s:
than
Madrass,
Tevenapatam
Pag^s:
to be put
into the Mint
& coin'd.

M^r: Thomas Wright late Sea Customer pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash Pag^s: 252: 18: 20 being with the List of Debts amounting to Pag^s: 19: 18: 30 (now produc'd) the Ballance of the Sea Custom Acco^{ts}: dureing his time ending the last July 1700. And M^r: Matthew Empson, Sea Customer pays Pag^s: One thousand on that Acco^t: by M^r: Wigmore the Receiver.

M^r Henry Davenport produc'd his Steward's Acco^t: of Diet Expences for the month October last, which was read & approv'd.

Generall Letter from ffort S^t: David dated the 14th: Instant read, and there-with receiveing twentyeight parcells of Pagodas & fanams Coin'd there all amounting to Pag^s: 13: 20 the same are deliver'd the Mintmaster to be Essay'd and ffort S^t: David order'd to have credit for that Sum.

Order'd that Pag^s: 152: 18 be paid Charles Bugden & Pag^s: 58: 25 be paid M^r: John Affleck being for two Bills drawn by the Dep: Govern^r: & C^o: Councill of Fort S^t: David.

Generall Letter from Maddapollam dated the 6th: Instant and from Vizagapatam dated the 2^d: ditto both read.

M^r: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash Eighteen thousand Pag^s: on Acco^t: Silver and Goods sold.

Order'd that Twenty five Pagodas be paid Wotta Lingua Town Conicoply for three moths: ending the ult^o: October last.

Whereas 'twas order'd by the Govern^r: & Councill on the 16th: Instant, that the Joint Stock Merch^{ts}: should be paid Twenty thousand Pag^s: on acco^t: of their last Contract, the President accordingly tender'd the same in Pagodas Madrass, Tevenapatam, Olumgere, Policat & C^o: but the Merchants refused to accept thereof, alledgeing that none would pass up in the Country but Madrass Pag^s: of which wee had not in Cash above Two thousand five hundred, and no more procureable in y^e: Town whereupon (to prevent our Investment standing still) 'tis unanimously agreed that the President puts into the Mint to be melted down.

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[23RD]

and new coin'd, all the Tevanapatam Pagoda's that hee has in Cash, by reason that they come nearest in weight and matt to our Madrass Pagoda's.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL

ATT A CONSULTATION

TUESDAY
27TH*Present*

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON
JOHN MEVERELL
M^s: MARSHALL *at the Mount.*

Generall Letter to the Cheif & Council at Metchlepatam. A Protest to M^r: John Pitt the new Companys President & Council at Metchlep^m: To the Comander of the King William. To Medde Cawn Governour of Metchlepatam. To the Cheif & Council of Vizagapatam and to the Cheif and Council of Maddapollam, all of this Date read & approv'd.

Letters & c^o:
sent, read.

M^r: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash Eighteen thousand Pagodas on Acco^t: Silver and Goods sold.

Pag^s: 18,000
paid into
Cash by the
Warehouse-
keeper.

The President now producing the Acco^t: of 328 peices of Chints taken in by Order of Consultⁿ: dated the 15th: October last and sent to England Ψ Ship Howland, amounting to Pag^s: 1450: 21: 30, the same is order'd to be paid him.

328 ps:
Chints to be
paid for.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dat^d: the 26th: Instant. 29

Dispatch'd the severall Letters and papers mention'd in the foregoing consultation of the 27th: Instant Ψ Pattamars. 30

Parr Recovery Charles Hopkins Master arriv'd: from Bengall, by whom received Generall Letter from the President & c^o: Council of Fort William dated the 13th: past, with the copy of another dat^d: the 5th: September last. DECEMBER 2

ATT A CONSULTATION

WEDNES-
DAY 4TH*Present*

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

The President read his Acco^t: of the R^t: H: C: Cash for the month November last, Ballance being Pag^s: 52,737: 23: 3. M^s: Thomas Wright read his

Acco^t: Cash
for the
Mo: Novemr:

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[4TH]

Warehouse Acco ^t : for Mo: Octobr: & Land Custom Acco ^t s: for de: Mo: all read.	Acco ^t : of the Warehouse for the month October last, and Mr: John Meverell Land Customer read his Acco ^t : for ditto month particulars Viz ^t :
	Choultry Custom Pag ^s : 354: 5: 20
	Trivlecane Custom " —: 4: —
	Rubie Brokers " 6: 19. 40
	Cloth Brokers " 1: 17: 15
	Grass Cutters " 2: 21: 60
	Town Rents , 35: 8: 78
	Pag ^s : 400: 4: 53

Pag^s: 392 pd; and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash Three hundred ninety two Pag^s:
into Cash for on that account.
Land

Customs.
Letter from Fort St:
David, read. Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 26th: November last, read.

