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## PREFATORY NOTE

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This volume contains the Diary of Mr. Stephen Strutt who was commissioned to inspect and examine the accounts and to make a report on the Company's pepper settlements on the coast of Malabar. It covers the period from October 1714 to January 1715.

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## MALABAR DIARIES

### Volume I

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PARAGRAPH 58 OF THE HONOURABLE COMPANY'S LETTER BY CATHERINE.

FOURTHLY: TOUCHING THE TRADE OF INDIA IN GENERAL & [THERE] IN ANY TRANSACTIONS WITH THE [COUNTRY] GOVERNMENT.

Wee have in the two foregoing heads told you what wee are informed as to the people and our pepper settlements supplying great quantity of Pepper to private persons ships and wee suffering by want of the Charty party Tonage for our Own, or our Ships waiting a great while for itt and all the while lying on Demorage, wee hope by the change wee think absolutely necessary to make this will be mended hereafter however that wee may have a better Account of these Settlements and the Trade of them wee have resolved that so soon as our affairs will permitt itt and you shall think itt for our Service, Mr. Strutt be sent down by you to inspect and Examine the account of Carrwar, Callicutt, Tellicherry and Anjengo and all matters relating thereto and to bring you back his report, do you Give him a proper Commission now that may Enable him to make his Examination Effectuall and to oblige all our Covenant Servants there to yeild him suitable respect and answer all his Enquirys, and for a better Guide therein do you draw up proper instructions for his [Management] the Nature and particulars of them [you] will be best Judges because of your frequen[t corre]spondence which will afford proper [...] sufficient subjects to Enlarge upon but [.] things let him strictly Examine there accounts wherein he is a good Judge as the Bombay acco<sup>ts</sup>. Evidenced and see how they are kept up laying down proper regulations when he finds it necessary, lett him take notice how the Ex[change] bears between the severall species of Gold or silver supplied them and the sorts of money current at Each place and at what wee remember severall years ago Sr. Nicholas Waite Charged Mr Harvey and Mr. Adams with Greatly abusing us in undervaluing the chequeens sent [him] and putting down less in the account then they [really] put them of for, give him great charge to make [dili]gent Enquiry at what price Each Species is paid away and which sorts are most or least for our [advantage] to send thither and to Examine well whither [the] accounts of weights, measures and [coins] You sent [are] Exact or wherein not, for the Armenians here are Very possitive that a maund [Fabric] is just [100] ounces avordupoiz and a maund [show] just Double whereas the account says a maund Fabric is six pounds three quarters and Mr. Dadworth says it is thereabouts not quite so much whether is right is nece[ssary] to be Exact in, by a late account from persia Agent Coppin & Council make it 100 ounces or 600 miscalls let him be very Diligent to get the best information he is able of the quantity of pepper prcurable at Each of the Settlements yearly and at what prices and what other Goods are proper to be purchased for our Europe Markett both as to quantity and prices, Cardamoms used to be Gott at Callicutt and heretofore turned to account but of late years their badness and Dearnness has Discouraged us from writing for

any, the Dutch import Great quantity yearly and they are too wise to hold on a loosing Trade : let him inform himself what sorts or [quantity] of India or China Goods will vend at all or any of those Settlements and at what price from year to year, let[him] when at Anjengo be very inquisitive what quantity [of] all sorts of measured Goods may be procured there or in the Neighbouring Country both as to quantity and price of Each species and bring up samples with him but remember to take none that are less than yard W[ide] or rather 18 or 19 nails wide, if they are under 20 nails [10] yards are reckoned a peice of Callico at the Custom House if full twenty nails or more wide six yards is Esteemed a peice and if cut 8 or 9 nails wide yet 10 y<sup>d</sup>. is Esteemed a peice and because some part of the Customs are charged on Callicoes by the peice you will Easily discern why wee would have no narrow cloth let him Enquire when the cloth can be whiten<sup>d</sup>. and what quantity Done in a Year, let him be very carefull to learn what Dutys, Customs, or presents are realy paid at Each place and how much of [every] sorts [of] Goods procurable or imported, what are the amount of all Charges Generall of all sorts a year and the totall of Each Item at Every Factory and how far by the best Observation he can Make he thinks they may be retrenched, let him Enter Down in a particular account of the state of our buildings at Each place in what Condition they are how many Warehouses and of what Dimensions what Conveniences for our Covenant Servants what quantity of Soldiers, Peons or other Servants at Each place and what they stand us in a [need] and whether there is need of so many or [whether] not, what Gunns Mounted and of what [.. ] If any of people at said settlements [...] amiss let us know of itt and do you write them wee shall look upon itt as an indignity offered ourselves but then give him a Caution that he Carries it civilly and respectfully wherever he Comes, and give them no just handle for quarelling, order him to put down from time to time in writing in the nature of a Journall an account of all his proceedings, Enquirys, observations and Directions at every place. If he has an Opportunity by any of our shipping during this Examination, let him send us a Coppy of that Journall, if not when he returns to Bombay and has made his report to you do you send us a Coppy with your observations upon all or what parts thereof you think necessary. Tell him if he acquits himself with fidelity, impartiality and ingenuity in this Negotiation as he will have the honour to be shall not want the reward due to his Trouble, therein, let him have such assistance under him from you as shall be thought Necessary.

BOMBAY CASTLE OCTOBER Y<sup>a</sup>. 15. 1714.

AN ORDER SIGNED [sic] BY THE GENERALL. AND COUNCILL TO CAPTAIN TUCKER TO RECEIVE ON BO<sup>p</sup>. SHIP CATHERINE THE WORSHIPFULL STEPHEN STRUTT ESQ<sup>b</sup>. DEPUTY GOVERNOUR OF BOMBAY WITH THE PERSONS DESIGNED FOR HIS ASSISTANCE AND TO TREAT THEM WITH RESPECT.

TO CAPT<sup>n</sup>. WILLIAM TUCKER  
COMMANDER OF SHIP CATHERINE.

You are hereby ordered (Wind & weather permitting) to weigh your anchors and to make the best of your way to such ports or places down the Mallabarr Coast and back again to Bombay as you shall from time to time be directed to by the Worshipfull Stephen Strutt Deputy Governour of Bombay whose orders you are directly and punctually to follow and strictly observe during the term of your Voyage without Giving any occasion of Complaint or you will answer the Contrary

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at your perill. Keep your ship Clear and in a [good] posture of Defence that you may not be surprized by pyrates or other Enemyes on the Coast, Wee wish you a prosperous Voyage and safe return to

Yours Loving Friends

BOMBAY CASTLE  
OCTOBER Y<sup>a</sup>. 23<sup>d</sup>. 1714.

WILLIAM AISLABIE.  
STEP<sup>n</sup>. STRUTT.  
JOHN HILL.  
WILLIAM COLE.  
WILLIAM GYFFORD.  
M. A. CROMELINE.

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COMMISSION & INSTRUCTIONS given by the Honourable William Aislabie Esq<sup>r</sup> Generall &c<sup>a</sup>. Council of Bombay To the Worshipfull Stephen Strutt Esq<sup>r</sup>. Deputy Governour of Bombay.

S<sup>a</sup>.

THE Honourable Court of Directors having thought it necessary to order and appoint you by their Generall Letter to us by ships Catherine and Thistleworth dated the 27<sup>th</sup>. March 1714 as soon as their [affairs] would permitt to embark on one of their ships to Examine inspect and [review] their severall Settlements and [trade] and all matters relating thereto at Carwarr, Tellicherry, Callicutt and Anjengo and to make report of [your] Enquirys, Notices, observations and Exam[inations] as should occur to you att all or any of [...] in a proper Diary or Journall which you must punctually minute and sett down for the true information of our Honourable Masters, wee have for that End and purpose and in Compliance with their orders resolved and agreed to send Down the ship Catherine with you and Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Charles Parkyns Benjamin Chaplin and Edward Tay for your better assistance and forwarding your Negotiations at the severall factoryes down the Coast and as the acquitting your self with fidelity impartiality and ingenuity in this affair will be a further and more weighty recommendation of [your] abilitys to our masters at home so you need [...] of in due time an encouraging reward for all the pains and trouble you shall be att. The Honnour will not only be Entirely owing to your prudent Management but a future benefitt both to our masters and yourself will assuredly arise thereby, the severall remarks and observations you are to make att their factoryes are principally these that follow.

You are to Examine stricktly into their accounts and see that all your Entrys be duely and fairly kept laying down such regulations as you find Necessary and Directing them to be sett down in a Good intelligable manner and reprehending their Omissions and Commission of such matter as you find Culpable, Enquire also into the originall of their Debts on their Books, what may be Esteemed Good, and what not, by whose means, or neglect is the Default of payment whither Connived at or Carelessly passed over by the Chiefs from time to time and what possibility there may be of recovering all or any part of such Debts, let this be thoroughly [search't] into and remarkt with your opinion thereon and to be sure put them in mind of sending up Coppys of their accounts for the last year and any other which wee have not received.

2<sup>dly</sup>. You are to take notice how the Exchange bears between the severall species of Gold and Silver supplied them and the sorts of money Curr<sup>t</sup>. att Each place and to see that Chequeens or any other species of money received by them be not underated in their accounts but truly charged as paid away that the Company may not be abused as formerly they have been by their Chiefs, and make Diligent Enquiry at what rate each species is paid away and what are more or less advantageous, what may be the occasion of the rising or falling of any species and what further necessary for our future Government as to species.

[3<sup>dly.</sup>] Examine well whither the accounts. of weights, measures and Coins correspond with the advice they have formerly given us thereof, and wherein they differ and inform yourself of the true rate of weights &c<sup>a</sup>. with the English.

[4<sup>thly.</sup>] Bee very Diligent to gett the best information you can of the quantity of Pepper procurable at Each Factory annually, and at what price, what may occasion its Dearness, whether it is monopolized by the Country people or Europeans or better Enquire also what other goods may be purchased prope[rly] [for] Europe Markets as to quantity and price and [what] Dutys or Customs are paid thereon, att Callicutt[...] mons used to be bought and those very [...] profit [.] England but of late their badness and dear[ness] Discouraged the Company from writing for any if you can purchase a small quantity cheap and of a good sort wee leave it to you to provide so many as you think necessary for a tryall in England, The Dutch carry Home annually a great quantity who certainly find they get money by the Bargain.

[5<sup>thly.</sup>] Inquire also what sorts & quantitys of India or China goods will vend at all or any of our Settlements and at what prices from year to year, when the most proper season for importing such goods whether there is any Dependance on the Market as to the quantity and price if such goods are brought in due Season.

[6<sup>thly.</sup>] Att Anjengo you are more particularly to Inquire what quantitys of all sorts of [measured] goods may be procured there or in the neighbouring Country both as to quantity and price of each Species and bring up with you samples of Each Species remembering to take none less than yard wide or neither 18 or 19 nails and 18 yards long. Inquire also where the cloth can be whitened and what quantity done in a year with the charge thereon, the pretence of fearing impediment from the Dutch in future investments and in whitening cloth is as strong Enough to Deterr the factory at Anjengo from such an undertaking and if the Queen and Poolas should be swayed by them then it is time to whiten itt at Bombay you must strenously press the whitening cloth there because the advantage is great and if well done will yeild 20 to 40 or 50 <sup>Rs</sup> cent more than it has already and because the Company are informed that Papseils, Nicanees, and Brawls and Guinea stuffs are to be made there and that they should save a great deal of money and loss of time, try whither the informance be true whither in part or in whole which if it once sett on foott an Experiment [with] proper directions of samples with the price of all or any of said goods to be sent up <sup>Rs</sup> the first opportunity that the Company may know whether it's worthwhile making another Tryall thereto and inquire whether any quantity of land can be gott there in order to raise plantations of pepper and whether it is feasible and worthwhile Endeavour to know if the Chunting of Goods at Anjengo can be Effected or not or if due Encouragement were given whither the [painters] could not be prevailed with to settle there for [that purpose] what would be the charges thereof and what Benefitt would arise [thereby], lett us also know why the Cotton yarn cannot be whitened there, what would be the charge, or what is the occasion it can't be done, the country people pretences of not being used to do it is very frivolous and what a little time and Experience will [break] through as to the provision of Cowries from the [Maldives] by way of Anjengo so earnestly and frequently recommended by the Company you are to acquaint the Chief and factors there that wee have designed the Ann for that voyage with a stock of about 4000 bales of Mangalore Rice and 6000 Rupees Specie which wee take to be sufficient to purchase 70 or 80 Tons of Cowries and that they may Ex[pect] her in a few days after your Arrival w<sup>th</sup>. them that they may be sure to Employ the messeng[ers] they last year sent or some capable per[son] [...] Munro be the Supra Cargo for whom let them [draw out] proper instructions and cautions for [his move]ment that he be not deluded by the treachery and artifices of those people, this is all wee can say in relation to that affair they must be better judges thereof att Anjengo so the greater care is incumbent on them the Honourable Company have ordered in their [investment] 8000 peices of Anjengo cloth viz., of 38 fanams 4000 of 27½ Fanams 4000 but withall complain of their dearness from 20 to 30 Rupees <sup>Rs</sup> charge and would have none sent without

such [an abatement] as your stock is but small towards providing such a quantity yet in case of such an abatement and you have stock give orders for as many peices of such sort as [...] they can pay for.

