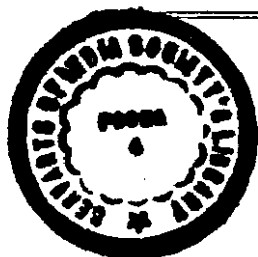


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PREFATORY NOTE

THIS volume contains all letters and papers received from England during the period 1721—24. The documents are printed in the order in which they are found in the manuscript volumes 24, 25 and 26 of the "Despatches from England". The letters in the first 56 pages at the beginning of the manuscript volume 24 have been omitted, as they are duplicates of those already printed in the previous volume of the "Despatches from England," 1717—21.

The manuscript volumes have been mended with chiffon and are in a fair state of preservation. The India Office had the kindness to supply here and there transcripts promptly from the Letter Books with them, in cases where the letters in the original volumes here were damaged or where there had been breaks or lacunæ.

The years adopted in dating the letters are what are called the 'old civil years' and to convert a year of that old civil style into the corresponding historical year, the rules given on page 198 of Pringle's "Diary and Consultation Book", 1685, Vol. IV, and already quoted in previous volumes of the "Despatches from England", should be followed.

EGMORE,
9th March 1928.

A. V. VENKATARAMA AYYAR,
Curator,
Madras Record Office.

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ACCOUNTANT GENERAL'S LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED FEBRUARY 16, 1721.
PER ENFIELD. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 24, pp. 57—68.*]

To the Hon^{ble}. the President & Council at Fort S^t. George.

Our last to you was by the Monmouth and Marlborough under date of the 24 February 1720 & 26 April 1721. since which we have received yours by the Duke of Cambridge dated January 1720/1 and the following Books of accounts [Viz^t.]

Fort S^t. George General Books S, ending the 30 April 1720.

Fort S^t. Davids Books—S, ending the 30 April 1720.

Vizagapatam Books—S, ending the 30 April 1720.

We are glad to find Vizagapatam Factory Account Currant adjusted in your books letter S, the occasion of its not being sooner done must be by the neglect and Idleness of your former Accountants and the Company have been great sufferers by such neglect as appears by the adjustment made in April 1720. of all the Differences from July 1702. [of] which the following is part.

1 Bale q ^t . 100 Bettellees which Vizagapatam charges as sent to Fort S ^t . George in the year 1706 but you dont own the Receipt of	... ..	Pag ^o . 202: 5: -
1 Bag Salt Petre in 1707	... ..	3: 14: -
Sallampores in May 1716: said to be sent but not owned to be received at Fort S ^t . George	... ..	75: -: -

You ought to enquire into the above Losses and endeavour to fix them upon some particular person that the Company may not be Loossers.

Your answer as you referr to under date of the 8 January 1718-9 relating to Sallary extraordinary paid at Vizagapatam is in the following words.

In the Vizagapatam Books as you are pleased to observe Mess^{rs}. Richard Horden, Thomas Faucet, Richard Smith and John Emmerson or some one of them at a time have Credit for y^e. Sum you mention which was a Monthly sallary paid out by some one of them as Paymaster to the Doctor and another who was entertained there in your Hon^{rs}. service being usefull for his Writing assistance in the time of sickness of any of your servants they are both since dead and consequently that charge now ceaseth.

We take the above answer to be trifling as also your answer in your Letter dated January the 1720/1 wherein you affirm that Sallary was paid for the Doctor and an Assistant in your Writing affairs when your Covenanted Servants were sick, we desire you look into our Letter last year where you will find the same Charge continued and likewise we find in Vizagapatam Books S, ending April 1720. Pag^o. 14 paid to Cornelius Moll and Pag^o. [. . .] paid to John Blunt upon the same account surely your Factory is Perpetually sickly we find by your Sallary list in September 4 of you and in March 1720. three Persons besides the

Doctor and your Business to be but small therefore there is no occasion for any such Assistants to be hired, we direct you to make all those Persons refund to the Company those several sums which for their Idleness they hired persons to do the Company's Business.

As to the several Impediments you Intimate to us wth. hindred M^r. Symonds Chief at Vizagapatam from Complying with his Contract we find you excuse though we cant beleive that if a true care had been taken so much mony would have lain dead for so long a time.

Your 4th. Par^a. relating to Fort S^t. Davids Books P, is a Falsity therefore we direct you to send us word when those Books were received at Fort S^t. George because by examining our Register of Books received from India we find we received Fort S^t. Davids Books Q ending the 30th April 1718. by the Mary the 20 August 1719. and the Fort S^t. Davids Books P, ending the 30 April 1717. we did not receive untill the Arrival of the Marlborough which was in August 1720. therefore we beleive few or none of those Persons who sign'd that Letter examined into the Truth thereof otherwise we are willing to beleive they would not have advised of such a plain Equivocation or Falsity.

Your 9 Par^a. relating to the Sale of Europe and China Goods you say you advised us last year but upon perusing your Letter to the Accountant we find no such advise.

We direct you to follow our directions give you in our last years Letter.

We desire you to be carefull in getting in the following Debts Viz^t.

Pago.			
4014	20	4	Mortee &c ^a . Washers we complained last year of their creeping into debt but now they are more in debt Pag ^o . 1243. 4. 36.
1513	24	26	Nairo Verona.
6832	2	—	Ponagette Narso &c ^a . old Tobacco Farmers.
12078	8	66	Tonapa.
1782	4	70	Gruapa &c Arrack Farmers.
32001	14	22	Robert Raworth.
100	—	—	Vincata Shallum lent them on Bond.
25	31	52	Estate of Elisha Ellill occasioned by dividing Pag ^o . 610.24.— amongst his Creditors before Pag ^o . 25. 31. 40 was charged for Commission which ought not to have been done.
277	32	36	Estate of William Palmer what he is debted for on account of Peoples Outcrys more than his Estate will make good.
264	7	55	Nagalingum Powdermaker considerably encreased in last Books.
417	12	40	Pera Powdermaker nothing received for a great while.

We find several Persons Estates paid into your Cash but are not wrote off to Account Currant London which occasions a great uneasiness to their Relations in Engl^d. who have a right to receive the same we therefore direct you at the close of every pair of Books to be very carefull in Writing off all those Accounts that are adjusted and whereon no Demands can be made upon them in India to our Account Currant so that the Company may pay them as soon as demanded.

We have formerly directed you not to debt one person to another but we find all your York Fort Accounts to be so done which occasions the above Accounts of Elisha Ellill and William Palmer to be in Debt to the Comp^a. and other Persons to be Creditors which we fear the Company will be obliged to pay although the same hath not been made good to their Cash we therefore direct you to Credit no deceased Persons Estates in any of the Comp^a. Books but by Cash for we shall

esteem such an Accountant not to be a just and Honest servant to the Company and shall expect him to make good any loss that may or shall accrue to the Company by such a notorious Entry Upon perusing M^r. Berlu's Account of the Fort S^t. Davids Debts due to the Company as by their List of Debts, ending the 30 April 1719. we find them as follows.

Page.

15 24 53 Thomas Woodward Paymaster } Desperate.
51 30 40 Richard Harrison }

Write them off to Account Currant London with this Memorandum that their Estates or securitys in England ought to make the same good to the Company.

7760 ... 27 Shevenaige Reddee &c. Renters Account of the Cingee Wars if there is no Prospect of Recovery let them be wrote off to Proffitt and Loss and entered as a memorandum at the end of their Journal.

225 Coata &c Arrack Renters.

649 20 Erram Rauze bound Renter.

1216 24 Madre Naike &c^a.

Nothing hath been made good to the Company in the last Books though you say they and their effects have been long since secured in order to make satisfaction.

1749 19 Andeverow and Chenapa Arrack Farmers only Pag^o. [. . .] hath been made good to the Company in their [last . . .]. We want Fort S^t. Davids books R, ending the 30 April which we direct you to send us by the 1st. Conveyance and we cant help beleiving it to be a great neglect we having received S, the next succeeding Books and we find you had them by you because you have settled their Account Currant in your books and likewise inform us of the true reasons that they were not sooner sent us,

We find your charges at Fort S^t. Davids in Books S, to [be] very large and are as followeth viz^t.

Charges Garrison	...	...	...	Pag ^o .	19192	1	76
Charges extraordinary	...	...	...		682	25	77
Charges Cattle	...	...	...		1065	2	24
Charges Dyet	...	...	...		6493	34	22
Account presents	...	...	...		769	17	22
Repairs and Fortifications	...	...	...		666	5	8
Stationary Ware	...	...	...		69	2	11
Sallary	...	...	...		721	—	53
Factors Provisions	...	...	...		90	—	—
Charges Generall	...	...	...		9915	8	53

Pag^o. 39664 26 26

Certainly some part of several of those Charges might have been saved to the Company such as charges of Dyet and charges General the President and Council ought to examine particularly into those disbursments and then they will be able to Judge whether any of them are superfluous or unnecessary which at this Distance and for want of Particulars we are not so capable of being Judges of and we direct you to advise us accordingly.

Our Europe Goods sold at Vizagapatam as appears by their last 2 Pair of Books for no Proffitt but rather at a Loss that ought to be under your consideration and we expect your answer to this in your next Letter whether you thought more could not have been sold and at better prices.

The expences of Vizagapatam Factory as by their last 2 pair of Books R and S. amounts to Pag^o. 18238: 13: 31 and in Consideration of the small number of Factors there and the smalness of our Investments made there we are apt to beleive if you would take. pains to examine into their Expences and Disbursments the Company might save very Considerably We therefore direct for the future that the President and Council do Immediately upon the Receipt of the Fort S'. Davids Vizagapatam and any other subordinate Factory Books direct the Accountant to examine them and report the amount of every Particular head of Expences and whether any one or more articles in those Disbursments ought not to be allowed and enter the same in your Consultations with your opinion thereon.

		Books R.			
Charges Fortifications	...	Pag ^o .	401: 15: 10	Pag ^o .	938: 34: 8
Fort house	... ..		1,707: —: 54		764: 6: 22
Factors Provisions	...		455: 19: 73		394: 25: 69
Presents	... ..		282: 15: 27		649: 22: 11
General	.. ..		374: 29: 17		405: 2: 15
Extraordinary	... ..		726: 31: 21		505: 9: 49
Dyet	... ..		356: 22: 52		398: 16: 34
Garrison	... ..		1,522: 5: 13		2,096: 6: —
Merchandize	... ..		396: 28: 6		777: 22: 38
Repairs	... ..		17: 6: 78		21: 23: 6
Sallary	... ..		208: 23: 50		305: 21: 60
Servants Wages	... ..		2,037: 29: 64		2,323: 9: 7
Wax	... ..		33: 4: 38		39: 30: 38
Gardens	... ..		48: 6: 47		54: 13: 4
			8,568: 22: 70		9,669: 26: 41
					8,568: 22: 70
					Pag ^o . 18,238: 13: 31

We find you have of late charged the Mexico P^a. ‡ which hath been coined and sold at 2 ^{dwt.} Cent worse than standard and so have made allowances accordingly we give for those P^a. in England as much as we do for any Pillar P^a. and upon enquiry we find they are at Cadiz esteemed to be as good as any Pillar, we therefore direct the President and Council to make particular enquiry into the reason of that Loss and advise us of the true cause for we find those P^a. are valuable all over India for Purchasing of Pepper and Coffee [and] therefore we see no reason why that Coin should [not] sell as well as any.

We direct you to put the Chief and Council at Vizagapatam in mind to gather in those old Debts as soon as possible and likewise advise them that Vizagapatam Town stands a debtor the 30 April 1720. Pag^o. 6891: 18: 73 and for some Years past it hath encreased direct them to put a stop to that growing evill and advise us [how] that debt comes to be so large.

By the 36 Par^a. of your General Letter received by the Duke of Cambridge you advise us that you paid Cap^t. Powney Pag^o. 1250: —: more upon account of the China Junk which you desire us to stop out of the Tea sold in England which advice came [s]o ate to our hands We having paid the Proprietors of the China Junk in July 1720. the ballance of that account therefore we direct you to send to the Proprietors of that Junk to repay those Pag^o. 1250 into the Company's Cash and advise us that the Company hath Credit for the same.

Upon perusing of your account of Proffitt and Loss in Fort S'. George Books S, ending the 30 April 1720. We find the following Articles charged to that Account and no Reason given in the Jornal Parcel of the occasion thereof We

therefore direct for the Future that the true Reason be mentioned in the Jornal Parcel and if the same be directed to be done by Order of Consultation to mention the date of that Order.

Beef 2 Leagers found Rotten ...	Pag ^o .	130 : — : —
Pork 16½		487 : 18 : —
		<u>617 : 18 : —</u>
23 Pipes of Madeira Wine leaked out ...		470 : 13 : 60
Holland duck 5 P ^a . Damaged by Townshend and so wrote off surely they must be worth something if the ship was the fault they ought to be charged to Acco ^t . of the Owners & the Comp ^o . advised thereof		40 : — : —
Sea Coals 2 Chaldrons lost on the King William the ship ought to have been charged		7 : 18 : —
	Pag ^o .	<u>1135 : 13 : 60</u>

We find your Disbursements at Fort S^t. George to encrease as appears by the following Particulars abstracted from your Books S, ending the 30 April 1720. amounting to Pag^o. 70513. 8. 68 certainly if a Frugal care was taken some part thereof might be saved and we direct you for the Future to be as Frugal as Possible and to Erect no more new Buildings than Necessity Requires.

Armenian Bridge Gate	Pag ^o .	451 : 7 : 5
Mint		139 : 34 : 50
Charles Point		4501 : 12 : 45
Inner Fort		366 : 15 : 65
New Warehouse		6008 : 29 : 55
House Moveables		116 : 18 : —
Dieu Island		76 : 6 : —
Horse Furniture		53 : 7 : 40
Charges Garrison		25987 : 22 : 22
Charges Cattle		1888 : 32 : —
Charges Extraordinary		2670 : 18 : 59
Fortifications and Repairs		2274 : 28 : 45
Diet and stores laid in		11745 : 26 : 5
Presents		720 : 25 : 78
Sallary		3209 : 22 : 78
Inclosure upon the Island		438 : 26 : 75
Charges Generall		9862 : 34 : 6
	Pag ^o .	<u>70513 : 8 : 68</u>

We have received several Accounts from Fort S^t. George by ship Marlborough relating to Mess^{rs}. Farmer, Garret Shylling and Morris sign'd by no Body very imperfect and upon perusing Marlborough Fort Consultations we find several Orders were directed for M^r. Hubbard to comply with which we find not done.

We find by a Consultation held at Marlborough Fort the 16 May 1718, it was ordered that James Hubbard Paymaster and John Kington storekeeper do make a thorough survey of all the new Buildings and give in a Report in what condition they find each particular and what Repairs are most necessary first to enter upon pursuant to which Order we find M^r. Hubbard and M^r. Kington made a report the 13 June 1718, but no notice taken of the Mudd Wall round Marlborough Fort nor do we find any thing relating thereto towards what may be reported in those Consultations which were held after the 29 November 1718, and before the 17 January 1718/9, we cannot tell because you have thought fitt not to send us them but we direct you to send them us by the first Conveyance.

We come now to consider Mr. Farmer seizing of the Persons of Mr. Shylling and Mr. Garrett with their Papers which is very severe and we have perused the account wherein Mr. Shylling is made Dr. £ 21255 [. . .] and upon perusing the Observations made by Mess^{rs}. Cooke, Hubbard, Kington and Newcome we do not find that account to be settled [and] though Mr. Cooke was sent as a supervisor from Fort St. George on [purpose] except some few remarks which leaves it still in the Dark and we have received several foul papers which the supervisor might seize in the hands of Mr. Farm[er] and which he thought might be a Justification to the accounts of Mr. Shylling but we find no papers have been sent us under the hand of Mr. Shylling wherein he owned to have defrauded the Company of several sums in his Disbursements although we are Credibly Informed there were such papers in Mr. Farm[er]'s hands which if had been allowed to send to England would have adjusted the said Shylling's account.

We have perused the account of Mr. Henry Garrett wherein Mess^{rs}. Cooke, Hubbard, Kington & Newcome says Viz^t.

The greatest part of Mr. Garretts charge seem to be Imaginary and is framed by Computat[ion] of the same Byassed Persons as Mr. Shylling are though tis not Improbable but some Frauds may have been committed by him which will require time and some farther Intelligence before they can be Inspected into.

There hath been time enough to Inspect into Mr. Garretts accounts since the above memorandum and to have advised us of their Opinion thereon if the above persons had a willing mind to have done it and it would have been easier to be done although at Fort St. George than in England.

We come now to Consider of Mr. Cooke's seizing of Mr. Farmer & Mr. Morris which we cannot help saying is very severe We find an account dated the 28 September 1719 at Fort St. George sign'd by no Body wherein the Ball^{ts}. is said to be due to Mr. Farmer £ 7762. 2. 28 excepting £ 1906. 2. charged as bad debts wherein Mr. Farmer is debted for Building a Turf Wall round Marlborough Fort to the amount of £ 11178. of which sum £ 10362.—.42 is disbursd before Mr. Cooke's arrival at Marlborough [fort] and £ 816. 2. 25 afterwards if that Turf Wall had been good for nothing how came Mr. Cooke the Supervisor to continue disbursments on the same account that Turf Wall ought to have been seriously considered of and whether Mr. Farmer disbursd all the Mony that is charged whether he had any advantage by Workmen or by selling materials for that Purpose and that ought to have been advised us.

We have received an account of Mr. Morris dated at Fort St. George the 28 September 1719 signed by no Body wherein he is debted £ 1704.—.50 for the Charge thereof and there being made rec^d. in said account £ 812. 2. 67 he remains a debtor £ 891. 1. 83. and at the bottom of that account you make a memorandum of Viz^t.

For Building a Turf Wall at Marlborough ...	... £ 11178. 2. 67
and for a house bought of Elisha Ellill ...	... 893. 1. —
	...
the whole being £	... 12071. 3. 67

Submitted to the Honourable Court of Directors whether he be charged with any part thereof being then of Council there.

This would have been easier decided at Fort St. George than in England.

Upon the whole we think every one hath done amiss and carried severity further than it ought to be Mr. Farmer ought to have sent Mr. Shylling and [. . .] to Fort St. George to have made up their accounts [. . .] and Mr. Cooke ought to have adjusted Mr. Farmers accounts at Fort St. George and have laid them before the President and Council for their approval and Consent for where all persons are Face to face with their accusers and Partiality spleen and malice is laid aside their accounts will be easily adjusted.

I would as Accountant to the East India Company in England desire to be answered to the following. [Viz^t.]

