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# RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

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## DESPATCHES FROM ENGLAND 1744-1747

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### LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S<sup>r</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SEVERN.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. Companys Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated 10<sup>th</sup>. January 1745.
2. Copy Companys Letter to D<sup>o</sup>. dated 20<sup>th</sup>. March 1744  $\Phi$  Pr<sup>m</sup>. Mary.
3. List of Ships returned safe to England Anno 1745.
4. Copys of the Orders to the Factors of the Severn at Mocha, and to the Supra Cargos of the Essex.
5. Packet Directed To the Hon<sup>ble</sup>. the President & Council for all the Forces and Affairs of the English Nation at Fort William in Bengal.

### GENERAL LETTER TO FORT S<sup>r</sup>. GEORGE, DATED JANUARY 10, 1746.

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 49, pp. 3-5.*]

#### OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL

AT FORT S<sup>r</sup>. GEORGE.

1. We Wrote last the 20<sup>th</sup>. March 1744 by the Ship Princess Mary that Sailed from Spithead the 19<sup>th</sup>. of April, Copy of Our said Letter is enclosed.
2. Since then it hath pleased God to return to Us in safety the Ships mentioned in the accompanying Certificate from the Secretary.
3. By them We received your several Advices dated the 5<sup>th</sup>. Septem<sup>r</sup>. 8<sup>th</sup>. January and 15<sup>th</sup>. February 1744.
4. For the carrying on Our Trade this Season We have built the Ship Dragon of 300 Tons Captain Henry Kent for Benjar and We have taken up the undermentioned Ships Viz<sup>t</sup>.

Severn .. ..	498. Joseph Collier	..	Mocha.
Somerset .. ..	498. Thomas Tolson	..	S <sup>t</sup> . Helena & Bencoolen.
Tavistock .. ..	498. Thomas Coales	..	Madraas and China.
Shaftesbury .. ..	498. Matthew Bookey	..	} China.
Lynn .. ..	498. Charles Gilbert	..	
Sandwich .. ..	498. John Petre	..	} Coast & Bay.
Houghton .. ..	498. Isaac Worth	..	
Salisbury .. ..	498. Christopher Burrows	..	
Montfort .. ..	498. Robert Hanslapp	..	} Commodore, Bombay & China.
Marlborough .. ..	498. Thomas Smith	..	
Britania .. ..	498. John Somner	..	} Bombay.
Exeter .. ..	498. William Weston	..	
Ichester .. ..	498. John Tedd	..	} Bombay.
Warwick .. ..	498. Robert Misenor	..	

5. The War against France and Spain continue to be vigorously carried on.
6. Our Secret Committee for the Current Year are Dodding Braddyll, Harry Gough, Samuel Feake and Alexander Hume Esq<sup>r</sup>. what Orders you may receive from them or any Three of those Gentlemen for the Security of Our Shipping must be strictly complied with and Obeyed.

7. Enclosed are Copys of Our Orders by the Severn to Mocha both to the Factors on that Ship and the Supra Cargoes of the Essex for your Notice, such Bills as may be drawn by them upon you, must be duly accepted and paid, and in case any Coffee is Consigned thence to your Place, upon Our Account it must be forwarded to Us by Our returning Ships.

8. The large Quantity of Goods sent Us from your Coast is a most acceptable piece of Service and We would have you go on purchasing according to Our last List all that's possible, Borrowing such Money as may be requisit at Interest, that so the Goods may be ready to load home Our Ships, and We will take effectual care to supply you with a sufficient Stock, though perhaps it may be late in the Season, occasioned by the present distress in Publick Credit and the late arrival of Our Ships in England.

9. And in order to encourage persons to pay Money into Our Cash for Bills of Exchange and Certificates, We empower you to allow Four Pence a pagodoe Extraordinary for this Season only.

10. If it should happen by the Men of Wars taking Prizes from the Enemy, that you should be Furnished with any considerable Quantity of Silver or Gold thereby, We would have you forward to Bengal what Surplus Stock you can spare, for the carrying on Our Important Investments there, We must earnestly press this upon You, as We shall not be able to Furnish the Bay with an Early Supply this Season.

11. The Enclosed packet for Bengal must be Forwarded thither with all possible Expedition.

12. In Our Directions last Year, We gave you a full Latitude to Dispose of Our Woollen Goods by Outcry, or to deliver them to Our Merchants as should be Deemed most for our Interest, and for the Substantial Reasons Urged in the advices before Us, We acquiesce in your continuing the Wonted Method for the Recovery of Our Outstanding Debts and the Promotion of Our Investments until We otherwise Order, at the same time We must Observe that Our Investments are Encreased at Fort St. Davids although the Broad Cloth Affair is no way concerned therein.

13. We have Directed the Rev<sup>d</sup>. M<sup>r</sup>. Francis Fordyce to remove from Bencoolen to your Place, upon his Arrival you must Entertain him as One of Our Chaplains on the usual Terms. We are

Your loving Friends

H. GOUGH.  
 SAM<sup>r</sup>. FEAKE.  
 SAM : HYDE.  
 P. GODFREY.  
 J. WINTER.  
 NATH : NEWNHAM Jun<sup>r</sup>.  
 HEN : LASCELLES.  
 CHRIST<sup>o</sup> BURROW.  
 WILL<sup>m</sup>. RIDER.  
 THO<sup>r</sup>. PRIPPS.  
 THO<sup>s</sup>. ROUS.  
 HENRY PLANT.  
 ROB<sup>r</sup>. HUDSON.  
 RICH<sup>d</sup>. BENYON.  
 WILL : BRANNEL.  
 WHICHCOTT TURNER.  
 W<sup>m</sup>. STEELE.  
 J. RAYMOND.  
 JOHN HOPE.  
 ALEX<sup>s</sup>. HUME.

LONDON 10<sup>th</sup>. JANUARY 1745.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE DATED MARCH 20<sup>TH</sup>. 1745  
PER PRINCESS MARY.

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 49, pp. 7-9.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL

AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

1. We wrote to You at large the 7<sup>th</sup>. of February last under the Established Heads by Three Conveyances.
2. This comes by Our Ship Princess Mary, We have put on Board Thirty five Chests of Treasure with sundry Goods and Merchandize which come Consigned unto you as  $\text{P}$  Invoice and Bill of Loading enclosed.
3. When the Silver is Coined such a part thereof as you can spare must be forwarded to the Bay with all Expedition, upon this or some other of Our Ships.
4. Your Indents arriving late this Season no Broad Long Ells are sent We had scarce Tonnage sufficient for Two Thirds of the Woollen Goods Indented for.
5. When Our Callicoes come from the Wash and on Packing them great care must be taken that they are quite Cleared from Sand as in the Pressing them it breaks the Cloth and makes Holes, whereof the Buyers make Heavy Complaints as also that several Pieces this Year were found to be Torn which We apprehend was done in the Washing, but for the future you must on no Account send such as are Torn or otherwise damaged, but sell them for the most they will Yield at your Place that so We may not pay Custom and Freight for damaged Goods.
6. The Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge having represented there are some Vacancys by the Removal of Missionarys on your Coast We have permitted the Reverend M<sup>r</sup>. Klein and the Reverend M<sup>r</sup>. Breithaupt to take Passage upon this Ship in order to carry on that good Work among the Indians.
7. In your Account of Remains in Shot, Shells, Guns, Brass, [Iron] and Lead Weights, Grapnels, Mortars and Cohorns no Particulars of [the] different Sorts of each are Inserted whereas you ought and must be as Explicit as possible and if any Old Stores are remaining acquaint us whether they are Serviceable or not and particularize your Guns Mounted as to their Nature and Weight.
8. In the Remains you often Insert the same Articles that are demanded under quite different Heads than where they stand in the Indent whereby they are often Overlookt and so escape proper Notice being taken of them on Our Comparing the same, which therefore must be remedied in future by making the Heads of Stores in the remains Answer to the Indent, thus if Guns are first in the Remains place them first in the Indent and so on, for want of which not only much Trouble is caused but sometimes Mistakes.
9. As there generally appears a Deficiency in the Weight of Lead, Iron, Copper and Elephants Teeth sent to India We Judge it proper to Acquaint you of the manner of Weighing the same here which is as follows Viz<sup>t</sup>.  
LEAD about Fifteen hundred Weight at a Draft and no less Weights than Four Pounds are used, but no Drafts allowed.  
Iron about Five Hundred at a Draft weighing with no less Weights than Two Pounds, and for Drafts Two Pounds are allowed.  
COPPER and ELEPHANTS TEETH about Five Hundred at a Draft Weighing very near, and One Pound is allowed for Draft. Whereby you may be able to Form a Judgment whether there is any real Deficiency or not.
10. When any Mildews appear on the Medleys or other Broad Cloths by Opening and letting such be warm thro<sup>u</sup> with the Sun, the Mildews will come off and the Cloth not in the least the worse, but remember to leave the Wool the same way the rest lies.
11. The Person or Persons who Mustar the Ships Companys on their Dispatch for Europe must carefully Examine whether any of Our Soldiers or Sailors are on Board, who have not proper Discharges and Certify that they have made such an

Enquiry at the Foot of the Muster Roll requiring the Commander and the Chief Mate thereon to Certify, that no such Persons are Entered or on Board their respective ships, and they must sign the Muster Roll with Our Officers who dispatch each Ship.

12. If you find M<sup>r</sup>. Hyde Parker who is an Ensign at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. David well Qualified, and on his Behaving to your Satisfaction, We would have him Promoted to a Lieutenants Commission on the first Vacancy there or at your Place.

13. We positively direct that none of Our Money be advanced at any Subordinate Settlement to the Merchants for Dadney or otherwise by the Chief only without the Consent and Concurrence of the Council, Entering the same upon Consultation and in case any of the Council Connive at a Breach of this Order they shall be thereby rendered incapable of Our Service in future.

14. In case M<sup>r</sup>. John Stratton hath duly discharged his Debt unto Us and you are thoroughly Satisfied of his Fidelity and Capacity We direct that he be restored to his Place at the Council at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George which is next before M<sup>r</sup>. Eyre expecting that he will duly Exert himself in the Promotion of Our Interest.

15. We leave it to the President and M<sup>r</sup>. Monson to Fix M<sup>r</sup>. Stratton in such an Employ as they shall think proper, he must thereupon Write to his Friends here to give the usual Security as must also M<sup>r</sup>. William Johnson.

16. Our Ship Colchester We thank God Arrived Safe the 7<sup>th</sup>. Instant at Kinsale in Ireland. We are

Your Loving Friends.

LONDON THE 20<sup>th</sup>. MARCH 1744.

RICH <sup>d</sup> . BURTON.	SAM <sup>l</sup> . FRAKE.
R <sup>d</sup> . BOOTLE.	D. BRADDYLL.
SAM <sup>l</sup> . HYDE.	P. GODFREY.
THOMAS PHIPPS.	RICHARD CHAUNCY.
W <sup>m</sup> . STEELE.	HEN: LASCELLES.
WHICHCOTT TURNER.	J. WINTER.
W. MABBOTT.	R. DRAKE.
JOHN PAYNE.	W <sup>m</sup> . BAKER.
W <sup>m</sup> . RIDER.	NATH <sup>l</sup> . NEWNHAM Jun <sup>r</sup> .
JOHN HOPE.	J. RAYMOND.
	ALEX <sup>r</sup> . HUME.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SHIP MARLBOROUGH.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. Companys General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated 27<sup>th</sup>. March 1746.
2. Companys General Letter to D<sup>o</sup>. dated 10<sup>th</sup>. January 1745.
3. List of Goods to be provided on the Coast of Choromandell for the Ships going out in the Year 1745 dated 27<sup>th</sup>. March 1746.
4. Invoice of the Marlborough for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George amounting to £ 36902. 15. 7.
5. Bill of Lading of the Goods on board D<sup>o</sup>. . . . the Bill of Lading for the Treasure to be received in a packet from Portsmouth.
6. Copy of the Marlboroughs Charterparty to be sent with the Ship to the Bay.
7. Account of Silver, Coral, Emeralds and Pearls licenced to be shipt on the Marlborough for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to purchase Diamonds.
8. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licenced to be Shipt on the Marlborough for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
9. List of 24 Soldiers on Board the Marlborough with an Account of their Countrey Trades and Ages.



10. Copy of the Marlboroughs Victualling Bill. These Three Signed by M<sup>r</sup>. Hen. Crabb Boul[ton].

11. Copy of Cap<sup>t</sup>. Smiths Commission to seize Unlicenced Persons.

12. Companys Indulgence.

13. List of Ships Arrived from India in 1745. Signed by the Secretary.

14. Invoices of Medicines for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George and Fort S<sup>t</sup>. Davids the Value being included in the General Invoice.

15. Patterns of 267 Bales of Broad Cloth, 25 Bales of Long Ells, 1 Bale of Broad Long Ells, 7 Bales of Flannells, and Samples of 4 Chests of Paper for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George by the Marlborough—In the Box apart.

16. Packet from the Secret Committee directed To the Hon<sup>ble</sup>. the President for the time being at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.

To be received from the Captain it being put up in the Companys Packet to him.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE DATED MARCH 27, 1746 PER  
MARLBOROUGH AND MONTFORT.

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 49, pp. 13-15.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL

AT FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE.

1. We wrote last the 10<sup>th</sup>. January 1745 by the Ship Severn Via Mocha in Duplicates to be forwarded thence by the best Conveyances that offered, and We send two Letters of the same Tenour by these Ships, the Montfort and Marlborough.

2. Since our last We have taken up the Ship Princess of Wales Burthen 498 Tons Captain Thomas Harry for the Coast and Bay.

3. We have not Lent any Money to the Commanders at Respondentia this Season, however in case they offer to pay into Our Cash any part of the Produce of their Outward bound Adventure, do you receive the same, and Grant Certificates for the amount, Oath being made in the usual manner.

4. Our Correspondents at the Madeiras are directed to put on board the Montfort. Three Hundred Pipes of Wine and to Consign half thereof unto You, and the Remainder to Bengal, do you Advise us how it proves, the Captain and Officers are allowed to bring Twenty Pipes.

5. The Sale of Our Coast Goods imported this Season being over, We now Enclose Our List of Investment, not doubting of your utmost Care to procure the Goods therein mentioned on the best Terms possible, and you are to put on board our returning Ships their Kintlage in Salt Petre, with what the Captains shall request at half Freight.

6. Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Moses Solomons and Samuel Moses take Passage on these Ships; We having permitted them to reside at your Place as Free Merchants in the Diamond Trade.

7. It growing too late in the Season for the Tavistock to come your way, she is ordered to proceed Directly for Canton.

8. We shall give Directions to Each of the Captains bound to the Coast and Bay, that in case they can reach Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George in all the Month of August, they must put in there, but otherwise, to make the best of their way to Bengal, and on Arrival at either, to follow the Orders of Our President and Council, delivering to them all Our Cargo if they require it.

9. On their coming to your Place, the Goods and Treasure designed for the Bay must either be taken on Shore or forwarded thither on the same or some other of Our Ships, as you shall judge most for our Interest, hastning them away with the utmost Dispatch, that they may not lose their Passage into the Bay.

10. Sundry Naval and Victualling Stores are on board several of Our Ships for the Service of Commodore Barnett's Squadron, which the Captains are directed to deliver accordingly, on meeting with such His Majesty's Ships at Sea or your Place, but otherwise You are to take them into your Custody, and deliver the same to the Commodore or his Order.

11. We have Licenced large Quantities of Foreign Silver, Coral, Emeralds, Bugles and other Articles to be sent on our several Coast and Bay Ships for the purchase of Diamonds at your Place upon the usual Terms, The Merchants who shipt the same have Consented and Agreed in case the Ships proceed directly to Bengal without touching at your Place, that Our President and Council at Fort William may Forward the said Foreign Silver, Coral &c<sup>a</sup>. to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George on the same Ship or any other of Our European Ships at the said Merchants Risque, without any further Charge to them, who accordingly have Empowered the Captains of such Ships whereon their Silver, Coral &c<sup>a</sup>. are loaden in England to deliver the same in Bengal.

12. Upon such an Emergency, We have sent Directions to our President and Council at Fort William to Forward the same accordingly to your Place upon one or more of Our European Ships, in such manner as they shall judge most proper.

13. Since Writing the above We have received Overland your Advices Dated the 3<sup>a</sup>. July 1745, which give Us much satisfaction with Respect to Our Investment.

14. We have Entertained the following Writers in our Service upon your Establishment Viz<sup>t</sup>. Richard Turner, Henry Vansittart, John Duncombe, William Read, John Starke, Richard Fairfield and Charles Turner, who together with all our Servants are to be kept close to Business in the several Branches of our Affairs.

15. We yesterday took up the following Ships Viz<sup>t</sup>.

Bombay Castle ...	498	Tons	Captain Thomas Browne for Madrass
Princess Amelia ...	498		Samuel Martin Bengal
Portfield ...	400		Francis D'Abbadie Mocha
A New Ship ...	499		Robert Haldane Benjar & China

We are

Your Loving Friends

LONDON 27<sup>th</sup>. MARCH 1746.

ALEX<sup>s</sup>. HUME. D. BRADDYLL.  
 H. GOUGH.  
 SAM<sup>r</sup>. FRAKE.  
 THO<sup>s</sup>. ROUS.  
 RICH . CHAUNCY.  
 HEN<sup>r</sup>. LASCELLES.  
 J. WINTER.  
 NATH: NEWNHAM Jun<sup>r</sup>.  
 WILL<sup>m</sup>. BIDER.  
 P. GODFREY.  
 JOHN HOPE.  
 W<sup>m</sup>. STEELE.  
 RICH<sup>p</sup>. BENYON.  
 ROB<sup>t</sup>. HUDSON.  
 THO<sup>s</sup>. PHIPPS.  
 J. RAYMOND.  
 WILL<sup>m</sup> : BRANNEL.  
 WHICHCOTT TURNER.  
 [ ... ]

## LIST OF SHIPS ARRIVED FROM INDIA ANNO 1745.

Colchester	...	...	...	18 <sup>th</sup> . August 1745.
Prince of Wales	...	...	...	18 <sup>th</sup> . September.
Durrington	...	...	...	} At Galway the 16 <sup>th</sup> . September. In the Downes 19 <sup>th</sup> . December.
Montagu	...	...	...	
King William	...	...	...	
Stafford...	...	...	...	
York	...	...	...	
S <sup>t</sup> . George	...	...	...	
Cæsar	...	...	...	
Beaufort	...	...	...	
Godolphin	...	...	...	
Winchester	...	...	...	
Prince William...	...	...	...	
Winchilsea	...	...	...	
Duke of Dorset	...	...	...	
Lapwing	...	...	...	

CHRIS : MOLE

*Secry.*EAST INDIA HOUSE LONDON  
THE 11<sup>th</sup>. JANUARY 1745.

PARAGRAPHS in the Companys Instructions to Messieurs Thomas Wilson, Cap<sup>t</sup>. Joseph Collier and M<sup>r</sup>. Richard Peisley AGENTS of the Ship Severn for Mocha dated the 10<sup>th</sup>. January 1745.

Par<sup>a</sup>. 2. We have reason to conclude that you will meet with Our Ship Essex at Mocha whereof Messieurs Archibald Adair, Francis Nelly and the Captain George Jackson are Supra Cargoes to whom the enclosed Packet directed to them must immediately on your first arrival there be delivered accordingly.

3. Therein We have directed in case they have reason to apprehend that [the] Severns Appearance and Stay at Mocha will pretty much raise the Price of Coffee to Impart such their Sentiments unto you whereupon you must give the Captain of the Severn Sailing Orders to make the best of his way from Mocha to Bombay.

4. You are to Embark on Board accordingly and on arrival there deliver [ up ] the Cargo to the President and Council of that Island whose Orders the Captain must Obey as to his further procedure.

5. But if the Price of Coffee does not pretty much rise by the Severns appearance no such Orders are to be given to the Captain but on the contrary the Supra Cargoes of the Essex will deliver unto you what Coffee they purchase with their Surplus Stock which must be loaden on the Severn and they will afford you their best Advice for the promotion of Our Interest.

6. On that being the case you are to lay out the Produce of the Severns Outward bound Cargo in the Purchase of Coffee at the Market price and on Coffee being at or under Ninety Spanish Dollars the Beetlefukee Bahar, your best Endeavours must be exerted to procure a full Loading for the Severn, provided you can raise such Money as shall be wanted to accomplish the same, by giving the Merchants your Bills drawn upon the President and Council of Bombay, Surrat or Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George, who have Our Directions to accept and Pay your Draughts accordingly in the accompanying Packets which must be forwarded to them by the best Conveyances that Offer sending the Two packets for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George by Two different Conveyances.

7. You are to Act in the same manner if you do not meet with the Essex at Mocha, only in such case We order you to purchase a full Loading for the Severn without Limitation of Price provided Money can be raised as aforesaid.

9. But if a whole Loading is not put on Board at Mocha Consign what Coffee is purchased to Our President and Council of Bombay giving the Commander Orders to sail thither and Obey their Directions.

LIST OF THE COMPANY'S PACKET TO FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SHIP BRITANNIA.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. Company's General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated 7<sup>th</sup>. May 1746.
2. Copy Companys Gen<sup>l</sup>. Letter to D<sup>o</sup>. dated 4<sup>th</sup>. April 1746 sent  $\text{H}$  Houghton & Sal[isbury].
3. List of Goods to be provided on the Coast of Choromandel for the Ships going out in the Year 1745 dated 7<sup>th</sup>. May 1746.
4. Invoice of the Britannia for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George amounting to £ 33605-1-1.
5. Bill of Lading of D<sup>o</sup>. for the Goods laden on Board.
6. Additional Bill of Lading for the Silver, to be received in a packet from M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish the Companys Agent at Portsmouth.
7. Copy of the Britannia's Charterparty—To be sent with the Ship to the Bay.
8. Account of Silver and Coral licenced to be Shipt on the Brittannia for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to purchase Diamonds.
9. Manifest of Private Silver licenced to be Shipt for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George, Signed by M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Micklethwaite.
10. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licenced to be Shipt on the Britannia [for] Fort St. George.
11. List of 11 Soldiers on Board the Britannia for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George, with Account of their Countrey, Trades and Ages.
12. Copy of the Britannia's Victualling Bill. These Three Signed by M<sup>r</sup>. Henry Crabb Boulton.
13. Copy of Cap<sup>t</sup>. Somners Commission to Seize Unlicenced Persons.
14. Companys Indulgence.
15. Calculate of Tonnage Signed by M<sup>r</sup>. Robert James.
16. Committee of Treasury's report relating to a deficiency of Silver Consigned to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
17. Extract from the Supra Cargoes of the Ships York and Staffords Diary at Canton.
18. Keys of the Medicine Chests for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George and Fort S<sup>t</sup>. Davids  $\text{H}$  Britannia In the Box apart.
19. Invoice of said Medicines, the Value being Included in the General Invoice.
20. Samples of Paper for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George  $\text{H}$  Britannia.
21. Acts of the 18<sup>th</sup>. King George the 2<sup>d</sup>. both In the Box apart.
22. Packet from the Hon<sup>ble</sup>. the Commissioners of the Navy to Commodore Barnett.
23. List of Goods wanting by Ships Arrived from Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George in 1745.
24. Case with Councils Opinion upon Law points.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED 7<sup>TH</sup>. MAY 1746 PER BRITANNIA.

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 49, pp. 23-31.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL  
AT FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE.

1. We wrote last the 4<sup>th</sup>. of April 1746 by the Ships Houghton and Salisbury. Copy of Our said Letter is enclosed.
2. By the Ship Britannia, We shall now proceed to give the needful Directions.

FIRST OF SHIPPING.

3. We have desired and appointed Harry Gough Esq<sup>r</sup>. Samuel Feake Esq<sup>r</sup>. Dodding Braddyll Esq. and William Mabbott Esq. to be Our Secret Committee for the Current Year, therefore what Orders may be received from them or any Three of those Gentlemen for the Security of our Shipping must be strictly complied with and Obedyed.

4. When the Captains of Our own Ships do not comply with any part of their Instructions, call such before You in Council, and remind them of their Duty, that it may not be postponed to their going off, as Captain Watts You advise Us then Vouchsafed to send an Account of his Stock Chest in general Terms only, whereas the Particulars and proper Vouchers ought to be produced and strictly Examined, imparting to Us the Remarks that occur thereupon.

5. We duly observe that all possible Expedition was Used in sending away the York for China though she carried but few Goods proper for that Market, by the Pulteney and Macao Ships being before hand, however on any the like occasion, We rely on your doing the best you can for Us.

6. Although there was no Precedent, yet a right Method was [fixed] upon in obliging Captain Steward of the Winchester to give Bond for the Chest of Silver and Aqua Fortis wanting by that Ship, which Affair shall be Equitably Adjusted with the Owners.

7. Upon any the like Extraordinary Case you will do well to act in the same manner, but with respect to lesser Deficiencies in Ships that do not meet with Extraordinary Accidents, and for which no substantial Reasons can be assigned, the Captains must make them good according to the Terms stipulated in Charterparty.

8. As the Montagu touch'd at your Place in her Passage to Bengal from the Mallabar Coast, We approve of your taking the Pepper on Shore, as it is the same thing to Us in all respects, whether We have it from Madras or Bengal, and as You rightly observe, the risque of that River was thereby avoided, We therefore Empower You to take the same freedom in future.

9. The Supra Cargoes of the Countrey Ships at Mocha having rendered Us an acceptable Service in accomodating the Edgbaston's with old Mexico, the making them full satisfaction was right and just.

10. We entirely approve of your Detaining the Ship Benjamin and employing her for our Benefit, although Bengal was her Consigned Port.

11. By your Quick Dispatch of the Durrington and Beaufort, those Ships though late had good Passages round the Cape.

12. Whatever Bulky Goods as Garnetts or the like are put on board Our Ships Homeward bound upon Private Persons Account, the Owners are entitled to Freight from the Partys Concerned, We levy proper Dutys thereon besides, therefore in answer to what is offerred upon this Head, the Commanders are doubtless obliged to receive on board whatever you direct, or the Secretary by your Order, which in Effect is the same and as to their being accounted into the Tonnage, leave that to be adjusted by us here and do you therefore for any Parcels of Garnetts in Chests or large Boxes, give the Captains express Orders to receive them on board.

13. The Money advanced to Captain Crabb for the Ship Durringtons Use shall be Charged to the Owners.

14. As You seem to have been at a Loss with respect to the Tonnage of some Bengal Goods sent You from thence, We herewith transmit a Fresh Calculate of the Tonnage of those and all other Species of Goods usually sent us from the several Parts of India.

15. Understanding that some of our Commanders have put in at Durassapatam, Kissnapatam and other Ports to the Northward in their Passage to the Bay for the Sake of Private Trade, We think proper to Direct that you acquaint the Captains of all our Ships which You dispatch, or are otherwise bound to the Bay, that they must

always proceed directly thither according to the Tenour of their Instructions, without calling in any where by the way, which is a practice inexcusable at all times when they have so large a Treasure of Ours on board, but is much more so this War time, or when they are late in the Season.

#### SECONDLY OF GOODS FROM EUROPE.

16. Upon receipt of your Advice of the Deficiencies in our Silver by the several Ships, We caused some Chests of Treasure then lying ready Packed here to be Opened in the Presence of Our proper Committee, and the Silver therein to be Weighed with the greatest Exactness, which turned out right entirely to our satisfaction, as  $\text{¶}$  Copy of the said Committee's Report Enclosed.

17. So that We have too much Reason to apprehend that your Scales or Weights are faulty, or that the Black Fellows employed about the Warehouse are guilty of a Fraud by slight of hand in fingering the Scales, or making free with the Money when the Bags happen to be broke, You must therefore look well after them, and all others who have the handling of our Treasure.

18. Whenever it is requisit to sell our Silver for the carrying on of the Investment, We rely on your best endeavours to procure Us as good a Price as the Market will afford.

19. We are entirely satisfied from the Advices before us that all the Silver as could well be spared was forwarded to Bengal, the like Practice must always be continued for the carrying on our Investments in th[ose] Parts, and to lessen the eating Charge of Interest.

You did well in selling some Copper at your Place as it yield[ed] a better Price than in the Bay, and they were overburthen'd with the Article, be sure to inform us annually what quantity the Coast is likely to take off with the Value and Esteem that each different sort bears among the Manufacturers on the Coast.

21. You will be furnished with all the Guns and small Arms procurable this War time.

22. Whenever the Nabob or any others apply for Silver or Rupees, be sure to insist on prior payment, not parting from our property on precarious Terms under any pretence whatsoever, We duly observe with satisfaction your Cautious manner of acting upon this Head in the Advices before us.

23. There was a great Deficiency in one of the Chests of Treasure you sent on the York to China of no less than 14 <sup>lb. oz dwt.</sup> 15 in Chest N<sup>o</sup>. 365 as  $\text{¶}$  Extracts from the Supra Cargoes Diary enclosed, whereby it evidently appears that a Fraud was committed at your Place, unless it arose from some Mistake, which it behoves you to find out, and to procure us full Satisfaction for the same, as the Treasure sent hence by that ship was all landed at your Place.

#### THIRDLY OF INVESTMENTS.

24. Your Old Sett of Merchants being reduced in their Circumstances, it was high time to look out for some Able Men to carry on our Investments, whose Performances in securing a large Number of Bales are highly Acceptable, not doubting by your prudent Management and the Indulging them with the Broad Cloth by virtue of our last Years Orders, the Flourishing State you have brought our investments into will not only be continued, but still further Improved, as the French are not able to hurt you.

25. Our Servants at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. David engaging Andiapa of Porto Novo heartily in the Cause pursuant to our Recommendation some Years ago, We perceive with pleasure has met with the desired success in those Parts.

26. The Dutch taking a new turn to business may tend to raise the Prices in such or the like Competitions or Emergencies, We empower you to act as shall be most

for our Interest, by giving the Market Price, or encreasing the wonted Brokerage as shall be judged best, using all needful Precaution to avoid such a Step, unless urged thereto by the utmost necessity.

27. Our Servants at the Northern Settlements must act in the most prudent and politick manner towards the Countrey Government, studying to keep those in good humour who have the Power in their Hands to prevent Rubs and Hindrances being flung in their way.

28. The Managers of the Petta and Fort S<sup>t</sup>. Davids Merchants Outstanding Ballances must be secured and Collected, they dont deny the having our Money, and as to Difficultys and Losses, they are Topicks quite out of the Question though too frequently urged by those in Trade, therefore We insist on Payment of all our just dues, but permit a reasonable time to be allowed them, that so they may not be Distresst.

29. In answer to your 46<sup>th</sup>. Paragraph by the Durrington, We say, that Good Cloth and at reasonable Prices will always be most acceptable to Us, and We persuade our selves your best care and attention will be applied to procure us a large quantity of such, But however We must add that our Buyers here do not make so great a difference in the Price at the Sale as there is in your Invoices and however your rejecting the Inferiour Sorts may Succeed when you have no Competitors, We apprehend even from what you say yourselves that when other Forreigners are at the same Market, We must be Satisfied to take the same Sorts they do, or otherwise they will have the greatest Share of the Cloth that is made in the Countrey.

#### FOURTHLY OF COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

30. Though the Subahship of the Province is removed from the old Family from whom some Favours might reasonably have been expected, yet We observe the New Nabob has not recalled the Grants given Us by his Predecessors, and by the attention of Our President with the assistance of Hodjee Addee, We persuade ourselves a continuance of them will in process of time Repay Us the Charge of obtaining them.

31. We duly observe the saving of Our Money by a Delay of the Usual Present to the Nabob till the Subahship of the Province was thoroughly settled, and rely upon your reducing the Expence of the late Nabobs Family's Residence among you, so soon as it can be done with Decency.

32. The Letter which the President wrote Nabob Nizam al Mulluck was not improper, though it had not all the Effects which were hoped from it, We doubt not therefore it will be a Rule with you and all others who succeed to the Management of Our Affairs never again to put us to so great an Expence before We are actually put in possession of some considerable Benefit, neither can it be thought strange by any of the Governing Moors after this Instance of their Neglect and Ingratitude.

33. It is however some Satisfaction to Us to find you continued undisturbed in the Exercise of the Grant made us by Mahmud Sied Khan for Coining our own Money into the Specie commonly called Arcot Rupees, We say our own Money because We told you last Year why We did not choose to have You Coin any belonging to others.

34. We shall be very well satisfied with the Benefit which accrues to us by Coining our own Silver, and are only sorry that the Circumstances of the times have been the Occasion that so much of Our Exports goes to the Bay without being first Coined with You.

35. In your 24<sup>th</sup>. Paragraph by the Durrington You tell us, that You had Fifty Chests by you of the Arcot Rupees Coined in our Mint, which you should be obliged to dispose of to supply your own occasions, as it was a Case of Necessity, the less is to be said against it, but otherwise the fewer of those Rupees you dispose of at Madrass the Better, not only lest it should give Umbrage to the Nabob, and destroy the plea you made Use of, that you only Coined our own Money as usual for the Bay but also as We apprehend for the Reason given in your Letter of the 19<sup>th</sup>. of Septem<sup>r</sup>. 1743 the Sale of the Silver would produce more than when Coined into our Sort of Rupees.

## FIFTHLY OF BUILDINGS AND REVENUES.

26. We cheerfully acquiesce in such Repairs as were judged requisite to keep our Buildings in good order, provided our Money is well laid out by the Works being substantially performed.

37. As nothing hath hitherto been done in Fortifying the West Side of the White Town, We are glad M<sup>r</sup>. Smith was come from Bombay to your Assistance, and that you proposed to consider whether it might not be done in a narrower Compass equally secure and at less Charge, obtaining a thorough knowledge of the Ground before any step was taken, all which prudent precautions meet with our entire approbation.

38. You are furnished by each Ship with as many Recruits as are procurable to strengthen our Garrisons the Topasses you say are little to be depended upon, either for the Defence of the Place or in action in the Field, if that is really the Case, no more of them should ever be kept in our pay than are necessary for easing the Duty of the European Soldiers.

39. If Our Customs and Revenues are fairly and justly Collected, no one being suffered through Connivance or Neglect to evade the Payment, We must to their Decrease by a less Number of Ships resorting to the Port, or other such like Causes, provided due Encouragement is given to all Fair Traders, by a Free Unrestrained Liberty to Buy and Sell at Outcry or otherwise as they judge proper, wherein our Customs and Revenues are doubtless very sensibly Concerned

## SIXTHLY OF FACTORS, WRITERS, OFFICERS AND THEIR ACCOUNTS.

40. We are glad that you was Supplied from Bombay with an able Gunner in M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Smith, and We hereby confirm him in the said Station.

41. On M<sup>r</sup>. Harrison's coming away, you acquaint Us that M<sup>r</sup>. Edward Fowke was intended to be taken into Council, which We have no objection to, he must Write to his Friends here to give the usual Security.

42. In Drawing out the Calculate of Quick Stock, you must Deduct whatever Credits stand upon the Books of your Place and the Subordinate Factorys and what Europe and other Goods and Stores remain on hand, must be valued and brought to account, at the same Rates the like species sold for the same Season, deducting Ten  $\frac{1}{2}$  Cent according to our method here upon Estimating annually our Estate at Home & abroad.

43. When M<sup>r</sup>. Belsches the Surgeon at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. David succeeds to a vacancy in that Employ at your Place We direct that M<sup>r</sup>. John Sheafe supply his Place at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. David, in case he is more agreeable to our Deputy Governour and Council than any other, and M<sup>r</sup>. Scott on his coming your way must be provided for other ways upon the first Vacancy.

44. Enclosed is an Account of Goods over and wanting by the several Ships, on Perusal of the Warehousekeepers Remarks annexed to each Ship there is cause to suspect Pilferage in some of the Bales before they were loaden on board the Ships, which must be narrowly scrutinized into and satisfaction obtained for us, taking the strictest care to prevent everything of the like nature in future at your Place and each Subordinate Factory.

45. That you and the Bay may not be overburthen'd with Tonnage, We have appointed our Three Ships Bombay Castle, Princess Amelia and Princess of Wales to take in Iron Kintlage in order if you should not want any of them to load home, they may be sent to Canton in China, and accordingly Our Servants in Bengal are directed in such Case to send any of them that reach the Bay down to Madrass.

46. On their so doing or those Ships coming to your Place, and you are overburthen'd with Tonnage, We direct that one or more of them be sent to China putting on board to the amount of Fifteen thousand Pounds in Treasure upon each Ship, and if you send no ship of your own, Goods to the amount of Four or Five thousand Pounds more proper for the Canton Market, and Consign the same by Invoice and



Bills of Lading to such of our Supra Cargoes from England as are on the spot upon the said Ships arrival at Canton, or if none are then there, the first Sett that shall arrive that Season, giving them Directions to obey the Orders they shall receive from Us.

47. Vencaty Ramah Chitty the son of Sunca Rama having set forth by Petition the Hardships his Father suffered in being obliged to pay a Fine of Four thousand <sup>Pan<sup>s</sup>.</sup> two hundred eighty nine Pagodas 18 for Non-performance of Contracts many years ago, although other Merchants were excused from a like Penalty that they had Incurred, We have Consulted M<sup>r</sup>. Benyon hereupon, and having Considered the same, and that Vencaty Ramah is now engaged in providing the Investment, We direct that upon Receipt hereof you Repay him the said Fine, expecting that he will be suitably Influenced thereby to Exert himself in the carrying on our Business.

48. It may not be improper to take a Discharge from him Bal Chitty &c<sup>s</sup>. for all Demands which they or any of them made on us on account of the Broad Cloth which they then alledged ought to have been delivered them.

49. In answer to the 98<sup>th</sup>. Paragraph of your Letter of the 15<sup>th</sup>. Feb<sup>r</sup>. 1744 We have had a Consultation with M<sup>r</sup>. Attorney and M<sup>r</sup>. Sollicitor General, M<sup>r</sup>. Browne and M<sup>r</sup>. Browning, and upon laying the Charter with a State of the Case before them, They at a Consultation agreed in Opinion that We could not make such a By Law as you desire, But that the English Statute for Limitation of Actions is in force at our Settlements in India, and is a proper Rule for the Mayors Court to follow, We herewith send you a copy of the Case and Opinion, as also two Printed Copys of the Act of Parliament.

50. We have lately had occasion to advise with our Council upon some points that have arisen at Bengal, and as the Opinions We have had may possibly be of use to You, We send you herewith a Copy of the Case and Opinions, which You will make Use of as you find occasion. We are

LONDON 7<sup>th</sup>. MAY 1746.

Your Loving Friends

WILL: BRAUND.	H. GOUGH.
ROB <sup>r</sup> . HUDSON.	D. BRADYLL.
JOHN PAYNE.	J. RAYMOND.
RICH <sup>d</sup> . BURTON.	THO <sup>s</sup> . ROUS.
JOHN HOPE.	R. DRAKE.
CHRIST <sup>o</sup> . BURROW.	WILL <sup>m</sup> . RIDER.
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	W <sup>m</sup> . BAKER.
	R. BOOTLE.
	W. WILLY.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE DATED 4TH APRIL 1746 PER HOUGHTON AND SALISBURY.

[*Public Despatches from England Vol. 49 pp. 33.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL  
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

1. Our last was dated the 27<sup>th</sup>. March by our Ships Marlborough and Montfort.
2. This comes by the Ship Houghton and Salisbury-Copy of our aforesaid Letter is enclosed in the Houghtons Packet.
3. Upon these Ships reaching Your Place by the Limited time mention'd in our last You will do well to forward all the money that possibly can be spared to Bengal by the first Ships bound thither.
4. We have Entertained M<sup>r</sup>. Samuel Parkes a Factor in Our Service upon the Bengal Establishment and being assured that he is well versed in Accounts, We have

Sent Directions thither to appoint him Sub-Accountant at Fort William; Covenants for him are Enclosed in the Houghtons Packet, which he is to Execute, and he must proceed thither by the first Conveyance that Offers.

5. M<sup>r</sup>. James Lauder in the Portugueze Service at Macao having given our Supra Cargoes the most Early Intelligence of the Motions of some Spanish Ships cruizing in the China Seas in order to intercept ours, We Direct that in case M<sup>r</sup>. Lauder comes to any of our Settlements he be not molested on account of his being in that Foreign Service. We are

LONDON THE 4<sup>th</sup>. APRIL 1746.

