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PREFATORY NOTE

This volume contains the letters received at Tellicherry from August 1741 to June 1742 and is the sixth in the series of records known as "Letters to Tellicherry."

The manuscript volume has been mended and is in a fair state of preservation.

EGMORE, 31st May 1934.

N. KELU NAIR,
Assistant Curator in Charge, Madras Record Office.

RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

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(VOLUME No. 6)

RECED a Letter from the Dutch at Cochin Dated the 7th. Inst^t. N.S. Extract of which is entered in the Diary, and Translate in the Portuguese Letter Book.

August 37.

RECED a Letter from the Captain of Cannanore Translate whereof is entered 14TH. as above.

To William Wake Esq^B.

Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS.

THE 14th. past we reced your Letter of the 28th. May with Duplicate of that of the 2^d. Hallifax, which Ship's not calling is a great dissappointment, tho' she was in sight of our Flag the 18th. May in the morning, but the appearance of bad weather made them make the best of their way, which if they had stood in but an hour or two longer, our Boats would have taken every thing out of her, without her being obliged to have Anchored.

As we have so large a Quantity of Pepper as near a thousand Candy, & a great many Bales of Peice Goods, we were very desirous to have emptied our Warehouse, but to be sure it was rightly Judged of You to fill up the Hallifax as our surff seldom permitts us to Transact much Business after May setts in

THE King of Travencore is still before Coletchy, where the Dutch have had two sloops some days past, but as we are informed are not able to Land anything, from the King's Forces keeping a continual Fire at their Boats when they aim at it; The King has carry'd his works very nigh indeed, & still entertains great hopes of reducing it, & what in our Opinions his Fate greatly depends on, as he will not be able to shew himself should he be obliged to draw off, after such an Expence and Loss of People; The Dutch have forces at the Pitch of the Cape for to enter Travancore, but we believe they think it not sufficient to pass thro' his Country, as he has Dispatched five thousand men to defend the Passage, and oppose them in their March.

ACCOMPANYING this we send a Packet for Bombay, which we should be glad to have forwarded to Goa, with your recommendations to have it sent from thence by some Sea Conveyance, which gives us hopes it may reach our Superiours, before the dispatch of the first Ships down the Coast, as it is at the request of this Government we have wrote, who are so greatly pressing for our Assistance of Powder & Lead to defend their Territories, which Changenaut joined with the Dutch Forces designs to Invade this way in a small time, & as we are truly convinced we must expect any Evil they can put in Practice against us, & our Stock of Powder being very low, we desire You will if you can possibly without any Prejudice to yourselves, send us Fifty Barrels by any small Munchua, as soon as possible, as we Judge it wont be long a running down, & if the Vessel can't immediately return, we will get her into the River, till the fair Season, & as we have no Iron by us, please to send us on our Hon: Masters Account a Couple of Candies for our present Expence.

WE reced your Original Letter by the Hallifax, by way of Madrass the 8th. Inst^t. wth. the Packet by the Godolphin, in which was one enclosed to that Presidency which was immediately returned.

THE 18th. June there was no Ships from Europe Arrived either belonging to our Nation, French or Danes.

THE King of Travancore desires we would recommend some things he had at Callicutt, on Application being made to You, to be forwarded here by a safe Conveyance.

THE President and Council wrote to Cochin lately, which the Gentlemen there inform us they will answer by way of Tellicherry, which we suppose You have reced ere this. WE ARE

SIR & SIRS,

Anjengo, July the 31^T. 1741. RECE^D. Aug^T. 14TH. 1741. P^B. PATTAMAR. Your most Humble Servants, Chas. Whitehill. Rob^T. Rawdon. Thomas Pattle. Thomas Lane.

To William Wake Esq^B.

Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

GENTLEMEN,

WE have reced Your severals of the 2^d. & 10th. of May by the Hallifax & Nottingham, & one of the 6th. May by the Hallifax from M^r. West.

THE Hallifax arrived here the 5th. June without touching at Anjengo, & as we expect there will be a ship bound to your Coast in September next, we shall send by her the Treasure, Military & Stores designed for that Settlement.

WE have given Captain Blake a Receipt for the Pepper taken out of the Hallifax here, & advised thereof to the Gentlemen of Fort William; The Value we have Passed to the Credit of that Presidency; The Invoices & Bills of Lading We sent thither by the Ship.

WE shall give Bombay Presidency Credit for the Freight of the Coir brought by the Bermudas Sloop, & advise the Gentlemen there the Amount thereof.

THE 20th. June arrived here our Honble Masters Ship Prince of Orange & the 1t. Instt. the London, both consigned to the Bay. We have no Packet by either of them & therefore impatiently expect the Arrival of the King William, which Ship we hear is consigned directly for this place, & parted with the Prince of Orange to Westward of the Cape.

As to publick news we hear that when these Ships left Portsmouth, the War continued between England & Spain. Whether any other Powers would take part in the Quarrel was not certainly known. We are

FORT S^r. GEORGE THE 13^{rh}. JULY 1741. RECE^p. AUG^r. 17^{rh}. 1741. P^R. PATTAMAR.

GENTLEMEN

Your most Humble Servants, RICHD. BENYON. RANDALL FOWKE. AUGUSTUS BURTON. NICH: MORSE. W: MONSON. To William Wake Esq^R.

Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

THE 1st. Instant we reced your Letter of the 17th. accompanying the Packet from the Presidency; we wrote You under the 31t. past, which we shall be glad to hear got safe, & now return Your Pattamar in hopes he will arrive time enough with our small Packet for the Presidency before You have sent the other to Goa.

YESTERDAY morning we reced news that the Dutch at Coletchy surrendered to the King of Travencore for want of Provisions, which we presume will be a great mortification to the Gentlemen at Cochin, from whose violent Threats, & unjust Accusations for Pretence, make us uncertain to what Lengths they may go with us, & by their instigation & probably assistance set the Northern Powers on us.

We are well assured of the King's great expectations of the French early in the season, & their Promises to be with him, & who we suppose will take Charge of Coletchy, as the King at all events, not considering it is equally prejudicial which nation masters his Country, would sacrafice [sic] every thing to be freed from the Dutch power, which must prove very fatal to us here, espescially at a Juncture, that War we Judge is proclaimed now.

Our Superiours recommend our putting the place in the best Posture of Defence; You Gentlemen well know that it is not in our power to make any Addition of Men to our small Force, none being hereabouts to be got. If it suited your Convenience, we should be glad of Twenty five Topasses till the Arrival of our's from Fort S^t. George, and as a Gunner is much wanted, we desire you will spare M^r. Croes till the Arrival of M^r. Water's, when we will return him, & shall be glad to have him as early as possible.

WE will discharge the 4 Rupees advanced the Pattr. & have paid him here the Remainder Due to him. WE ARE

Anjengo

Aug[∓]. The 3^p. 1741. Reced. Aug[∓]. 18^{∓B}. 1741. **PATTAMAR**. Sir & Sirs

Your most Humble Servants, Cha^s. Whitehill. Rob^t. Rawdon. Tho^s. Pattle. Tho^s. Lane.

To William Wake Esq^B.

Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

GENTLEMEN

INCLOSED is Duplicate of what we wrote You last under the 13th. Inst^t. to which we have now to add, that the Prince of Orange sailed hence for the Bay the 3^d. the Hallifax the 6th. & the London the 14th. Instant.

THE 18th. arrived the King William, Cap^t. Saunders, who brought us our Hon: Masters Commands of the 6th. Feb^{ry}, wherein they are pleased to write us, that the War against Spain was continued to be vigorously carried on, & that a War with France was by most judged to be near at hand.

THE French have two Ships arrived at Pondicherry from France; The Triton & Argonaut; The first left the Fort St. George & Nassau at Johanna the beginning of June, both bound for Bombay, & we hope You will be advised of their Arrival there before You receive this, however we send You inclosed a List of

Ships arrived in England the last Season & of those taken up for the different parts of India for this; The Sommerset arrived at Portsmouth after the King William & the other Ships we mentioned in our last were dispatched, but there was then no News of the Normanton. We learn from yours of the 2^d. May the Haeslingfield had passed the Cape. The Duke homeward bound was met off that place in a very weak condition by a Dane's Ship arrived at Tranquebar, the Captain of which gives us hopes that she shortly got there or to S^t. Helena.

We are advised from Pondicherry that Mons. Labourdonnay, the late Governour of Masquerine was coming out with six Sail of Ships (two of them of Seventy six Guns each) It is given out they intend to take Mombass on the Coast of Affrica, but they hint at some other secret expedition wh. we are left to guess at: Upon the late Alarm of the Morattas they sent for & received a Reinforcement of about 600 Men from the Islands, of whom its said they intend to send 500 to Myhie.

We have brought to the Credit of the Presidency of Bombay Sixteen Pagodas, one fanam & forty two Cash for the Freight of the Coir brought hither on the Bermudas Sloop, being ten # Cent on the value, of which we have advised the President & Council there.

We are

GENTLEMEN

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 24TH. JULY 1741.
RECED. AUGT. 19TH. 1741.
PATTAMAB.

Your most Humble Servants,
RICHD. BENYON.
RANDALL FOWEE.
AUGUSTUS BURTON.
NICH: MORSE.
WILLM. MONSON.

To William Wake Esq^B.

Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

GENTLEMEN

This goes by the return of the Boat that brought me hither, to the Mucquas of which I have given one Bale of rice & 2 fans. for their Expences down.

You will perceive by the inclosed Copy of what I have taken the Liberty of writing the Gov. that Hur Camoty has recd. the 23000 Rupees &ca. & as I have not any money here & cannot borrow the least sum without paying a great Interest, please to send me two or three hundred Rupees by the 1st. Conveyance which will be necessary, for Matts, Coir, Embaling &ca.

As there is no money to be returned in this Boat I hope You will dispense with my not sending back 2 of the Topass Soldiers, & more especially as they will be very necessary in the Banksall, & at embarking the Pepper for there is no trusting the People I have to do with in that particular.

I am wth. respect.

GENTLEMEN Your most Obedt: Hum: Servant,

THOS. PURNELL.

MANGALORE
THE 26 AUGT. 1741.
RECT. THE 28TH. AUGT. 1741.
TONEY:

RS

The money was paid to Hur Camoty's Agent on the 18th. Instant.

To the Honle. Stephen Law Esq^R. Honble Sir

This serves to advise your Honour of my Arrival here Yesterday from Tellicherry, wch. place I left on the 22d. Inst^t: & now forward by Pattamars to the Padre Alexander at Goa a Packet addressed to your Hon. &ch. from Tellicherry; I had orders to dispatch it thither by Sea, but the Portuguese Factor telling me that is very precarious at this time of the Year I thought it best to send it as above-mentioned.

Since my Arrival here I find that Hur Camoty has at last reced the 23000 Rups. that I Lodged here in the Portuguese Factors hands in May last, from whom I have recd, his Obligation & his Agents receipts for the money here; The person I sent by order to Onore in May last returned only a few days past very ill of a Fever & tells me that Hur Camoty has complained to him terribly of the Losses he has sustain'd in this Pepper Affair, but withall promises to deliver the remainder of his Contract at Merjee & Onore, as soon as your Hone. can send any Vessels to receive it at those places, & desires your Hone. &ca. will order a Conveyance as soon as possible; His Letter, to Mr. Wake I shall forward this afternoon by the Boat that brought me hither.

The Pepper that remains here I shall send down as soon as the weather will permit & in the meantime if any more is to be purchased here, my Utmost Endeavours shall not be wanting.

I am with humble respect
Mangalore
THE 26th. Augt. 1741.
Reco. the 28th.
Toney.

Honble Sir, Your Hon^{rs}. Most Óbedient & Most Humble Servant, Tho^s. Pürnell

To William Wake Esq^r. Chief &c*. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

About 9 o'th Clock last night I arrived here, & this morning the Linguist informed me that the Samorine would be here on Saturday, three or four days after w^{ch}. he tells me it would be proper that I should wait on him, w^{ch}. occasions me to send You this Express, for his Accounts wth. the Company, Your Instructions to me, and Presents to him on this Occasion.

Most of the necessaries formerly indented for from Tellicherry will be sent You immediately after the Samorines Arrival, as they have been some time in readiness, but cannot till then be forwarded, the Cooleys & Boats being employ'd in making Jungadas for his People to Pass the River.

I have seen no Pepper Merchants yet, but hear they are very extravagant in their Demands as to the Price of this Commodity. I am

CALLICUT
THE 17TH. AUG*. 1741.
REC^D. THE 29TH.
TONE'S.

Sir & Sirs Your most Obed[†]. Fum: Servant W^{**}: West. TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQB.

CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

Your Commands of the 24th. ult. came to hand the next day before w^{ch}. I

Cas. Md. had Bought 48. 7. Pepper at 110 Rupees # Candy, wch. I fear will be the last sold at so low a rate this Year, some Merchants (persuaded that they shall get more when the Shipping arrive) now refusing to take less than from 115 to 120 Rupees # Candy.

I have enquired of some Merchants belonging to Burgorah of the Quantity of old Pepper there might yet be remains, in those parts to be brot, to this place this Season, & they assured me not upwards of 50 Candies more, but it were to be sincerely wished, that there might never be a grain to be exported from thence to this Quarter again, as undoubtedly it does & will ever enhance the price of Pepper provided at Tellicherry, since the Distance is not so great but the Merchts, there are ever apprized of this Market, wch. more or less influence[s] them in regard to the Price thereof.

The Samorine arrived here on Monday & the 2^d. King yesterday, on whom the Linguist will wait in the morning, but, as the French & others likewise make Presents to the 2^d. King, I presume it will be necessary for the Company to do the same.

The Povos & the Ministry are much at variance, & it is thought as the Samorine has sent for Assistance to all parts of his Dominions, that much trouble will ensue thereon, in w^{ch}. case it will be proper the Company[s] Pepper be removed, lest the burning of the town (w^{ch}. the Povos will do unless the King comes into their Measures) destroy the same.

Francisco Dias has delivered the Treasure & Books of the Factory, but as the former will be more secure at his house I continue to keep it there.

The necessaries indented for by me are making ready, but the Country Smiths want Europe Iron for the Hoes &c^a.; Be pleased therefore to send four Candies thereof for this & other Services.

There are here some Deserters from Tellicherry whom I am informed are easily to be seized, but I know not how to Act in regard therto; I must Desire your Directions in this Affair I am

CALLICUTT
THE 2^p. SEP^R. 1741.
REC^p. THE 3^p.
TONEY.

Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^t. Hum: Servant
W. West.

To William Wake Esq.. Chief &c. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

The 22^d. we reced your Lett^r. of the 17th. Inst^t. by the Munchua, w^{ch}. we now return to You.

The Powder & Iron agreeable to the Invoice is rec^d. & we shall Credit You for the Am^t. being Rupees 867. 2. 70.

We are very Glad of the Assistance of your Gunners Mate, as we have none here that knows the Business & are informed the Presidency of Maddrass design to detain Mr. Waters for their Service.

The 21^t. Inst^t. we reced a Lre from the Presidency of Fort S^t. George dated the 24th. Ult^o. advising us the King William was likewise arrived there, by whom they reced a Packet from our Hon. Masters giving them Notice that the War wth. Spain was vigorously carrying on, & one was Judged to be nigh at hand with France.

The King of Travencore is still to the Southward, & tho' he has given out he intends to drive the Dutch from the Cape before he comes this way, we dont hear he has performed anything as yet.

The Dutch we believe are very much streightned for Men; They have sent about one hundred & fifty men to reinforce Paru, & Irue, & permit no Topass coming this way, but entertain every Stripling they can get; Their long Letter we presume is Loaded with heavy & unjust Complaints against us, tho' their late Misfortune at Coletchy is more oweing to their base People within, than to any true Courage of the Mallabars. WE ARE

Anjengo

Aug. the 24th. 1741. Rec^d. Sep^h. the 5th. 1741. Winchua.

SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants
Chas. Whitehill.
Rob^T. Rawdon.
Tho^S. Pattle.
Tho^S. Lane.

To William Wake Esq^B. Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

GENTLEMEN,

On the 2^d. Inst^t. I rec^d. by Boat 300 Bombay Rupees sent me by the Chief, according to my last request of the 26th. past, w^{ch}. sum I shall duely account with You for.

The Pepper remaining here is all embaled except about 50 Robbins, web. could not hitherto be done for want of Matts which at this time are very scarce & dear, but I hope to finish all tomorrow & as soon as the Gentoo Feasts are over for they will do nothing till then, web. will be in four or five days I shall put the Shybar into the Water & dispatch her to You as soon as possible. I am with respect

MANGALORE, THE 4TH. SEP^R. 1741. PS.

Your most Obed^t. Hum: Servant, Thos. Purnell.

Here is no news stirring in relation to the Country Government.

RECD. THE 8TH. TONEY.

To Will^M. Wake Esq^B.
Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIK & SIRS

Last night I reced Your Packet of the 4th. Inst^t. to w^{ch}. I shall now only reply that as the French & others make large Presents in money as well as otherwise, I find it is expected that I should at least give the 2^d. Samorine, 150 Rupees w^{ch}. this comes express to advise You of that I may receive Your Answer before I go to visit him.

Since mine of the 2^d. Inst^t. the Samorine wth. every 2^d. Prince of his Dominions removed to a Nomby's house a little inland purposely to Chastize the Povos for the many Insults by them offered to him & the late King weh. has occasioned most of the Ministers to side with the Povos, fearing if these should resist him, their Estates wch. lie here would be entirely destroyd.

On the 4th. Inst. while I was at dinner came privately the late Governour of this Place & the Head of 30,000 Nayrs, to desire me to go to the King & intercede wth. him for the Povos, whom that afternoon he was determined to go against. Accordingly about 4 O'Clock I waited on the King, who was pleased to say he was glad to see me & asked me how many days I had been at Callicutt. I told him ten—Ten; reply'd he smiling; long enough to be acquainted wth the outrages of my Subjects, to wch. I answered him that I had heard of their Disobedience, but as they seemed now to repent of their Error & desirous of being restored to his Majesty's Favour I presumed then to wait upon him to beg the suspension of his Design of proceeding against them for three or four Days, before weh. time I was persuaded they would return to their Obedience. It is a maxim wth. me replyd he not to do a rash or unreasonable thing, & therefore he would give them a few days Longer to submit in, & then send for me to inform me of what had been done, After wch. I took my leave of him.

Yesterday this Difference between the King & Povos was happily accommodated, these giving him an Elephant, some thousands of Fanams & 2 Houses & Compounds to be Burnt, & he on his part, to be Burnt, 2 houses & Compounds belonging to some head Nairs at Penany.

This reconcilement I have the pleasure to hear the Povos & People declare was effected alone by the Mediation of the English Company, otherwise that day the King would have burned & destroyed the Country.

Enclosed is the Acct. Charges of this Factory for last month & by these Toneys wch. brought the Soldiers You will receive 60 Bales of Chunam on Account of the Company, the Cost of wch. will be sent You when the whole Quantity indented for goes up.

There are no Cow'Hides, Goat Skins, or Tauches to be got here, but every other thing shall be forward^d. as soon as possible.