Whether if any Supervisor had come over the head of M^r. Cooke and M^r. Hubbard (without speaking of the Loss of Fort Marlborough with all the [] and Chargeable Buildings erected thereon) they may not have charged those persons with weak manangement and so an account might have been refer[red] home to the Directors of the Company in England to be adjusted as well as the aforementioned fo[ur] Persons.

The accounts of Mess^{rs}. Shylling, Garrett & Farmer are now under Reference of arbitration and wee hope they will be amicably adjusted but whether they are or not we expect a perfecter account than we have at present of those affairs with those Consultations and also [statute] Books of accounts from the time we had them last and if that should be thought Impossible though we beleive it is not we direct you to send us those from the arrival of M^r. Cooke and Hubbard to the Blowing up or running away from the place.

We send you an account of the expences of the General Table at Fort S^t. George from the time of the Intire Union of the Two Companys abstracted from your Books to show you how extravagant and expensive your Table is now more than formerly there being no [more] Covenanted servants than there was then.

from y ^o .	1 May 1709 to the 30 April 1710	...	Pag ^o .	6492.	35.	2
..	1 May 1710 to the 30 April 1711	...	..	9215.	9.	4
..	1 May 1711 to the 30 April 1712	...	..	7855.	14.	2
..	1 May 1712 to the 30 April 1713	...	..	8311.	22.	—
..	1 May 1713 to the 30 April 1714	...	..	7843.	21.	4
..	1 May 1714 to the 30 April 1715	...	..	7937.	35.	—
..	1 May 1715 to the 30 April 1716	...	..	8113.	24.	3
..	1 May 1716 to the 30 April 1717	...	..	9938.	31.	2
..	1 May 1717 to the 30 April 1718	...	..	15555.	10.	44
..	1 May 1718 to the 30 April 1719	...	..	12545.	28.	40
..	1 May 1719 to the 30 April 1720	...	..	11745.	26.	5

LONDON THE 16 FEBBY. 1721.

I am Your Humble Servant

J. FLETCHER

Account^t. Gen^l.

ACCOMPT OF BULLION & CORAL LYCENCED TO BE SHIPT ON THE FORDWICH FOR FORT ST. GEORGE BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS.

By			© N ^o .	1, 2, 3 cont ^a .	Ounces.
Abraham Osorio.	3 Chests markt.				✓ 10,000
Alavaro Mendes.	1 D ^o .	A M N ^o .	1	...	✓ 2,000
Ditto.	1 D ^o .	A. MC. N ^o .	1	...	✓ 3,622
Solomon De Castro.	1 D ^o .	4 MDC. N ^o .	3	...	✓ ,000
Jacob Da Costa.	2 D ^o .	1 DC. N ^o .	1, 2	...	✓ 5,000
John Mendes Da Costa Jun ^r .	2 D ^o .	MDC. 1 N ^o .	1, 2	...	✓ 5,143 10
John Cooke & M ^r . Franco.	1 D ^o .	C F N ^o .	1	...	✓ 400[0]
Abraham & Jacob Franco.	1 D ^o .	A F 1 N ^o .	1	...	✓ 2,000
Jacob Mendes Da Costa.	2 D ^o .	A N ^o .	1, 2	...	✓ 8,653 10

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				Conta.	Ounces.
S ^r . John Lock:	1 Chest markt.	Z N ^o .	1	...	✓ 4,000
Ant ^o . Mendes Da Costa.	1 D ^o .	AMDC N ^o .	1	...	✓ 3,448 5
Joseph Telles Da Costa.	1 D ^o .	JOCT N ^o .	1	...	✓ 8,000
Isaac Franks.	1 D ^o .	A F N ^o .	1	...	✓ 4,000
Ditto.	5 D ^o .	I F N ^o .	1 to 5	...	✓ 17,000
				Ounces ...	<u>72,865: 8</u>
By Isaac Salvador...2 Boxes markt 1 S N ^o . 1, 2 Containing Coral Beads value					<u>£ 870: 16: 0</u>

ACCOMPT OF BULLION LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ABOARD THE BOUVERIE FOR FORT S^r. GEORGE BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS.

				Cont ^a .	Ounces.
By Joseph Telles Costa.	1 Chest markt.	JOCT No.	1	cont ^a .	8,000
Alvaro Mendes.	1 D ^o .	A * M N ^o .	1	...	2,000
				Ounces ...	<u>5,000</u>

ACCOMPT OF BULLION & CORAL LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ABOARD THE DEVONSHIRE FOR FORT S^r. GEORGE BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS.

				Cont ^a .	Ounces.
By Ab ^o . Mendes Sen ^r .	1 Chest markt.	S ⁴ MDS N ^o .	1	cont ^a .	✓ 2,500
S ^r . John Lock.	1 D ^o .	Σ N ^o .	3	...	✓ 2,000
Moses Julian.	3 D ^o .	ADC N ^o .	8, 9, 10	...	9,000
Anth ^o . Mendes Da Costa.	1 D ^o .	MDC N ^o .	1	...	3,198
Alvaro Mendes.	1 D ^o .	A M N ^o .	2	...	2,000
				Ounces ...	<u>18,698</u>
By Ab ^o . Franco.	1 D ^o .	C F N ^o .	2	cont ^a .	
	1 D ^o .	K F N ^o .	1		
	2 D ^o .	F N ^o .	1, 2		
Rough Coral & Coral Beads val.					£ 2532 2 11
Jacob Mendes Da Costa	1 Chest markt	† MDC N ^o .	1	cont ^a .	
Coral Beads val.	...	...	...	...	426 10 10
					<u>£2958 18 9</u>

ACCOUNT OF BULLION LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ON BOARD THE ENFIELD FOR FORT S^t.
GEORGE BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS TO PURCHASE DYAMONDS.

					Ounces.
By Moses De Medina.	1 Chest markt.		P N C N ^o . 1	cont ^a .	3,700
Abf. Osorio.	3 D ^o .		© N ^o . 1, 2, 3	...	10,000
Moses Julian.	3 D ^o .		ADC N ^o . 5, 6, 7	...	9,000
J ^o . Mendes Da Costa Jun ^r .	1 D ^o .		MDCI N ^o . 4	...	2,000
Ounces ...					24,700

ACCOUNT OF BULLION LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ABOARD THE NIGHTINGALE FOR FORT
S^t. GEORGE BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS TO PURCHASE DYAMONDS.

					Ounces.
N. E. By Abram Mendes Sen ^r .	1 Chest markt.		AMDS N ^o . 1	cont ^a .	2,500
N. T. Moses De Medina.	1 D ^o .		MD N ^o . 1	...	4,000
N. E. S ^r . John Lock.	1 D ^o .		Ⓔ N ^o . 2	...	2,000
G. D. Moses Julian.	4 D ^o .		ADC N ^o . 1, 2, 3, 4	...	12,000
N. E. Jn ^o . Cooke & Abr ^a : Franco.	2 D ^o .		M N ^o . 1. C F N ^o . 2...	...	5,000
R. B. Alvaro Mendes.	1 D ^o .		A ^a M N ^o . 2	...	2,000
G. D. John Mendes Da Costa Jun ^r .	1 D ^o .		MDC I N ^o . 3	...	2,858
A. F. Isaac Franks.	2 D ^o .		I F N ^o . 4, 5	...	7,000
Ounces ...					37,358

LIST OF GOODS TO BE PROVIDED ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDEL FOR THE SHIPS
GOING OUT IN THE YEAR 1721.

	Peices
Long Cloths, Ordinary from Madrass & Fort S ^t . David one hundred thousand	100,000
<i>N.B.</i> —We do order this as of late years in one article and refer to what we then said about the sorts and to the Observations made on the goods and must press you to have regard thereto.	
Ditto—Middling N ^o . 1. 2. from Madrass better than We have had of late Six Thousand	6,000
Ditto—N ^o . 1. 2. From Fort S ^t . David Four Thousand	4,000
Ditto—Dark-Blew from Madrass well dry'd to prevent mildew Three Thousand	3,000
Ditto—Fine N ^o . 1. 2. Madrass Six Thousand	6,000
Ditto—Fine Fort S ^t . David, Six Thousand	6,000
Ditto—Ordinary from Vizagapatam Twenty Thousand	20,000

See our observations on this sort in 1717.

	Peices
Long Cloths,—Fine the sort V. 1. as formerly from Vizagapatam Three Thousand	3,000
<i>N.B.</i> —Whatsoever shall be wanting of the Quantity of Long Cloths order'd now to be provided at Vizagapatam must be made up at Madrass and Fort S ^t . David.	
Salempores, Ordinary N ^o . 1. 2. of Thirty two Covids long & full two covids and a quarter broad from Madrass Eighty Thousand.	80,000
Ditto—Ordinary Worriapollam N ^o . W. 1. W. 2 Twenty Thousand...	20,000
Salempores, Ordinary from Fort S ^t . David N ^o . 1. 2. fifty Thousand	50,000
Ditto—Midling N ^o . 1. 2 from Madrass Eight Thousand	8,000
Ditto—N ^o . 1. 2. Fort S ^t . David Six Thousand	6,000
Ditto—Fine from Madrass Ten Thousand	10,000
Ditto—Ordinary Vizagapatam and Ganjam Thirty two Covids long & full two Covids and a quarter broad of the sorts directed in Our Observations in 1719 Twenty Thousand	20,000
Ditto—Fine of the B, sort or any other that is still better Two Thousand	2,000
<i>N.B.</i> —In this article as in that of Long Cloths whatever shall be wanting of the Quantity now order'd to be provided at Vizagapatam must be made up at Madrass and Fort S ^t . David.	
Bettelles, ordinary none.	
Ditto—Oringal N ^o . 1. 2. from Madrass Thirty two Covids long Three Thousand five Hundred. These to be as fine as can be made and truly sorted	3,500
For the Finer sort in Our former observations to which We refer you, of the severall sorts about Five Hundred	500
Bettelles Oringal N ^o . 1. from Fort S ^t . David Five Hundred	500
Ditto—Policat, Two Covids broad & no more the finest can be had Five hundred	500
Ditto—Three Covids Broad Two hundred	200
Ditto—Strip from Vizagapatam None.	
Chints. Salempores None.	
Ditto—Madrass whole Peices the sorts order'd in former years Eight hundred	800
Moorees. Fine Ten Yards Long and one Yard eight Inches bare broad Four Thousand	4,000
Ditto—Ordinary, Ten yards long and bare one yard eight Inches broad—see the reason below Six Thousand	6,000
Ginghams, stript of the Poliacat sort as lately directed One Thousand	1,000
Ditto—White small Two Thousand	2,000
Ditto—White large Five Hundred	500
These if cheap, otherwise send but two or three hundred.	
Fine Izzarees, Two hundred	200
Fine Dimmitees, From Fort S ^t . David Two Hundred	200
Allejaes, Five Hundred	500
Calloway Poose, Five Hundred	500
Sacerguntes, Five Hundred	500
Romals D ^o . Seven eighths broad Five Hundred	500
Romals Desta, Seven eighths broad Five Hundred... ..	500
We mean five Chay Policat Handkerchiefs.	
Shellack Nona	
Cowrees. If any ship put in Maldivie Islands with Live ones Good and cheap Fifty Tons and not otherwise	50. Tons

Buy of all these severall sorts of Goods in proportion to the Quantity of stock We shall send you and also to the Tonnage actually sending out.

The Moorees both ordinary and Fine We would have to be Ten yards long, and one yard eight Inches broad very bare because then they will be computed at Ten yards to a Callico, whereas if they be one yard nine Inches broad or more they are computed at Six yards to a Callico and the difference of this one Inch amounts in the Duty to about two shillings on each peice—Therefore We order thus.

A single Bale of Long Cloths from Vizagapatam by the Darby markt ~~is~~ proved very good at Thirty two pagodas Eighteen Fanams Ψ Corge send three or four Thousand of the same sort if to be got as good.

The Cloth V. I. from thence was also a good Cloth but all the rest from thence was worse than formerly. All that Cloth should be Whited at Madrass.

All the other Callicoes should be made thicker & full one yard and one eighth broad and especially at Fort S^t. David care should be taken herein.

Notwithstanding We have in this Investment mentioned the Ordinary Long-Cloths in one article to be one Hundred Thousand peices yet for your better direction herein and especially because of late We have not had some sorts hereof which We used formerly to have We therefore order the severall sorts and Quantities of ordinary Long Cloths as follows Viz^t.

From Madrass.

N ^o . 1.	2.	Forty Thousand	...	...	...	...	40,000
1. W.	2. W.	Worriapollam, Ten Thousand	...	...	...	...	10,000
N ^o . 1 G.	2. G.	Ten Thousand	...	...	...	...	10,000
Fort S ^t . David.							
N ^o . D. 1.	D. 2.	Twenty Thousand	...	...	...	...	20,000
D. 1. W.	D. 2. W.	Worriapollam, Ten Thousand.	...	...	...	...	10,000
1. N.	2. N.	Nagore, Ten Thousand	...	...	...	...	10,000

Examind
Laur^o Lane.

AMENDMENTS TO THE ORDERS OF INVESTMENT ON THE COAST CHOROMANDEL SENT BY THE DARMOUTH ADDISON & GOODFELLOW MADE BY THE COMMITTEE OF WAREHOUSES THE 1st. JUNE 1721.

Of the common Bettelles send none but Invest that money in the finest Oringall Bettelles that can be got besides the Quantity Order'd in the Investment.

	Peices.
White Ginghams small Two Thousand Peices	... 2,000
Large Ditto, if cheap Five hundred peices else but Two or Three Hundred	... 500
Fine Izzarees, Tow Hundred Peices	... 200
Fine Dimaties Two Hundred Peices	... 200

LONDON THE 7 DECEMBER 1721.

ABSTRACT OF THE FORDWICH^o. INVOICE BUBDEN 480 TONS OR THEREABOUTS FOR FORT S^t. GEORGE CAP^t. RICHARD GOSFRIGHT COMMANDER VIZ^t.

	o.	qr.	b.	s.	d.	
Lead 537 Piggs & Slabs w ^t .	1002	1	4	at	13	2: Ψ Θ ... £ 659: 16: 9
Broad cloth 250 Bales cont ^a .	750	clo ^a .	amounting	to	...	7,868: - : -
Ironmongers Ware 10 Casks & 40 Bundles amounting to	...	...	...	...	...	314: 19: 7
Grind Stones 6	...	...	...	...	...	1: - :10

Anchors 64 w ^t .	582	amounting to ...	...	...	...	£ 870: -: -
Grappols 20 w ^t .	25: 3	at 29: 8 p. 0	...	...	...	38: 3: 11
Iron Guns 12	259: 3: 12	13: 9: p. 0	...	...	...	178: 13: -
Iron 2,299 Bars w ^t .	50 Tons	at £16 $\frac{1}{2}$ Ton	...	...	...	800: -: -
Cordage 55 Coyles & 6 Cables w ^t .	313: 3: 26	amounts to	...	...	...	461: 19: 1
Lanthorns 3 casks & 2 Cases	...	...	...	...	...	21: 15: 6
Stationary Ware 2 Chests	...	...	...	...	...	35: 2: 5
Silver 50 chests w ^t .	174,682: 16	at 5: 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	...	...	...	50221: 6: 1
Pitch 30 Barrels at 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ Barrells at 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ Barrell	...	...	...	...	...	21: -: -
						£61,491: 17: 2
					Charges ...	307: 9: 2
						61,799: 6: 4

LONDON 7 DECEMBER 1721.

ABSTRACT OF THE DESBOUVERIE^s INVOICE FOR FORT WILLIAM BURDEN 450 TONS OR THEREABOUTS CAP^t. JAMES CHAMBERE COMMANDER VIZ^t.

Lead 394 Piggs & slabs w ^t .	[1082].	1: 5 at 13: 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ 0	...	...	...	£ 659: 16: 10
Broad cloth 191 Bales cont ^a .	573 clo ^a .	amounting to	...	...	...	6050: 17: -
Ironmengers Ware 10 Casks	...	...	...	...	...	144: 17: 9
Anchors 80 w ^t .	551. 1: 7.	at 29: 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ 0	...	...	...	817: 15: 7
Iron round shott 1,300 & Cross Bar shot 500	...	...	...	...	...	100: 2: -
Iron 2,278 Bars w ^t .	50 Tons	at £16 $\frac{1}{2}$ Ton	...	...	...	800: -: -
Cordage 80 Coyles w ^t .	318: 3: 26	at 29: 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ 0	...	...	...	465: 8: 7
Iron Guns 100 w ^t .	350: 2: 23	...	...	...	...	2[7]5: 4: 4
Velvets 1 case	...	...	...	...	...	102: 12: 11
Lanthornes 4 Casks	...	...	...	...	...	19: 3: 10
Tin Plates 1 Barrell cont ^a .	200 sheets	at 4 $\frac{1}{2}$	...	...	...	3: 15: -
Gun Powder 12 Barrells at 71: 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ barrell	...	...	...	...	...	42: 18: -
Stationary ware 3 chests	...	...	...	...	...	53: -: 11
Silver 50 Chests w ^t .	177,935: 3:	at 5: 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.	...	...	...	51156: 7: 1
Pitch 30 Barrells at 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ barrell	...	...	...	...	...	21: -: -
						£60712: 14: 10
					Charges ...	303: 11: 3
						£61,016: 6: 1

LONDON THE 16 FEBRY 1721.

ABSTRACT OF THE ENFIELD'S INVOICE BURDEN 450 TONS OR THEREABOUTS FOR FORT ST. GEORGE CAP^t. CHARLES RIGBY COMMANDER VIZ^t.

Lead 660 Pigs w ^t .	1201: 2: 10	at 13: 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ 0.	...	...	...	£ 791: -: 11
Broad Cloth 214 Bales cont ^a .	642 clo ^a.	...	...	...	...	7251: 3: 6
Long Ells 6 Bales cont ^a .	120 Pieces	...	...	...	...	269: -: -

Cables 3 w ^t . 74: 1: 8 at 29: 2 Ψ θ	...	...	...	£ 108: 7: 8
Iron 1917 Bars w ^t . 40 Tons at £16 Ψ Ton	...	...	...	640: -: -
Iron Guns 40 w ^t . 271: 2: 26 at 13: 9 Ψ θ	...	...	...	186: 16: 3
Tellescopes & Spectacles 1 case	...	...	...	37: 13: -
Anchors 45 w ^t . 451: 3: 15	...	...	...	674: 6: 2
Grapnols 15 w ^t . 17: 2: 12½ at 29: 8 Ψ θ	...	...	...	26: 2: 6
Looking Glasses 5 cases	...	...	...	170: 10: -
Silver 80 Chests w ^t . 279,393: 10 at 5: 9 Ψ oz.	...	...	...	80325: 12: 7
				<u>£90480: 12: 7</u>

Goods Return'd Viz^t.