Your Loving Friends

	RICH <sup>d</sup> . BENYON.	D. BRADDYLL.
	W <sup>m</sup> . BRAUND.	H. GOUGH.
	W <sup>m</sup> . RIDER.	NATH <sup>l</sup> : NEWNHAM Jun <sup>r</sup> .
	W <sup>m</sup> . STEELE.	SAM <sup>l</sup> . HYDE.
	THO <sup>o</sup> . ROUS.	HENRY LASCELLES.
	J. RAYMOND.	P. GODFREY.
	ROB <sup>t</sup> . HUDSON.	CHRIST <sup>o</sup> . BURROW.
	THO <sup>o</sup> . PHIPPS.	R <sup>d</sup> . CHAUNCY.
HENRY PLANT.	ALEX <sup>s</sup> . HUMB.	SAM <sup>l</sup> . FEAKE.
WHICHCOTT TURNER.	JOHN HOPE.	J. WINTER.

LIST OF GOODS TO BE PROVIDED ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDELL FOR THE SHIPS GOING OUT IN THE YEAR 1745.

	Pieces.
ALLEJARS to be of a bright red, Five Hundred Pieces ...	500
BETTELLEES of N <sup>o</sup> . 25 and 26 One Thousand, and N <sup>o</sup> . 28 and 29 One Thousand, but most of the Head Sorts, if very good send the full Quantity, if but Midling send only half the Quantity of each, and those the very best you can procure, Two Thousand ... ..	2000
DITTO ORINGAL, fine, see that both Selvages are of equal Goodness, One Thousand five Hundred Pieces, If you cannot procure them as good as the last send only One Thousand Pieces ... ..	1500.
DITTO PULLICAT, the best you can get, Five Hundred Pieces of Two Covids broad, Four Hundred pieces of Three Covids broad, One Hundred Pieces of Four Covids broad, and if you can get any exceeding fine send One Hundred Pieces of any Breadths; to be Packed separately; and you must keep them all full up to their Breadths, One Thousand One Hundred ... ..	1100

*N.B.*—If you cant get all the Bettellees here Ordered at Fort St. George, you must try what can be done at Vizagapatam or elsewhere towards compleating it.

CHINTS MADRASS in some of the Bales, One Tenth part Coloured Grounds, of which some must be Green, some Purple and but few Blues, the Patterns of those sent home of late Years are too Open, and mostly too large, for the future they must be fuller of Work to Cover the Cloth more, and as many different and new Patterns as possible not less than half of them to be of smaller Patterns, and some very small, and We would have a Mixture of some of the Newest Dutch Patterns; We have observed for several Years past the Grounds have been tinged with red, which has been Owing to want of Care in the Washing, and some of them spotted, which has certainly been Owing to their being Packed damp, particular Care must be taken

	Pieces.
that the Grounds are kept clear. They must be sent full Twenty six Covids long, or in half pieces Thirteen Covids long; Including the Baftaes sent to be Bleached at Fort S <sup>t</sup> . George, you must send, Two thousand five Hundred ...	2500
<i>N.B.</i> —Printing here is come to so great Perfection, that unless you can keep exactly up to these Instructions, you must lessen the Quantity, and that is the reason We have Indented for fewer this Year than the last.	
CALLOWAPORES. must be of a bright red, One Thousand ...	1000
DIMITIES FORT S <sup>t</sup> . DAVIDS, not to exceed Five Pagodas Piece, Four Hundred ... .. .	400
GINGHAMS. small White to be kept up to the same Goodness as those hitherto sent, Eight Hundred ... .. .	800
DITTO. blue striped, with Variety of stripes, and about One Fourth part in each Bale chequered, Five Hundred.	500
DITTO. red striped, with Variety of stripes, and about One Fourth Part in each Bale Checqd. Five Hundred ...	500
DITTO. clouded, of the same Quality as above, Two Hun- dred ... .. .	200
DITTO. chequered on a red Ground Eight Hundred ...	800
<i>N.B.</i> —You must not send any superfine Coloured Ginghams.	
IZZABEES, fine, N <sup>o</sup> . 1 and 2, most of N <sup>o</sup> . 1 Five Hundred ...	500
DITTO. Superfine, such as We received this Year, Four Hundred ... .. .	400
LONGCLOTH ORDINARY One Hundred Thousand ... .. .	100000
DITTO. Midling most 1M and 2M, you must endeavour to make them thicker; for as they have been for some years past very thin, they have sold for less in proportion than the Ordinary, Twenty Thousand ... .. .	20000
DITTO. Fine, most F1 and F2, Eight Thousand ...	8000
DITTO. Superfine, about Six Pagodoes, let them be as thick as possibly you can procure, they must be made up square as formerly Ordered. Those sent of late Years, are not so good for the Price as what We have received form- erly. Six Hundred ... .. .	600
DITTO. blue, deep dye, Ordinary and Midling, Five Thousand ... .. .	5000
We would have all the Vizagapatam and Ingeram Cloth Washed at Madrass if possible, more Care must be taken that the Gunnies and Wrappers are good, and you must also Comply with the Directions given you, as to the Package of all the Goods you send.	
MOOREES. fine, must be full Thirteen Yards long, and Yard broad. Three Thousand ... .. .	3000
MOOREES. Superfine of the same Length and Breadth as above, very thick for Shirts, Five Hundred ... .. .	500
Ordinary the same Length and Breadth as the fine Ones, Three Thousand ... .. .	3000
ROMALS SCOTIE, of a bright Colour, but none upon a brick Colour, not more than one eighth part blues, eight thousand ... .. .	8000
DITTO. red and white, to be made according to the sample sent Anno 1739, One Thousand ... .. .	1000
DITTO. pullicat, such as last sent. They are so dear bought that We get but very little by them, Two Hundred ... .. .	200

	Pieces.
ROMALS SOOTIE Metchlepatam or Sastracundy Romals as last Year, but without Glazing, Two Thousand ... ..	2000
SASIRACUNDIES, of a bright red, One Thousand ... ..	1000
The Romals hitherto sent have proved all of the same Check, you must for the future send Variety of Checks in each Bale.	
SALLAMPORES ORDINARY, Sixty Thousand ... ..	60000
DITTO. Midling Twelve Thousand ... ..	12000
DITTO. Fine Five Thousand ... ..	5000
DITTO. I M B Two Thousand ... ..	2000

Great Care must be taken to keep all the Sallampores up to full sixteen yards long, and the usual Breadth, and take particular Care that no damaged pieces are packed in the Bales, as a great many were last year, being full of holes, many of them with Holes darned up, and some with patches in them, more particularly in the Ordinary Vizagapatam Sallampores.

We recommend it to you to get as many of them as possible.

If you have any other Species of Goods not mentioned here, you may send Us a few Bales of them for a Sample.

As We have lessened the Quantity in several Articles, We hope it will be a means of your getting them cheaper, which may induce Us to encrease the Demand in future.

REDWOOD as usual.

SALT PETRE as  $\text{q}$  General Letter.

Put the Commanders in mind that they lay sufficient Dunnage on the Salt Petre before they stow the Bales, it being of that penetrating Nature it often damages the Cloth, as it has formerly hapned.

We shall Order Our servants in the Bay to supply you with some Fine Tugdea Baftaes, which must be printed with Variety of Beautiful patterns, but not in the Expensive manner of the Madrass Chints, you must continue to make them all White Grounds, and the Colours more lively, with as much Variety as you can.

We shall also Order you some Fine brown Sannoos to be Bleached and Whitened on your Coast, you must order a small Quantity of Conjee to be put in them they not Answering without but not to be Glazed.

More care must be taken in future, that the Bales and Tickets of the Ingeram Cloth answer as to the Sortment, it being very common to receive them from thence of different Numbers in the same Bale, and the Tickets put into all the Bales, must be laid under the first piece that they may be easily found.

LAMPASSES fine } of each One Bale, the same sorts as are sent to Manilla. We are  
SIRASHES fine }

Your Loving Friends.

H. GOUGH.  
D. BRADDYLL.  
J. RAYMOND  
THO<sup>s</sup>. ROUS.  
R. DRAKE.  
WILL<sup>s</sup>. RIDER.  
W. MABBOTT.  
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ROB<sup>s</sup>. HUDSON.  
JOHN PAYNE.  
RICH<sup>s</sup>. BURTON.  
JOHN HOPE.  
CHRIST<sup>s</sup>. BURROW.  
HENRY PLANT.

MANIFEST of Private Silver Lyncenced to be Shipt on board the BRITANNIA for FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE on account of the following Persons (Viz<sup>t</sup>.)

For the Missionaries at Fort S <sup>t</sup> . George & Tranquabar Two Chests marked DM N <sup>o</sup> . 1 & EM N <sup>o</sup> . 2	... .. q <sup>t</sup> .	3500
For M <sup>r</sup> . Richard Turner Writer one Bagg Mark'd RT & put into Chest Marked RT x HVS N <sup>o</sup> . 1	... ..	200
For M <sup>r</sup> . Henry Van Sittart Writer One Bagg Marked HVS & put into Chest Marked RT HVS N <sup>o</sup> . 1	... ..	200
	Oz <sup>s</sup> .	3900

JO. MUKLETHWAITE.

BULLION OFFICE EAST INDIA HOUSE  
29<sup>TH</sup>. APRIL 1746.

1745

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANTDIZE & FOREIGN SILVER LIENSED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP BRITANNIA CAPT<sup>n</sup>. JOHN SOMNER COMMANDER BOUND FOR FORT SAINT GEORGE BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS. VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

		CAPTAIN JOHN SOMNER		
	N <sup>o</sup> . 1	47	Forty seven Casks Read Lead	£280
	1	...	One Box Gold thread	50
			Thirty Five Barrels Pitch & Tarr	30
	1	2	Two Cases Stationary	50
	1	40	Forty Bundles Steel	56
	1	8	Eight Roles Sheet Lead	30
	1	19	Nineteen Chests Quicksilver	500
	5		One Case Hatts	50
	1	2	Two Chests Cutlery Ware	100
	1	5	Five Chests Small Arms	56
W.P.	1	...	One Chest Wine	14
			On his Indulgence.	
			In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock	498
			ROBERT NOVIS 3 <sup>d</sup> . MATE.	
			One Chest Stationary	20
	1		One Chest Cutlery	28
			One Box Gold Thread	100
			On his Indulgence.	
			ALEXANDER MONCRIEFF 5 <sup>TH</sup> . MATE.	
	1.	2	Two Chests Wine	28
			On his Indulgence.	
			MATTHEW EDWARDS GUNNER.	
			One Case Plate Glass	10
			On his Indulgence.	
			JOSEPH BARKER CARPENTERS 1 <sup>ST</sup> . MATE.	
	2		Two Boxes Bugles	10
			On his Indulgence.	
			RICHARD TURNER PASSENGER.	
Turner	1	...	One Chest Wine	£10
			One Chest Apparel & Necessarys	30
			Two Cases Cheese, One Box Grocery	3 10
	3		One Box Books, One Chest Beer	10

Directed	JOHN DUNCOMBE PASSENGER.					
	One Chest Apparel & Bedding	...	...	£20	—	—
	One Case Liquors	...	...	4	10	—
[H.V.] S	HENRY VAN SITTART PASSENGER.					
	One Chest Wine	...	...	10	—	—
	One Chest Beer	...	...	4	10	—
	One hamper Brandy	...	...	4	—	—
	One Chest, One Bureau Apparel & Books	...	...	30	—	—
	One Bundle Bedding	...	...	5	—	—
	Freight Free being for the Use of the above persons in the Voyage.					
[W] M	WILL <sup>m</sup> . WATTS TO THE ENGLISH & DUTCH MISONARIES.					
	3	One Chest Stationary	...	5	—	—
	4	One Chest Medicines & Stationary	...	15	—	—
	6. 7	Two Chests Beer	...	9	—	—
	8. 9	Two Cheeses in Lead	...	3	—	—
	10	One Chest Stationary	...	7	—	—
	11.12	Two Chests Beer	...	9	—	—
	13.14	Two Cheeses in Lead	...	3	—	—
	Fre <sup>t</sup> . Free being for the Use of the Eng <sup>sh</sup> . & Dutch Misonaries at Tanquebar.					
Directed	JOSEPH BANKS TO SAMUEL BANKS					
	One Box q <sup>t</sup> . Camblet & Apparel	...	...	12	—	—
Directed	M <sup>r</sup> . AFFLICK TO SAM <sup>r</sup> . AFFLICK.					
	One Case Apparel & Necessarys	...	...	10	—	—
	JOHN STARKER TO RICH <sup>d</sup> . STARKER.					
	3 a 4	Two Boxes Books	...	6	—	—
directed	THOMAS WATERS TO EDWARD FOWKES.					
	N <sup>o</sup> . 1. 2	Two Chests Wine	...	20	—	—
directed	M <sup>r</sup> . FOXALL TO SIDNEY FOXALL.					
	1. 2	Two Chests Wine	...	20	—	—
directed	M <sup>r</sup> . ALLEN TO JOSEPH FOWKES.					
	1. 2	Two Chests Wine	...	20	—	—
directed	M <sup>r</sup> . FIELD TO THE REV <sup>d</sup> . M <sup>r</sup> . FIELD.					
	1. 2	Two Chests Wine	...	20	—	—
		One Chest Apparel	...	—	—	—
directed	WILLIAM MINETT TO WILL <sup>m</sup> . MONSON.					
	1. 2	Two Chests Wine	...	20	—	—
directed	CHARLES BENYON Esq <sup>r</sup> . TO RANDAL FOWKES.					
	3. 4	Two Chests Ale	...	9	—	—
directed	WALTER HOLT TO W <sup>m</sup> . HOLT.					
	One Box Apparel & Necessarys	...	...	14	—	—
Directed	M <sup>r</sup> . MANDEVILLE TO JN <sup>o</sup> . HIND Esq <sup>r</sup> .					
	1. 2	Two Chests Wine	...	20	—	—

directed M<sup>r</sup>. SOUTHEY TO W<sup>m</sup>. MONSON.  
 One Box Cards, Two Boxes Hungary &  
 Lavendr. Water ... .. 5 — —  
 Freight free being for the use of the before  
 —mentioned persons at Fort Saint  
 George.

M<sup>r</sup>. JACOB SALVADORE.  
 SB ... 6 & 7 One box Coral beads Viz<sup>t</sup>.  
 SB N<sup>o</sup>. 6 & 7 ... .. £490  
 RE. 1 One packet in the said Box 90 580 — —  
 4 { 2 One box Beads ... .. 530 — —  
 X { 3 One d<sup>o</sup>. ... .. 770 — —  
 FS 5 One d<sup>o</sup>. ... .. 310 — —

M<sup>r</sup>. DAVID DE CASTRO.  
 Æ 1 One Chest Coral Beads ... .. 520 — —  
 26 One Chest d<sup>o</sup>. ... .. £523  
 Coral bits or pieces ... .. 7 530 — —  
 On which they have paid Freight and per-  
 mission into the Companys Treasury and  
 given Bond pursuant to Order of Court.

M<sup>r</sup>. JAMES PORTER.  
 One Chest Coral Beads ... .. 400 — —

MESS<sup>rs</sup>. ABRAHAM AND JACOB FRANCO.  
 3 One Chest Coral Beads ... .. 670 — —  
 On which they have paid Freight and per-  
 mission into the Companys Treasury, and  
 given Bond pursuant to the Order of  
 Court.

EAST INDIA H<sup>o</sup>.  
 LONDON THE 30<sup>th</sup>. APRIL 1746.

H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

1745

A LIST OF 11 SOLDIERS ON BOARD THE SHIP BRITANNIA CAPTAIN JOHN SOMNER  
 COMMANDER.

FOR FORT SAINT GEORGE.

Names.	Quality.	Country.	Trade.	Age.
Richard Willding	Soldier	London	Labourer	2.
Tho <sup>s</sup> . Willson	d <sup>o</sup> .	Hackney	d <sup>o</sup> .	3.
Alex <sup>r</sup> . Lawson	d <sup>o</sup> .	London	d <sup>o</sup> .	2.
Isaac Winterton	d <sup>o</sup> .	d <sup>o</sup> .	Barber	3.
John Veale	d <sup>o</sup> .	Essex	d <sup>o</sup> .	...
Charles Strang	d <sup>o</sup> .	Kirkwell	Taylor	...
William Pope	d <sup>o</sup> .	Suffolk	Schoolmaster	...
Samuel Jenyns	d <sup>o</sup> .	London	Labourer	...
Arthur Duddleston	d <sup>o</sup> .	Coventry	Shoemaker	...
John Grigg	d <sup>o</sup> .	Essex	Labourer	...
Sam <sup>l</sup> . Beardmore	d.	London	White Smith	...

EAST INDIA HOUSE,  
 LONDON THE 30<sup>th</sup> APRIL 1746.

H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

VICTUALLING-BILL, AND STORES OF THE SHIP BRITANNIA——CAPTAIN JOHN SOMNER COMMANDER, BURTHEN, 498 TONS, 99 MEN, 30 GUNS, BOUND FOR

VIZ.

Ale, Strong Beer, Syder or Mum, in Cask or Bottles, according to Bulk ..	Five Tons.
Beef, Pork, Bacon, Sewit and Tongues ..	Twenty-five Tons.
Beer Strong, in Casks (not Bottles) ..	Six Tons.
Beer Small .. .. .	Forty Tons.
Bread .. .. .	Thirty Thousand Weight.
Butter .. .. .	Thirty Firkins.
Brandy and <i>English</i> Spirits .. ..	Two Hundred and fifty Gallons. ...
Billet Wood .. .. .	Twenty-five Thousand.
Brimstone .. .. .	Two Hundred Weight.
Coals .. .. .	Fifteen Chaldrons.
Candles .. .. .	Fifty Dozen.
Cheese .. .. .	Fifty Hundred Weight.
Chirurgery and Drugs .. .. .	Fifty Pounds Value.
Canvass .. .. .	Twenty Bolts.
Flower .. .. .	Seventy Hundred Weight.
Fish & Tale .. .. .	Seven Thousand
Fruit .. .. .	Fifteen Hundred Weight.
Gunpowder .. .. .	Fifty Barrels.
Iron-Shot .. .. .	Four Tons.
Iron for Store .. .. .	Four Tons.
Lime Juice .. .. .	One Hundred Gallons
Lead Shot of Sorts .. .. .	Two Tons.
Mustard-Seed .. .. .	Ten Bushels.
Oatmeal .. .. .	Fifty Bushels.
Oil, Sweet and Lamp .. .. .	Three Hundred Gallons.
Oats, Barley and Bran .. .. .	Three Hundred Bushels.
Pease .. .. .	One Hundred and eighty Bushels.
Pitch .. .. .	Twenty Barrels.
Red and White Herring and Salmon ..	Five Barrels.
Rosin .. .. .	Six Hundred Weight.
Spare Cordage .. .. .	Five Tons.
Sheet-Lead for Store .. .. .	Ten Hundred Weight.
Sauces of all Sorts .. .. .	Five Cases.
Salt, White and Bay .. .. .	Forty Bushels.
Sugar and Spice .. .. .	Fifteen Hundred Weight.
Slops .. .. .	Two Chests
Tobacco .. .. .	Twenty Hundred Weight.
Tobacco Pipes .. .. .	One Hundred Gross.
Tar .. .. .	Twenty Barrels.
Turpentine .. .. .	Three Barrels.
Vinegar .. .. .	Six Hogsheads.
Wine in Cask and Bottles, according to Bulk, accounting thirty-six Dozen to a Ton .. .. .	Six Tons.
Water, what shall be thought fit, but not less than .. .. .	Forty Tons.
Also one Case or Cask of Brandy, or strong Waters, for each Seaman, not exceeding .. .. .	Six Gallons.
Oranges and Lemons .. .. .	Six Chests.

Boatswain's, Gunner's, and Carpenter's Stores as Usual, that are not particularly above-mentioned, seeing them to be such.

EAST-INDIA-HOUSE,  
THE 30<sup>TH</sup>. APRIL 1746.

BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE  
COURT OF DIRECTORS.

H<sup>C</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

To ALL PEOPLE to whom these Presents shall come, The United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East-Indies, Send GREETING. WHEREAS, in and by an Act of Parliament made in the Fifth Year of His late Majesty's Reign, It is



(amongst other Things) Enacted, That if any of his Majesty's Subjects should, from and after the twentieth Day of February, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighteen, sail, go, or repair to, or be in the *East-Indies*, in the Countries, and Parts of *Asia* and *Africa*, or in such Places of *Asia*, *Africa*, and *America*, or any of them, beyond the Cape of *Bona Esperanza* to the Streights of *Magellan*, where any Trade or Traffick of Merchandize is or may be used or had, contrary to the Laws then in being, or the Tenor of the said Act; such Persons, so offending, should be liable to such Punishments as by any Law in being might be inflicted for such Offence; and that it should and might be lawful to and for the *United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East-Indies* and their Successors, to take, arrest and seize, or cause to be taken, arrested and seized, such Person or Persons, being a Subject or Subjects, of his Majesty, his Heirs or Successors, at any Place or Places where he or they shall be found, within the Limits or Places aforesaid; and the Person and Persons so taken, arrested and seized, to send and remit to *England*, there to answer for the Offence aforesaid, according to due course of Law. And it was in and by the said Act provided and enacted, that the said Act should continue in Force for Five Years, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament and no longer. AND WHEREAS in and by an Act of Parliament made in the ninth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George, the Said Act of the Fifth Year of His said late Majesty was further continued in Force for Seven Years, from the 25th Day of March, 1723, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament. AND WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament made in the Fifth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty the Said first mentioned Act is revived, and further continued in Force for Seven Years, from the First Day of May, 1732, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament. AND WHEREAS by an Act of Parliament made in the thirteenth Year of the Reign of his present Majesty, the last recited Act of the fifth Year of his present Majesty is continued till the first Day of June, 1747, as in and by the said Acts, Relation being thereunto had, may more fully appear. NOW KNOW YE, That We the said United Company do (by Virtue of the Power granted to us by the above-mentioned Act, and Acts of Parliament) hereby Authorize and Empower Captain John Somner Commander of the Ship *Britannia*, and the Commander for the time being pursuant to the Powers of the said Acts, to take, arrest, and seize, all and every Person and Persons, being a Subject or Subjects of his Majesty, his Heirs or Successors, offending against the Laws aforesaid, within the Places aforesaid; and the Person, and Persons so taken, arrested and seized, to send and remit to *England*, to answer for his or their Offence, according to due Course of Law. IN WITNESS whereof the Said United Company have hereunto caused their Common Seal to be affixed, this seventh Day of May Anno Domini One Thousand Seven Hundred and fortysix.

At a Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of ENGLAND,  
Trading to the East-INDIES, Holden the 15th of NOVEMBER 1734.

WHEREAS We the said Court of Directors are willing to give all fitting Encouragement to the Commanders, Officers, and Sea-men, on Board the Ships which shall, from Time to Time, be Employed to and from the *East-Indies*, and other Limits of the Company's Charter, We do hereby Declare as follows; viz.,

That the Commanders, Officers, and Seamen may Export in Bullion, or such Goods as shall be allowed by the Court of Directors, or any Committee appointed by them, each of them the Sums of Values hereunder-mentioned, so as the same be for their own proper Use and Account, and not for the Account of any other Person or Persons whatsoever; and so as the same be invested in the Goods and Merchandizes hereby declared to be allowed, and not in any of the Goods or Merchandizes reserved for the Trade of the said Company, except as hereunder-mentioned. Provided, That each Person Exporting all, or Part of the said Sums or Values, or Importing the Produce of them, do not take up more of the Ship's Tonnage, than the limited Proportion allowed to such Person, as his Part or Share of the Charter-Party Allowance. Provided also, That the Commanders, Officers, or Seamen, shall not be allowed to dispose of their Privilege to any other Person or Persons whatsoever, or to make Use of the Privilege allowed to any other; viz.

The Commander Three Hundred Pounds, Chief Mate Sixty Pounds, Second Mate Forty Pounds, Third Mate Thirty Pounds, Parser Thirty Pounds, Fourth Mate Twenty Pounds, and

to all other Chief Officers, as Surgeon, Boatswain, Gunner, Carpenter, Steward, and Quarter-Master, each Fifteen Pounds, the Midshipmen Ten Pounds upon every Hundred Tons, the Ship they serve in shall be Lett for; and to all other Seamen the Value of Ten Pounds only each Man, be the Ships more or less in Burthen.

And as a further Encouragement to the Commanders, they are each of them hereby allowed to export or carry out in Bullion, or such Goods as the Company do not Trade in, the Value of so much further, as, with the before-mentioned Privilege, will make their Outwardbound Adventure amount to Three Thousand Pounds.

And we do hereby allow each Commander to invest in *India*, the Sum of Three Thousand Pounds, and no more, under the following Limitations, and to pay the Remainder of the Produce of the said Outward-bound Adventure, into the Company's Cash, at the same Rates as their Covenant Servants are at present allowed.

Goods hereby allowed to be Imported by the Commanders, Officers and Seamen;  
Viz.

*Aggats,*  
*Ambergreece,*  
*Amm-niacum,*  
*Arrack,* Four Leaguers for each One Hundred Tons the Ship is Lett for, paying upon what exceeds that Quantity One Shilling and Six Pence per Gallon, over and above all other Duties,  
*Asa-Foetida,*  
*Benjamin,*  
*Bezoar Stones,*  
*Cabinets,*  
*Cambogium,*  
*Camphire,*  
*Canes,*  
*Cardemons,*  
*Cassia Fistula,*  
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*China Fans and Pictures,*  
*China Images and Pictures,*  
*China Root,*  
*China-Ware,* in China Ships, and in them only, to the gross Amount of Two Thousand Five Hundred Pounds at the Company's Candle,  
*Civet,*  
*Cordivants,* and all Sorts of Leather,  
*Cornelian Rings,*  
*Cubebs,*  
*Diamonds, Pearls,* and all Precious Stones,  
*Ebony Wood,*  
*Gallingal,*  
*Goa Stones,*  
*Gold,*  
*Japan Ware,*  
*Lacks,* of all Sorts,  
*Lacquer'd Ware,*  
*Lapis Lazuli,*

*Lapis Tutiae,*  
*Long Pepper,*  
*Mirabolans,*  
*Musk,*  
*Myrrh,*  
*Nux Vomica,*  
*Olibanum,*  
*Opium,*  
*Oppoponax,*  
*Orpiment,*  
*Ostrich's Feathers,*  
*Rangoes,*  
*Rattans,* Two Hundred Bundles for each One Hundred Tons the Ship is Lett for, but upon all Exceedings, to pay Ten Shillings, each Bundle, as far as One Hundred Bundles, and all farther Exceedings to be forfeited.  
*Rhubarb,*  
*Rice,*  
*Roman Vitriol,*  
*Safflower,*  
*Sage,*  
*Sal Armoniack,*  
*Sanguis Draconis,*  
*Scamony,*  
*Sealing Wax,*  
*Sena,*  
*Skreens,*  
*Spices;* viz. Cinnamon, Cloves, Mace, Nutmegs, and their Oils,  
*Spikonard,*  
*Sugar Candy,*  
*Tamarinds,*  
*Tea,* in China Ships, and them only, Two Hundred Weight for each Hundred Tons the Ship is Lett for,  
*Tortoise Shells,*  
*Tutenague,*  
*Wormseeds,*

And any other Goods which are not reserved, as hereunder-mentioned.

And we Do hereby Declare, That upon all the above-mentioned Goods there shall be charg'd and paid, the Customs, the Company's Duty of Five per Cent. (except *Arrack*, on which Six Pence per Gallon shall be paid invested of the Five per Cent) and the customary Charge of Two per cent. for Warehouse-room, on all Goods, excepting *China Ware* and *Lacquer'd Ware*, whereon Four per Cent. shall be paid.

Goods reserved for the Trade of the said Company; viz.

*Muslins, Calicoes, and all Sorts of Goods and Merchandizes made or mixed with Cotton, or Silk, or Herba, of what Denomination soever.*

*Carmenia Wool,*

*Coffee,*

*Cotton Wool,*

*Cotton Yarn,*

*Cowries,*

*Pepper, Black or White,*

*Raw Silk, of all Sorts,*

*Raw Silk Thrown,*

*Saltpetre,*

*Redwood,*

*Tea, of all Sorts, except as before-mentioned.*

*Turmerick.*

But notwithstanding the above Reservation, the *Court of Directors* do hereby, as a further Encouragement, allow each Commander to lay out and invest, in *India*, to the Amount of Two Thousand Pounds (Part of the above-mentioned Three Thousand Pounds) reckoning the *Pagoda* at Eight Shillings, and the *Rupée* at Two Shillings and Six Pence, in any of the Commodities so reserved, excepting only such as may be limited or prohibited in their Instructions, and provided each Commander bring no more than Five Hundred Pieces of any particular Species of Piece-Goods, nor the *China* Captains more than half their Three *per Cent.* Privilege in Tea, upon paying the Five *per Cent.* Duty, Fifteen *per Cent.* Indulgence, and the usual Warehouse-room, upon the gross Sale thereof at the Candle.

And upon all Exceedings of the before-mentioned Allowances, an additional Duty of Thirty *per Cent.* on the gross Sale, shall be paid for the Use of the said Company, except on *Arrack* and *Rattans*, which are to remain on the Terms above stated.

AT A COMMITTEE OF THE TREASURY THE 13<sup>TH</sup>. SEPTEMBER 1745.

PRESENT THE CHAIRMAN, THE DEPUTY, M<sup>R</sup>. FEAKE AND M<sup>R</sup>. BURROW.

M<sup>R</sup>. WEBB AND THE SECRETARY *attending.*

The Advices from Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George received by the Ship Prince of Wales relating to the Deficiency in the Treasure by several Ships were read to Messieurs Micklethwaite and Welch.

The Committee then Proceeded to see that the Scales were even, which appearing to be so, they Ordered Two Chests taken promiscuously that had been Pack'd to be again Opened, and each Bag was reweighed with the greatest Exactness, and came out full seventy two pounds eight ounces to the entire satisfaction of the Committee.

The Scale maker then brought the Exchequer Standards, and compared the Weights therewith, wherein there was no Variation except in the Fifty Pound Weight, which was near Five penny Weight less than the Standard.

The Bags appearing to be Thin, the Committee ordered Samples of stronger Cloth to be laid before them for their Inspection and Approbation, as by the Bursting of the Bags, and the Silver being thereby loose in the Chests, there might be an Opportunity for the Black Fellows to pilfer, which the Committee are of opinion was in part the Cause of these Deficiencies.

D. BRADDYLL.

H. GOUGH.

SAM: HYDE.

CHRIST<sup>O</sup>. BURROW.

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EXTRACT FROM THE SUPRA CARGOES OF THE SHIPS YORK AND  
STAFFORDS DIARY AT CANTON.

Received the Yorks Treasure from Texia amounting to 20 chests which had been sent to his Hong from Macao; Opened and Weighed the same, and found them all agreeing with the Invoice except Chest N<sup>o</sup>. 365 in which there is a deficiency of

lb oz dwt.  
14. 2. 15 viz<sup>t</sup>.

	lb.	oz.	dwt.
1 Bag weighing .. .. .	65	8	—
1 ditto. .. .. .	65	5	5
	131	1	5
Weight of Invoice from Madrass .. .. .	145	4	—

lb oz dwt.  
Loss in Weight 14. 2. 15 or

Tales 141. 349 which We know not how to account for, but by some Mistake at Fort St. George, for these Chests being landed at Macao, had (as We are Informed) the Chinese Chops immediately put on them, & from thence were carried to Texias Hong in Canton, where the Pay de Casa in Weighing them found this chest to differ in Weight from the others he had therefore a Curiosity to open it, that he might be satisfied of its being nothing else than Silver: But before this was done they Examined the Chest very exactly, and Texia (whose Veracity We have no reason to doubt) declares that the Two Seals and Tape on each side were entire before it was Opened; and as the Deficiency in each Bag was very near Equal, We think it reasonable to Conclude it must have been a Mistake at Madrass, for We suppose no man who could Venture to plunder a Chest of Treasure would have Troubled himself to have taken a like Quantity from each Bag or that his Roguish Inclinations would have been Gratified with 140 Tales, when he might have Indulged them to a much greater Degree.

ACCOUNT OF GOODS WANTING BY THE SEVERAL SHIPS ARRIV'D ANNO 1745.  
Ship Prince of Wales.

2 Bales of Longcloth FM2 invoic'd 40 P<sup>s</sup>. each came but 30 P<sup>s</sup>. each which agreed with the Tickets.

Ditto in 2 Bales FM 3.

1 Bale of Sallampores 3M . . . wanting P<sup>s</sup>. 2

Ship Durrington

1 Bale of Sallampores D2 . . . wanting P<sup>s</sup>. 2

The above Bales had no appearance of Plunder.

St. HELLENS WAREH<sup>o</sup>.

7 MAY 1746.

JN. NEWTON.

JOB: WILLIAMS.

## [CASE WITH COUNCILS OPINION UPON LAW POINTS.]

## CASE.

As the bringing of Bills and Commencing of Suits against the Companys Governor and Council by their particular names for matters in which they are no ways Interested in their private Capacities and which regard the Company only may be of dangerous Consequence not only to the Companys affairs But also to his Majestys Subjects residing at the Several Settlements in as much as in Case of Committing them to prison for disobedience of an Order of the Mayors Court it puts a total Stop to all proceedings in Criminal Cases the Governor and Council being the only justices

of the peace & the only Commissioners of Oyer and Terminer and is also taking away that right of Appeal which by the Charter is given to them in the first instance and is in effect Investing the whole power of the Companys affairs in the Mayors Court and as these Charters were intended for the benefit of the Company and has eminently distinguished the superiority of the Governor and Council over the Mayors Court and that of the Company over both of them unless such Superiority can be maintained these Courts may prove of dangerous Consequence to the Companys Settlements in India.

Whether all actions and suits which concerns the Company or wherein it may be proper they should be partys ought not to be brought and Commenced by or against the Company in their Corporate name and not against their Governor and Council by their particular names.

We are of opinion that where the Cause of action arises meerly on account of the Company wherein the Company only is concerned and for which the Company alone if the Plaintiff recovers is liable to make satisfaction no suit lies against the Governor and Council by their particular names and we are likewise of opinion that the Charter had not in view the case of suing the Company in their Corporate capacity in India nor do we see how such a suit could be maintained or prosecuted there with effect.

DUDLEY RYDER.  
W<sup>m</sup>. MURRAY.  
JOHN. BROWNE.  
JOHN. BROWNING.

#### CASE.

##### BY LAW PROPOSED RELATING TO LIMITATION OF ACTIONS.

It is represented that of late Years there have been such frequent Applications to the Mayor's Court in Suits and Actions arising on Bonds and Notes of antient Dates many of which thro' Carelessness have been omitted to be taken up and cancelled when Discharged which by that means have fallen into the Hands of Persons of bad Dispositions whereby many Famliys have been greatly aggrieved even to their utter ruin It having been impossible for them at such a distance of time to prove the Payments.

AND to provide a remedy for this Evil in future as in Cases of this nature It is very difficult to form a true Judgment It is proposed to make a By Law.

FOR limitting the time of the Commencement of Suits or Actions to Ten Years from and after the time the Causes of such Actions or suits shall arise or may have arisen.

WHETHER the Company can lawfully make such a By Law and how far is the Statute of Limitations and other English Acts of Parliament in force in India there being no Legislative Power at any of the Companys Settlements.

WE ARE of Opinion that the Company cannot make such a Bye Law But that the Rule laid down in the English Statute for the limitation of Actions of the 21<sup>st</sup>. of James 1<sup>st</sup>. is in force and ought to be observed in the Companys Settlements in India.

As the bringing of Bills and commencing of Suits against the Company's Governor and Council by their particular Names for Matters in which they are no ways Interested in their private capacities and which regard the Company only may be of dangerous Consequence not only to the Company's Affairs But also to his Majesty's subjects residing at the several Settlements in as much as in case of committing them to Prison for Disobedience of an Order of the Mayor's Court it puts a total stop to all Proceedings in Criminal Cases the Governor and Council being the only Justices of the Peace and the only Commissioners of Oyer and Terminer And is

also taking away that right of Appeal which by the Charter is given to them in the First Instance And is in effect Investing the whole power of the Companys Affairs in the Mayor's Court And as these Charters were intended for the benefit of the Company and has eminently distinguished the Superiority of the Governor & Council over the Mayors Court and that of the Company over both of them unless such superiority can be maintained these Courts may prove of dangerous Consequence to the Companys Settlements in India.

WHETHER all Actions and Suits which Concern the Company or wherein it may be proper they should be Parties ought not to be brought and Commenced by or against the Company in their Corporate name and not against the Governor and Council by their particular Names.

WE ARE of Opinion that where the Cause of Action arises merely on Account of the Company wherein the Company only is concerned and for which the Company alone if the plaintiff Recovers is liable to make satisfaction no Suit lyes against the Governor and Council by their particular Names And We are likewise of Opinion that the Charter had not in view the Case of seeing the Company in their Corporate Capacity in India Nor do We See how such a Suit could be maintained or prosecuted there with effect.

It may happen that a Cause may be brought before the Mayor's Court or before the Company's Governor and Council (especially in a Respondentia Case) in which all the Judges may be Parties Concerned either as Principals or as Attorneys for other persons.

Q. In such a Case how are they to proceed.

WE are of Opinion that no Party in a Cause ought to Sit or Act as a Judge But if a Case Should arise where from all or so many of the Judges being Parties as not to leave a Quorum to Constitute a Court, there would be an absolute failure of Justice if no Proceedings were had, We think the Court may Proceed to Sentence with Consent of Parties or without Provided they take Notice in their Sentence that they do it only to let the Parties into an Opportunity of Appealing if they think proper to the Superior Court where the merits of the Cause may be impartially Heard & Determined; And we think that in such Case the Party should be admitted to his Appeal whatever the matter in Question may happen to be.

DUDLEY RYDER.  
W<sup>m</sup>. MURRAY.  
JOHN BROWNE.  
JOHN BROWNING.

#### CASE.

THE Mayors Court at Bengall desire the Company to make By Laws to the following Effect Viz<sup>t</sup>.

#### BY LAW PROPOSED RELATING TO RESPONDENTIA BONDS.

THEY represent that the difference between a Bottomree bond and a Respondentia bond is not understood in England.

AND as a proof that it is not they observe that in a Decree made by the Lords of the Council in a Cause that came before them by way of Appeal it is twice mentioned therein to be a Respondentia or Bottomree bond as if they were Synonymous and Signified the same thing.

WHEREAS a Bottomree bond and a Respondentia bond are quite different.

A BOTTOMREE BOND is where a person borrows money and gives his bond for the Repayment of it with a Stated Interest at the return of a particular Ship.

If the Ship is lost or otherwise in her Voyage rendered incapable of performing her Voyage and so as not to return and arrive at the Port to which she is destined In this Case tho' all the Goods and Effects which the Obligor had on board should be saved and tho' he should be no sufferer at all yet nothing can be recovered on this bond in as much as the Ship does not return to and arrive at the Port to which she is destined the money being by the Condition of the Bond Expressly made payable upon Condition only of the Ships return or arrival at her destined Port mentioned in such Condition.

A RESPONDENTIA BOND is where a person borrows money or buys Goods and gives his Bond for the payment of the money so borrowed or for the Value of the Goods so bought upon the Ships return or arrival at her destined Port, or if the Ship is lost in the Voyage then the Obligee notwithstanding such loss is entitled to the benefit arising from the Salvage of such goods or Effects of the Obligor as shall have been saved in Average as the Goods Saved bear to the Goods lost in proportion with the Owner of the Goods and other Respondentia Creditors.

AND as the Trade Carryed on by the Company's Servants in India is for the most part with money borrowed at Respondentia few of them having Sufficient Capitals of their own without Such Assistance and as the giving all possible Encouragement to this Kind of Security would tend greatly to Encrease and promote Trade there They propose that a By Law should be made to the following effect. Viz<sup>t</sup>.

THAT all Respondentia bonds for money or Goods sent on the last Voyage should be first paid out of the produce of the return of that Voyage preferable to all other Demands.

AND besides what is offered before the Gentlemen in India assign the following reason for the making such a By Law Viz<sup>t</sup>.