I AM

CALLICUTT Recd. the 9^{th} .

PR, TONEY.

SIR & SIRS Your Hum: & obedt. Servant William West.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQB. CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

Yesterday I reced By boat your Letter of the 5th. Inst^t. inclosing Copy of the Hon: President's Letter to Hur Camoty under Date the 18th. March last, & Hur Camoty's Letter to Mr. Wake dated last month wth. his Acct. losses on the 200 Candies of Pepper delivered in Janry. last, all wch. I have duely read over, & believe that the Account is nothing more than a mere Bannian imposition for I cannot conceive there could have been in about 4 months time such a Loss of weight in the Pepper that he insinuates, if it had not been packed up very wett.

The Article of customs is of a peice wth. the rest; He was last year, as he has been for several past, the Renter of them, & is obliged to pay annually a certain Stipulated sum to the Government whether he exports a Candy of Pepper in the whole Season or not; but being afraid that he should not be continued in that Post, shipped most part of the Pepper on board a Vessel that lay in the River, &

by that means saved paying that money to any Body that might have succeeded him before the Pepper was called for. The two Vessels he mentions, to my certain knowledge, was but one, & that was looked after by 3 or 4 Sepoys that he always keeps in pay My Agreement with him was for Rupees & when I reced all the Pepper he would deliver, I paid him so for it, accordingly, whence I know no Business the Hon: Company has wth. the Loss or Gain in the Exchange of them. He has no Agent here, nor any body that can transact any thing for him without first having his Order, whence I shall dispatch the Chief's Answer to his Letter First opportunity, & shall shew due regard to what You write in relation to his Pepper remains. here. The person mention'd in the Copy of the President's Letter to Hur Camoty, return'd to Bbay before the rains set in.

The Pepper remaining here is all embaled and tomorrow I am in hopes of getting the Shybar putt into the Water, when she shall be Loaded, & sent down as soon as possible, there being no advice of any Enemies as yet.

I am with respect

MANGALORE тне 9^{тн}. Sep^в. 1741. RECED. SEPR. THE 10TH. ₩ Toney.

GENTLEMEN Your most Obed^t. & most Humble Servant Thos. Purnell.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR. CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY

THE foregoing is Copy of our last by the Toney, which was intended by the Munchua, but the weather proving bad she could not proceed; Your Letter of the 23d. came to hand the 27th. wth. the 25 Topasses you sent & their Expences ame. to Rups. 45. 3. 2 shall be duely Credited You.

As the moon is changed & the Weather promises fair, we now return the 2 Munchuas, & in one of them the Serjeant You sent to Conduct the People here, takes his Passage back.

WE have been at Rups. 23. 1. 50. Charges as you'll perceive by the Paymaster his Acct. in being oblig'd to bring the Munchuas ashoar, as they were so leaky, web. we send you, in case you should think it necessary to be deducted from the ffreight you allow the Owners.

WE shall readily comply wth. your desire of returning the People, when our Detachment arrives from Madrass, or sooner if our occasions will permit, but at present our Garrison is only very thin, & by the Impediment of our good Neighbours, who permit no Topasses or others to come this way, puts it out of our power to get any here & from their violent threats & unwarrantable Behaviour hitherto, We can't be certain what unanswerable Lengths they may go, or how far they may be capable of conducting others should Attinga be reduced.

But we still judge as you do, the most fatal consequences to us may prove from the Contracts the King may make wth. the French, & wch. you may be assured our sincerest & heartiest Endeavours are used to prevent, & tho' certainly most of his Actions confirm to us, that our Nation, from our quiet methods of living in his Country, is preferable in his Esteem to all others, still as we are not at present capable, (& it is not in his power) to protect his sea Shoar, added to the high Prejudice he has to that Nation, & his great Desire to be freed from their Tyranny as he Terms it, we wish may not be the means of his more readily complying wth. the Gentlemⁿ. at Pondicherry. We are not wanting in duely representing to him the turbulent Disposition of that Nation, & that he wont be better off by their

having it, than if the Dutch were really Conquerors, & when they are once settled, he will find his Country subject to the same Tyranny, & the Resolution he has shewn in keeping it free will be all lost, however what Persuasion can be made use of we will not omit & nothing in our Powers shall be wanting to prevent it.

THE Dutch & Changenaut's Forces are going to Peritally to keep those Madumbees under a proper subjection, & talk as if they would enter Attinga.

We are

Anjengo Septem^B. 3^D. 1741. Rec^D. The 16TH. ₩ Munchua. SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants Cha^s. Whitehill. Rob^t. Rawdon. Tho^s. Pattle. Tho^s. Lane. May Sclater.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^B.

CHIEF &C^A. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

Your several Advices under the 28th. & 29th. May, & 29th. June have been duely reced wth. the several papers, the two former on the 9th. of August, the latter on the 29th. of that month; those of the 31^t. July came to hand the 17th. Inst^t.

Our Hon: Masters ship Fort St. George arrived here directly from Great Brittain the 2d. Ult2. as did the Nassau the 5th. & the Onslow from thence & Madagascar the 8th. Instt. By the List of ships taken up for India you will perceive the Queen Caroline is also destined for this side & by an Intimation from Secry. Mole, we Learn a smaller one of 300 Tonns named the Porto Bello, Capt. Ben: Fisher is to be consigned hither. The Ship to Mocha this Year was the Prince of Wales, Capt. Jno. Pelly Junr. Messrs. Thompson & May, & the Commander Supracargos, whose Orders from our Hon: Masters were to provide 2000 Bales of Coffee certain, & to fill up the Ship provided it could be had at 63 Sp: Dollars the Bahar, & in case only the 2000 Bales were Laden, then to consign the Ship to the President & Council at Madrass & as a full Cargo could not be procured within the Limitatn. prescribed, they only took in the Quantity directed & sail'd for Madrass the 20th. July.

THE Nassau by our Hon: Masters appointment after Landing her Cargo here was to proceed to Bengall, whither we accordingly dispatched her the 20th. Ulto. & she sailed the 22^d. The Onslow is to remain here as Commodore untill the Month of March next, when she is to be sent on our Hon: Master's Acc^t. to China; We choose to give You this timely Notice, that You may embrace the proper season both wth. respect to Goodness & Cheapness for providing 300 Can^s. Sandall wood in part of the Loading designed for that Ship.

THE Fort S^t. George is now employed to Surat for Conveying hither such a part of the Investment as may be in readiness, & as soon as she returns we have come to a Resolution, to give her an early dispatch home, & we hope to send her hence in the middle of next month in order to call at Onore & Carwar for the Pepper expected. She will clear Anjengo of the 976 Can^s. wth. 10700 peices of Cloth, & any part wanting to compleat her Lading, will then only be required from You, & we shall by her be mindful to supply You wth. the several Articles contain'd in the Indents rec^d. from your Settlement.

We duely notice the Information given You by the Callicutt Linguist of Messrs. Williamson & Barton disposing of certain Guns at that place, weh. being so contrary to the Orders of our Superiours, we have represented the same to the Presidency of Bengall from whence those Gentlemen were employ'd, in hopes they will resent this instance of Contempt, & as our Hon: Masters in their Commands by the Fort St. George Para. 98 are pleased to say none of the Commanders or Officers of the Ships bound this way are permitted to bring small arms for Sale, & the other head Settlements are enjoined to forbid their Country Ships carrying any for a Market to the Mallabar Coast. We have to Bengall & shall to Madrass, enforce the Expediency of rendering the Prohibition effectual, so that we hope none will prove so hardy as to Act in open Defiance, weh. should it ever be the case, you will do well to communicate the Facts, that our Hon: Masters may avail themselves against the Offenders, & do You protest against them.

As we did in our last Leave to your Prudence to dispatch the Hallifax directly, or order her to Anjengo, from the dependance we had of the Chief's knowledge of the possibility of shipping off Goods at that Port, in that late season of the Year, & we think the Event has justified the method you took, as the Command, on reaching the length of Anjengo thought it too hazardous an Attempt to call there and therefore proceeded to Madrass.

We are greatly concerned to find your Purchases of Pepper are likely to be less than your former expectations, & that we can only reasonably hope that the Quantity to be in readiness at your place and Callicutt will Amt. to 2400 Candies, but doubt not your Endeavours for rendering it as much more, as times & Circumstances will admit. We have on this occasion fully considered the necessity of continueing your purchases at other parts where this Article is produced & tho the prices you have been lately obliged to give at Callicutt are something high, yet reflecting on the large Tonnage we have to provide for at present, & answering any future Demands that may be made by our Hon: Masters, & as a Disapointmt. in the return of any of their Ships, would be greatly more to their Detriment than the Difference in Price, we esteem it preferable to have recourse to the several Marketts, nor do we think it necessary to Limit the Price as You on the spot must be the best Judges, & entirely rely on your best Endeavours, we doubt not will be exerted to procure all that is possible, & on the Cheapest terms. It is said that buying at Callicutt tends to enhance the price at Tellicherry; How far this may be so, or what is necessary to do therein, we must Leave to your Discretion.

THE quantity of Pepper contracted for wth. Hur Camoty the last season, as you alledge it, was not in readiness to deliver Mr. Purnell when he tendered the money; We entirely agree with you, he ought not to be allow'd Interest; The reason for our giving those directions was founded on a Belief of the Contracter's Assurance of it's being in perfect Order & ready for shipping off, & as the lateness of the season obliged Mr. Purnell to leave the money at Mangalore designed for payment thereof, had Hur Camoty been in the way, in the hands of the Portugueze Factor, & has not yet been recd. by Hur Comity, so we think it will be necessary some Person proceeds thither for procuring that Quantity of Pepper & adjusting the Acct.; We have since, on the Information of a Merchant on this place, that the said Hur Camoty will have a further parcell to the Amount of 300 Cans. ready to deliver at Onore or Injadiva early in the next month at the rate of 80 Rupees the Candy or thereabouts, sent a Person directly for closing a Contract even at an Advance of two Rupees the Candy, but as it will be expedient some European be present at the weighing & see to the paym^t. we think M^r. Purnell from his having been hitherto employ'd in the first mentioned Contract would be the properest to bring that to a Conclusion, & at the same time he can see the performance of this last, & therefore we recommend the appointing him to that service, making him such an Allowance as You shall think reasonable & his services merit. A sufficient Stock of money for payment of this last parcel wth. proper scales & weights we shall consign to him on the Fort St. George.

The Quantity of Cardamoms specify'd to be provided this Year, are as usual to the Am^t. of 10000 lbs nor can we add any thing wth. respect to the Price, until we know our Honble Masters further pleasure as mentioned in ours of the 27th. April last.

We propose to send on the Fort S[±]. George to the Am[‡]. of two Lack of Rupees agreeable to your Desire for the service of Your Investment & defraying the Charges of the Settlement, as also as far as 2000 Rup^{\$\scrt{s}\$}. in fi[f]ths, but the Article of Copper pice will not be in our Power to comply w^{‡\scrt{h}\$}. without subjecting our Hon: Masters to a Loss, the price of that commdity being now at 24½ Rupees the maund, & when coined will only bring out Rupees 23. 1. 87. Besides it's extreme Dearness it is also very scarce, insomuch that we have been necessitated to fall on the expedient of coining Toothenague Pice for the Currency of our own Island, a Muster whereof we now enclose You, & provided they will answer at your place, as they are found to do tolerably here, we will on your Information forward a sufficient Supply

THE late Conduct of Prince Cunhi Homo it is certain could only proceed from the impaired state of his understanding & memory wch. gave an opportunity to evil Counsellors to excite him into Schemes so destructive to the good of his Country, & wth. pleasure we read the junction of his Brothers & others to Your Endeavours for Convincing him of his Error, wch. had so good an Effect that you are under no Apprehensions of future ills ensueing.

The Measures you took to secure our Hon: Masters Priviledges & protect their Merchts. on the Advance of the Rebells to plunder the Bazar of Agar was entirely right & we are extremely pleased to find the Party of men You sent on that occasion arrived so opportunely for frustrating their Designs. The two Persons taken among the Enemy & who were said to have been of that Party that offered You the Insult at Mattamy, as no Legal proof could be made against them & the Prince under hand practising wth. their Cast for a sum of money to spare their Lives, we think what You did therein was very consistent.

From the Princes former inconstent Conduct, your Advices of the 29th. June affords us the greater satisfaction of the Country being again pretty well settled & free from the Dread many were under from his ill Management, & the Achamars keeping a proper Guard to protect Agar Bazar from any Insults of the Rebells enabling You to withdraw the men Posted there, as well as the Prince since proceeding in person against them w^{ch}. tho' not attended wth. any considerable Success yet it in great measure evinces he does not favour their Leaders as was before suspected; Should they attempt to impede the Freedom of Billiapatam River, & the Prince at the opening of the Season apply to You for assistance in order to force them from Codally, as he now seems to expect, we rely on your acting in such manner as shall be thought most conducive to the Publick Good.

Should the Chief proceed to the new Samorine (the Death of the former we observe having been notify'd in the Customary manner) we doubt not of his best Endeavours in the Adjustment of the Accounts between our Hon: Masters & him, as well as recovering all that's possible. It will then also be a good opportunity to learn how far there is any truth of his giving the French Permission to settle at Cota, & if so to obtain the same Liberty for our Nation, wch. your Linguist assured You would be Granted, & we agree wth. You it will not be so proper to proceed in the rebuilding of Callicutt Factory at least till this intended Visit is performed.

Mr. Jenkinson we perceive proceeds according to his Expectations & we shall have in mind to furnish You wth. as many Casks as can be spared by the Fort St. George, & at the same time we propose sending down a Cooper if one can be procured for putting them in proper Order.

The President & Council of Madrass under the 21^t. July write us the French at Pondicherry have reced ab^t. 600 Europeans from their Islands & talk of sending 500 to Myhie, wch. if true may give a notable turn to the War they are now engaged in wth. Boyanore, & therefore we begin to think that provided a Peace could be had on such Terms as might promise a full security to our Trade on the footing

we formerly enjoy'd it, it might be better than risquing the Consequences of the French's Superiority, but as You will know what Dependance can be had on this Report of large Succours & are well versed in this important business, we shall Depend upon Your Prudence to manage as to You shall seem most eligible.

We take particular notice of the State of your Garrison & the prudent precautions taken on the appearance of a War as specified in yours of the 31^t. July. & are glad to find you esteem your force sufficient to resist any Attempts that can be reasonably supposed to be made against it. The want of Proper people for petty Officers we know not how to Remedy, being an Evil we equally experience at this Place, & were we to send any down, they would probably prove as bad as those now wth. You, wch. would answer no End & therefore You must submit to the necessity of procuring them out of those now at the Settlement as shall appear the most deserving.

With regard to your Request sometime since for directions on the Subject of the Dutch Deserters we can only say as the Laws of that Nation are so extremely rigorous against the Offenders in such cases that their Return is giving them up to immediate Death so we apprehend it is what no Nation would Comply with but least we should err in this point we shall lay the Matter before our Hon: Masters for their explicit Orders, untill the Receipt whereof we think it expedient to continue them our Protection.

The several Errors in the Invoices noticed in yours of the 29th. June ought to have been guarded against wth. the utmost Attention, but in order to prevent the like in future, we lay it down as a standing rule that all accounts be examined by two Persons, underwriting they have been so examined & each Examiner to sign his name.

In Consequence of your Letter to the Presid^t. & Co: of Maddrass they have advis'd us under 21^t. July last y^t. the Freight of the Coir carried on the Bermudas pag^s. fa. Cash

Sloop was reckon'd at 10 PCt. on the Value & amts. 16. 1. 42 & is brought to our Credit.

We enclose You Copy of several Paragraphs of our Honble Masters their Commands relating to your Settlement which you must pay a strict observance to.

The 120th. & 121st. relates to the Discharge of Persons & sending them home on their Ships, which they are pleased to dissaprove, if it is attended wth. any Charge to them, which we send for your Notice on such Occasions happening at your place.

Mr. George Hamilton by the 135th. Para. is restored to his Original standing & we doubt not but his future Conduct will show him deserving of that favour & should he desire Leave to repair hither You may grant it.

THE Detachments who have come to this place from Bengall, being allow'd larger pay than on this Establishment, & the continueing such Addition might be matter of Disgust, & cause murmurs amongst our own People, we have hitherto paid them at the same Rate as they receive, & the Officers are on the same footing exempt from Diet money, though indeed we have promis'd when the Soldiers return to Bengall, the Difference shall be there made good to them; You may therefore allow Ensign Davis the same of others of his Rank at your place, but as to the men, we apprehend your now entering on a Reduction may give disgust, & we must Leave it to You to do as you shall think most convenient.

The Accounts Current sent from your Settlement will be made the proper use of on closing our General Books, tho, they are not sufficient to admit of a regular certain Adjustment, because the manner how the several Items of Profit & Loss arises is not explained.

THE Emelia Sloop being designed hither from Anjengo, we would have you provide a Quantity of Coir Rope of the Sizes specified in the enclosed Paper, in order to fill her up her up [sic] at your place & we have only to recommend it be of the best Sort.

Should You not require this Pattamar Boat's immediate return hither, let her instantly proceed to Anjengo wth, our Packet, but if You do want her to come back, then you must hasten said Packet thither by one of your own Boats.

We are

Bombay Castle Septemⁿ. The 22^p. 1741. Rec^p. The 28th. Express Boat. Your Loving Friends
Stephen Law
Jno. Geekie.
Jno. Morley.
Will^M. Sedgewick.
Geo: Dudley.

Copy of sundry Paragraphs of the Hon: Court of Directors their Commands dated 6th. Feb^{by}. 1740, rec'd by ship Fort S^t. George relating to Tellicherry Factory. Viz^t.

PARA- We have taken up the following Ships for the carrying on our Trade this GRAPH 5TH. Season viz^t.

SHIPS,			Tonns.	COMMDES.		Consig	NME	NT.
Royall George Prince of Wales	••	• •	490 490	Thomas Field Jn°. Pelly Jun ^r .	••	St. Helen: Mocha.	a & .	Bencoolen.
King William	••	• •	495 490	Jas. Saunders Chas Hudson	•••	Fort St. C	deor	ge.
Prince of Orange Beaufort	••	••	490	Thos. Stevens	••	Bengall. Madeira, i George	Fort & B	St.
Nassau Onslow Princess Mary Fort St. George London Northampton York Scar borough Wager Admiral Vernon	•••		490 495 498 498 498 498 498 498 498	Geo: Jakson Jn°. Balchen George Martin Jn°. Acton Matthew Bootle Duncomb Backivell Henry. Lascells Jur Geo: Westcott Cha°. Raymond Benja. Webster		_	Bay,	via Bbay.
Kent Queen Caroline	••	•••		Will ^m . Robson Cha ^s . Birkhead		Bombay.		

23RD.

As the Ship Defence from Mocha was not under your direction, you should studiously have avoided giving the Commander any manner of Orders or having any thing to do with the Mocha Ships, but on the contrary on their Arrival at Bombay, you must require their Resons [sic] for coming according to the laudable Practice at Madrass, & in case their Stay is Longer than You think is absolutely necessary, Protest against them in our name, & Lodge the like orders at Tellicherry & Anjengo, on their touching & Loytering away their time on the Coast.