24 Anchors w ^t . 260: -: 1 at	...	29: 8	£385: 13: 6
3 do. 68: 3: 10	...	30: 10	106: 2: 4
3 Grapnols 3: 1: 27	...	29: 8	5: 3: 6
44 Slabs Lead 80: -: 12	...	13: 2	52: 14: 9
			<u>549: 14: 1</u>
			£89930: 18: 6
Charges	...	449: 13: 1	
			<u>£90380: 11: 7</u>

London the 16 Febry. 1721.

ABSTRACT OF THE DEVONSHIRE^s INVOICE BURDEN 480 TONS OR THEREABOUTS FOR FORT WILLIAM CAP^t. LAURENCE PRINCE COMMANDER.

Lead 531 Pigs w ^t . 1400. 3. 8 at 13. 10 Ψ θ	...	...	£ 922. 4. 2
Broad cloth 210 Bales cont ^a . 633 clo ^a.	...	...	6328. 14. 0
Ironmongers Ware 10 casks	...	...	144. 2. 2
Iron 1788 Bars w ^t . 40 Tons—at £ 16 Ψ Ton	...	...	640. 0. 0
Long Ells 102 Bales cont ^a . 2,040 Pieces	...	...	5008. 10. 0
Stationary 3 chests & 1 Hamper Ink	...	...	57. 15. 8
White Lead 20 Casks Gross 112. 1. 4 tare 619 Nett			
106. 3. 21 at 26. 4. Ψ θ	...	...	140. 16. 0
Silver 80 Chests w ^t . 282,928. 13 at 5. 9 Ψ Oz.	...	...	81341. 19. 8
Gold Thread 3 Boxes cont ^a . 2,014 Oz.	...	...	949. 17. 4
Glass Lanthornes 9 cases	...	...	33. 15. 8
Medicines 4 chests & 2 Cases	...	...	205. 17. 6
Tarr 50 Barrells—at 30. 8 Ψ barrell	...	...	76. 13. 4
			<u>£ 95850. 5. 6</u>
Charges	...	479. 5. 0	
			<u>£ 96329. 10. 6</u>

London the 16 Febry. 1721.

ABSTRACT OF THE NIGHTINGALES INVOICE FOR FORT ST. GEORGE BURDEN 480
TONS OR THEREABOUTS CAPT. WILLIAM MACKETT COMMANDER VIZT.

Lead 468 Pigs w ^t . 1401. 1. 3 at 13. 2. p^{θ}	...	...	£ 922.	10.	1
Broad cloth 215 Bales cont ^a . 654 clo ^a.	...	...	7397.	13.	6
Long Ells 6 Bales cont ^a . 120 p ^a.	...	...	276.	0.	0
Iron 1733 Barrs w ^t . 40 Tons at £ 16 p^{θ} Ton	...	...	640.	0.	0
Ironmongers Ware 12 casks & 40 Bundles	...	...	340.	19.	11
Grindstones 6	...	...	1.	0.	10
Anchors 44 w ^t . 444. 1 23	...	...	633.	3.	9
Grapnols 15 w ^t . 17. 2 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ at 29. 8 p^{θ}	...	...	26.	6.	6
Iron Guns 30 w ^t . 425. 3. 12 at 13. 9 p^{θ}.	...	...	292.	15.	6
Coals 31 $\frac{1}{2}$ Chaldrons at 34. 10. p^{θ} Chaldron	...	...	54.	17.	3
Cordage 55 coyles & 3 cables w ^t . 248. 0. 3	...	...	363.	19.	9
Looking Glases 5 cases	...	...	192.	10.	0
Gilded Leather 1 case	...	...	20.	0.	0
Stationary ware 2 chests	...	...	83.	15.	4
White Lead 4 Casks Gr. 22. 2. 11 at 122 nett 21. 2. 1	...	...	28.	6:	5
at 26. 4 p^{θ}	...	...	...	...	...
Silver 68 Chests w ^t . 239234. 8. at 5. 9 p^{θ} Oz.	...	...	68779.	17.	10
Medicines 3 chests & 2 cases	...	...	143.	0.	0
Linseed Oyle 6 Jarrs q ^t . 203 Gall ^a . at 4. 3. p^{θ} Gallon	...	...	43.	2.	9
Fire Armes 8 chests	...	...	247.	1.	8
Flints 2 Casks cont ^a . 20000 at 8: 7 p^{θ} 1000	...	...	8.	11.	8
Leather 1 Bale Cont ^a . 20 Backs w ^t . 866 at 8 p^{θ}	...	...	28.	17.	4
Compasses 2 Cases	...	...	21.	16.	8
Time Glasses & Cards 4 cases	...	...	20.	7.	3
Fuzees Drivers & setters 4 casks	...	...	62.	14.	1
Bouge Barrells 1 cask q ^t . 6 at 3. 4.	...	...	1.	0.	0
Copper Ladles	...	...	16.	13.	4
Lead 3 sheets w ^t . 20. 1 2 at 15. 6. p^{θ}	...	...	15.	14.	2
Hollands Duck 6 cases cont ^a . 120 Peices at 52 p^{θ} Piece	...	...	312.	0.	0
Lines 1 Hogshead	...	...	22.	18.	7
Tar 40 Barrells at 30. 8 p^{θ} Barrell	...	...	61	6.	8
Anchors 27 w ^t . 328. 3 11	...	...	491.	15.	10
Grapnols 3 w ^t . 3. 1. 27 at 29. 8 p^{θ}	...	...	5.	3.	6
Lead 44 Slabs 80. 0. 12 at 13. 2 p^{θ}	...	...	52.	14.	9
Ship Bells 2 Casks	...	...	49.	3.	10
Drum Lines & Shares 1 Box	...	...	3.	6.	8
Ashen staves 7 Bundles q ^t . 16 doz. & 8 at 20 p^{θ} Doz.	...	...	16.	13.	4
Brass Wiree sieves 1 cask q ^t . 4 at 10	...	...	2.	0.	0
Nails 1 Box of 20 q ^t . 500	...	...	0.	4.	6
			£ 81660.	3.	3
		Charges	403.	6.	0
		J. Fletcher.	£ 82068.	9.	3

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANTIZE & FORREIGNE SILVER LYONCED BY THE COMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY TO BE LADEN ON BOARD Y^e FORDWHICH CAPTⁿ. RICHARD GOSFRIGHT COMAND^r. BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS (VIZ^t).

M^r. WILLIAM PURVISS CHIEF MATE.

W. P.	4 Chests of Wine	Value £ 40. —. —
	4 Half Chests of Wine	Do. 20. —. —

On the 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent & Indulgence.

S^r. NATH^l. GOULD KN^t.

S. F. 7 @ 9. 11	4 Chests of Wine	Value £ 40. —. —
	Freight Free being for the use of M ^r . Samuel Feake at Bengall.	

CAP^t. RICHARD GOSFRIGHT.

	In Forreign Silver on his allowance $\frac{1}{2}$ Indulgence	£ 1000. —. —
	Ditto—Sent out $\frac{1}{2}$ the Owner as a stock for Expences in the Voyage	£ 480. —. —
R. G. 1 @ 4—4	4 Chests of Wine	Value £ 80. —. —
		£ 1560. —. —

1 @ 15	15 Chests of Wine	} Value	£ 260. —
16 @ 21	6 Ditto		
	1 Hogsh ^d . Ditto		
	2 Chests Ditto		

On the 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent & Indulgence.

M^r. ISAAC SALVADORE.

† S 1. 2-2. Chests of Corral Beeds . ; . Value £ 870. 16.
On which he has paid £ 17-8-4 for Freight & permission into the Compa^s. Treasury & has Given bond Pursuant to the Order of Court being Consigned to the Hon^{ble}. Nath^l. Elwick Esq^r. Governor at Fort S^t. George.

MR^r. ELIZ^a TORIANO.

Directed.	1 Case q ^t . Apparrel & necessarys	Value £ 87. 6. —
	Freight Free being for the Use of M ^r . George Toriano at Fort St. George.	

MR. JOHN GOUGH.

N ^o . 1 @ 3 ...	3 Chests of Wine	Value £ 30. —. —
	Freight Free being for the Use of Capt ⁿ . John Gough at Fort S ^t . George.	

M^r. JOS. JONES OZORINO FREE MERCH^t.

Ⓢ 1 2	Two Chests of Wine	Value £ 20. —. —
3 @ 10 9	Chests of Beer	D ^o . 36. —. —
	11 1 Chest of Glasses	D ^o . 18. —. —
12 @ 14 3	Cheeses in Lead	D ^o . 4. —. —
15 16 2	Casks of Chocolate & Spice ... ..	... ..
	17 1 Barrel of Vinegar	D ^o . 2. 10. —
18 @ 26 9	Runlets Beef & suit	D ^o . 15. —. —

27—28	2	Punlets of Cakes	...	...	...	Value	6.	—	—
	29	1 Firkin of Butter	...	...	...	D ^o .	1.	10.	—
30.	31	[2]Half Jarrs of Oyle	...	...	...		...	...
	32	1 Chest of Apparrel	...	...	...	D ^o .	100.	—	—
33.	35	3 Cases of Liquors	...	...	...	D ^o .	30.	—	—
	36	1 Chest of Wine	...	...	...	D ^o .	10.	—	—
	37	1 Barrel Pickled Lemons	...	...	...		...	...
38.	39	2 Boxes of Paper & Apparrel	...	...	...	D ^o .	£ 70.	—	—
40.	41	2 Cases of Copper Brass & Pewter	...	...	...		...	...
42.	43	2 Empty Tubbs	...	...	...		...	...
1. 0—1	1	Box Gold & Silver Thread	...	...	...	D ^o .	£ 210.	—	—

On which he has q^d. £ 33.—for Freight into the Compa^s. Treasury for part thereof the rest is Freight Free being for his Own necessary Use in the Voyage.

M^r. JOHN ELWICK.

N. E. Δ	No. 1	1	Box q ^t . 240 oz of Table plate	...	...		
		2	D ^o . q ^t . Cutlary Ware	...	...		
		1	D ^o . q ^t . Apparrel	...	...		
			Freight Free being for the Hon ^{ble} . Nath ^l . Elwick Esq ^r . Governor at Fort S ^t . George.						

M^r. ELIHU TRENCHFIELD.

R B 1 @	3	3	Chests of Wine	...	...	Value	£ 30.	—	—
			Freight Free being for the Use of M ^r . Richard Bynion at Fort S ^t . George.						

S^r. ROBERT NIGHTINGALE BARRO^r.

I D-1 @	4	4	Chests of Wine. Freight Free being for the use of M ^r . JOHN DEANE AT BENGALL.						
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East India House London

y^e. 7th. Dec^r. 1721

Exam^d.
Tho. Lewes.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANTIZE & FORREIGN SILVER LYCENCED BY THE CO^mITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY TO BE LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP ENFIELD CAPT^r. CHARLES RIGBY CO^mAND^r. BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS (VIZ^t.)

M^r. HENRY BLUNT.

Directed 1 @	4-4	half	Chests of wine	...	...	Value	£ 20.	[—	—
			1 D ^o . Beer	...	...	D ^o .	2.	5.	—
			1 Chest of Books & necessaries	...	...	D ^o .	8.	—	—
			Freight free being for M ^r . Jn ^o . Blunt Factor at Fort S ^t . George.						

M^r. JN^o. LEEKE.

Directed	3	Casks	Beer	...	...		4.	10.	—
			Freight free being for the Rev ^d . M ^r . Leeke at Fort S ^t . George.						

Mr. W^m. BARWELL.

1	1 Chest of Wine	...	...	...	...	£10.	—.	—
	Freight free being for Mr. Rich ^d . Barwell at Fort S ^t . George.							

Mr. RICH^d. AOTON FREE MERCH^t.

B A 1 @ 4	4 Chests of Wine	...	...	...	...	40.	—.	—
5 @ 7	3 half Ditto	...	...	...	...	15.	—.	—
	1 Chest & 1 Bureaux of apparel	...	...	...	...	100.	—.	—
	1 Chest of store	...	...	...	...
	3 Casks of Brandy	...	...	...	...
	Freight free.							

Mr. ALEX^r. COTTLE FREE MERCH^t.

A. C 2-3	2 Boxes of Sugar	...	...	...	...	3.	—.	—
8-9-10	3 Chests of Wine	...	...	...	...	30.	—.	—
11-12	2 Ditto Beer	...	...	...	...	9.	—.	—
14	1 Box of Glasses	...	...	...	...	1.	—.	—
15	1 Chest of Cordials	...	...	...	...	3.	—.	—
16	1 Cask of Cheese	...	...	...	...	1.	—.	—
18	1 Chest of apparel	...	...	...	...	20.	—.	—
19	1 Cask of Brandy	...	...	...	...	3.	—.	—
	Freight Free.							

CAPⁿ. HENRY GLEGG.

F	1 Chaise	...	...	...	...	£ 12.	—.	—
	Freight free being for Mr. Tho ^s . Faulkner at Bengal.							

Mr. SERJANT STEVENS.

Directed	1 Box q ^t . Hatts & Books	...	...	...	...	30.	—.	—
	1 Cheese	...	...	...	...
	Freight free being for Mr. Tho ^s . Stevens Writer at Fort S ^t . George.							

JN^o. FREEMAN ESQ^r.

R F 1-2	2 Chests of Wine	...	...	...	...	20.	—.	—
	4 Ditto Beer	...	...	...	...	18.	—.	—
	Freight free being for Mr. Randolph Fowke at Fort S ^t . George.							

CAPTⁿ. CHARLES RIGBY.

C R 1 @ 4	4 Chests of wine	...	...	...	...	40.	—.	—
T B C R 1 @ 3.1.	2 5 Ditto	...	...	...	...	50.	—.	—
T M 1 @ 3	3 Ditto	...	...	...	...	30.	—.	—
I S 1 2	2 Ditto	...	...	...	...	20.	—.	—
E E 1 @ 7	7 Ditto	...	...	...	...	70.	—.	—
2 @ 4	3 1/2 Ditto	...	...	...	...	15.	—.	—

	On the 5 ⁷ / ₉ cent & Indulgence							
	In forreign silver being with w ^t . permitted him in Goods his full allowance by the Compa ^s . Indulgence					£ 1125.	—.	—
	Ditto sent out by the Owners to defray the Expences of the Voyage					450.	—.	—

M^r. CHRIST^o. FULLAGAR.

Directed 1 Chest of Beer £ 4. 10. —
Freight free being for M^r. Jn^o. Fullagar
Factor at Fort S^t. George.

M^r. ISAAC MASSEY.

M E ... 1 ... 1 Case of Cordials 2. 10. —
2 ... [1] Barrels of ale } 16. — —
2 ... 1 hh^d. wine }
Freight free being For M^r. Mathew
Emson at Fort S^t. George.

M^r. JOHN SURMAN.

† S 1 @ 8 1 @ 5 1 ... 14 Chests of wine £ 140. [... ...]
1.2. 1.2 ... 4 Ditto 40. [... ...]
1 @ 3 ... 3 Ditto small Beer 6. [... ...]
4 Chests & 4, Carboys Ditto 3. [... ...]
1 Cask Ditto 1. [... ...]
2 Hampers Ditto 1. 2. 6.
1½ Chest of arrack 7. 15. ...
1 @ 4 ... 4 Chests of ale 18.
2 Chests & 1 Bureaux of apparel.
1 Chest of Stationary ware 12.
3 Boxes of Tobacco & Pipes 2.
2 Ditto hungary water
1 Ditto Sugar
1 Case of Sadles 25.
1 Chest of Books 1. D^o. Glasses. 85.
1 Chariott 18.
1 Case of Cordials
1 Box of Brass ware
Freight free.

M^r. THO^s. ANDREWS FREE MERCHANT.

T. A ... 1 ... 2 ... 3 Chests Beer 9.
3 ... 4 ... 1 Box of pipes & 1 Rundlett of
Brandy
5 6 7 ... 2 Casks of Cheese & 1 Box of
Tobacco
8 1 Cask of Raisons
10 1 Chest of wine 10.
11 ... 12 ... 1 Chest & 1. Trunk of apparel 50.
13 1 Case of Cordials
2 @ 4 ... 3 hampers of wine 9.
14 1 Hamper of Bedding
Freight free.

THE REVE^d. M^r. SPINKS.

W. S. 1 Box of apparel £ 21. 10. —
Freight free being for M^r. W^m.
Spinks at Bengal.

M^{rs}. MARY COOKE PASSENGER.

Directed N^o. 1 1 Chest of apparel 50. — —
Freight free.

East India house, London 16th. Feb. 1721/2.

Exam^d. Tho. Lewes.

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CAP^t. WILLIAM MACKETT.

[W]	M a	@ c	1 @ 4	1 @ 10	24 1 @ 9	28 Chests of Wine	...	£ 280	...
H	1	1 Ditto	...	10	...
R S	1	2	...	2 Ditto	...	20	...
B	...	...	1	2	...	2 Ditto	...	20	...
† C	...	...	1 @	4	...	4 Ditto	...	40	...
			5	...	6	2½ Ditto	...	10	...
C	...	...	1 @	4	...	4 Ditto	...	20	...
T. D	...	...	1	...	2	2 Chests of Ditto	...	20	...
[. . .]			[. . .]			1 Chest of Beer	...	4	[...]

M^r. JOHN BURDETT FREE MERCHANT.

[. . .]	1	...	2	...	2	2 Chests of wine	...	£ 20.	—	—
	1	...	...	...	1	Ditto Beer	...	4.	10.	—
					1	Chest & 1 Bureau of apparel.	...	30.	—	—
						Freight free.				

M^{rs}. GRACE GAYWOOD PASSENGER.

					2	Boxes of apparel	...	...	...	...
						Freight free.				

M^r. ROB^t. KING.

Directed N ^o .	1	...			1	Chest of Beer	...	4.	10.	—
						Freight free being for his son				
						M ^r . Rob ^t . King Writer at Fort				
						S ^t . George.				

M^r. RICH^d. HIGGINSON FACTOR.

R H A	...	...	...	1	Chest of apparel	...	...	...	...
B	...	...	...	1	Ditto Wine	...	...	...	...
C	...	...	...	1	Ditto Linnen	...	...	...	...
D E	...	...	...	2	Ditto Beer	...	...	...	...
F @ †	...	...	...	4½	Ditto	...	...	...	...
K L	...	...	...	2	Chests of wine	...	...	...	...

M^{rs}. DORATHY TRWAITES.

C. O	1	...	...	1	Case of Cordials	...	...	...	...
	2	...	...	1	Ditto Gooseberrys	...	...	...	...
	3	...	...	1	Cask of milk water	...	...	...	...
	4	...	...	1	Case of tin, Cutlery, & Copper ware	...	...	...	...
	5	...	...	1	Case of Looking Glasses	...	...	...	...
	1	—	2	2½	Chests of wine	...	...	...	...
					Freight free being for M ^r . Catesby				
					Oadham Essay Master at Fort				
					S ^t . George.				