7<sup>thly</sup>. Att Callicutt and Tellicherry you are more immediately to search and Examine into the causes and grounds of those open assaults, assassinations and indignities attempted, and carraid on against our Fort att Tellicherry, what should raise such jealousies & Fears in the Country people and Nayors as to give us Disturbance after so peacable a settlement amongst them, be very cautious to know whether these ill Designs are fomented encouraged and set on foot by the Dutch whether any Europeans as well natives as Indians are associates or seemingly run over to the Natives and by that means have inculcated [*sic*] base principles am<sup>est</sup>. them of our Endeavour to Enslave them or such like and let us know what satisfaction can be Expected for their late affronts what force necessary to overa[we] and bring them to reason, and what methods proper to keep them in a due obedience, in case you suspect the Dutch concerned therein (as wee have great reason to believe they are) draw up a narrative of their proceedings as well as Can or give the [...] Chief &c<sup>a</sup>. Directions so to doe and gett all the information Testimonials and Originall Letters from the Country princes and all other matters of Fact and Corroborating Circumstances you think Warrantable that such actions may be well and substantially proved flat upon them and to the purpose and not a bare assertion only inquire also the ways and means they have practised to Engross the pepper trade of the Mallabar Coast the artifices they have used to gett [them] and their Briberies towards the Samorines Minis[ters] gett as good knowledge as you can learn of their works fortifications there the quantity of pepper &c<sup>a</sup>. [they] proc[ured] [...] other Notices you think worthy your observation att Callicutt adjust the affair of Captain Perrins with Mr. Adams taking care to see the same fairly [stand] and the balance thereof paid into the Companys [...] for the benefit of the owners and that they may have justice done them, what papers and accounts rela[ting] thereto that have come to the Generalls hands for your [further] Direction will be delivered to you by him.

[8<sup>thly</sup>.] [Bee very carefull to learn] what Dutys or customs or [presents] are really paid at Each place and how many [of every] sort of goods procurable or [exported] what are the amount of Charges Generall of all sorts a year and the totall of [such] Item att every factory and how far by the best observation you can make they may be retrenched, be very partic[ular] also in Entering down the state of all Edifices, buildings and fortifications at Each place in what Condition [...] what [...] what number of Officers Soldiers, Peons or other servants at Each place and their monthly Charges and whether they stand in need of so many and wherein what Guns mounted and of what size and sorts, what ammunitions small arms and stores necessary at Each place for its Defence, of all which give us a plain account in your Journall with all other things that occurs worthy your notice.

9<sup>thly</sup>. For Carwarr wee have sent ten bales of Cloth for a tryall of such colours as they formerly wrote for. Inquire what quantity they can dis[pose] of in a year its prices or any other manufacture.

10<sup>thly</sup>. Herewith you will receive the Generall Letter to the Viceroy of Goa which you are to deliver relating to the ship [Monsoon taken by a] Savage pirate and [re]taken by a portuguese frigatt [...] Carwarr [...] in the year 1706, you are to press him to have her restored to the English Owners or [satisfa]ction made for on the Sollicitation of the Supra Cargoe and [...] it was adjusted that she should be delivered to the owners on their paying some charges for [retaking], you will receive all the information sent out of [...] and authority to receive y<sup>e</sup>. [...] following the [...] by the Nightingall in [...].

[11<sup>thly</sup>] Bee very [curious] and [inquire what] quantity of Europe manufacture may be annually sold att all or any of our factorys with the prices and Coulours of Cloth and perpets, and all other manufacture.



[12<sup>thly.</sup>] For the more effectually putting an end to the troubles at [Telli-cherry] as well as prev[enting] [...] provision [...].

[13<sup>thly.</sup>] In [...] wee have laden [...] Invoice [..] which have [..] your [...] you are [...] you think [...] in your [...] from the [...] and the [...] accrue to the Honble Company and will [...] Early this [Season] to England.

BOMBAY CASTLE

OCTOBER [.....] 1715.

[...] are

[Your loving] Friends

WILL<sup>m</sup>. AISLABIE.

JOHN HILL.

WILL<sup>m</sup>. COLE.

WILL<sup>m</sup>. GYFFORD.

[M. A. CROMELINE].

This day [...] paquet from the [...] in [...] generall letter of the [...] Copy [...] and Mr. [...] at Anjengo [...] & [...] the Honble [...] Tellicherry [...] myself [Vizt.].

[...]	[...]	[...]	[...]	[...]	[...]
BROAD Cloth 10 Bales [..] formerly	...	...	...	...	[.]65 — —
[ ] for Expencc [..] [.]	...	...	...	...	3007 32 —
					302 — —

12[4726] [...] —

A calculation made [ ]Tons [.] of pepper [ ]at the [Mal] devies and supply the [..] of [ ] factory for [12] months the most could [.] will at present [Viz<sup>tt</sup>].—

[.] provide [300] at [..] Ton [.] to provide [..] Candys [...] 560 <sup>ca.</sup> Candy

	...	[...]
Anjengo not any Expected from [..] candys [..]	...	300 — —
[..] Esteemed [...] at Rup <sup>a</sup> Candy ..	...	584 [..]
100 hh <sup>ds</sup> . arrack for Bombay ...	...	6[.] — —
		[.]
		6[.] — —

Cowries cottons [.] with 4000 bales of Rice from Mangalore 6000 Rup <sup>a</sup> . the Cowries according to those received from Anjengo with [.] the [...]	...	10000 — —
		16[...] <sup>86</sup> — —

FACTORYS CHARGES being [.] for their subsistence for 1[.] months and Tellicherry is Increased by the Soldiers now sent ...	...	48[...] — —
		[...] <sup>48</sup> — —

AMMUNITION [..] of Gunpowder, 2 mortars 400 Granadoes shells [...] Iron Shott [...] bomb shells &c <sup>a</sup> . for Telli-cherry [...] having advice they were besieged	...	2[...] <sup>73</sup> [...] 6
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Accot. of the invoice w <sup>ch</sup> . God prosp[...]	...	12 [.] 00 —
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Also received Copy of the Captains Sailing Orders by w<sup>ch</sup>. he is under my Directions and Copy of the 58 para aforesaid [...].

There are shipt for the Defence of Tellicherry Ensign Prestly 47 Europeans and 16 Topasses with their small arms. Serjeant &  
8 Soldiers  
my Guard.

24<sup>TH</sup>. SUNDAY. Took my leave of the Generall & council &c<sup>a</sup>. at 3 afternoon, at 5 went off the Fort honour[ed] me w<sup>th</sup>. 13 Guns returned by the Catherine and [...] ships in the Road saluting Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Perkins, [...] Chaplin Factors, accompanying mee as assistants, [before] Sun sett saluted and made sail and [...] and the recovery Cap<sup>tn</sup>. [Ganey] whereof the [...] my immediate Direction, the Success let out for Mangulore and persia and the recovery let out to [M<sup>r</sup>. Burniston] for a Mallabar Voyage. 1714  
OCTOBER

[...] to the order gave to [...] Tucker by the Generall and Council I gave him orders to make the best of his way to Carwarr, and Delivered the pacquett.

25. MUNDAY About three this afternoon were [abreast] of Canary belonged to Angria, it seems very well fortified and full of houses, it may be about two mile in Circumference and lies about [...] mile from the main & 14 from [Bombay].

31<sup>ST</sup>. SUNDAY. Off Malwan about 10 leagues n<sup>o</sup>.ward [...] astern of us a Galvat and Grab the latter [...] very impudently, & followed us on our bracing to she sheered off wee fired 7 Guns but none hitt her the in[dent] was for the Anne who being [astern] wee had lain by before or they had pusled her, not having any [stern] ports & the stern being what the [...] Savajees annoy others with, and have large Guns are the properest weapons to light them with, at 9½ at night Goa being E & by South the recovery left us to goe in.

1<sup>ST</sup> MUNDAY. Off Carwarr Harbour in Expectation they might have heard us fired a Gunn for a boat met a portuguese a cruizing off cape Raymas about 18 or 20 Gunns, he said there were too more to the southward, Each 40 Gunns to keep the Coast Clear, but deal piratically by many Vessells, and are fearfull of going to the northward in the way of Angria or Malwonners, at 8 at night anchored near the oyster Rocks of Carrwarr Harbour. NOVEMB<sup>R</sup>

TUESDAY, [2<sup>ND</sup>.] At 6 in the morning went on shore the ship saluted at Departure, and factory at arrival about 10 in the morning opened and read the letter directed to us, Dated Bombay 8ber 23<sup>d</sup>. 1714, The substance being that according to the Honble Companies orders I was sent on the Catherine for supervising the factories and to make such regulations as thought necessary, and they to give their assistance therein. That there were laden 10 bales of Course broad Cloth, such as M<sup>r</sup> Fleetwood had formerly wrote for, and that they would be supplied w<sup>th</sup>. Treasure by me as far as they could provide ready at my return. That the Anne being intended for the Maldivees, they should send M<sup>r</sup>. Middleton on her to Mangulore [...] Country Merchant to purchase what [...] sufficient for sale there, and Consigned her to me at Anjengo. TUESDAY  
Tolly. boat  
[..]

Then I showed them my Commission [from] the Generall and Council and Copy of the 58 paragraph of the Honible Companys Letter <sup>to</sup> Catherine [...] Delivered them such memorandums [...] had [...] that might have compleat information and reply [...] on my return when my stay for taking in goods will require so much time as may be necessary for this business. The memorandums for all the factories [...] following [...] Viz<sup>t</sup>.

MEMORANDUM FOR CARRWARR CALLICUT AND TELLICHERY SUBORDINATE AND ANJENGO FACTORYS BELONGING TO THE HONBLE ENGLISH COMPANY ON THE MALLABAR COAST [1714].

A. FACTORY

1. Factory Dimensions, what built of time when by [...] who chief, Cost and charges, repairing <sup>of</sup> anuum, condition now, water in itt, how large the Compound and by what means obtained, who prince of the Country [there] How bounded.

2. Warehouses, their Dimensions and lodging Rooms in the factory.
3. Companies Servants sufficient to carry on the [busi]ness, of what stations and what Writers may be proper to reside, whereby they will be better acquainted than strangers when they come [...] know how to humour the people &c<sup>a</sup>. and [...] advantages, that they be carefully instructed in Book Keeping and Exchanges.
4. What servants are allowed Each person or otherways [employed] in the house.
5. Expencc of the Table ordinarily and on Extraordinary occasions each particular Eating and Drinking.
6. Household Furniture [what valuables].

#### B. FORTIFICATIONS

1. Fortifications their [full] Dimensions what [built] off, by whom, who chief, and what year, whose charge, who prince of the Country then and what Ground may belong to itt, water in itt or not, Distance from the [...] side, repairs ~~per~~ annum how bounded.
2. Gunns, how many mounted, what bore or weight, Carriages good or not, what quantity of ammunition for them what number of Small arms and what ammunition for them.
3. Soldiers what number sufficient to Defend itt of black and whites, and what officers necessary, and how long might hold out.
4. Provisions, whether can be supplied with if beseiged, what provisions necessary and whether keep any provisions for any time in the fort.
5. Garrison Charges Viz<sup>t</sup>. Soldiers pay, repairs of the Works, decay of arms, powders &c<sup>a</sup>. expended &c<sup>a</sup>.
6. Gunns or ammunition what wanting.
7. Soldiers to be Taught good Exercise not only of the musquet, but Grenado and the Gunners flinging of Bombs.

#### C. DEBITTS ON THEIR BOOKS ON LONG STANDING

1. In whose Chiefship contracted, or neglected to be Gathered in whilst the dealings with the party were fresh and when those dealings with the partys ceased who Chief, and why not Ended.
2. What nature the Dealings they had with the Comp<sup>a</sup>. [the] persons Cast, Substance, Vocation or Employ in the Companys Service.
3. What Debts at the Union of the Companys, what Collected to the time [they] were transferred to the United books, what transferred to the United Books and w<sup>t</sup>. Collected since.
- [4.] The present Circumstance of the Debtors, and [...] may [Expect] they make [full] satisfaction.
5. Why not due sollicitation made since so often wrote and the Companys orders to make an end of them, [...] the United Company were answerable for all.
6. Interest why not charged them.