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When the French or other Nations enhance Pepper at Tellicherry, Anjengo or elsewhere, we must submit to the Current Price, otherwise we can never expect Loadings for our Ships; In case measures could be Concerted wth. the other European Nations to keep it down to a price certain & be secure from underhand Dealings, such a Step is more desireable than an open Competition, but of this our Servants on the spot are the best judges, & therefore we must Leave it to their prudence, depending that they will Act according to the Circumstances of things, as may be most for our Interest.

81sr.

It has hitherto been the method at Tellicherry to deduct on the Invoice 4 \$\mathbb{P}\$ Cent of the Quantity of Pepper as Lost in weight & the Bills of Lading are signed only for Nett Amount, but this is altogether peculiar to that Factory; Our other

Settlements conformable to the Practice of Merchants insert the actual Quantity shipped, & in case of any real deficiency on taking Account of Remains, the Amount both in weight & Value is wrote off to Profitt & Loss upon our Books & our Servants at Tellicherry must on receipt thereof fall into the same practice.

At Bencoolen our Pepper is thoroughly Garbled & yet the Loss in weight is only 1 \$\mathbb{F}\$ Cent, w^{ch}. we mention because four to us seems to be too great an allowance.

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Notwithstanding you promised by the Defence in September to Indent for proper Utensils to Garble & sift our Pepper it was forgot in January, however we have taken the hint, & duely supplied You wth. screens, Rudders or Seives & other proper materials for that purpose sufficient for three Settlements by a due use of them, Our Pepper must be separated from all Flags, Stones & other Thrash, that we may no longer pay freight for them.

Our Chief & Councill at Tellicherry to our very great Satisfaction have conclueded a Peace wth. the Cannarees & give us hopes by the Harrington of the said Canarees sincere intentions of being good Neighbours in future, adding withal they are under no Apprehensions of any more Disturbance or Embroils from any Quarter.

95тн.

With a great deal of dunning & much difficulty for 2 Years, we perceive the Scidees have at length paid off 40,000 Rups. of their Debt, & that an Order was obtained for the like sum; never let them rest, till it is fully satisfied, nor the Samorine & Cunhi Homo who made no progress this last Year, tho' the advices from Tellicherry in our late Presidents time gave us hopes of a speedy discharge The above obliges us to enforce our former Prohibition of Loans to any person whomsoever.

97TH.

We have not permitted any of the Comm¹⁸. or Officers of the Ships bound your way to bring any Fire or small Arms for sale, & our other Head Settlements are enjoined to forbid their Country Ships carrying any for a Market to the Mallabar Coast

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By the Resolution You have taken, we are not only at the Expence of Transporting Soldiers & Mariners from hence, but also by your Ordering the Commander to receive them on board when their Contracted time is expired We must pay for their Passage home & after You had taken this Resolution You desire our full Directions, whereas the only right way was to have wrote for them prior thereto.

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In the first place this is no part of our Contract & in the next place as You write so pressingly for Recruits, it was surely an impolitck step, besides neither, your Predecessors or our other head Settlements, have ever put us to such an Expence, & therefore upon the whole, We can by no means approve thereof; for the future, unless they are willing to relist for 2 or 3 Months pay, on their applying for a Discharge you must grant it accordingly, & give the Commrs. Orders to receive them on board & bring them Home without any Charge to the Company.

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We observe frequent Entrys in our Cash for the Accommodation of our Servants, by taking their Bills on Surat, Tellicherry, & elsewhere, which Negociations must be avoided in future that we may not be Liable to suffer in the long run by such a Credit, & the Subordinate Factory's Books of Accounts must be narrowly Examined and Compared with yours, to see whether in all past Entrys due Credit has been given us for the Sums so Transacted, the Accountant Reporting to the Board in writing how he finds the same.

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On the Application of the Friends of Mr. Geo: Hamilton, we are willing to forgive all that is past & hereby Direct that he takes place according to his Original standing in our Service permitting You to Employ him where You think he may be most serviceable to Us.

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Only the Stores that remain fit for sale & use must be inserted in the Calculate of Quick Stock, omitts, entirely such as Artillery & the like planted on our Fortification which are not properly Merchandize, nor were ever deemed by us any part

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thereof, & ought to be carried on the Books to our Dead Stock under the proper heads.

Attested to be a true Copy from the Original.

RECD. SEPR. 28TH. P EXPRESS BOAT.

Sam: Price Sec^{ry} .

To William Wake Esq⁸.

Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS,

On the 16th. Inst^t. I waited on the Samorine & second King, and in the name of the Company congratulated the former on his Succession to the throne; He said there always subsisted a strict Friendship between the Company & his Predecessors, and it was his Desire the same might continue between them & him. That for a few days his Ministers would be employ'd in performing certain Ceremonies at the Pagodas, after which he would send them to Adjust his Accounts with the Company.

I was obliged to make the 2^d. King a Present over and above the 2 peices of Silk of 150 Rupees, as I found it would be impracticable to Discourse of anything without applying to him, who has the sole management of Affairs. I told his ministers it was unusual to give the 2^d. King any, & tho' I went out of the Road now, it was not to be drawn into a precedent in future.

On the 18th. I sent the Linguist with the Chief's Letter to the King of Poniture, who told him that he came to Callicutt on purpose to press the Samorine to Discharge his Debt for him to the Company, But if the Samorine would not, he himself would give the Company sufficient Security for the payment thereof before he Left Callicutt. I waited not upon him myself, as I must have given him a Present, but bid the Linguist tell him I was out of Order, which was the reason of my sending him.

The hard North West wind all today has hindered the people embarking the Chunam toDay, but I hope tomorrow I shall have it sent on board, when I will Dispatch the Munchua on which it will be freighted. The Soldiers I shall return to morrow night having I Believe no farther occasion for them. I am

CALLICUT,

SIR & SIRS,

SEPR. 20TH. 1741.

Your most Obed^t. Hum: Servant,

Rec^D. ₩ Toney the 22^D.

W. WEST.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS,

Imagining I might have occasion for the Soldiers I kept them till now: Their Diet &c^a. Charges will be put into the Disburesm^{ts}. of this Factory for this month.

The Samorine sent me word this eveng. that his Ministers would come here on Thursday to proceed on business & that the King of Poniture had been with him about his Debt to the Company, concerning which they would also talk with me.

By the enclosed Acc^t. You will perceive that money is wanted here, which be pleased to send down by the first opportunity; You will observe the Candy of Ghee sent to Tellicherry, & Chunam indented for from hence, besides several other necessaries Indented for from Bombay are not therein Charged.

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Callicutt Sep^B. the 22^{d} . 1741.

RECED THE 23D.

Sin & Sins
Your most Obed^t. Hum: Servant
W. West.

To William Wake Esq^B.

Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

I take this opportunity by a Boat wch. came from Tellicherry to this place in the morns. to advise You, that on Thursday last the Samorine's Ministers came to the Factory, to accquaint me from him, that as he had since the Death of the late Samorine been at a Great Expence, & would still be at a greater at the Feast of Mamanga, he could not possibly now Discharge any part of his Debt to the Company, but after said Feast would without fail beging [sic] to clear it off, to wch. I answered that as the two last Samorines had not adjusted their Account wth. the Company & their Ola now became Old, the Company expected at least an immediate Liquidation of them, & afterwards would consider whether they could Allow the Samorine so much time or not; What You say is just, they replyd, we will acquaint him therewith & bring you his Answer in 3 or 4 days, so that I expect them tomorrow again.

Poniture's Ministers were yesterday here; They told me that their King had been to wait on the Samorine, shewn him the Chiefs Letter, & Desired him to take the Debt upon himself wch. he refused to do telling him the Company were then Solliciting him for the Payment of what he owed, however when he returned to Penany wch. would be in January or February next he would consider of means to satisfy him, till wch. time they begg'd the Company would have patience, urging likewise that their King had suffered greatly by the Samorine & Dutch who had entered his Country & almost Destroyed it; To these I reply'd that it was only of late the Samorine & Dutch had Disputes wth. him, that the Debt was old, and his not paying it at the time when he had no Enemies & his Country flourishing was an Ivident proof of his never intending it however I told them that since his Affairs were in so bad a way & could get no Body here to be Security for him the Company would require a New Ola of him making over to them such a part of Lands, wch. has not been alienated to any other European before, the produce whereof might in a Short time Discharge his Debt, wch. they said they would acquaint him of & in a little time bring me his Answer. I hope this Proposition, since there is no likelyhood of his paying any thing at present will meet with your Approbation in wch. Case be pleased to forward as soon as possible his Ola, lest he should suddenly go away.

Since my last I have purchased 10. Cans. 19 Maunds of Pepper at 110 Rupees Candy, & beg You'll send money for the Payment thereof; & other Services.

All the Smiths hereabouts are & have for sometime been employ'd in making of Works for ships & Munchuas, & was but yesterday that I got six from inland.—I have built them a shedd in the Factory & to day they have begun upon the Kycotes. I am

CALLICUTT

SIR & SIRS

THE 27TH. SEP^R. 1741. REC^D. THE 29TH. P TONEY. Your most Obed^t. Humble Servant, WILLIAM WEST. To William Wake Esq^r.

Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

GENTLEMEN,

This goes by the Shybar belonging to Vitabu Senay, from whose Indolence & Neglect she could not be got in readiness till now; She carrys 285 Robins of Pepper, all that remains here, wch. before they were repack'd were 317. Robins, & weigh'd cas. md. 15

cas. m^d. Itb
79. 8, 7 according to the Account I Delivered you at Tellicherry, but being oblig'd to embale it in indifferent Matts, the best I could get here, I imagine there will be a Loss in the weight, most of w^{ch}. would have been prevented if I could have had Baggs to put it in. The 41 Robins at Manjaseer shall be sent as soon as I can get a good Conveyance, but I Believe they must first be repack'd likewise. The Charges of Matts, embaling, &c^a. I cannot send You at present, there being a small Difference that the Owner of the Vessel ought to make good.

Here is I Believe about 20 Can^s. of the last Year's Pepper remain^g. but as the season is now open^g. the Owners will not sell it for less than 30 Pagodas Candy to be p^d. in Pagodas or Rupees at 356 \$\mathbb{P}\$ % Pagodas, the Rate of Exchange at Present.

The Factor here has sealed up the Godowns where Hur Camoty's Pepper is kept upon Account of a Demand between him & Custa Sinai of Goa, the Circumstances of w^{ch}. I am a Stranger to. I am wth. respect.

MANGALORE THE 23°. SEP^B. 1741. Gentlemen
Your most Obed^t. & very Humble Servant
T^s. Purnell.

Весо, тне 30тн. ₽ Ѕнував.

To William Wake Esq^R.

CHIEF &C^A. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

Last night I rec^d. your Commands of the 2^d. Inst. & this day, the Samorine's Ministers upon my insisting thereon when they were here last Thursday night were to have Come here & brought their Masters final Resolution, whether he now intended to pay any part of his Debt to the Company or Adjust his Accounts with them or not but they have put me off till tomorrow.

Persuade yourselves Gentlemen that I should be very glad to have the Credit of recovering any part of his Debt, or the adjusting thereof so that the Ballance should be punctually paid at a reasonable but Limited time, But after all the Arguments & persuasions nay threats by me made use of on this occasion, I dare not give You any hopes thereof, neither will the Chief's coming here avail aught, as in my Opinion nothing but Violence will prove effectual, such as the molesting his Merchants by Sea, & the not Issuing out of Passes to them who will instantly complain & Demand the reason thereof of the King.

In the morns. I shall send the Linguist to him to Deliver the Chiefs Letter to him, & acquaint him that unless he sends his Ministers tomorrow or next day I shall be obliged to repair to Tellicherry to Lay before my Superiours his & his Ministers Behaviour towards the Company, wth. wch. message I would have Left this Place to night had I previously obtained your Leave, wch. I now ask as such a Proceeding I am confident will greatly alarm them & very probably have the desired Effect.

The King of Poniture & his Ministers seem very willing to pay the Company if they had wherewithall, & so soon as the Chiefs Letter was read to him this morning he declared that he would instantly carry it open as it was, & deliver it to the Samorine, who had he any Shame Left would put him in a way to Discharge his Debt, That what the Samorine said thereto he would send his Ministers to inform me of tomorrow or next Day.

There is Pepper to be Bought, but as I find it damp, & the Merchts. refusing to dry it, I refused it at so high a Price as 110 Rups. the Candy. I am

CALLICUTT

SIR & SIRS

тне 4^{тн}, Оств. 1741.

Your most Obedt. Hum: Servant

RECD, THE 6TH, P TONEY.

W. WEST.

To William Wake Esq^R.

Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

By the Express Gallevat which Arrived here the 3^d. Inst^t. we rec^d. your Letter of the 29th. Ult^o. accompany^g. a Packet from the Hon: Presid^t. & Co: of Bombay & a Bundle of Stationary Ware.

We shall duely give your Settlement Credit for the Amount of Charges for the two Munchuas and a Toney Rupees 207. 2. 95.

As our Superiours Design the Fort S^t. George here to fill up we now inform You what Quantity of Tonnage is in our Warehouse, besides making a small reserve of some Pepper, in case the Ship should be able to take in any thing more than her Charter Party, & we receive Orders from our Superiours (as has been customary), to Comply with the Commanders Request on his proper Application and is

Bale Goods Tons Twenty five 25
Pepper Tons two hundd. fifty five 25
—— 280 Tons

which you will please to Leave room for.

The Hollanders have withdrawn their Forces from Cape Comarine, & brought them up already to Quilone in two Ships and several Sloops, and are now making great Preparations as they give out to march and take Attinga in Lieu of Coletche, & threaten that Anjengo will receive no more favour Than any other part of their Enemies Country. The King of Travencore informs us, he intends to march towards them first & we presume in a few Days we shall see some Actions on one side or the other.

We have given Adrian Boyne permission to return who has been paid to the It. Instant We are

Anjengo.

OCTR. THE 8TH. 1741.

RECD. THE 13TH, PR. GALLEVAT EXPRESS.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants
CHARLES WHITEHILL.
THOS. PATTLES
THOS. LANE.
MAY SCLATER.

OCTR. THE 13TH.

Rec^p. a Lett^r. from the French at Myhie Translate of which is Entered in the Portuguese Letter Book.

Do. 21

Do. ... from Mr. West which is entered in the Diary under this Date.

Do. 16

Do. ... from the Dutch at Cochin Translate of which is entered in the Portuguese Letter Book.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^R.

CHIEF &C^A. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

The 8th. Inst. we returned the Express Gallevat to You which we hope is safe arrived.

By this Boat we now send You a Packet to the Honble Presid^t. & Council of Bombay which we desire you'll forward by the earliest Conveyance.

We have the great misfortune to have the whole Floor of the Warehouse filled with white Ants, from wch. we have had a very narrow escape as it was so full of Peice Goods; we cant Conceive which way those Vermin could have got there as the Walls are all Stone and Chunam, & so considerable a height from the Ground; As our Hon: Masters are liable to Sustain great Damages from so destructive a Vermin, it is unavoidably our Duty to new floor it, this place not affording any Plank fit for that purpose, we now Desire You will purchase for us about 250 Rups. worth of Plank of one Inch & a half thick, & order it down by any opportunity that may be coming this way when ready.

By private advices from Madrass we hear our Hon: Masters Ship the Wager arrived the 15th. Ult. & Mons^r. Labourdonnay wth. 3 Ships of his Squadron Arrived the 16th. at Pondicherry, & who talks of coming to this Coast to settle all Affairs, besides hinting that some secret Expedition was designed.

We are likewise informed that Cap^t. Gilbert in the Duke of Dorsett in the Streights of Banca had had taken a Monila Ship valued at 60,000 Spanish Dollars and another narrowly escaping the same fate got clear.

We are

Anjengo Oct^r. 29^{rr}. 1741. Rec^d. Nov^r. 6 * Express Boat. SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants
Cha's Whitehill
Thos. Pattle.
Thomas Lane.
May Sclater.

Novembr.

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Rec^d. a Letter from the Dutch at Cananore Translate of which is entered in the Portuguese Letter Book.

Do. ... from Mong. Labourdonnay web. is enterd in the Diary.

To William Wake Esq^b.

Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

Since our last Yours under the 31t. July has been recd. on the 29th. Ultimo.

This comes by our Honble Masters ship Fort S^t. George & in her Company proceeds the Onslow.

On the latter we have Shipped the several Stores &ca. wth. a Supply of Treasure for the service of your Settlemt. as specified in the enclosed Invoice & Bill of Lading wth. You are to Land & then relade such a part or the whole of the Godolphins Cargo, as she may be able to take in, without incumbring or putting her out of a Posture of Defence, detaining her untill the Arrival of our Hon: Masters ship Hallifax from Bengall who in Consort we Esteem a Sufficient Force to proceed up the Coast & we hope the Porto Bello will be also Arrived to attend her, & should she come before we Direct that she does wait for accompanying the others as she may be endangered Single.

The Fort S^t. George has taken in here a part of her Cargo as specify'd in the enclosed Calculate of her Tonnage, & as we wrote You in Our last we intended, she is to call at Onore for receiving Y^e. Quantity of Pepper expected to be in readiness by Hur Camoty, & tho' we did recommend to You the appointment of M^r. Purnell for seeing the same weigh'd off & paying the Amount yet since considering the positiveness of our Hon: Master's Commands that none but their own Servants should be employ'd in such Concerns, we thought proper to send M^r. Charles Crommelin for that purpose & having put on Board the Fort S^t. George 27000 Rup^s. for payment of what we may receive, tho' as we are Uncertain whether the Person sent from hence for closing a Contract for the last 300 Candies may be able to Effect it at the rate of 82 Rup^s. Candy, we have given M^r. Crommelin provided Y^r. Pepper is in actual readiness (the only Obstacle remains in Point of Price) a Lattitude to go as far as 86 Rup^s. Candy shipping the whole wth. all imaginable Expedition, as the stay of the Ships is upon no Acc^t. to exceed 15 days at y^t. Port.

& as it may happen more may be porcureable, we have given Directions that he Purchase what further may be Offered within the premention'd price, & can be shipped off within the Limited time, & in such Case we have given Orders to Capt. Balchen to Land any Part of the Treasure designed for your place, as Mr. Crommelin shall require & the whole of his Proceedings will be Laid before You, & the Quantity of Pepper by him Laden with the Cost & Charges, & Every other Item must be included in yor. Invoice, advising our Hon: Masters of all particulars worthy their Notice relative to this Concern.

On the Fort S^t. George's Arrival at your place You are to add to her Tonnage the Pepper she has taken in at Onore, & reckon upon the Pepper & peice Goods at Anjengo, inserted in the Calculate as so much towards Compleating Loading, so that it will only remain with You to make up what shall appear Deficient together with such Surplus Tonnage as the Com^r. shall request on the usual Terms, w^{ch}. we have signify'd to him he must do at your Port as it will not be in the pow^r. of our Gentⁿ. at Anj^o. to supply him.