Fort S^t:
David bill
now
presented
order'd to be
paid, & two
others pd:
without
order of
Consultation
now approv'd.
Letter rec^d:
and one sent,
read.
Gameing to
be suppress
& why.

Order'd that One hundred & fifty Pag^s: be paid Mr: Francis Bett being for
one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Dep: Govern^r: & C^a: Councill of Fort S^t:
David dated the 25th: past. Also their two Bills both dated the 26th: November last,
One for Pag^s: Five thousand payable to Botchu Chittee & Colastra Chittee, the
other for Seven thousand Pagodas payable to Vengana and Maura Chittee were
agreed to be discharg'd and accordingly were paid when presented.

Generall Letter from Bengall dated 13th: Novemb^r: last, also Generall
Letter to Fort S^t: David of this date, both read.

Wee being inform'd that cock fighting and other Games are very much us'd
and Practis'd by Handycraft Tradesmen of this place, wherein they consume the
half of their time to their great impoverishment, by which they are render'd
unable to provide for their Familys, besides it prevents the makeing of many
manufactures in this place, and many other ill consequences attending it,
destructive to the very Being of Trade itself, wherefore to Avert so great an Evil
as will in time ensue thereby, Wee the Govern^r: & Councill do prohibit &
forbid all manner of Gameing for money or moneys worth by all Merchants,
Shopkeepers and all sorts of Handycrafts of this place and the bounds thereof
upon Penalty of paying Twenty five Pag^s: every time 'tis prov'd upon them
before the Justices of the Choultry that they have gain'd, Five Pagodas whereof
to the informer, and the other twenty for the use of the Company. And in case
upon proof, it appears tha any one has gamed for a trivial Sum^m, and that not to the
Loss of time in his Profession, It is then left to the discretion of the Justices of the
Choultry, to inflict such punishment by fine or otherwise as they shall think fitt.
And this wee order to be published in the Country Languages, by Affixing the
same at the severall Gates.

Whereas the Councill did on the 11th: June last consent to the Presidents
receiveng from the Warehousekeeper some Long Cloth and Salamp^a: belonging to
the Joint Stock Merchants, which were torn and thrown out, hee obligeing himself
to bring into the Companys Warehouse Goods to be there sorted by their Musters,
which the Warehousekeeper reports was accordingly done some time past, to a
greater value than he received, the overplush of which is to be made him good by
the Joint Stock Merchants.

The Jo:
Stock
Merchs:
to reimburse
the Presdt:
what Long
Cloth &
Salampores
he has
delivd: them
more than
what
formerly
recd:
The new
Wall & works
to be carried
on by ye:
Directions of
the Govern^r:
mour.

The Governour and Councill having surveigh'd and view'd Attapollam
gate belonging to the black town, think it necessary to make a small work for
clearing of the courtains on both sides, as also for the defence of the Gate, and
therefore Order that the Paymaster forthwith getts all Materials together to
do it as the Govern^r: shall Direct, and likewise to carry on the wall on both sides
of the aforesaid Gate, keeping an account apart of the charge thereof, to the end it

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may be Defray'd out of the money already collected and to be Levied for that purpose.

Mr: Matthew Empson Sea Customer read his acco^{ts}: for the months of August & September last, particulars Viz^t:

Sea Custom
acc^{ts}: for
Mos: Aug^t:
& September
read.

Aug ^t :—To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month ...	Pag ^s : 742: 4: 3
To Custom on Grain	” 378: 23: 90
To Anchorage	” 86: 18: —
To Tonnage	” 8: 12: —
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	Pag ^s : 1215: 21: 93
Sept:—To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month ...	Pa: 931: 1: 32
To Custom on Grain	” 297: 27: 90
To Anchorage	” 85: —: —
To Tonnage	” 20: 30: —
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	Pag ^s : 2526: 7: 15

Order'd that Six hundred Pag^s: be advanc'd to Paulo &c^a: Washers for cureing the R^t: H: Comp^s: cloth, and one thousand Pag^s: be paid M^r: Thom^s: Marshall Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

Pag^s: 600 to
be pd: the
Washers &
Pag^s: 1000
the Pay-
master.