M^{rs}. ANN FARMER PASSENGER.

A. F	...	1	...	...	1 Chest of Beer	...	...	£ [ . . . ]
		2	...	...	1 Ditto wine	...	...	10 ...
		3	...	...	1. $\frac{1}{2}$ Ditto	...	...	5 ...
		4.	5.	...	2 Chests of apparel	...	...	40 ...
		6	...	...	1 Case of Empty bottles	...	...	...
		8	...	...	1 Escutore	...	...	...
M F	...	1	2	...	2 Chests of apparel	...	...	...
					Freight free.			

S^r. FRA^s. DRAKE BAR^r.

Directed ... 1 Case of wrought [...]
 [Few lines missing in the original.]

M^r. HENRY NEWMAN.

[No. 1]	1 Chest of Beer	...	...	£ 4. 10. —
[2]	1 Case of stationary ware	...	...	...
3	1 Cheese in Lead.			

Freight free being for the use of the Missionaries
 for Propagating the Gospel at Tranquabar.

M^{rs}. CHITTY.

Directed N^o. 1 ... 1 Chest of Beer ... 4. 10. —
 Freight free being for M^r. Jn^o. Halsey Writer at
 Bengal.

M^r. JN^o. ELWICK.

[. . .] 1 Box q^t. 1100 of wrought Plate ... 300
 On which he has paid £ 9. — into the Comp^a. treasury
 for freight & permission.
 8 @ 10, 12 @ 22, 24 @ 27 Also 18, Chests of wine ... 180. —
 11 ... 23 ... 2. $\frac{1}{2}$ Ditto ... 10. —
 Freight free being for Nat^l. Elwick Esq^r. P^r. at Fort S^t. George.

M^r. GILBERT RICHARDSON 4TH. MATE.

G. R.	...	1	2.	...	2 Chests wine	20. —
		6	1 Ditto Beer	4. 10. —

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LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE SHIP NIGHTINGALE

- N^o. 1. Companys General Letter to Fort S^t. George dated 16th. [. . .]
 2. Copy Comp^{as}. General to Ditto, Dated 6th. Decem^r. 1721 . . . }
 Fordwich & Bouverie.
 3. Copy Supplement to D^o. dated 13 Dec^r. 1721 Sent $\frac{1}{2}$ Ditto
 4. Invoice of the Nightingale amounting to £ 82068 [. . .]
 5. Bill of Lading of D^o. Ship
 6. Copy of the Nightingale's Charterparty.
 7. List of Goods to be Provided on the Coast of Choromandell for the
 ships going out this Year 1721.
 8. List of Covenant Servants & Free Merchants for For St. George
 Sign'd by the Secretary.
 9. Two Covenants in Blank to be enter'd into by Free Merchant with a
 Bond to perform the same which must be given by two sufficient
 Persons in £ 2000 Penalty.

- N^o. 10. Manifest of Bullion and Goods Licenced to be shipt on board the Nightingale Sign'd by M^r. Tho^s. Lewes.
11. List of 22 Souldiers aboard the Nightingale for Fort St. George Sign'd by M^r. Thomas Lewes.
12. Accomp^t. of Bullion Licenced to be shipt aboard the Nightingale to purchase Diamonds.
13. Abstract of the Cargo of the Fordwich am^t. to £ 61799. 6. 4
 Bouverie ... 61016. 6. 1
 Enfield... ... 90380. 11. 7
 Devonshire ... 96329. 10. 6
 Nightingale ... 82068. 9. 3
£ 391594. 3. 9
14. Two Acts of Parliament Entituled An Act for the further preventing his Majesty's Subjects Trading to the East Indies under Foreign Comissions & for encouraging & further Securing the lawful Trade thereto and for the further regulating the Pylots of Dover Deal and the Isle of Thanet.
15. Accomptants Letter to the President & Council of Fort St. George dated 16th. Feb^ry. 1721 Signed by M^r. John Fletcher Accomptant General.
16. Keys of 3 Chests and two Cases of medicines on board the Nightingale Sent in the Box apart.
17. Patterns of 218 Bales of Board Cloth 6 Bales on Long Ells & Samples of 2 Chests Paper ap Nightingale.
18. Packet Directed To the President & Council of Bengall to be forwarded thither by the first safe Conveyance, except on the Devonshire and Enfield they having the same.

A LIST OF SOULDIERS SHIPED ON BOARD THE ENFIELD CAPT^N. CHARLES RIGBY COMAÑDER.

		Country.	Trades.	Aged.
M ^r . Thomas Williams ...	Serjeant of	Hereford ...	Gen ^t	30
M ^r . George Wright ...	Serjeant	Yorkshire ...	Gen ^t	34
John Sinclare ...	Souldier	North Brittain ...	...	27
Cuthbert Bell ...	D ^o .	Northumberland ...	...	31
Samuel Dawkins ...	D ^o .	Wales ...	Souldier ...	38
Edward Shadwell ...	D ^o .	London ...	Drummer ...	45
Richard Cartwright ...	D ^o .	Lancashire ...	...	19
William Castell ...	D ^o .	Worstershire ...	[Ship] Boyler	30
Nicholas Cole ...	D ^o .	Surry ...	Waterman...	22
Robert Collingwood ...	D ^o .	Ireland ...	Appothecary	30
Francis Lauder ...	D ^o .	North Brittain	Souldier ...	22
Hugh Rotherford ...	D ^o .	D ^o .	Barber ...	40
Thomas Burges ...	D ^o .	Kickes Inn ...	Labourer ...	24
Robert Prescott ...	D ^o .	New England ...	Carpenter ...	30
Martin Elmore ...	D ^o .	Ireland ...	Leather Dresser	35
Lews Pritchett ...	D ^o .	Glostershire ...	Woolcomber	23
William Hudson ...	D ^o .	London ...	Barber ...	32
Thomas Pindar ...	D ^o .	Darbyshire ...	Gen ^t . Serv ^t .	23
John Whiteman ...	D ^o .	London ...	Stockin maker	20

		Countrya		Trades.	Aged.
Dead	John Dowland...	Souldier	Bristow	... Labourer ...	20
not here	William Fincham.	D ^o .	London	... D ^o	22
	William Curtis...	D ^o .	Bristow	... Plasterer ...	22
	Richard Norton.	D ^o .	London	... Labourer ...	22
	James Smith ...	D ^o .	D ^o.	... Grocer ...	22

EAST INDIA HOUSE LOND^N.

16th. Feb. 1721/2.

Ex^d.

Tho : Lewes.

A LIST OF SOULDIERES SHIPED ON BOARD THE NIGHTINGALE CAPT^N. WILL^M. MAC-KETT COMANDER.

		Country.		Trades.	Aged.
M ^r .	Jacob De Bano ...	Serjeant of France	...	Sould ^r	47
	James Smith ...	Sould ^r .	London	... Coachman...	22
	John Christopher ...	D ^o .	France	... Souldier ...	29
	John Ridley ...	D ^o .	New England	... D ^o	23
	Sam ⁿ . Andrews ...	D ^o .	London	... Glover ...	36
	James Eveness ...	D ^o .	D ^o.	... Baker ...	20
	Henry Ledgould ...	D ^o .	Kent	... Labourer ...	24
	Morris Lauder ...	D ^o .	Ireland	... Souldier ...	26
	John Phillips ...	D ^o .	D ^o.	... Weaver ...	21
	James Lauder ...	D ^o .	Northbrittain	... ..	21
	Rich ^d . Blowfield ...	D ^o .	Huntingtonshire	... Baker ...	24
	Thomas Griffis ...	D ^o .	Wales	... Taylor ...	22
	Francis Earle ...	D ^o .	Norfolk	... Weaver ...	26
	William Jones ...	D ^o .	Wales	... Souldier ...	31
	Edward Walker ...	D ^o .	Norwich	... Weaver ...	30
	Daniel Blackman ...	D ^o .	Warwickshire	... Smith ...	21
	Samuell Earle ...	D ^o .	London	... Weaver ...	21
	Richard Horner ...	D ^o .	D ^o.	... Waterman...	28
	William Wilkey ...	D ^o .	Wilkshire	... Clerk ...	21
	George Pickhaver ...	D ^o .	Cambridge	... Vintner ...	29
	Ralph Bolton ...	D ^o .	Northbrittain	... Barber ...	30
	Thomas Hosier ...	D ^o .	Barkshire	... Joyner ...	30

EAST INDIA HOUSE LONDON

16th. Feb^r. 1721/2.

Exm^d.

Tho. Lewes.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE SHIP FORDWICH.

- N^o. 1. Companys Generall Letter to Fort S^t. George dated the 6th. December 1721.
2. Copy Comp^{sa}. Generall to D^o.—dated 14th. June 1721. sent Ψ ship Drake.
3. Packett from the Secret Committee.
4. Invoice of the Fordwich amounting to £61799.6.4.
5. Bill of Lading of D^o. ship.
6. Copy of the Fordwiches Charterparty.
7. List of Goods to be provided on the Coast of Choromandel for the ships going out this year 1721.

- N^o. 8. Manifest of Bullion & Goods Lycenced to be Shipt aboard ship Fordwich sign'd by M^r. Thomas Lewes.
9. List of 19 soldiers aboard the Fordwich for Fort S^t. George signed by M^r. Thomas Lewes.
10. Accompt of Bullion & Corall Lycenced to be shipt aboard the Fordwich to purchase Dyamonds.
11. Two Acts of Parliament Entituled an Act for the further preventing his Majesties subjects from Trading to the East Indies under Foreign Commissions and for Encouraging & further securing the Lawfull Trade thereto and for the better Regulating the pylots of Dover & the Isle of Thanet.
12. Patterns of 250. Bales of Broad cloth & samples of 2 Chests of stationary ware ꝑ Fordwich. In the Box apart.
13. Packet to the Presid^t. & Councill in Bengall, to be forwarded thither by the first good opportunity, except on the Bouverie she having the same.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE BOUVERIE

- N^o. 1. Duplicate Companys Generall Letter to Fort S^t. George dated 6th. December 1721.
2. Copy Companys Letter to D^o.—dated 14th. June 1721. sent ꝑ the Drake.
3. List of Goods to be Provided on the Coast of Choromandell for the ships going out in the year 1721.
4. Two Acts of Parliament Entituled an Act for the further preventing his Majestys subjects from Trading to the East Indies under Foreign Commissions and for Encouraging and further securing the Lawfull Trade thereto and for the better Regulating the Pylotts of Dover & the Isle of Thanett.
5. Accompt of Bullion Lycenced to be shipt aboard the Bouverie to purchase Dyamonds.
6. packett from the Secrett Committee.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE SHIP ENFIELD

- N^o. 1. Compa^s. Generall Letter to Fort S^t. George dated 16th. febr̄y. 1721.
2. Copy Comp^s. Generall to D^o. dated 6th. Decem^r. 1721 ꝑ ffordwich & Bouverie.
3. Copy supplement to D^o. dated 13th. Decem^r. 1721 sent ꝑ D^o.
4. Invoice of the Enfield amounting to £90380.11.7.
5. Bill of Lading of D^o. ship.
6. Copy of the Enfields Charterparty.
7. List of Goods to be provided on the Coast of Choromandel for the ships going out this year 1721.
8. List of Covenant servants and Free merchants for Fort S^t. George Sign'd by the Secretary.
9. Two Covenants in Blank to be enter'd into by Free Merch^{ts}. with a Bond to perform the same which must be given by two sufficient persons in £2000. penalty.
10. Manifest of Bullion and Goods Lycenced to be shipt aboard the Enfield Sign'd by M^r. Thomas Lewes.
11. List of 24 Souldiers aboard the Enfield for Fort S^t. George sign'd by M^r. Thomas Lewes.

N^o. 12. Accompt of Bullion Lyncenced to be shipt aboard the Enfield to purchase Dyamonds.

13. Abstract of the Cargo of the Fordwich amount ^o . to	...	£ 61799.6.4
Bouverie	...	£ 61016.6.1
Enfield	...	£ 90380.11.7
Devonshire	...	£ 96329.10.6
Nightingale	...	£ 82068.9.[3]
		£391594.3.9

- 14. Two Acts of Parliament Entituled an Act for the further preventing his Majestys subjects from Trading to the East Indies under fforeign Comissions and for Encouraging and further securing the Lawfull Trade thereto and for further regulating the pylots of Dover Deal and the Isle of Thanet.
- 15. Accomptants Letter to the President and Council of Fort S^t. George dated the 16th. febfy. 1721. sign'd by M^r. John Fletcher Account^t. General.
- 16. Patterns of 214 Bales of Broad Cloth and 6 Bales of Long Ells of Enfield—in the Box apart.
- 17. Packet Directed to the President & Council in Bengall to be forwarded thither by the first safe Conveyance except on the Devonshire & Nightingale they having the same.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE DEVONSHIRE.

N^o. 1. Triplicate Companys Generall Letter to Fort S^t. George dated 16th. febfy. 1721.

- 2 List of Goods to be provided on the coast of Choromandell for the ships going out this year 1721.
- 3 Accompt of Bullion and Corall Lyncenced to be shipt aboard the Devonshire to purchase Dyamonds.
- 4 Two Acts or Parliament Entituled an Act for the further preventing His Majestys subjects from Trading to the East Indies under Foreign Comissions and for encouraging and further securing the Lawfull Trade thereto and for the further Regulating the pylots of Dover Deal and the Isle of Thanet.
- 5 Two Covenants in Blank to be Enterd into by Free Merch^{ts}. with a Bond to perform them which must be given by 2 sufficient persons in £ 2,000. penalty.

6 Abstract of the Cargo, of the

Fordwich amo ^t . to	...	...	...	£ 61799	6	4
Bouverie	...	...	...	„ 61016	6	1
Enfield	...	...	...	„ 90380	11	7
Devonshire	...	...	...	„ 96329	10	6
Nightingale	...	...	...	„ 82068	9	3

£ 391594 3 9

7 List of Covenant servants and free Merch^{ts}. for Fort S^t. George sign'd by the Secretary.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE SHIP DRAKE.

- N^o. 1 Companys Generall Letter to Fort S^t. George Dated the 14th. June 1721.
 2 Copy Companys Generall Letter to Ditto dated the 26th. April sent by the Marlborough & Heathcote.
 D^d. Benyon 3 Invoice of the Drake For ffort S^t. George amounting to £ 14,604-0-8.
 D^d. Do. 4 Bill of Lading of Ditto.
 D^d. Do. 5 Amendments to the Investment for the Coast of Choromandell.
 D^d. Do. 6 Further Amendments to the Investment for the Bay of Bengall.

LETTER FROM MR. MACKETT & OTHERS TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED JUNE 20, 1722.
 [Public Despatches from England Vol. 24, pp. 143-146.]

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE
 y^e. 20 June 722.

TO THE HON^{ble}. NATH^l. ELWICK ESQ^r.
 GOV^r. OF FORT S^t. GEORGE & C^t. COUNCILL.

HON^r. S^r. & S^{rs}.

We Undernamed after the Unfortunate Loss of the Chandois Cap^t. Tho^s. Gilbert, the Nightingale Cap^t. W^m. Mackett, & the Addison Cap^t. W^m. Pemberton having taken into our Consideration the state of y^e. Hon^{ble}. Companys affairs upon such a Dismall accident, Resolved to Unite our selves to consider on y^e. most proper methods for y^e. Interest of our Hon^{ble} Masters, to the best of our knowledge, Cap^t. Mackett having saved all y^e. Companys Treasure, we resolved to put the same into y^e. Hands of y^e. Gov^r. & Council of this place, and made application accordingly which was accepted with some Restrictions w^{ch}. we did not like, but in the Intrim three small Friggates belonging to y^e. Hon^{ble}. Company and designd for Cruisers on the Mallabar Coast, arrived in this port which Occation'd our Following Resolutions viz^t.

At a Meeting y^e. 15 June 1722 of Cap^t. W^m. Mackett. Cap^t. Tho^s. Gilbert. Cap^t. James Macrae. M^r. Rich^d. Higginson.

It was moved to Consider, Whether as the Companys three Ships the Bombay, the Fort S^t. George & y^e. Bengall are arrived at this place, it would not be for y^e. Hon^{ble}. Companys Interest & advantage to ship all the Treasure on board y^e. said three ships, & that they carry the same to Madrass directly notwithstanding they are by y^e. Hon^{ble}. Companys Orders bound for Bombay.

Resolved as there is no prospect of any y^e. Hon^{ble}. Companys ships touching at this place this season, besides the above three ships now in this port, & believing it absolutely Necessary for y^e. Hon^{ble}. Companys Service & Interest that the Treasure they had designd for y^e. Nightingale for Madrass, should be there this year. And likewise being our opinion that y^e. Treasure may be as safely convey'd in those ships as in any other whatsoever. We therefore resolve to write a Letter to Cap^t. Rob^t. Brice, Cap^t. Tho^s. Smith & Cap^t. W^m. Jordan, desiring that they would take in y^e. Hon^{ble}. Companys Treasure in equal proportions on each ship & proceed directly therewth. in Company to Madrass. And as a motive to this our Resolution, we understand by Cap^t. Rob^t. Brice that it was y^e. Intention of y^e. Hon^{ble}. Company, that y^e. Bombay was to have attended the Devonshire, Nightingale and Enfield in order to take their Treasure on board in case of Danger. We therefore think it safe & agreeable to y^e. Hon^{ble}. Companys Intentions that y^e. Treasure saved out of y^e. Nightingale be put on board y^e. said three ships. And as a further

Motive, we Consider that in this season of y^e. year y^e. above ships may proceed to Madrass with the Treasure & return to Bombay & be there within a month as soon as if had gone directly thither, and as we have no other View than y^e. Service & Interest of y^e. Hon^{ble}. Company we hope our honourable masters will Confirm & approve of this our Resolution.

The following is Copy of the Letter writt to Cap^t. Rob^t. Brice Cap^t. Tho^s. Smith & Cap^t. W^m. Jordan :—
Gent^l.

We having considered how we might act most for the Hon^{ble}. Companys Interest in y^e. Unhappy Circumstances their affairs are reduced to by y^e. Unfortunate Loss of y^e. Nightingale we have Unanimously agreed in opinion that we cannot Expect any other of y^e. Hon^{ble}. Companys ships to touch here this season, & that it is absolutely Necessary & Convenient for the Hon^{ble}. Companys Interest to have y^e. Treasure at Madrass this year, we therefore desire you will take the s^d. Treasure on board y^r. ships each an Equall proportion & proceed directly in Company to Madrass therewth. We desire that you will immediately consult together & give us Your answer in Writing. And are &c.