THAT as Goods Saved out of a wrecked Ship immediately become the property of the Respondentia Lenders they cannot See how a person that lent his money in a former Voyage can Claim any part of that Salvage unless the Goods so saved should produce more than will ans<sup>w</sup>. the demands of those persons who either sold those very Goods at Respondentia or lent their money to purchase them and they apprehend that a General good would result from such a By Law as many unhappy persons would find credit and be thereby Enabled to get a Livelyhood who must Otherwise sink under their misfortunes without any hopes of ever being raised and that no inconvenience can arise from its Establishment on the Contrary instead of being a hurt to any former Creditor it would be a benefit For if their Debtors should by these means meet with any success from their fresh Credit they might in time be Enabled to satisfie their old Debts.

Q. . . . WHETHER the Company can lawfully make such a By Law.

We are of Opinion that such a By Law cannot be made.

BY LAW PROPOSED RELATING TO MORTGAGE BONDS BEING REGISTERED.

THAT in order to put a stop to all double mortgages w<sup>ch</sup>. would be of great advantage to the fair trader a By Law should be made Viz<sup>t</sup>.

THAT all Mortgage Bonds be Registered in the Records of the Mayors Court, and that such Registered bonds should take place of all other bonds not Registered.

Q. WHETHER the Company can lawfully make such a By Law.

We are of Opinion that the Company cannot make such a By Law.

THEY likewise desire to be advised in the following particulars Viz<sup>t</sup>.

Q. . . . WHETHER old bonds Contracted in England are on an Equal footing with fresh bond debts Contracted in India.

We are of Opinion they are.

THE Mayors Court at Bengall Represent that they have no Separate Jurisdiction as in England that they have no Court of Admiralty lawfully impowered or water Baily to apply to and for want of a proper power ships in the River of Bengall may lay and Rott to the Great prejudice of Creditors a Ship breaking loose may endanger the Safety of Severall other Vessells the Owners by staying on board may bid Defiance to their Creditors & watch an Opportunity of Conveying away both their persons and Effects to the Great loss & detriment of their Creditors.

Q. WHETHER the Mayors Court at Bengall hath power to Issue their warrant to the Sheriff to seize a Ship in the River or the person of any one or of his Effects on Board of any Ship in the River if not what proper method is to be taken in Case of Necessity to seize such ship person or Effects.

We are of Opinion that the Mayors Court of Bengall hath the same power over Ships or persons or Effects on Board of any Ship in the River within the limits of the Companys Settlement as they wou'd have if such persons or Effects were on shoar within the limits of the said Settlement.

It may happen that a Cause may be brought before the Mayors Court or before the Companys Governor & Councill (Especially in a Respondentia Case) in which all the Judges may be partys concerned either as principals or as Attorneys for other persons.

Q. . . . In such a Case how are they to proceed.

WE are of Opinion that no party in a Cause ought to Sit or Act as a Judge. But if a Case should arise, where from all or so many of the Judges being partys as not to leave a Quorum to Constitute a Court there would be an absolute failure of Justice if no proceedings were had, We think the Court may proceed to Sentence w<sup>th</sup>. Consent of the partys or without provided they take notice in their Sentence that they do it only to let the partys into an Opportunity of appealing if they think proper to the Superior Court where the merits of the Cause may be impartially heard & determined and we think that in such case the party sho<sup>d</sup>. be admitted to his appeal, whatever the matter in question may happen to be.

DUDLEY RIDER.  
W<sup>m</sup>. MURRAY.  
JOHN BROWNE.  
JOHN BROWNING.

APRIL 30<sup>th</sup>. 1746.

GENTLEMEN

Herewith is a Bill of Lading for thirty [five] Chests of The Companys Treasure-Shipt at Portsmouth by M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish upon the Britaunia.

Enclosed is also two Private Letters wherein are Bills of Loading for Private-Silver Licenced to purchase Diamonds.

I am

GENTLEMEN

Your most humble and obedient servant

CHRIS : MOLE

Secry.

EAST INDIA HOUSE  
the 29<sup>th</sup>. APRIL 1746.

THE HONOURABLE THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL AT FORT S<sup>t</sup>. [GEORGE].



## LIST OF GOODS TO BE PROVIDED ON THE COAST OF CHOBOMANDELL FOR THE SHIPS GOING OUT IN THE YEAR 1745.

	Pieces.
ALLEJARS to be of a bright Red, Five hundred Pieces . . .	500
BETTELERS of N <sup>o</sup> . 25 & 26 One thousand, and N <sup>o</sup> . 28 & 29 One thousand, but most of the Head Sorts, if very good, send the full quantity if but middling send only half the quantity of each and those the very best you can procure, Two thousand . . . . .	2000
Ditto. Oringal, fine, see that both selvages are of equal goodness, one thousand five hundred Pieces, if you cannot procure them as good as the last, send only One thousand.	1500
Ditto. Pullicat, the best you can get, Five hundred Pieces of Two Covids broad, Four hundred Pieces of Three Covids, One hundred Pieces of Four Covids broad, and if you can get any exceeding fine, send One hundred Pieces of any breadths, to be packed separately and You must keep them all full up to their breadths, one thousand one- hundred . . . . .	1100
N.B.—If you cant get all the Bettellees here Ordered at Fort S <sup>t</sup> . George you must try what can be done at Vizagapatam or elsewhere towards compleating it.	
CHINTS MADRASS in some of the Bales One tenth part. Coloured Grounds, of which some must be Green some Purple and but few Blues, the Patterns of those sent home of late Years are too open and mostly too large, for the future they must be fuller of work to Cover the Cloth more, and as many different and new Patterns as possible, not less than half of them to be of smaller Patterns, and some very small, and we would have a mixture of some of the newest Dutch Patterns, We have observed for several Years past the Grounds have been tinged with Red, which has been owing to want of care in the washing, and some of them spotted, which has certainly been owing to their being packed Damp, particular care must be taken that the Grounds are kept clear, They must be sent full Twenty Six Covids long, or in half Pieces Thirteen Covids long, Including the Baftaes sent to be Bleached at Fort S <sup>t</sup> . George, You must send Two thousand five hundred . . .	2500
N.B.—Printing here is come to so great perfection, that unless you can keep exactly up to these Instructions you must lessen the quantity and that is the reason We have Indented for fewer this Year than the last.	
CALLOWAPORES must be of a bright Red. One thousand . . .	1000
DIMITIS Fort S <sup>t</sup> . Davids, not to exceed Five Pagodas $\frac{1}{2}$ piece, Four hundred . . . . .	400
GINGHAMS small White, to be kept up to the same goodness as those hitherto sent, Eight hundred . . . . .	800
Ditto. Blue Striped, with variety of Stripes and about one fourth part in each Bale Chequer'd, Five hundred . . .	500
Ditto. Red Striped with variety of Stripes, and about one fourth part in each Bale Chequer'd Five hundred . . .	500
Ditto. clouded, of the same quality as above, Two hundred . . . . .	200
Ditto. Chequer'd, on a Red ground, Eight hundred . . .	800
N.B.—You must not send any superfine Colour'd Ginghams.	
IZAREES Fine, N <sup>o</sup> . 1 & 2 most of N <sup>o</sup> . 1 Five hundred . . .	500

	Pieces.
IZZAREES Superfine, such as We receiv'd this Year, Four hundred	400
Longcloth Ordinary, One hundred thousand	100000
Ditto. Middling, most 1M and 2M You must endeavour to make them thicker, for as they have been for some Years past very thin, they have sold for less in Proportion than the Ordinary, Twenty thousand	20000
Ditto. Fine, most F1 & F2 Eight thousand	8000
Ditto. superfine, about six Pagodas, let them be as thick as possibly you can procure, they must be made up square as formerly Ordered, Those sent of late Years are not so good for the Price as what We have received formerly, six hundred	600
Ditto. Blue, deep dye, Ordinary and Middling, Five thousand	5000
We would have all the Vizagapatam and Ingeram Cloth washed at Madrass if possible, More care must be taken that the Gunnies and Wrappers are good, and You must also comply with the Directions given you as to the Package of all the Goods you send.	
MOOREES Fine, must be full Thirteen Yards long and Yard broad, Three thousand	3000
Ditto. Superfine, of the same Length and Breadth as above, very thick for Shirts, Five hundred	500
Ditto. Ordinary, the same Length and Breadth as the fine Ones, Three thousand	3000
ROMALS SOOTE, of a bright Colour, but none upon a brick Colour, not more than One eighth part Blues, Eight thousand	8000
red and white to be made according to the Sample sent Anno 1739 One thousand	1000
Ditto. Pullicat, such as last sent, They are so dear bought that We get but very little by them Two hundred	200
Ditto. Metchlepatam or Sastracundy Romals, as last Year, but without Glazing, Two thousand	2000
SASTRACUNDIES of a bright Red, one thousand	1000
The Romals hitherto sent have proved all of the same Check, you must for the future send variety of checks in each Bale.	
SALLAMPORES Ordinary, Sixty thousand	60000
Ditto Middling, Twelve thousand	12000
Ditto Fine, Five thousand	5000
Ditto. 1 M B. Two thousand	2000

Great Care must be taken to keep all the Sallampores up to full sixteen yards long, and the usual breadth, and take particular care that no Damaged Pieces are packed in the Bales, as a great many were last Year, being full of holes, many of them with holes darned up, and some with Patches in them, more particularly in the Ordinary Vizagapatam Sallampores.

We recommend it to you to get as many of them as possible.

If you have any other species of Goods not mentianed here, you may send us a few Bales of them for a sample.

As We have lessened the Quantity in several Articles, We hope it will be a means of your getting them Cheaper, which may induce Us to encrease the Demand in future.

REDWOOD . . . as usual.

SALT PETRE . . . as  $\text{P}$  General Letter.

Put the Commanders in mind that they lay sufficient Dunnage on the Salt Petre before they stow the Bales, it being of that penetrating nature it often Damages the Cloth, as it has formerly happened.

We shall Order our servants in the Bay to supply you with some Fine Jugdea Baftaes, which must be printed with variety of beautiful Patterns but not in the Expensive manner of the Madrass Chints, You must continue to make them all White Grounds, and the Colours more lively, with as much variety as You can.

We shall also Order you some fine brown Sannoos, to be Bleached and Whitened on your Coast, You must order a small quantity of Conjee to be put in them, they not answering without, but not to be Glazed.

More care must be taken in future, that the Bales and Tickets of the Ingeram Cloth answer as the Sortment, it being very common to receive them from thence of different Numbers in the same Bale, and the Tickets put into all the Bales must be laid under the first piece that they may be easily found.

LAMPASSES ... fine } of each one Bale, the same sorts as are sent to Manilla.  
SIRASHES ... fine }

We are

Your Loving Friends

LONDON 27<sup>TH</sup>. MARCH 1746.

THO<sup>S</sup>. PHIPPS.  
J. RAYMOND.  
WILL : BRAUND.  
WHICHCOTT TURNER,  
ALEX<sup>S</sup>. HUMB.  
HENRY PLANT.

D. BRADDYLL.  
H. GOUGH.  
SAM<sup>S</sup>. FRAKE.  
THO<sup>S</sup>. ROUS.  
RICH<sup>S</sup>. CHAUNBY.  
HEN<sup>S</sup>. LASCELLES.  
P : WINTER.  
NATH : NEWNHAM Junr.  
WILL<sup>S</sup>. RIDER.  
P. GODFREY.  
JOHN HOPE.  
W<sup>S</sup>. STEELE.  
RICH<sup>S</sup>. BENYON.  
ROB<sup>S</sup>. HUDSON.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS, MERCHANDIZE AND FOREIGN SILVER LICENCED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP MARLBORÓ: CAPTAIN THOMAS SMITH COMMANDER BOUND FOR FORT S<sup>T</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS VIZ<sup>T</sup>.

T.S.

T. S. CAPTAIN THOMAS SMITH.

		£	s.
N <sup>o</sup> . 1 a 50	Fifty Boxes & Casks of Quicksilver ...	1300	—
	Three Boxes Gold thread ...	500	—
N <sup>o</sup> . 1 a 52	Two Casks Cochineal ...	300	—
N <sup>o</sup> . 1 a 48	Forty Eight Casks Red Lead ...	300	—
N <sup>o</sup> . 1 & 6 a 11	Seven Cases Looking Glasses ...	200	—
	Thirteen Cases & Chests Glass Ware & Shades.	80	—
N <sup>o</sup> . 1	One Box Duroys ...	14	—
	One Chest Stationary ...	20	—
	Three Chests Cutlery ...	200	—
	On his Indulgence		
	In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock ...	498	—

					£	s.
<b>R.K.</b>		<b>M<sup>r</sup>. ROBERT KISSINS 1<sup>st</sup>. MATE.</b>				
	N <sup>o</sup> . 1 a 6	Six Chests Quicksilver	...	...	200	— —
	N <sup>o</sup> . 1	One Chest Cutlery	...	...	60	— —
	N <sup>o</sup> . 1 2	Two Cask Nails	...	...	40	— —
	N <sup>o</sup> . 3	One Cask Bellows	...	...	5	— —
		On his Indulgence	...	...		
<b>P.C.</b>		<b>M<sup>r</sup>. PATRICK CRAMBER 2<sup>d</sup>. MATE.</b>				
		One Case Hatts	...	...	20	— —
	N <sup>o</sup> . 1 a 15	Fifteen Casks Red Lead	...	...	12	— —
	N <sup>o</sup> . 1	One Chest Cutlery	...	...	20	— —
		On his Indulgence	...	...		
		<b>M<sup>r</sup>. FRANCIS READ 3<sup>d</sup>. MATE.</b>				
<b>F.R.</b>		One Box Gold Thread	...	...	130	— —
		One Box Cutlery	...	...	10	— —
		On his Indulgence	...	...		
<b>E.W.</b>		<b>M<sup>r</sup>. ERASMUS WILLIAMS 5<sup>th</sup>. MATE.</b>				
	N <sup>o</sup> . a 10	Ten Casks Red Lead	...	...	8	— —
	N <sup>o</sup> . 1	One Box Stationary	...	...	15	— —
		On his Indulgence	...	...		
		<b>M<sup>r</sup>. ALEX<sup>s</sup>. WOOD SURGEON.</b>				
[A]	W. N <sup>o</sup> . 1. 2	Two Chests Cutlery	...	...	24	— —
	1.	One Case Hatts	...	...	10	— —
	1.	One Case Looking Glasses	...	...	10	— —
		On his Indulgence	...	...		
		<b>M<sup>r</sup>. SAM<sup>s</sup>. MOSES PASSENGER.</b>				
S.M.	N <sup>o</sup> . 1	One Chest Apparel	...	...	30	— —
	2	One Chest Smoaked Beef	...	...	4	— —
	3	One Case of Spirits	...	...	2	10 —
	4	One Cheese	...	...	1	10 —
	5	One Case of Diamond Cutters Tools	...	...	...	
	6	One Barrell of Beef	...	...	2	— —
	7	One Bundle Bedding	...	...	6	— —
		Freight free being for his Use in the Voyage	...	...		
		<b>M<sup>r</sup>. DAVID DE CASTRO.</b>				
⊗	{ 21	One Chest Coral Beads	...	...	280	— —
	22	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	620	— —
B.R.	14	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	470	— —
M.B.	1	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	550	— —
HR	1	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	440	— —
⊗	2	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	270	— —
		<b>M<sup>r</sup>. ABRAHAM DE FONSECA.</b>				
A.A.	2	One Chest Coral Beads	...	...	450	— —
		<b>M<sup>r</sup>. JACOB DIAS.</b>				
⊗	13	One Chest Coral Beads	...	...	350	— —
		<b>M<sup>r</sup>. LEWIS MENDES.</b>				
L.M.	2	One Chest Coral Beads	...	...	758	— —
		<b>M<sup>r</sup>. ABRAHAM FERNANDES NUNES.</b>				
F.N.	1	One Chest Coral Beads	...	...	550	— —

					£	s.
<b>M<sup>r</sup>. NATAL LEVI SENSINO.</b>						
R.E.	28	One Box Coral Beads	...	...	250	—
C.	8	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	180	—
C.S.	2	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	340	—
N.B.S.	1	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	630	—
L.S.	16	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	533	—
<b>M<sup>r</sup>. JACOB SALVADORE.</b>						
M	1	One Box Coral Beads	...	...	780	—
FS						
E	3	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	590	—
R.E.						
M	1	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	580	—
FA						
FC.	1	One D.	...	...	820	—
S.B.	1	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	620	—
C.						
E.	5	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	330	—
S.B.	1	One D <sup>o</sup> . rough Coral	...	...	145	—
<b>M<sup>rs</sup>s. ABRAHAM &amp; JACOB FRANCO.</b>						
⊕	132	One Chest Coral Beads	...	...	1200	—
	133	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	330	—
RM.	1	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	750	—
IMF.	25	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	160	—
Directed		One Box q <sup>t</sup> . Emeralds and Pearls	...	...	400	—
<b>M<sup>r</sup>. JAMES PORTEEN.</b>						
VN N <sup>o</sup> . T		One Chest Coral Beads	...	...	700	—
On which they have paid Freight and permission into the Companys Treasury and given Bond pursuant to the Order of Court.						

EAST INDIA HOUSE.  
THE 26<sup>TH</sup>. MARCH 1746.

H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

A True Copy.

G. HOOPER  
Sub-Sec<sup>y</sup>.

GENTLEMEN

That this Ship may not loose the first Convoy that offers Mr. George Huish The Companys Agent at Portsmouth is directed to Enclose the Bills of Loading for theirs and the Diamond Merchants Silver, the latter in Letters to their several Correspondents which please to Cause to be delivered accordingly.

I am

GENTLEMEN

Your most humble servant

CHRIS: MOLE  
Secy.

EAST INDIA HOUSE LONDON  
THE 26<sup>TH</sup>. MARCH 1746.  
⊕ MARLBOROUGH

THE HONOURABLE THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL AT FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE.  
1744-47-9

LIST OF THE COMPANY'S PACKET TO FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SHIP MONTFORT.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. Company's General letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated 27<sup>th</sup>. March 1746.  
 2. Company's General Letter to D<sup>o</sup>. dated 10<sup>th</sup>. January 1745.  
 3. List of Goods to be provided on the Coast of Choromandell for the Ships going out in the Year 1745 dated 27<sup>th</sup>. March 1746.  
 4. Invoice of the Montfort for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George amounting to £19279. 18. 5.  
 5. Bill of Lading for d<sup>o</sup>. To be received in a Packet from Portsmouth.  
 6. Copy of the Montforts Charterparty to be sent with the Ship to the Bay.  
 7. Account of Coral licenced to be Shipt on the Montfort for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to purchase Diamonds.  
 8. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licenced to be Shipt on the Montfort for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.  
 9. List of 11 Soldiers on Board the Montfort, with an account of their Countrey, Trades and Ages.  
 10. Copy of the Montforts Victualling Bill. These Three Signed by M<sup>r</sup>. Hen. Crabb Boulton.  
 11. Copy of Cap<sup>t</sup>. Hanslapps Commission to Seize Unlicenced Persons.  
 12. Companys Indulgence.  
 13. List of Ships arrived from India in 1745 Signed by the Secretary.  
 14. Packet from the Secret Committee directed To the Hon<sup>ble</sup>. the President for the ... being at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.

To be received from the Captain It being put up in the Packet to him.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANTIZE AND FOREIGN SILVER LICENCED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP MONTFORT CAPTAIN ROBERT HANSLAP COMMANDER BOUND FOR FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

## CAPTAIN ROBERT HANSLAP.

R.H. N <sup>o</sup> . 1 @	40	Forty Chests Quicksilver	...	...	£	1300	—	—
1 @	2	Two Boxes Gold Thread	...	...	"	500	—	—
		Four Cases Two Hogsheads Look <sup>s</sup> Glasses & Glassware	...	...	"	120	—	—
1 @	4	Four Chests Cutlery	...	...	"	200	—	—
	5	One Box Hatts	...	...	"	30	—	—
		One Case q <sup>t</sup> . Six Remnants Cloths	...	...	"	36	—	—
1 @	134	One hundred & Thirty four Casks Red Lead.	...	...	"	150	—	—
1 @	7	Seven Roles Sheet Lead	...	...	"	30	—	—
		On his Indulgence						
		In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock	...	...	"	498	—	—

W.P

M<sup>r</sup>. WILLIAM PARKES 1<sup>st</sup>. MATE.

1 @	2	Two Chests Quicksilver	...	...	"	150	—	—
1.	—	One Chest Cutlery	...	...	"	30	—	—
1 @	8	Eight Cask's Red Lead	...	...	"	7	—	—
		One Box Hatts	...	...	"	20	—	—
		On his Indulgence						

B.B.

M<sup>r</sup>. BENJAMIN BRAUND 2<sup>d</sup>. MATE.

1		One Chest Cutlery	...	...	"	20	—	—
		One Case Looking Glass	...	...	"	20	—	—
		On his Indulgence						

B.G.

M<sup>r</sup>. BENJ<sup>m</sup>. GODFREY 3<sup>d</sup>. MATE.

1		One Chest Cutlery	...	...	"	35	—	—
2		One Case Looking Glass	...	...	"	15	—	—
		One Box Hatts	...	...	"	20	—	—
		On his Indulgence						

I.L.		M <sup>r</sup> . JOSEPH LEEING SURGEON.				
N <sup>o</sup> .	1	One Case Looking Glass	... ..	£	25	— —
	1. 2	Two Chests Cutlery	... ..	"	45	— —
		On his Indulgence				
I.H.		M <sup>r</sup> . JOHN HAMILTON SURGEON MATE.				
N <sup>o</sup> .	1	One Chest Cutlery	... ..	"	20	— —
		On his Indulgence				
W.D.		M <sup>r</sup> . W <sup>m</sup> . DESBORDES MIDSHIPMAN.				
	1	One Chest Cutlery	... ..	"	30	— —
	2	One Case small Looking Glass	... ..	"	10	— —
		On his Indulgence				
DIRECTED.		RICH <sup>d</sup> . BENYON ESQ <sup>r</sup> . TO GOV <sup>r</sup> . MORSE.				
	1 @ 4	Four Chest Wine	... ..	"	40	— —
		Freight Free being for his own use.				
DIRECTED.		JOHN POTT TO GOV <sup>r</sup> . MORSE.				
		Three Cases Pickles	... ..	"	7	— —
		One Case Oagle	... ..	"	1	10 —
		One Box Drinking Glasses	... ..	"	2	— —
		Ont Box Perfumes	... ..	"	1	— —
		One Case Apparel	... ..	"	12	— —
		Freight free being for his own use.				
M.S.		M <sup>r</sup> . MOSES SALOMON PASSENGER.				
	1 @ 6	Four Chests Two half Chests Wine	... ..	"	50	— —
		One Disk Linnen One Desk Books & Kitchen furniture	... ..	"	12	10 —
		Five Barrils Beef One Box Fatt	... ..	"	6	— —
		One Box Grossery, Five Hampers Bristol Water	... ..	"	10	— —
		One Box Stationary	... ..	"	4	— —
	1 @ 2	Two Chests Ale	... ..	"	[8]	— —
		Freight free being for his use in the Voyage.				
N.M.C.G.		M <sup>r</sup> . JOHN HENRY MERTINS.				
		One Box rough Coral	... ..	"	22	— —
		On which he has paid £ 0. 17 7 for Freight & permission into the Companys Treasury, & given Bond Pursuant to Order of Court.				
		M <sup>r</sup> . LEWIS MENDES.				
M.I.	1	One Chest Coral beads	... ..	"	653	— —
		On which he has paid £ 13. 1. 2 for Freight and permission into Companys Treasury & given bond pursuant to the order of Court.				

EAST INDIA HOUSE

LONDON THE 26<sup>th</sup>. MARCH 1746

HENRY CRABB BOULTON.

C.D. M<sup>r</sup>. CHARLES DENNETT PASSENGER.

1. One Chest Wearing apparel	...	...	...	£ 25	—	—
2. One Case Liquors	...	...	...	" 4	—	—
3. One Case q <sup>t</sup> . Sugar, Soap & Sundry Necessarys	...	...	...	" 3	10	—
4. One half Chest Wine	...	...	...	" 5	—	—
5. One half Chest Beer	...	...	...	" 2	5	—
6. One Bureau	...	...	...	" 2	—	—

Freight Free being for his own use in the Voyage.

EAST INDIA HOUSE,  
LONDON THE 27<sup>TH</sup>. MARCH 1746.

H<sub>r</sub>. CRABB BOULTON.

A true Copy

G. HOOPER.  
*Sub-Secy.*

LIST OF THE COMPANY'S PACKET TO FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SHIP SALISBURY.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. Company's General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated 4<sup>th</sup>. April 1746.
2. List of Goods to be provided on the Coast of Choromandel for the Ships going out in the year 1745 dated the same day.
3. Invoice of the Salisbury for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George amounting to £ 25665. 1 [...].
4. Bill of Loading of D<sup>o</sup>. for the Goods loaden on board.
5. Additional Bill of Loading for the Silver, to be received from M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish the Company's Agent at Portsmouth.
6. Copy of the Salisbury's Charterparty to be sent with the Ship to the Bay.
7. Account of Silver, Coral, and Amber licenced to be shipped on the Salisbury for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to purchase Diamonds.
8. Manifest of Private Silver licenced to be shipp'd for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George Sign'd by M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Micklethwaite.
9. Manifest of Goods and Merchandizes licenced to be shipped on the Salisbury for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
10. List of 12 Soldiers on board the Salisbury with an Account of their Countrey, Trades and Ages.
11. Copy of the Salisburys Victualling Bill.  
These Three sign'd by M<sup>r</sup>. Henry Crabb Boulton.
12. Copy of Captain Burrows's Commission to seize Unlicenced Persons.
13. Company's Indulgence.
14. Packet from the Secret Committee directed to the Honble the president for the time being at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to be received from the Captain it being put up in the Company's Packet to him.
15. Packet from the Honble the Commissioners of the Navy to Comod [ . . . ] Barnett.
16. Packet directed to the Honourable the President and Council for all the Forces and Affairs of the English Nation at Fort William in Bengal.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE DATED 4<sup>TH</sup>. APRIL 1746.

[*Public Despatches from England, Volume p. 95.*]

[This is a duplicate of the letter which appears on p. 13 *supra*.]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL  
AT FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE.



LIST OF GOODS TO BE PROVIDED ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDAL FOR THE SHIPS GOING OUT IN THE YEAR 1745.

The same List as on Pages 14-16.

We are  
Your Loving Friends

LONDON THE 4<sup>TH</sup>. APRIL 1746.

W <sup>M</sup> . STEELE.	D. BRADYLL.
THO <sup>S</sup> . ROUS.	H. GOUGH.
J. RAYMOND.	N. NEWNHAM Jun <sup>r</sup> .
ROB <sup>T</sup> . HUDSON.	SAM <sup>L</sup> . HYDE.
THO <sup>S</sup> . PHIPPS.	HEN <sup>T</sup> . LASCELLES.
ALEX <sup>S</sup> . HUME.	P. GODFREY.
JOHN HOPE.	CHRIST <sup>O</sup> . BURROW.
HENRY PLANT.	RICH <sup>D</sup> . CHAUNEY.
	SAM <sup>L</sup> . FRAKE.
	J. WINTER.
	WHICHCOTT TURNER.
	RICH <sup>D</sup> . BENYON.
	WILL <sup>M</sup> . BRAUND.
	WILL <sup>M</sup> . RIDER.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE SILVER LYCENCED TO BE SHIPT ON BOARD THE SALISBURY FOR FORT S<sup>T</sup>. GEORGE ON ACC<sup>T</sup>. OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS VIZ<sup>T</sup>.

Θ<sup>S</sup>.

For John Savage Esq. for the use of M<sup>r</sup>. Charles Smith at  
Bencoolen One Chest Marked C.S. N<sup>O</sup>. 1 ... .. q<sup>rs</sup>. 795

BULLION OFFICE  
EAST INDIA HOUSE  
3<sup>D</sup>. APRIL 1746.

J<sup>O</sup>. MICKLETHWAIT.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANTIZE & FOREIGN SILVER LIENSED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP SALISBURY CAPTAIN CHRISTOPHER BURROWS COM-MANDER BOUND FOR FORT S<sup>T</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS VIZ<sup>T</sup>.

C.B.

CAPTAIN CHRISTOPHER BURROWS.

N <sup>O</sup> . 1 a	40 Forty Casks Quicksilver	...	...	£ 1000	—	—
1 @	24 Twenty Four Casks Red Lead	...	...	" 150	—	—
1 @	7 Seven Casks Lump Glass	...	...	" 150	—	—
1 @	4 Four Chests small Arms	...	...	" 60	—	—
1 @	3 Two Casks, One Box Drugs	...	...	" 70	—	—
1 @	3 Three Chests Cutlery	...	...	" 150	—	—
	Eight Cases Sword Blades	...	...	" 200	—	—
1	8 Eight Roles Sheet Lead	...	...	" 50	—	—
1 @	4 One Chest & Three half D <sup>O</sup> . Oyl	...	...	" 50	—	—
	Four Bundles q <sup>t</sup> . Sixteen Bolts Sail Cloth	...	...	" 30	—	—
1.	40 Forty Bundles Steel	...	...	" 70	—	—
	On his Indulgence			"		
	In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock	...	...	" 498	—	—

4F

JOHN FOOT 1<sup>ST</sup>. MATH.

1 @	6 Six Casks Red Lead	...	...	" 10	—	—
1.	3 Three Cases Glass Ware	...	...	" 70	—	—
	On his Indulgence					

## ADAM WHITEFORD PURSER.

5 @ 7	Three Chests Cutlery	...	...	£	100	—	—
2 . 3	Two Cases Looking Glasses	...	...	"	25	—	—
4	One Case Hatts	...	...	"	15	—	—
	On his Indulgence						

G.L. GEORGE LETHIEULIER 4<sup>th</sup>. MATE.

1	One Box Gold Thread	...	...	"	99	—	—
	On his Indulgence						

G.S. GABRIEL STEWARD 5<sup>th</sup>. MATE.

1	One Chest Cutlery	...	...	"	40	—	—
	One Box Glass Ware	...	...	"	10	—	—
	On his Indulgence						

## W.W. WILLIAM WYATT SURGEON.

2	Two Boxes Medicines	...	...	"	14	—	—
3	One Box Hatts	...	...	"	30	—	—
4	One Chest Cutlery	...	...	"	30	—	—
	On his Indulgence						

R.F. M<sup>r</sup>. RICH<sup>d</sup>. FAIRFIELD PASSENGER.

1 a 2	Two half Chests Wine	...	...	"	10	—	—
3 a 4	Two Chests Apparel & Necessaries	...	...	"	25	—	—
	Fre <sup>t</sup> . Free being for his own Use in the Voyage.						

CHRISTOPHER BURROWS Esq<sup>r</sup>. TO THOMAS BURROW.

Directed	One Box Apparel & Necessary	...	...	...	...		
	Fre <sup>t</sup> . Free being for the Use of M <sup>r</sup> . Tho <sup>s</sup> . Burrow at Bengall.						

IF  
F M<sup>r</sup>. PHINEAS SERRA.

1	One Case Coral Beads	...	...	"	960	—	—
P.S.	2 One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	"	840	—	—

M<sup>r</sup>. LEWIS MENDES.

M.L.	2 One Chest Coral Beads	...	...	"	372	—	—
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M<sup>r</sup>. JAMES PORTEEN.

G.R.	71 One Chest rough Coral	...	...	"	264	12	—
	72 D <sup>o</sup> . D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	"	271	12	—

THOMAS GODFREY Esq<sup>r</sup>.

J.G.	{	1 One Chest Coral Beads	...	...	"	170	—	—
		2 One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	"	150	—	—
		3 One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	"	635	—	—
		4 One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	"	345	—	—
		1 One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	"	730	—	—

M<sup>r</sup>. ABRAHAM DE FONSECA.

AA	1	One Chest Coral Beads ... ..	£ 502	—	—
		On which they have paid Freight and permis- sion into the Company's Treasury and have given Bond pursuant to the Order of Court.			

M<sup>r</sup>. JOSEPH MENDEZ SENIOR.

J.M.	1	One Chest Coral Beads ... ..	„ 320	—	—
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M<sup>r</sup>. ABRAHAM FERNANDES NUNES.

FN.	2	One Chest Coral Beads & Broken Coral ... ..	„ 645	—	—
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M<sup>r</sup>. JOSEPH SOLOMONS.

M.B.H.	1	One Chest Coral Beads ... ..	„ 501	4	6
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M<sup>r</sup>. DAVIS DE CASTRO.

⊗	}	20	One Chest Coral Beads ... ..	„ 1090	—	—
		23	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 690	—	—
S.B.		1	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 850	—	—
B.R.		1	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 370	—	—
MDC		1	One D <sup>o</sup> . { Coral Beads 150 } { Amber D <sup>o</sup> . 120 }	„ 270	—	—
ME		4	One Chest Coral Beads ... ..	„ 340	—	—
d <sup>o</sup> .		5	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 415	—	—
F.B.		1	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 406	—	—
⊕		2	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 620	—	—

M<sup>r</sup>. NATAL LEVI SENSINO.

C.S.	3	One Box Coral Beads ... ..	„ 291	—	—
L.S.	15	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 70	—	—
BF } NS }	2	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 422	—	—
L.S.	17	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 441	—	—

M<sup>r</sup>. JACOB SALVADORR.

M F S E	}	2	One Chest Coral Beads ... ..	„ 980	—	—
		1	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 970	—	—
⊙ A & B		One	D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 375	—	—
RE	}	16	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 292	10	—
		17	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 257	10	—
IF		1	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 300	—	—
E		3	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 575	—	—
SB	}	3	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 880	—	—
C		4	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 690	—	—
		5	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 700	—	—
M F S C		3	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 1300	—	—

MRS<sup>rs</sup>. ABRAHAM & JACOB FRANCO.

⊙	}	126	One Case Coral Beads ... ..	„ 940	—	—
		127	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 1000	—	—
		128	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 890	—	—
ME.		1	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 290	—	—
M		8	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 340	—	—
F						
A I		8	One D <sup>o</sup> . ... ..	„ 620	—	—

MESS<sup>rs</sup>, ABRAHAM & JACOB FRANCO.

F									
I D	29	One Case Coral Beads	...	...	...	£	800	--	--
&	K	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	...	"	300	--	--
MIF.	11	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	...	"	950	--	--
IMF.	23	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	...	"	430	--	--
D <sup>o</sup> .	24	One D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	...	"	450	--	--

On which they have paid Freight and permission into the Company's Treasury and have given bond pursuant to the Order of Court.

EAST INDIA HOUSE,  
LONDON THE 4<sup>TH</sup>. APRIL  
1746.

H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

A True Copy

W<sup>m</sup>. M. GWIEN  
*Sec<sup>r</sup>.*

## GENTLEMEN

Enclosed is a Bill of Loading for Twenty five Chests of Forreign Silver laden at Spithead upon the Ship Salisbury For The Company's Account by their Agent M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish at Portsmouth.

Also the Several Merchants Letters to their Correspondents wherein Bills of Loading are enclosed for the Silver Licenced on that Ship for the Purchase of Diamonds.

I am  
GENTLEMEN  
Your most humble servant  
CHRIS: MOLE  
*Secry.*

EAST INDIA HOUSE LONDON  
THE 3<sup>D</sup>. APRIL 1746.

THE HONOURABLE THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL AT FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SHIP HOUGHTON.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. Companys General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated 4<sup>th</sup>. April 1746.
2. Copy Companys General Letter to D<sup>o</sup>., dated 27<sup>th</sup>. March 1746. Sent by the Montfort and Marlborough.
3. List of Goods to be provided on the Coast of Choromandell for the Ships going out in the Year 1745 dated 4<sup>th</sup>. April 1746.
4. Invoice of the Houghton for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George amounting to £ 45263. 1. 8.
5. Bill of Lading of d<sup>o</sup>. for the Goods laden on Board.
6. Additional Bill of Lading for the Silver, to be received from M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish the Companys Agent at Portsmouth.
7. Copy of the Houghtons Charterparty to be sent with the Ship to the Bay.
8. Account of Coral, Amber Beads, Emeralds and Great Bugles, Licenced to be Shipt on the Houghton for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to purchase Diamonds.
9. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licenced to be Shipt on the Houghton for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
10. List of 11 Soldiers on Board the Houghton w<sup>th</sup>. an Account of their Countrey, Trades and Ages.
11. Copy of the Houghtons Victualling Bill. These three signed by M<sup>r</sup>. Henry Crabb Boulton.

12. Copy of Cap<sup>t</sup>. Worths Commission to seize Unlicenced Persons.
13. Company's Indulgence.
14. Covenants of M<sup>r</sup>. Samuel Parkes Factor for Bengal with the Counterpart under the Companys Seal which must be dated the same day as the Covenants are Signed by him, who is thereupon to Write to his Friends in England to give Security for him in £1000.
15. Patterns of 380 Bales of Broad Cloth and 70 Bales of Long Ells for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George Houghton, In the Box apart.
16. Packet from the Secret Committee directed To the Hon<sup>ble</sup>. the President for the time being at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George—To be received from the Captain it being put up in the packet to him.
17. Copy Companys Gen<sup>l</sup>. Letter to Fort Marlbrô dated 10<sup>th</sup>. Jan<sup>r</sup>. 1745. Sent Somerset.
18. Packet from the Hon<sup>ble</sup>. the Commissioners of the Navy to Commodore Barnett.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANTIZE & FOREIGN SILVER LICENSED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMP<sup>y</sup>. LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP HOUGHTON CAP<sup>t</sup>. ISAAC WORTH COMMANDER BOUND TO FORT SAINT GEORGE BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS VIZ<sup>r</sup>.

I.W.

CAPTAIN ISAAC WORTH.

N <sup>o</sup> . 1 a	47	Forty seven Casks Red Lead	...	...	£	300	—	—
1	7	Seven Roles Sheet Lead	...	...	"	30	—	—
1	56	Fifty six Barrels Pitch & Tar	...	...	"	50	—	—
1	30	Thirty Chests Quicksilver	...	...	"	1000	—	—
1	2	Two Chests Cutlery	...	...	"	50	—	—
1	—	One Box Gold thread	...	...	"	500	—	—
1	2	Two Chests Stationary	...	...	"	100	—	—
1	5	Five Cases Looking Glass	...	...	"	250	—	—
		On his Indulgence						
		In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock	...	...	"	498	—	—

A.M.

ALEXANDER MAY 1<sup>st</sup>. MATE.

1	4	Four Chests Quicksilver	...	...	"	130	—	—
1	2	Two Chests Cutlery	...	...	"	100	—	—
		On his Indulgence						

T.P.

THOMAS PONEY 2<sup>d</sup>. MATE.

		On Chest Oyl	...	...	"	16	—	—
1	—	One Chest Wine	...	...	"	13	—	—
1	4	Four Chests Quicksilver	...	...	"	150	—	—
		On his Indulgence						

EDWARD GORDON PURSER.