So soon as the Business is compleated at yor. place in wch. we recommend all possible Expedition for avoiding the Charge of Demorrage wch. Commences Decr. 3d. give the Comr. Orders to make the best of his way to Anjengo.

The Screens Rudders or Seives mention'd by our Hon: Masters in their 83^d. Pa. for garbling Pepper we have put on board the Onslow which after reserving such a part as You may think necessary, let the remainder be sent on the Fort St. George to Anjengo wth. the particulars of their Cost, & for wth. You must Debt them, & we hope You will by the help of those Implements be Enabled thoroughly to Separate the Pepper from all Trash &ca. Agreeable to our Hon: Masters Expectations.

As we may expect the Arrack Contracted for with Mr. Jenkinson may be in readiness, we have sent You on the Onslow a number of Cask & such a part as is provided let be sent us on that Ship, & if it should be more than she Conveniently

can take in, put the remainder on Board the Emelia Sloop who we wrote You was Ordered from Anjengo & in such case You may omitt the Coir w^{ch}. is not so immediately required.

We are in extreme want of masts especially such as are of proper Dimensions for lower ones & indeed should any Accident happen to those our Vessels are now provided with we have not one in Store to Supply them wherefore must especially recommend to You to forward as many as the Ship can wth. Convenience bring & in our Instructions to Capt. Balchen we have particularly represented to him this as a matter worthy his attending to, & that his utmost Endeavours be us'd so as not to Lumber the Ship & render her unfit for Defence.

We have given the proper Orders to these ships to stop at Maddacarra in order to receive from the Officer any Orders You may think necessary.

As You on the spot must be y^e. best Judges of whatsoever will render the Island Durmapatam most advantageous to our Hon: Masters by Encouraging Y^e. Cultivation so we shall entirely leave to You that matter. The Instrum^t. desired for surveying the Lands let out We have given into the Care of M^r. Marcom, who goes on the Fort S^t. George Gunner to Anjengo; from him then You must receive it, & when no longer wanted see it be safely returned to Us.

You'll perceive we have not fully comply'd wth. your Indent of Stores. We therefore give you our permission to take such Stores out of the Godolphin as will compleat it, & at Y^e. same time to take out of said Ships Cargo 4 Bar^s. of Tar & Tranship tranship [sic] the same on board the Board [sic] the Fort S^t. George, for the use of Anjengo Factory. We are

B" BAY CASTLE

OCT^R. THE 25TH. 1741.

PS. If You can spare any of the Bengall Detachm^t. or those w^{ch}. came on the Godolphin we Suppose Youll Take this opportunity but this we entirely Leave to You

S. Law. Jno. Geekie. Jno. Morley.

GEO. DUDLEY.

THOS. MARSH.

REC^D. NOV^B. 18TM.

SHIP ONSLOW.

Sirs

Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
JNO. GEEKIE.
JNO. MORLEY.
WM. SEDGEWICKE.
GEO: DUDLEY.
THOS. MARSH.

To William Wake Esq^r.

CHIEF &C^A. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS

THE Hon: the President & Council of Bay having ordered me to Onore for weighs. y. Pepper they expected to receive from Hur Camoty, I am now to accquaint You, that I have Laden on board Y. Fort St. George (as # enclosed mds. lbs

Bill of Lading) Nett Onore Candies 172. 9. 5. being all Hur Camoty had ready to Deliver at that place, but he assuring me, the remainder of his Contract lay at

Mangalore, we accordingly intended to touch there, but accidentally overshot the Port so far as we could not possibly return without the Loss of two Days, we therefore proceeded on our Voyage, & it remains to be received as You shall judge most proper.

The President and Council had Advice of 300 Candies more lying at Indiadiva or Onore to purchase w^{ch}. they put on board this Ship 27,000 Rup^s., but M^r. Purnell informed me that this Parcel was sold to some Goa Merchant I therefore now Consign this money to You enclosing the Invoice & Bill of Lading.

I am with Respect Ship Fort St. George Novem^B. 17th. 1741.

RECD, THE 18TH.

GENTLEMEN

Your most Obedient Humble Servant CHARLES CROMMELIN.

To William Wake Esq^B.

Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

AGREEABLE to your Desire of having your people returned as soon as we could, & having at last got the Emelia Sloop into the Sea, we now send her up with them, as # List enclosed; They have been paid here to the 1t. Decr.

As we shall have Orders from our Superiours to return the Emelia to Bombay, when they send Lascars down for her, we desire you'll please immediately to Dispatch her Back, as we may get her in readiness to send up the Coast.

Mons^r. Labourdonnay wth. his Fleet we presume by this time is arrived at Myhie; a Store Ship belonging to him commanded by Mons^r. Debrain called here but we could not Learn from them any of their Intentions & we believe their Designs is a Secret to the whole Fleet except Mons^r. Labourdonnay.

We have just heard of the Arrival of a French ship at Coletche from whom two or three Gentlemen are gone ashore.

Mr. Robert Rawdon takes passage on the Sloop to your place in order to proceed to Bombay, agreeable to the Directions of the Hon: President & Council. We are

SIR & SIRS

Anjengo Nov^r. 15th. 1741. Rec^d. the 21^t. Becelia Sloop. Your most Humble Servants
Chas. Whitehill.
Thomas Pattle.
Thomas Lane.
May Sclater.

To The Worshipfull William Wake Esq^R. Chief &c^A. Factors.

Sirs

Having rec^d. all the Pepper appointed me at this Port, I am now agreeable to my instructions from the Hon: the President &c^a. Council of Bombay to request surplus Tonnage, & that You will Lade on me one hundred Tons on the Terms & conditions of my Charter Party or as shall hereafter be adjusted by the Hon: the Court of Directors.

I am

TELLICHERRY.

Sirs

Nov^B. THE 21ST. 1741. REC^D. D^O. DIE. Your most Obed^t. Humble. Servant JOHN ACTON.

To The Worship^{ll}. William Wake Esq^r. Chief &c^a. Factors.

Sirs

As I now Learn from your Secretary that You cannot Lade on me any Surplus Tonnage on the Conditions of my Charter Party, I must wave a Paragraph in favour of my Owners, & leave our Case to the Consideration of my Hon: Masters, therefore am now to Request that you will Lade on me 100 Tonns on half Freight.

In answer to your Demand of the Pepper Baggs Laden at Onore, I am to inform You that as no Plank were procureable there, as will appear by Application to Mr. Crommelin, I was obliged to stow the Baggs away to Comply wth. an Order from the Hon: the President & Council at Bombay for keeping yt. Commodity separate, & on that Account hope no further Demand may be made for them.

I am

TELLICHERRY
THE 21^{rs}. Nov^r. 1741.
Rec^p. D^o. Die.

Sirs
Your most Obedient Servant
John Acton.

To William Wake Esq^r.

Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

We wrote You last by our Hon: Master's ship Fort St. George, who in Company wth. the Onslow sailed hence the 27th. Ulto: In the Invoice of the latter ship a Chest of Sword Blades is inserted tho' no mention is made in the Advices to what end they were Designed; A Boat now offering we take Occasion to acquaint You that a large Quantity of Sword Blades remains. in Store here, we are willing to

try all places for their Disposal You must therefore acquaint us, if any, what Quantity, & the Price they will Yield at your place, that we may if necessary send a part for Sale of which those beforementioned were Designed as a Muster.

We are

Bombay Castle Novem^B. The 2^D. 1741. Rec^D ' Shybar. Nov^B. 23^D. Sirs

Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
JOHN GEEKIE.
JOHN MORLEY.
WM. SEDGWICKE.
GEO: DUDLEY.

To William Wake Esq^e.

Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIRG

WE wrote You a short Letter by a Boat on the 2^d. Instant, Duplicate of w^{ch}. is now enclosed, & on y^e. same Day rec^d. yours of the 16th. Ult^b. whereto we Reply.

We cannot give you any positive Directions concerning Hur Comaty's Affair untill we know what progress Mr. Crommelin has made at Onore, as he Orders to enquire into that Concern & acquaint You therewith.

Had we any Copper by us, you might Depend on our supplying you wth. y^e. Pice You want, & as we are in expectation of receiving about 1000 Maunds by the Hallifax we shall not then be unmindfull of You.

We had rather receive all your Grants and Agreements translated in our own Language, but if y^t. is altogether impracticable, send them in Portuguese, & we will get the other done here.

We hope to Dispatch our Hon: Masters Ship Queen Caroline to You by the 25th. of next month, as we Design she shall fill up at your Place, & then You may expect to have your several Indents comply'd wth. meaning what is deficient.

Our Hon: Masters having some time since ordered that the monthly Accounts of the subordinates should be Examined here, we would have you in future send us all such Disbursements when Conveyances offer, & not only the Accounts of the preceding month which has been hitherto practised, but such as will Compleat the entire months of every year.

We now transmit You a Para. of a Letter lately reced from the President & Council of Fort St. George, & must say we are not a little Alarmed at the considerable force said to be going for Myhie. Experience has taught us the French will not Stick at any measures for Destroying our Masters Priviledges & therefore we are induced to Direct, You do exert all your Endeavours for preventing a fatal stroke being given, to which end we empower You to Issue any reasonable & suitable Expence for enabling the Country Powers to withstand them, as should they once be Overcome, we cannot Expect to be in a Capacity of carrying on our Affairs on the footing heretofore & as your Settlement has cost the Company an excessive sum we are persuaded they will not grudge any competent Expence for securing what only in the end Compensate for the same & as You are on the spot, the properest means must be better known to You than they can to us that your own Judgement must Direct You.

The President has imparted to us the Apprehensions you are under of not being able to Convey a necessary Quantity of rice from Mangalore in Order to 1741-42-4

support your Garrison, & therefore want us to Order a Ship to call for it alledging it will be ready by the middle of January. We shall be sure to have this in Remembrance, but You must with speed apprize us of the Quantity you will want, who is to Deliver it & every thing else requisite, & in future you must Notify all Matters of this sort in your General Advices which we do not perceive You have done. We are

Sirs

Your Loving Friends, STEPHEN LAW. JNO. GEEKIE. JNO. MORLEY. GEO: DUDLEY.

Bombay Castle The 21^r. Novem^r. 1741.

PS.

Let ye. accompanys. Packet for the Chief & Factors at Anjengo be sent them as soon as You conveniently can.

RECD. THE 27TH. ₩ BOAT EXPRESS.

Copy of the 3^D. Paragraph of a Letter from the Hon: the President & Council at Fort S^T. George of the 2^D. Oct^B. 1741.

The 16th. Ulto. Monsr. Labourdonnay arriv'd at Pondicherry wth. 3 Ships belonging to his Squadron, & it was said five more were likewise expected there, but they are not yet arrived, & we suppose will not now venture on the Coast. The French give out these 3 Ships have 1200 men in them, that their Intention in coming upon this Coast was to relieve Pondicherry in case it should have been attacked by the Morattas, & that they will shortly sail to the Mallabar Coast to oblige the Natives to Conclude a Peace with their settlement at Myhie. We dont suppose they were sent out for either of these purposes, but what farther designs they have is kept very Secret.

RECD FROM BOMBAY NOVE. THE 27TH. P BOAT EXPRESS.

To William Wake Esq^B.
CHIEF &C^A. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

Herewith You will receive the Samorines Ola to the Chief, Translate whereof goes enclosed, by wch. you will perceive he Defers paying any part of his Debt till his mourng. for the late Samorine is over, which will be some time in April next. I press'd him very hard, & at last obtain'd the Promise of what is set forth in said Ola.

Light Pepper has been sold to the Northern Trading Vessels from 112 to 116 Rupees the Candy & is still rising in price. Heavy Pepper the Merchants will not now take under 120 for the Candy, & they say by & by it will amount to 130 as none is expected this Season from the Northward; 2 or 300 Candies I am informed is now to be Bought at Tannore, & at a little above 100 Rupees; if You approve of my using means to buy it at that Rate, please to advise me thereof by the return of this Boat.

The Linguist now tells me the Company are in his Debt about 5000 Rupees which he has advanced on their Account to Comply with the sundry Indents from Bbay & Tellicherry, to Discharge wch. & to Defray other contingent Expences please by the first Opportunity to send a sufficient sum of money.

The lower masts desired shall be forward^d. as soon as the Moors Feast is Over & I have forbid the Linguist sending any more Chunam, since he can procure no better. I am

SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^t. Hum: Serv^t. W. West.

CALLICUTT
THE NOV^B. 28TH. 1741.
REC^D. THE 29TH. P TONEY.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^R.

CHIEF &C^A. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

This morns. I recd. your Letter of yesterdays by the Express Boat with 10,000 Rupees wch. shall be apply'd to paying the Ballance due to the Linguist, & purchasing of Pepper as You are pleased to Direct. This is enough for the present & more would raise or at least keep up the price of Pepper as the Merchants would Conclude it was sent to buy up this Commodity, whereas for a Long time, I have seemed to make no enquiry thereafter, & of late Declared, that having nothing to do here I shall in a short time go to Tannore to pass a few Days there for where my Design known I should find it as dear there as here.

I have Stopt the providing of any more Materials for the building of the new Factory till your further Orders, & in a day or two shall Signifie to the Samorine what You are pleased to Order. I should & am

Sir & Sirs

Your most Obed^t. Humble Servant W. WEST.

CALLICUTT
THE 3^D. DECEM^B. 1741.
REC^D. THE 4TH.
PEXPRESS GALLEVAT.

To William Wake Esq^r.

Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

The Emelia Sloop imported here the 28th. & brought us your Letter of the 22^d. agreeable to the Directions of our Superiours at Bombay. We now return her to follow such Orders as You shall think proper for her going up there. Cap^t. Bull will Deliver you our packet to the Presidency which please to forward.

We shall be very Glad to see the Fort St. George & the quickest Dispatch we are able shall be given her.

We judge & greatly apprehend from the Forces Mons^r. Labourdonnay has with him, they must carry all before them; A French Ship went into Quilotche & Landed four Gentlemen who stay'd 3 days but nothing of moment passed between the Governm^t. & them, more than a few provisions from one, & two Canisters of sugar from the Other.

1741-42-4-A

Our Wars here are a little at a Stand, tho' by the Dutch entertaining so many Paraways, we Judge it wont be long so. We are

SIR & SIRS

ANJENGO NOVEM^B. THE 30TH. 1741. REC^D. DEC^B. 17TH. 1741. Your most Humble Servants CHA'S WHITEHILL. THOS. PATTLE. THOS. LANE. MAY SCLATER.

To William Wake Esq. Chief &c. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

Your several Letters of the 22^d. 23^d. & 27th. Nov^r. we rec^d. the 28th. the 1^t. & 2^d. Instant.

We have rec^d. the sundry Screens & Sieves & 4 Barrels of Tarr, which we shall give Credit for as you Direct as well as what You advanced to the Boats.

The Hallifax just called here the 1^t. Inst^t. & sail'd at Night. We now return the Toney & are

SIR & SIRS

Your most Humble Servants Chas. Whitehill. Thos. Pattle. Thos. Lane.

Anjengo Decem^r. 4th. 1741. Rec^p. Decem^r. 9th.

To William Wake Esq^R.

Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

I recd. this morns. your Orders in regard to the Purchasing of Pepper, & have Contracted this Day for thirty one Candies & a half of old Pepper at 110 Rupees Candy. There came a Mercht. to me on sending for him, who has of very good Pepper 150 Candies wch. he would not let me have under 115 Rups. the Candy, wch. I refus'd to give him. The Pepper You mentioned to be procureable here at 105 Rupees & Candy is very green & wet & what I Deny'd giving 100 Rupees for, knowing the Company would Lose above 20 & Cent in two months by the weight thereof, & this is what they now sell to the Shipps. from 115 to 120 Rupees & Candy, wch. greatly enhances the price of good old Pepper.

I have sent a proper person to Tannore to enquire after Pepper there, & am informed that no ripe Pepper is now there, but that towards the latter end of Jañry or Beginning of Febry, there will be procureable there upwards of 200 Candies. All that was there before has been sent up hither & was very green & worth nothing.

The Hallifax is now in sight & I Believe intends to Call in here.

As you are pleased I should go on to purchase Pepper here, I shall want by the first opportunity 2000 Rupees. I am

Sir & Sirs

CALLICUTT
THE 8 DEC^B. 1741.
REC^D. P. TONEY.
THE 9TH.

Your most Obed^t. Humble Servant WILLIAM WEST.

To William Wake Esq^b.

Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

GENTLEMEN

Yesterday morng. I arrived here & immediately enquired after the Pepper Hur Camoty assurd me when at Onore lay ready for us at this place being as he said about 88 Candies. Fifty Candies I find the Portuguese Factor has attach'd on Account of a Dispute between Hur Camoty & a merchant of Goa, & as that Affair is not yet settled he absolutely refuses to take off the Attachment; The remaining thirty eight Candies is under the care of a Merchant here, who will not on any Account Deliver it to me, as he has no Order from Hur Camoty to that purpose. Exclusive of this, there is not above five Candies of Pepper in the place, & for which the Merchant asks thirty one Pagodas the Candy; This so much exceeds the price limited in my Instructions, that I cannot presume to purchase it.

Several of Angrias Gallevats having appeared in the Offing is the reason I Detained this Boat longer than You were pleased to Order. I am

GENTLEMEN

MANGALORE
DECEMB. THE 8TH. 1741.
RECD. THE 10TH.
B. GALLIVATT.

Your most Obedient Humble Servant CHARLES CROMMELIN.

To the Worship^{ll}. William Wake Esq^r. &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

Being Ordered by the Hon: President and Council of Bombay to keep my ship in a proper posture of Defence in case of meeting with an Enemy, I am now to acquaint You that I cannot receive on board any more Goods at this Port.

I am with respect

GENTLEMEN

Tellicherry
Dece. The 11TH. 1741.
Rec^D. D^O. Die.

Your most Obed^t. Hum^{le}. Servant John Balchen. To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^B.

CHIEF &C^A. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

Rups. raes
I have recd. a Demand from your Secry. for the sum of 78.—. 90. for the short delivering of my Cargo from Bbay but as I have delivered [sic] I Cask of cartouch Boxes, & 24 Claw Hammers more than specified in the Bill of Lading, & all the Goods in whole Package, presume some mistake was made in Shipping them at Bombay, wherefore I request You will permit me to adjust the Affair wth. the Hon: the President & Council of Bbay & deliver me my Bill of Lading Properly Endorsed.

I am

SIR & SIRS

Tellicherry Dec^e. The 11TH. 1741.

RECP. Do. DIE.

Your most Obed^t. Humble Servant J^{NO}. BALCHEN.

To William Wake Esq^B.

Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

SR. & SES.

This is to advise You, that since my last I have Contracted with a Merchant here for 164 Candies of old Pepper at the rate of 110 Rups. P Candy, wch. I beg You will instantly send me money to pay for, as well as to purchase any Quantity that may be hereafter tendered me.

Since writing the above I have reced your Commands of yesterday which I shall take care to Observe & am.

SIR & SIRS

CALLICUTT DECEMB. THE 11TH. 1741.

RECED. THE 12TH.

Your most Obedient Servant WILLIAM WEST.