The following is y^e. answer of Cap^t. Rob^t. Brice Cap^t. Tho^s. Smith & Cap^t. W^m. Jordan to y^e. above Letter.
Gent^l.

We have duely considered of what you this day propos'd to us in writing concerning y^e. Hon^{ble}. Companys Treasure which has been saved out of y^e. Nightingale, to Comply with which you must be sencible is breaking through our Orders, but y^r. Request appearing to us to be intirely for y^e. service of y^e. Hon^{ble}. Company, & that Cap^t. Macrae & Cap^t. Gilbert are good Judges of what consequence it will be to our hon^{ble}. Masters to have their Treasure at Madrass. We do for these Reasons resolve to take on board y^e. said Treasure, & are ready to receive it, & make y^e. best of our Way to Madrass. We are &c.

Resolved that as M^r. Richard Higginson is a servant to y^e. hon^{ble}. Company, it is necessary for their service that he stay to assist & act in Concert wth. Cap^t. W^m. Mackett, Cap^t. James Macrae & Cap^t. Tho^s. Gilbert and that Cap^t. W^m. Mackett have y^e. perticular Care of the affairs of y^e. Nightingale, Cap^t. Tho^s. Gilbert of y^e. affairs of the Chandois & M^r. Rich^d. Higginson of y^e. affairs of y^e. Addison, but that nothing of Consequence be done without consulting together, & that they frequently Report what is done in Relation to y^e. affairs of Each ship.

According to y^e. above Resolutions we have shipt 22 Chests of Treasure on board y^e. Bombay Cap^t. Rob^t. Brice, 21 Chests on board y^e. Fort S^t. George Cap^t. Tho^s. Smith, 21 Chests on board y^e. Bengall Cap^t. W^m. Jordan, belonging to y^e. Hon^{ble}. Company & consign'd for their acco^{ts}. & Risque to yo^r. Hon^r. &c. Councill as ^{is} y^e. Inclosed Bills of Loading.

Yo^r. Hon^r. &ca Councill will find by y^e. Hon^{ble}. Companys Packett sent by y^e. Bombay Cap^t. Rob^t. Brice, that they had shipt 68 Chests of Treasure by y^e. Nightingale; We have thought it necessary to retain y^e. Remaining 4 Chests to defray y^e. Expences of saving & preserving y^e. Goods out of y^e. aforesaid 3 ships.

Yo^r. Hon^r. &ca. Councill have likewise Inclosed Bills of Loading for 5 Chests & 1 half Chest of Treasure shipt on board y^e. Bombay 3 Chests & 4 half Chests on board y^e. Fort S^t. George & 5 Chests 3 half Chests & 1 Quarter Chest on Board y^e. Bengall belonging to private Trade which we Consign to y^r. Hon^r. &c. Councill not knowing whether it must be brought into an average with the Companys Loss, or whether any salvage may be due thereon.

We have presum'd at y^e. Request of M^r. Sam^l. Harrison M^r. John Hind & M^r. David Welsh, Gent^l. that were passengers on board y^e. Nightingale, & bound for Bengall & Bombay to deliver their Treasure to themselves upon their giving security to be answerable for all salvage & average as shall be Legally Demanded by ye^e. hon^{ble}. Company, one of which obligations we send Inclosed to y^r.

Hon^r. &ca. Council.

We have sent by these ships 13 soldiers as ^{per} y^e. Inclosed List y^e. Remaining 6 having absconded & could not be found.

We cannot yet give yo^r. Hon^r. &ca. Council an acco^t. of what we shall save out of the Nightingale, as yet we have landed but about 270 p^s. of Board Cloth 110 p^s. shalloons, 70 Bolts of Duck & some part of y^e. Lead & Iron; We are daily at work on y^e. Wrecks and what more may be saved Depends on y^e. Weather.

We hope y^r. Hon^r. &ca. Council will approve of what we have done & represent it to our hon^{ble}. masters, that we have acted in this affair to the best of our Judgements for y^e. Interest of y^e. Hon^{ble}. Company. We are

Hon^d. Sr. & Sr^a.

Yo^r. most Obedient humble servants

W^m. MACKETT

JAMES MACRAE

T. GILBERT

RICH^d. HIGGINSON.

LETTER FROM W^m. MACKETT TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED JUNE 20, 1722. RECEIVED AUGUST 14, 1722. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 24, p. 147.*]

TO THE HONOURABLE NATH^l. ELWICK ESQ^r.

GOVERNOUR &C^a. COUNCEL AT

FORT S^t. GEORGE.

Honoured Sr. and Sr^a.

On the 26th. of May the ship Nightingale arrived at this place ha[ving] been separated from the Devonshire and Enfield on the 13th. March, On our arrival here we made the Utmost Dispatch and had the necessary on board in order to sail, y^e. 2^d. June at w^{ch}. time the Wind came up at N.W. and blowing hard w^{ch}. Encreasing 'till Tuesday y^e. 5th. Instant it blew a most Violent storm the like has not been seen at y^e. Cap^e. these 40 Years past, at 8 at night the Chandois was forced ashore and soon after 6 sail of Dutch ships and at 11 the Addisson having part^d. both her bower Cables let go her sheet anchor which hooked and broke our small bower cable. The Addisson brought up under our Quarter and rid 'till 12 when she parted her Sheet Cable and drove ashore and at 3 in the morning the Nightingale had the same hard fate, since which time having taken all the measures in my power to preserve as much of the Honourable Companys Treasure and Effect^s as possible, Soon after my hard fortune of the Loss of the Nightingale, I begg'd, as I was in hopes to save a great part of the Companys Treasure &c^a. that M^r. Richard Higginson, Cap^t. James M^rrae, and Cap^t. Tho^s. Gilbert as they are sworne Servants to the Honourable Company, would Unite themselves with me to consult and take the best methods for the Interest of our Hon^{ble}. masters, which they readily Comply^d. with as by our Gen^l. Letter to Your hon^r. &c^a. Council doth appear to w^{ch}. begg leave to refer.

The Nightingale remains full of water, so that what may be Saved more Depends on good Weather for we much doubt whether anoth^r. hard gale will not break her all to peices.

We hope your Hon^r. & Council will approve of what is done and represent it to our honourable masters that we have acted in this affair to the best of our Judgments for the Interest of the Honourable Company.

I am

Hon^d. Sr. & Sr^a.

Your most obed^t. humble serv^t.

W^m. MACKETT.

CAPE BONA ESPRANCE.

June 20 1722, O.S.

LETTER FROM RICHARD HIGGINSON TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED JUNE 19, 1722.
[Public Despatches from England, Vol. 24, p. 151.]

CAPE OF GOOD HOPE,
y^e. 19 June 1722.

TO THE HON^{ble}. NATH^l. ELWICK, ESQ^r.
GOV^r. & CA. COUNCILL.

HON^{ble}. S^r.

As I have y^e. Hon^r. of being a servant to y^e. Hon^{ble}. Company, I think my selfe obliged to advise your Hon^r. & ca. Councill of y^e. Unhappy Loss of Three of y^e. Company's Ships in this place, y^e. Chandoise Cap^t. Tho^s. Gilbert from Bombay, y^e. Addison Cap^t. W^m. Pemberton from Bengall & the Nightingale Cap^t. W^m. Mackett bound for Fort S^t. George which happened y^e. 5th. Inst. at Night, it blowing a very hard storme in y^e. N. W. Board, at which time 6 Dutch ships were likewise stranded. There has been little goods saved out of y^e. Addison she being broke in peices & only y^e. 2^d. mate 4th. mate & 9 men saved, & but little also out of y^e. Chandoise, who fared not much better; The Nightingale is not yet in peices and has saved all y^e. Hon^{ble}. Companys Chests of Treasure, some part of their Cloth, Hollands Duck & Barr Iron & am in Hopes a good deal more will be saved if y^e. Weather Continues fair. Upon this Unlucky misfortune Cap^t. Mackett Cap^t. Gilbert Cap^t. James Macrae & my selfe resolved to Unite our selves to act in Concert for y^e. service of our Hon^{ble}. Masters, Y^r. Hon^r. & ca. Councill are advised what we have done therein in our Generall Letter, in which y^e. Hon^r. & ca. Councill will find a Resolution that my stay here was Necessary for y^e. service of y^e. Hon^{ble}. Company, I am sorry I begin my service in so unfortunate occation, but as I stay in Compliance wth. the Request of y^e. other Gentlemen & wave my owne Interest for the service of y^e. Hon^{ble}. Company, I hope I shall Escape y^r. Hon^r. & ca. Councill's Censure for not repairing to my station and if what I have done meets with your Hon^r. & ca. Councill's approbation, I shall think my pains well repaid & happy in being.

Hon^{ble}. S^r.
Y^r. Hon^r. & ca. Councill's
most obedient humble Serv^t.
RICH^d. HIGGINSON.

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Shipt by the Grace of God in good order and well Conditioned by William Mackett James Macrae Thomas Gilbert And Richard Higginson on board the good ship the Fort St. George whereof is master for this Present Voyage Thomas Smith and now riding att Anchor in Table Bay and bound for the Port off Fort St. George in the East Indies. To say Twenty one Chests Treasure on the Propper acco^t. and resque of the Honourable United Company of merch^{ts}. trading to the East Indies under [merek] and number as Per mergent, and is to be delivered in Like good order and well Conditioned all the aforesaid Port of Fort S^t. George the danger of the seas only Excepted unto the Honourable Nath^l. Elwick Esq^r. Governour & ca. Councill [or] their assignes Freight and Primage free. In witness whereof the master or Purser of the said Ship hath signed four bills of Lading of this tenour and date one of which bills being accomplished the other three to be void & of no Effect. Dated att the Cape off Good Hope y^e. 19th. June O : S. 1722.

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Shipt by the Grace off Go^d. in good order & well Condition'd by William Mackett James Macrae Thomas Gilbert and Richard Higginson on board the good ship the Bombay whereof is master for this Present Voyage Robert Brice and now riding At anchor in Table Bay and Bound for the Port of Fort St. George in the East Indies To say Twenty two Chests Treasure on the Propper acco^t. and resque of the Honourable united Company off merch^{ts}. trading to the East Indies under merck and number as Per mergent, and is to be delivered in Like good order and well Conditioned att the aforesaid Port off Fort St. George the danger off the Seas only Excepted unto the Hon^{ble}. Nath^l. Elwick Esq^r. Governour &c. Councill or their assignes Freight & Primage free In Wittness whereof the master or Purser of the said ship hath Signed four bills of Lading of this tenour and date one of which bills being accomplished the other three to be void and of no Effect Dated at the Cape off Good Hope y^e. 19 June O. S. 1722.

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A LIST OF THE HON^{ble}. COMPANYS SOLDIERS SHIPT ON BOARD THE BOMBAY, F^t. FORT ST. GEORGE AND Y^e. BENGALL VIZ^t.

☞ the Bombay	...	...	{ RICH ^d . BLOWFEILD. RICH ^d . HORNER.
☞ the Fort St. George	...	...	{ W ^m . WILKINS. JAMES EDMUND. JAMES SMITH. HEN ^t . LEADSMAN. W ^m . JONES.
☞ the Bengall	...	...	{ SAM ^{ll} . ANDREWS. THO ^s . OSIERS. JAMES LOWDER. RALPH BOULTON. JN ^o . RIDLEY. GEORGE PEKHEVER.

Know all Men by these Presents, That we are held and
firmly bound unto the United Company of Merchants of England, Trading to the
East-Indies, in the Sum of Pounds of Lawful Money of Great

Britain, to be paid to the said United Company or their certain Attorney or Successors. To which Payment well and truly to be made, we bind our selves and of us, jointly and severally, and our and of our Heirs, Executors and Administrators, firmly by these Presents. Sealed with our Seals, dated the Day of in the Year of our Lord and in the Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, France and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith &c.

The Condition of this Obligation is such, That if the above bounden his Heirs, Executors, Administrators and Assigns, and every of them, shall and do well and truly observe, perform, pay, fulfil and keep, all and every the Conditions, Covenants, Payments, Articles and Agreements, contained and specified in One Pair of Indentures, bearing even Date with these Presents, and made between the above-named United Company of Merchants of England, Trading to the East-Indies, of the one Part, and of the other Part, which on the part and behalf of him the said his Heirs, Executors, Administrators and Assigns, or any of them, are or ought to be observed, performed, paid, fulfilled and kept, and that in all Things according to the Tenour, Effect, and true Meaning of the said Indentures; Then this Obligation to be Void and of none Effect, or else to remain and be in full Force and Virtue.

Sealed and delivered, being first Stampd according to the Act of Parliament,

ANNO REGNI.

GEORGI REGIS.

Magna Britannia, Francia, & Hibernia,

SEPTIMO.

At the Parliament Begun and Holden at *Westminster*, the Seventeenth Day of *March*, Anno Dom 1714.

In the First Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE, by the Grace of God, of *Great Britain, France, and Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c.

And from thence Continued by several Prorogations to the Eighth Day of *December*, 1720. Being the Sixth Session of this Present Parliament.

LONDON,

Printed by *John Baskett*, Printer to the Kings most Excellent Majesty, And by the Assigns of *Thomas Newcomb*, and *Henry Hills*, deceas'd 1721.

ANNO SEPTIMO.

GEORGI REGIS.

An Act for the further preventing His Majesties subjects from trading to the *East-Indies* under Foreign Commissions; and for encouraging and further securing the lawful Trade thereto; and for further regulating the Pilots of *Dover, Deal* and the Isle of *Thanet*.

Whereas it is of Importance to the Welfare of this Kingdom, that the Trade to and from the *East-Indies*, as the same is now regulated, be carried on in such manner, as that the *British Nation* may have and enjoy the full Fruits and Advantages thereof: And Whereas by Virtue of several Acts of Parliament and Letters Patents, the whole Trade to and from the *East-Indies*, and other Places

beyond the *Cape of Good Hope*, in the said Acts and Letters Patents mentioned, is now solely vested in the United Company of Merchants of *England* trading to the *East-Indies*; notwithstanding which, and notwithstanding the Prohibitions, Injunctions, and Penalties contained in such Acts and Letters Patents, for securing the said Trade to the said Company, several evil-minded Persons, Subjects of His Majesty, preferring their own private Gain to the good of their Country, have not only clandestinely, and without any Authority from the said Company, trafficked and traded to and from the *East-Indies*, but have also, by Colour or upon Pretence of Commissions obtained from foreign Governments, openly and publicly, in Defiance of the said Laws, and in Contempt of His Majesties Authority, fitted out, manned, and loaded great and defensible Ships, and have sent out the same, or sailed therewith, to the *East-Indies*, and Parts aforesaid, and have prevailed upon several *British* Seamen, and other Subjects of His Majesty, to serve on board the said Ships, and to engage in the same Undertaking, to the Diminution of His Majesties Revenue, and of the Naval force and Commerce of this Kingdom: Now to the Intent that such wicked, mischievous, and destructive Practices may be prevented for the future; and that the Trade aforesaid may be more effectually guarded; and successfully carried on; Be it Enacted by the Kings most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons in Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That if at any time, from and after the four and twentieth Day of *June*, which shall be in the Year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and twenty one, any of His Majesties Subjects shall sail, go, or repair to, or shall trade, traffick, or adventure in, to, or from the *East-Indies*, or parts aforesaid, contrary to the Laws now in being, or contrary to the Tenor of this Act, in every such Case it shall and may be lawful, either for His Majesties Attorney General for the time being, or for the said United Company, at any time within the Space of Six Years, to file or exhibit in any one of His Majesties Courts of Record at *Westminster*, one or more Information or Informations against such Offender or Offenders for the Offence by him or them committed; and if the Party or Parties, Defendant or Defendants, to such Information or Informations, shall, by due Course of Law, appear or be found to be guilty thereof, in the Court where such Information or Informations shall be so filed or exhibited, shall forthwith proceed to give Judgment against the Defendant and Defendants, by such Fine and Imprisonment, or either of them, as the said Court shall think fit; and shall also award the Prosecutor or Prosecutors his and their full Costs of Suit; but in case the Defendant or Defendants shall be, upon any Information exhibited by the said Company, acquitted or found not Guilty, in such Case the said Company shall pay such Defendant or Defendants his or their full Costs.

And it is hereby further Declared and Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all Contracts and Agreements whatsoever, at any time from and after the said four and twentieth Day of *June*, One thousand seven hundred and twenty one, made or entred into by any of His Majesties Subjects, or any Person or Persons in Trust for them, [for or] upon the Loan of any Monies by way of Bottomry on any Ship or Ships in the Service of foreigners, and bound or designed to trade in the *East-Indies*, or Parts aforesaid; and all Contracts and Agreements whatsoever, made by any of His Majesties Subjects, or any Person or Persons in Trust for them, for the Loading or supplying any such Ship or Ships with a Cargo or Lading of any sort of Goods, Merchandize, Treasure, or Effects, or with any Provisions, Stores, or Necessaries, and all Copartnerships, or Agreements in the Nature of Copartnerships, made or entred into, relating to any such voyage, or the Profits thereof, and all Agreements for the Wages of any Person or Persons serving on board such Ship or Ships to be employed in in such Voyage, shall be and are hereby declared to be void.

And it is hereby further Enacted and Declared, That every Person and Persons, Subject and Subjects, of His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, who

shall at any time or times from and after the said four and twentieth Day of *June*, One thousand seven hundred and twenty one, sail, go, or repair to the said *East-Indies*, or Places aforesaid contrary to the Laws now in being, shall be deemed and accounted to be a Trader, and to have traded and trafficked there; and all the Goods and Merchandizes that shall be there bartered or trafficked for, or be purchased by any such Offender or Offenders, or shall be found in his Custody, or in the Custody of any other Person or Persons, by his or their Order of Procurement, shall be forfeited, together with double the Value thereof.