H		One Case Glass Ware	...	...	"	50	—	—
D								
E G		Two Chests Cutlery	...	...	"	50	—	—
H								
E. G. }		Two half Chests Wine	...	...	"	40	—	—
D. & V. }		On his Indulgence						

Directed		EDMUND GODFREY TO JOHN SANDERS.					
N <sup>o</sup> . 1	2	Two Chests Wine ...	...	...	£	20	— —
Directed		GEORGE MANDEVILLE TO JOHN HIND ESQ <sup>r</sup> .					
		Three Chests & half Wine...	...	...	"	35	— —
Directed		WILLIAM MINETT TO NICH <sup>o</sup> . MORSE.					
5	9	Five Chests Wine ...	...	...	"	50	— —
Directed		DITTO TO WILLIAM MONSON.					
1	2	Two Chests Wine ...	...	...	"	20	— —
		One Box Glasses ...	...	...	"	1 10	— —
Directed		DITTO TO RANDAL FOWKES.					
1	2	To Chests Wine ...	...	...	"	20	— —
directed		RICH <sup>o</sup> . BENYON ESQ <sup>r</sup> . TO W <sup>m</sup> . JOHNSON.					
1	2	Two Chests Wine ...	...	...	"	20	— —
directed		PETER WALDO ESQ <sup>r</sup> . TO JN <sup>o</sup> . HOLLAND.					
1	2	Two Chests Wine ...	...	...	"	20	— —
	3	One Box Apparel ...	...	...	"	7	— —
directed		NATHAN WRIGHT TO SAM <sup>r</sup> . GREENAUGH.					
1	2	Two Chests Wine ...	...	...	"	20	— —
directed		RICH <sup>d</sup> BENYON ESQ <sup>r</sup> . TO W <sup>m</sup> . PERCIVAL.					
1	2	Two Chests Wine ...	...	...	"	20	— —
J. P.		CAPT <sup>m</sup> . PYBUS TO JOHN PYBUS.					
		One Box Apparel & Books ...	...	...	"	9	— —
		One Chest Wine ...	...	...	"	10	— —
		Freight Free being for the Use of the abovement <sup>d</sup> . persons in Fort Saint George.					
J. S.		JOHN STARKS PASSENGER.					
1	2	One Chest, One Escutore Apparel & Necessarys ...	...	...	"	30	— —
	3	One Bundle Bedding ...	...	...	"	5	— —
		Fre <sup>t</sup> . Free being for his Own Use in the Voyage.					
		JAMES PORTEEN ESQUIRE.					
GR	{	69	One Chest rough Coral ...	...	"	273	— —
		70	One Chest D <sup>o</sup> . ...	...	"	249	18 —
		On which he has paid Freight and permission into the Companys Treasury and given Bond pursuant to Order of Court.					
		M <sup>r</sup> . JACOB DIAS.					
⊕	14	One Chest Coral beads ...	...	...	"	320	— —
		MESS <sup>rs</sup> . ABRAHAM & JACOB FRANCO.					
⊕	{	129	One Case Coral Beads ...	...	"	660	— —
		130	One Case D <sup>o</sup> . ...	...	"	1020	— —
		131	One Case D <sup>o</sup> . ...	...	"	540	— —
F							
R A	1	One Case D <sup>o</sup> . ...	...	...	"	300	— —
F							
A I	9	One Case D <sup>o</sup> . ...	...	...	"	680	— —

F								
I D	30	One Case	Coral Beads	...	...	£	700	— —
IMF	22	One Case	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	"	480	— —
	}	1	One Cask	great Bugles	...	"	32	— —
		2	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	29	— —
		3	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	30	— —
		4	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	31	— —
		5	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	31	— —
		6	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	32	— —
		7	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	31	— —
		8	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	30	— —
G S		9	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	33	— —
S		10	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	32	— —
		11	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	34	— —
		12	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	34	— —
		13	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	32	— —
		14	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	34	— —
		15	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	32	— —
		16	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	28	— —
		17	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	35	— —
		18	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	33	— —

M<sup>r</sup>. JACOB SALVADORE.

SB	8	One box	Coral Beads	...	...	"	440	— —
4								
⊕ N <sup>o</sup>	C	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	"	800	— —
M								
F S	4	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	"	710	— —
C								
ME	}	1	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	120	— —
		2	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	100	— —
		13	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	325	— —
		15	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	430	— —
M	}	3	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	850	— —
F A		4	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	900	— —
M	}	1	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	460	— —
F S		2	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	640	— —
C		2	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	1250	— —
FC	4	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	"	280	— —	

On which they have paid Freight and permission into the Company's Treasury and given bond pursuant to the Order of Court.

M<sup>r</sup>. DAVID DE CASTRO.

⊗	}	24	One Chest	Coral beads	...	...	[...]
		25	One D <sup>o</sup> .	{ Coral beads £455 Emeralds 200 }	...	...	[...]
AC	6	One Chest	Coral beads	...	...	...	[23]
C							
MC	6	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	...	[39]
MB	2	One	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	...	[4]

On which he has paid Freight and permission into the Company's Treasury and given Bond pursuant to the Order of Court.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE DATED 10<sup>TH</sup>. JANUARY 1745.

[*Public Despatches from England Vol. 49, pp. 115-120.*]

OUR DEPUTY GOVERNOUR AND COUNCIL AT FORT MARLBOROUGH.

1. Our last was dated the 31<sup>th</sup>. January 1744 by the Ship Queen Caroline Copy thereof is Enclosed, She was preparing to sail from S<sup>t</sup>. Helena the 3<sup>d</sup>. of August last.
2. By the Ships Caesar and Lapwing We received Your Advices dated the 24<sup>th</sup>. December and 25<sup>th</sup>. January 1744 whereof due notice shall now be taken under the Usual heads.

FIRST OF SHIPPING.

3. This comes by the Ships Somerset Burthen 498 Tons Captain Thomas Tolson Commander who is first to touch at S<sup>t</sup>. Helena, whence the Copy of her Charterparty will be forwarded.
4. The Wars against the French King and Spain continue to be vigorously carried on.
5. Whatever Orders may be received for the Security of our Shipping from Dodding Braddyll Harry Gough, Samuel Feake, and Alexander Hume Esq<sup>rs</sup>. or any three of those Gentlemen must be Strictly Complied with and Obeyed, they being our Secret Committee for the Current Year.
6. Our Ships Caesar and Lapwing We observe with Satisfaction were Sent away in good time.
7. And as We are obliged this War time to pay a very heavy demorage We must repeat our Injunctions that Your utmost and best Endeavours be exerted to give this and all other Ships early Dispatches to Us that So little or none of that Charge may be Incurred.
8. Whenever our Vessels make long Stays at the Out Ports or Batavia, Strictly examine the Masters and Mates, and narrowly Scrutinize their Journals to find whether any unnecessary delays are chargeable upon them, and due Credit must be given Us for the Freight of all private Trade carried to and fro by our Vessels.
9. We acquiese in augmenting the Masters of our Sloops Pay, from Eight to Twelve Dollars a month as you assure Us they had not sufficient for a bare maintenance.

SECONDLY OF EUROPE GOODS.

- We have on this Ship consigned to you Ten Chests of Treasure and Sundry Goods in Compliance with the Indent before Us.
11. The Governour and Council of S<sup>t</sup>. Helena are permitted to take on Shore One Chest of the said Treasure duly advising You of the same.
  12. As old Mexico is no longer procureable, We are glad the Natives begin to Fancy the Mill Dollars, by the prudent measures taken on the several parts of the Coast to reconcile them thereto.
  13. When Rice Salt or any other Article are brought on our Ships or Vessels, a reasonable Advantage towards Freight or other incident Charges, should be considered in the price on Selling them to the Inhabitants and Natives, that so We may not be losers.
  14. Frame the Indent annually according to Your real wants for Use and the Demand on the Coast for Sale, inserting everything that You stand in need of and whatever will probably go off to advantage among the Natives, that so We may not pay advanced Rates for any Article and Our Trade may be carried on in the most profitable manner.
  15. You are Supplied with such a Quantity of Medicines as was deem'd sufficient.



## THIRDLY OF INVESTMENTS AND FOURTHLY COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

16. In order to avoid all manner of Umbrage by our Settling at Pooloo Pesang it may not be improper to pay the leading Men the Usual Customs on the Pepper produced in those parts, and further to Ingratiate Yourselves by Some acceptable presents Studying by all means to keep them and all other the Country Powers in Our Interest and good humour.

17. We approve of your Answer to the General and Council of Batavia as to the new Settlement of Pooloo Pesang, and with respect to the King of Bantams Claim to that District, We believe it to be no better founded than that to Bencoolen, which he so well knows does not belong to him, that when our Servants quitted it some Years ago, he did not then so much as attempt to take possession thereof.

18. However We would have you carry on our Commerce in those new Southern Settlements in an amicable Friendly mercantile way with the Natives, who Invite you, and are willing to Trade with You, avoiding all manner of hostilitys except in the Defence of our Estate only.

19. We are sorry to find that you behaved with Such bad conduct in Your Ophium Trade, as that is a Contraband Commodity with the Dutch, you most expect no protection from Us in that Commerce, if your Vessels go into their Ports.

20. But as to the Trade to Benjar carry it on as You please in Your Own Ships and Vessels but We expressly forbid the Sending of any of our Own Sloops or Vessels to Benjar with Covenant Servants to Transact Affairs there upon our Account, as We are determined to carry on that Trade under our Own immediate Direction by People Sent from hence only.

21. As the long Scarcity of Rice on the West Coast was likely to be over, We may reasonably expect the Natives hereupon have Encreased their Pepper Plantations, bending their minds wholly to cultivate, Improve, and enlarge them.

22. Be Sure on Your Parts to Encourage them herein by all ways and means as our Principal main concern, and particularly have a Watchful Eye over the Several Residents, that no manner of reason to Complain is given by them to the Natives in the mutual Traffick carryed on between them, by Imposing Goods at Exorbitant Rates in lieu of money, on paying for their Pepper or otherwise in any shape whatsoever.

## FIFTHLY ON BUILDINGS AND REVENUES.

23. We are pleased that the new Fortifications at Moco Moco are in such a forwardness, and would have them finished with all expedition, We furnish You by every Ship with all the Soldiers We are able to raise, but in case they are not sufficient to recruit our Garrisons, You will do well to have recourse to the Celebes Islands as formerly was practised with Success, however for the future We will Endeavour to Supply You with Soldiers by the Benjar Ships.

## SIXTHLY OF FACTORS WRITERS AND THEIR ACCOUNTS.

24. The Estates of our deceased Servants must be Settled without delay and the Balance paid into our Cash immediately thereupon, Writing off the amount to Account Current Fort S<sup>c</sup>. George, and advising us of the Same by the first Conveyance the Relations being always Impatient for the money.

25. We acquiesce in Your appointing Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Gripton and Wadman Factors before the time of their Writership was expired as they had behaved well and attained the Mallay Language.

26. The Several Certificates mentioned in the Advices before Us, have upon presentment been duly accepted.

27. List of Our Covenant Servants, Chaplains List with Duplicates of all other necessary Papers, likewise a Caloulate of Quick stock drawn out to the 25<sup>th</sup>. January should have been Sent us by the Lapwing.

28. On Captain Thomas Tolsons Offering to pay any money into our Cash, You must receive the same and grant Certificates for the Amount, upon his making Oath that the money so paid In is the produce of his private Adventure.

29. We Direct that the Reverend M<sup>r</sup>. Francis Fordyce take passage for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George by the first Conveyance that Offers in order to Officiate as One of our Chaplains at that Settlement We having appointed him to the Said Station, And You must Transmit thither an attested Copy of this Paragraph. along with M<sup>r</sup>. Fordyce, for him to be produced to Our President and Council, who on sight thereof are hereby Order'd to Entertain him accordingly on his first arrival there.

30. You must send us by each Ship a regular accurate Account Current of Our Quick Stock upon the Coast, stating therein in One view, the Amount of Cash, Goods, Stores and good debts remaining at Fort Marlborough, Moco Moco, Manna, Pooloo Pesang and the other Residencys, with what may be owing by Us on the Ships Departure, which Account upon a thorough Examination must be attested by the whole Board. We are

LONDON THE 10<sup>th</sup>. JANUARY 1745.

Your Loving Friends

H. GOUGH.  
 SAM<sup>l</sup>. FEAKE.  
 SAM<sup>l</sup>. HYDE.  
 P. GODFREY.  
 J. WINTER.  
 N. NEWNHAM *Jun<sup>r</sup>.*  
 HEN<sup>r</sup>. LASCELLES.  
 CHRIST<sup>o</sup>. BURROW.  
 W<sup>m</sup>. RIDER.  
 THO<sup>o</sup>. PHIPPS.  
 THO<sup>o</sup>. ROUS.  
 HENRY PLANT.  
 ROB<sup>r</sup>. HUDSON.  
 R<sup>p</sup>. BENYON.  
 WILL : BRAUND.  
 WHICOTT TURNER.  
 W<sup>m</sup>. STEELE.  
 J. RAYMOND.  
 JOHN HOPE.  
 ALEX<sup>s</sup>. HUME.

LIST OF THE COMPANY'S PACKET TO FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SHIP  
 PRINCESS OF WALES.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. Company's General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George Dated the 6<sup>th</sup>. June 1746.
2. Copy Compy's Indulgence.
3. Calculate of Tonage, Signed by M<sup>r</sup>. Robert James.
4. Committee of Treasury's Report relating to deficiency of Silver Consigned to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
5. Extract from the Supra Cargoes of the Ships York and Stafford's Diary at Canton.
6. List of Goods wanting by several Ships arrived from Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George in 1745.
7. Case with Council's Opinion upon Law Points.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE DATED 6<sup>th</sup>. JUNE 1746 PER BRITANNIA.

[*Public Despatches from England Vol. 49 pp. 123-132.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL

AT FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE.

1. We wrote last the 4<sup>th</sup>. of April 1746 by the Ships Houghton and Salisbury, Copy of Our said Letter is enclosed.

2. By the Ship Britannia We shall now proceed to give the Needful Directions.

FIRST OF SHIPPING.

3. We have desired and appointed Harry Gough Esq<sup>r</sup>., Samuel Feake Esq<sup>r</sup>., Dodding Braddyll Esq<sup>r</sup>., and William Mabbott Esq<sup>r</sup>. to be Our Secret Committee for the Current Year, therefore what Orders may be received from them, or any Three of those Gentlemen for the Security of Our Shipping must be strictly complied with and obeyed.

4. When the Captains of Our own Ships do not comply with any part of their Instructions, call such before you in Council and remind them of their Duty, that it may not be postponed to their going off, as Captain Watts you advise Us then vouchsafed to send an Account of his Stock Chest in general Terms only, whereas the Particulars and Proper Vouchers ought to be produced and strictly examined, imparting to Us the Remarks that occur thereupon.

5. We duly observe that all possible Expedition was used in sending away the York for China, though she carried but few Goods proper for that Market, by the Pulteney and Maccao Ships being before hand, however on any the like occasion, We rely on your doing the best you can for Us.

6. Although there was no precedent, yet a Right Method was fixed upon in obliging Captain Steward of the Winchester to give Bond for the Chest of Silver & Aqua Fortis waiting by that Ship, which affair shall be equitably adjusted with the Owners.

7. Upon any the like Extraordinary Case, You will do well to act in the same manner, but with respect to lesser Deficiencies in [those] Ships that do not meet with Extraordinary Accidents, and for which no Substantial Reasons can be assigned, the Captains must make them good, according to the Terms stipulated in Charterparty.

8. As the Montagu touched at your place in her passage to Bengal from the Mallabar Coast, We approve of your taking the Pepper on shore, as it is the same thing to Us in all respects whether We have it from Madrass or Bengal, and as you rightly observe, the Risque of that River was thereby avoided, We therefore empower you to take the same Freedom in future.

9. The Supra Cargoes of the Countrey Ships at Mocha having rendered Us an Acceptable Service, in accommodating the Edgbaston's with Old Mexico, the making them full Satisfaction was right and just.

10. We entirely approve of your detaining the Ship Benjamin and employing her for Our Benefit, although Bengal was her Consigned Port.

11. By your Quick Dispatch of the Durrington and Beaufort, those Ships though late had good Passages round the Cape.

12. Whatever Bulky Goods such as Garnetts or the like are put on board Our Ships homeward bound upon Private Persons account the Owners are entituled to Freight from the Partys concerned, We levy Proper Dutys thereon besides, therefore in answer to what is offered upon this head, the Commanders are doubtless obliged to receive on board whatever you direct or the Secretary by your order, which in Effect is the same, and as to their being accounted into the Tonnage, leave that to be adjusted by us here, and do you therefore, for any Parcels of Garnetts in Chests or Large Boxes, give the Captains Express Orders to receive them on board.

13. The Money advanced to Captain Crabb for the Ship Durrington's Use, shall be charged to the Owners.

14. As you seem to have been at a Loss with respect to the Tonnage of some Bengal Goods sent you from thence We herewith transmit a Fresh Calculate of the Tonnage of those and all other Species of Goods usually sent Us from the several Parts of India.

15. Understanding that some of Our Commanders have put in at Durassapatam, Kisnapatam and other Ports to the Northward in their Passage to the Bay for the sake of Private Trade, We think proper to direct that you acquaint the Captains of all Our Ships which you dispatch, or are otherwise bound to the Bay, that they must always proceed directly thither, according to the Tenour of their Instructions, without calling in any where by the way, which is a Practice inexcusable at all times, when they have so large a Treasure of Ours on board, but is much more so this War time, or when they are late in the Season.

#### SECONDLY OF GOODS FROM EUROPE.

16. Upon receipt of your Advice of the Deficiencies in Our Silver by the several Ships, We caused some Chests of Treasure then lying ready packed here to be opened in the presence of Our Proper Committee, and the Silver therein to be weighed with the Greatest Exactness, which turned out right entirely to Our satisfaction as  $\text{p}$  Copy of the said Committee's Report Enclosed.

17. So that We have too much reason to apprehend, that your Scales or Weights are faulty, or that the Black Fellows employed about the Warehouse are guilty of a Fraud by Slight of hand, in fingering the Scales, or making free with the money when the Bags happen to be broke, you must therefore look well after them, and all others who have the handling of Our Treasure.

18. Whenever it is requisit to sell Our Silver for the carrying on of the Investment, We rely on your Best Endeavours to procure Us as Good a Price as the Market will afford.

19. We are entirely satisfied from the Advices before Us, that all the Silver, as could well be spared, was forwarded to Bengal, the like Practice must always be continued, for the carrying on Our Investments in those parts, and to lessen the Eating Charge of Interest.

20. You did well in selling some Copper at your place, as it yeilded a better price than in the Bay, and they were overburthened with this article, be sure to inform Us annually what Quantity the Coast is likely to take off, with the value and esteem that each different Sort bears among the Manufacturers on the Coast.

21. You will be furnished with all the Guns and Small Arms procurable this War time.

22. Whenever the Nabob or any others apply for Silver or Rupees, be sure to insist on prior payment, not parting from Our Property on precarious Terms, under any pretence whatsoever, We duly observe with Satisfaction your Cautious manner of acting upon this head in the Advices before Us.

23. There was a very great deficiency in one of the Chests of Treasure you sent on the York to China of no less than <sup>lb. oz. dwt.</sup> 14. 2. 15 in Chest N<sup>o</sup>. 365 as  $\text{p}$  Extracts from the Supra Cargoes Diary enclos'd, whereby it evidently appears that a Fraud was committed at your place, unless it arose from some mistake which it behoves you to find out and to procure Us full satisfaction for the same, as the Treasure sent hence by that Ship was all landed at your place.

#### THIRDLY OF INVESTMENTS.

24. Your Old Sett of Merchants being reduced in their Circumstances, it was high time to look out for some able Men to carry on Our Investments, whose Performances in securing a Large Number of Bales, are highly acceptable, not doubting, by your Prudent management and the Indulging them with the Broad Cloth, by virtue of Our last years Orders the Flourishing State you have brought Our Investment into will not only be continued, but still further improved, as the French are not able to hurt you.

25. Our Servants at Fort St. David engaging Andiapa of Porto Novo heartily in the Cause, pursuant to Our recommendation some Years ago, We perceive with pleasure, has met with the desired Success in those Parts.

26. The Dutch taking a New Turn to business may tend to raise the Prices, in such or the like Competitions or Emergencies, We empower you to act as shall be most for Our Interest, by giving the Market price, or encreasing the Wonted Brokerage, as shall be judged best, using all Needful Precautions to avoid such a Step, unless urged thereto by the Utmost Necessity.

27. Our Servants at the Northern Settlements must act in the most Prudent and Politick manner towards the Country Government, studying to keep those in good humour who have the Power in their Hands, to prevent Rubs and Hindrances being flung in their way.

28. The Managers of the Petta and Fort St. David's Merchants Outstanding Ballances must be secured and collected, they don't deny the having Our Money and as to Difficultys and Losses they are Topicks quite out of the question, though too frequently urged by those in Trade, therefore We insist on payment of all Our Just Dues, but permit a Reasonable time to be allowed them, that so they may not be distressed.

29. In answer to your 46<sup>th</sup>. Paragraph by the Durrington, We say, that Good Cloth and at reasonable Prices will always be most acceptable to Us, and We persuade Ourselves your Best Care and attention will be applied to procure Us a Large Quantity of such, But however We must add that Our Buyers here do not make so great a Difference in the price at the Sale as there is in your Invoices and however your rejecting the Inferior Sorts may succeed when you have no Competitors, We apprehend even from what you say yourselves, that when other Foreigners are at the same Market, We must be satisfied to take the same sorts they do, or otherwise they will have the greatest Share of the Cloth that is made in the Country.

#### FOURTHLY OF COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

30. Though the Subahship of the Province is removed from the Old Family, from whom some Favours might reasonably have been expected yet We observe the New Nabob has not recalled the Grants given Us by his Predecessor and by the attention of Our President with the assistance of Hodjee Addee We persuade Ourselves as a Continuance of them will in process of time repay Us the Charge of obtaining them.

31. We duly observe the saving of Our Money by a delay of the usual Present to the Nabob till the Subahship of the province was thoroughly settled, and rely upon your reducing the Expencc of the late Nabob's Familys Residence among you so soon as it can be done with Decency.

32. The Letter which the President wrote Nabob Nizam al Mulluck was not improper, though it had not all the Effects which were hoped from it, We doubt not therefore it will be a Rule with you and all others who succeed to the management of Our affairs never again to put us to so Great an Expencc before We are actually put in possession of some considerable Benefit, neither can it be thought strange by any of the Governing Moors after this Instance of their Neglect and Ingratitude.

33. It is however some satisfaction to Us to find you continued Undisturbed in the exercise of the Grant made Us by Mahmud Sied Khan for coining our own money into the Specie commonly called Arcott Rupees, We say Our own Money, because We told you last year why We did not chuse to have you coin any belonging to others.

34. We shall be very well satisfied with the Benefit which accrues to Us by coining Our own Silver, and are only sorry that the Circumstances of the times have been the occasion that so much of Our Exports goes to the Bay without being first coined with you.

35. In your 24<sup>th</sup>. Paragraph by the Durrington you tell us that you had Fifty Chests by you of the Arcott Rupees coined in Our Mint which you should be obliged to dispose of to supply your own occasions, as it was a Case of Necessity the less is to be said against it, but otherwise the fewer of those Rupees you dispose of at

Madras the better, not only lest it should give Umbrage to the Nabob and destroy the Plea you made use of that you only coin'd our own Money as usual for the Bay, but also as We apprehend for the reason given in your Letter of the 19<sup>th</sup>. September 1743 the Sale of the Silver would produce more than when coined into Our Sort of Rupees.

FIFTHLY OF BUILDINGS AND REVENUES.

36. We cheerfully acquiesce in such Repairs as were judged requisit to keep Our Buildings in good Order, provided Our Money is well laid out by the Works being substantially performed.

37. As nothing hath hitherto been done in fortifying the West Side of the White Town, We are glad M<sup>r</sup>. Smith was come from Bombay to your assistance, and that you proposed to consider whether it might not be done in a Narrower Compass, equally secure and at a Less Charge, obtaining a thorough Knowledge of the Ground before any Step was taken, all which Prudent Precautions meet with Our Entire Approbation.

38. You are furnished by each Ship with as many Recruits as are procurable to strengthen Our Garrisons, the Topasses you say are little to be depended upon either for the defence of the place or in action in the Field, if that is really the case no more of them should ever be kept in Our Pay, than are necessary for easing the Duty of the European Soldiers.

39. If Our Customs and Revenues are fairly and justly collected, no one being suffered through Connivance or Neglect to evade the payment We must submit to their Decrease by a Less Number of Ships resorting to the Port, or other such like Causes, Provided Due Encouragement is given to all Fair Traders by a Free Unrestrained Liberty to buy and sell at Outcry or otherwise as they judge proper wherein Our Customs and Revenues are doubtless very sensibly concerned.

SIXTHLY OF FACTORS, WRITERS, OFFICERS AND THEIR ACCOUNTS.

40. We are glad that you was supplied from Bombay with an able Gunner in M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Smith, and We hereby confirm him in the said Station.

41. On M<sup>r</sup>. Harrison's coming away, you acquaint Us that M<sup>r</sup>. Edward Fowke was intended to be taken into Council, which we have no Objection to, he must write to his Friends here to give the usual Security.

42. In drawing out the Calculate of Quick Stock, you must deduct whatever Credits stand upon the Books of your Place and the Subordinate Factorys, and what Europe and other Goods and Stores remain on hand must be valued and brought to account, at the same rates the like Species sold for the same Season, deducting Ten  $\frac{1}{2}$  Cent according to Our Method here upon Estimating annually Our Estate at home and abroad.

43. When M<sup>r</sup>. Belsches the Surgeon at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. David succeeds to a Vacancy in that Employ at your place, We direct that M<sup>r</sup>. John Sheafe supply his place at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. David, in case he is more agreeable to Our Deputy Governour and Council than any other, and M<sup>r</sup>. Scott on his coming your way must be provided for otherwise upon the first vacancy.

44. Enclosed is an Account of Goods over and wanting by the Several Ships, on perusal of the Warehouse Keepers Remarks annexed to each Ship there is cause to suspect Pilferage in some of the Bales before they were loaden on board the Ships, which must be narrowly scrutinized into and satisfaction obtain'd for Us taking the Strictest Care to prevent everything of the like nature in future at your Place and the Subordinate Factorys.

45. That you and the Bay may not be overburthened with Tonnage We have appointed Our Three Ships Bombay Castle, Princess Amelia and Princess of Wales to take in Iron Kintlage, in order if you should not want any of them to load home, they may be sent to Canton in China and accordingly Our Servants in Bengal are directed in such case to send any of them that reach the Bay down to Madras.

46. On their so doing or those Ships coming to your place, and you are overburthened with Tonnage We direct that One or more of them be sent to China putting

on board to the amount of Fifteen Thousand Pounds in Treasure upon each Ship, and if you send no Ship of your own Goods to the amount of Four or Five Thousand Pounds more proper for the Canton Market and consign the same by Invoice and Bills of Lading to such of Our Supra Cargos from England as are on the Spot upon the said Ships arrival at Canton, or if none are then there, the first Sett that shall arrive that Season giving them Directions to obey the Orders they shall receive from Us.

47. Vencaty Ramiah Chitty the Son of Sunca Ramah having set forth by Petition the Hardships his Father suffered in being obliged to pay a Fine of Four Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Nine pagodas Eighteen Fanams for Non Performance of Contracts many years ago, although other Merchants were excused from a like Penalty that they had incurred, We have consulted M<sup>r</sup>. Benyon hereupon, and having considered the same and that Vencaty Ramah is now engaged in providing the Investment, We direct that upon receipt hereof you repay him the said Fine expecting that he will be suitably influenced thereby to exert himself in the carrying on Our Business.

48. It may not be improper to take a Discharge from him Bal Chitty & C<sup>a</sup>. for all Demands which they or any of them made on Us on account of the Broad Cloth, which they then alledged ought to have been delivered them.

49. In answer to the 98<sup>th</sup>. Paragraph of your Letter of the 15<sup>th</sup>. February 1744, We have had a Consultation with M<sup>r</sup>. Attorney and M<sup>r</sup>. Sollicitor General M<sup>r</sup>. Browne and M<sup>r</sup>. Browning, and upon laying the Charter with a State of the Case before them, they at a Consultation agreed in opinion that We could not make such a By Law as you desire, but that the English Statute for Limitation of Actions is in force at Our Settlements in India, and is a proper Rule for the Mayors Court to follow, We send you herewith a Copy of the Case and Opinion, as also Two Printed Copys of the Act of Parliament.

50. We have lately had occasion to advise with Our Council upon some Points that have arisen at Bengal and as the Opinions We have had may possibly be of Use to you, We send you herewith a Copy of the Case and Opinions, which you will make use of as you find occasion.

51. The above went by Our Ship Britannia that sailed from Plymouth the 16 ult<sup>o</sup>. in company with the Ship Ilchester.

52. Since then We have taken up the Ship Norfolk Burthen 498 Tons Captain Nathaniel Hancock for Bencoolen and Benjar proposing she shall call first at your place with a supply of Treasure.

53. The Commanders of Our Ships Princess of Wales, Princess Amelia and Bombay Castle are Ordered to proceed to Bengal, but in case they cannot fetch into Ballasore Road by the Twentieth of January, they are then directed to make the best of their best way to your place and to follow your Orders delivering to you all Our Packets, Cargoe and Soldiers.

54. Upon their so doing the Money must be Coined with all Expedition and so much as can be spared, forwarded to the Bay sending Our Packets with the needful Advices thither by Express Pattamars Overland, or by sea as you shall Judge best.

We are

Your Loving Friends

H. GOUGH.

LONDON THE 16<sup>th</sup>. JUNE 1746.

CHRIST<sup>o</sup>. BURROW.

R. BOOTLE.

RICH<sup>d</sup>. BURTON.

WILL: BRAUND.

ROB<sup>t</sup>. HUDSON.

WILL<sup>m</sup>. RIDER.

MICH<sup>l</sup>. IMPRY.

D. BRADDYLL.

SAM<sup>l</sup>: HYDE.

JOHN PAYNE.

JOHN HOPE.

SAM<sup>l</sup>. FRAKE.

W<sup>m</sup>. BAKER.

W. MABBOTT.

J. RAYMOND.

R. DRAKE.

HENRY PLANT.

P. GODFREY.

NATH: NEWNHAM Jun<sup>r</sup>.

RICH<sup>d</sup>. BENYON.

W. WILLY.

LIST OF THE COMPANY'S PACKET TO FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SHIP BOMBAY CASTLE.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. Company's General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated 9<sup>th</sup>. July 1746.  
 2. Invoice of the Bombay Castle for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George amounting to £5484. 3. -  
 3. Bill of Lading of D<sup>o</sup>.  
 4. Copy of the Bombay Castle's Charterparty.  
 5. Account of Silver and Coral Licenced to be Shipt on the Bombay Castle for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to purchase Diamonds.  
 6. Manifest of Private Silver licenced to be Shipt for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George, Signed by M<sup>r</sup>. Thomas Welch.  
 7. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licenced to be Shipt on the Bombay Castle for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.  
 8. List of 23 Soldiers on the Bombay Castle for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George with an Account of their Countrey Trades and Ages.  
 9. Copy of the Bombay Castle's Victualling Bill—These Three Signed by M<sup>r</sup>. Henry Crabb Boulton.  
 10. Copy Cap<sup>t</sup>. Thomas Browne's Commission to seize Unlicenced Persons.  
 11. Copy Companys Indulgence.  
 12. List of Persons proceeding to India with the Company's Permission [Signed] by the Secretary.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE DATED JULY 9, 1746 PER BOMBAY CASTLE.

[*Public Despatches from England Vol. 49 pp. 135-136.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL  
 AT FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE.

1. We wrote last the 12<sup>th</sup>. of June 1746 by the Ship Prince.....
2. We Thank God Our Ship Dolphin arrived at Galway Ireland the 8<sup>th</sup>. of that Month, the Elizabeth and Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George the [next day] the Benjamin and Porto Bello the 11<sup>th</sup>. of the same Month, where[as] Advices Dated the 24<sup>th</sup>. and 25<sup>th</sup>. Septem<sup>r</sup>. and 6<sup>th</sup>. October 1745 came [...]
3. This comes by Our Ship the Bombay Castle, in case [the] Princess of Wales or Amelia are sent to Canton in China [pursuant to] our former Orders, Fifty Tons of Lead must be Consigned to [our] Cargoes upon Each Ship.
4. Our Supra Cargoes of the Ship Portfield for Mocha [...] Messieurs Richard Wood, Thomas Matthew and Francis D<sup>r</sup>[A .....] who are ordered to purchase a full Loading of Coffee for the [.....] at the Current Price, and when the same is accomplished, in case [.....] is at or under One hundred Spanish Dollars a Beetlefukee Ba [.....] exclusive of Charges, they are directed to provide a further [quantity] not exceeding Two thousand Bales, and to Freight the same up [.....] Account, on the best Vessels that offer to your Place or Bombay able to raise the Money wanted to pay for such Purchases by [the] Merchants taking the said Supra Cargoes Bills drawn upon you or Bombay but they are to [be] more than Tonnage can be obtained for the same Season, [give] preference to good English Countrey Ships, and in Default of [such to] good Moors Ships.
5. What Bills therefore our said supra Cargoes or in [case of] Death the survivors of them shall draw upon you must be [accounted] and paid.
6. Such Coffee as they shall Consign unto You must be on board our several returning Ships as part of their Carg[oes to] England.



7. We have Entertained the Reverend, M<sup>r</sup>. Richard Rider as joynt Chaplain with the Reverend M<sup>r</sup>. Fordyce at your Place on the usual Terms. We are  
LONDON 9<sup>th</sup>. JULY 1746.

Your Loving Friends

H. GOUGH.  
SAM<sup>l</sup>. FRAKE.  
W. MABBOIT.  
CHRIST<sup>o</sup>. BURROW.  
P. GODFREY.  
D. BRADDYLL.  
HENRY PLANT.  
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THO<sup>s</sup>. ROUS.  
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JOHN HOPE.  
R. DRAKE.  
RICH<sup>d</sup>. BENYON.  
ROB<sup>t</sup>. HUDSON.  
J. RAYMOND.  
STEPHEN LAW.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE SILVER LYCENOR'D TO BE SHIPPED ON BOARD THE BOMBAY CASTLE FOR FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE ON ACCOUNT OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

			Oz <sup>s</sup> .
For Cap <sup>t</sup> . Thomas Browne	One Chest Mark'd TB N <sup>o</sup> . 1	... qs	380
For M <sup>r</sup> . John Trenwith	One Chest mark'd IT N <sup>o</sup> . 1	...	300
			—
			Oz <sup>s</sup> . 680
			—

THO<sup>s</sup>. WELSH

BULLION OFFICE

EAST INDIA HOUSE

9<sup>th</sup>. JULY 1746.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANDIZE AND FORRHIGN SILVER LYCENSD BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY, LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP BOMBAY CASTLE CAPTAIN THOMAS BROWN COMMANDER BOUND FOR FORT SAINT GEORGE, BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS, VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

M<sup>r</sup>. JACOB SALVADORE.

SB ...	9	One box Coral beads	... ..	£235	—	—
M						
SB ...	1	One Ditto	... ..	785	—	—
M ...	1	One Chest Coral Beads	... ..	435	—	—

M<sup>r</sup>. DAVID DE CASTRO.

M ...	1	One Chest Coral Beads	... ..	435	—	—
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On which they have paid Freight and permission into the Companys Treasury, and given bond pursuant to the Order of Court.

## CAPTAIN THOMAS BROWN.

				£		
TB ...	1. 20	Twenty Chests Quicksilver ... ..	500	—	—	
	1. 40	Forty Casks Red Lead ... ..	250	—	—	
		Two, Eight Cases, One Box Look <sup>r</sup> . Glass, Cab <sup>t</sup> . & Glass Ware ... ..	220	—	—	
	1. 2	Two Bales Duroys ... ..	75	—	—	
		Two Chests Four Cases Cutlery & Sword Blades ... ..	300	—	—	
	1. 13	Thirteen Roles Sheet Lead ... ..	60	—	—	
		Three Cases Stationary ... ..	50	—	—	
	1. 2	One Case Ship Chandlery ... ..	20	—	—	
		Two Cases Hatts ... ..	20	—	—	
	1.	One Box Gold thread & Lace ... ..	200	—	—	
		One Box q <sup>t</sup> . Six Remnants Cloth six Y <sup>ds</sup> . Each ... ..	40	—	—	
	1. 4	Four Boxes Medicines ... ..	20	—	—	
	1. 4	Four Cases Pictures ... ..	30	—	—	
		One Case Marble Slabs ... ..	10	—	—	
		Five Cases Pymont, Spaw & Lavender Water ... ..	40	—	—	
		Two Chests, Two Cases Small Arms ... ..	60	—	—	
		Fourteen Brass Guns & Twelve Carriages, Sixty Grapnals, Twelve Anchors, One Chest, One Bund <sup>l</sup> . Iron Ware ... ..	110	—	—	
		In Foreign Silver ... ..	100	—	—	
		On his Indulgence				
		In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock ... ..	498	—	—	

JOHN WIDDRINGTON 1<sup>sr</sup>. MATE.

	I.W.					
N <sup>o</sup> .	1	One Chest Cutlery Ware ... ..	30	—	—	
		One Case Hatts ... ..	20	—	—	
	1. 2	Two Chests Tobacco ... ..	27	—	—	
		One Case Stationary ... ..	20	—	—	
	3 a 6	Four Chests Wine ... ..	50	—	—	
		On his Indulgence				

JOSEPH BUSTOLL 2<sup>d</sup>. MATE.

	I.B.					
	3	Three Casks Red Lead ... ..	20	—	—	
		On his Indulgence				

NEVIL NORWAY 3<sup>d</sup>. MATE.

	B & N					
	1. 2	Two Cases Cutlery ... ..	28	—	—	
	4	One Case Lanthorns & Corks ... ..	6	—	—	
		On his Indulgence				

## CHARLES PEMBLE PURSER.

	C.P.					
	1.	One Box Cutlery Ware ... ..	10	—	—	
	2 a 3	Two Cases Prints ... ..	22	—	—	
		One Cask Red Lead ... ..	3	—	—	
	1.	One Case Looking Glass ... ..	15	—	—	
	1.	One Shipchandlery ... ..	20	—	—	
	1.	One Case Stationary ... ..	20	—	—	
		On his Indulgence				

## CHARLES MAULE SURGEON.

		£	
C S M	1.	One Chest Cutlery ... ..	20 — —
		One Box Hatts ... ..	10 — —
	1. 2	Two Cases Quicksilver ... .. On his Indulgence	40 — —

## BENJAMIN PIGOU MIDSHIPMAN.

B.P.	1.	One Chest Wine ... ..	14 — —
	1.	One Box Tobacco ... .. On his Indulgence	6 — —

WILL<sup>M</sup>. READ PASSENGER.

Directed	1. & 6	Two Chests Apparel & Bedding ...	25 — —
	2 a 3	One Chest Wine & Liquors, One Cask Cheese ... ..	14 — —
	4.	One Box Tobacco Pipes & Necessarys ...	4 — —
	5.	One Box Sugar & Raisons ... .. Freight Free being for his Use in the Voyage.	3 — —

REV<sup>D</sup>. M<sup>R</sup>. RICHARD RIDER PASSENGER.

R. & RIDER	N <sup>o</sup> . 7 a 3	Three Chests Wine ... ..	30 — —
	4 a 5	Two Chests Bristol Water ... ..	9 — —
	6 a 7	Two Cases Books ... ..	20 — —
	8	One Box Grocery ... ..	4 — —
	9	One Case Liquors ... ..	3 — —
	10 & 12	One Bureau, One Trunk Apparel & Necessarys ... ..	40 — —
	11	One Bundle Bedding ... .. Freight Free being for his Use in the Voyage.	5 — —

M<sup>R</sup>. WOOD TO NOAH CASMAJOR.

Directed	One Box Shoes ... ..	2 10 —
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Directed	SOLOMAN BAKER TO JOHN TRENWITH.		
	One Half Chest Wine ... ..	5 — —	
	One Box Cheese ... ..	3 — —	
	One Case q <sup>t</sup> . a fowling piece ... ..	2 10 —	
	One Box Apparel & Necessarys ... ..	15 — —	

JOHN GODDARD TO NICH<sup>o</sup>. MORSE Esq<sup>r</sup>. ...

Directed	One Box Apparell ... ..	80 — —
	One Box Musical Books ... ..	25 — —
	Freight Free being for the Use of the abovementioned Persons in Fort Saint George.	

EAST INDIA HOUSE

LONDON THE 9<sup>TH</sup>. JULY 1746.H<sup>T</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

1746.

A LIST OF 23 SOLDIERS ON BOARD THE SHIP BOMBAY CASTLE CAPTAIN THOMAS  
BROWNE COMMANDER.