- THO: PITT.
- FRANCIS ELLIS.
- THO: WRIGHT.
- M: EMPSON.
- THOM^s: MARSHALL.
- JOHN MEVEBELL.

Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dat^d: the 24th: November last 6 with their Diary & Consultⁿ: commencing 24th: September ending the 21st: Nov^r: last &c^a: papers. Also Generall Letter from Madd[ap^m:] dated the 19th: ditto and all other papers therein mention'd.

Dispatch'd General Letter to ffort S^t: David dated the 4th: Instant. 7

ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY
9TH

Present

- THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
- FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
- MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
- JOHN MEVEBELL

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his Acco^t: Disbursements for the month October last, particulars Viz^t:

The Pay-
masters
acc^{ts}: for
October,
read.

Charges Garrison	Pag ^s : 1114: 29: —.
Diet	” 220: 35: —.
Chargos Generall	” 371: 14: —.
Charges Cattle	” 19: 12: —.
Charges Merchandize	” 28: —: —.
Charges Extraordinary	” 72: 2: —.
Fortifications & Repairs	” 22: 19: —.
	<hr/>
	Pag ^s : 2717: 27: —.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash Eight thous^d: Pagodas on acco^t: Silver and Goods sold.

Pag^s: 8000
paid into
cash by the
Warehouse-
keeper.

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Pags: 1000
order'd to be
ye:
Paym^r:
Letters
received,
read.
Pags: 200
paid into
Cash for
Paddy sold,

Order'd that one thousand Pag^s: be paid M^r: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

Generall Letters from Metchlepatam dated the 24th: November and from Maddapollam dat: 19th: d^o: &c^a: papers, all read.

The President pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^a: cash Two hundred Pag^s: being for so much Paddy deliver'd the Washers in M^r: Braddylls time.

Metchle-
patam bill of
Exchange
order'd to be
paid.
Pags: 800
Pd: into
Cash on
Accot: Sea
Customs &
Pags: 121:
27: 4 for
Town
Conicoplys
Duty at ye:
Sea Gate.

Order'd that Pag^s: 174: 18 be paid Mess^{rs}: George Lewis & Thomas Wigmore, being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Cheif &c^a: Councill at Metchlepatam dated the 24th: November last.

M^r: Matthew Empson Sea Customer pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cash Eight hundred Pag^s: on that accot: and M^r: Thomas Wigmore Receiver pays Pag^s: 121: 27: 4 being for Town Conicoplys Duty at the Sea Gate for eight m^{ths}: ending September last.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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Received Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dat^d: 18th: November last.

11

Ship Thankfull Richard Phrip Comander arriv'd from Bencoolen & Acheen by whom received the following Pacquets Viz^t:

Generall Letter from York Fort dated 15th: March ¹⁶⁹⁹/₇₀₀ with the severall papers as ^{pp} List to N^o: 14.

From ditto dated 22^d: July last &c^a: papers to N^o: 8.

From [P]ryamong dated 31st: ditto.

THURSDAY
12^m

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

Letters
received,
read.

Generall Letters from Vizagapatam dat: 18th: November last, from York Fort dated 15th: March last, and another from ditto of the 22^d: July last, a[ls]o from [P]ryamong dated the 31st: ditto, all read.

Order'd that Daniel Cane be Entertain'd a Sold^t: in this Garrison.

European
entertain'd
Soldier.
The Arrac
farm Lett out
for three
years at
2400 pag^s:
P an:

The Lease for the Arrac farm expireing the 14th: Instant, wee have for some time past had it under our consideration how to advance this ffarm in order to which, have sent severall times for Peter des Pommare the present ffarmer to know what hee would advance, who refused to give anything more than hee did the last year (which was Three thousand Pagodas) supposeing that nobody else would meddle with it: But the President procureing Josua Page and others to Bid, rais'd it to 3300 Pag^s: P annum, for a Lease for three years, whereupon 'twas agreed that Joshua Page &c^a: should have it, so order'd the former Arrac farmer to deliver up the Distills &c^a: as he receiv'd them from his Predecessor which when Peter des Pommare saw that wee had lett it for Three hundred Pag^s: P ann: Advance, hee offer'd one hundred Pag^s: P ann: more, upon which wee prevail'd with Joshua Page &c^a: to quitt their agreement, and for the same, 'twas agreed that the President should pay them One hundred Pagodas, and that Peter des Pommare should have a new Lease granted him for Three thousand four hundred Pagodas P ann: to comence from the expiration of his last Lease.