And it is hereby further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every the Goods, Merchandize, Treasure, and Effects, that shall, at any time or times from and after the said four and twentieth Day of *June*, One thousand seven hundred and twenty one, be shipped, or put on board any Ship or Ships, Effect or Effects, bound to the *East-Indies*, or Parts aforesaid (other than and except the Goods, Merchandize, Treasure, and Effects of the said Company, or such as are licenced by them, or the Naval Stores, Provisions and Necessaries for such Ship or Ships performing their Voyage) and all and every the Goods, Merchandize, Treasure, and Effects (except as before is excepted) that shall, from and after the time aforesaid, be taken out of any such Ship or Vessel, in her Voyage homeward from the *East-Indies*, or Parts aforesaid, to *England*, before her Arrival there, the same, and every of them, shall be forfeited, together with double the Value thereof; and the Master or Commander, or other Officers of such Ship or Ships, Vessel or Vessels, for the time being, knowingly permitting, or suffering any such Goods, Merchandize, Treasure, or Effects, to be shipped, or put on board any such Ship or Ships so bound to the *East-Indies*, or to be taken out of any such Ship or Ships bound from the *East-Indies*, or parts aforesaid, to *England*, shall forfeit for every such Offence the Sum of One thousand Pounds, and moreover shall not be entitled to have, demand, or receive any Wages whatsoever; nor shall be said Company be obliged, or compelled or compellable to pay any Wages to, or to the Use, or upon the Account, of any such Master, Commander, or Officer, for or in respect of the Voyage so made, or to be made, by such Master, Commander, or Officer, but shall have an Allowance or Deduction in respect thereof out of the Monies payable by them on Account of the Ship to which such Master or Officers belong.

But forasmuch as it happens many times, that the above-mentioned illegal Trade is carried on and managed so artfully and covertly, that the said United Company cannot come to the Knowledge and Proof of the same, and at most cannot ascertain the Quantities, Qualities, and Values of the Goods, Merchandize, Treasure, and Effects, so traded for, nor therefore obtain any Satisfaction or Compensation for the Damages by them sustained, to their great Loss and Detriment, and to the great and apparent Lessening of his Majesties Revenue: Therefore it is Provided and further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for His Majesties Attorney General for the time being, at the Relation of the said Company, or by his own Authority, to exhibit a Bill or Bills of Complaint in His Majesties Court of Exchequer against any Person or Persons Trading, Dealing, Trafficking, or Adventuring, at any time from and after the said Twenty fourth Day of *June*, One thousand seven hundred and twenty one, in, to, or from the *East-Indies*, or Places aforesaid, contrary to Law, or against any Person or Persons concerned as Agent, Factor, or Copartner with such illegal Traders, for Discovery of such their Trading, Dealing, Trafficking, and Adventuring, and for Recovery of such Duties and Damages as are herein after mentioned, waiving or disclaiming in every such Bill all the Penalties and forfeitures incurred by such Person or Persons for the Matters in such Bill contained; and that such Person or Persons shall answer the said Bill or Bills, and not plead or demur to the Discovery thereby sought, and pay to his Majesty the Customs and Duties of the Goods and Merchandize arising, produced, or purchased by the said unlawful Trade, Traffick, or Adventuring; and shall

answer and pay to the said Company for the same Thirty Pounds *per Centum* according to the Value thereof in *England*; and if such Offender or Offenders pay the said Duties and Customs, or the Amount of the same, into His Majesties Exchequer for the Use of His Majesty, and Damages to the said Company, he or they shall not be prosecuted upon any other Branch or Article in this Act, or upon any other Law or Statute whatsoever, for the same Offence; and if such Bill or Bills (if exhibited at the Relation of the said Company) be dismissed by the Court where the same shall be exhibited, the said United Company shall pay every such Defendant and Defendants his and their Costs of Suit; and in case there be a Decree obtained against the Defendant or Defendants, such Defendant or Defendants shall pay Costs to His Majesty and the Relator respectively.

And it is hereby further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every the Forfeitures and Penalties herein before appointed and enacted, or which are appointed or enacted in and by one Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William*, Intituted, *An Act for raising a Sum not exceeding Two millions upon a Fund for Payment of Annuities after the Rate of Eight Pounds per Centum per Annum; and for settling the Trade to the East-Indies*; or in and by one other Act made in the Sixth Year of the Reign of Her late Majesty Queen *Anne*, Intituted, *An Act for better securing the Duties of East-India Goods*; or in and by one other Act made in the fifth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty, Intituted, *An Act for the better securing the lawful Trade of His Majesties Subjects to and from the East-Indies; and for the more effectual preventing all His Majesties Subjects trading thither under Foreign Commissions*, shall, from and after the said Four and twentieth Day of *June*, One thousand seven hundred and twenty one, be sued for, recovered, and recoverable, in any of his Majesties Courts of Record at *Westminster*, by Bill, Plaint, or Information, at the Suit or Prosecution of his Majesties Attorney General for the time being, or of the said United Company, or of any Officer or Officers of the Customs, such Officer or Officers of the Customs first taking such Consent and Directions as is or are contained in the Proviso for that Purpose hereafter; and that One third part of all such Forfeitures and Penalties shall be to the Use of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors; One other Third part thereof to the Use of the said United Company; and the remaining Third part thereof to the Use of such Officer or Officers of the Customs as shall inform, and so, as aforesaid, sue for the same; in which Suits or Prosecutions no *Essoign*, *Wager of Law*, or *Protection* shall be allowed, or any more than one *Impiance*.

Provided nevertheless, and it is hereby further Enacted and Declared, That before any Suit or Prosecution shall be commenced for the Recovery of all or any the Penalties or forfeitures aforesaid, by any such Officer or Officers of the Customs, such Officer or Officers shall first repair and go to the Court of Directors of the said United Company for the time being, and make known to them the Offence committed, and his or their Intentions to sue or prosecute for the same; and if the said Court of Directors shall elect to have the Suit or Prosecution brought or commenced by Bill or Bills of Complaint, to be filed or exhibited in the Court of Exchequer, with such Waiver and Disclaimer of the Penalties and forfeitures, as aforesaid, then and in such Case, such Bill or Bills of Complaint shall be filed, and exhibited, and prosecuted accordingly, in the Name of the Attorney General, as aforesaid, and then and thereupon there shall be yielded and paid by the said Company to such Officer or Officers, One Quarter Part of the Monies that shall be recovered upon such Suit, for the Benefit of the said Company; and the said United Company shall moreover bear the Charges of the said Suit or Prosecution; but if the said Court of Directors shall elect to have the suit or Prosecution commenced for the Penalties or forfeitures by Informations or Actions of Debt at Law, then the said Officer or Officers shall accordingly sue and prosecute for the same at Law; and the said Informations or Actions shall be proceeded upon, and shall not be discontinued or determined, but by and with the Consent of the said United Company or their Court of Directors.

Provided always, That this Act or any thing hereiu contained, shall not extend, or be construed, deemed, or taken to extend, to subject the Governor and Company of Merchants of *England* trading into the *Levant Seas*, or any Member thereof, to answer any such Bill, or subject him or them to any other the Penalties and forfeitures hereby Enacted, for and in respect of his or their trading into the *Levant Seas*; Any thing herein contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And it is further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the said four and twentieth Day of *June*, One thousand seven hundred and twenty one, no Commodity of the Growth, Product, or Manufacture of the *East-Indies*, or other the Places aforesaid, shall be imported or carried into the Kingdom of *Ireland*, the Islands of *Jersey*, *Guernsey*, *Alderney*, *Sark*, or *Man*, or into any Land, Island, Plantation, Colony, Territory, or Place, to His Majesty, or to the Crown of *Great Britain* belonging, or which shall hereafter belong to his Majesty, his heirs and Successors, in *Africa* or *America*, but such only as shall be *bona fide*, and without fraud laden and shipt in *Great Britain* in Ships navigated according to the severall and respective Laws now in being, as to the severall Places to which the said Goods shall be imported or carried, under the Penalty of forfeiting all such Goods, or the Value thereof, together with the Ship or Vessel in which they shall be imported, with all her Guns, Tackle, Furniture, Ammunition, and Apparel; and such Ship and Goods shall and may be seized, and the same or the value thereof, shall and may be prosecuted in any of His Majesties Courts of Record at *Westminster*, or in *Dublin*, or in any of His Majesties Courts in such Land, Island, Colony, Territory, or Place where the Offence shall be committed, or in the Royal Courts of *Jersey* and *Guernsey* respectively, by Bill, Plaint, or Information, wherein no Essoign, Protection, or Wager of Law shall be allowed, nor any more than one Imparance; one Moiety of which forfeiture shall be to the Use of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and the other Moiety to him or them who shall seize or sue for the same; except such Offence shall be committed in any of His Majesties Plantations in *Africa* or *America*, in which case one Third part of the said forfeiture shall be to the use of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, one other Third part to the Governor of such Land, Island, Colony, or Place, where the Offence shall be committed, and the other Third Part to the Informer or Prosecutor; Any Law, Custom, or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding: And if any Officer or Officers of the Customs, in the said Kingdom of *Ireland*, or in the Lands, Islands, Colonies, Plantations, Territories, or Places aforesaid, shall willingly or knowingly connive at the fraudulent Importation of any such Commodities as is before mentioned, contrary to the true meaning hereof, or if any such Officer or Officers shall take upon him or them to seize any of the said Commodities, and shall, by fraud or Collusion, desist or delay the Prosecution thereof to Condemnation, he, or they, so conniving, desisting, or delaying, shall forfeit and lose the Sum of five hundred Pounds, to be sued for and recovered in manner aforesaid; one Moiety of which forfeiture to be to the Use of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and the other Moiety thereof to him or them who will inform and sue for the same; and such Officer or Officers shall also for the future be incapable of holding any Office or Employment under His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors.

And whereas by an Act passed in the fourth Year of the Reign of King *William* and Queen *Mary*, for granting to Their Majesties certain Additional Impositions upon severall Goods, and Merchandizes, for the Prosecuting the War against *France*, the severall Duties charged by that Act upon Amber Beads, Amber Rough, Coral Beads, and polished Coral, and upon Cowries, are to be repaid to the Merchants exporting the same, if exported within Three Years from the Importation thereof; which Act is now in force: And whereas by severall other Acts of Parliament now in force, the time for Exportation of some foreign Goods by *British* Merchants is limited to the space of Twelve Months, and of other foreign Goods to the space of Eighteen Months, or thereabouts,

from the times of the Importation thereof: And whereas the time for Exportation of some foreign Goods, by Aliens, or Merchant Strangers, is limited to the space of Nine Months, and of others to the Space of fifteen Months, or thereabouts, from the times of importing the same; but forasmuch as it hath been found by Experience, that the said respective times of Nine Months, Twelve Months, fifteen Months, and Eighteen Months afore mentioned, are too short, and very inconvenient to Traders; and for as much also as it will be for the Benefit of the Trade of this Kingdom, if the time given for repaying or drawing back the Duties upon the Exportation of all Goods and Merchandizes of His Majesties Plantations, and all other Foreign Goods and Merchandizes whatsoever, be enlarged; Be it therefore further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the respective times for Exportation of all Goods and Merchandizes of His Majesties Plantations, and all other foreign Goods and Merchandizes, as the same are not limited by any Law or Laws in being, shall, from and after the said Twenty fourth Day of *June*, One thousand seven hundred and twenty one, be extended and enlarged, so that in all Cases where Repayments, Allowances, or Drawbacks are made upon the Exportation of any Goods and Merchandizes of His Majesties Plantations, and all other foreign Goods and Merchandizes imported, and afterwards exported by virtue of any Law now in force, all Merchants and Traders, Bodies Politick, and Corporations shall, from thenceforth have, and be allowed Three Years time, from the Importation of such Goods, to export the same, accounting such Importation from the Masters Report of the Ship; and all and every such Merchant and Merchants, Trader and Traders, Bodies Politick, and Corporations, shall have the like Repayments, Allowances, and Drawbacks, by and for such Exportation, as if the same had been exported within the respective times before mentioned, or any other times limited by any Law now in being for that purpose; such Law or any other Law, Rule, Custom, or Usage to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding: Provided nevertheless, That Certificates and Oaths be made, and all other Requisites performed according to the Laws now in being relating to the Importation or Exportation of such Goods.

And whereas by the several Acts which granted the Duties of fifteen *per Centum* upon Muslins and White Callicoes imported (which Acts are now in force) the Importers, before the Landing thereof, are to give Security by Bond for Payment of the said Duties, as soon as the same shall be sold, and for exposing the said Goods to Sale openly and fairly by way of Auction or Inch of Candle, within the City of *London*, within the time of Twelve Months after the Importation thereof; and in case the said Goods shall, within the time limited, be fairly sold, as aforesaid, and in case the Importers shall pay down the said Duties in Ready Money, within Twenty Days after such Sale, they are to have an Allowance after the Rate of five Pounds for every One hundred Pounds of Duties so paid: And whereas by several Acts of Parliament now in force for granting, continuing, and better securing the Duties payable *ad valorem* upon unrated *East-India* Goods, and for ascertaining the Values according to which such Duties shall be paid, the Importer or Importers thereof are, in like manner, to give Security by Bond for Payment of the said Duties according to the real Values of the said Goods, to be ascertained according to the respective Acts of Parliament in that behalf made (except Coffee) as soon as the said Goods shall be sold, and also for exposing the said Goods to Sale openly and fairly by way of Auction, or by Inch of Candle, within the City of *London*, within the time of Twelve Months after the Importation thereof; and for as much as the restraining the said Muslins, White Callicoes, and unrated *East-India* Goods to be sold within Twelve Months from the Importation thereof, may some times be detrimental to the Revenue; and that the enlarging the said time of Sale will be for the Benefit of the Trade of this Kingdom; Be it therefore Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That for such of the said Goods as are at present imported and unsold, or shall, from and after the said four and twentieth Day of *June*, One thousand seven hundred and twenty one, be imported, the Importer or Importers thereof may, at any time within the

Space of Three Years from the Importation of such respective Goods, expose the same to Sale, and after such Sale, there shall be allowed the like Discounts on Payments of the respective Duties on such Goods, as if the same had been exposed to Sale within the time of Twelve Months, as before mentioned, or any other time heretofore limited by Law; and from and after the said four and twentieth Day of *June*, One thousand seven hundred and twenty one, The Condition of the Bond or Bonds to be given by the Importers for Payment of the said Duties on the Goods before mentioned, shall be to expose the same to Sale within the Space of Three Years from the Importation thereof: and the Importer or Importers of the said Goods shall be entitled to the same Discounts, Allowances, and Payment of the Duties upon the said Goods, as if the same had been sold within the said time of Twelve Months; Any Law, Usage, or Custom to the contrary notwithstanding.

And whereas by an Act passed in the Third Year of the Reign of Her late Majesty Queen *Anne*, for continuing Duties upon Low-Wines, and upon Coffee, Tea, Chocolate, Spices and Pictures, and upon Hawkers, Pedlars, and Petty Chapmen, and upon Muslins, and for granting new Duties upon several of the said Commodities; and also upon Callico, *China* Ware, and Drugs; It is Enacted, That any Person or Persons may import into this Kingdom Tea, subject to the several Duties Payable for the same, from any Parts beyond the Seas, in *British* Ships, navigated as therein mentioned, so as Notice be first given to the Commissioners of Her Majesties Customs of the Quantity and Quality of the said Tea so intended to be imported, and the Place in which they intend to import the same, and taking a Licence under the hands of the said Commissioners for the time being, or any Three of them, for the landing and importing thereof, as aforesaid; which Act hath been since continued, and is now in force: And Whereas the Method of granting those Licences, by an Act passed in the last Session of Parliament, Intituled, *An Act for preventing Frauds and Abuses in the Publick Revenues of Excise, Customs, Stamp-Duties, Post-Office, and House-Money*, is altered and explained: And whereas under the Colour of such Licences great frauds are committed, to the Prejudice of His Majesties Revenue; and forasmuch as it hath been found by Experience, That the allowing the Importation of Tea, by Virtue of such Licences or Certificates, from *Ostend*, and other Places, not being the Place of its Growth, tends to promote the illegal Trade carried on by His Majesties Subjects to the *East-Indies* under foreign Commissions, and in Conjunction with foreigners, and is very prejudicial to the Trade and Navigation of this Kingdom; for the preventing thereof, Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That from and after the said four and twentieth Day of *June*, One thousand seven hundred and twenty one, so much of the said Act of the Third Year of Her said late Majesty, and of the Several Acts continuing the same, and so much of the said Act of His present Majesty which past the last Sessions of Parliament, and every other Act which relates to or allows of the importing Tea by Licence or Certificate, as aforesaid, shall be, and the same are hereby repealed, annulled, and made void, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the said United Company, shall for the future be allowed to ship out Stores, Provisions, Untensils of War, and Necessaries for maintaining their Garrisons and Settlements, free of all Duties, so as such Duties if they had been to be paid, would not have exceeded or do not exceed in any One Year the Sum of Three hundred Pounds.

And whereas frauds are frequently committed in clandestinely Running of Goods out of Ships and Vessels homeward bound, as well from the *East-Indies* as other Parts, on pretence of Boats plying with Pilots for such Ships and Vessels at a great Distance from the proper Stations of such Pilots, by means whereof they escape the Inspection of the Officers of the Customs, and several Mischiefs and Inconveniences have happened, as well to His Majesties as to Merchant Ships, by

the Disorders and Negligences of Pilots residing at *Dover, Deal,* and the Isle of *Thanet*, which are not sufficiently prevented by an Act made in the Third Year of His present Majesties Reign, Intituled, *An Act for the better regulating of Pilots for conducting of Ships and Vessels from Dover, Deal, and the Isle of Thanet, up the River of Thames and Medway*; Be it therefore Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the Lord Warden of the Cinque-Ports, for the time being, or his Deputy, with the Assent of the Commissioners of Load-Manage, and of the Masters and Wardens of the Society or fellowship of Pilots of the *Trinity House* of the Cinque-Ports, or the major part of them, at an Assembly commonly called a Court of Load-Manage, to be held by the said Lord Warden or his Deputy, during the Continuance of the said Act of the Third Year of His Majesties Reign, to make such Rules and Orders for the better Government and Regulation of the Pilots residing at *Dover, Deal,* and the Isle of *Thanet*, as shall be thought fit and convenient, and to order and direct a proportionable and sufficient Number of the respective Pilots, residing at *Dover, Deal,* and the Isle of *Thanet*, not less than Eighteen, to ply constantly at Sea, at all seasonable times, to be ready to conduct such Ships and Vessels up the said Rivers of *Thames* and *Medway*, as shall have Occasion for them; and that it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Lord Warden of the Cinque-Ports for the time being, or his Deputy, during the Continuance of the said Act, with the Assent of the said Commissioners, and the Master and Wardens of the said Society or fellowship, for the time being, or the major part of them, at a Court of Load-Manage to be held, as aforesaid, to suspend or deprive any of the said Pilots for breaking such Rules or Orders, or omitting any thing required by the same, or for acting in any wise contrary to such Rules or orders; and if any of the said Pilots so suspended or deprived, during the time of such Suspension or Deprivation, shall take upon him or themselves to conduct any Ship or Vessel by or from *Dover, Deal,* or the Isle of *Thanet*, to any Place or Places in or upon the said River of *Thames* or *Medway*, such Pilot or Pilots shall be liable to all such Pains and Penalties, to be recovered and applied in like manner and form as are provided by the said Act of the Third year of His present Majesty, against such Person or Persons as shall conduct Ships from and to the Places aforesaid, without being first examined and approved by the Master and Wardens of the said Society or fellowship at the said Court, and admitted into the said Society.