To The Worshipfull William Wake Esq^B. Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

Worship^{LL}. Sr. & Sirs

WE have recd. yours of the 1^t. & 2^d. May & 17th. July last, with the several Papers mentioned to be enclosed except Copy of Cap^t. Jacob's Declaration made at Bombay concerning the Stores P Calcutta Grab, & Bermudas Sloop w^{ch}. was Omitted.

We are sorry to acquaint You that the Calcutta Grab has not yet arrived us: The Gentlemen at Fort St. George advise the receipt of a Letter from Capt. Beck acquainting them that being leaky that Vessel was Obliged to put into Columbo, where the Master designed to repair her, & was assisted with money by the Dutch Government but we have since received no other news & are in pain for her safety.

The Hallifax arrived us in Safety. By her we reced such remains of the Pepper Laden on board at your Port & Callicutt, as the Gentlemen at Fort S^t. George could spare from their Occasions. We find ourselves charged in your Invoice for 4 Candies loss in weight, & in that from M^r. West with 10³/₄ Candies,

which we have advised the Gentlemen at Bombay, we shall Deduct out of the Amount of the said Invoices, & give that Presidency Credit for the Amount of the nett Quantity Laden on that Ship.

We have also rec^d. a Letter from M^r. West with Copy of his Protest against Cap^t. Blake, for not taking in the full Quantity of Pepper Ordered by You, & Captain Blakes Answer thereto, both which we transmit to Bombay for the Gentlemen there to settle it with the Cap^t. as they shall think proper.

Concerning the military Stores Treasre. &ca. Laden on the Hallifax from Bombay for Anjengo, they were all deliver'd at Madrass as the Gentlemen there, & having heard nothing of them since, We imagine they have found an Opportunity of transmitting them on some of the Vessels from that Port bound to the Mallabar Coast.

We are Obliged for the Advices You have been pleased to give us of the Arrival & Dispatch of several of our Hon: Master's ships at Your Port.

In answer to what you are pleased to write about the several Stores said to be missing of those sent with the Party to Bombay under Cap^t. Jacob's Comm^d. & on the Calcutta Grab, & Bermudas Sloop, we have made a strict Enquiry into it; As there was no proper Receipt taken, for the Swords, Musquets, Bayonetts, & Halberts, & as the Soldiers have Declared they had no Swords delivered to them we shall make the Person Account und^r. whose Charge they were, but in regard to the Other particulars, Cap^t. Jacobs hath acquainted us with the purport of his Declaration at Bombay, & as these things were Ordered ashore at Tellicherry without his knowledge, we think it hard to oblige him to pay for them; We observe you have found the 4 Brass musquetoons, said to be wanting, & probably others of these missing Articles may come to Light in a little more time.

We have now with us our Hon: Master's ships, The Bedford, Prince of Orange, London, King William, Beaufort, Nassau, and Wager, wch. Ship arrived in the river the 29th. Ulto. In our Hon: Master's Commands by her, we are advised they have entertained the Porto Bello 300 Tonns, Capt. Benjamin Fisher, for Bombay, The Tygris 300 Tonns Capt. Jno. Petre for Coast and Bay, and the Neptune 300 Tons Capt. Francis Dabbadie for Bencoolen. The first of these ships they proposed to Dispatch the latter end of April, & the other two by the last of May, in order to send the freshest Advices of the Situation of Affairs in Europe. The Admiral Vernon was at Portsmouth when Capt. Raymond left England and the Scarborough & Kent were proposed to be dispatched soon aftr. him: The Gentlemen at Fort St. George advise that the Cæsar & Prince of Wales were dispatched from thence the 26th. Septem. who they supposed would sail with the Nottingham for England the next Day.

We intend to Dispatch the Bedford, Prince of Orange, & Beaufort by the 1^t. of Dec^r. if possible directly for Europe & the King William & the Wager we shall send by the middle of that month to be filled up at Madrass. We are

FORT WILLIAM
THE 2^p. Novem^b. 1741.
Rec^p. | Hallifax.
Dec^b. The 12^{rb}.

Worship^{ll}. S^R. & Sirs

Your most Humble Servants

Tho⁸. Braddyll.

Jn^o. Forster.

W. Davis.

With. [sic] Barwell.

Jn^o. Halsey.

To William Wake Esq. Chief and M. William Jeynson.

SIRS

I have this day survey'd the Hon: Companys Ships Onslow & Hallifax, & find them both in a Condition agreeable to Charter Party, as to the number of men, Guns & Quantity of Ammunition. The Hallifax has on board ten Lascars to make up her fur[ther] Compliment, I am

Sirs

Your most Obedient and most Humble Servant GEO: HAMILTON.

TELLICHERRY DECEMB. THE 13TH. 1741. RECD. DO. DIE.

To William Wake Esq^R.

Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

This morng. I recd. yours of Yesterdays date, with 20,000 Rups. wch. wth. the Bill I drew on You in favour of Mr. Stirling for 6000, makes the sum of 26,000 Rups. wch. you have Credit for, & this Eveng. I made another Contract for 50 Candys of Pepper at 110 Rupees P Candy.

By the two Toneys that brought the Treasure I return the Soldiers that came upon them, with one that was here before: Also by them You will receive four chests of Wax Candles for Bbay wch. with the 10 Chests sent up in October makes seventy Maunds. There is likewise in these Toneys 5 Chests of Biscuit, wch. were provided for Mr. Byfeld & by mistake charged in the enclosed Account; The 5 Chests that contain the Biscuit are Cardamom Chests provided here; The enclosed Account likewise contains what is sent upon the Chiefs Munchua, wch. departs this night.

I am

CALLICUTT,
DECEMB. THE 13TH. 1741.
RECD. THE 14TH.
TONEY.

Sr. & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Humble Servant
WILLIAM WEST.

To William Wake Esq^b.

Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

Since mine of the 13th. Inst[‡]. w^{ch}. advised you of my hav^g. contracted for Ca's.

fifty Candies of Pepper, I have Contracted for 177 more at 110 Rupees & Candy web. I request You will instantly send me money for the paym^t. of, as well as a further sum for the providing of more, & the Disbursements of the Factory.

The French Linguist has Orders to invest Pepper but this being their Christmas has not yet set about [it] w^{ch}. I have taken the advantage of, & he will now find it very difficult to purchase a Quantity. The [sic] are in some Merchant hands

at this place from 100 to 200 Candys of fine old Pepper, but they will not part wth, it und. 115 Rupees P Candy wch. I think it worth as it will Lose no more in weight however the giving of it now I am sensible may enhance the new Crop.

CALLICUTT,

DECB. THE 15TH. 1741.

Rес^р, тне 16^{тн}.

P. TONEY.

I am,

Sr. & Sirs

Your most Obedient Humble Servant WILLIAM WEST.

To Will^m. Wake Esq^b.

Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs

Last night came to hand yours of yesterdays date with the two Chests of Treasure containing 10,000 Rupees each wch. You shall have Credit for. Pepper is very much risen in price here & not a merchant in the place will now Contract for any, alledging they themselves shall be Obliged to Give 110 rups. Candy to make good the Quantity they have engaged to deliver me. On Sunday morning I purpose going to Tannore to see what I can do there, but I am Afraid, whatever Quantity I may chance to meet with, that it will not be cheaper. I am

CALLICUTT,

SIR & SIRS

DECEMB. 18TH. 1741.

Your most Obed^t. Humble Servant WILLIAM WEST.

P.S. By the Toneys I return the Soldiers & four Buoys & Ropes.

RECD. THE 20TH. P TONEY.

To William Wake Esq^b. Chief & M^b. William Jeynson.

Sirs

It was not till yesterday that I arriv'd here when immediately I set myself about enquiring what Pepper belonging to Hur Comaty was Lodged here, & cannot find the Quantity exceeds 20 Candies, excepting about 40 more which are still attached by the Portuguese Factor & which he absolutely refuses to Discharge, before Hur Camoty has settled his Accounts with a certain Gentoo Merchant at Goa.

Mr. Crommelin before his Departure communicated to me a Letter he had reced the day before from Hur Camoty at Bedrure [sic]; It but too well confirms the suspicions Entertained of his Backwardness, or rather absolute contempt of his Engagement entered into last Season with the Presidency. He there pretends the Pepper now Attached by the Factor was lodged here on Accot. his Contract with the Hon: Company, tho' it is well known that it was sent hither from Onore for sale, & very fairly Offers it as a part of his Contract, if we will only break off the seals & take Possession of it. At the same time his Agent refuses to deliver the 20 Candies that are unattached on pretence of waiting for Hur Camotys Orders, but in the Interim neglects no Opportunities of selling it out in small Quantities. I shall use my utmost Endeavours to get Possession of this Pepper by fair means as the coming to Extremities for so small a Quantity as 20 Candys where there remain

upwards of 86 due on his Contract, besides a Surplus of Cash still in his hands, might rather prejudice than promote the Conclusion of this Affair. If however no other means will prevail, I shall before my departure attach it in the Hon: Companys Name.

On my Arrival here I found the Portuguese Factor embroiled wth. the Government who some days ago invested the Factory wth. 300 men, but yesterday were withdrawn to about 50. They talk too of erecting a Fortification that is to Command the Factory. As things seem tending to a Rupture I have not yet Lodged the two Chests of Treasure in the Factors hands but have secured them where I am till I can see how the Dispute is like to End.

I have Exchanged 6000 Rups. at the rate of 352 \$\mathbb{P}\$ 100 Pagodas, wch. is the most favourable Exchange that has Offered this Season, & shall not fail during my stay here to procure Pagodas with the Remaindr. on the most advantageous Terms.

The new Crop of rice is not yet come in & I Believe it will be 15 or 20 Days ere it is brought to Town in any Quantities. Old Rice is now sold at about 19½ Pagds. Pages.

MANGALORE,

DECEM^B. THE 22^D. 1741.

RECD. THE 24TH.

P Toney.

I am very respectfully Sirs,

Your most Obedient and most Humble Servant, GEORGE HAMILTON.

To William Wake Esq². Chief & M². William Jeynson.

Sirs

This morning I reced your Commands of the 24th. Instt. & in Obedience thereto now Dispatch the Express Boat to You.

Having been advised since the Date of my last by the Portuguese Factor & others to Attach the 20 Candies of Pepper said to belong to Hur Camoty without further Loss of time, lest in the Interim his Agent here should dispose of it, I accordingly went with that Intent to the Godown where it is Lodged, wch. is in the house of one of the Head Shroffs, but on my preparing to Affix the Seals the Shroff oppos'd it wth. great Vehemence, urging that he had Advanced to Sancra Senay 300 Pagodas on that Pepper, so that finding him inflexible I was Obliged to desist. Sancra Senay on his part Alledges that the Pepper is assign'd to him by Hur Camoty, for payment of 50 Candies of Beetle nut, Laden by him on one of his Shybars, & Offers to make proof of it. On the whole I find the Affair so much Embarrass'd that I fear there is but Little Satisfaction to be obtained at present.

The Government have entirely withdrawn their People from about the Portuguese Factory, but whether their Dispute is wholly accommodated I am as yet ignorant.

I have Exchanged in all ten thousand Rupees (10,000), 8000 at 352 and 2000 at three fifty four Rups. \$\mathbb{P}\$ 100 Pagodas. But as the Exchange is now rising I fear I shall not be able to putt off the Remainder at the same rates.

MANGALORE,

DECEMB. 26TH. 1741.

RECD. THE 27TH, TONEY.

I am very respectfully

Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient and most Humble Servant George Hamilton.

To William Wake Esq^b. Chief &c⁴. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

On the 21st, Inst^t. I repaired to Tannore, & returned from thence the 24th. During my stay there I held several Conferences with the Pepper Merch^{ts}. of the place, who informed me that 3 or 400 Candies were yearly to be Bought there, but that then only a small Quantity remained unsold, the price whereof was 470 Callicut fans. the candy, wch. tho more moderate than at Callicutt, I defer giving till I hear from You as I must first Advance the money for the Pepper, wch. indeed I conceive no risque in doing, & should You approve thereof please to send me down ten thousand Rupees I am

CALLICUTT

Sir &-Sirs,

Dесем^в. тне 31^т. 1741.

Your most Obed^t. Humble Servant WILLIAM WEST.

RECED JAN^{RY}. 1^T. 1741/2.

P TONEY.

To William Wake Esq^b.

Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

Last night I recd. your Lett. of the 1t. Inst. wth. a Chest of Treasure containing 10,000 Rupees, for which I have given Tellicherry Credit; As to what you are pleased to Order in respect to the purchasing of Pepper at Tannore shall be Observed, tho I am greatly Afraid none now will be procureable at near the price I advised You it was Offered to me when I was there, as the Merchants at Cochin ask 110 Rupees for 560 lbs. which make the Candy of that place, however I have, sent a proper person to Tannore to Enquire into the Quantity & price of the Pepper remaining now there of which on his return I shall advise You.

CALLICUTT

I am

JANRY. THE 3D. 1741/2.

SIR & SIRS

RECD. THE 4TH. PR. TONEY.

Your most Obedient Humble Servant WILLIAM WEST.

To William Wake Esqs.
Chief &c. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIRS

An Express Boat carry'd our last to You under the 2^d. Ulto. but we since Learn she has unfortunately fell into our Enemy Angria's hands; We therefore now Dispatch another for the purpose mentioned in our said Letter, Duplicate whereof comes Enclosed.

Sambajees Fleet of About Seven Grabs & 13 Gallevats lately proceeded so low as Onore, off which Port the [y] met the French Ship said in our last to be arrived at Goa, who was proceeding to the Southward, The particulars of the Actions as well as the Consequences of her being taken we presume You have long before this been apprized of. The Enemy we are told will about this time

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appear abroad again with nine Grabs, but as we have given Directions, that all Ships come up sufficiently consorted, & rely upon your prudence for seeing the same duely performed, so we are under no Apprehensions from any Attempts that may be made on the Shipping expected up the Coast.

We have not reced any Advices from your place than what has been already acknowledged receipt of, tho' we impatiently expect some will shortly reach us.

The Queen Caroline is now in Sight From Surat.

We are

Bombay Castle
Jan^{ry}. The 2^D. 1741/2.

REC^D. THE 17TH.

P. PATTAMAR BOAT.

SIR
Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
JNO. GEEKIE.
JNO. MORLEY.
WILLM. SEDGWICKE.
GEO: DUDLEY.

To William Wake Esq^R.

Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

We wrote You last under the 21^t. Ult^o. & its Duplicate we now enclose by this Express Boat, whom we purposely dispatch to give you an Opportunity of Communicating any Advices You may think immediately of our Notice, or future Conjunctures may require.

The Arrival of a French Ship & the force mentioned in our last to be Expected, has been since confirm'd; What their Designs are is variously conjectur'd, tho the general Report is an Attempt upon Mombass. We for our parts must own so large a force in these Seas affords us great uneasiness and in which your Settlement more immediately engages our Attention. We have already given You Directions so far as we can foresee to Guard against any Attempts on Our Honourable Masters Settlement and Trade but indeed our main Dependance must be on your Prudence for Conserting the Best Measures, and on which we entirely Rely.

We impatiently Expect to hear from your Settlement. We are

BOMBAY CASTLE

DECEMB. THE 2º. 1741.

RECD. THE 17TH, PATTAMAR BOAT.

SIRS

Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
JNO. GEEKIE.
JOHN MORLEY.
WM. SEDGWICKE.

GEO: DUDLEY.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.

CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

STRS

This accompanys a Duplicate of what we wrote You by an Express Boat under the 2^d. Inst^t. & shall now proceed to reply to Your Letters of the 13th. & 14th. of Decem^r. delivered us yesterday on the Arrival of ship Onslow, with such others as came in her Company. They did not meet Angria in their Passage hither.

We are well Satisfy'd with your diligence in expediting the Dispatch of the Fort St. George, tho' we are sorry to find some Dimorrage will be incurred.

You were right in Transmitting a Lre by the Ceres for being forwarded over Land to the Company, as our Advices lately to them that way, left them in great uncertainty as to the Concerns of your Settlement.

We depend on your care in providing the Quantity of Sandall Wood in Aid of the Onslows Tonnage to China & Leave to You the management of your purchases of Pepper at Callicutt, being assured You will duely consider the tendency it may have towards the enhancing the Value in the parts about Tellicherry.

There is from what Appears too much reason to fear Hur Camoty will Injure our Hon: Masters by Having, possession of a larger Sum of money than he is likely to Deliver in pepper, we must press You to Apply every method for Extricating the Company from him as we shall likewise do on our parts, tho 'twill be difficult for us to obtain any redress here, as any Trade he may carry on here to this port, will scarcely come to our knowledge, whereby we might gain relief.

Duely considering on the means for transporting to You the 12,000 Bales of rice which You say would be in readiness the 20th. Inst. at Mangalore, we have come to a Resolution of Ordering the Onslow down in Consort to the Hallifax & Queen Caroline, hoping they will leave us by the Day precited, but as the Detension of the Onslow for a considerable time, might prevent her timely return we shall fix her Stay for receiving the rice to 8 days, and that every method of Dispatch may be applied, the Pesidt now writes the person You employ there to hold the Quantity in perfect readiness, to wth. end the Boat carryt this, will first call at Mangalore & afterwards proceed to You, & here we must inform You that we cannot allow the said Ships stays longer at your place than till the 24th. Febry. tho it would be very pleasing to us if she may return sooner in Convoy to the Shipping expected from Bengall & other parts, & she may bring up all the masts she can conveniently stow, together wth. the Timber formerly Ordered to be provided for Gombroon or otherwise, & any Coir You may have purchased; We suppose the Timber may easily be Convey'd from Callicutt, without Ordering the Ship thither for receiving it.

Remember to Acquaint us what prospect there may be of vending the Sword Blades, as we have many by us that cannot be put off here.

We must chiefly depend upon You for recovering the Samorines Debt; Indeed Expostulations have been repeatedly try'd without Effect, but however we cannot conveniently enter into any other method at present; We acquiesce with your desisting to Rebuild the Factory at Callicutt untill You esteem it most Eligible, especially since the materialls will not Spoil.

Long have we thought that the holding so many small Fortresses, was a grievous weight on the Compy. & yet as Circumstances Offered there was no avoiding it. But if you find they can be Vacated, namely Putinha, Andola & Teremalla, without the appearance of future ills we shall be extremely pleased therewith and as the French have spent so much money, & begin to perceive the folly of maintaining such a number of places, we hope they will readily concert with you in the above matter & confine themselves within their former Limits of Trade & Possessions.

Considering the extraordinary Force of the French, we are glad to find a willingness in them to Concert such a Peace with Boyanore as will not Injure the Interest of our Employers & on this foundation You were surely right in endeavouring to reconcile the Parties, hoping soon to receive the Advice of a Satisfactory Completion.

We will Endeavour to get the Grants & Agreem^{ts}. translated, w^{ch}. You have now sent up tho' as the people with You must better understand the full meaning of every Expression, we wish it could have been done with You.

Whenever your Circumstances will admit we are persuaded you will Endeavour to reduce every Expence not truly requisite, for You are sensible that the high price of Pepper with such a Load of Charge can never answer to our Employers.