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Wee having often endeavour'd to lett out to ffarm the Beetle, Tobacco and Ganjee together, and being now again offer'd Eight thousand Pag^s: Ψ annum, which is considerably more than wee make of it, so have resolv'd to Lett it, and accordingly have granted a Cowle to Ponnagettee Narso, Vincaty puttee, Narrain Chittee & Yellaree for three years to commence from the 17th: Instant.

The Beetle, Tobacco, & Ganjee farmed for 3 years at 8000 p^gs: Ψ annum. The Town Brokerage, whereof the Compa^y formerly only recd: a Moiety, now Lett for 3 years at 400 pag^s: Ψ ann:

There being a Duty here formerly collected cal'd the Town Brokerage upon what Bought & Sold, a moiety of which was paid the Company, and the other to the Brokers, who wee are assured have not delt farely with the Company, their Moiety yearly amounting to but One hundred & odd Pag^s: and sometimes under; So have thought fitt to Lett it to Peerah, Gerie Dashew, Mahoo Devah & Parvahtiah for three years at Four hundred Pagodas Ψ Ann: to commence from the 17th: Instant, by which means wee hope not only to find the true value of it, but also discover the ill practises of those that has had the management thereof for severall years past, in order to call 'em to an Acco^t: for the same.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ketch Recovery Charles Hopkins Master saild for Fort S^t: David, by whom 21st
sent Generall Letter to the Dep: Gov^r: & C^o: Councill of this date.
Ship Simon [*Lacuna in the original*] Rose Master arrived from Vizagaptam. 23
Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^t: David of this date. 24

ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY
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Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

M^r: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper read his Accounts for the month November last, and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash Seventeen thousand Pagoda's on acco^t: Silver and Goods sold.

Warehouse Acco^t: for Nov^r: read & Pag^s: 17000 paid into cash by ye: Warehousekeeper. [To] pass entertain'd Soldier.

Order'd that Caecer S^t: Iago be Entertain'd a Soldier in this Garrison.

Ship Prospect Francisco Nunis Master being bound to the Southward, and hee having promis'd to call at ffort S^t: David, Order'd that Five thousand Pagodas be sent on her, the Deputy Gov^r: & C^o: Councill having lately wrote pressingly for money.

Pag^s: 5000 to be sent to Fort S^t: David Ψ Ship Prospect.

M^r: Matthew Empson Sea Customer read his Acco^t: for the month October last, particulars Viz^t:

Sea Custom Acco^t: for October, read and

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month ...	Pag ^s : 1008: 35: 60
To Custom on Grain	" 24: 28: 10
To Anchorage	" 15: —: —
To Tonnage	" 8: 12: —

Pag^s: 1057: 3: 70

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Page: 800
Paid into
Cash by the
Sea
Customer.

and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash Eight hundred Pagodas on that Account.

Land
Customer
Accot: for
Novr: read
&

M^r: John Meverell Land Customer read his Acco^t: for the month of November last, particulars Viz^t:

Choultry Custom	Pag ^s : 303: 33: 50
Trivlecane Custom	—: 4: 15
Rubie Brokers	24: 19: 64
Cloth Brokers	—: 32: 5
Registring Slaves	1: 12: —

Pag^s: 330: 29: 54

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paid into
Cash by the
Land
Customer.

and pays into the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Comp^s: cash Three hundred twenty four Pag^s: on Acco^t: Land Customs.

Page: 1000
to be paid
ye: Paymr:
and

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid M^r: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray charges Garrison, and One thousand Pagoda's be advanc'd to Paulo &c^a: washers for cureing the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Companys cloth.

Page: 1000
the Washers.
Letter recd:
and another
sent, read.

Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 10th: Instant, and to Fort S^t: David of this date, both read.