## FOR FORT SAINT GEORGE.

NAMES.	QUALITY.	COUNTRY.	TRADE.	AGE.
John Percivall	Soldier	Northamptonshire.	Labourer	2[...]
Daniel Bartley	D <sup>o</sup> .	Ireland	D <sup>o</sup> .	2[...]
John Wilkinson	D <sup>o</sup> .	York	Book-binder	2[...]
James Kelly	D <sup>o</sup> .	Ireland	Labourer	1[...]
Edward Donogan	D <sup>o</sup> .	D <sup>o</sup> .	Baker	2[...]
Valentine Joyce	D <sup>o</sup> .	D <sup>o</sup> .	Labourer	1[...]
Joseph Taylor	D <sup>o</sup> .	Isle of Ely	D <sup>o</sup> .	1[...]
David Drummond	D <sup>o</sup> .	Lynn	D <sup>o</sup> .	1[...]
John Fendall	D <sup>o</sup> .	Northwick Cheshire.	Glass Grinder	3[...]
Tho <sup>s</sup> . Merritt	D <sup>o</sup> .	Huntintonshire.	Labourer	2[...]
Mark Conway	D <sup>o</sup> .	Ireland	D <sup>o</sup> .	2[...]
John Bourke	D <sup>o</sup> .	D <sup>o</sup> .	D <sup>o</sup> .	2[...]
Joseph Phillips	D <sup>o</sup> .	Essex	D <sup>o</sup> .	1[...]
Rich <sup>d</sup> . Culpepper	D <sup>o</sup> .	Oxford	Paper maker	1[...]
Jameson Blount	D <sup>o</sup> .	Worcestershire...	Labourer	1[...]
James Simpson	D <sup>o</sup> .	Ireland	D <sup>o</sup> .	2[...]
Samuel Bossam	D <sup>o</sup> .	Norwich	Weaver	1[...]
John Nunn	D <sup>o</sup> .	Suffolk	Labourer	1[...]
Will <sup>m</sup> . Wallsworth	D <sup>o</sup> .	Norwich	Weaver	1[ 5]
Thomas Ogden	D <sup>o</sup> .	Essex	Labourer	1[ 6]
George Cox	D <sup>o</sup> .	London	D <sup>o</sup> .	1 8
Martin M <sup>o</sup> .dannell	D <sup>o</sup> .	Ireland	D <sup>o</sup> .	2 1
Tho <sup>s</sup> . Meager	D <sup>o</sup> .	Hertfordshire	D <sup>o</sup> .	2 7

## EAST INDIA HOUSE

LONDON THE 9<sup>TH</sup>. JULY 1746.H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

## LIST OF PERSONS PROCEEDING TO INDIA WITH THE COMPANY'S PERMISSION.

Richard Badman	Mariner	...	for Anjengo	...	on the Warwick.
Bernard Abraham	M <sup>r</sup> . Salomon's vant.	Ser-	Fort S <sup>t</sup> . George	...	Montfort.
Benjamin Jacobs	.....	Bengal	...	...	Princess of Wales..
Marv Jacobs	.....	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	D <sup>o</sup> .
Sophia Jacobs	.....	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	D <sup>o</sup> .
Sarah Chapman	M <sup>rs</sup> . Jacobs Servant	...	D <sup>o</sup> .	...	D <sup>o</sup> .

## EAST INDIA HOUSE LONDON

THE 10<sup>TH</sup>. JULY 1746.

CHRIS: MOLE

Secry.

GENTLEMEN

The Companys Agent at Portsmouth, will Enclose a Bill of Lading for the Forty Chests of their Treasure, loaden on board the Ship Bombay Castle at Spithead.

Your Advices *Via* Madrass that were forwarded thence upon the Ship Benjamin, are not yet come to hand from Ireland, I am

GENTLEMEN

Your most humble Servant,

CHRIS : MOLE,  
*Secry.*

EAST INDIA HOUSE

THE 8<sup>TH</sup>. JULY 1746.

THE HONOURABLE THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL AT FORT WILLIAM.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S<sup>T</sup>. GEORGE BY THEIR OWN SHIP LAPWING.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. The Companys General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated 14<sup>th</sup>. November 1746.
2. Copy of the Companys Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated 15<sup>th</sup>. Aug<sup>st</sup>. 1746 & Norfolk.
3. Copy Companys Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated 9<sup>th</sup>. July 1746 & Bombay Castle.
4. Invoice of the Lapwing for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George amounting to £48338. 19. 10.
5. Bill of Lading for the Lead on the Lapwing.
6. Bill of Lading for 30 Chests Silver on the Lapwing.
7. Bill of Lading for 20 Chests more of Silver on the Lapwing—Both to be received in separate Packets from M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish *Jun<sup>r</sup>*. the Companys Agent at Portsmouth the said Treasure being Shipt on Board at Spithead.
8. Copy of Cap<sup>t</sup>. Cheynes Instructions.
9. Copy of a Coast and Bay Ship of 300 Tons Charterparty.
10. Copy of a Coast and Bay Captains Instructions.
11. The Companys Indulgence.
12. List of Thirty Soldiers on the Lapwing for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George
13. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licenced to be Shipt on the Lapwing. These Two signed by Henry Crabb Boulton Esq<sup>r</sup>.
14. Copy Cap<sup>t</sup>. Cheyne's Commiseion to seize unlicenced Persons.
15. Seventeen Samples of Teas as mentioned in the General Letter viz<sup>t</sup>.  
Five mark'd A. One better sort of A  
Four mark'd B Two better sort of B  
Two mark'd BB  
Three mark'd DD
16. Acts of the Nineteenth of the King George the Second in the Box apart.
17. Copy Victualling Bill and Stores for the Lapwing.
18. Packet from the Secret Committee directed To the Hon<sup>ble</sup>. the President for the time being at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George—Delivered to the Captain with directions, to deliver the same to the Hon<sup>ble</sup>. the President at Fort William on his going thither.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE DATED NOVEMBER 14TH 1746 PER LAPWING.

[*Public Despatches from England Vol. 49 pp. 151-156.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL  
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

1. Herewith is Copy of Our last dated the 15<sup>th</sup>. August 1746 sent by the Ship Norfolk, that sailed from Plymouth the 20<sup>th</sup>. September, in company with the Ships Bombay Castle, Prince Edward and Portfield.

2. The Ships Lincoln, Admiral Vernon, Edgbaston, Wager, Queen Caroline and Hardwicke, We thank God arrived safe in England the 27<sup>th</sup>. August, the Royal George, Scarborough and Oxford reached Lisbon in October.

3. Your Advices dated the 22<sup>th</sup>. of December and 31<sup>th</sup>. January are come to hand, due Notice shall be taken of them in the Course of Our Dispatches this Season.

4. This comes by Our own ship Lapwing Burthen <sup>Tons</sup> 300 Captain Francis Cheyne Commander, We have put on Board Twenty five Tons of Lead, and Fifty Chests of Treasure, Consigned to you and a Recruit of Soldiers to Strengthen the Garrison, such a part of the Silver as can be spared must be forwarded to Bengal by the best Conveyance that Offers.

5. As this Ship may arrive with you the latter end of March or beginning of April, which is a dangerous time with respect to your Monsoon, We would have you supply her with the needful Provisions and give her a quick Dispatch to Bencoolen putting on Board such Bales as you have left, and the necessary Salt Petre for Kintlage, giving Orders to Our Deputy Governour and Council to fill her up with Pepper, and dispatch her on the First day of June for Europe, directing the Commander to follow the Orders of the Secret Committee that he hath in his own Possession.

6. For the further carrying on Our Trade this Season we have taken up the following Ships viz<sup>t</sup>.

	Tons		
Eastcourt	... 498	William Earl Benson	... } Coast and Bay.
Oxford	... 498	Thomas Stevens	... }
Cæsar	... 498	Matthew Court	... }
Colchester	... 498	Richard Wood	... }
Winchelsea	... 498	Christopher Baron	... }
Benjamin	... 300	George Meard	... }
Stafford	... 498	Felix Baker	... } China.
Prince of Wales.	498	John Pelly <i>Junr.</i>	... }
York	... 498	Henry Lascelles	... }
S <sup>t</sup> . George	... 498	Robert Robinson	... } Persia and Bombay.
Anson	... 498	Charles Foulis	... }
Stretham	... 498	William Pinnell	... } Bombay.
Heathcote	... 498	Jonathan Cape	... } Mocha.
Grantham	... 498	Walter Wilson	... } S <sup>t</sup> . Helena & Bencoolen.
Durrington	... 498	Richard Crabb	... } Commodore Bombay & China.

7. The Stafford and Prince of Wales will be Ordered first to your Place.

8. Having a very large stock of Salt Petre upon hand, all Our Coast and Bay Ships will bring out their whole Kintlage in Iron, so that We have given Directions to Bengal to slacken their purchases of Salt Petre, buying only upon moderate Terms.

9. We Judge proper to continue this Season, the Rates of Exchange to be the same, as last year.

10. The Five thousand Six Hundred Bales of Coast Goods, We received by the Four Ships from your Place this season, were highly acceptable to Us, We would have you go on securing all thats possible, upon the best Terms, there being a large demand for Callicoes in Europe.

11. Having Inspected the Plan of the Fortifications carrying on for your place, and considered your Advices and Consultations thereupon, We approve of proper Works being Erected and carried on towards the Land and would have you go on with the same, provided sufficient care be taken to carry off the Back Water, so as to prevent any Damage to the [Works].

12. But with respect to Works towards the Sea, We cannot see any necessity for them, however in case the Wall can be made more defenceable by any Alterations or small Additions, We have no Objection thereto.

13. These are Our Sentiments in General and having consulted with M<sup>r</sup>. Benyon who Resided so many Years on the spot, We are enabled to make the following particular Remarks to which you must pay all due Regard.

14. By the drawing of the Yellow Lines in the Plan cross the River, We take it for granted, so much as is enclosed within those Lines, is intended to be filled up and for that purpose the Earth which comes out of the Moat, that seems to be designed will be useful, but otherwise the making such Moat will be attended with some Inconveniences, and all Circumstances considered, namely the loose soil upon which the Town stands, and the Countrey it is in, may not be altogether so useful and necessary, as elsewhere.

15. It does not appear by the Plan or from any thing that is said of it elsewhere, whether it be intended to turn the Course of the River through the Moat, or into some other Channel, if this last be designed it will be much facilitated by the great Flux of Water that comes out of the Countrey, in the time of the Freshes, and which in the loose soil to the West of the Town, will with the Expencc of very little help, open a sufficient Bed for itself, but if it be intended to turn it through the Moat, We apprehend there is more danger of the Walls being Undermined by the Freshes, than by an Enemy, especially if the Moat be Confined within the usual limits of those things, and the exterior Slope thereof be Fenced with Brick, and without such Fence any Slope would soon be Washed into the Moat by the heavy rains, or carried away by the Freshes.

16. We admit that the old Walls to the West of the Town, were every Season Washed by the River, and that they have been very little hurt thereby, although they are not near so substantial as the New are intended, but then it is to be considered that a small resistance was sufficient to prevent the Effects of its rapidity on One side, when it met with no Opposition on the other, but a loose sand, of which it has carried away so much, that it has made a very broad Channel, and that did greatly facilitate its Passage by the Town, without hurt to the Walls, but if a regular Moat be intended of the common size, the Water will be so much Confined that great Damage may be apprehended to both sides thereof.

17. The Danger of the Moat described in the Plan, is more to be apprehended to the North and south of the Town, as it does not appear by the Plan that any Liziere or space is intended, between the Foot of the Rampart and the Moat, and the Foundations of those Walls are not We believe, laid so deep as We suppose the Moat is designed.

18. We cannot form any probable Conjecture what is intended by the Narrow Canals, which run East towards the Sea, from the Two Ends of the Moat North and South of the Town, We are unwilling to suppose they are intended to carry off the

surplus Water, that runs down from the Countrey, yet We do not see any other Channel in the Plan designed for it. Such an Experiment would, We think, be attended with the greatest danger, therefore We hope will never be attempted, for whoever has observed the great Quantity of Water which comes out of the Countrey in the Rainy Season, the Rapidity of the Stream and the wide and deep Channel, which it makes immediately after it has got Vent, upon Opening the Bar, must be of Opinion that those two small Canals, are far from being wide to carry off so large and rapid a body of Water, and yet if it should get Vent there, it will carry every thing before it, and make itself so wide and deep a passage, that it is not easy to say how far the Mischief may spread.

19. As little do We suppose they were intended to let in the Water from the Sea, in the dry Season, because after the Rains are over and the Southerly Monsoon sets in, the Sea flings up a Great Bank of Sand, which shuts up the Bar, and will as certainly choak up these two Canals.

20. Such a Flux of Water as comes from the Countrey in the rainy Season, is not easily confined within such narrow Limits, as seem to be intended, therefore if Proximity to the River be desired, the safer way would be to turn its Course, so as to pass by the Wall, on the Outside in the same manner it does now, without being Confined by any other exterior Bank, than the common soil, or if a regular Moat be insisted upon, the River might be turned off at some Reasonable Distance from the Town, and a small Canal might be made from it to communicate with the Moat, yet so as only to Replenish it, or carry off the West Water into the River, the Main Course of which should not be through the Moat, but have a different Channel into the Sea.

21. Nothing is said in the General Letter about the Fortifications [near] the Sea, therefore We suppose the Yellow Line on that side is intended by the Draughtsman rather for the Regularity of the Plan, and to Shew how it ought to have been, than any Design at present to alter what is done.

22. The present Walls are so near the Sea, that more than once in Mr. Benyons time, the Foundations have been laid bare by the [Surfs] in a Spring Tide, and Hard Gales in the Northerly Monsoon and as to New are lined out, to be nearer the Sea, they will consequently be more exposed to that Risque than the Old, he adds with regard to the Walls which are on that side at present, that having had occasion to sound the Road, to be Informed how near a Ship might be brought in, and although he does not at present remember the nearest distance, yet he is positive it was agreed that though Ships lying farther off in the Road, might fling Shot into the Town, yet they could not come in near enough to batter in Breach, besides that there is always a Swell which would much disconcert their Aim.

23. But admitting they could come near enough to make a Breach in the Walls, another difficulty would be in their Landing, which it [is] very rare they can do in their own Boats, and they would not find it easy to persuade, or even compell the Macqua Men to bring them ashore, in the Mussoolas in the Face of the Fire, which is supposed in case of such an Attempt, would be made from the Town.

24. We now send you a Second Sett of the Samples of Tea forwarded by the Norfolk, having only to add unto the Directions then given, that you are to avoid the sort of Tea, whereof We now enclose some Samples, that are mark'd DD, as they have scarce any smell at all.

25. We have lent Captain Francis Cheyne Commander of the Ship Lapwing, One Thousand Pounds at Respondentia on his offering to pay any Money into Our Cash, towards the Discharge thereof, you are to receive the same and grant Certificates for the Amount.

26. He hath assigned his Effects on Board over to Us, as a security, therefore in case of his Death We hereby empower and Enjoyn you to take the needful care, that they are not Embezled.



27. The Packet for Bengal, is to be forwarded thither by the best Conveyance that offers. We are

Your Loving Friends

LONDON THE 14<sup>TH</sup>. NOVEMBER 1746.

H. GOUGH.  
D. BRADDYLL.  
W. MABBOTT.  
SAM<sup>R</sup>. HYDE.  
HENRY PLANT.  
P. GODFREY.  
JOHN HOPE.  
CHRIST<sup>O</sup>. BURROW.  
WILL<sup>M</sup>. RIDER.  
THO<sup>S</sup>. ROUS.  
WILL: BRAUND.  
ROB<sup>T</sup>. HUDSON.  
R. BOOTLE.  
JOHN PAYNE.  
RICH<sup>D</sup>. BENYON.  
W<sup>M</sup>. BAKER.  
W. WILLY.  
STEPHEN LANG.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT S<sup>T</sup>. GEORGE, DATED 15<sup>TH</sup>. AUGUST 1746 PER NORFOLK.

[*Public Despatches from England Vol. 49, pp. 157-160.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL

AT FORT S<sup>T</sup>. GEORGE.

1. We wrote last the 9<sup>th</sup>. July 1746 by the Ship Bombay Castle, as ☞ Copy enclosed, Since then Your advices dated the 17<sup>th</sup>. October 1745 *via* Aleppo came to hand.
2. This comes by our Ship Norfolk Burthen 498 Tons Captain Nathaniel Hancock Commander, which is Order'd first to Your Place with a supply of Treasure, Goods and Merchandize, as ☞ Invoice and Bill of Loading enclosed.
3. We have also put on board sundry stores designed for our West Coast Settlements, and as she is to proceed thence to Benjar, having Factors on board to Transact our Affairs there.
4. You are therefore to put on board Ten Chests of Treasure, and Dispatch her away with all expedition to our Deputy Governour and Council at Fort Marlborough, forwarding the enclosed packet, Directing them so soon as the Stores are landed, to Consign the said Ten Chests of Treasure to Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Robert John Harrison and Francis Muriell Factors for the Ship Norfolk and give the Commander sailing Orders, to proceed first to Batavia, and thereupon to follow the said Factors Directions Unless they meet with the Ship Prince Edward, In which Case they and the Commander of the Norfolk, are to obey the Orders of the Supra Cargoes of the said Ship Prince Edward.
5. As We find by Experience that after all the Europe Ships have Yearly left Canton, there always remains great Quantitys of Cheap Ordinary Tea, particularly Boheas, which are afterwards carried by the Junks from Canton, or sent by the Portugueze Ships to Batavia.

6. We send you samples of the same, with the prices they are purchased at Batavia, and what We have reason to believe they are bought for in China, after the Europe Ships are sail'd, and what We can Afford to give, and would have You contract for upon our Account, with such Portugueze or Armenians who Trade to Macao, as will bring them.

7. As you have several large ships that come Yearly from Macao, We believe the prices as undermentien'd, that We Empower You to give, will afford profit enough to Encourage the bringing of such Tea to Madrass, as they do to Batavia, and it will be of Service to Us, as the Port Charges on a Cargo of Ord'nary Tea at Canton, together with the Extra Demorage of a Ship lying late to purchase them to any Advantage, Amounts to above Three Tale  $\text{₹}$  pecul, which is Thirty or Forty  $\text{₹}$  Cent on the Cost.

8. Since the lowering of the Dutys on Tea here, the Consumption of Our Tea is encreas'd in these low priced Teas, to above a million of pounds weight  $\text{₹}$  Annum, with respect to the Fine or better sort of Teas, We know they must be purchased in China Yearly, for the Chinese do not care to send them out on their Own Account and risque, to take the Chance of a Foreign Market.

9. The Enclosed Samples mark'd with the Letter A are the lowest sort of Teas, carried to Batavia in great Quantitys, where our Captains Buy them for nineteen Rix Dollars  $\text{₹}$  Pecul, which is Eleven Tale, We have good reason to believe the Dutch give the Chinese at Batavia but Thirteen or Fourteen Rix Dollars  $\text{₹}$  Pecul, and that they Cost at Macao, but about six or seven Tale  $\text{₹}$  Pecul, after the Europe Ships are gone.

10. We would give for the same deliverd at Madrass, Ten to Eleven Current Pagodo's  $\text{₹}$  Pecul, which We believe is sufficient Encouragement for the Macao Ships to bring them.

11. The Samples enclosed marked with the Letter B are the plain Sort of good Bohea Teas, which commonly Cost Fourteen or Fifteen Tale  $\text{₹}$  Pecul in China, but any Ship that will stay till the rest of the Europe Ships are gone, will get them at Ten Tale  $\text{₹}$  Pecul as We found by experience Two Years Successively, by Ordering a Ship each Year not to purchase till the other Ships had got their Loadings, whereby We obtain'd the Cargoes at Ten Tale each Year.

12. These Teas our Captains purchase at Batavia for Twenty five Rix Dollars a Pecul of the Dutch, which is Fifteen Tale  $\text{₹}$  Pecul, and We have good reason to believe the Dutch give the Chinese at Batavia, but Sixteen to Eighteen Rix Dollars  $\text{₹}$  Pecul which is but about Ten Tale.

13. They are to be had at Macao after the Europe Ships are gone at Eight to Ten Tale, and We would give for the same Twelve, Thirteen to Fourteen Current Pagodo's  $\text{₹}$  Pecul, according to Goodness Delivered at Madrass; if in Chests with Lead package, and We would have You take all the Portugueze and Armenians will bring at those prices, provided they are good of their kind, not musty or damaged, but conformable to the samples herewith Sent You.

14. As any of these Teas shall be purchased by You, send them to us by any of Our Ships that you load home.

15. If any Ordinary Green Teas should be brought, We would also have you purchase these for Us, as far as Twelve, Thirteen to Fourteen Current Pagodo's  $\text{₹}$  Pecul, provided they are Sweet having no Ill Scent; And upon all Teas so brought and Sold to us We would have You take no Custome.

16. We cannot Question but in due time Quantitys of these Ordinary Teas will be brought Us, as We think they will get more by them than by any Goods they can bring from China.

17. And We would have you Contract from Year to Year with any Persons who will undertake to bring them accordingly, Remembering that the lowest Sort and Cheapest Teas are what We mostly want, if they are but Sweet, the Flavour not being so much regarded, as it is in the Finer and better Sorts, which are Consumed by the Gentry and middling People, the greatest Consumption lying among the very lowest People.

18. All must be brought You in Chests Lined with Lead.

19. We send you some Samples of each Sort and altho the Cost in China betwixt A and B differs at least Thirty  $\text{£}$  Cent, there is not above Ten or Fifteen  $\text{£}$  Cent difference in the sale here.

20. We send You Two Samples marked B.B. which are Congoas from Batavia for which We can Afford to given Seventeen & Eighteen Current Pagodoes a pecul.

21. If this Ship brings You but Forty Chests of Treasure and You have reason to think our Servants at Fort Marlborough can put on board Five, We would then have You forward only Five thither, giving them Directions to make up Ten Chests, and Consign the Same to the Factors as aforesaid. We are

LONDON 15<sup>th</sup>. AUGUST 1746.

Your Loving Friends

H. GOUGH.  
CHRIST<sup>o</sup>. BURROW.  
W<sup>m</sup>. BAKER.  
N. NEWNHAM Jun<sup>r</sup>.  
THO<sup>s</sup>. ROUS.  
J. RAYMOND.  
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W<sup>m</sup>. BRAUND.  
R<sup>d</sup>. BOOTLE.  
W<sup>m</sup>. WILLY.  
R<sup>d</sup>. BURTON.  
JOHN HOPE.  
R. DRAKE.

ORDERS AND INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN BY THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES TO CAPTAIN FRANCIS CHEYNE COMMANDER OF THE SHIP LAPWING, OR TO THE COMMANDER FOR THE TIME BEING.

1. We the said Court of Directors reposing special Trust and Confidence in your Ability, Courage and Integrity have appointed you to be Commander of the Ship Lapwing Burthen Three hundred Tons which We have Built to be Employed in Our Service; hereby requiring you to observe and Comply with these our Orders and Instructions.

2. We direct that so soon as you have received these our Dispatches you do forthwith proceed as Wind and Weather will permit and make the best of your way to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George on the Choromandell Coast in the East Indies.

3. On your Arrival there you are to deliver the accompanying Packet to our Governour and Council of that Place, and also all the Treasure, Goods, Passengers and Soldiers on board, and you are thereupon to obey their Orders for your further Proceedure.

4. You must keep up the Worship of God on board the Ship, and good Order among your Men taking care of their Healths, and in case the Ship is Attackt by a formidable Enemy, We will give the Men Two Chests of Treasure, and a like Encouragement to stand by and defend her as We do to our other Ships, a Writing must be fixed up on the Main Mast to give them all notice of the same.

5. We require and expect that you and your Officers do keep exact Journals of all Transactions and Occurrences to be delivered Us on your return, and according to your Behaviour in the Care of the Ship, and Execution of these our Orders you may expect Our future favour.

6. Take immediate care to put your Ship in a good posture of Defence, Quarter the Men, Trust no Colours, and avoid speaking with any Ship at Sea, be constantly Exercising the Seamen and Soldiers at the Great Guns and small Arms to make them Experts.

7. We positively require and Order that you do not directly or indirectly either for yourself, or any other Person carry out any Bullion, Goods or Merchandizes, but what you shall be Licenced by Us, or some Committee by Us appointed for that purpose shall Licence you to carry, and that you use your utmost Endeavours to prevent all your Officers and Seamen from Carrying out any Bullion, Goods or Merchandizes without the like Lycence.

8. We have put on board Seventeen hundred forty four Ounces of Foreign Silver for your Ships Stock, to purchase any necessary Supplys for the Use of your Ship and Men Exact Accounts must be kept of the Consumption of the Ships Stores and Provisions being frugal, and taking strict care that nothing is Wasted or Embezled, and you are to render an Account of the said Stock to Our President and Council at Fort St. George.

9. Advice Us by all Opportunitys of every Occurrence worthy Our Notice directing your Letters to Us in London, by Dutch Ships send them under Cover directed to Messieurs George Clifford and sons Merchants at Amsterdam.

10. Take care to Clean your Ship as often as you have Opportunity while you remain in any Port or Place during your present Voyage.

11. You are to take care that the Boatswain or in his [ . . . ] Absence the Superior Officer on board do keep in a Book [for] that purpose a true and perfect Account of every Parcel of Goods that comes aboard or is delivered out of the Ship as well the Companys as any others, with the Marks and Numbers and that the said Book be produced to, and left with the said President and Council when and as often as required, and to Us at your return.

12. In case you should by any Accident be obliged to furnish yourself with any stores out of His Majestys Yards or Ships of War before you are clear of England or at Sea, send Us an exact Account of what you receive when and where they were delivered you, and by whom the very first Opportunity, and a Duplicate by another Conveyance to prevent all Disputes.

13. Enclosed is our Printed Indulgence to the several Commanders and Officers of the Ships that are Freightd by Us, and We hereby put you and your Ships Company on the same footing.

14. The War against France and Spain being vigorously carried on, We have appointed Harry Gough Esq<sup>r</sup>. Samuel Feake Esq<sup>r</sup>. Dodding Braddyll Esq<sup>r</sup>. and William Mabbott Esq<sup>r</sup>. to be Our Secret Committee for the Current Year, therefore notwithstanding anything contained in the other parts of these Instructions whatever Orders you may receive from them, or any three of those Gentlemen either as to your Outward or homeward bound Passage, must be strictly complied with and Obeyed, likewise all such Orders as you may receive from our Servants abroad pursuant to their Directions, and whatever future Orders you may receive from the Secret Committee for the time being, relating to your Navigation must in like manner be duly observed and Obeyed.

15. For your Notice and Guidance in all other respects, We send herewith Copy of a Coast and Bay Ships Charterparty, and Captains Instructions, expecting a due Conformity thereto.

16. If by any Accident you should be driven by Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George, you must make the best of your way to Bengal, Deliver our Packets to the President and Council at Fort William and follow their Orders for your further proceedure. We are

Your Loving Friends

LONDON 14<sup>th</sup> NOVEM<sup>r</sup>. 1746.

THO <sup>s</sup> . ROUS.	H. GOUGH.
WILL: BRAUND.	D. BRADDYLL.
ROB: HUDSON.	W. MABBOTT.
R. BOOTLER.	SAM. HYDE.
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Coast and Bay.

ORDERS AND INSTRUCTIONS,

GIVEN BY

THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND,  
TRADING TO THE EAST-INDIES, TO CAPTAIN

COMMANDER OF THE SHIP

AND TO THE COMMANDER FOR THE TIME BEING.

We the said Court of Directors having freighted the Ship . . . . whereof you are *Commander*, to serve us in Peace and Warfare, and to proceed to such Ports and Places in the *East-Indies* whereunto you shall be directed; we do therefore hereby order you to make all possible Expedition, (so soon as you have received your Dispatches) according to *Charter-party* and ply your Voyage with the first Opportunity of Wind and Weather, and sail directly for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George in the *East-Indies*, whereto you are consigned. On your Arrival you must deliver to our *President and Council* there, our Packets to them, and all the Bullion, Goods, and Merchandizes, and also put on Shore all the Passengers on board your Ship Consigned to them; and in all things, agreeable to your *Charter-party*, to follow from time to time the Orders of our said *President and Council* for your further Proceedings.

2. We strictly require you to keep up the Worship of God on board your Ship, and good Orders among your Men, taking care of their Healths during the whole Voyage; take care of all the Passengers and Soldiers that we have or shall send on board; be very tender of our Soldiers Healths, give them daily fitting Provisions, keep them stirring and in motion to prevent the *Scurvy* and other Distempers; but we will not have them made the Drudges of the Ship.

3. You must carry along with you a *Mediterranean Pass*, their being many *Algerine Rovers* abroad, which you are very likely to meet withal in your Outward or Homeward-bound Voyage. You must also carry with you the full Number of English Mariners, according to the Direction of the Act of Navigation and your Covenants in *Charter-party*.

4. Whatever *Stationary-Ware* is or shall be sent by us aboard your Ship, be sure to put it in the Bread-room, or other dry Place in the Hold abaft the Main-mast, but not in any moist Place, lest it be thereby spoiled, as our Advices from *India* have often complained. Keep all our Packets in the Round-house, free from damp.

5. We positively require and order, That you do not directly, or indirectly, either for yourself or any other Person, carry out any Bullion, Goods or Merchandizes, or any Letters, but what you shall be licenced by us, or some *Committee* appointed by us for that Purpose shall licence you to carry; and that you use your utmost Endeavours to prevent all your Officers and Seamen from carrying out any Bullion, Goods, Merchandises, or Letters, without the like Licence.

6. Take immediate Care, on Receipt hereof, To have and keep your Arms fixed ; To station your Men at their several Quarters ; To put your Ship in a good Posture of Defence ; To have a sufficient Number of Cartridges filled with Powder, and a proportionable Quantity of Shot ; To be always in readiness during this Voyage in case of a sudden Assault. Trust no Colours. Be very watchful at all Times against Surprises, and cautious of speaking with any Ship ; and, if you can avoid it, speak with none during every Part of the Voyage ; Be very industrious to find out the Trim of your Ship for her better sailing.

7. We having great Reason to believe some of the *Captains* of the Ships in our Service have, while they were in *India*, disposed of Part of their Ship's Ordnance, Fire-arms, Powder and Shot, and thereby rendered themselves less defensible in case of an Enemy's attacking them ; we do hereby positively forbid you, and the *Captain* for the Time being, to sell, or otherwise part with any, except in case of absolute necessity, to our *Presidents, Agents, or Chiefs, and Council*, and that only for the Use of our Settlements, under Penalty of an utter Incapacity of being continued in our Service.

8. Use all possible Endeavours to expedite your Outward-bound Voyage, and when by Judgment you are within forty or fifty Leagues of the *Western Islands*, shape the Course, Wind and Weather will permit, so as to keep at least thirty Leagues to the Westward of the *Canary Islands*, and thence proceed directly for Fort St. George aforesaid without stopping ; and to this end take in a sufficient Quantity of Water and fresh Provisions here. But if, by reason of Sickness, or Want of necessary Refreshments, you should be forced to touch any where by the Way, choose with the Advice and Consent of your Officers in Writing, any Port not prohibited in *Charter-party*, which you judge least liable to the Danger of Pirates, or other Enemies ; remember the Pirates and *Sallee-men* used to visit St. Jago, and the Isle of May ; therefore put into none of the Cape de Verde Islands for Pirates have been there, and probably will again ; be sure keep far enough out of sight of them. Wherever you touch, carry it civilly to the *Governor and Inhabitants* to prevent Complaints. While you are at an anchor in any Place, outward or homeward-bound, or in the *East-Indies*, keep a good look-out at Topmast-head ; and keep the same look-out during the whole Voyage when at Sea.

9. The Pirates which some Years ago lay off the *Cape of Good Hope*, took two Ships there, and attack'd a third, therefore be very cautious in putting in and out, if you shall be necessitated to touch there ; if you are not, keep out of sight of it, or of any Ships that may lie near it in hopes of Prey.

10. We forbid you touching at the *Brazils*, outward-bound, on Penalty of an utter Incapacity of Continuance in our Service, unless you can give us very satisfactory Reasons of the absolute Necessity of proceeding thither.

11. We likewise forbid your making any Deviation, outward or homeward, or breaking bulk ; for if you do, we shall put in Suit the Bonds you have entered into on those Accounts, and require the Charter-party Penalties.

12. We direct that you do advise us by all Opportunities in your outward and homeward-bound Voyage, and during your Stay in the *East-Indies*, of all Occurrences worthy our Notice, directing your Letters to us in *London* ; if you meet with any *Dutch Ship*, send by her, putting your Letters under cover, To *Messieurs George Clifford and Sons Merchants at Amsterdam*.

13. Take care to clean and tallow your Ship as often as you have Opportunity while you remain in any Port during your present Voyage.

14. If any *Aloes Ohbanum, Lacks*, or such like sort of Goods, shall be laden on board, take care they be so stowed as to prevent Damage by running together.

15. We direct and order you, particularly to regard, and strictly to observe all the Covenants and Agreements contained in your *Charter-party*, of which you have a Copy with Marginal Notes, for your easier Perusal and Notice ; and among other things, To put up and continue the Order of Encouragement, as directed in folio 3. To touch at no Places prohibited, as in folio 4 & 5. To take care that the Journals,

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and Boatswains and others Books be kept, and Entries made therein of all Goods, Bullion, And Effects taken into, or delivered out of the Ship, and for whose Account ; and all those Books produced and delivered, as covenanted in *folio* 5 & 6 To take care no Goods or Bullion be laden on board during this Voyage, except such as shall be licenced and indulged ; for if there be, we shall exact the Penalties mentioned in said *folio* 6 of which we give you this Warning, that you may not incur them ; remember in these last Clauses, the Covenants are made stronger than in the late *Charter-parties*, to prevent the exorbitant Excesses of private and unlicenced Trade, out or home, and the Encroachment of *Commanders* on the Ships Tonnage from Port to Port abroad.

16. We hereby direct, that neither yourself, nor the *Commander* for the Time being, do lade for your own private Account, or suffer any others to load on board your Ship, in the *East-Indies*, or elsewhere, within the Limits of the Company's Charter, to be brought from thence unto or towards Europe, any Goods or Merchandises, but what shall be duly register'd with the *Company's President, or Chief and Council*, at the Factory where the said Goods shall be taken on board ; or if the *Company* have no Factory there, then at the first Factory of the *Company's* where, the said Ship shall touch at ; or if they touch at none, then with the *Supra Cargoes*, if any belong to the said Ship ; or else with the *Captain*. In which Registers, the several Sorts, Quantities, and Values of each Species of Goods shall be express'd, and all the Numbers in Words at length as well as Figures. And that Copies thereof be delivered to the *Court of Directors* for the Time being, within ten Days after the Ship's unloading in *England*. Of this give due Notice to all your *Officers, Mariners*, and other Persons on board ; and acquaint them, That the Goods, if unregistered, will be forfeited when discovered. We further direct, That neither they, or you, do bring from the *East-Indies*, or elsewhere, any Packet or Letter, but what shall be sent up to the *East-India-House in London*, and delivered to the *Court of Directors* for the Time being, or their Order.

17. You or your Purser, must sign Bills of Lading for the Goods shipped on board you for our Account ; and when dispatched homewards, use the like Diligence and Watchfulness in your Return, as is before directed in your Passage outward.

18. Be very careful, that neither yourself nor any of your *Mariners*, or other Persons, do sell or deliver out of the Ship, until her Return to *England*, any Goods laden on board your said Ship, lest thereby you bring your Owners and us into Trouble, by causing the Bond given at the *Custom-House* to prevent breaking Bulk, which is in Seven Thousand Five Hundred Pounds—Penalty, to be put in Suit, and by bringing on yourself and the Ship's Company divers other ill Consequences. We must likewise tell you, that by an Act of Parliament all such Goods so run from on board, are forfeited ; tho' the Goods should escape, yet the Value will be sued for, and recovered by Information afterwards, even by any of your Seamen, from the Persons who can be proved guilty ; and we require you to give publick Notice hereof to all the Ship's Company, that none may pretend Ignorance of the Laws, and that several Prosecutions have been commenced on this Account. We understand, some of our *Captains* have pretended this Clause as a Justification to them, not to deliver out any Necessaries to our *Governor and Council at St. Helena*, tho' they were shewn our Orders to the Governor and Council to demand them of our returning *Commanders* out of our Cargoes. We mention this, that you do supply them according to those Orders, if you can come at the Goods, taking Receipts for what you deliver, which you must give into the *Court* at your Return.

19. When you receive your last Dispatches for *Europe*, if you are not otherwise particularly directed, you must make the best of your way for our Island *St. Helena*, using all possible Diligence in getting early about the *Cape of Good Hope* ; when you are come near the Island, be cautious how you make it, and keep a strict Watch, and a constant Look-out, to prevent falling into any Pirates or other Enemies Hands, who may lie thereabouts to surprise you. On your Entrance into *S<sup>t</sup>. Helena Road*, bring your Ship to an Anchor before you come upon with *Chapple-Valley*, near to *Munden's Point*, if You don't meet with good Anchor-hold sooner, and then Send your Boat ashore, to give the *Governor* an Account who you are, because he hath our Orders to

fire upon any unknown Ship that shall attempt to pass that Point, and come into the Road, for fear she should prove an Enemy, and attempt to surprise our Ships there, as the *French* did the *Queen* and *Dover*. While you are in the Road, keep a good Look-out, and a Strict Guard. Stay no longer there than to refresh your Men, and to get in the necessary Supplies but hasten away to the River of Thames.

20. We have, by a smarting Experience, found how hazardous it is for our returning Shipping to go into the *Cape*; especially if their Arrival there is late in the Season; and yet, tho' the Commanders are not insensible of it, they will make one Pretence or other for putting in, when the true Reason is for the Benefit of *Private Trade*: Wherefore we positively direct and order, That you do not, on any Pretence whatsoever, except in case of being disabled by Storms, or other such like real and inevitable Necessity, venture to put into the *Cape*, homeward-bound, as you value being continued in our Service, and would avoid putting in suit your Charter-party Covenants, for Breach of Orders. Several of our *Captains*, notwithstanding these Directions, have presumed to touch at the *Cape*, to the great Detriment of our Island *St. Helena*; for which *Breach of Orders*, we are determined to call them to a strict Account, and so we shall do all such as offend in the same Manner hereafter.

21. You will see by the Covenants in *Charter party*, folio 5 you are not, in your homeward Voyage, to put into any of the Western Islands, or Plymouth, or any Port of *England* or *Ireland*, or any other Port of *Europe*, except in case of unavoidable Danger, or by particular Directions; which we expect you comply with, and that you make the best of your way into the *Downs*, if Wind permits. Into whatever Place you put, send us, by double Conveyances, Advice of your Arrival, with Copy of your Bill of Lading, and a short Account of your Voyage; if you do not, we shall reckon you unworthy our future Service. If you can, reach the *Downs*, Or if, by contrary Winds, you should be obliged to put into some other Port in England, you must from thence send up your Purser with such Packets as contain our Letters and Advices, and with all other Letters aboard your Ship, together with Copy of your Bill of Lading, and the Account of all Private Trade, Parcels of Goods, and Tokens on board: And if we shall afterwards understand, that yourself, or any of your Officers or Mariners, do conceal any such Letters, Goods or Tokens, we shall make them feel our Resentments; of which give them all Notice, that they may not plead Ignorance.

22. If you happen to be supplied, during this Voyage, by any of his Majestys Officers, with Provisions, or Naval or Ordnance Stores, send us, by the first Opportunity, an exact Account thereof advising also when and where the same were delivered, and by whom, and a Duplicate thereof by the next, to prevent the Disputes which may otherwise arise (as they formerly have) between the Commissioners of the *Navy*, *Victualling*, and *Ordnance*, and *Us*, on the like Account.

23. We hereby direct, That when you send ashore the Treasure on board you, consigned to our *President and Council* (which must every Chest be buoyed) yourself, or the Purser, or other Person you shall appoint, do accompany it, and be present at the Delivery, Opening, and Examining, to see if it comes out according to Invoice; if by any Accident it cannot be immediately opened, it is to be lodged in a proper Place, and you, or the Person so appointed, is to have a Lock upon it till it can be so examined. Our *President and Council* have Notice of, and will conform themselves unto this our Direction.

24. Finding that some of our *Commanders* have brought home several quantities of *Pepper* under Pretence of increasing the Freight to the Owners, by shooting it between the Bales, hoping to get some Benefit to themselves, but instead thereof they found it would not pay *Bottomree and Charges*, and therefore have solicited us to abate our Duties; we hereby declare, That if you bring home any on Private Account, we will not remit our Duties for the future; of this we give you previous Notice, that you may avoid the Evil.

25. We hereby peremptorily order, that you do not suffer any *Rattans* to be put on board your Ship to be brought for *England*, above the Quantity of two hundred Bundles for every hundred Tons the Ship is let for, which shall be computed at two



hundred Weight and a Quarter for every thousand *Battans*, and is fully sufficient for answering the end of *Dunnidge*. If you bring more than the said Quantity, we hereby tell you, That for Every Bundle, so far as one hundred Bundles, you shall pay the *Company* after the Rate of Ten Shillings each Bundle; and in case of a yet further exceeding, the Overplus shall be forfeited to the Use of the said company.