#### Other Debitts.

For Calliout  
only.

7. That Captain Perrins business be rightly stated by his worship Adams &c<sup>a</sup>., and the ballance paid into the Companies Cash.

#### D. OF TRADE

1. Ships imported and Exported these last 6 years, what goods or money they brought and what carried away at what rates and what respondentia they might give thither or from thence what ports come from and [where] sailed, also their Burthen and judgment of their Stock.

2. Cardamoms, the Honourable Company have wrote for 5 Tons to be sent them yearly, but none procured since the [Arrival] in 1708, because those had yet the [Dutch] got those that are good and Cheap and would not [follow] such a trade, Unless beneficiall, therefore if good and [Cheaper] than Usual to purchase some.

3. PEPPER what quantity procurable ₯ annum, what time it is to be purchased and comes in att, and what quantity to be purchased at any time of the year, Supposing the factory not duely supplied what the pr[oper] time to supply the factory, and what time they advance the money and in what proportion for the true reason of its dearness, whether occasioned by bad crop or by the Country people [and] Europeans monopolizing itt.

4. Whose Country the pepper grows in, how far inland, and what quantity produced yearly at Each place and how much Exported, and whither, how much for home Consumption.

5. What Dutys, Customs, [and presents] on imports & Exports on any kind of goods.

6. The Trade of the Nations.

7. Whether any goods from England, China or any part of India of any kind whatsoever might be Vendible there, [and] to what advantage and the contrary from thence to England, China or any part of India and what quantities yearly.

8. Weight and Measures [...] [benefit] compared w<sup>th</sup>. our avordupoiz &c<sup>a</sup>. as formerly the Generall & Councill wrote, also the lesser weights for gold and silver &c<sup>a</sup>.

9. What Quantity of pepper and Cardamoms Exported by the Dutch yearly, from what parts, and what they purchase it, with supposing they bring no money;

#### E. MONEY AND EXCHANGE

1. Money, what silver or gold found the properest for the Company, the severall sorts brought from Different parts; Weight thereof compared with our lesser weight, Fines compared with our Carets, Value compared with our Sterling.

2. Quantity or Value brought ₯ annum, and in w<sup>t</sup>. kinds.

3. Coins made passable by the prince of the Country.

4. Exchanges, how they rise and fall, the least & greatest Difference the occasion thereof, what sorts it does not effect.

5. Bills drawn or remitted whether loss or gain thereby; and to and from what parts.

6. Interest at what ₯ Cent whither Simple, or Compound.

#### F. OF THEIR ACCOUNTS.

1. To prepare all that may Relate thereto in a [...] respect whatsoever [...] ( ) and fairly stated for [pea]equisall and Examination (on my return time not per- Anjengo [mitt]ing me now).

2. That the books be brought up to a day the better [...] the state thereof by taking the ballance from y<sup>e</sup>. [Ledgers].

3. That what is transferred from the Honourable Companys books have a particular note.

4 That money paid into the Honourable Company's Cash on account persons deceased be carried off [to Acc<sup>t</sup>.] Currant Bombay at Close of the same books they [...] first Entered on.

5. That the accounts be wrote in plain language Expressing Each article concise yet [plenary].

6. That the close of the books be ranged under severall branches, which Express on what account the following articles are viz<sup>t</sup>.

<b>DEAD STOCK</b>						
Sundrys under y <sup>t</sup> . head	...	...	000	—	—	
Expressing Each acct.	...	...	000	—	—	
						000 — —
<b>INDIA DEBTS</b>						
The bad Debts to be ranged under this in an inner Column	...	...	000	—	—	
			000	—	—	
						000 — —
<b>EUROPE DEBTS</b>	...	...	...			000 — —
<b>INDIA GOODS</b>	...	...	...			000 — —
<b>EUROPE GOODS</b>	...	...	...			000 — —
<b>CASH GOLD OR SILVER</b>	...	...	...			000 — —
<b>FACTORYS OR SETTLEMENTS</b>	...	...	...			000 — —
<b>VOYAGES</b>	...	...	...			000 — —
						000 — —

or such of these as you find your books require.

7. You should keep an inward Column in your Ledger in Bombay Account [Current] [...] because the books [...] in that and all the [...] also for any kind of gold or silver you receive either in weight or [tale] as you [...].

8. [...] Books formerly wrote for and coppied [...] years [United].

Callicut only, [Sic.] 9. That the [...] [charges of building] Tellicherry be drawn out in particulars.

( )  
to callicut. 10. That an Inventory and approved Copy of deceased persons will be sent up to Bombay [and that acordingly the witness swear to Mr. Prestwich's and Mr. Bendulls.]

11. That Deceased persons Estates be paid into the Honble Companys cash. The whole of such persons as die intestate and that part of their Estates who leave wills [and do not leave] [...] direct orders and this for any Person [...].

#### G. TRANSACTIONS with the Government

Callicut only. 1. Chittoa what improvement the Dutch have made there and whether Come to any terms w<sup>th</sup>. the Samorine about itt what insisted on by them.

Ditto. 2. Whether the Dutch and Samorine have any Generall articles for a mutuall friendship and amity to be kept up between them.

Ditto. 3. House belonging to the Honourable Company there, in what condition.

Ditto. 4. Samorine what required from us by him and for what reasons.

Tellicherry. 5. Tellicherry, by whom granted to build the fort there, and at what time and what quantity of ground then granted, and on what conditions.

Ditto. 6. Who the first molesters thereof, and when & their pretences, what force they might bring first &c<sup>a</sup>.

7. Whether the Dutch found under [...] to foment & [assist] them or their Europeans or Indians [...] with [them] and inculcate base principles [...] and if they are found to doe so to get the best information from the native [thereof] and all testimoniall [...] and considering circumstances that may be sufficient to force [...] upon them both here and at home and not a bare assertion.

Ditto. 8. What number killed on Either Side.

Ditto. 9. Conditions made [peace on].

Ditto. 10. What Disputes there has been between the English and the prince or Raja or any of his [Business].

Ditto. 11. How accommodated.

Ditto. 12. What force necessary to keep them in awe.

Ditto. 13. Dutys and Customs [&c. if in full to be lessened] by a pr[esent] but such priveledge made sure to us.

14. Satisfaction to be made for any wrong by getting more ground or some other advantage to remain as an acknowledgment of their abuses and keep them under for the future.

15. Whatever is done in this manner to be [drawn in plain language] and the reasons or Motives specified and the grant ratified as sure as is possible to prevent any innovations or Equivocation hereafter.

16. What measures the Dutch have taken to Engross the pepper Trade, how they manage the [...] what bribes. How placed and their value.

17. What Curiositys might be proper in presents [soe come] cheaper than money and to send to Bombay for them.

18. Whether a Small Vessel or what boats necessary for the [...]

#### H. OF THE PRINCE & C<sup>A</sup>. HIS DOMINIONS.

1. Prince, his name, age how Crowned, how succeeded court whe[n] usually kept, distance from the sea, how far absolute, religion, [wives].

2. Ministers any Generall Council for state affairs what number and the principall officer amongst them and particularly the names of the favourites.

3. [...] Generall, officers what number, number of soldiers able to bring in the field, weapons used, Courage.

4. Neighbouring Princes and how affected.

5. Dominions their [Extent] how Guarded, product, principall places. Sea-ports, Rivers and mines

6. Inhabitants, Religion and other Employments

7. Revenues and Taxes wherein and Expences of y<sup>e</sup>. Crowne

8. Sea Customs, to what amount in all his Dominions.

9. [Any] Inland trade, in what, what duty and what imported inland from the Countryes.

10. Whether the neighbouring Countryes abound in Money, or what their chief Comoditys and revenue to their princes

TO TELLICHERY.

STEP<sup>N</sup>. STRUTT.

ON BOARD THE CATHERINE

[TELLICHERY] HERRY ROAD NOV<sup>R</sup>. 12<sup>TH</sup>. 1714.

THE Direction for Anjengo in relation to the measured goods as [collected] from the Honourable Companys Letter is incerted in my instructions as follows viz<sup>t</sup>.  
 " [At Anjengo] you are more [particularly] to Enquire what quantity of [all sorts of  
 " measured goods] may be procured there or in the neighbouring Country both as to  
 " quantity and price of each [species and bring up with] you sample of Each  
 " [remembering] to take none less than yard wide or [neither 18 or 19 nails and  
 " eighteen] yards long, Enquire also [where the cloth can be whitened] and what  
 " quantity [done] in a year with the charge thereon the pretence of fearing impedi-  
 " ment from the Dutch in future [invest]ments and in whitening cloth is not strong  
 " enough to Deterr the factory at Anjengo from such an undertaking and if the  
 " [Queen] and poollas should be swayed by them then it is time to whiten itt at  
 " Bombay, you must strenuously press the whitening cloth there because the  
 " advantage is great and if well-done it will yeild 20 to 40 or [50] % cent more  
 " than it has already and because the Company are informed that Papseils, [Nica-  
 " nees, Brawls & Guinea stuffs] are to be made there and that they should save  
 " a great deal of money and loss of time try whether the information be true whether  
 " in part or in the whole which if it be set on foot an Experiment with proper  
 " Directions of samples with the price of all or any of the said goods to be sent up  
 " first opportunity that the Company may know whether it is worth while making  
 " another Tryall, search and Enquire whether any quantity of lands can be got  
 " there in order to raise plantations of Pepper and whether it is feasible and worth  
 " while [Endeavour] to know if the Chinting of goods Can be Effectted or not and  
 " if due Encouragement were given whether the painters could not be prevailed  
 " with to settle there for that purpose, what would be the Charge thereof and what  
 " [benefit would arise] thereby, let us also know why the Cotton yarn cant be  
 " whitened there and what would be the Charge or what's the occasion it Cant be  
 " done. the Country [people pretend] they are not to used to do it is very frivolous  
 " and what a little [time and Experience] will create through [the] Honble Com-  
 " pany [have ordered] [...] of Anjengo [...] 27½ Fanams 4000 peices but withall

“ complain of [their] dearness from [20 to 30 rup<sup>s</sup>.]  $\text{₹}$  corge and would [...] your stock is [but small towards providing such a quantity] Yet in case of [such an abatement and you have stock give orders for as] many pieces! [...] [can pay for of Each sort]. Note also that under 20 nailes ten yards are reckoned a piece of Callicoe in the Customs of England if full twenty nails or more wide Six yards is esteemed a piece and if but 8 or 9 nailes wide yet ten yards is Esteemed a piece.”

To ANJENGO.

STEP<sup>n</sup>. STRUTT.

ON BOARD SHIP CATHERINE.

[RES]IDING IN ANJENGO ROAD.

NOVEMB<sup>r</sup>. 21<sup>st</sup> 1714.

1714 2<sup>d</sup>. TUESDAY. Wrote an order to Capt<sup>n</sup>. Tucker to deliver the Cloth. NOVEMB<sup>r</sup>. I overlookt their [Boats] which were here up to this time, no Cash remaining but

about 50 Candys of pepper and about 1159. 2. in timber which having laid there [a great] while so that great part was rotten and not writing for it to Bombay & they informing could sell itt for near what it stands at I agreed they should and then Considered what money might be proper to leave for procuring pepper and factory charges 12 months and having the Merchants before us they informed could not Engage to procure any pepper at any rate the portuguese having sent their Vakeels into Sunda and the Carnatick Country to buy up all for a Europe Ship at Goa, lately arrived with demands for all they Could get in that Commodity, and that they gave [25] pag<sup>s</sup>. and upwards  $\text{₹}$  Candy but had they had advice two months sooner, would have pro[cured] any quantity. That they had advice of about 200 Candy in the Carnatick Country at 21½ pag<sup>s</sup>.  $\text{₹}$  Candy, but were doubtfull whether it would not be gone before we could send about itt therefore hastened away one thither, and resolved to supply the Factory as follows viz<sup>t</sup>.

	Rupees
For 12 months Expencc it appearing thereabouts by their Books .. .. .	10000 —
For 300 Candys of pepper at least at 80 $\text{₹}$ Candy .. .. .	24000 —
For Goa Ariack .. .. .	1800 —
	Rs. 35800 —
The Timber left compute at .. .. .	3000 —
Pepper in the Warehouse 52 Can <sup>s</sup> . .. .. .	4000 —
Broad Cloth 10 Bales at 3 Rups. $\text{₹}$ Yard will come about .. .. .	[3000] —
	[10000 —]
Cash to be delivered .. .. .	26000 —
	Rs. [ ... ]

4<sup>th</sup>. THURSDAY. Accordingly I landed in treasure Rup<sup>s</sup>. 25252. 33 with the Cloth R<sup>s</sup>. 27560. as  $\text{₹}$  Invoice and notified the same to them by letter and that I Expected to be up again by the 20<sup>th</sup>. December when it would be proper the pepper should be ready that I had wrote the Vice Roy of Goa N<sup>o</sup>. 1 about the ship Mon[soon] Enclosing the Generall Letter to him to Manoell d La Jetwil a great favourite to be assisting [...] affair No. 2 all which Letters &c<sup>a</sup>. relating to said affair being incerted at Close shall not specifie the substance of them here.