Finis.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANTIZE & FORREIGN SILVER LYCENCOED BY THE COMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY TO BE LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP MARY CAPTⁿ. RICHARD HOLDEN COMAND^r. BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS.

(Viz^t.)

Captⁿ. Richard Holden.

R. H. N ^o . 1 @ 17	...	17 Chests of Wine	...	Value £	70.
16 @ 21	...	6 Chests of Beer	...	D ^o .	27.
1 @ 6	...	6 Chests of Syder	...	D ^o .	
1 @ 10	...	10 Chests of Wine	...	D ^o .	100.
11	...	1 Half Chest of Wine.		D ^o .	5.

On the 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ Cent & Indulgence.

M^r. Thomas Halford Purser

T H F 1. 1. 2	...	3 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Dozen Each	...	Value £	30.
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On the Five $\frac{3}{4}$ Cent & Indulgence.

Mr. Elihu Trenchfeild.

R B... 1 ... 1 Case with a Chaise & appurtinances ... Value £19:
Freight Free being for the use of Mr. Richard Binion at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. Thomas Holden Cheifmate.

T.H 1 @ 4 1. 2. 1. 1. } 11 Chests of Wine q^t. 12 Dozen each ... Value £110.
2. 1. 2. }
1. 2 ... 2 Chests of Ale q^t. D^o. ... D^o. 9.
1 ... 1 Chest of Wine q^t. D^o. ... D^o. 10.
On the 5 ³/₄ Cent & Indulgence.

Cap^t. Richard Holden.

R H ... 4 Chests of Wine q^t. 12 Dozen each. Value [£4.]
1 Chaize D^o. [...]
1 @ 27 ... 27 Small Boxes of Looking Glasses [...]
[... ian Silver being ...]
[. . .]

M^{rs}. Fleetwood.

M F N^o. 2 ... 1 Chest of Wearing apparel ... Value
3 ... 1 Escrutore q^t. Linen & apparel...
1 ... 1 Hamper q^t. Tea Sugar & Eatables
1 Chest q^t. Servants apparel.
Freight Free being for her Own necessary Use in the
Voyage.

Mr^s. Sarah Hawkins Passinger.

N ^o . 16	...	1 Chest of Wearing apparel	...	} Value £150.
2	...	1 Looking Glass in a Case	...	
13	...	1 Escrutore q ^t . apparel	...	
22	...	1 Small Case q ^t . a Dressing Glass	...	
21	...	1 Box of Drinking Glasses	...	
3	...	1 Ditto Cordial Waters	...	
6	...	1 D ^o . q ^t . 2 Gallons of Pickles	...	
1	...	1 D ^o . q ^t . Tobacco	...	
23	...	1 D ^o . with the Head of a Clock	...	
18	...	1 Case of Linnen	...	
4	...	1 Small Chest of Necessarys	...	
12	...	1 Case of Books	...	
14	...	1 Box of Tea & Necessarys	...	
7	...	1 Case of Bacon & Apples	...	
19	...	1 Box of Necessarys	...	
5	...	1 Case of Cordials	...	
8—9	...	2 Hampers Wine q ^t . 8 Dozen	...	
10	...	1 Hamper of Tin Ware	...	
11	...	1 Ditto of Pewter & Brass	...	

Freight Free.

Capt^m. Samuell Lewes.

Directed ... 1 Chest of Wine q^t. 12 Dozen .. Value £10.
Freight Free being for the Use of Nath^l.
Elwick Esq^r. Governor of Fort S^t. George.

Edward Harrison Esq^r.

B B N^o. 1 @ 6 ... 6 Chests of Wine 12 Dozen each ... Value £70.
Freight Free being for the use of M^r. Richard Benion of
Council at Fort S^t. George.

Captⁿ. Joseph Tolson.

[. . . Value £9.—]
[. . .]

M^r. Cousins Midshipⁿ.

1 Chest & a half of Wine—Value £ 15.
On the 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ Cent & Indulgence.

M^r. Laurance Lane.

G. Drake ... 1 Chest of Wine ... Value £10. —
1 Half Chest Wine ... D^o. 5. —
1 Chest of Ale ... D^o. 4. 10. —
Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. George Drake
at Fort S^t. George.

M^r. John Oadham.

C. Oadham ... 2 Chests of Wine ... Value £20. —
2 Chests of Ale ... D^o. 9. —
1 Chest of Apparrel.
Freight Free being for the use of M^r. Catesby
Oadham of Council at Fort S^t. George.

M^r. Nath^l. Turner.

1 Chest of Apparrel.
2 Chests of Beer ... Value £ 9. —
4 Chests of Wine ... D^o. 40. —
Freight Free being for the Use of M^r. Nath^l. Turner
of Council at Fort S^t. George.

M^r. Hugh Norris.

E. O 7—8 ... 1 Box q^t. Books ... Value £35. —
Freight Free being for the Use of Cap^t. Edward
Orrill at Fort S^t. George.

M^r. Christopher Fullagar.

Directed ... 1 Box q^t. Wearing apparrel. Value £120. 19. —
1 Chest of Beer ... D^o. 4. 10. —
Freight Free being for the Use of M^r. John Fullagar
a Factor at Fort S^t. George.

M^r. Charles Du Bois.

Phillis Madrass ... 1 Chest of Wearing apparrel ... Value [...]
Freight Free being for the use of M^r. [Phi . . .]
a Passinger on the said Ship.

M^r. Saunders [...]

[...] 1 Box q^t. Wearing apparrel [...]
[. . .]

Mr. John Elwick.

N^o. 1 @ 11 ... 11 Chests of Wine ... Value £ 110. —
Freight Free being for the Use of Nath^l.
Elwick Esq^r. Governor of Fort S^t. George.

Mr. Henry Blunt.

Blunt 1 @ 4 ... 4 Half Chests of Beer ... Value £ 9. —
5 ... 1 Half Chest of Wine ... D^o. 5. —
6 ... 1 Case of apparel.
Freight Free being for the Use of M^r. John Blunt a
Factor at Vazacapatam.

Mr. Ralph Ratcliffe.

3 Chests of Beer ... Value £ 13. 10.
1 Chest of Apparel ... D^o. 45. —
On which he has paid £ 5. 6. 8 for Freight of part
thereof & the rest is Freight Free being for the
Use of M^r. Charles Barrington a Writer at Fort S^t.
George.

S^r. James Penniman.

P 1 2 ... 2 Chests of Beer ... Value £ 9. —
3 ... 1 Chest of Wearing apparel. D^o. 36. —
Freight Free being for the Use of M^r. Thomas Penni-
man a Factor at Fort S^t. George.

\$ M^r. John Styleman.

W ... 1 Small Box q^t. Wearing apparel. Value £ 31. 7. 6.
Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. Joseph Walsh
Merchant at Fort S^t. George.

EAST INDIA HOUSE, LONDON.

y^o. 11th. January 1722.

Exam^d. Tho : Lewes.

A LIST OF SOULDIER'S SHIP'D ON BOARD THE MARY CAPT^N. RICHARD HOLDEN COMANDEER.

		Country	Trades	Aged.
Thomas Senegar	Souldier	of London	Cordwindor	27
Abraham Dine	D ^o .	Bedfordshire	Labourer	26
Nicholas Powell	D ^o .	Durham	Distiller	22
Edward Fisher	D ^o .	Cambridge	Sould ^r .	21
Christian Wagoner	D ^o .	Saxony	Taylor	26
William Pritchard	D ^o .	London	Souldier	21
Thomas Stowell	D ^o .	Sussex	Brass Lock Maker	22
Dennis Maccloud	D ^o .	North brittain	Sould ^r .	28
Daniel Camell	D ^o .	D ^o .	D ^o .	30
Henry Geir	D ^o .	Hampshire	Watchmaker	23
Lawrence Berry	D ^o .	Ireland	Souldier	28
William Booth	D ^o .	Northumberland	D ^o .	29
William Willson	D ^o .	Sweed	Blacksmith	36
John Warner	D ^o .	North brittain	Sould ^r .	21
Albert Albertson	D ^o .	Norway		22
John Rhine	Sergeant	North Britton		

EAST INDIA HOUSE LONDON.

y^o. 11th. January 1722.

Exam^d. Tho : Lewes.

ACCOUNT OF BULLION LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ON THE MARY FOR FOT S^t. GEORGE
BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS.

							Ounces.	
By Joseph Telles da Costa	1	Chest markt	I.D.C.T.	N ^o . 3	con ^r .	✓	3300	
Isaac Delmont	1	D ^o .	SX	N ^o . 2		✓	1100	
Abr ^r . Osoria	2	D ^o .	Ⓢ.	N ^o . 12		✓	5000	
Abr ^r . Franks	1	D ^o .	A.F.	N ^o . 2		✓	4000	
Mos Henriques Julian Jun ^r .	3	D ^o .	A.D.C.	N ^o . 3 @ 5		✓	9000	
Isaac Franks	4	D ^o .	IF	N ^o . 11 @ 14		✓	15000	
Alvaro Mendes	1	D ^o .	AM	N ^o . 3		✓	2000	
Jn ^o . Mendes da Costa Jun ^r .	1	D ^o .	MDCI	N ^o . 3		✓	4000	
Ant ^o . Mendes da Costa	1	D ^o .	AMDC	N ^o . 1		✓	3467	
Abr ^r . Mendes Sen ^r .	1	D ^o .	AMDS	N ^o . 1		✓	4000	
							<u>Ounces</u>	<u>50867</u>

PETITION BY DIVERS PERSONS WHO SENT OUT EFFECTS TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS
ANNO 1719 CONSIGNED TO GOVERNOR HASTINGS.

To THE HON^{ble}. THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY.

The Petition of Divers Traders to India in Diamonds with the Comp^{ys}.
Lycence.

Sheweth

That in or about the year 1719 Last past Your petitioners did send Considerable Effects to Fort S^t. George with the Companys Lycence which obliged them to Consign their said Effects to their Governour who was at that time Francis Hastings Esq^r.

Your Petitioners did by this years ships receive advice of their Correspondence of the Decease of said Governour Hastings and th^o its reported he left very large Assetts yet yo^r. petitioners cannot come at their right.

Therefore the request of your petitioners to this Hon^{ble} Court is, that you'll be pleased to give earnest Directions to Govern^r. Elwick or to any Govern^r. for the time being by the ships that are now dispatching that he or they will take particular care to see Justice done to your Petitioners in the premises [. . .] being they did entirely Conform themselves to the Regulations of this Company.

For Mess^{rs}. Dodding Braddyll & Joseph da silva Sequeira, Joseph de silva seque[ira].

For Mess^{rs}. Jacob Mendes Da Costa & Joseph Da silva Sequeira.

JACOB MENDES DA COSTA.
JOSEPH DA SILVA SEQUEIRA.
JACOB FERNANDES NUNES.
ISAAC SALVADORE.
SALOMON DE MEDINA M[. . .]

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE SHIP MARY.

- N^o. 1. Duplicate Companys General Letter to ffort S^t. George dated the 21st December 1722. sent by Carnarvon, with an addition dated the 11th. January 1722.
2. Invoice of the Mary amounting to £ 72,661-8-2.
3. Bill of Lading of D^o. Ship.
4. Copy of the Marys Charterparty.
5. List of Goods to be provided on the Coast of Chormandell for the ships going Out this Year 1722.
6. Manifest of Bullion & Goods Lycenced to be Shipt aboard the Mary. sign'd by M^r. Thomas Lewes.
7. List of Sixteen Souldiers aboard the Mary for ffort S^t. George sign'd by M^r. Thomas Lewes.
8. Copy of the Memorial delivered to the Ministry by Count Staremburg the Imperial Minister against Isaac Pyke Govern^r. of Bencoolen for seizing the Ostend ship La fflandria.
9. Copy of the attestation of the Supra Cargo &c^a. Officers of the Laffland[ria] realating to the said Ships being seiz'd by Isaac Pyke dated the 3^d. October 1722.
10. Copy of M^r. Richard Hordens Memorial delivered into the Court of Directors the 24th. October 1722. and his Remonstrance to the Committee of Correspondence the 6th. December 1722.
11. Six printed Copys of the New Covenants to be hereafter enterd into by all the Companys Covenant Servants.
12. State of the Companys Effects in Bengall as appears by their Books S. Ending the 30th. April 1721. Also at ffort S^t. George, ffort S^t. David and Vizagapatam, as by their Books ending the 30th. April 1721. Sign'd by M^r. John Fletcher.
13. Account of Bullion Lycenced to be Shipt aboard the Mary to purchase Dyamonds.
14. Copy of a Petition sign'd by divers persons who sent Out Effects to purchase Dyamonds Anno 1719. Consignd to Governour Hastings.
15. Patterns of 196. Bales of Board Cloth, and 9 Bales of Long Ells and samples of 6. chests Stationary ware by Mary in the Box apart.
16. Keys of Two Chests of Medicines aboard the Mary for ffort S^t. David in the Box apart.
17. Packett directed to the President and Councill to be forwarded thither by the first good opportunity except on the Der[by] she having the same.

ACCOMPT OF BULLION LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ON THE DERBY FOR FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS.

						Ounces.
By Joseph Tells da Costa	1	Chest markt	DCT N ^o . 4	Con ^t .	✓	3300
Abraham Osorio	... 2	D ^o .	Ⓢ N ^o . 3·4		✓	5000
Abr ^a . Franco	... 2	D ^o .	CF N ^o . 4·5		✓	8000
Abr ^a . Lopes Dias	... 1	D ^o .	PL N ^o . 1		✓	2000
D ^o 2	D ^o .	AL N ^o . 1·2		✓	5000
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Moses	Henriques			Ounces.
Julean Jun ^r 2	Chest	markt ADC N ^o . 1-2	✓ 7000
Isaac Franks	... 3	D ^o .	FFH N ^o . 1 @ 3	✓ 10000
	... 2	D ^o .	FF N ^o . 9-10	✓ 8000
Isaac Delmont	... 1	D ^o .	SX N ^o . 3	✓ 1100
				Ounces 49400

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKETT TO FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE SHIP DERBY.

- N^o. 1. Duplicate Companys General Letter to Fort S^t. George dated the 21th. December 1722. Sent by Carnarvon with an addition dated the 11th. January 1722.
2. List of Goods to be Provided on the Coast of Choromandell for the ships going out this Year 1722.
3. Six Printed Copys of the New Covenants to be hereafter enter'd into by all the Companys Covenant Servants.
4. State of the Companys Effects in Bengall as appears by their Books S. ending the 30th. April 1721. Also at ffort S^t. George, ffort S^t. David & Vizagapatam as by their Books ending the 30th. April 1721. Sign'd by M^r. John Fletcher.
5. Account of Bullion Lycenced to be Shipt aboard the Derby to purchase Dyamonds.
6. Copy of a Petition sign'd by divers Persons who sent out Effects to purchase Dyamonds Anno 1719, Consign'd to Gov^r. Hastings.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT S^t. GEORGE, DATED FEBRUARY 14, 1723, PER CARDIGAN, BRIDGWATER, AND ESSEX. [*Letter Book, vol. 18, pp. 472—451. (India Office transcript).*]

LONDON THE 14TH FEBRUARY 1722-3

OUR PRESIDENT & COUNCIL
OF FORT S^t. GEORGE,

By the Ships Carnarvon and Sarum We gave you an Account what shipping arrived Us the last Season, What Shipping were design'd for all parts of India this. What Letters We had received from you, but had not then time to take notice of, several parts of the Contents of those Letters, or of the Books and Papers which accompany'd them, so that We only gave our Orders and Directions in part, as you will perceive by ours of the 21th December last sent by those two Ships together with Duplicates thereof, and an Addition thereunto of the 11th January by the Mary and Derby, Copys of all We again send you by this Ship Cardigan.

2. Since then We have altered the voyage of the Essex at first appointed for S^t. Helena and Borneo, and have determiu'd that she shall proceed from S^t. Helena directly to Fort S^t. George.

3. We have also thought fitt that the Cardigan shall take in only Fifty Pipes of Wine at the Madeiras and the Bridgwater th^o now bound directly for the Bay take in the other Fifty. What mention'd in our former Letter touching the Derby's Fifty Pipes being either sold at the Bay or sent for up to Fort S^t. George you must have the like regard unto with relation to the Bridgwaters.

4. Our Mocha Ships did not depart from Falmouth till the 2d of January, Our China Ships left the Downes the 27th December, We have heard nothing from either of them since, so that We hope they have got clear of the Channell,

and will arrive at their Consign'd Ports in due time, as will also the Carnarvon and Sarum who sail'd thro' the Downes the said 2d of January.

5. We have ordered the *Mary* and *Derby* to call in at the Cape, and carry from thence such part of the *Nightingales* Europe goods as the *Carnarvon* and *Sarum* could not take in, together with any of the wreckt Ships Naval or Ordnance Stores the Captains should think fitt to send and consign to you to be sold for the Proprietors Accounts and the Mony paid into our Cash advising Us the particulars and produce that a reasonable allowance may be deducted for this deviation the Freight and other Charges, but they are not to call in unless they get off the Cape in all the Month of April they were dispatcht from Us at the *Hope* and got into the *Downes* the 19th waiting only for a wind, from whence they sail'd the 26th, January.

6. Amongst other Encouragements granted to the China Council, We have allow'd Mr. *Fazakerley* to carry out in Foreign Silver to the amount of Fifteen hundred pounds Sterling, Messrs. *Morton*, *Godfrey* and *Atkyns* each Nine hundred pounds, Messrs. *Carter* and *Dade* each Six hundred Pounds, and Messrs. *Bacon* and *Skinner* each Five hundred Pounds, with liberty to invest the same in China in Gold and that Gold sent, if they have any Opportunity to *Fort St. George*, to be there invested in Diamonds, and sent home on their Accounts by our Shipping, or if they shall rather choose it, That the Produce of the said Gold be paid into our Cash, to be remitted hither By Bills of Exchange, Advise Us what Gold they so send, and of what touch, that We may know how they bought it, for our Liberty was for the abovesaid summ and no more.

7. It will not be amiss here to tell you that some Parcells of Gold lately brought home and particularly one by Mr. *Thomas Wright* were seized by the Customhouse Officers for being Clandestinely run part of it as bringing from the ship and part found after ashore, the reason was for not paying to the Company the Five per Cent Duty by Act of Parliament, It was with great difficulty and a large Composition to the Officers, the Persons who run it got it clear'd, having first paid said five per cent, We mention it here by way of Caution of which give publick Notice to everybody, for by a very late Act all Goods Traded for and return'd from the East Indies, and run ashore without due Entry are forfeitable, one third to the Crown, one third to the Company, and the other third to the Informer and Prosecutor.