26. It being represented to us, That several of the *Captains of the Company's* returning Ships have imported exorbitant Quantities of Arrack, to the imminent Danger of the Ships, by the stowing it between Decks, or elsewhere out of the Hold, whereby they became Crank, not capable of carrying Sail, or of taking in sufficient Quantities of Water, and the Mariners have not had sufficient Room to lie in; to prevent the further Spreading of this Mischief, we do hereby order, That the *Captain, Officers, and Seamen* do not presume to bring home more than four Leaguers of Arrack for every hundred Tons this Ship is let for, and so *pro rata*; and do declare, That the Proprietors shall pay, as a Damage adjusted, Eighteen-pence per Gallon for every Gallon that shall exceed the said Quantity of four Leaguers per hundred Tons as aforesaid, over and above the present Charge of Six-pence per Gallon, to be applied to the Benefit of *Poplar-Hospital*. And that no *Commander, Officer*, or any other belonging to this Ship, shall be allowed to take on board, to be brought for England, for any one Person, as a Present or otherwise, above Thirty Gallons of Arrack, and that only in case the same be laden for Account of the *Company's* Servants abroad, or of their Friends in *England*, which said Quantity shall pay only the Six-pence per Gallon: But if the said *Captain, Officers, or Seamen*, shall take on board any *Arrack*, for Account of such as are not in the *Company's* Service abroad or at home, the same shall be subjected to such Duty over and above the said Six-pence per Gallon as the *Court of Directors* shall think fit to require.

27. To prevent the great Danger and frequent Loss of Ships, by opening of Casks of *Arrack, Rum*, and other Spirituous Liquors at Sea; we hereby strictly direct and require, That during the whole Voyage, you do not at any time Open, or on any Pretence whatsoever suffer to be opened, any Cask of *Arrack*, or other strong Liquor, in the Lazaretto, or elsewhere under any of the Decks; but that whenever any Cask, great or Small, is to be opened, you do first bring it upon the upper Deck, and there draw it off as you want it: And if we shall hear you do otherwise, we shall deeply resent and punish it.

28. We do peremptorily forbid you, and the *Captain* for the Time being, and all your *Officers, and Mariners*, to do or offer any Injury to the Natives in any Part of the *East-Indies*, on any Account whatsoever; and you are to take the necessary Care for that Purpose.

29. The Owners of our outward-bound Shipping complain of the great and needless Expence of Powder on Pretence of *Salutes*; for remedy thereof we direct, That all our *Europe* Ships, upon their first Arrival in any Port of *India, or at St. Helena*, do salute the *Fort* with no more than nine Guns, and that the *Fort* return the like Number, which is esteemed here a *Royal Salute*. That at the *Captain's* first coming on Shore from *Europe*, or dispatch thither, they shall fire but nine Guns; and at all other Times of Saluting, to give the *Captain* only Seven; that all Country Ships be answered with no more than five Guns (Foreigners excepted) that the *Governor*, or any of the *Council*, or other Persons belonging to the *Company*, going on board, be not Saluted with more than nine Guns, at their coming on board, or going off, and that no other Guns be fired during their Stay on board.

30. We do likewise direct and order, That you do not, on any Account whatsoever take or admit on board your Ship, to be carried into or towards the *East-Indies*, any person or Persons who shall not have the *Company's* Licence, under the Hand of the proper Officer, for such their Proceeding; for if you do, we hereby declare, That you shall be liable to the Penalty of one hundred Pounds, over and above all other Penalties mentioned in your *Charter-party*, and also be incapable of continuing in the *Company's* Service any longer.

31. And whereas we are well assured, it has been a Practice in Times past, for such Persons as have not been able to procure our Leave for going to *India*, to ship themselves as *Midshipmen*, or afore the Mast, and by Agreement with the *Captains* have been dropt on purpose in *India*, in Contempt of our former Orders to the contrary: We have therefore resolved, That if any *Commander* in our Service shall in future discharge any Person in *India* without an Order from the *President and Council* (of whatever Factory the Ship shall be at) in Writing. the said *Commander* shall forfeit to the *Company* fifty Pounds, and greatly incur the *Company's* Displeasure. That whoever shall inform of any Person carried out and left abroad contrary to this Order, shall have one Moiety of all such Money as shall be recovered on such Forfeitures.

32. Considering the great Danger our Ships were in sometime since by Storms in the *Downs*, and that the *Captains*, to our great Surprise, were on Shore during the whole Time; we find it necessary, and do hereby order and strictly enjoin you, not to lie out of your Ship one Night in the *Downs*, on any Pretence whatsoever, nor in any other Place of Danger and if we find this Order is not complied with, we shall severely resent it.

33. We have for divers good Reasons at this time Us thereunto moving, resolved to restrain all our *Captains* from bringing in Private Trade any *Raw Silk* whatsoever for *Europe* for the future, or any *Tea*, excepting only *Tea* for their Private Use in the Voyage; and therefore we hereby order, That you take care neither yourself, nor any others, do lade in Private Trade, any *Raw Silk* whatsoever on board your Ship, nor do load any *Tea* on board, except so much only as you may reasonably expect to expend in the Voyage; for if you do, we hereby declare, such *Raw Silk and Tea* shall be forfeited as Unlicenced Goods, and that you will thereby render yourself incapable of longer serving the *Company*.

34. We strictly forbid yourself, your Officers or any others belonging to your Ship, to bring Home any *Java Coffee* on any Pretence whatsoever, on Penalty of incurring our Highest Displeasure, it being of an inferior Goodness to that of *Mocha*, may bring that Commodity into Disrepute here, and therefore we are resolved to hinder the Importation of it.

35. Among other Hardships which our Free Inhabitants and Planters labour under at our Island *St. Helena*, we find one very great one, which we would be glad to remedy, and that is (if we are rightly informed) some of the *Council*, and others immediately employed in our Service, do find Ways and Means to Engross the Sale of *Beef*, and all other Sorts of Provisions that are wanted for the Shipping, to themselves, by which means the poor Planters are reduced to great Want and Necessity; and as we have the Welfare of this Island greatly at Heart, as well for your Benefit as the *Company's*, we most earnestly recommend to you, as we shall do to all the rest of our *Captains and Supra Cargoes*, to purchase what you want of the Free Inhabitants and Planters preferable to any others, provided they will furnish you at as cheap Rates as any body else, and your Compliance herewith will be highly acceptable to us.

36. *Terra Japonica or Cotch*, being applied to a very pernicious Purpose here in *England*, we hereby positively forbid it to be brought home in your Ship, by you or any of your Officers or Ships Company (of which we require you to give them Notice) on the Penalty of forfeiting the Goods, and your Employments in the *Company's* Service.

37. Having lost two of our Ships by Fire, the *Ockham and Compton*, when the Commanders of them were on shore, we hereby enjoin you to keep on board your Ship as much as possible, and for our mutual Security to have the watchfullest Eye in order to prevent so fatal a Calamity; and whenever you are obliged to be ashore, be sure to give the strictest Charge with your Mates, to be constantly careful in this Respect, as to the Lights, in drawing off *Arrack*, as mentioned in a foregoing Paragraph, and in stowing, that so we may not suffer through the Sailors careless Behaviour.

38. We have agreed with the Owners of Shipping here, with respect to all such Officers and Seamen, whose Ships are taken or lost in this Company's Service, and who desire to return directly to *England*, without going into other Service, that We will Pay or Allow the Owners of such Ships as bring them home, two-thirds of what is agreed in *Charter-Party* to be allowed or paid for Passengers Out or Home, and so in Proportion for such as are taken on Board in any Part of the Voyage, and that the Owners will stand to the other third Part, agreeable to the Stated Rules on other extraordinary Cases.

39. And therefore on any such melancholy Occasion, We direct that all Persons in those destitute Circumstances, who apply to You for a Passage home in the Ship under your Command, or whom our Servants abroad to whom you are consigned shall order aboard You, be received accordingly, and kindly used during the Voyage.

40. We have taken into Consideration the Extravagant Quantities of China-Ware imported by the Commanders and others directly from China, and have thought fit to Limit the same, as to them, and hereby forbid you, or any of your Officers or Seamen bringing home more of that Commodity than Two Hundred Pounds Gross Value at the Candle, for upon all Exceedings, We shall charge thirty  $\frac{3}{4}$  Cent.

41. You are hereby enjoined to take care that a full, true, and exact Account of the Ship's Run and Course, with the Winds and Weather, and of all Occurrences, Accidents and Observations, that shall happen, or be made during the Voyage, from the Time of the Ship's first taking in Goods, until the Time of her being compleatly unladen at her Return, be duely entered into the *Logg-Book* every Day, at Noon, in a fair and legible Manner; and that the Officer commanding the Watch from Eight o'Clock until Noon, do, before he dines, sign his Name at length to every Day's *Logg* so entered; and in Case any Mistake should happen in copying the *Logg* into the said Book, You are not to suffer such Mistake to be blotted out or erased, but corrected by writing against it.

42. And We hereby further Direct, that this *Logg-Book* remain in a proper Place, to be Copied by any Officer or other Person keeping a Journal on board the Ship, until Four in the Afternoon, and that it be kept at all Times in such a Manner, as to be saved, if possible, in Case of the Ship's Loss, and upon your Return to *England*, the said Book must be delivered unaltered to Us, and upon Oath, if required, together with Yours and the *Chief Mate's Journal*.

43. We direct that you constantly exercise the Seamen and Soldiers, at the Great Guns and Small Arms, and keep up a strict Discipline, to make them expert upon all necessary Occasions, inserting in the *Logg-Book* the Times when they are so exercised.

44. We having frequent Instances of the *Military* Deserting from *Our Settlements* in *India* on board Our Ships, We have Directed that one of the Council at *St. Helena*, accompanied with a Serjeant, do go on Board every One of our Ships, upon their first Arrival, and make a strict Examination if any Deserters are on Board, and on finding such, they must be delivered on shore there, and in order that they may be at a Certainty, the *Muster-Roll* of the Ship's Company must be produced to them, and You must Aid and Assist them therein: For in Case of a Refusal, We shall insist on the *Charter-Party* Penalties. Having considered the great Damage the Company suffers hereby, and the Danger that may befall our Settlements in *India* by Desertion of our Soldiers and Seamen, We have come to a further Resolution, That the Commanders of any of our Ships seducing away, or conniving at any of the Company's Soldiers or Seamen coming on Board their Ships, or not delivering them to the Settlements they belong to, or to such other of the Company's Settlements as lie in their Way after their Dispatch from any Place, such Commander shall be dismissed from our Service.

45. You must not on any Account whatsoever take or admit on board your Ship in the *East-Indies* any Person or Persons as Passengers for *Europe* or otherwise, without Express Leave in Writing from our Servants to whom you are consigned; on a Breach of this Order, you shall be liable to the Penalty of one hundred Pounds over and above all other Penalties mentioned in your *Charter-Party*, and also be incapable of continuing in our Service any longer.

46. We have put on board three Gallons of Brandy for each Soldier, which must be duely distributed among them in proper Quantities for their Refreshment and Support.

47. We positively forbid your touching at *St. Jago* or any of the *Cape of Verde* Islands, under the Penalty of an utter Incapacity for our Service in Future.

48. In Case it should so happen that you receive your last Dispatches from our Servants abroad, to whom you are consigned, after the Twentieth Day of February, We have come to a Resolution in order to encourage you to use your best Endeavours to get about the *Cape of Good Hope*, and thereby gain your Passage home the same Season, that with Respect to your Owners, We will take only the Cost of the Damaged Goods according to Invoice, remitting the *Thirty per Cent* agreed to be charged on all such Damage per *Charter-Party*, and as to yourself, in Case of a *French War*, We will give you a Gratuity of two hundred Guineas on getting above the Cape as aforesaid, and at all other Times a Gratuity of one hundred Guineas.

49. His Majestys Royal Proclamation is Enclosed in Your Packet which must be fixed up in the most proper and convenient part of the Ship for the Officers and Sailors perusal.

50. Enclosed in Your Packet is our Printed Indulgence to the Commanders and Officers of Our Ships which must not be exceeded upon any pretence whatsoever, and We hereby permit You to pay into Our Cash at either of the head Settlements, all or any part of the produce of your outward bound Adventure, On your making Oath before the President and Council, that the money so paid in is part of your Privilege, and the profits thereon, and that You neither have taken up, nor will take up other money in India to Trade withal in the Room of it.

51. Upon Your so doing, a Certificate will be granted You for the Amount, which on Your return to England, We will adjust at the Rate of Eight Shillings a Pagoda, and Two shillings and four pence a current Rupee.

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A LIST OF 30 SOLDIERS ON BOARD THE SHIP LAPWING CAPTAIN FRANCIS  
CHEYNE COMMANDER

FOR FORT SAINT GEORGE.

NAMES.	QUALITY.	COUNTRY.	TRADE.	AGE.
Benjamin Read	Soldier	London	Wire drawer	26
John Higgins	d <sup>o</sup> .	Loughberry Lesters <sup>r</sup> .	Stocking Weaver	25
Richard Craig	d <sup>o</sup> .	Rotherheath	Labourer	25
James Goff	d <sup>o</sup> .	Ireland	d <sup>o</sup> .	21
Rich <sup>d</sup> . Allen	d <sup>o</sup> .	Staffordshire	d <sup>o</sup> .	17
John Halton	d <sup>o</sup> .	Ireland	d <sup>o</sup> .	19
W <sup>m</sup> . Elliott	d <sup>o</sup> .	Northumberland.	d <sup>o</sup> .	28
Daniel Ledoux	d <sup>o</sup> .	London	Weaver	19
William Wells	d <sup>o</sup> .	Bedford	Barber	25
John Privatt	d <sup>o</sup> .	London	Staymaker	38
William Gamble	d <sup>o</sup> .	d <sup>o</sup> .	Pastry Cooke	21
John Newcomb	d <sup>o</sup> .	Nottingham	Labourer	28
Jessey Willey	d <sup>o</sup> .	London	d <sup>o</sup> .	25
Stephen Jonquay	d <sup>o</sup> .	d <sup>o</sup> .	Weaver	24
William Wood	d <sup>o</sup> .	d <sup>o</sup> .	Tinman	39
Nathaniel Kitchin	d <sup>o</sup> .	d <sup>o</sup> .	Labourer	25
Thomas Chambers	d <sup>o</sup> .	Northampton- shire.	d <sup>o</sup> .	24

NAMES.	QUALITY.	COUNTRY.	TRADE.	AGE.
Daniel Weston	Soldier	Norwich	Weaver	19
Thomas Ensor	d <sup>o</sup> .	Birmingham	Cutler	21
John Gibbody	d <sup>o</sup> .	Cheshire	d <sup>o</sup> .	[16]
John Britton	d <sup>o</sup> .	Wiltshire	Sawyer	20
Samuel Burridge	d <sup>o</sup> .	Leicester	Bricklayer	19
Thomas Babberley	d <sup>o</sup> .	Colchester	Wool Beater	19
John Swift	d <sup>o</sup> .	Birmingham	Labourer	28
William Wallis	d <sup>o</sup> .	Manchester	Soldier	4 [...]
Samuel Browne	d <sup>o</sup> .	Bedfordshire	Stocking Maker	19
Thomas Blakney	d <sup>o</sup> .	Staffordshire	Labourer	4 [...]
John Young	d <sup>o</sup> .	London	d <sup>o</sup> .	2 [...]
James Neale	d <sup>o</sup> .	Hartfordshire	d <sup>o</sup> .	2 [...]
Tho <sup>s</sup> . Lorrain	d <sup>o</sup> .	Devonshire	d <sup>o</sup> .	1 [7]

EAST INDIA HOUSE

LONDON THE 14 NOVEM<sup>r</sup>. 1746.H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

1746

A Manifest Goods & Merchandize licensed by [the] Committee of Shipping of the Court of Directors of [The] United East India Company, laden on board the Lapwing Captain Francis Cheyne Commander bound for Fort Saint George by the several persons as follows Viz<sup>t</sup>.

FC	CAPTAIN FRANCIS CHEYNE.				
N <sup>o</sup> . 1 a 73	Seventy Three Casks Red Lead	...	...	£ 150	— —
1 a 5	Five Roles Sheet Lead	...	...	" 30	— —
1 a 11	Eleven Chests Quicksilver	...	...	" 400	— —
1 a 10	Ten Casks Wro <sup>t</sup> . Iron, Ten Bundles Iron Hoops	...	...	" 75	— —
	Twenty Faggotts Steel	...	...	" 25	— —
1 a 4	Four Chests Small Arms	...	...	" 50	— —
	One Case Hatts	...	...	" 30	— —
1	One Bale Blankets	...	...	" 40	— —
	Two Boxes Gold & Silver Lace & thread	...	...	" 250	— —
1	One Box q <sup>t</sup> . Six Remnants Cloth	...	...	" 35	— —
1 a 5	Five Cases Glass Ware	...	...	" 30	— —
1 a 3	Three Chests Cutlery & small Looking Glasses	...	...	" 100	— —
1	One Case Stationary	...	...	" 20	— —
1	One Case Silks	...	...	" 60	— —
1	One Case Plush	...	...	" 100	— —
1	One Case Braziery	...	...	" 20	— —
	On his Indulgence.				

Directed

John Siefkin to Kend<sup>s</sup>. Swellingrebel Esq<sup>r</sup>.

One Escutore Apparel &amp; Pamphlets ... .. £ 25 — —

Freight Free being for the above persons Use at the Cape.

EAST INDIA HOUSE

LONDON THE 14 NOVEM<sup>r</sup>. 1746H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

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## GENTLEMEN

Besides the Thirty Chests of Treasure, already put on board the Ship Lapwing, as  $\text{\textcircled{P}}$  my Last Address dated the 7<sup>th</sup>. Instant, The Court of Directors have judged proper to Load Twenty Chests more, and to Consign them unto You for which a Bill of Loading duly Firmd, will be enclosed, by the Companys Agent at Portsmouth M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish the Younger.

I am

Gentlemen  
Your most humble servant,

CHRIS: MOLE.  
*Secry.*

EAST INDIA HOUSE LONDON  
THE 12<sup>TH</sup>. NOVEMBER 1746.

TO HONOURABLE THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL AT FORT S<sup>r</sup>. GEORGE.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT S<sup>r</sup>. GEORGE, DATED 15<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 1747.

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 49, p. 183.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL  
AT FORT S<sup>r</sup>. GEORGE.

We the Court of Directors of the East India Company, have Appointed Harry Gough, Richard Chauney, Alexander Hume and William Mabbott Esq<sup>r</sup>. to be Our Secret Committee for the Current Year, therefore whatever Orders you may receive from them, or any Three of those Gentlemen, for the Security of Our Ships, Trade and Estate, must be as strictly complied with and Obeyed as if Signed by the Whole Court.

We are

Your Loving Friends

THO <sup>s</sup> . PHIPPS.	H. GOUGH.
W <sup>m</sup> . STEELE.	RICH <sup>d</sup> . CHAUNEY.
ALEX <sup>d</sup> . HUME.	W <sup>m</sup> . BAKER.
HENRY PLANT.	SAM: HYDE.
J. RAYMOND.	P. GODFREY.
CHRIST <sup>o</sup> . BURROW.	ROB <sup>t</sup> . HUDSON.
THO <sup>s</sup> . ROUS.	J. WINTER.
JOHN HOPE.	WHICHCOTT TURNER.
STEPHEN LAW.	M. IMPEY.
	WILL: BRAUND.
	JOHN PAYNE.
	W. WILLY.
	RICH <sup>d</sup> . BENYON.

LONDON THE 15<sup>TH</sup>. APRIL 1747.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT S<sup>r</sup>. GEORGE, DATED 20<sup>TH</sup>. MARCH 1744 PER  
PRINCESS MARY.

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 49, pp. 187-189.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL  
AT FORT S<sup>r</sup>. GEORGE.

1. We wrote to you at large the 7<sup>th</sup>. of February last under the Established Heads by Three Conveyances.
2. This comes by our Ship Princess Mary, We have put on board Thirty five Chests of Treasure, with sundry Goods and Merchandize, which come Consigned unto You as  $\text{\textcircled{P}}$  Invoice and Bill of Loading enclosed.

3. When the Silver is Coined, such a part thereof as You can spare, must be forwarded to the Bay with all Expedition, upon this or some other of our ships.

4. Your Indents arriving late this Season, No Broad Long Ells are sent, We had scarce Tonnage sufficient for Two thirds of the Woollen Goods Indented for.

5. When our Callicoes come from the Wash and on packing them, great care must be taken that they are quite Clear from Sand, as in the Pressing of them it breaks the cloth and makes Holes, whereof the Buyers make heavy Complaints as also that several Pieces this Year were found to be Torn, which We apprehend was done in the Washing, but for the future You must on no Account send such as are Torn or otherwise Damaged, but sell them for the most they will yield at your Place, that so We may not pay Custom and Freight for Damaged Goods.

6. The Society for promoting Christian Knowledge having represented there are some Vacancys by the removal of Missionarys on your Coast, We have permitted The Reverend M<sup>r</sup>. Klein and The Reverend Mr. Breithaupt to take passage upon this Ship in order to carry on that Good Work among the Indians.

7. In your Account of Remains in Shot, Shells, Guns, Brass, Iron and Lead Weights, Grapnels, Mortars and Cohorns, no particulars of the different Sorts of Each are Inserted, whereas You ought and must be as Explicit as possible, and if any old Stores are remaining, acquaint us whether they are Serviceable or not, and particularize your Guns mounted as to their Nature and Weight.

8. In the remains You often Insert the same Articles that are demanded under quite different Heads, than where they stand in the Indent, whereby they are often overlookt, and so escape proper Notice being taken of them, on our Comparing the same, which therefore must be remedied in future, by making the Heads of Stores in the Remains, Answer to the Indent, thus, If Guns are first in the Remains, Place them first in the Indent, and so on, for want of which not only much Trouble is caused but sometimes Mistakes.

9. As there generally appears a Deficiency in the Weight of Lead, Iron Copper and Elephants Teeth sent to India, We judge it proper to acquaint you of the manner of Weighing the same here which is as follows viz<sup>t</sup>.

Lead about Fifteen hundred Weight at a Draft and no less weights than Four Pounds are Used, but no Draft allowed.

Iron about Five hundred at a Draft weighing, with no less Weights than Two Pounds, and for a Draft Two Pounds are Allowed.

Copper and Elephants Teeth about Five hundred at a Draft, Weighing very near, and one pound is allowed for Draft.

Whersby You may be able to form a Judgment whether there is any real Deficiency or not.

10. When any Mildews appear on the Medleys or other Broad Cloths, by Opening and letting such be warm through with the sun, the Mildews will come off, and the Cloth not in the least the worse, But Remember to leave the Wool the same way the rest lies.

11. The Person or Persons who Muster the Ships Companys on their Dispatch for Europe, must carefully Examine whether any of Our Soldiers or Sailors are on board, who have not proper Discharges and Certify that they have made such an Enquiry at the Foot of the Muster Roll, requiring the Commander and Chief Mate also to Certify therein, that no such Persons are Entered, or on board their respective Ships, and they must Sign the Muster Roll with our Officers who Dispatch each Ship.

12. If you find M<sup>r</sup>. Hyde Parker who is an Ensign at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. David well Qualified, and on his behaving to your Satisfaction, We would have him promoted to a Lieutenants Commission on the first Vacancy there or at your Place.

13. We positively direct that none of Our Money be advanced at any Subordinate Settlement to the Merchants for Dadney or otherwise, by the Chief only, without the Consent and Concurrence of the Council, Entering the same upon Consultation, and in case of any of the Council Connive at a Breach of this Order, they shall be thereby rendered incapable of our Service in future.

14. In case M<sup>r</sup>. John Stratton hath duly discharged his Debt unto us and You are thoroughly Satisfied of his Fidelity and Capacity We direct that he be restored to his Place at the Council at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George, which is next before M<sup>r</sup>. Eyre, expecting that he will duly Exert himself in the Promotion of our Interest.

15. We leave it to the President and M<sup>r</sup>. Monson to Fix M<sup>r</sup>. Stratton in such an Employ as they shall think proper, he must thereupon write to his Friends here to give the usual security, as must also M<sup>r</sup>. William Johnson.

16. Our Ship Colchester We Thank God arrived Safe the 7<sup>th</sup>. Instant at Kinsale in Ireland. We are

LONDON 20<sup>th</sup>. MARCH 1744.

Your Loving Friends

THO <sup>s</sup> . PRIPPS.	SAM <sup>l</sup> . FRAKE.
W <sup>m</sup> . STEELE.	D. BRADDYLL.
WHICHCOTT TURNER.	P. GODFREY.
W. MABBOIT.	RICH <sup>d</sup> . CHAUNEY.
JOHN PAYNE.	HENRY. LASCELLES.
WILL <sup>m</sup> . RIDER.	J. WINTER.
JOHN HOPE.	R. DRAKE.
ALEX <sup>s</sup> . HUME.	W <sup>m</sup> . BAKER.
	NATH: NEWNHAM Junr.
	J. RAYMOND.
	RICH <sup>d</sup> . BURTON.
	R. BOGTLER.
	[SAM. HYDE].

GENTLEMEN

The Company have received an Information that a large quantity of Lead is Clandestinely Shipt on board the Scarborough, Stowed in the Run of the Ship under the Boards of the Bread Room.

They Direct that a Strict Search be made for the Same, and that every one of the Ships be Rumagd and searched in like manner, Seizing all Unlicensed Goods that are found, and sell them as justly Forfeited for The Companys Account.

Begging Your Care of the accompanying Three Letters for Commodore Barnet, I am with great Respect.

GENTLEMEN

Your most Obedient humble Servant,

CHRIS: MOLR.

*Secry.*

EAST INDIA HOUSE LONDON  
THE 20<sup>th</sup>. MARCH 1744.

THE HONOURABLE THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL AT FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED 21ST DECEMBER 1744

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 49, pp. 195—199.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL  
AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

1. We Wrote last the 29<sup>th</sup>. June 1744 by the Ship Northampton that Sailed in Company with the Ship Oxford from the Nore the 20<sup>th</sup>. July.

2. Since then it hath pleased God to Return to Us in Safety the Ships Heathcote, Princess Amelia, Exeter, Royal Guardian, Princess of Wales, Haeslingfield & Harrington the 29<sup>th</sup>. August, the Montfort on the 8<sup>th</sup>. Salisbury the 10<sup>th</sup>. September, Warwick and Duke on the 16<sup>th</sup>. October.

3. We duly received your Advices of the 19<sup>th</sup>. September, 16<sup>th</sup>. January, 10<sup>th</sup>. February and first of March 1743 but the Papers and Private Letters by the Duke



were torn to Pieces, by the Box not being full more care is to be taken in future by filling up the Packets with Cotton, and Cover them with Wax Cloth both on the Inside and Outside of the Boxes.

4. For the carrying on Our Trade this ensuing Season We have Built upon Our own account the Ship Dolphin Burthen 380 Tons Captain Charles Pigot Commander who is Stationed for the Coast and Bay and We have taken up the following Ships of 498 Tons each, Viz<sup>t</sup>.

Scarborough	...	Captain...	George Westcott	...	} For the Coast and Bay.
Lincoln	...	.....	John Blake	...	
Royal George	...	.....	Thomas Feild	...	
Kent	...	.....	William Robson	...	
Admiral Vernon	...	.....	Benjamin Webster	...	
London	...	.....	Matthew Bootle	...	Madrass & China.
Essex	...	.....	George Jackson	...	Mocha.
Queen Caroline	...	.....	Benjamin Mason	...	S <sup>t</sup> . Helena & Bencoolen.
Augusta	...	.....	Augustus Townshend	...	China.
Pelham	...	.....	William Wells	...	Bombay.
Prince of Orange	...	.....	George Westcott Junior.	...	Persia & Bombay.
Walpole	...	.....	Benjamin Lowe	...	Bombay.

5. The War against France and Spain continuing to be Vigorously carried on, whatever Orders may be received for the Security of Our Shipping from Samuel Feake Esq<sup>r</sup>., Dodding Braddyll Esq<sup>r</sup>., Alexander Hume Esq<sup>r</sup>., and William Mabbott Esq<sup>r</sup>., or any Three of those Gentlemen must be strictly Complied with and Obeyed, they being appointed Our Secret Committee for the Current Year.

6. What Goods and Merchandize are Consigned unto you upon each Ship appear by the Invoice and Bill of Loading enclosed in their respective Packets.

7. The Tenour of your Advices and those from Bengal Induces Us to Consign You all the Silver that will be put on Board Our several Coast and Bay Ships that such a Proportion may be Coined as they desire you will do well therefore to Forward thither what can be Spared with all convenient Speed taking due Care that the Rupees are kept up to full Weight and Fineness.

8. We have Judged proper to Order that the Ship London shall Proceed from your Place to Canton in China, you are therefore with all Expedition to put on Board that Ship upon Our Account the most proper Articles Procurable for that Market, making up in Mexico Dollars a Cargo in the whole to the Amount of Thirty One Thousand Pounds over and above what is Consigned to the Supra Cargoes from hence, you are to Value each particular at Prime Cost and Consign the same to Messieurs Frederick Pigou, Thomas Shore, and John Burrow the Supra Cargoes, give the Commander Orders to make the best of his way to Canton, and on Arrival there to Obey the said Supra Cargoes Orders or in the Absence of any, such of them as shall be Resident on the Spot.

9. And in case you are Overburthened with Tonnage as We have reason to apprehend, A Gruff Cargo proper for the Canton Market must be put on Board One of Our other Ships with so much Silver as shall make up her Invoice Amount in the whole to Eighteen Thousand Pounds and Consign the same upon Our Account to Our Supra Cargoes of the Ships London and Augusta or such of them as shall be there the same Season to whom Directions will be given to Purchase therewith a suitable Loading for the Europe Market.

10. The Sale of Our Coast Goods being over a List of Investment comes Enclosed, Relying on your best Endeavours to comply therewith as far as the Circumstances of things will admit.

11. As there is at present a brisk Demand for Callicoes in Europe the most proper and Vigorous Measures must be taken to Secure a large Quantity for Us in each Sortment of Long Cloth and Sallampores, the Ordinary lower Numbers generally

turn to the best Account, however, We would not have you stop your hands as to the Midling and Fine but provide all that you are able on reasonable Terms conformable to Our said List.

12. We have Licenced large Sums of Money in Foreign Silver to be Loaden on Our Ships for the Purchase of Diamonds as ~~is~~ Manifest Enclosed in their respective Packets, you must see to it that Returns are made accordingly transmitting us exact accounts of each particular Consignment. A Copy of the Bond that the Merchants Enter into comes also Enclosed for your Notice.

13. We have Permitted Messieurs Moses Salomons, Ephraim Isaac, Thomas Raitt, James Twiss, Jacob Moses Helbutt and James Gay to Reside in India as Free Merchants.

14. Our Supra Cargoes of the Ship Essex for Mocha are Messieurs Archibald Adair; Francis Nelly and Captain George Jackson they are directed to Purchase a full Loading of Coffee for that Ship Consigning the same to Us.

15. When they have thus compleated her Cargo, If Coffee is at or under Seventy Spanish Dollars a Beetlefukee Bahar exclusive of Charges and provided the Merchants or Shroffs will take Our said Supra Cargoes Bills on you or the President and Council of Bombay, In such cases they are directed to purchase as far as [Two] Thousand Bales or so much thereof as Tonnage can be Obtained [for] the same Season to your Place or Bombay giving the Preference [to] good English Countrey Ships and in default of such upon good [Mocha] Ships.

16. The Coffee so purchased We have directed to be Consigned upon Our Account by Invoice and Bills of Loading unto you or to Bombay.

17. Therefore on Our said Supra Cargoes drawing Bills upon you they are to be duly accepted and Paid, and the Coffee so Consigned unto you must be forwarded to Us on Our returning Ships from your Place, but no Pepper is to be sent on the same Ships.

18. Whatever Stores and Provisions Our Ship Dolphin may stand in need of you are to Furnish the Captain therewith Placing the same to Our Account.

19. Our President and Council in Bengal are Ordered to put on Board One of Our Ships Two Hundred Tons of Salt Petre Thirty Tons of Redwood some Bales for Europe with such Wares and Stores as are Suited to the West Coast according to the Advices from thence or your Place, you will therefore do well to Impart the needful Advices to them upon that Head for Our greatest Benefit acquainting them withal whether a Number of Lascars to Navigate the Vessells on the West Coast may not be forwarded thither on that Ship and prove Advantagious to Us.

20. The Scarborough and Lincoln are to call and take in Wine at the Madeiras, Our Agents on that Island will Consign to You One Hundred and Fifty Pipes on the Lincoln, and Two Hundred Pipes to Bengal on the Scarborough, the Captain and Officers of each Ship are allowed to bring Twenty Pipes.

21. In case any of His Majestys Ships should come into India and bring any Prizes to your Port with Goods proper for the Europe Market, and the Captains should Offer to dispose of such Goods unto Us, We empower you to Purchase the same upon Our Account on the best Terms you are able which we expect at least will be Ten ~~per~~ Cent less than the same Species you provide for Us, as We apprehend by that means We may be Overstockt with several Sorts you and the Council are to grant Bills of Exchange upon us for the Amount, at the same Rate as We allow to Our Servants, payable Six Months after Sight or a longer time, or pay such a part in ready Money as you can conveniently spare, if desired, the Goods so purchased must be reckoned as part of Our Investment and be forwarded to us on our Several returning Ships.

22. And you must give the Captains of such of His Majestys Ships as may come to your Place all the Help and Assistance you are able to secure and dispose of the Prizes and other Effects taken from the Enemy, supplying the Captains with Madeira Wine for their own Table at Prime Cost.

23. And moreover in case they should take any Prizes with Silver on Board you may purchase the same upon Our Account at the Rate of Five Shillings and Six Pence an Ounce granting Bills of Exchange upon Us as aforesaid.

24. In case any Money is Offered to be paid into Our Cash for Two Years from the Receipt hereof on Account of Richard Benyon Esq<sup>r</sup>. you are to receive the same and grant Bills of Exchange upon Us for the Amount at the same Rates as We allow to Our Servants, Oath being made that the Money is on his Account. We Are

Your Loving Friends.

LONDON THE 21<sup>TH</sup>. DECEMBER 1744.

W <sup>M</sup> . STEELE.	SAM <sup>L</sup> . FRAKE.
ALEX <sup>S</sup> . HUME.	D. BRADDYLL.
W <sup>M</sup> . MABBOTT.	P. GODFREY.
HEN: LASCELLES.	JOHN PAYNE.
WHIGHCOTT TURNER.	J. WINTER.
THOMAS PHIPPS.	SAM <sup>L</sup> . HYDE.
R. DRAKE.	JOHN HOPE.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S<sup>T</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SHIP EASTCOURT.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. The Companys General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated the 16<sup>th</sup>. January 174 [6].
2. The Companys General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated the 18<sup>th</sup>. February 174 [6].
3. Copy Companys Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated 14<sup>th</sup>. Nov<sup>r</sup>. 1746 & Lapwing.
4. List of Investment to be provided on the Coast of Choromandell for the Ships going out in the Year 1746 dated 16 January 1746.
5. Samples of Cambrick and Bettellees mentioned in the said List.
6. Copy Companys Directions to Bengal & Lapwing as to Salt Petre.
7. Invoice of the Ship Eastcourt for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George amounting to £ 4845 [...].
8. Bill of Lading for the Fifty Chests of Treasure on the Ship Eastcourt for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to be received in a separate Packet delivered the Captain by M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish the Companys Agent at Ports[mouth].
9. Bill of Lading for the Mint Utensils & Eastcourt for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
10. Copy of the Ship Eastcourts Charterparty.
11. Copy of the Ship Eastcourts Victualling Bill.
12. Copy of Cap<sup>t</sup>. Bensons Commission to Seize Unlicenced Persons.
13. The Companys Indulgence.
14. Account of Foreign Silver, Coral, Amber Beads, Pearls, Diamonds Precious Stones licenced to be Shipt on the Eastcourt for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to purchase Diamonds.
15. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize licenced to be Shipt on the Eastcourt for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
16. List of 29 Soldiers on board the Ship Eastcourt for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George [with] an Account of their Country, Occupation and Age Both Signed by M<sup>r</sup>. Henry Crabb Boulton.
17. Account of Coast Goods Over and wanting by the several [Ships] Arrived Anno 1746 Signed by Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Newton & [Williams].

GENERAL LETTER FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT ST. GEORGE BY THE PRINCE OF WALES, DATED JANUARY 16, 1747. [*Public Despatches from England*, vol. 50 pages 3 and 4.]

OUR PRESIDENT AND  
COUNCIL AT FORT S. GEORGE.

1. We wrote last the 14<sup>th</sup> November, by our own Ship Lawping as  $\text{¶}$  Copy enclosed, since then your Advices dated the 7<sup>th</sup> February 1745 came to hand.
2. This comes by Our Ships Prince of Wales and Stafford, We have put on board Sundry Goods and Merchandizes, which come Consigned unto You, as  $\text{¶}$  Invoice and Bill of Loading Enclosed in their respective Packets.
3. When the several Articles designed for your Place are Landed, You must continue on board such Particulars as are Noted in the Invoices for Canton, loading Thirty Chests of Treasure upon each Ship, and Consign the Stafford by Invoice and Bills of Loading, to Messieurs John Misenor, Henry Revell, Thomas Wilson, Stephen De Visme and John Hull, or such of them as are President at Canton in China, giving the Captain Sailing Instructions to proceed thither, and to Obey their Orders accordingly.
4. The Ship Prince of Wales must be Consigned in like manner unto Messieurs Samuel Harrison, Henry Parsons and Willoughby Clay Resident at Canton as aforesaid.
5. We send this also by our Ships Casear and Eastcourt with Treasure for your place, that so We may reap the Benefit of its being Coined in our Mint, thereupon so much as can be spared must be forwarded with all Expedition to Bengal.
6. In case our China Supra Cargoes should not be able compleatly to load all our Ships at Canton for Europe, by the last day of February they are directed to fill them up with Teutenague, Sugar, and other Articles proper for the Madrass Market, and dispatch them to you.
7. On their sending any Ship accordingly, what Tea and other Goods are suited for the Europe Market, must be continued on board, filling her up with Callicoes, and so Dispatch her to Us with all Expedition.
8. Enclosed is our List of Investment, relying on your utmost Endeavours to comply therewith on the best terms possible.
9. In case the Attorneys of Thomas Braddyll Esq<sup>r</sup>. Our late President in Bengal, or the Attorneys of William Davis Esq<sup>r</sup>. late of Council, should offer to pay any Money into our Cash upon their Account, We direct that you receive the Same, and Grant Bills of Exchange upon Us for the Amount, at the same rate as We allow to Our Covenant and other Servants; Oath being made that the Money so paid in is the Property of said M<sup>r</sup>. Braddyll, or M<sup>r</sup>. Davis.
10. Since Writing the above We have Considered that it grows late in the Season, and therefore have directed Our Ships Prince of Wales and Stafford to Proceed directly to Canton, and the Goods Designed by them for your Place, will be sent by other Ships. We are

Your Loving Friends,

LONDON. 16<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 1746,

R. BOOTLE.	H. GOUGH.
HENRY PLANT.	SAM <sup>r</sup> . FRAKE.
JOHN PAYNE.	J. RAYMOND.
ROB <sup>r</sup> . HUDSON.	WILL <sup>r</sup> BRAUNDA.
W. WILLY.	P. GODFREY.
	THO <sup>r</sup> . ROUS.
	R. DRAKE.
	CHRIST <sup>o</sup> . BURROW.
	WILL <sup>r</sup> . RIDER.
	RICH <sup>o</sup> . BENYON.
	STEPHEN LAW.
	JOHN HOPE.

GENERAL LETTER FROM THE COMPANY TO FORT ST. GEORGE BY THE EAST COURT DATED FEBRUARY 18, 1747. [*Public Despatches from England*, VOL. 50, pages 5 and 6.]

OUR PRESIDENT AND  
COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE

1. Since our last Dated the 16<sup>th</sup> January 1746, the Ships Royal George, Scarborough and Orford are We Thank God Arrived Safe in England.

2. We have taken up the following Ships for the Coast and Bay viz<sup>t</sup>.

Porto Bello	...	300	Tons	Captain Benjamin Fisher.
Prince William	...	498		William Webber.
True Briton	...	400		Henry Broadley.

3. This comes by our Ships Eastcourt, Caesar and Oxford, by the Two former We have wrote to You already, On the Oxford Eighty Tons Iron and Thirty Chests of Treasure are Consigned unto You, and Our Correspondents at the Madeiras, are Ordered to put on board her, Three hundred Pipes of Wine, and to Consign One hundred of them unto You.