Hugh
Kennedys
bond to be
deliver'd his
Trustee, his
Debt to ye:
Comp^s:
being
Discharg'd

The York Fort Generall Letter dated the 15th: March last advising that M^r: Hugh Kennedys Bond to the R^t: Hon^{ble}: Company for Six hundred ninety Dollars is made good in their Cash there, It is agreed that the said Bond be deliver'd to M^r: George Lewis his Trustee.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL

Ship Prospect francisco Nunis sail'd for Fort S^t: David, by whom sent Generall Letter to the Dep: Govern^r: &c^a: Council of yesterdays date, incloseing Bill Lading for Five thousand Pagodas.

31st

LIST OF PERSONS IN THE SERVICE OF THE R^t: HON^{BLE}: ENGLISH EAST INDIA
COMPANY IN FORT S^t: GEORGE & C^a: PLACES ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL.

	Arrival in India.	Present Degree.	Salary. £.
1. Thomas Pitt his wife in England ...	July 7 th : 1698.	Gov ^r : Gratuity	} 200 } 100
2. Francis Ellis Accomptant	June 23, 1672.	2 ^d : Coun ^t :	100
3. Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper mar- ried W.W.	June 16, 1684.	3 Coun ^t :	70
4. Matthew Empson Sea Customer married Casteez	July 20, 1687.	4 Coun ^t :	50
5. Thomas Marshall Paym ^r : & Judge Advocate Mar ^d : E.W.	Feb ^r : 3, 1693.	5 Coun ^t : as Judge	} 40 } 100
6. John Neverell Land Customer	July 22, 1687.	6 Coun ^t :	40
7. Francis Bett Prov ^t : Storekeeper & Rentall Gen ^t: ... ..	... ..	Sen ^r : Merch ^t :	40
8. Vicessimus Griffith Searcher at Sea Gate mar ^d : Casteez	May 29, 1685.	Ditto	40
9. Richard Hunt under the Accomptant ...	... ..	Ditto	40
10. Matt: Mead Att ^r : Gen ^t : & Sorter Entertain'd here, mar ^d : E.W. ...	Jan ^r : 1, 1693.	Ditto as Att ^r : Gen ^t :	} 40 } 50

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	Arrival in India.	Present Degree.	Salary. £.
11. Thomas Wigmore Receiver of the Sea Customs mar ^d : E. W.	Nov ^r : 23, 1692.	Sen ^r : Merch ^t : 40	
12. John Penford Assistant to the Land Customer	Nov ^r : 23, 1692.	Ditto	40
18. Thomas Lovell	Febr ^y : 3, 1692.	Merch ^t :	30
14. Gulston Addison Under Searcher at the Sea Gate	Febr ^r : 3, 1692.	Merch ^t :	30
15. Charles Bugden Secretary mar ^d : Castez.	Nov ^r : 23, 1692.	Ditto } Gratuity }	30 10
16. Tho: Harris Translator of Jentu & Look after y ^e : New Towns m ^d : Castez ...	Nov ^r : 23, 1692.	Merch ^t :	30
17. Henry Dobyns Register married E.W. ...	Febr ^r : 19, 1692.	Factor	15
18. Thomas Matthews at the Sea Gate ...	Nov ^r : 21, 1697.	Ditto	15
19. William Bull	May 31, 1699.	Ditto	15
20. Henry Davenport Steward	Febr ^r : 4, 1692.	Writer	5
21. William Jennings under y ^e : Warehouse-keeper	July 2, 1700.	Ditto	5
22. William Dean under the Secretary ...	July 18, 1700.	Ditto	5
23. George Lewis } 24. James Wendey } Ministers.			
25. Edward Bulkley Surgeon.			
26. Francis Cook } 27. John Cook } Essaymasters.			

FORT ST: DAVID.

1. William Fraser Esq ^r :	May 31 st : 1685.	D. Gov ^r :	
2. John Haynes Book-keeper & Coin Melter of Cuddalore ... ..	... ..	2 ^d : Councill	40
3. Ralph Ingram Warehousekeeper Mar ^d : E.W. ... ..	... ..	3 Coun ^l :	40
4. Edmund Mountague Sea Customer of Cuddalore ... ..	... ..	4 Coun ^l :	40
5. Richard Farmer Paymaster mar ^d : E.W.	Septemb ^r : 5, 1684.	5 Coun ^l :	40
6. Trevor Games Land Customer Cuddalore mar ^d : Castez	June 6, 1688.	6 Coun ^l :	40
7. Robert Crauwell Storekeeper	July 22, 1687.	7 Coun ^l :	40
8. John Berlu Sea & Land Customer of Tevenapatam	July 22, 1687.	8 Coun ^l :	40
9. Edward Bawgus Translator of Country Letters	Nov ^r : 5, 1689.	Merch ^t :	30
10. John Bulteel Secretary	October 1, 1692.	Ditto	30
11. Joseph Royer Chirurgon.			