The 3<sup>d</sup>. in the morning I came abroad [but] could not land the silver till this day and the Winds Continuing Southerly The Command<sup>r</sup>s. Tucker, Clapham & Sedgwick thought it no adviseable to weigh.

I wrote the Generall and Council what had supplied the factory and [what might] be expected of them, of the great Demands the portuguese made for Pepper, of their Cruisers taking a ship of M<sup>r</sup>. Adams freighted with horses by an arrab Merch<sup>t</sup>. for this port, but the Circumstance thereof [know not], that a letter was arrived from M<sup>r</sup>. Adams advising the peace had made att Tellichery that had Enclosed the Generalls Letter to the ViceRoy &c<sup>a</sup>. and Concluded.

The Anne being ordered for Mangulore I shipped 3 baggs of Silver on her 1714. amounting to Rup<sup>s</sup>. 5783.56 to purchase Rice though at first only 4000 was intended NOVEM- but the merchants here informing their goes yearly about 14000 Rup<sup>s</sup>. in Rice to the BER Maldivies therefore ordered the more and wrote instructions to M<sup>r</sup>. Middleton who goes on her to purchase the same and a letter to the Chief & Factors at Anjengo 3<sup>D</sup>. acquainting them of the ships intended Voyage in case any misfortune should happen 5<sup>TH</sup>. to us; Do. No. 4.

Received a letter from the Chief & Factors at Carwarr acknowledging the receipt Do. No. 5. of Treasure &c<sup>a</sup>. Do. No. 6.

The Merchants here say they Can Dispose of 25 bales Course Cloth 2 Green 23 Red in 6 m<sup>os</sup>. the dry season, Continued yearly at 3 rup<sup>s</sup>  $\frac{1}{2}$  yard but no fine nor any other Europe Commodity.

There grows in the Sunda Rajahs Country about 3000 Candy pepper  $\frac{1}{2}$  annum and our Factory if well supplied may get the most of itt, they must bargain the latest in Feb[r]uary with ready money and pay for itt as it Comes in, the Citty Sunda where the Rajah resides is about 3 days Journey inland from Carwarr.

The Carnatick Country is to the Southward along the sea shore, the English may procure 400 Candy  $\frac{1}{2}$  annum Contracting in Feb[r]uary, this is the Cheapest but the other the best Pepper, this Rajah bordering on the sea sells to shipping and imploys Small Vessells to carry it abroad himself. The 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  Cent Insurance upon pepper from hence, is the farmer being poor the Merchants ingage to Deliver it safe aboard.

The English may procure Salt petre in severall places from 7 a 12 days Journey from hence, the quantity uncertain by reason they and the English never made any Traffick in that Commodity but the portuguese procure from 5 to 70 [0] Candys yearly to make powder for portugall.

The Cloth Called Ballegatt Cloth may be procured in what qualitys and quantitys required, but by reason of the up Country troubles hazardous bringing down, besides the Cotton they make it off they have from the Coromandell Coast, for this place is  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the way to Madrass where I am informed they Carry itt and Can afford it much cheaper than to bring it here.

Chucklass Caun son of old Gaureed Caun formerly Governour of Amahdavad was Expected at Visapore about 10 days Journey from hence, to govern these parts which being now in some disorder they beleive he will settle and quiett them so as trade may flourish.

They report the present Mogull Furrunseer was to keep a feast of 1000 days on his marriage to a Rashpoot to which Cast he is somewhat related.

M<sup>r</sup>. Taylor &c<sup>a</sup>. is to send advises to Callicutt in Case can't procure pepper as required that may draw on them for so much money as falls short to be remitted to Callicutt where am informed there is Enough, a portuguese ship being Gone thither to load.

Left the Success in Carwarr Harbour and wrote Sailing Orders to Captain Tucker to proceed to Tellichery with the pacquet now delivered him, and to Captain Sedgwick to proceed to Mangulore and follow M<sup>r</sup>. Middletons directions till laden & then proceed to Anjengo.

7<sup>TH</sup>. SUNDAY. Fearing the Malwonners or any Vessells of the Savajees might meet the Anne, I put on board 6 Souldiers for her better defence and i'th Evening off Mangulore she Hauled in for that port.

8<sup>TH</sup>. MONDAY. In the morning saw the Thomas from Surat let out at 12 rup<sup>s</sup>.  $\frac{1}{2}$  Candy loading Beettle at Mungaseer a little to the Southward off Mangulore.

10<sup>TH</sup>. WESNDAY. In the morning anchored off Tellichery went ashore there found Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Adams and Francia Companies Servants here, opened the Letter directed to us. dated Bbay 8ber 23. 1714 the substance being that according to the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Companys orders I was sent to Visitt their factorys in order to have a thorough knowledge of them in Every respect that the Tellichery Circumstances being very bad they had sent supplys, That they would be supplied w<sup>th</sup>. stock for buying pepper by me and that M<sup>r</sup>. Adams adjust the affairs of Captain Perrin w<sup>th</sup>. me. No. 7.

The ship saluting att [departure] &c. fort att [arrival]



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An order for the Captain to deliver the Soldiers, Ammunition &c<sup>a</sup>. to such boats as were sent for them.

Asked for their books, Capt<sup>n</sup>. Perrins acco<sup>ts</sup>. Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Prestwich & Bendall's Wills, he said all papers were at Callicutt, and promised a just account of Perrins business. I acquainted him was to leave sufficient stock for 12 months Expence and procuring 700 candy pepper in 30 days which he said he could doe. Accordingly in the Evening came off in order to send the Treasure &c<sup>a</sup>. ashore.

11<sup>TH</sup> THURSDAY. An order to the Captain to deliver Seven Chests of Treasure and the 15 Chests of Ophium and accordingly sent it ashore. and the

12<sup>TH</sup>. FRIDAY. Wrote him inclosing invoice of what landed Treasure Rup<sup>s</sup>. 55339. 18. Ophium Rup<sup>s</sup>. 3007. 32 w<sup>th</sup>. ammunition on the foot of the Invoice Rup<sup>s</sup>. 60930 also a Scheem of memorandums as is Entered pa 18 a 25 this Journall acquainting them Expected a Compleat Account thereof at my return, also wrote the Generall and Council enclosung duplicate of what wrote at Carwarr and advise what [landed] here, conclude. What landed here beleive not sufficient for the buying of so much pepper they informing t'w[...] not be under 70 R. ₤ Candy and 12 months Expence w<sup>ch</sup>. now is increased by the number of soldiers and the work att Tellicherry not being finished. but thought not Proper to leave more till see what Anjengo may produce.

No. 8.  
No. 9.

Do. No. 10. Received a letter from them acknowledging the receipt of what sent ashore, that the memorandums should be Complied with but it required time, that last year there was no Crop of pepper and this year but a very Small One which made it very dear. That Ophium was a drugg (that being Unsold they received before the rains) and shipping daily Expected from Coast and bay with that Commodity.

They say Could they be well supplied in a proper time i.e. before the rains they Could procure any quantity and cheap to be ready November following but receiving money to buy immediately they are under the Disadvantage of bad pepper and Dear. rec<sup>d</sup>. aboard 18 Anjengo Soldiers that they had from thence for their assistance.

Gave the Captain Sailing Orders for Anjengo as also the pacquet for that place and sailed in the Evening.

16<sup>TH</sup>. TUESDAY. In the Evening anchored in Cochin Road having southerly winds and now Calm M<sup>r</sup>. Perkin &c<sup>a</sup>. going ashore and acquainting the commodore when the ship Came &c<sup>a</sup>. he treated them very Civilly and several times repeated his desire I would Come ashore, saying he would send two of his Council and his Barge to wait on mee (Understanding which I returned the Governour thanks) by them Excusing myself & bidding them En[...] they were informed he would have drawn out his guard but uncertain whither would salute w<sup>th</sup>. ordnanc. The Governour Barran Kettle raised himself from a Centinell as severall of their men in post [sic] have done he was mighty affable and Courteous that was ashore.

Note he sent but one to the directors of Persia now riding w<sup>th</sup>. a flagg at the main top mast head.

Malpy the broker here informed Co<sup>d</sup>. provide 800 Candy pepper at 70 Rup<sup>s</sup>. ₤ Candy in 6 days and annually 1000 Candy if advised in August without money only paper security Beettlenutt white if advised between January and Aprill 3 or 4 hundred Candy at 33 R[<sup>s</sup>.] ₤ Candy and Redd 30 & Copra being the meat of Coconuts.

The Dutch Export hence yearly about 3000 Candy pepper, the Governour and broker being Equally Concerned charge as they Can agree what private persons procure is Easily done underhand but it must not be openly, any Coin passes with them be it good gold or silver, rise and falls according to plenty, Venetians and Gubbers are common, 32 fanams they Esteem a Rex dollar and 18 Ditto a rupee the Dutch have been in possession of this place 52 years, ships riding here, The Giupston Dyke flagg at the main topmast head on account the Directore of Persia who Came lately on her from them bound to Batavia Rozenbark from Batavia and bound thither, the Kezearly from Batavia for Mocha all large ships, two Moor ships from Bengall & 1 from Cuddah, tin, tuteneague sugar and Damar one of which for Persia. and two for Suratt.

21<sup>st</sup>. SUNDAY. Att 8 this Morning anchored in Anjengo Road and went on shore ship saluting at Departure and fort at arrivall. Opened the letter Directed to us dated 1714 8ber the 23<sup>d</sup>. 1714 the substance being that according to the Honourable Companies Orders I was sent to Visitt their factories &c<sup>a</sup>. that according to the 83 para : of the Hoñble Companies Letter of Catherine M<sup>r</sup>. John Courtney was Dismist their Service that he might remove for Bombay or England, That by 85 para M<sup>r</sup>. Cowse is Dismist and he has the same liberty that by the 86 para : M<sup>r</sup>. Kiffin is appointed Chief whom they have a great opinion off. That there is stock for their Expençe. and pepper sent of the Catherine which letter Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Courtney and Cowse were at the reading off. 1714  
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Then gave them a letter Enclosing the Scheem of memorandums as Entered pa : N<sup>o</sup>. 12 18 a 25 this Journall signifying to them what was required of me in relation to their factory desiring the quickest Satisfaction thereto and what other information they might think necessary, Conclude.

Perused their books which were brought up to this time by M<sup>r</sup>. Courtney and appears 811 pieces Cloth remaining and 20000 fanams in Debt.

22<sup>d</sup>. MUNDAY. This morning went off Sent them ashore treasure to the amount of Rup<sup>s</sup>. 28933. 88 thought the least Could on account their Debitt, what goods they sho<sup>d</sup>. send off, what money to supply the Ann and a years Expençe. Landed their Souldiers.

Wrote them a letter the substance tha[...] M<sup>r</sup>. Cowse intimating to me he Could N<sup>o</sup>. 13. not leave the place but that his affairs would Greatly suffer, recommended to them whither he could not leave others in trust without any Detriment that if they were not of that opinion that he must request staying of us in writing till the Generalls and Councils Orders were known to whom he should also write—that what Cloth or Pepper can be gott ready they speedily send off and what they Could answer of the memorandums as also of Betture & Brimjon which I had Omitted. That enclosed invoice of what treasure landed that they Supply the Anne w<sup>th</sup> 5000 rup<sup>s</sup>. which w<sup>th</sup>. her Cargoe is to procure Cowries at the Maldivies and that M<sup>r</sup>. Munro goes on her thither for that purpose that their charges the last two y<sup>rs</sup>. appeared very large occasioned by building a Banksall &c<sup>a</sup>. but they would have left 16000 Rup<sup>s</sup>. more by  $\frac{1}{4}$  than y<sup>r</sup>. Annuall Expençe formerly that M<sup>r</sup>. Cowse deliver up all accounts of the Hoñble Companies new and old there not being goods to detain me any time could not spare time to Examine matters as necessary but hoped they would Correct many things from the Notes that they write to Bombay for what gunns &c<sup>a</sup>. wanting to which received answer being ashore, the

23<sup>d</sup>. TUESDAY. That M<sup>r</sup>. Cowses affairs might suffer very much by his leaving the place &c<sup>a</sup>. that the Country people would be backward in Complying w<sup>th</sup>. any orders he (being absent) should leave &c<sup>a</sup>. That they Could not reply to any of the memorandums in so little time, That Betture was a very Convenient place for the Merchants to bring their pepper too and that they had a Warehouse there that Brimjon to the southward produces nothing. but if the Cloth trade were continued 'twould be proper to have a warehouse there it being near the place the Cloth is bought, Thatt they would ship off what Goods they had speedily and supply the Anne w<sup>th</sup>. R<sup>s</sup>. 5000, That the Ensuing year they hoped would be much less charges than the former and would take all possible means to retrench their Charges in the Severall Branches of it That they would Endeavour to Comply with the Notes &c<sup>a</sup>., Conclude. N<sup>o</sup>. 14.