4. In Case the Attorneys of Captain Pelly or Captain Baker, should offer to pay into our Cash, the Produce of their Gold Thread, Wine and other Articles designed for the Madrass Market, which for that Reason We have permitted to be transhipped on the Cæser and Eastcourt, We direct that You receive the same, and Grant the proper Certificates for the Amount, at the same Rate as We allow to our Covenant Servants, Oath being duly made thereto.

5. Application having been made to us, by Thomas Rigge of Morton near Edingburgh Esq. the Father of William Rigge Esq. deceased, late Deputy Governour at Fort Marlborough, who is sole Executor and Administrator, We direct that the Produce of his Estate at your Place, after all just Demands are Satisfied, be received into Our Cash without Delay, and that Certificates to us be granted for the Amount, at the same Rate as We allow to our Covenant Servants, Payable to the said Thomas Rigge, unto whom the Accounts relating to the Estate must be transmitted.

6. We send this also in order to save the Convoy, by the Winchelsea, Colchester and Benjamin, on board of which Ships are large supplies of Naval and Victualling Stores for His Majestys Squadron.

7. The Treasure, Goods and Merchandize Consigned to You upon our Account, appear by the Invoice and Bill of Loading in each respective Ships Packet.

8. Stringer Lawrence Esq. is Entertained by us, to be Major of our Garrison at Fort St. George, upon the same Terms as Major Knipe viz<sup>t</sup>. Two hundred fifty pounds sterling  $\text{£}$  Annum and one of the Companys.

9. We have also appointed James Cope, William Keene, Lawrence Donaldson, Edmund Pascall & John Brooke to be Ensigns of your Garrison.

10. On receipt hereof, there must be Two Ensigns to Each Company at your Place and Fort St. David.

11. The Major and the above Ensigns Pay are to commence from their Arrival at your Place.

12. We further direct that the Major have the same Diet Money allowed him as one of the Council, being Ten Pagodas a Month and that each Lieutenant, and each Ensign have the like Diet Money as our Factors, being Eight Pagodas a Month, and that the Amount be carried to the Head of Garrison Charges.

13. We likewise direct that the Major, and Lieutenants have the checking of their respective Companys, in the like manner that hath hitherto been enjoyed by the Paymaster.

14. Lieutenant John Hollond must remove to Bengal, We having ordered that he shall have the Command of a Company at Fort William.

15. All the Money that can be Spared must be forwarded to Bengal, by the best Conveyances that offer. We are

LONDON 18<sup>TH</sup>. FEBRUARY 1746

Your Loving Friends

J. RAYMOND.	P. GODFREY.	H. GOUGH.
THO <sup>S</sup> . ROUS.	CHRIST <sup>O</sup> . BURROW.	SAM <sup>L</sup> . FEAKE.
	SAM: HYDE.	W <sup>M</sup> . BAKER.
	W. WILLY.	W. MABBOTT.
	R. BOOTLE.	RICH <sup>D</sup> . BENYON.
	JOHN PAYNE.	HENRY PLANT.
	WILL: BRAUND.	MICH <sup>L</sup> . IMPHY.
	WILL <sup>M</sup> . RIDER.	

LIST OF INVESTMENT TO BE PROVIDED ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDEL FOR THE SHIPS GOING OUT IN THE YEAR 1746.

	Pieces.
ALLEJARS, To be of a bright Red, Five Hundred Pieces ...	500
BETTELLEES, of N <sup>OS</sup> . 25 and 26 One thousand, and N <sup>OS</sup> . 28 and 29 One thousand, but most of the head Sorts, those received last Year proved good, Two thousand ...	2000
DITTO ORINGAL, Fine, see that both Selvages are of Equal Goodness, take Care they are as good or better than those last received, One thousand five hundred ...	1500
DITTO PULLICAT, the best you can get, Five hundred Pieces of Two Covids broad, Four hundred Pieces of Three Covids broad, One hundred Pieces of Four Covids broad, and if you can get any exceeding fine and Thick, of One Cavid and three quarters, such as have been frequently brought home in Private Trade, these being to Supply the place of Cambrick, the wear of which is now Prohibited here, send Four hundred Pieces. If you have no Thread of a proper fineness, you must provide it as soon as possible, as Great quantities of these Goods will shortly be in demand here, We have enclosed you a Sample of Bettellees, and a Sample of Cambrick for your Information, which you are to come as near to as possible, to be Packed Separately, One thousand Four hundred ...	1400

N.B. If you cannot get all the Bettellees here ordered at Fort St. George, you must try what can be done at Vizagapatam, or elsewhere towards completing it.

CHINTS MADRASS, in some of the Bales, One Tenth part Coloured Grounds, of which some must be Green, some Purple, and but few blues, the Patterns of those sent home of late Years are too open, and mostly too large, for the future they must be fuller of Work to cover the Cloth more, and as many different and new Patterns as possible, not less than half of them to be of smaller Patterns, & some very small, and We would have a mixture of some of the Newest Dutch Patterns. We have observed for several Years past, the Grounds have been tinged with Red, which has been owing to want of Care in the Washing, and some of them Spotted, which has certainly been owing to their being Packt Damp particular care must be taken that the Grounds are kept Clear, they must be

sent full Twenty six Covids long, or in half Pieces  
 Thirteen Covids long, including the Baftaes sent to be  
 Bleached at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George, You must send Three  
 thousand ... .. 3000

*N.B.*—Printing here is come to so great Perfection, that unless you can keep exactly up to these Instructions, you must lessen the quantity, but if you can keep up to them, you may encrease it One thousand Pieces; Those received this Year are fuller of Work than formerly, and consequently Answer better, but you must send more variety of Patterns.

CALLOWAPORES, must be of a Bright Red, One thousand.	1000
DIMITIES FORT S <sup>t</sup> . DAVIDS, None.	
GINGHAMS, small White, to be kept up to the same Goodness as those hitherto sent, Eight Hundred	800
DITTO. blue, Striped, with variety of stripes, and about one third Part in each Bale Checkerd, Five hundred.	500
DITTO Red, striped with variety of Stripes, and about One third Part in each Bale Checquerd, Five hundred.	500
DITTO Clouded, None.	
DITTO Checquerd on a Red Ground, Eight hundred	800
<i>N.B.</i> —You must not send any Superfine Coloured Ginghams.	
IZZABRES FINE, N <sup>o</sup> . 1 & 2 most of N <sup>o</sup> . 1 Five hundred.	500
DITTO. Superfine, such as We received this Year, Four hundred	400
Longcloth Ordinary, One hundred and fifty Thousand.	150000
DITTO MIDDLING, most 1M & 2M, you must endeavour to make them thicker, for as they have been for some years past very thin, they have Sold for less in proportion than the Ordinary, Twenty five thousand	25000
DITTO FINE most F1 & F2 Twelve thousand	12000
DITTO SUPERFINE, about six Pagodas, let them be as thick as possibly you can procure, they must be made up Square as formerly Order'd, those sent of late Years are not so good for the Price as what We have received formerly, Four hundred	400
DITTO BLUE, Deep Dye, Ordinary and Midling, Six thousand	6000

We would have all the Vizagapatam & Ingeram Cloth Washed at Madrass if possible, more Care must be taken that the Gunnys & Wrappers are good, and you must also comply with the Directions given you as to the Package of all the Goods you send.

MOOREES Fine, must be full Thirteen Yards long, and Yard broad, Two thousand five hundred	2500
DITTO Superfine of the same Length & Breadth as above, very thick for Shirts, Three hundred	300
DITTO Ordinary, the same Length & Breadth as the Fine Ones, Three thousand	3000

*N.B.* You must take particular Care to make all the Moorees full Thirteen Yards long.

ROMALS SOOTIE, of a bright Colour, but none upon a Brick Colour, not more than One Eighth part Blues, Eight thousand	8000
ROMALS SOOTIE, Red and White to be made according to the Samples sent Anno 1739. One thousand	1000
DITTO PULLICAT, such as last sent, they are so dear bought, We get but very little by them, Two hundred.	200
DITTO METCHLEPATAM OR SASTRACUNDY ROMALS, as last Year, but without Glazing. Two thousand	2000
SASTRACUNDYS of a Bright Red, Two thousand	2000

The Romals hitherto sent have proved too much of the same Check, you must for the future send Variety of Checks in each Bale.

SALLAMPORES ORDINARY, One hundred thousand	...	100000
DITTO MIDDLING, Forty thousand	... ..	40000
DITTO FINE, Ten thousand	... ..	10000
DITTO 1 MB, None.		

Great Care must be taken to keep all the Sallampores up to full Sixteen Yards long, and the usual Breadth, and take particular Care that no Damaged Pieces are Packed in the Bales, as a great many were last and some this Year, being full of holes many of them with holes darned up, and some with Patches in them, more particularly in the Ordinary Vizagapatam Sallampores.

We recommend it to You to get as many of them as possible.

If you have any other Species of Goods not mentioned here, you may send Us a few Bales of them for a Sample.

REDWOOD, as usual.

SALT PETRE, as  $\text{f}$  General Letter.

Put the Commanders in mind that they lay sufficient Dunnidge on the Salt Petre before they Stow the Bales, it being of that Penetrating Nature it often Damages the Cloth, as it has formerly happened.

We shall Order our Servants in the Bay to Supply you with some fine Jugdea Baftas, which must be Printed with variety of Beautiful Patterns, but not in the Expensive manner of the Madrass Chints, you must continue to make them all White Grounds and the Colours more Lively, with as much Variety as you can.

More Care must be taken in future that the Bales and Tickets of the Ingeram Cloth answer as to the Sortment, and the Tickets put into all the Bales must be laid under the first Piece that they may be easily found, and you must take care to send the Goods agreeable to Invoice, there having been great mistakes made for several Years past, and in particular  $\text{f}$  Lincoln this Year.

LAMPASSES FINE } of each One Bale, the same Sorts as are sent to Manilla.  
SIOASHES FINE }

You must send Us a Bale of every other Sort of Goods brought home by all the European Ships from your Coast.

LONDON 16<sup>th</sup>. JANUARY 1746.

Your Loving Friends

H. GOUGH.  
SAM<sup>r</sup>. FRANK.  
J. RAYMOND.  
WILL: BRAUND.  
P. GODFREY.  
THO<sup>r</sup>. ROUS.  
R. DRAKE.  
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WILL<sup>r</sup>. RIDER.  
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HENRY PLANT.  
JOHN PAYNE.  
ROB<sup>r</sup>. HUDSON.  
W. WILLY.



## SAMPLES REFERRED TO IN THE COAST INVESTMENT.

Sample of a fine Cambrick 16 Couids long & 1 Couid  $\frac{1}{2}$  broad.

This & the next are Samples of fine Bettellees, which are frequently bro<sup>t</sup>. home in private Trade, of the Length & Breadth of the above Cambrick, viz<sup>t</sup>. 16 Couids long & 1 $\frac{1}{2}$  Couids broad.

These two small p<sup>a</sup>. are Samples of fine Oringal Bettellees, 32 Couids long & 3 Couids broad; We have likewise recd. this Year some of the same quality [...] Couids long & 4 Couids broad.

COPY OF THE COMPANYS DIRECTIONS TO BENGAL BY THE LAPWING RELATING TO  
SALT PETRE, DATED THE 14<sup>TH</sup>. NOVEMBER 1746.

Par<sup>a</sup>. 7. And that You may not be subject to any further Impositions and Exactions of the Salt Petre Merchants, We have Order'd all our Coast and Bay Ships this Season to carry out their whole Kintlage in Iron.

8. So that You will not be under any necessity of Buying of Salt Petre, as We have a large Stock by us.

9. However We Empower You to Buy at the Market price, so far as Ten Thousand Bags, and if it be to be had any thing under Five Current Rupees a Maund, then Ten Thousand more, and in case the price should still keep falling towards the latter end of the Season, You may purchase Five Thousand Bags more, as upon those Terms and Prices, it may be advantagious for Us, to have a Stock by You, in Order to comply with the Captains Requests at the Low Freight, and also to compleat our Charterparty Tonnage therewith, upon urgent Emergencys.

10. If the Ten Thousand Bags of Salt Petre. which We have herein Directed You to purchase without Limitation should much Enhance the price, then buy only Five Thousand Bags.

ACCOUNT OF SILVER, CORAL, AMBER BEADS PEARLS, [...] DIAMONDS AND PRECIOUS  
STONES, LICENEOED TO BE SHIPT ON THE EASTCOURT FOR FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE  
FOLLOWING PERSONS TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

By							
Samuel Levy.	Hartog	1 Chest	Markt	SHL N <sup>o</sup> . 1	Cont <sup>s</sup> . Foreign Silver.		200[...]
Henry Isaac	...	1	D <sup>o</sup> .	H F N <sup>o</sup> . 3	D <sup>o</sup> .		400[...]
Ditto	...	1	D <sup>o</sup> .	H F N <sup>o</sup> . 4	D <sup>o</sup> .		4000
Ditto	...	1	D <sup>o</sup> .	H F N <sup>o</sup> . 5	D <sup>o</sup> .		4000
Levy & Ruben Salomons.		1	D <sup>o</sup> .	LRS N <sup>o</sup> . 3	D <sup>o</sup> .		4000
Ditto	...	1	D <sup>o</sup> .	LRS N <sup>o</sup> . 4	D <sup>o</sup> .		4000
Levy & Ruben Salomons and Henry Moses.		1	D <sup>o</sup> .	LRS N <sup>o</sup> . 3 HM	D <sup>o</sup> .		400[...]

These are impressions in wax or wafer and are evidently these affixed to the samples themselves.



A MANIFEST OF GOODS AND MERCHANDIZE LICENCED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP EASTCOURT CAPTAIN WILLIAM EARLE BENSON COMMANDER, BOUND FOR FORT ST. GEORGE BY THE FOLLOWING PERSON AS FOLLOWS VIZ<sup>r</sup>.

CAPTAIN FÉLIX BAKER COMMANDER OF THE SHIP STAFFORD.

FB	Two Boxes Gold Thread	...	...	£240	—	—
	Seventy three bags of Red Lead	...	...	150	—	—
	Six Chests of Glass Beads	...	...	180	—	—
	Four Cases Stationary	..	...	50	—	—
1, 2, 5	Three Chests Wine	...	...	45	—	—
	Freight free					

East India House  
London y<sup>e</sup>. 31<sup>st</sup>. January 1746.

H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

1746

A LIST OF 29 SOLDIERS ON BOARD THE SHIP EASTCOURT CAPTAIN WILLIAM EARLE BENSON COMMANDER FOR FORT SAINT GEORGE.

Names.	Quality.	Country.	Trade.	Age.
Thomas Cunningham	Soldier	Dublin	Joyner	16
Charles Wells	D <sup>o</sup> .	Suffolk	Labourer	17
James Nathee	D <sup>o</sup> .	Somerset	D <sup>o</sup> .	18
Thomas Ogilvie	D <sup>o</sup> .	London	D <sup>o</sup> .	19
Samuel Eccles	D <sup>o</sup> .	Stafford	D <sup>o</sup> .	17
John Threddar	D <sup>o</sup> .	Essex	D <sup>o</sup> .	16
Robert Hutchinson	D <sup>o</sup> .	London	Blacksmith	24
William Williams	D <sup>o</sup> .	Lincolnshire	Labourer	18
Thomas Hubbart	D <sup>o</sup> .	Hampstead	D <sup>o</sup> .	28
Richard Hartley	D <sup>o</sup> .	Lincolnshire	D <sup>o</sup> .	22
Edward Jones	D <sup>o</sup> .	Wiltshire	D <sup>o</sup> .	19
James Millward	D <sup>o</sup> .	Lincolnshire	Staymaker	20
Henry Dearing	D <sup>o</sup> .	Sussex	Weaver	24
Edward Sorrell	D <sup>o</sup> .	London	Carpenter	18
William Trevoy	D <sup>o</sup> .	New England	Labourer	16
John Harrison	D <sup>o</sup> .	London	Smith	16
Charles Noden	D <sup>o</sup> .	Surry	Poulterer	20
Thomas Fox	D <sup>o</sup> .	Yorkshire	Clothworker	32
George Wilkins	D <sup>o</sup> .	Northamptonshire.	Taylor	25
Thomas Ince.	D <sup>o</sup> .	Brentford	Cooper	22
Robert Johnston	D <sup>o</sup> .	Barwick	Maltster	23
John Baptist Charmant.	D <sup>o</sup> .	Switzerland	Baker	18
Timothy Roote	D <sup>o</sup> .	Northamptonshire.	Distiller	19
John Dusetoy	D <sup>o</sup> .	London	Pack thread	3 [...]
William Noble	D <sup>o</sup> .	D <sup>o</sup> .	Spinner.	
Robert Gashon	D <sup>o</sup> .	Gloucestershire	Plasterer	1 [...]
William Skelt	D <sup>o</sup> .	Norfolk	Labourer	16
William Turner	D <sup>o</sup> .	Yorkshire	D <sup>o</sup> .	16
John Sharp	D <sup>o</sup> .	Lincolnshire	D <sup>o</sup> .	18
				20

EAST INDIA HOUSE  
LONDON THE 31 JANUARY 1746.

H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

## ACCOUNT OF GOODS OVER AND WANTING BY THE SEVERAL SHIPS ARRIV'D ANNO 1746.

		⌘ SHIP DOLPHIN.			
LONG CLOTH	...	DC2	Wanting Bale	...	1
		DC3	Over	...	1
		DW2	Wanting	...	1
		DW3	Over	...	1
		⊕ 3	Wanting	...	2
		⊕ 03	Over	...	2
SALLAMPORES	...	D2	...	...	1
		D3	...	...	1
		D2 +	Wanting	...	1
		D3 +	...	...	1
		⌘ SHIP BENJAMIN.			
LONG CLOTH	...	DC2	Over Bale	...	1
		DC3	Wanting	...	1
		DW2	Over	...	1
		DW3	Wanting	...	1
		⌘ SHIP ADMIRAL VERNON.			
SALLAMPORES	...	1 M	Wanting Bale	...	1
		2 M	Over	...	8
		3 M	Wanting	...	8
		4 M	none invoic'd but recd.	...	1
		1 Bale of Longcloth brown	DS1	...	d°.
		1 Bale	d°. DW3	...	d°.
The Bales where the above 3 Peices were wanting had no appearance of Plunder.					
		⌘ SHIP LINCOLN.			
LONG CLOTH	...	N° 2	Wanting Bales	...	4
		3	Over	...	4
		⊕ 2	...	...	7
		⊕ 3	...	...	3
		⊕ 4	Over Bale	...	1
		⊕ 02	Wanting	...	1
		⊕ ◊ 2	...	...	2
		⊕ ◊ 3	...	...	4
SALLAMPORES	...	⊕ 1	...	...	1
		⊕ 2	Over	...	1
		V1 B	Wanting...	...	1
		V1	over	...	1
		V2	...	...	2
		V3	Wanting	...	3
		G2	...	...	5
		G3	over	...	2
		G4	wanting	...	2
		G02	over	...	1
		G03	none invoic'd but recd.	...	2
		G04	Ditto	...	2
		2M	wanting	...	6
		3M	over	...	7
		4M	wanting	...	1
		FV1	...	...	1
DITTO BROWN	...	3M	...	...	2
CHINTS MOOREES	...	F1	...	...	2
		F2	over	...	2

LOND°. 23 DEC°. 1746.

JA. NEWTON.  
JOB. WILLIAMS.

LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE FROM THOMAS RIGGE, DATED NOVEMBER 27, 1746.

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 50, page 23.*]

TO THE HONBLE THE GOVERNOUR  
AND COUNCILL OF FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE

HONBLE S<sup>rs</sup>.

Having had the melancholly account of the Death of my son William Rigg, late Deputy Governor at Fort Malborough, I thereupon adminis[t]er'd, and likeways made the proper application to the Court of Directors, who have Assured me there will be a Paragraph in the General Letter to you that what money may be paid into the Companys Cash at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George you will grant Certificates of the same payable to me. But as I am a stranger to his Correspondents there; I humbly beg the favour of your Hon<sup>r</sup>. &c<sup>a</sup>. then when you learn who they are please advise them to write to me how the state of his affairs stands there, and that they pay in the money what may be due to the Estate for the purpose mentioned in the above Paragraph, and remitt the Certificates. I humbly further request your Hon<sup>r</sup>. &c<sup>a</sup>. will pardon this trouble because I am quit in the dark, and You'l very much Oblidge.

HONBLE S<sup>rs</sup>.

Your Most Obedient hum<sup>le</sup>. Servant  
THOMAS RIGGE.

EDINBURGH NOV<sup>r</sup>. 27<sup>th</sup>.  
1746

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SHIP CÆSAR.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. The Companys General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated the 16<sup>th</sup>. January 1746.
2. The Companys General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated the 18<sup>th</sup>. February 1746.
3. Copy Companys Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated 14<sup>th</sup>. Nov<sup>r</sup>. 1746 ☞ Lapwing.
4. Copy Companys Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated 15<sup>th</sup>. Aug<sup>r</sup>. 1746 ☞ NORFOLK.
5. Copy Company's General Letter to Fort Marlborough dated the 16<sup>th</sup>. Jan<sup>r</sup>. 1746 sent ☞ Grantham.
6. List of Investment to be provided on the Coast of Choromandell for the Ships going out in the Year 1746 dated 16<sup>th</sup>. January 1746.
7. Samples of Cambrick and Bettellees mentioned in the Said List.
8. Copy Companys Directions to Bengal ☞ Lapwing as to Salt petre.
- + 9. Invoice of the Ship Cæsar for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George amounting to £49912. .19 .2.
- + 10. Bill of Lading for Fifty Chests of Treasure on the Ship Cæsar for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George, to be received in a separate packet delivered to the Captain by M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish the Companys Agent at Portsmouth.
- + 11. Bill of Lading for the Lead and Iron ☞ Cæsar for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
- + 12. Bill of Lading for the Mint Utensils ☞ Cæsar for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
- + 13. Copy of the Ship Cæsars Charterparty.
- + 14. Copy of the Ship Cæsars Victualling Bill.
- + 15. Copy of Cap<sup>t</sup>. Courts Commission to Seize Unlicenced Persons.
- + 16. Account of Silver, Coral, Pearls, Diamonds and Precious Stones, licenced to be shipt on the Cæsar for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to purchase Diamonds.
- + 17. Manifest of Private Silver licenced to be Shipt on the Cæsar for Fort St. George.
- + 18. Manifest of Private Silver licenced to be Shipt on the Cæsar for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. David both Signed by M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Micklethwait.
- + 19. Manifest of Goods and Merchandizes Licenced to be Shipt on the Cæsar for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.

20. List of 23 Soldiers on Board the Ship Cæsar for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George with an Account of their Country, Occupation and Age.  
Both Signed by M<sup>r</sup>. Henry Crabb Boulton.
21. Account of Coast Goods Over and Wanting by several Ships Anno 1746 Signed by Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Newton and Williams.
22. Packet from the Secret Committee directed to The Hon<sup>ble</sup>. the President for the time being at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George wherein is Enclosed a Packet from the Secret Committee directed To Thomas Griffin Esq<sup>r</sup>. Commander in Chief of His Majestys Squadron in the East Indies or the Commander in Chief for the time being.  
To be received from the Captain of the Cæsar it being put up in the Companys Packet to him.

COPY OF GENERAL LETTER TO FORT MARLBOROUGH, BY THE GRANTHAM,  
DATED JANUARY 16, 1747.

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 50, pages 27 to 32.*]

OUR DEPUTY GOVERNOUR AND  
COUNCIL AT FORT MARLBOROUGH.

1. We wrote last the 15<sup>th</sup>. August 1746, by Our Ship Norfolk, that saild from Plymouth the 20<sup>th</sup>. September, Copy of Our said Letter is enclosed.
2. The Ship Queen Caroline We thank God arrived safe the 25<sup>th</sup>. August, by her came to hand the Advices from your place, dated the 10<sup>th</sup>. of June and first of March 1745, whereof due Notice shall now be taken, as We proceed, under the usual Heads.

FIRST OF SHIPPING.

3. This comes by Our Ship Grantham, Burthen 498, Tons Captain Walter Wilson Commander, order'd first to touch at Our Island S<sup>t</sup>. Helena to land Some Stores, whence she will be dispatchd unto you.
4. The Copy of the Granthams Charterparty will be forwarded to you by the Governour and Council of S<sup>t</sup>. Helena, on perusal thereof, you may perceive the Heavy Demorage, that We are obliged to pay this War Time, therefore We strictly enjoyn you to incur as little as possible.
5. The Stores from the Ship Orford might have been landed in Ten days at least, and thereby the Captain have saild much sooner for Benjar, whereas she stayd near a month before the Dispatches were deliver'd, so that the Whole Time was flung upon Us. If the Comanders make any needless Delays, after Sailing Orders are given them, they must answer the same to their Owners.
6. As Pepper sufficient for a Bengal Ship was reserved, We entirely approve of the Surplus Tonnage put on board the Queen Caroline, and would have you act in like manner for the future upon all Similar Occasions.
7. In case Our Factors on the Norfolk, not being able to load her for Europe, should, in consequence of Our Orders, consign the Ship to you, and thereby you are oberburthen'd with Tonnage, We direct that the Grantham be sent away, with what money and Pepper can be spared, to Bengal to be filled up there.
8. The Sending Our Brilliant Snow to refit at Batavia, and Our Servants One after another to Benjar have been costly Affairs to Us, the latter is already forbidden, and the former must be avoided as much as possible, keeping the Expences of Our Vessells within due Bounds, and strictly examining the Accounts, allowing no Item whatever that is not Just and Reasonable.
9. On settling the Queen Caroline's Account, the Difference of Pepper in dispute with the Captain, shall be equitably adjusted, but from this Instance, the Utmost Exactness is requisit, both in Shipping and Landing Our Goods, thereby rendering it altogether Impracticable for the Officers of the Ships to impose upon you.

## SECONDLY OF GOODS FROM EUROPE.

10. Fifteen Chests of Treasure, all New Mexico Dollars, are consign'd to you upon this Ship, perceiving with Satisfaction the Currency of Milld Money is in great Measure accomplish'd, Sundry Stores, in compliance with your Indent, are also on board, as  $\text{f}$  Invoice and Bill of Lading enclosed.

11. Whenever any Articles are not duly deliver'd by the Captains, they should pay for the same according to Charterparty, on failure thereof the Owners of each Respective Ship must be debted for the Amount upon your Books, and not the Captains, Writing off to Account Current Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George all such like Accounts, before the Books are closed.

12. In order to prevent any Deficiencies or Embezzlements of Stores for the future, Two of Our Trusty Covenant Servants joyntly, must take charge of all Wares and Stores, as the former consist but of few Articles, and hereby they will become responsible one for the other.

## THIRDLY OF INVESTMENTS, FOURTHLY OF COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

13. The Several Parts of the Coast enjoying Perfect Peace and Tranquility for a Considerable Time, a Large Encrease of Pepper in Fruitful Seasons, may thence be reasonably expected.

14. We observe that Surveys had been taken of Different Parts, and Conferences held with the Leading Men, who generally promise well while you are feasting them, but little regard their Engagements on return home. We enjoyn that every thing in your power be exerted, to excite a Spirit of Industry among them, rooting out if possible all manner of Gaming, and every other Obstacle thereto.

15. To accomplish so Desireable an Event, a Prudent Covenant Servant, instead of Buggueze, should go upon those Surveys, with Power to reward Industrious Planters upon the Spot, by bestowing Agreeable Tokens, which, though of Small Value, may have the Desired Effect, shewing at the same time a Suitable Contempt of the Indolent.

16. We have no objection to your Courteous Deportment towards the People of Madura, you did well however in not entring into any Engagements with them, as that might embroil Us with the Dutch, which must be Studiously avoided, giving no Umbrage to them, by Trade in Opium among their Dependents, or in their Territorys, under any pretence whatsoever, that Our Commerce may not be obstructed.

17. We observe the Ill Usage of the Dutch, with respect to Our Sloop Mary, was occasioned by your People going with Opium into one of their Ports, which hath so blended Our Affairs with your Illicit Trade, We cannot demand that Satisfaction of the Dutch, that We should otherwise require.

18. As to their other Haughty Claims and Demands, you may, as occasion offers, in a Friendly manner, let them know that your Masters, the English East India Company, are determined to carry on their Trade, according to their Ancient Custom and Practice, and in all their other Matters conduct according to the Law of Nations, being well assured they shall therein be protected by their King and Parliament.

## FIFTHLY OF BUILDINGS AND REVENUES.

19. We are glad the Fortifications at your Place and the Buildings at Moco Moco are in good forwardness, and We approve of the Lodgings at the latter being raised one Story, to free them from Dampness let every thing be compleatly finished out of hand, in a Substantial manner, and a Striot Military Discipline be kept up.

20. We recommend it to you to procure an able Tile Maker from Batavia, that so Our Warehouses may not be covered with Combustible Cooly Cayos.

## SIXTHLY OF FACTORS, WRITERS, OFFICERS AND THEIR ACCOUNTS.

21. Our Orders by the Ship Orford respecting M<sup>r</sup>. Greenslate, We observe were duly obeyed, and the Ballance of Our Cash justly deliverd over to his Successors, both at Moco Moco and Fort Marlborough.

22. We are concerned for the Death of M<sup>r</sup>. Rigg Our Late Deputy Governour.

23. Application having been made to Us by His Father, Sole Executor and Administrator, Thomas Rigge of Morton near Edinburgh Esq<sup>r</sup>., We direct that the Produce of his Estate, after all Just Demands are satisfied, be received into Our Cash without delay, and that Certificates to Us be granted for the Amount, at the same Rate as We allow to Our Covenant Servants, payable to the said Thomas Rigge, unto whom the Accounts relating to the Estate must be transmitted from time to time, We have given the like Directions to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George, with respect to such part of his Estate as may be there.

24. Our Cash for the future must be kept under three different Locks, by the Deputy Governour and the Two next in Council upon the Spot, at Fort Marlborough, and on passing the Account monthly, the Several Vouchers for each Entry, and the Ballance in specie must be produced to, and examined by the whole Council, due Entry being made upon Consultation how they find the same.

25. The Out Residencys Monthly Accounts should be regularly examined and passed, not postponing the same, so as to be done in a hurry, whereby the Needful Observations cannot possibly be made, nor the Exceedings in Expences Curtailed.

26. When Affairs come to be settled at Pooloo Pesang, the Charges must be kept within Due Bounds, perceiving they run high and exceed the preceeding Year Two Thousand Four Hundred Dollars, amounting in the whole to Eight Thousand Nine Hundred, which is a great Sum, though We are very willing to make Allowances for New Settlements, not doubting you will reduce them in due time, or encrease the quantity of Pepper, in proportion to such a Charge.

27. We judge it proper to forbid all manner of Gaming, in any Shape whatsoever, by Our Servants Civil or Military, hereby annulling and making void all Wagers, that may be lost thereby, conformable to Our Laws here, in order the more effectually to root out such a Pernicious Practice, and that a Proper Example may be set to the Natives.

28. The Reverend M<sup>r</sup>. Joseph Burges is entertained by Us, to be Our Chaplain at Fort Marlborough, at the usual Salary, Gratuity, Diet, Accommodations and Advantages annex'd to that Office, he must take place and be stationed next to the Youngest of Council, according to the practice at Our Head Settlements, We expect that he will be suitably countenanced and encouraged, on his behaving in a becoming manner. We have lent him Fifty Pounds, his Bond comes enclosed to repay the same out of his Growing Salary.

29. We permit M<sup>r</sup>. Roger Carter to remove to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George, and to take his Standing in Our Service upon that Establishment, according to Our Promise made to his Father, having given the Needful Directions thither accordingly.

30. You must be very explicit in the Body of your Advices, as to the Certificates granted upon Us, and not refer for the Particulars to a Separate Paper in the Packet, entering also upon Consultation, that each Sum is duly paid into Our Cash, the time when, by whom, and to whom each is payable, as is always practiced in a Correct manner at Our Head Settlements.

31. In case William Winter and Thomas Higgs Soldiers at your place have served their Contracted Time, and are desirous of a Discharge, do you grant it accordingly, unless you can engage them to relist.

32. The Consultations must be duly signed, on Approval of the same, by every one present, and not in a Lump, as Seems to have been the Case, neither M<sup>r</sup>. Greenslate, or M<sup>r</sup>. Rigg having attested any one of those whereat they presided.



33. We have entertained M<sup>r</sup>. James Le Marchant a Factor, Samuel Kingston and George Scott Writers, upon your Establishment, who together with all Our Servants, must be kept close to Our Business, and not suffer'd to be indolent, nor allowed to spend their time in any Vicious Courses.

We are

LONDON THE 16<sup>TH</sup>. JANRY. 1746.

Your Loving Friends

H. GOUGH.  
 SAM<sup>l</sup>. FRANK.  
 J. RAYMOND.  
 W<sup>m</sup>. BRAUND.  
 PETER GODFREY.  
 THO<sup>s</sup>. ROUS.  
 R. DRAKE.  
 W<sup>m</sup>. RIDER.  
 CHRIST<sup>o</sup>. BURBOW.  
 RICH<sup>d</sup>. BENYON.  
 STEPHEN LAW.  
 JOHN HOPE.  
 R. BOOTLE  
 HENRY PLANT.  
 JOHN PAYNE.  
 ROBERT HUDSON.  
 W<sup>m</sup>. WILLY.

ACCOUNT OF SILVER, CORAL, PEARLS, DIAMONDS AND PRECIOUS STONES LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ON THE CÆSAR FOR FORT ST. GEORGE BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS [TO] PURCHASE DIAMONDS VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

					Ounces.
By Samuel Hartog	1 Chest Mark't.	SH N <sup>o</sup> . 2 q <sup>t</sup> .	Foreign Silver.		20[...]
Levy.					
Henry Isaac ...	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	H × F N <sup>o</sup> . 1	D <sup>o</sup> .		4[...]
Ditto ...	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	H F N <sup>o</sup> . 2	D <sup>o</sup> .		4[...]
Levy & Ruben	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	LRS N <sup>o</sup> . 1	D <sup>o</sup> .		40[...]
Salomons.					
Ditto ...	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	LRS N <sup>o</sup> . 2	D <sup>o</sup> .		3[...]
Isaac de David	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	D. N <sup>o</sup> . 1	D <sup>o</sup> .		40[...]
Levy.					
David Levy ...	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	DL N <sup>o</sup> . 2	D <sup>o</sup> .		10[...]
Nathan Salo-	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	NS N <sup>o</sup> . 3	D <sup>o</sup> .		4[...]
mons.					
Ditto ...	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	NS N <sup>o</sup> . 4	D <sup>o</sup> .		3[...]
Harman Hen-	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	HH N <sup>o</sup> . 3	D <sup>o</sup> .		9[...]
dricks.					
George Arnold	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	A × S N <sup>o</sup> . 4	D <sup>o</sup> .		[4...]
Esq <sup>r</sup> . and					
Joseph Salo-					
mons					
Ditto ...	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	A × S N <sup>o</sup> . 5	D <sup>o</sup> .		[4...]
Ditto ...	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	A × S N <sup>o</sup> . 6	D <sup>o</sup> .		[4...]

Levy and Ruben Salomons and Henry Moses.	1 Chest Mark't— <i>cont.</i>	LRS } HM }	N <sup>o</sup> . 1 Foreign Silver— <i>cont.</i>	Ounces. [3...]
Ditto ...	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	LRS } HM }	N <sup>o</sup> . 2 D <sup>o</sup> .	[2...]
Assur Isaack Levy.	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	HM } MP }	N <sup>o</sup> . 1 D <sup>o</sup> .	[4...]
				Ounces <u>[52400]</u>
£				
By Henry Isaac ...	1 Chest Markt	H F	N <sup>o</sup> . 1 q <sup>t</sup> . Coral Beads Val.	[6...]
Abraham De Fonseca.	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	A A	N <sup>o</sup> . 3 D <sup>o</sup> .	49[...]
David De Cas- tro.	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	☆	N <sup>o</sup> . 1 D <sup>o</sup> .	[6...]
Ditto ...	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	☆	N <sup>o</sup> . 2 D <sup>o</sup> .	[6...]
Jacob Salvador.	1 Box	M	SE N <sup>o</sup> . 1 q <sup>t</sup> . Rough Coral	[1...]
Ditto ...	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	F	SB N <sup>o</sup> . 1 D <sup>o</sup> .	6[...]
Ditto ...	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	F	LS N <sup>o</sup> . 2 D <sup>o</sup> .	4[...]
Ditto ...	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	⊕	N <sup>o</sup> . E D <sup>o</sup> .	3[...]
Ditto ...	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	M	SE N <sup>o</sup> . 2 D <sup>o</sup> .	5[...]
Ditto ...	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	M	SE N <sup>o</sup> . 3 D <sup>o</sup> .	7[...]
Levy & Ruben Salomons.	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	MBH	N <sup>o</sup> . 1 q <sup>t</sup> . Pearls Diamonds & Precious Stones.	1[...]
				Turn Over <u>[£6127 10]</u>

AN ACCOUNT OF FURTHER SILVER, CORAL, AMBER BRADS AND  
EMERALDS SHIPT ON THE CÆSAR.

		Foreign Silver bro <sup>t</sup> . over 52400 —		
[By] Aron Golds- mid.	1 Chest Markt	SM	N <sup>o</sup> . 2 q <sup>t</sup> . Foreign Silver	3,000 —
Moses Del- monte.	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	S	ID N <sup>o</sup> . 1 D <sup>o</sup> .	1,100 —
Henry & Peter Muilman & Joseph Salo- mons.	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	M X S	N <sup>o</sup> . 1 D <sup>o</sup> .	4,000 —

Ounces 60,500

				Coral &c. brought over ...	£6,127 10
[By]	David de Castro.	1 Chest	Mark't— <i>cont.</i>	MB N°. 3 q <sup>t</sup> . Coral Beads	560 —
	D°. 1	D°. 1		☆ N°. 6 D°. 6	740 —
	D°. 1	D°. 1		MF N°. 1 q <sup>t</sup> . Amber Beads	130 —
	Abraham & Jacob Franco.	1 D°. 1		◇ N°. 134 q <sup>t</sup> . Coral Beads	600 —
	D°. ... 1	D°. 1		◇ N°. 135 D°. 135	940 —
	D°. ... 1	D°. 1		IMF N°. 26 D°. 26	770 —
	D°. .. 1	D°. 1		F A F N°. 10 D°. 10	400 —
	D°. ... 1	D°. 1		F F D N°. 31 D°. 31	360 —
	D°. ... 1	D°. 1		F F D N°. 32 D°. 32	340 —
	D°. ... 1	D°. 1		R F N°. 1 D°. 1	200 —
	Jacob Salvadore.	1 Box		MS S B N°. 1 D°. 1	1,040 —
	Ditto ... 1	D°. 1		MS N°. 1 D°. 1	740 —
	Ditto ... 1	D°. 1		☆ N°. 3 q <sup>t</sup> . Amber Beads	120 —
	Matthews Beachcroft.	1 Chest	...	G R N°. 73 q <sup>t</sup> . Rough Coral	290 5
	Natal Levy Sensino.	1 Box	...	R E N°. 1 q <sup>t</sup> . Coral Beads	110 —
	Ditto ... 1	D°. 1	...	S F N°. 1 D°. 1	280 —
	Ditto ... 1	D°. 1	...	L S N°. 20 D°. 20	562 —
	Ditto ... 1	D°. 1	...	L S N°. 18 D°. 18	£259 } Emeralds 90 } 349 —
					<hr/> £14658 15 <hr/>

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE SILVER LYCENCED TO BE SHIPPED ON BOARD THE CÆSAR FOR FORT ST. GEORGE, ON ACCOUNT OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

FOR M<sup>r</sup>. CHARLES TURNER *Writer*.

One Chest marked CT N°. 4 q <sup>t</sup> .	...	...	...	Oz.	660
For the Missinonaries [ <i>sic</i> ] at the Fort and Tranquebar					
Two Chests marked DM N°. 1 & EM N°. 2	...	...	...		3665
				Oz.	4325

J<sup>o</sup>: MICKLETHWAIT.

BULLION OFFICE  
EAST INDIA HOUSE  
26<sup>TH</sup>. JANUARY 1746.

MANIFEST OF PRIVATE SILVER LYCENC'D TO BE SHIPPED ON BOARD THE CÆSAR  
FOR FORT S<sup>t</sup>. DAVID ON ACCOUNT OF THE FOLLOWING PERSONS VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

For M<sup>r</sup>. Charles Nicholl a Small Bag marked with his  
name ... .. 80

Ost. .