We will send You the Account Adjustment respecting the Onslows Invoice hither by next Occasion, & inform You of the Value of 44 Iron hoops kept with You.

You must Endeavour to render your implements usefull for Cleaning the Pepper as soon as you can & in case you fail of so doing, on what is to go on the Departing Ships, note the reasons to our Hon: Masters. We perceive thro' some mistake, some of the things were not deliver'd but we Conceive they are Left by the Fort S^t. George at Anjengo, whither You will do right in applying for them in case they were there Landed.

Whatever Loss arose by Leakage on the Arrack delivered by Mr. Jenkinson, must in reason fall on our Hon: Masters, & You may transmit the residue of the Contract by the Onslow hither, we shall before her departure Examine its Goodness & accordingly direct You in providing a Quantity for future Occasions.

We have already signified that You do send on the Onslow what Coir You may have purchased, & leave You to consider what more 'twill be convenient to Buy in pursuance of our Indent, & the Ability of the Ship to Convey the same, with the Masts & Timber hither, noting that she must on no Account be Lumbered to prevent her making a proper Resistance as a Ship of War.

When the above named Ship sails, let us know the number of Poon Masts & Yards remaining whether they are likely to be of use if kept longer & if they should be sold what Loss will probably Arise.

We have pitched on M^r . John Lemon Brandling to proceed on one of the Ships departing, to the Assistance of your Settlement. We are

Bombay Castle, Janry. The 9th. 1741/2.

P.S.

On the Ships Hallifax & Q. Caroline we shall Lade 271 Bas. of peice Goods provided at Surat, 150 Tons Salt Petre, & 60 Tons red wood; The remaindr. for compleating their Loading will Lie on You to Deliver in Pepper wch. we are Assur'd You will hold in readiness that no time may be Lost.

RECD. THE 18TH.
PATTAMAR BOAT.

SIRS,
Your Loving Friends,
STEPHEN LAW.
JOHN GEEKIE.
JOHN MORLEY.
W: SEDGWICKE,

GEO: DUDLEY.

To William Wake Esqb. CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS.

No Ship having called to give us an Opportunity of sending our Packet to the Hon: the President & Council of Bombay, we now Dispatch this Boat to You Desiring You'll please to forward it by the first Conveyance.

We have waited some Days past expecting to be able to give some Account of the progress of the Dutch, who are now within 2 Leagues of us, & are hourly expected to come agst. Attinga, which is likewise ready to Receive them, but what detains them we can't say.

Our Stores recd. from the Fort St. George came out right according to Invoice, wch. You desired we would give you an Account of. We are

Anjengo,

JANBY, THE 12^{TH} , 1741/2

RECD, THE 18TH.

P TONEY.

Sir & Sirs,

Your most Humble Servants,

CHA⁸. WHITEHILL.

THOS. PATTLE.

THOMAS LANE.

MAY SCLATER.

To Will'M. WAKE Esqu. CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

I have recd. yor. Commds. of the 18th. before wch. by my Orders the Pepper here was embaling & will be in readiness when any Ship shall come to take it in, as I hope will the Rem. of the several particulars indented for, for the service of Bombay, excepting Coir (little or none being procureable) by the end of this month.

Enclosed is list of the particulars sent & remaining here of the Bbay & Tellicherry Indents, likewise a price Current, & tomorrow I will forward You the several items of the Ballance of the Linguist's Accounts for last month

On Saturday last, one of the Samorines Ministers came to take his Leave of me before he went to Penang; This I thought a proper time to ask him, whether he Believ'd the Samorine intended to begin to Discharge his debt to the Company, as he promis'd in April next & he told me he certainly would, unless some unforeseen Accident befell him.

Rups.
Pepper continues still at upwards of 105. P Candy, & a Merchant of this place last night told me that the Moors in Boyanore's Country continue still, tho' in lesser quantities to bring Pepper to this Port.

Herewith You will receive a List of Chunam & Cardamom Chests Laden on board the Chief's Long Boat, amounts. to Callicutt fans. 328. 4 vis as # Account

CALLICUTT

THE 21^T. JAN^{BY}. 1741/2.

Reco. 230. P Toney.

SIR & SIRS,

Your most Obedt. Humble Servant, WILLIAM WEST.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS.

Herewith you will receive the Account of Disbursements &ca. of this Factory for last month with Account of the Ballance of Cash remaining, & sundry necesfans. vis

sarys for Bbay & Tellicherry, amounting to fans. Callicutt 17171. 6. exclusive of the 10,000 Rupees recd. this 2d. Instt.

The Gov^r. of this place came this morng. to take his Leave of me before he went to Penany; In our Discourse I asked him whether the Samorine in April next would send his people hither with the whole or part of his Debt, or must I repair to Penany to receive it in Answer to wch. he told me that in April the Samorine would certainly give new Olas for his Debt, but that he could not begin to Discharge any part thereof till the feast of Mamanga was over, when there would be no further Delays; In reply thereto I Lett him know that You were writing to the Company, & would Advise them of the Samorines Ingratitude & that unless he did begin to Clear his Debt in a short time, he would (contrary to their inclination) Oblige the Governour & Council of Bombay to recover the same by force, to which he said no more than that He would acquaint the Samorine therewith I am

CALLICUTT

THE 22D. JANBY. 1741/2.

SIR & SIRS,
Your most Obed^t. Humle. Servant,
WILLIAM WEST.

P.S. As I have Occasion to remit to England 30 Pounds Stirling I desire You will be pleased to send me Bills for that sum upon the Honble Company, for w^{ch}. I have Desired the Chief to pay You the Amount in Rupees; The Bills are to be payable to Gilbert West Esq^r, in London.

IDEM W.WEST. RECP. THE 24TH. TONEY.

To William Wake Esqs. Chief &c. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIRS

Under the 9th. Ins^t. we reply'd to yours of the 13th. & 14th. Ulto. which was forwarded by an Express Boat & on the 17th. came to hand yours of the 29th.

We now Dispatch our Hon: Masters ships Hallifax, Queen Caroline, & Onslow, the two former directly for your port, in Order to compleat their Tonnage, & then proceed to Great Brittain; The Quantity of Goods they have taken in here will Appear by the enclosed Calculates of their Tonnage, & what is further wanted must be furnish'd by You, as well as any Surplus pepper the Commanders may request they expressly promising such exceedings shall be on the Terms of Freight usually allow'd of, which you are well acquainted.

The Onslow after consorting these Ships as low as Mangalore, has our Orders to call there and receive the rice expected to be in readiness either the whole or such a part as can be procured in eight Days, longer than which she is not to stay, from whence she will then make the Best of her way to your Port; & as we did in our last give the necessary Directions wth. respect to her return hither, so we have only to Add they must be strictly complied with.

The Arrack sent up on the Onslow proves extremely bad, insomuch that we cannot give it our people & indeed we are afraid will prove a certain Loss to our Hon: Masters we have caused 6 Bottles taken out of the Casks to be returned you together with One of the samples we contracted by, which will Demonstrate the truth of what we have said; You must therefore represent this Matter to Mr. Jenkinson, & if possible procure our Hon: Masters some satisfaction.

Capt. Blake being in want of Cables for his Ship, You are to deliver that of about 16 Inches web. is now lying at your place, charging it at 30 ? Cent advance on the Invoice price.

As the Dispatch of the Onslow to China is of great concern to our Hon: Masters, we recommend to You to expedite her return by all means possible & wch. we hope may be sooner than the time limited.

We would have you provide & send us by the first convenient Opportunity 10 Chests of Candles each containing 5 Maunds for the Service of this place.

In the last we intimated our Opinions on the holding so many Fortresses, & are extremely pleased the late Agreem^t. with the french, has rendered it no Longer necessary, for certain it is their Conduct alone brought on such a necessity w^{ch}. answer'd no other End than to cause an Extraordinary Encrease of Expence, besides separating the Force which ought to have remaind in the principal place, and we hope the French will, since Experience must have shewn them the Evils of a Contrary conduct, persevere in what Appears to be their present Intentions, & certainly is most for the Interest of their & our Employers.

In the Articles transmitted we perceive a reference for the receipt of our Orders, but here we must Acquaint You, that as we Esteem You on the spot very competent Judges, & in some cases any Delay may bring on great Difficulties, so we shall at all times rely on your prudence & Management on a firm reliance that the Companys Interest & advantage will be the point of View in all your Actions.

We have Consign'd you on the Hallifax & Queen Caroline in part of what required for the Service of your Settlement the sum of 80,000 Rupees equally Divided, which is all we could prepare in new Money, & the remainder of your Demands shall be forwarded by some of the latter Ships.

On the Hallifax we have Laden some Stores design'd for the Service of Anjengo, but as we know not certain whether either of the Ships will call at that port, tho' it is said Cap^t. Blake will, we Leave to you to receive or let them remain, on Board, & you will naturally remember, that should the Comm^r. offer to Convey them it must be without any Claim for that Service on our Hon: Masters.

The Boat taken by Cota Marcar, belonging to Mr. Morley we must Recommend to You to Obtain a full satisfaction for, & by a proper Application to the Samorine we hope You will be able to put an Effectual stop to such piratical Actions in future.

Mr. John Lemon Brandling now proceeds on this Ship to your Assistance; His salary is paid to the 2^d. January & diet to the last of this month.

You may receive from the Commanders of these Ships such sums as they may Offer to pay into your Cash, giving them Certificates specifying the Amount & refer the Exchange to be settled in England.

We have called upon Cap^t. Blake to register the private Trade he has on board for England, but he alledges he cannot do it here with any Exactness, & therefore desires to render that Account at your place, You must therefore remember this be duely complied with, administring an Oath that the Account contains the full Quantity & Value of all Goods Laden as his private adventure homeward bound, within the Value of 100 Pounds Sterl: transmitting the same to our Hon: Masters.

Cap^t. Blake has represented that he may possibly want some money for the service of his Ship before he Leaves your Port but cannot be certain how much, tho he imagines it will exceed 2000 Rupees; You may therefore advance him to

that Amount on the Charter Party Conditions taking his Bond which must be transmitted on the Ship to the Company.

We enclose You an account shewing the Difference between what Invoiced & received, of the Godolphin's Cargo on the Onslow, which do You acquaint us particularly how the same has Arisen.

On the Hallifax takes Passage David Williams, & Derrick Vormer designed for Anjengo; You will therefore procure a Conveyance for them, should neither of those Ships proceed thither.

Should the Hallifax & Queen Caroline be Dispatched together as we suppose they will, Recommend to the Commanders as we have already done, to keep Company home for their mutual safety. We are

SIRS,

Your Loving Friends,
STEPHEN LAW.
JOHN GEEKIE.
JOHN MORLEY.
WILLIAM SEDGWICKE.
GEORGE DUDLEY.

Bombay Castle, January the 22°. 1741/2. Reco. # Hallifax the 31°.

To William Wake Esq[®]. Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS,

In Answer to the Lett. Recd. from your Secretary of this days Date, I do hereby Engage to deliver the Sundry Stores therein mentioned for the Settlement of Anjengo (the Danger of the Seas only Excepted) in my way to Great Brittain, & do likewise Declare on the part of my Owners, that the Hon: United English East India Company shall be exempt from all Claims on that Account.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your most Obed^t. Humble. Servant, JOHN BLAKE.

TELLICHERRY, FEBEN. THE 1^T. 1741/2. REC^D. Do. DIE.

Attesed to be a true Copy.

WILLIAM JEYNSON.
THOMAS BYFELD.

Mess^{rs}. Holmes & Inchbird their Report concerning Bypore Arrack.

We the underwritten having Tasted, Examined & Approved a Quantity of Arrack delivered at Tellicherry by Mr. George Jenkinson on Account of his Contract with the Hon: the President & Council of Bombay, who have been pleased to Dissaprove of the same, as being of too weak Body for their Service & withall Sour, hereby Testifie we think it of equal strength, Flavour, & Goodness with double Distilled Goa Arrack.

James Inchbird. Josiah Holmes.

TELLICHERRY, FEBRY THE 6TH. 1741/2. REC^D. Do. DIE. To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.

CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIRS.

The Express Boat arriving yesterday, your Letter of the 15th. Instant was Delivered us, which we shall hereafter Reply to.

We send this purposely to enclose two Packetts for our Hon: Masters to be forwarded them by the Hallifax & Queen Caroline, which you are to transmitt by the different Ships as marked on the respective Packets.

We are

SIRS.

Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
JOHN GEEKIE.
JOHN MORLEY.
WILLIAM SEDGWICKE.
GEORGE DUDLEY.
EDWARD OWEN.

BBAY CASTLE, JANUARY THE 28TH. 1741/2.

RECD. FEBRY, 8TH.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.

CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

Sir & Sirs,

About 7 o'th' Clock yesterday morning the Queen Caroline sailed from this Port; she would have been Dispatched the night before, but it being a very windy night and there being consequently a great Sea, not a Mucqua in the place would go on board. Copy of Sundry Papers I sent to England, are herewith enclosed. I am

Sir & Sirs,

CALLICUTT,
THE 10TH. FEBRUARY 1741/2.
REC^D. THE 11TH.
TONEY.

Your most Obed^t. Humle. Servant, William West.

To the Hon: Court of Directors of the United Comp of Merch^{ts}. of England trading to the East Indies.

HONBLE SIRS

On the 3^d. Inst^t. Imported your Ship Queen Caroline, on board of whom by the Tons

Direction of the Chief and Councill of Tellicherry I have Laden 259, 569 decs. of Pepper, and 27 Tons, 0362 Decimals at half Freight as by the Commandrs. Request enclosed, the whole amounting to Callicutt Fanams 437735. 14. Vis or Rupees 95826.592 decs. as P Invoice and Bill of Lading enclosed.

Pepper Rises in value every Day at this Port & is now worth 120 Rupees the Candy, from the Great Demand there is for it in all parts of India.

The Gentlemen at Tellicherry have informed your Honours of my having been to Dunn the Samorine for his Debt & the Effects thereof; He went from hence in December last, & then promis'd either to begin in April next to discharge or give

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new Olas for the same, which latter I am inclined to think he will do, as he is now stripping his subjects of their money to Defray his Expences at the Feast of Mamanga which is not before April twelve month next.

Cap^t. Birkhead since his Arrival has shipp'd some private Trade on board, List of which is enclosed. By this Ship I send the 1^t. Bill of Exchange for 30£^s. Sterl: granted me by your servants at Tellicherry upon your Honours. I am

CALLICUT THE 9TH. FEB^{RY}. 1741/2.

RECD. AT TELLICHERRY.
THE 11TH. P TONEY.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Dutifull Humle. Servant
William West.

MR. WEST.

SIR

Having near my Tonnage in, and my Ship not being near full I desire you will Lett me have what Pepper you can upon half Freight.

Your Compliance Sr. will greatly Oblige

Yr. most humble Servant Chas. Birkhead.

CALLICUTT
FEBEY. THE 6TH. 1741./2
RECD. AT TELLICHERRY.
THE 11TH, P. TONEY.

To William Wake Esq^R.

Chief &C^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

We reced your Letter of the 19th. Ulto. the 25th. & that of the 1^t. Inst^t. the 5th. with the Packet from the Presidency.

Agreeable to permission from our Superiours we shall in two or three Days Dispatch a Munchua up to You with 12 Bales of the third sort of our Investment which we could not send home, to be forwarded to them by the return of the Onslow, & the same Vessel will bring us the Plank for Our Warehouse, you have provided ready at Callicutt.

For these eight days past there has been a Cessation of Arms between the Dutch & King of Travencore; Several Olas has past, but from what we can judge there is but little likelyhood of coming to an Agreement; The Hollanders have taken a small Fort about 2 miles inland of Attinga, where the Commodore, Changenaut & Vanjamuttanpoola, with their forces remain.

Pedro d'Cruce Madrass & Alexander De Rozar two of your soldiers were returned to You before we reced your Letter of the 23^d. Nov^r. so that it was not rup^s. q^r. raes.

in our power to make the stoppage of 7.—. 80 which you will please to recover of them & not Debt this Settlement for it

We shall be ready to receive what Stores the Presidency may have sent us on the Hallifax, as soon as she comes nigh us, without Detaining her in the least.

We are Sirs

Anjengo Febry. The 7th. 1741/2. Rec^d. The 15th. Your most Humle. Servants Chas. Whitehill.
Thos. Pattle.
Thos. Lane.
May Sclater.

To William Wake Esq^R. Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIRS

I have by your Order this Day survey'd the Hon: Companys ship Hallifax & find her to be in a condition conformable to Charter Party in respect to her Compliment of Men, Guns & Ammunition.

I am Sirs

Your most Obedient & most Hble Servant George Hamilton.

TELLICHERRY FEBRUARY THE 7TH. 1741/2. REC^D. D^O. DIE.

To William Wake Esq^R. Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

The 7th. by the return of the Your Toney we acknowledged the receipt of your Letter under the 1^t. accompany^g. the Packet from the Presidency.

This is now by the Munchua, on whom we have Laden 12 Bales of the Company's Cloth being the 3^d. sortment which our superiours has Directed to be sent them up to Bbay, & what we are now to request you'll Order on board the Onslow for that purpose. The Invoice we have enclosed in the Packet to Bombay.

We having a Gunner sent us from Bombay Mr. Chas. Garden now returns on this Conveyance, having reced his pay to the 1st. Instt. & we also return eight Topasses with their Arms whose families receive two parrahs of Batty at Bombay out of their pay \Re month, which makes it impossible to subsist upon the remainder here, so that we Desire you will Order them upon the Onslow, & should the Commander want Provisions for them please to supply him & Debt us for it. We are

SIR & SIRS

Anjengo Feb^{ry}. 9th. 1741/2. Rec^d. the 18th. * Munchua. Your most Humble Servants.

CHA^S. WHITEHILL.

THO^S. PATTLE.

THO^S. LANE.

MAY SCLATER.

To William Wake Esq^B.

Chief &C^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

I have rec^d. your Commands of the 18th. & yesterday in the Afternoon Dispatched the Munchua from Anjengo having first Shippd on board her on Acc^t. of the Hon: Company and consigned to the Chief & Factors at Anjengo 151 Plank containing 935 Covits cost and Charges amounting to 250 Rupees which I advised the Gentlemen you would Debt their Factory for @ 4½ Fanams Callicutt to the Rupee, making Fanams 1125.

The Muster of sword Blades You were pleas'd to send in Order for me to try if I could putt off a Quantity of them and at what price; I have shewn to several Merchants, but they Offer no more for the Large ones than from Thirty to thirty three Rupees & Corge, and the small Ones twenty to twenty three, and the greatest Quantity they will Contract for will not exceed six hundred.

Herewith You will receive the Cash Account and Account of Disbursements for last month.

By this Munchua you will receive 700 Bales of Chunam, Cost & Charges vis amounting to Callicutt Fans. 596. 8 as \$\mathbb{H}\$ Account Enclosed; also by this Munchua You will receive forty large somerades.

There has appeared a Ship to the So ward all this Afternoon, but who she is, it is not yet known. I am

CALLICUTT
FEB: THE 22^p. 1741/2.