An order to Captain Tucker to receive w<sup>t</sup>. goods sent off account the Company

I having spoke severall times about the Old Companies Books he said they had all been sent up to Bombay with the Circumstance of the old Debts at the Close of them and he had none now in his Custody and likewise to M<sup>r</sup>. Kytin M<sup>r</sup>. Courtney who knew of n[o] books of that Companys.

Received a letter from M<sup>r</sup>. Cowse complaining of his misfortune. To which N<sup>o</sup>. 15. answered and Comply<sup>d</sup>. w<sup>th</sup>. his staying and that if he had any thing to send up N<sup>o</sup>. 16. in this ship would take it in—acquainted them would sail in the Evening.

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24<sup>TH</sup>. WEDNESDAY. This Morning Came off and received a letter from Mr. Courtney Justifying his management here and desiring what assistance the Chief could give him on which wrote Mr. Kytin &c<sup>a</sup>. on that affair and that if he desired a perusall of the memorandums in Order to answer any of them he might giving such remarks under his hand apart to be transmitted by them to Bombay, also Mr. Cowse having requested to peruse the same wrote them of itt as above at coming off the fort Saluted and ship att arrivall aboard.

No. 20.

No. 21.

Before I came off mustered the Garrison consisting of Captain and Ensign 41 Europeans sev<sup>ll</sup> sorts and 80 Musteeze and Topasses, Gunner & Crew 3 Europeans and 1 [2] Musteeze and Topasses, their small arms but indifferent and their ordnance 21 in number of severall hights some very small and mounted on Different fashions of very bad Carriages w<sup>ch</sup>. observed to them that [sic] may write for what necessary to rectifie them and there being no parpatts on their Curtains from Bastion to Bastion and only Bamboo stairs to goe a [loft] I recommended to them such amendments as their stocks wo<sup>d</sup>. permitt. See the Draught.

No. 22.

In the Evening received their pacquet to the Generall and Council under Flying Seal in their letter were these words and all accounts and papers relating to our Honible Masters affairs were ready for his perusall which observing wrote them that on landing I perused Letters L & M and part of the present year in Mr. Courtneys Custody he not having any other tho' often sollicitated for them (as appeared by his Letters) and that Letter K (which was never sent up to Bombay) were delivered mee but this Morning coming off. That the old Companys books I had demanded before y[...] all and none Could say there were any or where they should be and other papers I saw none as not having time to Examine them but I thought my notes and their Directions sufficient that a tender of all such accounts might be made me tho' not readily gott together and my time would not permitt a proper Examination, That they keep all the Company's Accounts in the fort, Conclude.

Mr. Kyffin's present indisposition may retard giving a better account here others under him being of young standing, yett itt appears to me that Mr. Cowse nas been very remiss in the business of accounts tho' I beleive otherwise a faithfull Servant, and Mr. Courtney as Diligent in Keeping them up. they were surprized when I told them they had not sent up books L as far as Q April (Mr. Courtney then Commencing and not K. Received of Mr. Cowse books K. L and M from Mr. Courtney and their Books up to this day by Mr. Courtney. The day before not being able to gett off on account the great surf that runs here more than Common in the Evening I with most of the Gentlemen went up the river to Attinga about 7 mile from Anjengo which runs narrow along the sea shore and being late could not have time to see the queens pallace but visited the head Poollas brother (the head Poolla being dead) whom 'tis Expected will succeed. I gave him a Chequeen in a paper shaking of hands and desire the Countenance of his friendship and acquainted him the Honourable Company had sent me to look into y<sup>r</sup>. affairs, by which he might see how they intended a good [&] Merchantile Correspondence between them and their queen to which he answered (Mr. Cowse being our interpreter) that nothing should be Wanting on his part and waited on us to the Waterside very affable and pleasant and perswaded me to stay for a present of plantains &c<sup>a</sup>. which when receiv<sup>d</sup>. putt off and fired 13 Gunns to his health he being at the Waterside, at present there is no queen settled, there being a Heiress, but in february [sic] it is the anniversary time and they must settle the throne, the boat I went up in Mr. Courtney built breadth about 12 foott and length about 30 foott rowing with 16 Oars or paddles very fitt to goe up & down these Rivers and will Carry 18 or 20 passengers very Compleatly. and oblige the poolas or anv principall persons when the Companys affairs require them aloft and theirs alow by Carrying either baggage or goods.

They not having English Weights and not time to Compare w<sup>th</sup>. mine Ordered them to send all small weights &c<sup>a</sup>. of this place up to Bombay that we might compare them.

Mr. Cowse has informed me that the Samorine (of Callicutt &c<sup>a</sup>) had given a writing to the dutch of their intending to settle at Chittoa that since he would not permitt them he should not permitt any other European Nation a Settlement there and that the house there was not built by the Company.

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Gave the Captain Sailing Orders for Callicutt. The Gentlemen here have laden  
Can. mds. lb.  
 15 bales of Cloth A3. B5. C3. E1. Containing 666 peices and pepper 32-1-19 at 64 rup<sup>s</sup>. Candy the foot of the invoice Gall. fan<sup>a</sup>. 34576. 4. delivered the Captain up his Bombay bill of Lading.

Stock remaining w <sup>th</sup> . them	...	...	...	...	R <sup>s</sup> . 16605	58
Viz <sup>t</sup> .						
				Landed R <sup>s</sup> .	28933	58
				Rup <sup>s</sup> .		
In Debt	...	...	...	4000	-	
For the Anne	...	...	...	5000	-	
Amount of pepper the them	...	...	...	3328	-	
						12328 —
						16605 58

My reason for not staying longer here so as to Examine their books was partly because they had no go[ods] the shipping of which would take so much time as I might peruse them and require the less time at another port by having such part of our goods in, this I was inducd to by reason the Uncertain stay Else where whereby the ship might be too late to load a Summer ship home and on acco<sup>b</sup>. some Sugar offered to freight from Cochin. Therefore thought it most material to make the best of my way to the N<sup>o</sup>.ward and if they should answer the notes as should shall have full insight to regulate upon.

27<sup>th</sup>. SATURDAY. Mett the Dutch flagg w<sup>th</sup>. the persia Directore aboard going to Batavia.

28 SUNDAY. In the morning anchored in Cochin Road and being informed of some freight by Moormen besides the Sugar that Captain Gardiner was to freight.

29. MUNDAY. Enquire about itt.

30 TUESDAY. &.

1<sup>st</sup>. WEDNESDAY. Captain Gardner was shipping his Sugar 385 bags and 4 bales of Cardamums for which he is to pay freight as the Generall and Councill shall think fitt. DECEMBER

Mr. Perkins advised that he understood from Malpy that Mr. Adams had sent for 300 Candys of pepper at 69 Rup<sup>s</sup>. Candy which supposing to be for the Company and Malpy being to deliver it at Callicutt, I offered to take it in if would allow any freight but he would not give above a rupee a Candy which refused, If Mr. Adams had Wrote me of itt I should have saved a great deal of time by taking it in here, for afterwards I was forced to stay att Callicutt whilst boats went from thence hither and brought pepper up for the Company. The Moors merchants having delayed giving a possitive answer from time to time att last said their Accounts w<sup>th</sup>. Malpy would not permitt their freighting on us.

Ca. mds.

2<sup>d</sup>. THURSDAY. believing pepper scarce to the n<sup>o</sup>.ward I bought 90—16 at 68 Rup<sup>s</sup>. Candy w<sup>th</sup>. what money I had left of the Companys the pillar Dollars they Esteemed [generally] at 212 Rup<sup>s</sup>. amounting Invoice Rup<sup>s</sup>. 6174. —. 25

Received a letter by the Anne from Mr Adams &c<sup>a</sup>. from Tellicherry advising No. 23 that had not yett set[tled] affairs so as to be able to proceed to Callicut, that he believe the Nayors would fall out among themselves in a few days that pepper was

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very scarce that they offered 23½ chequeens Candy, that they hoped to gett about 2 or 3 hundred Candys old and new that they had sold two chests of opium at 20 Chequeens maund that they contained but 9 maunds Callicutt but should Contain 10 mds.

No. 24 Likewise a letter from Mr. Middleton from Mangulore w<sup>th</sup>. Invoice of Treasure Comb. murak.

Rup<sup>s</sup> 2318. 12 Rice 3158 Robins containing 75 : 8 Rup<sup>s</sup>. 4056. 38 foot [of] the invoice Rup<sup>s</sup>. 6[3]74. 50 [took] out the Treasure to buy pepper and wrote

No. 25 3<sup>RD</sup>. Friday. To Mr. Kyffin &c<sup>a</sup>. at Anjengo Thereof giving Cap<sup>t</sup>. Sedgwick the pacquett from Mangulore for them and sent him away, and Gave Captain Tucker Orders to proceed to Callicutt.

5<sup>TH</sup>. SUNDAY. Arrived in Callicut Road, Sent Mr. Perkins ashore to desire Mr. Adams to send off the pepper in the morning.

6<sup>TH</sup> MUNDAY. In the morning went on shore ship saluting, Mr. Adams informed me he had about 500 Candy of pepper here and 200 at Tellichery I told him about 550 Candy would be sufficient and that would have him send for tha[t] at Tellicherry, sent the great and small weights to try y<sup>m</sup>. ashore.

	vwt. grains
1 fanam weighs ... ..	— 5 $\frac{97}{116}$
1 Dollar full weight ... ..	17 22
11½ Fanams weight 1 Muscall. a small peice of Gold wch.	
weighs ... ..	2 21
9 fanams weight 1 Cheq <sup>n</sup> . or abrom wch. weighs ... ..	2 5 75

oz. dwt.

100 Dollars full weight weighs 89. 10 their maund is nearest 29½ lb avordupoiz 20 maund the Candy, the finess of Gold and Silver is after the same manner as China touch, 100 being the highest (without allay) and though gold in China is Esteemed 1 & 1½ touch better than it is yet these people receive it at 1 or more touch finer than usually bought for in China.

Received a letter from Mr. Middleton at Mangulore, Read a letter from Governour Harrison &c<sup>a</sup>. advising they had sent an Ensign and ten men for the assistance of Tellichery fort, and powder and other stores amounting to Pagodas 403. 3. 25. Wrote an Order to the Captain to receive what pepper should be sent off by the Chief and Factors here, I talked to Mr. Adams about Captain Perrins Affairs, he seemed to intimate that he would part with nothing but till all Demand on Perrin were known, and that he had such a Discharge from the Company as should wholly Clear him from all Demands and make themselves lyable to answer all Creditors, I told him he should have Discharge for the ballance of an Account Currant and that accordingly he must draw one out and pay the money in.

Found in this Road the Sasseur or Hunter frenchman lately arrived from france bound for Mocho, four Muscatt Arabs that bring horses & dates and two Moormen. ith Evening came off.

8<sup>TH</sup>. WEDNESDAY. Went ashore and perused Sundry of Captain Perrins accounts relating to ship Crown only, the other ships being sent to the other Coast before

his death. The Ballance appearing 21922. 1. not signed and Mr. Prestwich's hand writing, also Captain Perrins will to two Jungadoes Poyara Cana Croop and Carumbala Cundapa Croop his trustees and heirs in case of his Wife and Sons decease and Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Adams and Prestwich were to assist them the latter wrote this will, Delivered them the pallankeen & furniture brought down for my own use they not having any one of the Companies.

Agreed with Noquedah Mahumud Cosson to take on freight to Suratt 80 Canisters of Java sugar thirty five Elephants teeth and four bales of Agala wood he paying 14 R Candy all Esteemed 34 Candy is R 476 and 4½ fanams Rupee is 2023 fanams paid into the Honourable Companies Cash here. ith Evening came off

10<sup>TH</sup>. FRYDAY. In the morning went ashore perused sundry of Captain Perrins accounts Enquired for their book M, Mr. Adams said they were behind hand he not

having any one to keep them up but himself and he being obliged to attend the 1714  
Tellicherry affairs hindred him then I asked for their books L But they informed me DECEM-  
were att Tellicherry for they could not find them. BER.