Jo. MICKLETHWAIT.

BULLION OFFICE  
EAST INDIA HOUSE  
14: JANUARY 1746.

1746.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS AND MERCHANDIZ<sup>e</sup> LICENCED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING  
OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON  
BOARD THE SHIP CÆSAR CAPTAIN MATHEW COURT COMMANDER BOUND FOR FORT  
S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS: VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

M<sup>r</sup>. AUSTIN.

EF	One Box of Books	...	£3	—	—
	Freight free being for y <sup>e</sup> . use of M <sup>r</sup> . Edward Fowke at Fort S <sup>t</sup> . George.				
	CAPTAIN JOHN PELLY COMMANDER OF THE SHIP PRINCE OF WALES.				
EP	1 @ 3 Three Boxes Gold thread	...	1,500	—	—
	Thirty four Casks Red Lead	...	208	—	—
1, 2, 3	1 @ 4 Seven Chests Wine	...	100	—	—
	2 One Case Cutlery	...	33	—	—
	1 @ 2 Two Boxes Glass Ware	...	20	—	—
	1 @ 2 Two D <sup>o</sup> . Fowling Peices	...	40	—	—
	Freight free.				

EAST INDIA HOUSE  
LONDON Y<sup>e</sup>. 31 JANUARY 1746.

H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

1746.

A List of 23 Soldiers on board the Ship Cæsar Captain Matthew Court Comman-  
der For Fort Saint George.

NAMES.	QUALITY.	COUNTRY.	TRADE.	Age.
Thomas London	Soldier	London	Labourer	18
William Hully	D <sup>o</sup> .	Scotland	D <sup>o</sup> .	16
William Finlay	D <sup>o</sup> .	Yorkshire	Clothworker	21
James Talmon	D <sup>o</sup> .	Lancashire	Glazier...	20
Richard Hannay	D <sup>o</sup> .	Wiltshire	Taylor ...	19
John Barker	D <sup>o</sup> .	London	Weaver	16
Christopher Smolenski	D <sup>o</sup> .	Dantzick	Soldier	29
Thomas Handcraft	D <sup>o</sup> .	Middlesex	Shoemaker	18
Lewis Christian	D <sup>o</sup> .	London	Tinman	18
Thomas Williams	D <sup>o</sup> .	D <sup>o</sup> .	Labourer	17
John White	D <sup>o</sup> .	Somersetshire	D <sup>o</sup> .	16
George Smith	D <sup>o</sup> .	Lancashire	D <sup>o</sup> .	16
Henry Hall	D <sup>o</sup> .	Yorkshire	D <sup>o</sup> .	39
John Flood	D <sup>o</sup> .	Ireland	D <sup>o</sup> .	19

NAMES.	QUALITY.	COUNTRY.	TRADE.	AGE.
John Barry ...	Soldier ...	Ireland ...	Labourer ...	21
John Webber ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	Surry ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	18
Richard Buckell ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	London ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	20
Gallus Schelling ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	Switzerland ...	Taylor ...	18
William Stringer ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	Staffordshire ...	Bucklemaker ...	20
Robert Wilson ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	Lincolnshire ...	Labourer ...	17
Christopher Warrick.	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	Yorkshire ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	18
William Crutchley ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	London ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	22
Thomas Mahew ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	Suffolk ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	18

EAST INDIA HOUSE  
LONDON THE 31 JANUARY 1746.

H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

LIST OF THE COMPANY'S PACKET TO FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SHIP OXFORD.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. The Company's General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George Dated 18<sup>th</sup>. Febry 1746.
  2. Copy Company's General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George Dated 16<sup>th</sup>. Janry. 1746 sent  $\text{\textcircled{P}}$  Eastcourt and Cæsar.
  3. List of Investment to be Provided on the Coast of Choromandell for the Ships going out in the Year 1746 Dated the 16<sup>th</sup>. January 1746.
  4. Copy Company's Directions to Bengal  $\text{\textcircled{P}}$  Lapwing as to Salt Petre.
  5. Invoice of the Ship Oxford for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George amounting to £29976 8. 6.
  6. Bill of Lading for the Thirty Chests of Treasure on the Ship Oxford for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to be received in a separate Packet delivered to the Captain by M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish The Company's Agent at Portsmouth.
  7. Bill of Lading for the Iron  $\text{\textcircled{P}}$  Oxford for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
  8. Copy of the Oxford's Charterparty.
  9. Copy of Captain Stevens's Commission to Seize Unlicenced Persons.
  10. The Company's Indulgence.
  11. Copy of the Oxford's Victualling Bill.
  12. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize Licenced to be Shipt on the Oxford for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
  13. List of Thirty five Soldiers on board the Ship Oxford for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George with an Account of their Countrey, Occupation & Age.
- These 3 last Numbers Signed by M<sup>r</sup>. Henry Crabb Boulton.
14. Account of Coast Goods Over and Wanting by the several Ships Arrived Anno 1746 Signed by Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Newton & Williams.
  15. Packet from the Secret Committee directed To The Honble the President for the time being at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George wherein is enclosed a Packet from the Secret Committee directed to Thomas Griffin Esq. Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Squadron in the East Indies, or the Commander in Chief for the time being. To be received from the Captain of the Oxford, It being put up in the Companys Packet to him.
  16. Packet from the Commissioners of the Navy Directed to the Commander in Chief of His Majesty's Squadron in the East Indies  $\text{\textcircled{P}}$  Oxford.

COPY OF CAPTAIN STEVENS'S COMMISSION TO SEIZE UNLICENSED PERSONS IN  
INDIA, DATED FEBRUARY 11, 1746.

[For form of the Commission see page 20.]

COPY OF THE COMPANY'S INDULGENCE TO THEIR COMMANDERS.

[For form of the Commission see page 21.]

COPY VICTUALLING BILL AND STORES OF THE SHIP OXFORD CAPTAIN THOMAS STEVENS  
COMMANDER BURTHEN 498 TONS, 99 MEN 28 GUNS BOUND FOR FORT SAINT  
GEORGE.

Viz.

[Form of the Victualling Bill appears on page 20.]

1746

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANDIZE & FOREIGN SILVER LICENSED BY THE COM-  
MITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST  
INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP OXFORD CAPTAIN THO'. STEVENS  
COMMANDER BOUND TO FORT S'. GEORGE BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS  
VIZ<sup>r</sup>.

T + S

CAPTAIN THOMAS STEVENS.

N<sup>o</sup>.

1	5	Five Chests Cutlary Ware	...	...	£ 300	—	—
1	80	Eighty Barrels Pitch & Tarr	...	...	100	—	—
1	2	Two Bales Sailcloth	...	...	200	—	—
1	4	Two Cases and Two Hh'ds Shipchandlery	...	...	100	—	—
1	21	Twenty one Cases Ironmongers Ware	...	...	100	—	—
1	2	Two Boxes Hatts	...	...	50	—	—
1	2	Two Hogsheads Corks	...	...	10	—	—
1	9	Nine Casks Vermillion	...	...	600	—	—
1	2	Two Boxes Gold Thread	...	...	400	—	—
		One Chest Bristol Water	...	...	5	—	—
		In Foreign Silver	...	...	500	—	—
		On his Indulgence.					
		In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock	...	...	498	—	—

W + C

WILLIAM COOK *Chief Mate.*

N<sup>o</sup>.

2		One Chest Cutlary	...	...	40	—	—
3		One Cask Lanthorns & Corks	...	...	5	—	—
5-7		Three Hogsheads Glass Ware	...	...	30	—	—
		One Barrel Tobacco	...	...	4	—	—
		One Case Snuff	...	...	5	—	—
		One Case Stationary	...	...	10	—	—
1		One Cask Red Lead	...	...	2	—	—
		On his Indulgence.					

S + B

SAMUEL BURNAND *Third Mate.*

		One Box Hatts	...	...	10	—	—
		Three Casks Cheese	...	...	10	—	—
		One Case Stationary	...	...	5	—	—
		Three Hogsheads strong Beer	...	...	6	—	—
		One his Indulgence.					

E + H		JONATHAN HALL <i>Fourth Mate.</i>				
...	...	One Hogshead Wine	...	...	£ 18	— —
...	...	One Case Cherry Brandy	...	...	12	— —
...	...	On his Indulgence.	...	...		
W + D		WALTER DAVIS <i>Surgeon.</i>				
N <sup>o</sup> . 7	...	One Case Paint	...	...	6	— —
5 a 6..	...	Two Cases Oil	...	...	12	— —
8	...	One Case Cutlary	...	...	20	— —
1—4..	...	Four Casks Red Lead	...	...	4	— —
...	...	On his Indulgence.	...	...		
N. Morse		CHARLES BENYON Esq <sup>r</sup> . TO GOV <sup>r</sup> . MORSE.				
1	6	Six Chests Wine	...	...	60	— —
W. Monson		WILLIAM MINETT TO WILLIAM MONSON.				
1	2	Two Chests Wine	...	...	20	— —
		Freight free being for the Use of the above-mentioned Persons at Fort Saint George.				
H + G		M <sup>rs</sup> . HANNAH GREENOUGH <i>Passenger.</i>				
		Two Chests Apparel & Necessarys...	...	...	25	10 —
		One Bundle Bedding with a Cott	...	...	6	— —
		One Box Cordials	...	...	1	10 —
		One Carboy Water	...	...	2	— —
		One Chest Stores	...	...	10	— —
		One Great Chair	...	...	2	— —
		Freight Free being for her Use in the Voyage.				

EAST INDIA HOUSE

LONDON THE 28<sup>th</sup>. January 1746.H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

1746

A LIST OF 35 SOLDIERS ON BOARD THE SHIP OXFORD CAPTAIN THOMAS STEVENS  
COMMANDER  
FOR FORT SAINT GEORGE.

NAME.	QUALITY.	COUNTRY.	TRADE.	AGE.
John Hallway	Soldier	Somersetshire	Labourer	32
William Hogg	D <sup>o</sup> .	Scotland	D <sup>o</sup> .	18
Joseph Thomson	D <sup>o</sup> .	Barwick on Tweed.	D <sup>o</sup> .	17
John Harding	D <sup>o</sup> .	Wiltshire	Barber	33
Bartho <sup>r</sup> . Ryley	D <sup>o</sup> .	Ireland	Weaver	18
James Heaton	D <sup>o</sup> .	Lancashire	Labourer	17
Tho <sup>s</sup> . Atwood	D <sup>o</sup> .	Kent	D <sup>o</sup> .	17
W <sup>m</sup> . Carey	D <sup>o</sup> .	Barkshire	D <sup>o</sup> .	18
W <sup>m</sup> . Macdonnell	D <sup>o</sup> .	London	Taylor	17
Thomas Withey	D <sup>o</sup> .	Coventry	Weaver	19
John Penny	D <sup>o</sup> .	London	Labourer	17
Henry Matthews	D <sup>o</sup> .	Liverpoole	D <sup>o</sup> .	27
Baron Butcher	D <sup>o</sup> .	Essex	D <sup>o</sup> .	16
William Bates	D <sup>o</sup> .	D <sup>o</sup> .	D <sup>o</sup> .	27
Matthew Bryan	D <sup>o</sup> .	Dublin	D <sup>o</sup> .	22
Samuel Pugh	D <sup>o</sup> .	Worcestershire.	D <sup>o</sup> .	22
William Harford	D <sup>o</sup> .	London	D <sup>o</sup> .	18
William Knight	D <sup>o</sup> .	Bristol	D <sup>o</sup> .	24
John Saunders	D <sup>o</sup> .	Nottingham	D <sup>o</sup> .	16

NAMES.	QUALITY.	COUNTRY.	TRADE.	AGE.
John Bennett	Soldier	Barkshire	Labourer	19
Edmund Leach	D <sup>o</sup> .	Suffolk	D <sup>o</sup> .	18
Richard Howes	D <sup>o</sup> .	Barkshire	D <sup>o</sup> .	26
Edward Ward	D <sup>o</sup> .	Southwark	D <sup>o</sup> .	18
John King	D <sup>o</sup> .	Kensinton	D <sup>o</sup> .	25
John Barus	D <sup>o</sup> .	Devonshire	Snuffbox maker.	18
John Cuppuck	D <sup>o</sup> .	Lancashire	Weaver	20
Thomas Hickelton	D <sup>o</sup> .	Essex	D <sup>o</sup> .	23
John Wright	D <sup>o</sup> .	London	Labourer	17
George Welsh	D <sup>o</sup> .	Lancashire	D <sup>o</sup> .	19
Edward Rogers	D <sup>o</sup> .	London	D <sup>o</sup> .	19
Thomas Horton	D <sup>o</sup> .	D <sup>o</sup> .	D <sup>o</sup> .	19
James Norris	D <sup>o</sup> .	D <sup>o</sup> .	D <sup>o</sup> .	17
Charles Colwell	D <sup>o</sup> .	Ireland	D <sup>o</sup> .	26
Elias Harris	D <sup>o</sup> .	London	D.	26
Richard Austin	D <sup>o</sup> .	Bedfordshire	D <sup>o</sup> .	16

EAST INDIA HOUSE

LONDON THE 28<sup>TH</sup>. JANUARY 1746.

H<sup>Y</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY TO FORT S<sup>T</sup>. GEORGE, DATED JANUARY 24, 1747.

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 50, page 59.*]

GENTLEMEN

The Company's Agent at Portsmouth M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish, will herewith Enclose unto You a Bill of Lading duly Firmed, for Thirty Chests [of] Treasure put on board the Ship Oxford at Spith[ead] upon The Companys Account.

Heartily Wishing them safe in [your] Mint, I am

GENTLEMEN  
Your most humble servant  
CHRISTOPHER MOLE  
*Secry.*

EAST INDIA HOUSE

LONDON THE 24<sup>TH</sup>. JANUARY 1746.

THE HONOURABLE THE PRESIDENT AND  
COUNCIL AT FORT S<sup>T</sup>. GEORGE.

LETTER TO FORT S<sup>T</sup>. GEORGE FROM MADEIRA, DATED APRIL 8, 1747.

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 50, page 61.*]

MADEIRA 8<sup>TH</sup>. APRIL 1747.

TO THE HON<sup>BLE</sup>. PRESIDENT  
& COUNCIL AT FORT S<sup>T</sup>. GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN

We wrote you under date of 20<sup>th</sup>. May 1746 Inclosing Bill of Lading And Accompts relating to the Wines shipt on the Montfort Cap<sup>t</sup>. Robert Hanslapp, who we hope Arrived Safe with you. Upon re-examing [*sic*] sd. Accompts in June last, we found had committed a great mistake in Chargeing the Dutys paid here on the Staves & hoops, w<sup>ch</sup>. Consequently alter'd the whole Accompt in the Commission Article, and we immediately made out a rectified Accompt, Cobby whereof you have inclosed for your Government, to make the necessary alteration there in the full



charge of the Wines. This Accompt we sent to the Hon<sup>ble</sup>. United East India Company, with our letter dated 20<sup>th</sup>. July, and the Error is rectified there, as by Advices received from them some time past, and you will be pleased to do the Same in your Books with them. they having discounted the Error, out of our Bill first drawn on them, and paid only the 6912 & 233 the true Ballance, as by the Accompt now enclosed.

This now goes by the Oxford Cap<sup>t</sup>. Thomas Stevens, who Arrived here 25<sup>th</sup>. ultimo, and by whom we received orders from the Hon<sup>ble</sup>. United Company of Merchants of England Trading to the East Indies, to ship on sd. Ship One hundred Pipes of Wine to your Consignation, and two hundred to the President & Council at Fort William in Bengall.

Accordingly we Send you enclosed Bill of Lading for the said one hundred Pipes of Wine to your Consignation ; as also Invoice of their Cost & Charges Amounting to 4891  $\text{£}$  268 And annexed thereto the Invoice of the Cost & Charges of the two hundred Pipes to the Consignation of the President & Council at Fort William Amounting to 9782  $\text{£}$  136 in both which Invoices are included the Cost & Charges of the Staves & Iron hoops sent us by the said Company And at foot of these Invoices we have stated the said Company's Accompt Currant for your Government, in order to Credit them at once the full value of the Wines to your Address.

You will see that these Wines are Considerably dearer than last year ; the reason whereof is, that our last year's Vintage was so short, & so great a Demand, that the Old Wines were all Shipt off by October, and the New were shipt so early as the beginning of November, and Ships constantly dropping in, and many buyers, made the Natives so Uppish, that there was no remedy but giving them the price they pleased. We have the Consolation however to find that they prove good, and have no reason to doubt, but you will find them to Satisfaction on Arrivall.

We heartily wish the Ship a quick & Safe Passage to you & Are with due regard.

GENTLEMEN

Your most humble Servants

CHAMBERS & BAKER.

LIST OF THE COMPANY'S PACKET TO FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SHIP COLCHESTER.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. The Company's General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George Dated 18<sup>th</sup>. Feb<sup>r</sup>y. 1746.
2. Invoice of Ship Colchester for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George amounting to  $\text{£}$ 34113.- 7.
3. Bill of Lading for the Thirty five Chests of Treasure on the Ship Colchester for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to be received in a Separate Packet delivered to the Captain by M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish The Companys Agent at Portsmouth.
4. Bill of Lading for the Goods on the Colchester for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
5. Samples of 4 Chests Stationary  $\text{£}$  Colchester for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George in the Box apart.
6. Copy of the Ship Colchester's Charterparty.
7. The Company's Indulgence.
8. Copy of Cap<sup>t</sup>. Wood's Commission to Seize Unlicenced Persons.
9. Account of Coral Licenced to be Shipt on the Colchester for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to purchase Diamonds.
10. Copy of the Colchester's Victualling Bill.
11. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize Licenced to be Shipt on the Colchester for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.

12. List of 16 Soldiers on board the Colchester For Fort St. George, with an Account of their Countrey, Occupation and Ages.  
These two last Sign'd by Mr. Henry Crabb Boulton.
13. Packet from the Commissioners of the Navy directed to the Commander in Chief of His Majestys Squadron in the East Indies & Colchester.
14. Packet from the Commissioners of the Victualling directed to Mr. John Haman Agent for Victualling the said Squadron & Colchester.

ACCOUNT OF CORAL LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ON THE COLCHESTER FOR FORT ST. GEORGE BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

By David de Castro.	1	Chest Markt IBM N <sup>o</sup> . 1.	Cont <sup>a</sup> .	Coral Beads val.	£ 890	—	—
D <sup>o</sup> .	1	D <sup>o</sup> .	AC N <sup>o</sup> . 8.	Cont <sup>a</sup> .	D <sup>o</sup> .	500	—
			C				
			M				
D <sup>o</sup> .	1	D <sup>o</sup> .	SB N <sup>o</sup> . 2.	Cont <sup>a</sup> .	D <sup>o</sup> .	490	—
			F				
						<u>£ 1880</u>	<u>—</u>

1746.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANDIZE & FOREIGN SILVER LICENSED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP COLCHESTER CAPTAIN RICHARD WOOD COMMANDER BOUND TO FORT SAINT GEORGE BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

R. W.		CAPTAIN RICHARD WOOD.					
N <sup>o</sup> . 1.	66	Sixty Six Casks Red Lead	...	...	£ 480	—	—
1.	4	Four Chests Cutlery	...	...	200	—	—
1.	5	Five Cases Glass Ware	...	...	200	—	—
1.	2	Two Cases Stationary	...	...	50	—	—
		One Box Hatts	...	...	20	—	—
		One Box Snuff	...	...	15	—	—
1.	2	Two Boxes Gold thread & Lace	...	...	500	—	—
		On his Indulgence					
		In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock	...	...	498	—	—
Æ. F.		M <sup>r</sup> . JAMES FROOME <i>Chief Mate.</i>					
N <sup>o</sup> . 1.		One Chest Cutlery Ware	...	...	180	—	—
1.	2	Two Half Chests Oyl	...	...	16	—	—
2.		One Cask Corks	...	...	6	—	—
		On his Indulgence					
N. S.		NICHOLAS SMITH <i>Purser.</i>					
2.	2	Two Chests Wine	...	...	25	—	—
1.		One Chest Cutlery Ware	...	...	30	—	—
		One Hhd. Glass Ware	...	...	10	—	—
		One Box Gold thread & Lace	...	...	50	—	—
		On his Indulgence					
Æ. T.		JONATHAN TYERS <i>Fourth Mate.</i>					
N <sup>o</sup> . 1 a 2		Two Boxes Cheese	...	...	5	—	—
		Two Chests Wine	...	...	40	—	—
		On his Indulgence					
T. J.		THOMAS JOHNSON <i>Surgeon.</i>					
N <sup>o</sup> . 3.		One Box Cutlery Ware	...	...	10	—	—
4.		One Cask Snuff	...	...	4	—	—
		One Box Stoughtons drops, Hungary, & Lavender Water	...	...	5	—	—
5.		One Box Flower Mustard	...	...	4	—	—
		On his Indulgence					

G.B.		GEORGE BERE <i>Third Mate.</i>						
	1.	One One Chest Cutlery Ware	...	...	£ 30	—	—	
		One Chest Quicksilver	...	...	30	—	—	
		On his Indulgence						
		M <sup>r</sup> . DAVID DE CASTRO.						
IBM	1.	One Chest Corral Beads	...	...	890	—	—	
A C	8.	One d <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	500	—	—	
C								
M								
S B	2.	One d <sup>o</sup> .	...	...	490	—	—	
F								

One which he has paid £37. 12. for Freight and Permission into the Companys Treasury and given Bond pursuant to the Order of Court.

EAST INDIA HOUSE

LONDON THE 18 FEBRUARY 1746.

H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

1746.

A LIST OF 16 SOLDIERS ON BOARD THE SHIP COLCHESTER CAPTAIN RICHARD WOOD  
COMMANDER FOR FORT SAINT GEORGE.

NAME.	QUALITY.	COUNTRY.	TRADE.	AGE.
James Cope ...	Ensign ...	Ireland	Soldier	25
William Keene ...	d <sup>o</sup> ...	d <sup>o</sup> .	d <sup>o</sup> .	36
Richard Oxlad ...	Soldier ...	Brentford	Labourer	17
William Bell ...	d <sup>o</sup> ...	Cumberland	d <sup>o</sup> .	28
Thomas Chandler ...	d <sup>o</sup> ...	Suffolk	d <sup>o</sup> .	30
John Smith ...	d <sup>o</sup> ...	Cambridge	d <sup>o</sup> .	20
Thomas Lee ...	d <sup>o</sup> ...	Staffordshire	d <sup>o</sup> .	17
Mark Welman ...	d <sup>o</sup> ...	Oxfordshire	d <sup>o</sup> .	17
Joseph Matthews ...	d <sup>o</sup> ...	Birmingham	d <sup>o</sup> .	16
John Euart ...	d <sup>o</sup> ...	Scotland	d <sup>o</sup> .	17
John Ryan ...	d <sup>o</sup> ...	Ireland	d <sup>o</sup> .	28
Evan Thomas ...	d <sup>o</sup> ...	Montgomeryshire.	Baker	19
Edward Edwards ...	d <sup>o</sup> ...	South Wales	Labourer	19
Robert Ahlett ...	d <sup>o</sup> ...	Suffolk ...	d <sup>o</sup> .	19
William Folks ...	d <sup>o</sup> ...	Birmingham	d <sup>o</sup> .	21
John Hollifield ...	d <sup>o</sup> ...	Lincolnshire	d <sup>o</sup> .	28

EAST INDIA HOUSE

LONDON THE 18 FEBRUARY 1746.

H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

SECRETARY'S LETTER TO FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE, DATED FEBRUARY 13, 1747.

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 50, page 71.*]

GENTLEMEN

Thirty Five Chests of The Company's Treasure being sent down to Portsmouth with directions to Their Agent at that place to Ship them on board the Colchester a Firmd Bill of Lading for the Same will accompany this Address from

GENTLEMEN

Your most humble Servant

CHRIS: MOLE

*Secry.*

EAST INDIA HOUSE LONDON

THE 13<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 1746.

The Honourable The President and Council at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.

LIST OF THE COMPANY'S PACKET TO FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE SHIP BENJAMIN.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. Company's General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George Dated 18<sup>th</sup>. February 1746.
2. Invoice of Ship Benjamin for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George amounting to £19891. 8. 8.
3. Bill of Lading for the Twenty Chests of Treasure on the ship Benjamin for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to be received in a Separate Packet delivered to the Captain by M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish The Companys Agent at Portsmouth.
4. Bill of Lading for the Lead on the Benjamin for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
5. Copy of the Ship Benjamin's Charterparty.
6. The Company's Indulgence.
7. Copy of Cap<sup>t</sup>. Meard's Commission to Seize Unlicenced Persons.
8. Account of Coral, Amber Beads and Emeralds Licenced to be shipt on the Benjamin for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to purchase Diamonds.
9. Copy of the Benjamin's Victualling Bill.
10. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize Licenced to be Shipt on the Benjamin for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
11. List of Ten soldiers on board the Benjamin for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George with an Account of their Countrey, Occupation and Ages.  
These Two last Numbers Signed by M<sup>r</sup>. Henry Crabb Boulton.
12. Packet from the Commissioners of the Navy directed to the Comānder in Chief of His Majestys Squadron in the East Indies by the Benjamin.
13. Packet from the Commissioners of the Victualling directed to M<sup>r</sup>. John Haman Agent for Victualling the said Squadron & Benjamin.

ACCOUNT OF CORAL, AMBER AND EMERALDS LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ON THE BENJAMIN FOR FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

By Petro di Paulo.	1 Box		P *	N <sup>o</sup> . 1 Cont <sup>a</sup> .	Emeralds val.	£ 65	—	—
...	Markt.							
Jacob Salvador.	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	S.B.		N <sup>o</sup> . 2 Cont <sup>a</sup> .	Coral ...	35	—	—
D <sup>o</sup> :	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	✳		N <sup>o</sup> . 4 Cont <sup>a</sup> .	Amber Beads.	125	—	—
D <sup>o</sup> :	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	✳		N <sup>o</sup> . 1 Cont <sup>a</sup> .	Do.	145	—	—
Phineas Serra.	1 D <sup>o</sup> .	IP		N <sup>o</sup> . 2 Cont <sup>a</sup> .	Coral Beads.	340	—	—
...		F			Do.	880	—	—
...								
						£ 1590	—	—

1746.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANDIZE & FOREIGN SILVER LICENSED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP BENJAMIN CAPTAIN GEORGE MEARD COMMANDER BOUND TO FORT SAINT GEORGE BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

G.M.

CAPTAIN GEORGE MEARD.

	One hundred & forty Nine Casks Red						
	Lead ... ..	£ 320	—	—			
	Seven Roles Sheet Lead ... ..	30	—	—			
	Four Cases, Three Casks Looking Glass &						
	Glass Ware ... ..	140	—	—			
1 2	Two Trunks Cutlery Ware ... ..	140	—	—			
	One Case Hatts ... ..	20	—	—			

		CAPTAIN GEORGE MEARD— <i>cont.</i>				
13		One Box Haberdashry	...	...	£ 10	— —
		One Case Shipchandlery	...	...	50	— —
	1	One Case Pictures	...	...	15	— —
		One Case Camblets & Duroys	...	...	100	— —
10 a 12		Three Boxes Glass Beads	...	...	50	— —
		One Box Gold Thread	...	...	300	— —
		On his Indulgence	...	...		
		In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock	...	...	360	— —
IN		JOHN NICHOLLS <i>Chief Mate.</i>				
	1 a 3	Three Cases Cutlery & small Looking Glass	...	...	120	— —
		On his Indulgence	...	...		
FB		JOHN BENNISON <i>Second Mate.</i>				
	1 2	Two Chests Quicksilver	...	...	80	— —
	1	One Box Gold thread	...	...	30	— —
	1 2	Two Chests Cutlery	...	...	48	— —
		On his Indulgence	...	...		
W.K.		WILLIAM KNOWLING <i>Third Mate.</i>				
	Nº. 1 3	Three Casks Red Lead	...	...	15	— —
	1	One Box Gold thread	...	...	30	— —
	[...]	One Chest Cutlery Ware	...	...	30	— —
		On his Indulgence	...	...		
T.W.		THOMAS WAY <i>Fourth Mate.</i>				
		One Case Cutlery Ware	...	...	25	— —
	1	One Box Gold thread	...	...	20	— —
		Four Casks Red Lead	...	...	8	— —
		On his Indulgence	...	...		
F☆M		JOHN MORELAND <i>Surgeon.</i>				
	1 a 2	Two Boxes Hatts	...	...	20	— —
		On his Indulgence.	...	...		
		M <sup>r</sup> . JACOB SALVADOR.				
	SB 2	One Box Amber Beads	...	...	125	— —
	☆ { 4	One do.	...	...	145	— —
	{ 1	One Box Coral beads	...	...	340	— —
		M <sup>r</sup> . PHINEAS SERRA.				
	[...] P					
	F 2	One box Coral beads	...	...	880	— —
		M <sup>r</sup> . PETER DE PAUL.				
	P*P 1	One box Emeralds and Coral beads	...	...	100	— —
		On which they have paid Freight and permission into the Companys Treasury and given bond pursuant to the Order of Court.				

EAST INDIA HOUSE  
LONDON THE 18 FEBRUARY 1746.

H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

1746.

A LIST OF 10 SOLDIERS ON BOARD THE SHIP BENJAMIN CAPTAIN GEORGE  
MEARD COMMANDER.  
FOR FORT SAINT GEORGE.

NAMES.	QUALITY.	COUNTRY.	TRADE.	AGE.
Lawrence Donaldson ...	Ensign ...	Scotland ...	Soldier ...	31
John Finch ...	Soldier ...	Essex ...	Labourer ...	25
John Warner ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	Somersetshire ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	20
John Hodge ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	Norwich ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	18
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Thomas Brown ...	D <sup>o</sup> . ...	Chelmsford ...	Perukeemaker ...	28
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EAST INDIA HOUSE  
LONDON THE 18 FEBRUARY 1746.

H. CRABB BOULTON.

SECRETARY'S LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED FEBRUARY 13, 1747.

[*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 50, page 81.*]

GENTLEMEN

Directions are given that Twenty Chests of The Company's Treasure shall be put on board the Ship Benjamin at Spithead, for which their Agents at Portsmouth will transmit You herewith a Bill of Lading duly Sign'd by the Commander or Purser.

I am

GENTLEMEN

Your Assured Friend and Servant

CHRIS: MOLE

*Secry.*

EAST INDIAN HOUSE LONDON  
THE 13<sup>TH</sup>. FEBRUARY 1746.

THE HONOURABLE THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL AT FORT S<sup>T</sup>. GEORGE.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT SAINT GEORGE BY THE SHIP WINCHELSEA.

- N<sup>o</sup>. 1. The Companys General Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated the 18 February 1746.
2. Copy Comp<sup>m</sup>. Letter to Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George dated the 16<sup>th</sup>. Janry. 1746. Sent by the Ships Eastcourt and Caesar.
3. List of Investment to be provided on the Coast of Choromandel for the Ships going out in 1746 dated 16 Janry. 1746  
The Samples mentioned therein are sent @ Caesar and Eastcourt.
4. Invoice of the Ship Winchelsea for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George Am<sup>o</sup>. to £34078. 11. 5.
5. Bill of Loading for the Thirty five Chests of Treasure on the Ship Winchelsea for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to be received in a Separate Packet delivered to the Captain by M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish the Companys Agent at Portsmouth.
6. Copy of the Winchelseas Charterparty.
7. Copy of Cap<sup>t</sup>. Baron's Commission to Seize Unlicenced Persons.
8. The Companys Indulgence.
9. Copy of the Winchelseas Victualling Bill.

- No. 10. Account of Coral Licenced to be Shipt on the Winchelsea for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George to Purchase Diamonds.
11. Manifest of Goods and Merchandize Licenced to be Shipt on the Winchelsea for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George.
12. List of Twenty one Soldiers on board the Winchelsea for Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George, with an Account of their Country Trades and Ages. These two last Numbers Sign'd by M<sup>r</sup>. Henry Crabb Boulton.
13. Packet from the Commissioners of the Navy, Directed To the Commander in Chief of His Majestys Squadron in the East Indies & Winchelsea.
14. Packet from the Commissioners of the Victualling Directed to M<sup>r</sup>. John Haman Agent for Victualling the said Squadron & Winchelsea.
15. Packet from the Secret Committee Directed To the Hon<sup>ble</sup> the President for the time being at Fort S<sup>t</sup>. George, wherein is enclosed a Packet Directed to Thomas Griffin Esq<sup>r</sup>. Commander in Chief of His Majestys Squadron in the East Indies, or the Commander in Chief for the time being.

To be received from the Captain of the Winchelsea It being put up in the Company's Packet to him.

ACCOUNT OF CORAL LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ON THE WINCHELSEA FOR FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

By Thomas Godfrey ... .. 1 Case Markt.  
 ⚡ N<sup>o</sup>. Cont<sup>a</sup>. Coral Beads val ... £750

1746.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANDIZE & FOREIGN SILVER LICENCED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP WINCHELSEA, CAPTAIN CHRISTOPHER BARON COMMANDER BOUND TO FORT SAINT GEORGE BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS VIZ<sup>t</sup>.

CXB		CAPTAIN CHRISTOPHER BARON.				
N <sup>o</sup> .	One Hundred & Ten Casks Red Lead	Sixty				
	Seven Casks White Lead	...	...	£260	—	—
49 a 63	Fifteen Cases Quicksilver	...	...	500	—	—
	Ten Cases Looking Glass & Glass Ware	...	...	150	—	—
1.	9 Nine Chests Glass Beads	...	...	200	—	—
	Three Chests Cutlery Ware	...	...	100	—	—
73 a 75	Three Boxes Gold & Silver Lace & thread	...	...	1000	—	—
1.	6 Six Roles Sheet Lead	...	...	30	—	—
1.20	Twenty Casks Ironmongers Ware	...	...	40	—	—
46.48	Three Cases Stationary	...	...	100	—	—
77	One Case Hosiery	...	...	50	—	—
78	One Box Wrought Plate	...	...	140	—	—
65	One Bale Ticklenburghs	...	...	50	—	—
1. 2	Two Chests Wine	...	...	20	—	—
	One Box Hatts	...	...	40	—	—
76.	One Box Silk Wastecoats	...	...	45	—	—
	On his Indulgence					
	In Foreign Silver for the Ships Stock	...	...	498	—	—

E + S

JOHN SPENCER *Chief Mats.*

1	15	Fifteen Casks Red Lead	...	...	£30	—	—
1		One Box Gold thread	...	...	100	—	—
1	3	Three Casks Quicksilver	...	...	100	—	—
1		One Chest Cutlery Ware	...	...	60	—	—
		On his Indulgence					

JOHN QUIN 2<sup>d</sup>. *Mate.*

		One Box Cutlery Ware	...	...	140	—	—
		Thirteen Casks Red Lead	...	...	14	—	—
		Two Chests Wine	...	...	80	—	—
		On his Indulgence					

O + T

ONESIPHORUS TYNDALL 3<sup>d</sup>. *Mate.*

2		Two Chests Wine	...	...	20	—	—
		One Chest Quicksilver	...	...	38	—	—
		One Cask Cutlery Ware	...	...	41	10	—
		On his Indulgence					

WILLIAM YERBURY *Fourth Mate.*

2		Two Chests Wine	...	...	20	—	—
		One Case Cutlery Ware	...	...	40	—	—
		On his Indulgence					

DIRECTED

JOHN SPRATT *Surgeon.*

		One Box Cutlery	...	...	10	—	—
		One Box Gold Thread	...	...	30	—	—
		On his Indulgence.					

S: O

SAMUEL OLIVER *Purser.*

N <sup>o</sup> . 4		One Bale Ticklenburgh	...	...	50	—	—
5 a 6		Two Cases Stationary	...	...	40	—	—
		On his Indulgence					

DIRECTED

CHARLES BENYON Esq<sup>r</sup>. TO NICH<sup>s</sup>. MORSE Esq<sup>r</sup>.

7 a 12		Six Chests Wine	...	...	60	—	—
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DIRECTED

DITTO . . . TO WILLIAM MONSON Esq<sup>r</sup>.

3 a 4		Two Chests Wine	...	...	20	—	—
		Freight Free being for the Use of the above mentioned persons at Fort Saint George.					

DIRECTED

MAJOR LAWRENCE *Passenger.*

		Two Chests Wine	...	...	20	—	—
		One Case q <sup>t</sup> . Six Chairs, One Case q <sup>t</sup> . a table & Elbow Chair	...	...	6	—	—
		One Desk q. Covers for Chairs, One Bundle Bedding & furniture	...	...	12	—	—
		One Bag q <sup>t</sup> . a Bedstead, One Box Glasses, One Case q <sup>t</sup> . a Fuzil	...	...	4	10	—
		One Chest One Trunk Apparel & Linnen	...	...	25	—	—
		One Trunk Wrought Plate	...	...	160	—	—
		One Cask Sugar, One Box Saddles	...	...	4	—	—
		One Shagreen Case Cutt Glass	...	...	5	—	—
		One Box Servants Apparel & Necessarys	...	...	12	10	—

E: P

EDWARD PASOAL *Passenger.*

		One Chest Apparel & Necessarys	...	...	20	—	—
		One Chair Bed & Bedding	...	...	7	—	—
		Freight Free being for the use of the above mentioned persons in the Voyage.					



T: B

THOMAS BRADDYL Esq<sup>r</sup>. TO GOV<sup>r</sup>. FOSTER.

1 a 14 Fourteen Cases Wax Images & Artificial  
Fruit ... .. £35 --- ---  
Freight Free being for the Use of the above  
person at Bengal.

THOMAS GODFREY Esquire.

† 2 One case Coral Beads ... .. 700 --- ---  
On which he has paid £15 ... .. for  
freight and permission into the Companys  
treasury, and given Bond pursuant to Order  
of Court.

EAST INDIA HOUSE

LONDON THE 18 FEBRUARY 1746.

H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

1746.

A LIST OF 21 SOLDIERS ON BOARD THE SHIP WINCHELSMA CAPTAIN CHRIS-  
TOPHER BAR[ON] COMMANDER.

FOR FORT ST. GEORGE.

NAME.	QUALITY.	COUNTRY.	TRADE.	AGE.
Stringer Lawrence ...	Major ...	Herefordshire ...	Soldier ...	[1...]
Edmund Pascall ...	Ensign ...	Portsmouth ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	[...]
John Brooke ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	Cheshire ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	[2...]
Samuel Parry ...	Soldier ...	Monmouthshire.	Taylor ...	[3...]
John George Guesler.	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	Switzerland ...	Labourer ...	[3...]
John Rigby ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	London ...	Shoemaker ...	[3...]
Joseph Etherington.	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	Lancashire ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	[1...]
Ratcliff Bradford ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	London ...	Labourer ...	[1...]
James Marshall ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	Berwick ...	Gardner ...	[2...]
Richard Claridge ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	Warwick ...	Labourer ...	[2...]
John Matthews ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	Gloucester ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	[1...]
Robert Seers ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	Camberwell ...	Barber ...	[3...]
Peter Clove ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	London ...	Labourer ...	[2...]
Joseph Step <sup>r</sup> . Under- hill.	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	[2...]
Joseph Chamberlain.	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	Nottingham ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	[2...]
Edward Tween ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	Herefordshire ...	Miller ...	[...]
William Allman ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	Preston ...	Labourer ...	[...]
William Bexley ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	London ...	Barber ...	[2...]
Thomas Goostree ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	Labourer ...	[1...]
William Morris ...	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	North Wales ...	Hatter ...	[2...]
Samuel Crumlington.	d <sup>o</sup> . ...	London ...	Labourer ...	[1...]

EAST INDIA HOUSE

LONDON THE 18 FEBRUARY 1746.

H<sup>r</sup>. CRABB BOULTON.

SECRETARY'S LETTER TO FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE, DATED FEBRUARY 18, 1747  
 [*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 50, page 92.*]

GENTLEMEN

The Company having ordered Thirty [four] Chests of their Treasure to be put on board the Ship Winchilsea at Spithead, M<sup>r</sup>. George Huish Their Agent at Portsmouth will enclose herewith a Bill of Lading duly Firmd for the Same.

I am

GENTLEMEN

Your most obedient humble Servant

CHRIS: MOLE  
*Secy.*

EAST INDIA HOUSE LONDON  
 THE 18<sup>th</sup>. FEBRUARY 1746.

THE HONOURABLE THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL AT FORT S<sup>t</sup>. GEORGE.

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