RECP. THE 24TH.

SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^t. Humble Servant
WILLIAM WEST.

To William Wake Esq^r. Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

The Hallifax Cap^t. John Blake imported here the 14th. Instant, by whom we rec^d. your favour of the eighth with Invoice & Bill of Lading enclosed. & the Stores turning out very right, We Delivered the Bill of Lading to the Commander.

The Queen Caroline arriv'd the 15th, in the Afternoon & sailed the same night in Company with the Hallifax for Great Brittain.

We are

Sir & Sirs

Anjengo Febry. The 17th. 1741/2. Rec^d. The 24th. Toney. Your most Humble Servants
CHAS. WHITEHILL.
THOS. PATTLE.
THOMAS LANE.
MAY SCLATER

To William Wake Esq^b. Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

WORSHIPLL SIR & SIRS

I take the Liberty to trouble You with the enclosed Protest against the Supercargo & Captain of the Ship Anne, least the Copy which I have sent them at Bombay should not come to hand.

They have knowingly secreted & detained an Officer belonging to the Hon: Company's Ship Hallifax, tho' demanded; As I am sensible these things are very justly resented when any of our Ships receive your People, so I presume You will take a proper Notice of this Behaviour of the Country ships as I am very sorry to say it is too common a Practice at Bengall, where they have the French Factory so near at hand who serve for a Catts Paw till our Ships are sailed, & by that means the Company's Ships are very Often distressed to serve their purpose.

I am

Anjengo Feb^{ry}. 15th. 1741/2. Rec^d. The 24th. WORSHIPFULL Sn. & SIRS
Your most Obedient
& very Humble Servant
JOHN BLAKE.

To M^R. Mordecai Walker Cap^r. & Supercargo and M^R. Pidgeon Chief Mate or Acting Captain of Ship Anne.

Sir,

My second Mate Mr. Thomas Jones having Deserted the Hon: Companys Ship Hallifax at Bengall, I used my utmost Endeavours to recover him but could not, he being seduced by some people to quit the Companys service to go in the Country Ships Employ, & for that purpose had taken Protection at the French Factory till such time we sailed.

We were by sickness & Mortality much weakened & our Compliment reduced, & could not be assisted from the Factory so that I was Obliged to take Lascars.

His Deserting the Ship was made so publick at Bengall that I am pretty well assured you could not be ignorant of it, But if you did not know it there, you cannot Deny but you was thoroughly acquainted of it, when I mett you at Cochin in my return down the Coast.

As I was informed by Letter from Bengall that He was second Mate of your Ship, I sent my Boat on board to Demand him & take him out, but my Officer was Deceived by Capt. Pidgeon bringing a Person unknown to the Officer under the Name of John Jones, & denied to have any such man belonging to your Ship as the person enquired after.

I spoke with Mr. Walker ashore & acquainted him what I had Done for the recovery of my Officer & likewise told him that if I had found the Man on Board, I should have supply'd him with another more capable of the station, as also one I Experienced, having formerly been my Officer in the Mediterranean, who did not Belong to the Hallifax & would have been glad of the Opportunity, so that You are no ways excuseable for detaining my Officer from the Hon: Companys Service I do therefore Protest against you both for whatever Consequences may happen to the Ship Hallifax on that Account, and therefore very fairly give you Notice to provide against it, for I shall take care to represent it to the Company who, I have

some reason to think will shew their Resentment to You as they do to us when we take any people from the service of the Hon: Company tho' even to man their own Ships.

I am,

Anjengo, The 15th. of Feb^{ry}. 1741/2. Rec^v. The 24th. P Toney. SIR,
Your most Obed^t. Humble Servant,
JOHN BLAKE.

TO WILLIAM WAKE ESQR. &CA. COUNCILL.

SIR & SIRS.

Mr. William West having Delivered me here a Protest by Order of your Worship &ca. as from Capt. John Blake Commander of the Hallifax it lies incumbent on me in this Address not only to clear up my Innocence to you, but to convince the said Capt. I have not deserved such treatment from him.

As first the Ship Anne did not arrive in Bengall till a great while after that Cap^t. Blake had sailed from thence & so very late that I even Despaired of getting her out the Season, & as I am no mariner I never knew till I was on board either the Officers or their Names, it being the Province the Cap^t. acts in & not myself but I dare say had Cap^t. Blake wrote to the Governour & Council of an Officer of such Consequence having left him, that they would have given such Orders as no Person would have dared to have shipp'd him, or at least not the Cap^t. of the Anne, & without this the person could not be known by Instinct, neither could it be expected that he would make himself so, when punishment must have been the Conseq^{ce}. of his misdemeanour, so that thus far I hope it will appear to you Gentlemen as likewise the Hon: Company that if there is any fault it is for want of Knowledge not Design.

Cap^t. Blake told me at Cochin, by information from Bengall that he had sent his Pinnace on board the Ann to search her before he came ashore for his second Mate, but that he was not on board; when I had this from himself that he was not there I made no reply or enquiry, as I did not think he left me room after so ungenteel a proceeding.

But I am very much surprized at such severe Usage from the said Capt. without the least provocation, and rather believe he does this to screen himself from a Censure that he is much more deserving of than me, for if ignorantly one of his People had been on board the Anne, sure it is more excuseable than his manning a trading Vessel of his own to this Coast with Officers &c*. from his ship & by this means lessening his Complement of men when he was to pass by the Ports of Angria in his Passage to Bombay & more espescially after so melancholy an Account of Sickness & mortality in Bengall.

I hope Sir & Sirs that what I have said is sufficient to clear up this tho' I can plead no more in my own Behalf, than that I have been these twenty odd Years in India & never had a Complaint of any kind before, & flatter myself that I shall be found undeserving of this.

I am with great Respect.

CALLICUTT, FEBRUARY 28TH. 1741/2. REC^D. MARCH THE 5TH. SIR & SIRS, Your most Obedient Humble Servant. Mor: WALKER. To William Wake Esq^r.

Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS,

By the return of our Munchua wch. arrived here the 25th, we recd. your Letter of the 18th. Ultimo & another from Mr. West with an Account of 151 Teak plank Loaded on her amounting to Rupees 250 for which we shall give your settlement Credit as well as for 18. 1. 60, the Chas. of a Toney bringing our Packet.

Enclosed is a List of the eight Soldiers monthly pay, that was sent up in the Munchua, but from each man is to be deducted two parahs of Batty monthly advanced their Families at Bombay, rups. 1. 3. 20. besides Arrears for 8 months which was not Stopp'd at Madrass, weh. as they could not subsist on their pay here was our reason for returning them & hope some Conveyance will offer for their going up this season; if no Other, we presume if you think proper they will be glad of returning on any of the Bombay Shybars. We are

Anjengo, March the 3°. 1741/2. Rec°. the 14TH. P Shybar. SIR & SIRS,
Your most Humble Servants
CHAS. WHITEHILL.
THOMAS PATTLE.
THOMAS LANE.
MAY SCLATER.

To William Wake Esq^R.

CHIEF &C^A. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS,

By the Chiefs munchua You will receive 109 Bales of Chunam, Cost & Charges of which amounting to Callicutt Fanams 93. 14, and 6000 Olas the Freight whereof is Callt. Fans. 125. 12. likewise by said munchua You will receive 220 Somerades of sorts.

Enclosed is Acc^t . of the above things, likewise Cash Account & Disbursements for last month. I am

Sr. & Sirs,

CALLICUT,
MARCH 18TH. 1741/2.
REC^D. THE 21^T.
MUNCHUA.

Your most Obed^t. Humble Servant, WILLIAM WEST.

-OUR CHIEF &C. COUNCILL AT TELLICHERRY.

- 1. . . . We send [...] [Por]to Bello, Cap^t. Benjamin Fisher, Com^r. bound for Bombay [. . .].
- 2. . . . Five Chests of [. . .] on board [in] case you want any of them the Commander is Ordered to Deliver what You shall require on giving him a receipt for the same.
- 3. . . . He is Directed to stay at your place till some Country or English ships are bound up the Coast & to keep them Company for mutual security.

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- 4. . . . Our Ship Haeslingfield lost her Passage & Wintered at Madagascar, but we thank God was arrived at the Cape of Good Hope & sailed from thence in December for S^t. Helena. We hope this will induce You to give our ships the quickest dispatch possible, & in order thereto that You will exert yourselves to procure Ample Stocks of Pepper annually for the large Tonnage that we are Oblig'd to send on your side India.
- 5. . . The ship Godolphin sail'd from the Cape the 16th. Decr. for your coast.

By the enclosed Gazette you will perceive that the War against Spain continues to be vigorously carried on, but there is no War as yet with France. We are

London, May the 27th. 1741. Your Loving Friends, John Salter. W[™]. BILLERS. Sam: Feake. W™. Rous. W™. RIDER. CHRIST^R. BURROW. P: GODFREY. MICH: IMPEY. W™. BAKER. NAT: NEWNHAM Jun .. D. BRADDYLL. J. EMMERSON. SAM: HYDE. W: MABBOTT. H. Gough. RICHD. BURTON. JOHN HOPE. J. Raymond. R. BLOUNT. JOHN PAYNE. R. BOOTLE. W^M. Pomeroy. ROGER DRAKE.

RECP. MARCH 25TH. 1742. PORTO BELLO.

To William Wake Esq^R.

Chief & M^R. William Jeynson.

SIRS,

On a survey made this Day of the Honble Companys Ship Porto Bello, she appears to be in a condition conformable to Charter Party in respect to her Compliment of [Men], Guns, & Ammunitions.

I am with [respect],

TELLICHERRY,
MARCH THE 26TH. 1742.
REC^D. Do. Die.

Your most Obedient and most Humble Servant, GEO: HAMILTON. To WILLIAM WAKE ESQ^R.

CHIEF &C^A. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS,

As soon as I reced your Commands of the 25th. Ulto. I Dispatched the Chief's Letter to the Governour of this place to Penany, where he has been these 9 or 10 Days, but no Answer is come thereto as yet. Cunhally Moopa, it is said is lurking in the neighbouring Villages in order to seize on an Opportunity to do mischief, to guard against which I have found it necessary to keep some Nairs & other people extraordinary to watch in the Factory at night, which I hope will meet with Your Approval, as I shall employ them no longer than they may be wanted.

The Moors at Penany upon a slight Quarrell with some Nairs about 5 or 6 Mangos, some few days past entered a Nayr's house, kill'd a Nair Woman, & some Nayrs & were themselves afterwards killed; This affair makes a great noise, & will not soon be ended. Another story has likewise since happened at Tannore, some Moors entering a Iavarra's House, beating the People out & cutting off the Ear of a Boy of about 12 years old, for which Offence the King has burned several of their houses down, and made them pay 5000 fanams.

The Linguist by my Order the 1st. Instant wrote a Letter to the Samorines ministers to know when I should wait on the Samorine to adjust his Accounts, as the time was now come wherein he promised to do it. I expect in 3 or 4 days an Answer thereto, but I am afraid nothing but the Account Customs will be Settled before the rains, as the Samorine is very much embarrassed with the Ceremonies of his Anniversary and the Affairs of the Moors.

By these Toneys You will receive one thousand Bamboo Matts, and four ras.

maunds of Wax, amounting to as # Account enclosed, to Callicutt fanams 222 3/4.

The Tullys I have sent people inland to procure, and hope to have them in a few days. I am

CALLICUTT
THE 3^D. APRIL 1742.

SIR & SIRS,
Your most Obedient Humble Servant,
WILLIAM WEST.

P.S. Enclosed I return the London Gazzette. RECD. THE 5TH. P. TONEY.

To Will^M, Wake Esq^R.

Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

SR. & SIRS,

Agreeable to what we have in the former part of the season wrote to our Superiours, that should they chuse to order any ship to Call here in April for Pepper, we would Lodge Advices with you of the Quantity we may have by us which is the Occasion of this Balloon to Inform You that we have now in the Warehouse 450 Candies ready.

The 14 Inst^t. Imported our Hon: Masters ship the Porto Bello & sailed for your Port the 16th. & having had continually southerly Winds ever since, we hope she has mett wth. a favourable Passage to You & will enable her to gett to Bombay before the Monsoon setts in.

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The King of Travancore has on the Comm^r. returning to Cochin, ordered his Forces to Surround Climanure & stopped all Avenues to it; There was an Attempt made to relieve it but the King of Travancore had greatly the Advantage in the Skirmish.

We wish You Success in our Hon: Master's Affairs & Are

SR. & SIRS.

Anjengo, March 28th. 1742. Your most Humble Servants, CHA^s. WHITEHILL. THO^s. PATTLE. MAY SCLATER.

SE. & SIRS,

Since Writing the above we rec^d. y^r. Lett^r. of y^e. 19th. Inst^t. P Duke of Cumberland Sloop the 30th. wth. the Cash of Trays you mention amount^g. to Rup^s. 25. 2. 70 w^{ch}. we shall give y^r. Settlem^t. due Credit for.

As we make no Doubt the Porto Bello reach'd You a few Days after writing of y^r. Letter, we presume You have forwarded our Bales to the Presidency on her, but should it otherwise happen, we request you will please to keep them till a suitable Conveyance offers.

We are,

SR. & SIRS,

Anjo.

March. 30th. 1742.
Rec^p. April the 8th.

Balloon.

Yr. most Hble Servants, Chas. Whitehill. Thos. Pattle. May Sclater.

To William Wake Esq^B.
Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sir & Sirs,

Enclos'd You will receive Cash Account for last Month, and Account of Disbursements, likewise Translate of the Samorines Ola to Francisco Dias on the Latter's writing to Penany to know what time this month I should wait on the Samorine to adjust his Debt with the Honble Company.

You will perceive by said Translate that he Desires a little more time to be given him, the reason whereof as I am Informed is that he is very much embarrass'd wth. an inland King, & his troublesome Subjects the Moors, tho' he certainly intends to begin to pay his Debt to the Company this Year.

We want conveyances to send up the Olas &ca. not a Munchua being to be Freighted in the place. I am

Sr. & Sirs,

CALLICUTT, APRIL THE 15TH. 1742.

RECP. THE 16TH.

MUNCHUA TONEY.

Yr. most humble Servant, WILL: WEST. To Will^m. Wake Esqⁿ.

Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

SR. & SIRS.

By this Munchua you will receive 3000 Olas which is all she could take in, but tomorrow the Coir & more Olas will be sent on the largest of the Munchuas that came from Tellicherry. The Olas will come out at about twenty one Fanams Mill.

I am,

CALLICUTT, APRIL THE 19TH. 1742. SIR & SIRS,
Your most Humble Servant,
WILLIAM WEST.

RECED # MUNCHUA.

To the Worship^{ll}, William Wake Esq^r.
 Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

GENTLEMEN

There being a Portugueze Ship to sail from Maccao, & is bound to Tellicherry, we take the opportunity of sending You the Rhubarb you requested in your Letter dated May the 8th. which weighs 98 Cattys Nett, & cost with the Charges of packing Rups. 100. which Sum we reced of Cap^t. Steward, & have Delivered him up his Receipt for the same.

The Ship Godolphin arrived here the 17th. July & her Cargo sold very well Eleven Tale for the Pepper & Sandall Wood P pecul, Nine for the Olibanum, eight for the Cotton, and forty five for the Putchuck.

Our Hon: Masters Ship Duke of Dorset is on her Dispatch for Europe, & will sail in four or five Days. The Madrass ship will also sail very soon, & had great success in the sale of her Cargo. The Princess Mary Capt. Martin has not arrived this season, therefore we presume she has lost her Passage. We are

GENTLEMEN

Your most Humble Servants LASLOE HIDE. HENRY HADLEY. RICHD. PINNELL.

CANTON
NOV^B. THE 13TH. 1741.
REC^D. FROM CALLICUT
TONEY APRIL 16TH. 1742.

To Will^m. Wake Esq^r.

Chief &c^a. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS

By this Toney You will receive 5 Maunds of Wax & 1000 Bamboo Matts, the cost of which will be hereafter sent you.

I have for these six Days past endeavoured to Freight a Munchua; to carry the Olas, Coir, & Tullys to Tellicherry but cannot [get] one here they being otherways engaged for which reason be pleased to send one from Tellicherry. I am

SIR & SIRS

CALLICUT. APRIL 16TH. 1742.

REC^D. THE 18TH.

Your most Humble Servant WILLIAM WEST.

To Will^M. Wake Esq^B.

CHIEF &C^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

Sirs

- 1. Our last was under the 28th. Jañry which we perceive was duely come to Your hands with the two Packets enclosed for our Hon: Masters.
- 2. Your several advices by the Onslow & other Conveyances under the respective Dates of the 19th. Jañry, 12th. Febry and 20th. of March have been in course reced, of all which we shall take the Proper Notice, & give the necessary reply to.
- 3. Our Hon: Master's Ship Onslow we now Dispatch for China, who will call Cans. at your Port for receiving the 300. Sandall Wood in part of her Cargo, but from what set forth in your Advices with regard to the Stock of Pepper on hand & disagreeable prospect of the ensueing Provision, being so far unequal to the Demands which may probably be made by our Hon: Masters (of which we shall have occasion to speak more particularly hereafter) so we have considered that a Disappointment off Tonnage for their returning ships directly home, might be more prejudicial than in the Voyage of this ship & for whom we had Cotton sufficient & therefore it will be preferable to retain all the Pepper procurable to answer the other service, & accordingly none must be put on board, as she has reced a

Lading here only reserving room for the Quantity of Sandall Wood before specify'd.

- 4. The Arrack sent on the Onslow this last Trip as well as what before came (of which You were apprized) proves equally indifferent. Our Warehousekeepers Report of both Parcells comes now enclosed, by which you will have a more particular Information, but here we must Remark that as by our Contract with Mr. Jenkinson that the Arrack was by You to be accepted, & of consequence Payment to have followed, we should apprehend the Man in justice entitled to the full price stipulated. But as You are competent Judges of this matter & more especially as being on the Spot, we shall Leave to You the adjusting what shall appear equitable to be paid him on this Account, tho, we must add, that as it does not appear practicable to pursue the Scheme, nor indeed does it Answer, as well as the extraordinary price it comes out at, and therefore induces us to Order no more be received on our Hon: Masters Account.
- 5. The Demolition of the out Forts in consequence of the Agreement made with the French, together with the State of the Countries round You rendering a Reduction of the Garrison practicable, & of consequence lessening the great Expence that has of late been incurred for the Maintenance of your Settlement affords a great Satisfaction. The Seepoys sent hither pretend they were not Discharged, but sent by you for the service of this place; We for our parts Apprehend from your Advices they were really Dismissed, but had a permission to come hither on a Supposition they might be serviceable, & of course would be again entertained but as they alledge the contrary, and their Families being absent they seem to Demand Provisions besides Pay, which were we to acquiesce with would

afford uneasiness to our own People, we have chose to return them to your Settlement. An Account of what they have received here comes enclosed and as You certainly know the Terms on which they came are the properest Judges to adjust what shall appear really due to them, tho' we must Remark, that provided the case is as they represent they ought to receive pay for the full Time of their return to your Settlement. We shall entirely refer to you to make satisfaction as shall appear equitable.