Mr. John Bendall deceased leaving about 2400 R. behind him and not any  
Directions about a[tomb] agreed w<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Adams (his trustee) that they build a small  
tomb over him, presed them to hasten the pepper off also to draw out answers to  
the memorandums but Mr. Adams said he beleived he could not do itt before I sailed  
and said the pepper Came in but slowly from the Country in the Evening Came off.

11<sup>TH</sup>. SATURDAY. Received a letter from Mr. Adams w<sup>th</sup>. Cobby of one from  
Mr. Middleton at Mangalore advising that the Malwanners w<sup>th</sup>. two Grabs and 12 Gal  
[vats] the 22<sup>d</sup>. past landed in the night at C[...] and plundered the Buzar of about  
1500 pagodas but did not offer any hurt to their Compound that on their firing [of]  
great guns they made the best of their way to their boats. Understand from Mr.  
Adams that the Success is still att Mangalore waiting the new Crop of Rice which  
delays will redound much to the Companys Damage.

12<sup>TH</sup>. SUNDAY. An order to the Captain to receive on board what sugar &c<sup>a</sup>.  
should be sent aboard by Noquedah Mahumud Cosson, the Captain assuring mee  
wee shall have room enough for the Companys and this freight otherwise would not  
take it in.

13<sup>TH</sup>. MONDAY. Took in about 500 Robins of pepper.

14<sup>TH</sup>. TUESDAY. Went ashore in the morning, Mr. Alex<sup>r</sup> Christie Surgeon here  
formerly at Bombay informing me the Honble Company refused paying his half pay  
in England for the time he served at half Pay at Bombay Hospitall for want of a  
Certificate. I gave him one the time from January 8<sup>th</sup>. 1708/9 to the 30 of June  
1711, in the Evening came off, no pepper

15<sup>TH</sup>. WEDNESDAY. No pepper.

16<sup>TH</sup>. THURSDAY. Severall of the sailors absenting themselves from the ship these  
3 or 4 days, I wrote Mr. Adams &c<sup>a</sup> about them, to whom they had made Complaint  
y<sup>t</sup>. they were starved and abused by the Captain &c<sup>a</sup>. but they never gave the least  
notice of such abuse and Examining the stewards books find they have rather larger  
allowances than in the former Commanders time and for Correction I have not seen  
any one punished since been on board but business done w<sup>th</sup>. silence and Calmness,  
this Evening they came off to me making the foregoing Complaint I quitted them  
and permitted them to goe ashore for their Cloths but they did not return till 4 days  
to their Duty, I had wrote hi[m] to send them to Tellicherry as Soldiers but that he  
thought not adviseable. No. 28.  
No. 29.

The Recovery arrived from Cochin and a small Bengall ship (Anne) from thence  
with opium &c<sup>a</sup>. which is now a meer Drugg here tho' this is the principall mart  
for itt, Mr. Burniston informing the Recovery was full and that she had not near  
what she was let out for aboard, viz<sup>t</sup>. 400 Suratt Candy, I ordered Mr. Perkins and  
some of the officers to survey her and that Mr. Burniston and Captain Gayney Give  
a manifest of all goods aboard which being done by the manifest appears 341 Cañ.  
Cochin of pepper and 93 Candy of Bettlenutt freighted and 25 Ca. pepper Captain  
Gayneys too large a priviledge, together 459 Candy makes Suratt Candys of 22  
maund 301  $\frac{17}{22}$  and the ship may reasonably be Esteemed at 550 Candys so if  
the Error must be in the quantity of ballast not certain to be known till Unladen,  
the ship full and incapable of lading any more.

Examining Tellicherry muster Roll observe the officers pay is more than at Bom-  
bay which, acquainted must be altered to Bombay pay.

17. FRIDAY. Went ashore. Mr. Adams acquainting mee that the small Room  
Joyning to the Factory which he built since his marriage was not charged the Com-  
pany requested it might to which agreed.

The pepper coming but slowly in and the time running on so fast I pressed  
Mr. Adams to know what time it might be on board intending to sail w<sup>th</sup>. what had  
gott rather than delay a proportionall time for the rest, he informed mee would be

1714 in too morrow or next day and that he had sent and received severall Munchuas  
 DECEMBER w<sup>th</sup>. pepper from Cochin and he hourly Expected some from thence, I acquainted  
 Him had knowledge of what wrote Malpy and wonder he would not write mee a line  
 that might take it in if thought convenient he said he heard wee were gone the day  
 he wrote and y<sup>t</sup>. could not tell whither should Call as returned. I told him would  
 been but a small trouble and Effected would have saved a great deal of time—I  
 understand that the greater part of what wee have come from thence—ith Evening  
 Came off.

18<sup>TH</sup>. SATURDAY. Little pepper.

19<sup>TH</sup>. SUNDAY.

letter part  
 of pp<sup>a</sup>. 7

N<sup>o</sup>. 30.

20<sup>TH</sup>. MUNDAY. Went ashore intending to make an End of Perrins and what other  
 matters could in order to sail having time after time pressed him about the Memo-  
 randums. Wrote Mr. Adams that part of my Instructions relating to Captain Perrins  
 affairs and as I had Veiwed an account Currant and many papers it is stated from  
 which he said were all bona fide authentick accounts since his decease and they  
 appearing fairly stated, I wrote him to pay the ballance into the Honourable Com-  
 panies Cash being fan<sup>s</sup>. Callicutt 72533. 10 which accordingly is done the papers  
 received are as follows.

N<sup>o</sup> 1. CAPT<sup>N</sup>. PERRINS WILL to two Nayoers Dated Callicut June the 9<sup>th</sup>. 1708  
 Deceased July 28<sup>th</sup>. 1708.

2. SHIP CROWNS account from Bengall to persia attested from an acco<sup>t</sup>. Mr.  
 Adams says was wrote w<sup>th</sup>. Perrins own hand, not signed.

3. SHIP CROWNS acco<sup>t</sup>. from Persia to her lying in Ba[pore] River sometime  
 before perrin Dyed, attested from an account wrote by Mr. Prestwich—not signed  
 by Perrin the ballance being Rup<sup>s</sup>. 21922.1.

4. Mr. Adams acco<sup>t</sup>. Cha<sup>a</sup>. of ship Crowne fitting her to [...] Bengall according  
 to Mr. Livesays Directions.

5<sup>th</sup> Attested Coppy of Mr. Livesays letter ordering Mr. Adams to Deliver her  
 up to Captain Dickinson to carry her to Bengall.

6. INVOICE of ship Scepter to Suratt, acco<sup>t</sup>. Captain Perrin[s] plate and his  
 acco<sup>t</sup>. Currant to this Instant.

7. ACCO<sup>r</sup> SALE of his Cloths &c<sup>a</sup>.

8. ACCO<sup>r</sup>. DEMANDS of Sundry persons (who have made Mr. Adams their  
 attourneys (whose letters I saw) on Cap<sup>t</sup> Perrins Estate amounting to Rup<sup>s</sup>. 11990.5  
 principall. The House Mr. Adams says Cost him abo<sup>t</sup>. 16000 fanams [being] so  
 chargeable by many whimsicall Alterations but that he could gett but 2000 now for  
 itt, indeed it is but a very ordinary building

Received attested Coppy of Mr. Prestwich's Will, wherein he leaves his Wife  
 sole Executrix and heir, Mr. John Bendalls Will leaving Mr. Adams his trustee and  
 his mother all, The sale and money found by him as <sup>vis</sup> inventory about Rup<sup>a</sup>. 2400.

A letter to the Honourable Company <sup>of</sup> Litchfeild w<sup>ch</sup>. he thought had sent to  
 Bombay in w<sup>ch</sup>. as to the house at Chittoa he says t'was the Honble Companys house  
 but went in the Lingvisters name the house is not on the Company's books, so it  
 is not probable they paid for itt, yet always Esteemed the Companys, because went  
 in their name and how could it be otherwise when made use off by their Servants  
 & it seems odd to mee the Lingvister should build the house when he needs only  
 have fathered it, so that Dispute about Chittoa has been at best upon ground that  
 the Samorine could not answer to the Dutch that perhaps he might keep them out if  
 the house was Esteemed our Lingvisters. and if he would declare wee should have  
 a factory there contrary to what his ancestors promised the Dutch. It might be  
 worth while to assist him on good security and hardly neither for the pepper is

the better to the Northward and sufficient being well supplied to produce more than the proportion of 4—five hundred tons ships  $\frac{1}{2}$  annum.

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No. 31.

Perused Muster Roll of Soldiers in Tellicherry Fort, Europeans 71 and topasses 60, 131 whereof 41 Europeans and 16 Topasses I landed going down. Their monthly pay is 5173—13 Tellicherry fanams or £129. 6. 10 and informing The Topasses were more serviceable than Europeans recommended to them to Garrison the fort w<sup>th</sup>. such and send the Europeans up to Bombay.

The Soldiers never having been in Europe Dress Lieutenant Luke sent up to Mr. Burnisston to Bombay to gett such cloth as was proper at the Companys price meaning as the officers at Bombay had it for clothing their Companies contrarily Mr. Burniston invoiced it as sold Merchants and the money being [to] be paid in Callicutt he refused payment at said rate [there]fore as it was for Soldiers in the service as they appear the better being Equipt like Europeans I ordered the Lieu<sup>t</sup>. to cloth them and would send fresh Invoice from Bombay.

The Effect of my pressing Mr. Adams to answer the memorandums were some words of heat that he would not write the Generall Letter to Bombay only noting what laded, that he had fully informed mee of all matters whatever I demanded, I told him if he refused answering the Letter (as there might be many necessarys to inform not Come to my knowledge I would write him an order to doe it and that as to informing me fully of affairs he had done it occasionally in Discourse regardless of the memorandums wh[...] him he must answer as I had required in writing and that not heedlessly at length he promised he would, said was in a Continuall Hurry with Tellechery affairs and the natives coming to him for Justice on all occasions and the ship being here so hope t'was excuseable, i'th Evening came off informing intended to sail the 22<sup>d</sup>. Wednesday; they bringing their pacquet off ship saluted at arrival aboard.

21. TUESDAY. Received a letter from them inclosing Copy of what prepared for Bombay and wrote them answer signifying severall things they had omitted and that they alter those words which lessens my Demands and make their answers Compleat for still they insisted they had fully Complied with all my Demands, that they should request a Continued Order to the Commanders of Europe shipping (as I had told them before) that for every 100 Ca : of pepper they ship they may Deliver a Chest of treasure [which method may prevent Charge of shipping going down and save time and that they write for Europe cloth &c<sup>a</sup>. for tryall] which I put them in mind of before, also of assisting the Samorine—Conclude and returned it to them

No. 32.

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Off leaving Callicutt he said he beleived in a twelve months Tellechery would be settled [so] as it might be done and a factor, Serivan and two or three Navors only reside here to keep our right, That he beleived Could in 3 years time if supplied yearly procure 1000 Tons of pepper they being building a wall from the foot of the hill, the fort is on round Northward to the Waterside I advised the Continuing thereof this will take in a large spott of ground in which are severall houses already and will Encourage merchants to come when they find they are protected and bring a small revenue of Taxes and Customs, likewise that they build a small armory and Hospitall in the fort, a porcu[...]tus for the gate way he says Cant be Done. advise him to return the men received from Madrass.

Off assisting the Samorine to retake Chittoa Mr Adams says he was present at a generall Councill held by the Samorine and his Chief Officers abo<sup>t</sup>. that affair that the Samorine Demanded 100000 fanams to be lent by the English that he said would have done it, would the Samorine have made over the Callicutt Customs for security and have taken the field on that Occasion, that his Servants should have paid them in the field as their forces required itt, that he would have done this of himself, if the Generall &c<sup>a</sup>. should not approve of it in the Companys name, but this oversett by one of his Generalls who resolutely said his Majesty should find Chittoa streetts run with Blood before he left itt and advised him against any assistance Especially pawning the Customs for securitv. there came very creditable information the fort was not above half finished and there lay a dutch ship of about 400 tons at Cochin since gone there with Chunam and ammunition for that place. Since pepper



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is better to the northward and Enough may be had for money, 'twas my advise unless the Company aimed att all the trade as much as they could gett to desist the Customs where so made over as on non payment wee might Edge in for a part for Ever.

They Thinking it might be necessary to have two Munchuas when affairs were a little better settled att Tellechery which might Examine boats passing to the north ward and southward preventing any little Rogues annoying trading Vessells Encouraging the port I agreed thereto, They said would Endeavour to bring the Arabs yearly thither instead of Callicutt and that 'tis feasible.

Along this shore is planted about 12 pie[ces] of long brass Cannon which is all the Defence against the Sea they have no works.