METCHLEPATAM.

1. John Foquett married E.W.	October 15, 1687.	Cheif	40
2. Joseph Hiller married E.W.	Nov ^r : 23, 1692.	2 Coun ^l :	40
3. Thomas Faucett m ^d : E.W. ... ..	... ..	3 Coun ^l :	30
4. Edmund Bugden m ^d : E.W.	Nov ^r : 23, 1692.	4 Coun ^l :	30

VIZAGAPATAM.

1. Simon Holcombe married E.W.	May 31, 1685.	Cheif	40
2. Samuel Owen Book-keeper	July 30, 1682.	2 Coun ^l :	40
3. Thomas Stables Warehousekeeper ... ..	... ..	3 Coun ^l :	40

MADAPOLLAM.

1. Stephen Frewen	February 3, 1692.	Cheif	40
2. John Rowland	February 4, 1692.	2 Coun ^l :	30
3. Jeremiah Harrison Entertain'd in India.	July 15, 1700.	3 Coun ^l :	30

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LIST OF FREEMEN INHABITANTS.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Daniel Chardin married French Woman. 2. John Affleck married Casteez. 3. George Heron married Georgeon. 4. James Sowdon. 5. Jeremiah Peachie. 6. Charles Fleetwood. 7. William Brooke married E.W. 8. Roger Braddyll. 9. William How 10. Samuel Glover. 11. John Powell. 12. John Barker, married Musteez. 13. Joshua Page his wife in England. 14. Simon Kilpatrick. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 15. Charles Bromsted. 16. Henry Whistler. 17. George Turvil, married Musteez. 18. Charles Alleyn. 19. William Mayhew married Musteez. 20. Christopher Allen married Musteez. 21. Peter Grossin married Casteez. 22. William Griffin. 23. Charles Chardin. 24. Thomas Nicholas. 25. Thomas Bowyear. 26. John Cornelious. 27. Joseph Newman. 28. Samuel Berthon. 29. Peter des Pommare mar^d: Musteez. |
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LIST OF SEA-FARMING MEN NOT CONSTANT INHABIT^s:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Robert Pitt. 2. Edward Fleetwood married E.W. 3. Charles Fleetwood married E.W. 4. Maxamilion Fleetwood. 5. Armiger Gostlin married E.W. 6. Joseph Lister. 7. Richard Phrip. 8. Samuel Hart married Casteez. 9. John Wheeler married E.W. 10. Henry Griffith married Casteez. 11. Christopher Dixon married Casteez. 12. Henry Harnett mar^d: E.W. 13. William Morrice. 14. John Tyler, mar^d: E.W. 15. George Weoley. 16. William Handcock. 17. John Cockroft married Musteez. 18. William Leggat married Casteez. 19. Zachariah Stilgo mar^d: E.W. 20. Owen Channell mar^d: E.W. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 21. Thomas Plumb mar^d: Casteez. 22. Edward Bell mar^d: Musteez. 23. William Cawley, hiswife in England. 24. William Rogers. 25. Richard Rawlings. 26. Samuel Heaton married E.W. 27. Peter Eyes. 28. Charles Hopkins. 29. John Ferguson. 30. Roger Newberry. 31. Lockyre Watts. 32. Thom^s: Edwards married Casteez. 33. John Wesendonck mar^d: E.W. 34. William Soame. 35. Peter Wallis. 36. Peter Griffi[th]. [37.] John []. [38.] Edm^d: Ford mar^d: Casteez. [39.] Gersham Goldsmith. |
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WIDOWS.

1. Eliz: Tronchfeild.
2. Margery Heathfeild.
3. Elizabeth Carrell.
4. Ursula Oneal.
5. Mary Lacy.
6. Sarah How.
7. Mary Ivory.
8. Susanna Harbin.
9. Mary Gyfford.
10. Eliz: Parham.
11. Elizabeth Goodman.

YOUNG WOMEN UNMARRIED.

1. Lucy Poirier.
2. Ann Masters.
3. Isabella Budd.
4. Mary Man.
5. Ann Wright.
6. Judith Paine.
7. [. . .] Middleton.
8. Theopalah Heathfeild.

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