- 6. The Depending Contract with Hur Camoty, we are extremely concerned has subjected us to so many Dissapointms. & Disputes; He in the several Letters we have received throwing the failure of a compliance on us as he had the Pepper in readiness, and we did not at the Time send Vessels to convey it away. Your Advices on the other hand say it was not in his power to conform to his Agreement when Mr. Purnell tendered him the Money; We should be less anxious in this particular had he not Actually got a Sum in his Possession, & which we could wish had been avoided, but as that has happened it only remains to take the best measures Possible, & therefore we now Dispatch a person to Onore, to bring the Matter to some Conclusion & should any measures or opportunity occur to you towards answering that end, we Doubt not but they will be duely attended to, & wch. we recommend to your Consideration for preventing our Hon: Masters becoming sufferers in the End.
- Pa. 7. Your last advices on the Subject of the Pepper Investment affords us a very sensible and real Concern, the Quantity reced of the new Crop being only Cas. mds. Cas. Mds.
- 331. 15. of which 57. 9. were Laden on the Hallifax, so that there only remains Ca^s. md^s.
- 274. 6. besides 92 Candies of old Pepper at Callicut exclusive of Loss in weight and indeed you could not expect to provide more of the present Crop than one thousand Candies, but you are sensible how unequal this will prove to the Tonnage we may expect from our Hon: Masters to provide for the ensueing season and notwithstanding the price is so excessive high, yet a Dissappointm^t might still prove more prejudicial to our Hon: Masters and tho' we are convinced the having recourse to Callicut or other parts may in all probability enhance the Value & Drain the Countries more contiguous to your Settlement, yet while the Natives can pursue that scheme, & find it answer their Ends, by selling to other Nations or private persons it will undoubtedly be prosecuted, and in such case Necessity will oblige us to purchase there also, however we must entirely rely on your prudence & Management to procure all that is possible, at the same time cautiously avoiding any Encrease in the price.
- 8. At Anjengo there remains reckoning what they had of the last years Crop, together with the receipts of the present to this Time about 350 Candies, nor can it [be] supposed that they will be able to encrease the Quantity to any considerable Amount in the present state of the Neighbouring Countries; Tho' we have not been wanting to repeat our Injunctions on that head from this View of our expected Stock of that article & reckoning also the other Goods designed for Europe it evidently appears we shall have barely Sufficient for two ships, but as it is probable more may be consigned us or the Mocha ship lose her passage and fall upon our hands the Difficulty of giving them Cargoes will be unsurmountable, and a severe Loss consequently ensue should one of our Hon: Masters ships be detained a Season in the Country; Under this precarious state we have as one resource applied to the President & Council of Bengall, setting forth the seeming doubtfull state of providing for more than two ships the ensueing Season, and requesting their immediate Advice how far it may be in their power to provide for an Additional Ship to what consigned them directly, should we be under a necessity of sending one that way, but as they possibly may have a large number, and yet Goods sufficient to Load them they [sic] Delay of one ship in her passage, will consequently render their Answer liable to great Uncertainty, & in the End prove impracticable, & therefore we must repeat our strenuous Recommendation that your best Diligence be exerted in this material concern, that so it may be in our Powers to Obviate

if possible a Dissapointment, tho' the enhancing the price as the people are but readily enough inclined to bring such Advantages into a Precedent, and with difficulty are afterwds. brought to a Reduction should by all prudent Measures be guarded against, & with respect to the bying [sic] at Callicut we must observe that in case it does actually tend to enhance the Value at Tellicherry it had better be avoided, tho' we Do as we have already said Leave this concern entirely to your Judgement on a Persuasion you will attend to the best Measures.

- 9. From the Calculate of Cash you transmitted us, we compute upwards of Two Lacks will be wanted at your Settlem^{ts}. in part of which we now send to the Amount of R^s. 50,000 which is as much as we can get ready in new Rupees and no other would Do; We are in expectation however to send a further Sum on the Phazze Salam, who we are told will call here in her way from Surat, tho' we cannot suppose it will be near equal to what You require. This we are sensible would prove a great Dissapointment was there a Likelyhood of purchasing a large Quantity of Pepper, but of that as there is such little hopes from your Advices, the prejudice will not be so great, tho' we must own were it otherwise, it would not be in our power to comply through the small Supplies of Bullion reced this season for making into new Rupees.
- 10. We have remembered your Desire for some fifths and Copper Pice; On this Ship You will receive to the Amount of Rups. 8708. & in Copper Pice Rs. [...].
- 11. We have Delivered Cap^t. Balchen Rup^s. 28000. out of which he is to make good to you the Amount of the Sandall Wood you put on board; We are sensible it would have been equally the same to have thrown it into the supply intended you & Ordered the Sandall Wood to have been Laden, but we chose this method, as the money would in like manner come to your hands, & the concerns of that ship remain distinct & separate.
- 12. We entirely approve the Method you have taken of transmitting an Account Current with the Presidency, which let be continued Annually towards the Close of the Season as by that means we shall have an opportunity to compare with our Books and form a certain Adjustment. We shall forward by the next opportunity some Remarks wch. occur to us on the Account You last sent, which the present Dispatch will not admit of our preparing.
- 13. The Arms brought up by the Military from your place are now returned on the Onslow, as particularized in the Account enclosed, & signed by our Land Paymaster. Enclosed you will receive an Account pointing out some Errors in the Invoices and Accounts reced from your place which you must see rectified, or explain how the Differences may have arisen.
- 14. The accompanying Packet to the Commondore & Council of Cochin do You see forwarded by the same means as that You reced from thence the 13th. of August last.
- 15. As we have not Casks sufficient for the Bombay Sloop we would have you supply her with four or five Tons out of those lying at your place.
- 16. We have since the above thought it preferable to send the Treasure Designed for Anjengo on the Onslow so far as your port where it must be transhipped with all possible expedition to the Bombay sloop, & then give the Master Orders to proceed directly to Anjengo. We are

Bombay Castle The 11th. April 1742. Rec^D. # Onslow, The 21^t. Sirs

Your Loving Friends
STEPHEN LAW.
JOHN GEEKIE.
JOHN MORLEY.
WM. SEDGEWICKE.
GEORGE DUDLEY.
EDWARD OWEN.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.

CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS.

By this Munchua You will receive 12 Maunds of Ghee, 7 Candys of Coir, & 16 Bamboo Tullys amounting to as # Account enclosed Callicut Fans. 661. 3.

The Carpenters have promised to get ready to return to Tellicherry this Week.

I am Sir & Sirs

Your most Humble Servant WILLIAM WEST.

CALLICUT APRIL 21^T. 1742.

Rec^D. THE 23^D. MUNCHUA.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.

CHIEF AND MR. WILLIAM JEYNSON.

SIRS

On a Survey made of the Honble Companys ship Onslow she appears to be in a Condition conformable to Charter Party with respect to her Complement of Men, Guns & Ammunition.

I am

Sirs

Your most Obed^t. Humble Servant Geo: Hamilton.

TELLICHERRY THE 30TH. APRIL 1742.

Reco. Do. Die.

To WILLM. WAKE ESQR.

CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

Francisco Dias having been very much out of order these four or five Days, has Detained me to this time but as he is now better I hope he will be able to proceed with me Early in the morning to Penany, from whence if occasion requires it, I shall write to You & Am

SIR & SIRS,

Your most Obedient Humble Servant, WILLIAM WEST.

CALLICUT

тне 26тн. Аркіц 1742.

RECⁿ. MAY THE 2ⁿ. P TONEY.

To WILLIAM WAKE ESQR.

CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERRY.

SIR & SIRS

On the 29th. Ulto. I arrived at this place & on the 1t. Inst. waited on the Samorine, who said he had wrote to me to Callicut to prevent my coming here as his Letter would inform me he could do nothing in the Affairs of the Debt to the

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Company, till the Feast of Mamanga was over, which I told him I was sorry for as his breaking of his promise made to me in Callicut, of paying part thereof or giving new Olas for the same in April, which was then past would give room for the Company to Suspect his Intentions of ever discharging it, & therefore begged, he would consider of it again, it being long since any payment had been made on Accot. thereof, to which he only reply'd that he would order his Ministers to come to me where I Lived that eveng. which they did, & continueing to do every day with the story alone of staying till the Feast of Mamanga was over obliged me this eveng. to send the Linguist to the Samorine to know his Ultimate Resolution In this Affair, when after long Consideration the receiving of 200,000 Fans. & upwards out of the Callicut Customs; The giving new Olas without Interest for 250,000 more, to be made good at five different payments of 50,000 \$\mathbb{H}\$ An. and the Remaindr. which they compute will be about 30,000 to be paid now were the proposals he brought from the King & his Ministers, & the only ones they would comply with altogether refusing to give new Olas to run at Interest for any time or to pay any certain sum at the Feast of Mamanga or even anything now but upon the aforesaid Conditions, which in my opinion ought only to be accepted but upon a Certainty of no other remedy's being left for the recovery of the Debt, whereas I am confident the distressing of his Merchants by denying them Certificates & impeding their Trade, will bring the Samorine to more reasonable Terms. However I Dispatch this Toney Express to advise You of those now offered & to bring back with all Expedition your further Orders.

I am Sir & Sirs

PENANEY MAY THE 4TH. 1742.

Reced the 6th. Toney.

Your most Obed^t. Hble Servant Will^M. West.

To William Wake Esq^B.

Chief &c^A. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIRS

OUR Hon: Master's Ship Porto Bello, who safely arrived the 24th. Inst^t. brought us your Lett^r. of the 26th. Ult^o.

Agreeable to what we wrote You in our Last P Onslow of our Intentions to send you a further Supply of Treasure, we now consign You on the Phazze Salam qr. raes

to the Amount of Rups. 50263. 3. 80. as You will perceive by the enclosed Invoice & Bill of Lading.

Our Hon: Masters in their Letter by the Porto Bello mention their Design of sending on their Ship Tygris 3 or 400 Bales of Woolen Goods with 50 Tonns of Iron to be Landed at your place or Anjengo. Should the Ship Arrive with You be particularly carefull in Landing & securing in proper Warehouses the Woolen Goods that so they may not meet wth. any damage.

As the Porto Bello called at your place, it would be needless to mention any news she brought, tho, indeed there is nothing particular, nor does the General Letter contain any Directions immediately regarding your Settlement.

As Bills of Exchange are sometimes drawn by you on our Hon: Masters, we for your Notice now enclose Copy of the 5th. Par^a. of their last Commands on that Subject.

In the Account Current with the Presidency sent from your place, we Cannot help remarking You have Charged us for what paid the Bengall Detachment & recruits from England during the whole Time they have been at your place, but

certainly this cannot be esteemed equitable for after a Conveyance offering & they not being sent it is a natural Conclusion You esteemed them necessary, & accordingly kept them for the Service of your Garrison, and in that case the Expence ought undeniably to be charged to your Factory from that time, & therefore we would have you reform the said Account debting us only for such a proportion as shall [be] reasonable to what precited.

We are

Sirs

Bombay Castle, April the 26th. 1742. Your Loving Friends, STEPHEN LAW. JOHN MORLEY. W. SEDGEWICKE. GEO. DUDLEY. EDWARD OWEN.

P.S.

Let the Inclosed Indent for Timber be complied with.

Since the above our mint people having prepared to the Amo^t. of 10,000 Rup^s. we have put on board this ship, & is included in the Invoice.

RECD. P PHAZZE SALAM.

MAY THE 6TH.

Copy of the 5th. Par^a. of the Hon: Court of Directors their Comm^{ds}. Reced the 24th. April 1742. \$\frac{1}{2}\$ Ship Porto Bello.

We judge it necessary to acquaint You that whenever Bills of Exchange are drawn & made payable to Persons in the East Indies or other remote parts from hence, the said Bills must be Endorsed by the Identical Persons to whom they are payable, for we shall not in future pay them by Virtue of a power of Attorney only, of which You must give due notice to all parties concerned.

Attested to be a true Copy, SAM: PRICE Secry.

RECED THE 6TH. MAY PHAZZE SALAM.

SIR & SIRS,

Whereas the Bombay Account being so foreign to my Contract with the Presidency of that place, & the season being so violent will not permit me to come myself to which end I have been at Callicut these three days, & cannot procure a Conveyance; Therefore take the Liberty to send my objections in writing.

As the Expence & risque of the Arrack is my own till delivered at Tellicherry, when delivered & approved I hope You'll think that part of my Contract compleated, & whatever Damage it may be liable to after that, is not on my risque.

As to the Charge of Distilling over again, its a great hardship on me to bear; first, its put into the Hands of those that know not how to manage it, next, I desired in a Letter to the Gov^r. of w^{ch}. You have a Copy in your Office, that any part of my Arrack that was judged not to be proper for their Service, I would take upon myself.

As to the Deficiency in Gauging I must stand to not being able to be there myself. Gentlemen I think the abovewritten is highly consistent with my Contract,

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notwithstanding I leave it wholly to You to decide as You think proper, which will give me a great Satisfaction; I also beg the favour that my Contract may be cancelled, for I Labour under so many Disadvantages in serving the Hon: Company, that I cannot, with Justice to myself serve them any more.

I am, Gentlemen

CALLICUT,
MAY 17TH. 1742.

RECP. ₩ PATTAMAR THE 19TH.

with the utmost respect Your most Obed^t. Hum. Servant Geo: Jenkinson.

To the Hon: Thos. Braddyll Esqr.

President & Governour &c. Council

at Calcutta.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Enclosed You will receive Copy of Protest against Capt. Richard Riccards & his Answer occasioned through his vending of 3 Carriage Gunns & seven small Arms to a Native of this Port, which Practice, if not speedily Discountenanced may prove of sad consequence to the Companys Affairs on this Coast.

CALLICUT,

APRIL THE 24TH. 1742.

Rec^d. At Tellicherry from M^R. West. May the 22^d. 1742.

I am

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Humble Servant
Will^M. West.

Whereas the Vending of Great Guns, small Arms, & Warlike Stores to the Natives of this Coast, has already been found hurtfull to the Ho: Company, by obliging their Servants at great Cost & E[x]pence to raise & maintain strong Holds for the preservation of their Trade, Rights, and Priviledges thereon, and as the Continuance of this Practice may in a short Time put the Mallabar's in a Condition to invade the said Trade, Rights & Priviledges of the Hon: Company & with English weapons drive the English out of their Country, & You having knowingly & willingly broke through the Orders publish'd at Bengall, prohibiting the same, by selling three Carriage & seven small Arms to one Cooty Moosa Moor Merchant of this place, I William West Factor in the service of the Honourable English East India Company at Callicut, do in behalf of them hereby Protest against You Richard Riccards Comm^r. of Ship Brittannia now in this road, Declaring & making You answerable for all Damages or Crosses, the said Honble Company, may now or shall hereafter suffer on Account of your selling said Guns and small Arms. Signed in Callicut this Twenty sixth Day of March 1742.

WILLIAM WEST.

To CAP^T. RICH^D. RICCARDS COMM^R. OF THE BRITTANNIA. Reced at Tellicherry wth. the foregoing Letter.

And Whereas You Mr. William West Factor at Callicut has given me a Protest for selling a Moor of said Port, three small Carriage Guns, & seven small Arms, & in his Protest he says I have broke thro' the Companys Orders knowingly and willingly, I do declare in vindication of myself, I never knew or saw any order of the Companys forbidding to sell Warlike Stores at this Port, but when Mr. West informed me it was a Crime, I endeavoured all I could to get them back again, but never could get the Moor to let me have them, so as this is a Crime that I knew nothing of (& being brought sick aboard at Bengall prevented me knowing the Company's Order at that Time) I hope it will be excused, & I never will be Guilty of the like Error again Dated in Callicut.

RICHD. RICCARDS.

THE 26TH. MARCH 1742.

- RECD. AT TELLICHERRY WITH THE FOREGOING PROTEST.
 - N.B. Narrative of M^r. West his proceedings with the Samorine at Penaney reced the 22^d. May, is Entered in the Diary at length under that Date as is likewise Translate of the Samorine's Ola to the Chief rec^d. at y^e. same time.

To Will^m. Wake Esq^r. Chief &c^a. Factors at Tell^{ry}.

GENTLEMEN

We have none from You unanswered but Dispatch this Pattamar to advise that yesterday The Tygris Cap^t. Petre arrived here; She left England the 23^d. Aug^t. in company with the Neptune Cap^t. Francis D'abbadie, this last bound for Bencoolen; They arriv'd at the Cape the 17th. Decem^r. & left it the 17th. Jañry, where were arrived the Edgesbaston Cap^t. Cobham, the Cæsar Cap^t. Cummings, Nottingham Cap^t. Browne, and Prince of Wales Cap^t. Pelly; the 29th. Jañry this ship parted Company with the Neptune about 5 Degrees E^t. of the Cape, & the 23^d. of March in the Lattitude 12.30 South she spoke with the Royall George, Cap^t. Field, that had left Bencoolen about three weeks before.

The Comm^r. of this ship was Directed that if upon his falling in with Ceylon, he should find the Westerly Monsoon sett in, which has proved to be the case, he was then to make the best of his way for this place, & to Deliver all his Cargo here, As this Ship has been so long in her passage, the news we had overland from Europe is two months later than what we have by the Tygris, & as the overland Advices have doubtless reached You before now, we do not trouble You with a Repetition.

The Colchester and Wilmington arrived in England the 29th. June, the 8th. August the Hæslingfield, Princess of Wales, Warwick, Winchester, & Princess Emelia arrived at Leith. They sailed from St. Helena the 11th. May where thew left the Heathcote, Hardwicke, Prince William, & Princess Louisa.

Enclosed is a Packet for the Chief at Tellichry. which the Presidt. was directed to forward thither, & with this we also send what private Letters we have reced for your place.

FORT ST. GEORGE, 6TH. MAY 1742.

\RECP. THE 31T.

P PATTAMAR.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your Humble Servants,
RICH^D. BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICH^S. MORSE.
W^M. MONSON.
W^M. JOHNSON.

To William Wake Esq. Chief &c. Factors at Tellicherry.

SIR & SIRS,

The 28th. by the Bombay Sloop we reced your Letter of the 24th. of April, with the two Chests of Treasure, & that of the 7th. Ulto., by our Boat the 13th.

We have given your Settlement Credit for Rups. 48. 1. 5 the Expence of Diet & provisions for the 8 Topasses sent to Bombay & likewise for Rs. 32. 1. 75 the Charge of our Boat's waiting for Letters.

We being in want of Wax to make Wax Cloth for our Bales, desire you'll provide for us two Candies to be sent us by any early Conveyance after the rains.

From the late success of the King of Travencore we are in great hopes of encreasing our Quantity of Pepper, as our Factory at Eddeva is now open to us, & where already is come in about 90 Cands. Our Diligence will be constantly employ'd to encrease this Article all in our powers as recommended from our Superiours.

We are,

SIR & SIRS,

Your most Humble Servants CHAS. WHITEHILL. THOS. PATTLE. MAY SCLATER.

Anj^o. June the 4tm. 1742. Rec^d. ₩ Pattamar The 16tm.

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