22<sup>d</sup>. WEDNESDAY. Gave the Captain Sailing Orders for Carwarr, at noon Mr. Adams &c<sup>a</sup>. Came off w<sup>th</sup>. the pacquet, perused their Letter and invoice by which they have shipped Candys 581 $\frac{1}{4}$  pepper amounting to fan<sup>s</sup>. 187715. and his saying 50 Candy left I could not take in is not right I would not stay such a time as noted para 44 the Gentlemen Departing it Evening weighed anchor

They have now remaining at Callicut R. 34520. 2[6] Viz<sup>t</sup>.

	Rup <sup>s</sup> .						
25 Chests of Ophium at 300	₹ Chest	...	...	...	7500	—	
Difference of what landed & rec <sup>d</sup> .	...	...	...	..	8411	—	
	fan <sup>s</sup> .						
Captain Perrins money	72533. 10. —.	..	...	...	18133	26	
on account freight	...	...	...	...	476	—	
	Rup <sup>s</sup> .				34520	26	

24<sup>th</sup>. FRIDAY. Off Tellicherry Saw the Recovery goe in there.

31. FRIDAY. Anchored off Carwarr, the sea breeze having hung very much Northerly has lengthened our passage Extreemly.

No. 34.

Before anchored sent Mr. Perkins ashore w<sup>th</sup>. a Letter to the Chief and factors there, advising them wee were off there, that being so late it urged the Quicker Dispatch, to inform what pepper they had and at what rate—ith Evening came of answer that they had but 90 Candys pepper in all, Cost 22 $\frac{1}{2}$  pagodas ₹ Candy they informed likewise the loss of the Blenheim, blown up at Bussorah as they fired at the funeral of Cap<sup>n</sup>. Parrott.

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1<sup>st</sup> SATURDAY. In the morning went ashore, ship saluting at Departure and factory at arrivall, Received answers from the Vice Roy No. 3 and Manoell d Sa about the Munchua No. 4.

No. 36.  
37.

3<sup>d</sup>. SUNDAY. A Letter from Callicutt by the Recovery from the Subedar of the Malwann fleett to Mr. Taylor about a prisoner he took when they plundered the Buzar—an order to the Captain to take in pep<sup>r</sup>. gott the merchants to draw up a paper in relation to the taking the Monsoon No. 6 and translate of a Letter from Manoell D Sa to Geo: Taylor &c<sup>a</sup>. No. 5.

Perused their United Books observe the 20 Pagodas given the peons annually in Xber a Charge on all their Books but could not find any Expressing it otherwise than Customary, BROAD-CLOTH Red on their Books E. fo: 12 yards 1253 $\frac{1}{2}$  sold at 3 rupees ₹ yard AURORA 127 at 4 $\frac{3}{4}$  Rup<sup>s</sup>. ₹ yard, SCARLETT, 62 at 8 rup<sup>s</sup>. ₹ yard, The Old Companys Debitt To G fo: 11 bid them Carry off to account Current Bombay. To N. fo: 5 they Charge for sundry sorts of liquors R: 882 which they say is for the whole year. I advised to send for Syrash always to Bombay whereby half that Charge would be saved and observe them very frugall both in their Eating and Drinking as well as other necessary Expences in the house and their books kept up to December

the 31<sup>st</sup>. past in a fair hand and a plain method, gave passes to two boats hired here by myself and others for our private Trade [At night] Mr. Burniston went off in order to sail for Goa. 1714/5 JANUARY

Agreed to the building a groab [*sic*] for Keeping the port open to trading Vessells often taken by the malwanners and sometimes molested by the portuguese little Cruizers and that for such Service to the port they should seek some advantage either in the Customs or otherways as well as taking Convoy money whereby she may Defray her Cost and Charges the latter of which will be little more than Wear and Tear, because they send some of the peons of the factory in her which they may Easily spare as she cruizes only two and fro of the harbour, Her building Rigging and Guns &c<sup>a</sup>. is Calculated as follows.

COMPUTATION of the Cost of a Groab 60 foott Keet 22 foott broad upon the beam 6 foott Deep in the Hole and to carry 12 Gunns Viz<sup>t</sup>.

	Pagodas.
The Hull and Iron Work 20	800 -
Masts & yards	75 -
Sails 12 Corge Dutty	155 -
Cables, ropes & Rigging	100 -
Anchors 3, of 9. [7.] [4½] ♂	74 -
Guns 12 Viz <sup>t</sup> .	
10 of 8 ♂	
2 of 18 ♂ long Chase Guns	
12	162 -
	<u>1366 -</u>

Note the two last articles Computed at y<sup>e</sup>. Europe price.

4<sup>TH</sup>. TUESDAY. Ponderon Naique Shroff with others of the Merchants making some offers for Europe goods I offered broad Cloth Course at 3½ Rup<sup>s</sup>. ♂ yard, Aurora at 5½ Rup<sup>s</sup>. ♂ yard to be allowed 1 yard in Each peice as Customary in Suratt and Lead at 5½ ♂ pauca m<sup>d</sup>. but I could not bring them to itt—desired they would consider on itt between this and too morrow ith afternoon when intended to goe on board.

5<sup>TH</sup>. WEDNESDAY. In the afternoon Ponderon and the Merchants Came again informing they were willing to buy for a tryall and as they found a Vent could invest larger quantitys than at present proposed which Considering as a help to the Disposall of Europe Manufacture in great quantitys dead in the Warehouse at Bombay and that the profit thereon if could be Continued annually would goe a great way in the factorys Charges I came to the following Contract Viz<sup>t</sup>.

	Rup <sup>s</sup> .
30 Bales of Course 28 Red and 2 Green at 3 Rup <sup>s</sup> . ♂ yard will be abot. 3900 yards	11700 -
4 Aurora at 4½ ♂ yard will be about 520 yards	2470 -
One yard on Each peice deducted as Customary in Suratt Brokerage	
350 Pauca maunds of Lead at 5½ ♂ maund	1837 32
	<u>16007 32</u>

The goods to be sent him as soon as possible on which sum according to invoice rate 2/5 may be Esteemed gain and Comes to upwards of R. 6400. They said would Endeavour so to open the Inland Vent as to buy yearly. Came aboard.

They having Employed what time they possible could to answer the memorandums and having perused them found many unanswered & others imperfect they requested might have more time which observing their Diligence recommended to send with all speed after mee. N<sup>o</sup>. 23.

6<sup>TH</sup>. THURSDAY. Sailing Orders to the Captain to Goa to take in 30 hh<sup>ds</sup>. of arrack for present Expencc at Bombay.

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Received their pacquett (Mr. Taylor bringing itt on board) and a flying seal  
Ca<sup>s</sup>. mds. Pag<sup>s</sup>. Jett<sup>s</sup>. Pice

also their books M Pepper shipt 89 —8 —5½ amounting to 2001 —6 —3. They were not able to purchase more than 91 Candy pepper by reason of the portuguese bying [sic] itt up at any rate.

No. 39

This is observable in all the factorys that if they are supplied in time they Can be served before any others and at a less price than they [sic] pepper is usually [att].

List of the Soldiers belonging to the Factory : [X<sup>h</sup>]  
32 whereof 11 Europeans for the month Xber ... .. 216 2 12

List of Peons 66 out of which they take their table servants

[X<sup>h</sup>]  
&c<sup>a</sup>. pag<sup>s</sup>. 60 at 6 ₨ pagoda ... .. 360 — —

576 2 12

Stock remaining in this Factory under severall articles Rup<sup>s</sup>. 25393 Vizt.—

Pagodas. 1536—22—1 Rupees ... .. 5530 —

Gold Rupees 264 ... .. 3432 —

lb.  
Silver 433 ... .. 11431 —

bas.  
Broad Cloth 10 Esteemed ... .. 3800 —

Timber for sale about ... .. 1200 —

R<sup>s</sup>. 25393 —

In the Evening they went ashore and wee Sailed.

8<sup>TH</sup>. SATURDAY. Chased three Groabs with a ship in tow off S<sup>t</sup>. Georges Island for about 6 Hours and Coming within Gunn shott fired abroad side but did not observe any Damage they did not fire one Gunn, on Tacking to stand after them wee lost Ground and they went from us and so left of Chase believe them Malwanners & that the ship was from the norward about 300 Tons very light.

9<sup>TH</sup>: SUNDAY. In the Evening anchored in Goa Road under Alquarda ships Riding here a large Europe portugueze about 70 Gunns laden home a Europe ship of 40 Guns hired for Bengall they being much in want of Course peice goods for Consumption of the place a Cruiser of about 30 Gunns the fort S<sup>t</sup>. George and Recovery.

10. MONDAY. Wrote to Padre Monoell d Sa. No. 7 and the Vice Roy No. 8 about the monsoon not thinking it adviseable to goe up to the City from the answers received at Carwarr for not having substantiall Testimonyalls and only a bare report that the Matter was otherwise I could Expect but the same answer besides knew not how the Vice Roy would receive mee therefore sent Mr. Perkins w<sup>th</sup>. itt to him.

Gave the Moorman a pass and English Coulours to hoist in Case absent from us he mett Angrias Grab, in the afternoon Wrote Mr Perkins to get leave of the Vice Roy to sail this is always Customary when they anchor under their Gunns.

11<sup>TH</sup>. TUESDAY. Received the arrack and Gave the Captain Orders to make the best of his way to Bombay and that he went Consigned to the Generall and Council, ith afternoon the Vice Roy came down and Dispatched the ship for portugall, the English saluted him which the forts returned, ith Evening Mr. Perkins and the Rest returned and bro<sup>t</sup>. me a letter from the Vice Roy No. 9 and Manoell d Sa No. 10. The Vice Roy was mighty Courteous and Expressed a mighty desire of a good Correspondence w<sup>th</sup>. the English, Wrote the Vice Roy a letter in behalf of Richard Opey that was Cast away in a ship of theirs coming from Batavia and saving some money the Captain and others took itt from him.

No. 41.

No. 42

12<sup>TH</sup>. WEDNESDAY. Early this morning sailed w<sup>th</sup>. the land breeze w<sup>th</sup>. the Recovery, fort S<sup>t</sup>. George & Moorman.

13<sup>TH</sup>. THURSDAY. Gave a pass to a Shybarr that came up w<sup>th</sup>. us belonging to Cambay and English Coulours, perused her portugueze pass.

No. 43.

Att packing the ship at night two of the seven sailors that run away att Calli-cutt being very mutinous I put them in Irons till come to Bombay and Gave the Captain a paper under my hand relating the[re to] to show at home.

19. WEDNESDAY. Came off Sevendrook where are two very strong forts one <sup>1714/5</sup> belonging to Angria the other to the Siddee both on Islands Latt<sup>d</sup>. about 17 — 50 <sup>d m</sup> north. <sup>JANUARY</sup>

20<sup>TH</sup>. THURSDAY. Mett two dutch ships large 5 days from Suratt one a flagg w<sup>th</sup>. the fircall aboard bound to Batavia.

23. SUNDAY—Six of Angrias Grabbs Examined one of the boats passes but Gave not the least molestation, the Winds hanging notherly and blowing hard, sent the pinnace to the fort where Angria's Brother Dollojee Angria resides, he sent me off a present of what provision his place afforded Angria's forces has demolished three or four forts of the Siddees and Angria is Gone w<sup>th</sup>. ten thousand horse and foott to Dundee Rajipore Siddees place and likewise sent men against Dabull this they say he is enabled to doe by the assistance of Sundry Savajee Rajah inland.

24. MUNDAY. Mr. Burniston intending to goe up to Bbay w<sup>th</sup>. a Couple of Galvatts he Gott of Angria's Brother wrote the Generall and Councill what q<sup>ty</sup>. of pepper & cloth wee had and to what amount also what on freight what stock Each factory had when left them, and what amount the Anne for her Maldiva Voyage, Conclude. <sup>No. 44.</sup>

Being uncertain how far Angria may molest the Moorman if knew he belonged to Abdull Gop[...] I put a Midshipman in for master and a Serjeant & 7 Soldiers to bring her into Bombay taking out her Moors Colours, That might make her as secure as I can.

28<sup>TH</sup> FRIDAY. Anchored in Bombay.

STEP<sup>N</sup>. STRUTT.

SHIP CATHERINE  
JANUARY 28<sup>TH</sup>. 1714/15.

COPY OF A LETTER WROTE TO THE MOST EXCELLENT VASCO FERNANDEZ CEESAR  
D MENEZES VICE ROY TO THE MOST SERENE MAJESTY OF PORTUGALL.

I Rejoyce that your Excelencys health be Equall to your wishes which God preserve to you Extensive years as my whole desire is.

Mr. Nightingall has represented to us that in the year 1706 he and Mr. Sheldon were owners of a ship Called the Monsoon on a Voyage from Bengall to the Malabar Coast but was taken by the Savajeos in the River of Carwarr, and as the Portugueze had notice of itt they fitted out a frigatt which retook her and Carried her into Goa upon which the Supra Cargo and a padre Employed by y<sup>e</sup>. owners solicited in a Court of Justice for restoring Said Ship w<sup>ch</sup>. was determined in Court to be Delivered up upon paying the Expence of taking her from the Savajeos.

I hope your Exc<sup>ys</sup>. upon Consideration of what I have represented will send to receive the said Expence of our Chief at Carwarr and to Deliver him up the ship w<sup>th</sup>. all the Goods she had in her or her Value as registred in your Court, as this matter is so plain and Clear I doubt not your Excelencys Justice pray Give me Occasion of serving your Excelency whose person God preserve many years  
Bombay Castle <sup>23</sup> October <sup>39</sup> ber d: 1714.

Your Exc<sup>ys</sup>.

Assured Friend & Serv<sup>t</sup>.

WILLIAM AISLABIE.

LETTERS &C<sup>a</sup>. RELATING TO THE AFFAIRS OF SHIP MONSOON TAKEN BY THE GIBREA SAVAJEES WHOSE PLACE IS A LITTLE TO THE NORWARD OF GOA LATITUDE <sup>d. m.</sup> 16. 10. N<sup>o</sup>. NEAR ROJIPORE AND RETAKEN BY A PORTUGUEZE FRIGATT IN THE YEAR 1706/7.

TO VASCO FERNANDEZ CÆSAR D' MENEZES  
VICE ROY OF GOA.

EXCELLENT S<sup>r</sup>.

After the Compliment, that my business required so much Dispatch as would not permitt me to waite on him, inform<sup>d</sup>. him the Enclosed was from His Excelency the Generall of Bombay, Carwarr Factory November  $\frac{2}{13}$  1714.

STEP<sup>n</sup>. STRUTT.

TO PADRE MANOELL D' SA JESUITT ATT GOA.

After Excusing my troubling for Enclosing the Generalls and my letter under Cover (being unknown) I request he would deliver them to the Vice Roy himself and acquaint him the Substance thereof, that he might sollicit in itt (that the ship Monsoon Bengall Ship was taken by the Savajeos and Carried into Carwar Harbour that the portugueze hearing thereof fitted out a ship and retook and Carried into Goa that the Supra Cargo M<sup>r</sup>. Wilcocks solliciting for Restitution they Granted half her Cargoe but he refused it) and that his Expousing this Cause would be Gratefully acknowledged. Carwarr Factory November  $\frac{2}{13}$  1714.

STEP<sup>n</sup>. STRUTT.

TRANSLATE OF THE VICE ROYS LETTER.

I received your Letter and I am Glad you are in health and I hope you will always Continue so. I send you the answer to the Letter you sent me to be sent by first opportunity to Bombay God bless you the 21<sup>st</sup>. November 1714.

VASCO FR'Z CÆSAR D' MENEZES.

Received December 31 1714.  
at Carwarr.

TRANSLATE OF PADRE D SA'S LETTER.

MUCH ILLUSTRIOUS S<sup>a</sup>.

I Esteem highly that you would be pleased to Give me this occasion wherein I might show the Great Desire I have to serve you, for want of a personall acquaintance is not a sufficient Cause to hinder me in my hearty Desires when there is another more prevalent which is the Great inclination I have towards the English Gentlemen amongst whom I have many friends and whereas on this occasion you Give me s<sup>r</sup>. the advantage of a new one I am now him that is most interested and concerned in your service.

ffor as much as I am now absent from Goa I could not deliver the Letters my self to his Ex<sup>cy</sup>. the Vice Roy however they were Delivered by a very safe hand as by the answer I now return by the Bearer will testifie, by which you will see the result of this business as to which I Judge according to the Letter you wrote me that you have not all the Notices and advices relating to that affair for it is Certain it was never designed that the Owner should have Given to him the half of that Estate or Cargo albeit this was not the cause of the Vessells being kept here at Goa<sup>w<sup>th</sup></sup>. his Goods.

This Vessell (as is notorious and well known) was taken by the Savajeos near Anjediva and was 13 days in their hands and sailing on their Voy<sup>a</sup>. near to the Lattitude of this place the most Excellent Caetano d Mello sent three men of warr who took her from the Enemy for so long they had her in their power and were carrying her away with a Convoy of five pallas and abo<sup>t</sup>. 20 Galvats and this being the Reall of the Case it is necessary now that you Give the Reason and alledge the Right wherefore should be Restored and then I will doe what you command w<sup>th</sup>. a Ready and willing mind, God preserve you Cortary 23 November 1714.

Rec<sup>d</sup>. Nov<sup>r</sup> the 31 1714.

at Carwarr.

Your Least Servant

MANOELL D' SA.

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TRANSLATE OF PADRE MANOELL D SA'S LETTER TO GEO : TAYLOR & C<sup>A</sup> CHIEF AT CARWARR

I received your Letter with Great pleasure because I have a desire to serve your noble persons and any thing in my power I shall not be wanting, as to Getting those papers you desire I dont doubt but I shall, as to the Charges it is so small that I am ashamed to mention itt I desire all occasions to show my affection to serve you, as this business relates to His Majesty In which I cannott meddle with without Express Order from his Excelency the Vice Roy and Captain Generall of India, for this Reason it's necessary I speak to the Vice Roy and if he Grants leave I will act in this business willingly but if the said most Excellent S<sup>r</sup> will not permitt me I can do nothing to desire in such case you would not blame me God preserve your most noble persons Cortary 8<sup>th</sup>. December 1714.

Yo<sup>r</sup>. most obliged Serv<sup>t</sup>.

MANOELL D SA'.

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THE MERCHANTS REPORT OF THE TAKING THE MONSOON THE 12<sup>TH</sup>. FEBRUARY 1706/7 BY THE GIRREA SAVAJEES.

This day the Aurenzeb sailed out of Carwarr Harbour to Mangalore at which time the Girrea Savajeos with 4 Groabs and 35 Galvats (Nillu Purboo Generall of the fleet) lay in bed Cove, she mett the Monsoon o[ff] Anjediva and told Mr. Wilcox Supra Cargoe the news the night they Kept Company together till they Came off Call[...]con Captain Edwards offered to see him off Cape Raymas but he said he did not fear them about midnight Capt<sup>n</sup>. Edwards parted Company Early in the morning the Savajeos came out of the Cove and Engaged the Monsoon for three hours at which time he surrendered they brought him to the Cove next day M<sup>r</sup>. Mildmay wrote off to Nillu Purboo and he delivered up all the Europeans, they said they had very little ammuniton on board having but 18 [shots] after the Engagement M<sup>r</sup>. Mildmay immediately wrote to the Vice Roy this news, the Savajeos kept the Monsoon 4 days in Bed Cove they went out w<sup>th</sup>. a design to Carry her to Girrea but off Goa they had a strong northerly Wind that they Could hardly Carry sail at which time Came out from Algwarda 1 Frigatt, 1 Groab, 1 portugueze merchant and a fighting munchua the Savajeos put afore the wind and the Portugueze Chased them they run the ship ashore in bed Cove in the night and left her having plundered her of 4 Bales of Cloth the portugueze fired Random shott all that night next morning seeing no body aboard they lightned her & hauled her off the Savajeos would fain have perswaded the Rajahs people to fire upon the portuguez which they refused, the portuguese the same day Carried the Monsoon to Goa the Savajeos had her in possession 9 days this is all the Merch<sup>ts</sup> know of this matter Carwarr 4<sup>th</sup>. Jan<sup>ry</sup>. 1714/5.

TO PADRE MANOELL D SA' [JESUITT] ATT GOA.

I received your kind Letter and am very thankfull for the offers of your friendship therein Contained all that att present I can Desire is that you w<sup>od</sup>. procure a Cobby of all the papers Relating to said affairs and transmitt them to me at Bombay or to the Chief att Carwarr but beleive there is more opportunitys from hence the quick Dispatch of this ship for Bombay is so necessary that I have not time to pay my Respects to the Vice Roy as intended therefore desire you would give my most humble service to him in any thing I can be serviceable to you at Bombay pray Give me opportunities of showing you the Readiness I am in.

SHIP CATHERINE GOA ROAD.  
JANUARY THE 10<sup>TH</sup>. 1714/5.

Yours & c<sup>a</sup>.  
STEPHEN STRUTT.

TO THE VICE ROY OF GOA.

MOST EXCELLENT S<sup>r</sup>:

I received your Letter with the Enclosed to the Honourable Generall of Bombay and am Glad of the health you Enjoy which pray God preserve to you, at present my request is that your Exc<sup>y</sup>. will permitt the Inventorys and other papers relating to ship Monsoon to be Coppied and delivered my Good Friend Padre D Sa whom I have Desired to request the same of your Excelency. I am

SHIP CATHRINE  
GOA ROAD JAN<sup>RY</sup>. 10<sup>TH</sup>. 1714/5.

Your Exc<sup>ys</sup>. Humble Servant  
STEP<sup>N</sup>. STRUTT.

THE VICE ROYS LETTER.

I received your Lordships Letter and am glad to find you Enjoy perfect health which I hope will continue to you.

I shall be ready to Give all the acco<sup>t</sup>. I shall find to Patriarch Manoell D Sa and Every thing else your Lordship shall Desire of me I shall not be wanting, God preserve your Lordship Goa 21<sup>st</sup>. Jan<sup>ry</sup>. 1715.

Your Servant  
VASCO FR<sup>Z</sup>. CESAR D' MENEZES

TRANSLATE OF MANOELL D' SA<sup>s</sup>. LETTER.

TO THE GOVERNOUR.

If I had notice sooner of your Lordships being at our Barr I should not been [*sic*] wanting in coming and paying my respects but this I send to beg pardon because this was the first news and I am afraid I shall not be able now to pay my Respects as I much Desired.

About the business your Lordship recommended I did all I could to follow your Lordships Order but as I could not doe any thing in the matter without a Gra[b] from his Excelency I asked his Leave but as these Cases are to be determined by a particular Council viz<sup>t</sup>. of the Attourney Generall &c<sup>a</sup>. for the Kings Right and all the papers being remitted to portugall, I beleive it impossible to send you a Legard [*sic*] & Judiciall Evidences of the process because they are wanting for Reasons I have before Given [you] however all the information I can Gett shall remitt your [*sic*] and I will propose to his Excelency and put him in mind of all that you have Desired or Ordered me Esteeming much any opportunities of serving your Lordship In [Goa].

22<sup>d</sup>. JAN<sup>RY</sup>. 1715 OS.  
GOA ROAD RECEIVED THE 11 NS. 1714/5.

Your most obliged Servant  
MANOELL D SA.

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Received your Honnours Letter of the 23<sup>d</sup>. of October the 2<sup>[n<sup>d</sup>]</sup> of November and I Esteem to see thereby that your [Ho]nour enjoys perfect health.

Whereas the portugueze live not in India on privateering but to preserve that Respect they knew how to deserve and heroes to Obtain well may your Honnour perswade your self that there was some just motive for my not delivering up or restoring that ship your Honnour mentions to me and if this business had not already affected the Court of LISBON 'tis Certain I would have had due regard to your Honn<sup>rs</sup>. representation punctually to have performed your Desire but I shall not be Wanting this monsoon to put the King, my master in mind what may relate to the Direction of this matter so as that by the next Monsoon I may be able to answer your Honnour in Due form that you may remain satisfied notwithstanding your Honnour may not Deserve this Kindness In as much as all the English Gentlemen residing in ASIA do wholly forgett to maintain the Good correspondency there is between the two Crowns in Europe and your Honnour is not Ignorant that matters of state are of more weight and importance then any particular Conveniency and therefore in this Respect your Honnour should have Considered and not to have sold arms or ammunition to our Enemies, not to speak of some succour or supplys your honnour undiscoveredly have Given them as itt was last summer in the battle I gave the Arabs at the Port of Suratt who were antecedently advised, by an English Frigatt that seperated from my fleett and afterwards they Supplied them with some Gunners, and the same happened when a frigatt of ours fought with all Angrias fleet they were succoured and assisted by two English ships that were then in Calabby treating of a peace w<sup>ch</sup>. your Honnour to this day preserves with this Enemy & in no wise will forbear nor have regard to my Complaints it being a few days ago I was advised by the Generall of the North that in Bombay they would not sell a [few] shott of a small weight which they sollicit for [...] the winter season did not admitt that they might be sent for from Goa whereas to all people and at all times that specie is Exposed to sale, I would be very Glad to have an Occasion to pleasure your Honnour or to be serviceable to you because that in all things and [on] Every occasion I shall be very Ready to Effect the same. God preserve your Honnour many years Goa 21<sup>st</sup>. November 1714.

Your Servant

VASCO FRZ CÆSAR D MENEZES.

[ STRUTT.]

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