8. We come now to make our remarks on such part as We think necessary of your aforementioned Letters, Consultations, and other Writings and Papers received by the last Shipping and not yet taken notice of under our usual heads vizt.

OF SHIPPING.

9. We have received the List of Ships Importing and Exporting *Madrass* how the same should be drawn out, We have fully directed in former Letters, Take care those directions be reperused and constantly comply'd with, for We observe some defects in this among others, there is no notice of the *Supra* Cargo's Names on board any of the Ships which ought not to have been omitted and must not hereafter, We depend on the hopes you give Us that the next you send will evidence the *Madrass* Trade flourishes.

10. The Notices in your Letters of our own or other European Ships Arrival with and departure from you, or what News you had of Shipping from other Places. The Monys, *Petre*, *Pepper*, &c *. supply'd them require no Answer but this, Continue the like on all occasions.

11. The loss of the *King George* has put a period to our Enquirys touching the short weight of *Pepper* advised of when she arrived you from *Benjar*, however, you did well to examine and state the Account which must be continued if ever there should be the like reason.

12. By the Accounts mention'd as well in your Letters as Consultations, We observe the endeavours you used to save what possible of the Dartmouth and King Georges Wrecks, It was very unhappy that any part of the Dartmouths silver remain'd on board her, and We hope will be a Caution to you for the future not to loose one hours time for getting on shore all the Treasure at any time hereafter to be brought you by our or other Shipping, for notwithstanding what your Consultations tell Us of your Orders for the immediate bringing ashore her Treasure, and what was done thereupon, It is the Currant report of several who came from Madrass and believed by Our adventurers, who are therefore very uneasy for this piece of mismanagement, that the whole might have been brought ashore if sufficient diligence had been used between the time of her Arrival and the Storm, for as every Chest is to be well buoy'd in case by hard blowing weather any of them had been sunk they might have been easily recover'd, whereas by your Letters it appears very doubtfull whether you shall be able in the then next Southerly Monsoon to save the whole, or so much as a part, We are assur'd that Catamarans would have secured it, even in the usual roughest sort of blowing weather, such as you complain'd of before the fatal Storm. In Calamitys like this We must submit to the Divine Providence, but the losses make deeper Impressions upon Us when want of foresight, diligence, or care contribute thereunto, and that these were wanting is in most Peoples mouths, what now remains is that you remember and from time to time put in practice the Assurances you give Us in Paragraph 14 of the 3d February that you will use your utmost endeavours to make up as much as possible by your frugality and diligence the great losses We have sustained by said Storm will thereby convince Us you have our Interest most at heart, and will act in our affairs with the same care you should use in your own and with the utmost Fidelity.

13. It seems by what We hear to have been the usual practice when a captain of an arrived Europe ship in the Road comes ashore he leaves orders with the commanding officer on board to obey the signal of a Gun fired from the shore and put out to Sea, because those on shore often discover the signs of an approaching Storm before the People in the ship, therefore fire a Gun to give warning. If this practice hath been neglected be sure and revive it and remind the captains to give such orders.

14. We think you put too favourable a construction upon Captain Hills proceedings in the Brittannia seized at Batavia by saying you believ'd he was betrayed into the Voyage, It can't be doubted but he would make you the most plausible pretences for what he did especially being stript and wanting to get into Employment, he ought to have been, and We direct he be sent home to England in terrorem to others.

15. We have as usual appointed a Secret Committee, those for this year are Josias Wordsworth and Joseph Herne Esq^r. With Sir Matthew Decker Bart. and Henry Lyell Esq^r. If you shall receive any orders from them, or any three of them relating to our shipping, or other matters usually left to their direction you must continue to observe as if sign'd by the whole Court.

16. You did well to send Us the Registers deliver'd in of the Captains Tolson, Micklefield, and Kemeys Private Trade, Continue the like in all time coming.

17. We have received in the Packets the accounts of the Charge of the Brigantines and our other Country Vessels appears to be very great and observe the notice taken thereupon in Consultation of the 26th of October, Also in the 17th Paragraph of your Letter of the 3rd February, that you would sell the Sloop Dartmouth when return'd from the Wreck to prevent her further Charge, because say of no manner of service to you considering her continual Expence. We can't add to what We have once and again wrote you, touching the heavy charge those vessels stand Us in and our frequent orders that every Article of their Expence be from time to time examin'd to see there are no false or unnecessary Summs brought into the Account, We expect you will take effectual care these Examinations be

made on all occasions and that you will allow no new supplies of Stores &c^a. till you have a satisfactory account what became of the former to prevent Embezzlements. Your Consultation aforesaid mentions that these Vessels stand the dearer in the Books because they have not been Credited for their Earnings, which must be a mistake because in the Accounts now sent of the Metchlepatam George and Derby Brigantines, We find considerable Summs brought to their Credit for Employment. On the whole matter We direct that you keep no more then what are absolutely necessary, That the utmost frugality be used in their Expencc and that they never lye idle when possible to be Employ'd.

18. We find several Summs charged for Freight in bringing Bales from your Subordinate Factorys, and it seems to Us as if some of the Vessels were employ'd therein more for the benefit of their Proprietors than your unavoidable necessitys, so far as this is indeed the truth prevent it in future, And when to be done Employ only our Europe and Country Vessels more especially between Madrass and St. Davids, but at other times do as the necessity of Affairs require. You tell Us, Paragraph 138, you order'd the wast of Stores sent per Marlbrô, value Fifty four Pagodas, to be wrote off to Profit and Loss as believing it proceeded from rust and other usuall accidents as per Consultation of the 15th January, that book ending the last of December, We could not see those reasons, for the future always send in the Packet Copys of such Consultations refer'd to after the General Book ends, that We may see and judge, for by Charterparty you will find each ship is to answer for want of any of the goods mention'd in the Bill of Lading, and it is not to be doubted but the Captains will always make the best excuse they can to prevent such charges on their Ships, but you ought never to allow them without the utmost certainty, and if there be the least doubt to refer to Us the decision.

19. Touching Mr. Hastings Unprecedented Proceedings in the Sale of the Country Ships return'd from Surat, We shall give you Our orders under the head of the Trade of India &c^a.

20. The want you mention of Ten ounces of Silver in the Chest and Bag of Silver per Marlbrô has been enquired into in our Treasury, and by the Register it appears the bag did contain as Invoiced, which We are the more sure was right, because the Bags weighing all alike, the Weights are not shifted, and We never trust Our Officers singly with the weigbing without one of the Committee of the Treasury being present who always Signs to the Entry thereof in the Book, and so We find he did in this Article, We would not suppose those who by entry in Consultation appear to have made the report of that deficiency were mistaken, and therefore apprehend it possible that by the Chests jumbling the bag might break, and as Silver is very heavy, might open the bottom sufficiently to let out some of the loose French Crowns in said Bag, but conjecture if this was or hereafter should be the true Case, you must take care to charge the Ship with the want, and if disputed let the decision be refer'd to Us here, advising fully the Case by the first opportunity, for which reason it is We give you Our Orders thereupon under this head.

SECONDLY CONCERNING GOODS SENT FROM EUROPE OR FROM ONE PART
OF INDIA TO BE DISPOSED OF IN ANOTHER.

21. In our aforesaid Letter of the 21th December is an account of Our intended quantity of Woollen Goods to be sent You this Season. What each Ship brings the respective Invoices will inform you, Your other Lists of Demands and Remains have been perused by the proper Committees who have taken care to supply you as they thought proper.

22. We observe the notice you give Us of the Captains of the Monmouth and Heathcote adjusting the Account of the damaged Woollen Goods, but by what appears you never receiv'd Satisfaction for the want of Spectacles per Monmouth.

Invoiced at Six Pounds five shillings, and in your very Letter you have not mention'd particulars only slightly refer'd to Consultation (where We found them) as if it was not worth the while to be taken notice of, notwithstanding the Charterparty directs your demanding and recovering (tho We allow where the Case is very doubtfull referring to Us) the amount of whatever is wanting of the Invoice, but instead thereof if We understand the Entrys right this Summ was to be carry'd to Profit and Loss, and recharg'd to Our Account Currant London. We expect the bare stating this fact will be a sufficient caution to prevent such like Errors tho the Summ is but small, lest in another Instance it should be much greater, the other part of said Consultation pleases Us no better, for We can't imagine how Lead should loose near Four hundred weight and a half, Therefore as to its being right in Tale, We cannot but suspect the Pigs or Slabs must be chang'd somewhere. The merchants who sell Us Iron and Lead are paid for both according to our Officers Account only who weigh it, and the Officer of each Ship is call'd upon to take Weight to see it is right, as to the rust of Iron, experience here assures Us that tho Iron rusts by standing as at the Steel yard in open Air sometimes for Years, yet it does not loose but a trifle in weight, Therefore when it is said the Tale is right, it must be changed, or pieces of Bars taken for whole ones, for which reason allow no pretence for want of weight in either, but charge the Ship with Invoice quantity and advise Us what is deficient.

23. Remember your promise in Paragraph 43 to take better care to prevent the damage on Europe Goods or the wasting our Stores &c. and let Us experience the good effect of it. We can't add to what We have once and again wrote on this head, but to desire your reperusal and Compliance.

24. We find both the Tents are at last gone off, better late than never, certainly those then in the manangement might have disposed of them at much better prizes when they were fresh and before the Moth had gotten into them.

25. In Consultation of the 13th March, We find an order for selling some Woollen Goods by Outcry, because much damaged by the Worm, this was for so far well, but it had been much better to have disposed of them before the worm begun to take them, or at furthest at its first appearance, and the same reason holds why the Goods and Stores mention'd the 29th June, and Order'd to be sold because decay'd and render'd useless should have been disposed of before. Let this be the last time that ever We shall have occasion given Us to make these Observations. Your own reasons should tell you (and We believe were the Goods your own would), that it is very ill husbandry to let Goods lye by and not sell them till they are spoilt, and that the Loss by such Carelessness is as bad to Us as if they were Embezzled.

THIRDLY TOUCHING INVESTMENTS OF GOODS PROPER FOR EUROPE.

26. We have by our aforementioned Ships sent you our orders for Investments as We do also by this, and therein some remarks touching the intollerably bad Longcloth and Sallampores receiv'd from Fort St. Davids, We expect you take particular care Our orders therein for making Us reparation be fully and effectually comply'd with.

27. You give Us strong and We hope very hearty assurances of your taking all imaginable care in the Goodness, Lengths, and Breadths of the Cloth you send Us, that you will frequently Inspect what is brought into the sorting Godowns, and use your utmost endeavours to improve the Fabrick, and lower the Prices as in Paragraph 15 of the 12th of November, which you in substance repeat again in the next Letter, Paragraph 48, it only remains that your performances which will be pleasing to Us to find in our next return'd Cargo's.

28. Your reason for not making new Contracts till the old are clear'd, because you must then advance money, appears to Us solid, but We were not a little surprized to find that there should be upwards of three hundred Thousand

Pagodas remaining to come in of the then running Contract, referring Us for particulars to the Consultation the 3d of February, that Consultation being after the end of your Book should have been sent apart, that We might have perused it for the like reason with that before herein given, your Conclusion from the whole is that you shall make no New Contract that next Season as mention'd paragraph 130, this is some disappointment to Us because We expected to have found you had taken care to lower the prices on your making a New Investment which We can't doubt will be easily effected since you declare yourselves resolved to Act for our Interest with Integrity, and that the Merchants shall not be again opprest by Extortions or Squeezing the Money from them on one pretence or another for it is not to be doubted but they are cunning enough to make their Contracts at higher prices in proportion to what they apprehend will be expected from them then or afterwards an Instance whereof very flagrantly appear'd in the Action brought by Mooda Ramah against Mr. Horden who paid Four Thousand nine hundred Pagodas for his Interceding that the said Ramah should not be turn'd out from being a Partner in the Contract, and We have reason to apprehend that the New Partners in that Contract paid as well for their admission, notwithstanding the varnish used in the reasons given for the necessity of making use of them.

29. From what is before mention'd of the large remains yet Outstanding of the last Contract, even after all the ships dispatcht, We are apt to believe what you write in Paragraph 50 of the 3d of February, in answer to our 41th by the Monmouth, that the State of the case in the Consultation therein referr'd to, on which We gave our opinion as it appear'd then to Us, was artfully but not honestly drawn up, and that the real motive was some of Our then Servants were in hast for that Contract to put more new mony into their Pockets.

30. Your 49th Paragraph tells Us you will put the manner of making Investments at Vizagapatam upon a better foundation than that We took notice of by the Monmouth, We wait to know the Event, and hope it will be to Our Satisfaction as it certainly will if the Goods can be got better, cheaper, and without bad debts.

31. You take Notice of a Letter sent from the Old Merchants at Maddapollam mention'd in Consultation the 29th of June offering to provide Goods cheaper there than formerly, and therewith a List of the Prices and Sorts, but it is not enter'd with the Letter, We find the then President and Council defer'd the consideration of it at that time, and by what appears neither they or you have resumed it since, heretofore We used to have very fine and good Cloth from thence but the dearness made Us Prohibit it. It seems to Us those Merchants are now come to a better Temper, if so, and they will provide them at reasonable Prices, and you are sure not to make bad debts, We would have you set them to Work in any of the Sorts of Goods mention'd in Our Orders for Investments, Because with good Mannagement playing one set of Merchants against another may get goods better, and cheaper made.

32. We observe that you intend (if found worth while) to make a new Trial in providing Cloth at Ingeram, the little We had from thence (Our former Letters will tell you) was acceptable here, We remember how it came about there was no further Progress therein, and that Mr. Hastings was accused of Advancing Our Mony to the Merchants to pay himself and then alledg'd they were in Debt to Us. Do you take care if any Investments be made there that We make no bad debts.

33. Our Letter of the 21th December last takes notice of the State of Our Effects at Fort St. George and Bengal then sent, (Copy whereof you will also find enclosed) as drawn out by the Accountant, by which it seems We had sufficient to clear all debts at both Places, and load the ships home, We expect a particular answer from each thereto to show Us if that state which was drawn from the last books be any ways mistaken and wherein, Add to this what you write Paragraph 117. that you expected a Ship from Bombay side, which if so you would

dispatch in September without running much in debt as the substance of that Paragraph imports, We think We may from the whole reasonably infer that you will have enough to keep your own Investments on foot and supply Bengall sufficiently to ease them of that load of interest they complain of, Considering with all that you will have long before this received the vast debt which the late Mr. Hastings ow'd Us, that you were supply'd with the Monys you drew on Us by Exchange, and with the Nightingales saved Treasure.

34. You tell Us it being now a proper time you will speedily set about getting in the Washers debts, and likewise use all possible means to lower the two Pagodas per Corge, which the Dyers got advanced the May before, We expect to hear your Success, and that it be to satisfaction.

35. We will not remit the Instances We find in Consultation of Selling part of our Silver at Fourteen Dollars and a half Weight, part at Fourteen three-eighths, and some Fourteen and a quarter for ten Pagodas, because We take them to be the Effect of a faithfull Management.

FOURTHLY TOUCHING THE TRADE OF INDIA IN GENERAL, AND THEREIN ANY
TRANSACTIONS WITH THE COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

36. We were concern'd to read the disappointment the Trepopolore met with at Manilha being necessitated to leave her Cargo behind for want of the Galloons arriving with Silver.

37. Touching the Ostenders endeavouring at a Settlement at Covelon We wrote you the needfull the last year whereto and to other our orders relating to them, We refer you. Our former letter took notice of the charge upon Mr. Pyke for seizing the La Flandria. In Our answer to the Memorial given into the Ministry here by the Imperial Envoy touching that Seizure tho' We justly deny'd that he or any other of Our People had any Orders from Us to give them the least Colour for so doing, yet We openly own'd Our sending Orders to seiz any of His Majestys Subjects that shall be found and can be come at in the East Indies as being warranted so to do by Our Laws, It is the Currant Report an Ostender is going out for Covelon, and one Humes on her as a Supra Cargo, do your utmost to seize and send him to England, if you can catch him.

38. We are glad to read you are so quiet and easy with the Country Government as your Letter in November mentions, and thō that of February, Paragraph 62, takes notice the Nabob has again demanded the five Villages, You had again put him off, resolving to follow Our Orders on that head in Paragraph 40 per Monmouth.

39. Touching the disputes between the Agent of Persia and the Supra Cargos of the Shaw Allum and Prosperous hinted at in your 35th Paragraph of the 3d February, the Account We have from thence is that Messrs. Bouchier, Foxley, and Gray, said Supra Cargos, behav'd themselves very disrespectfully to Our Agent, Assumed the liberty of transacting with the Shawbunder and other Officers there, sometimes detaining on board, and at other times bringing on Shore the Goods, and Lodging them out of the Factory in private houses as their humours serv'd them, notwithstanding the Agent represented to them in a Friendly manner the ill Consequences of such their Proceedings to Our general Interest as it weaken'd and will in effect soon destroy Our Credit with the Persians, may put them upon disputing Our Priviledges, and very probably to break in upon the hitherto uncontested Liberty of all English Goods Our Covenant Servants included being Imported there Custom free. We must tell you that if these facts are truly Stated the said Supra Cargos ought to be sent home, Do you take care to let them and all others know We cannot, We will not bear such like Insults upon Our Authority, for our Agent represents Us, All goods whether brought on freight or for sale ought and We direct be brought to and discharged from Our Factory, Not carry'd to private Warehouses, that the Sales of them be made in

the Factory as hitherto accustom'd, but when and in what manner the Supra Cargos ought to have, and We expect and order they shall have the direction in concurrence with the Agent, If he offers at anything which they think unreasonable and will not desist let them Protest against him in a civil manner therein Stating the facts that We may judge of them, And you may depend upon it, if We find the Agent or Chief endeavouring to strain Our Authority to the Prejudice of the Supra Cargos or others Concern'd they shall feel Our displeasure by putting it out of their power to do so a second time.

40. By Our last Letters from Mocha we have received Complaints that Peter Adams, Master of a Ship from Calicut and who was second mate of the Chandos, had left her, had sold his ship to one John Curgenvén, who had resided at Mocha above two years, and intended to freight her for Bengal, That this Curgenvén mannages the Frenches private trade which their Company have most strictly prohibited to be drove by any of their Servants, and has also been friendly and assisting to the Ostenders, and to all this had often acted in defiance to the Factory, had assumed to himself a liberty of applying to the Governour in direct Opposition to Our and the authority of Our then Supravisor and his Council, Openly declaring it was a free Port wherein he had as much Liberty as We, and standing in defiance to Our People so that the said Adams was encourag'd in refusing to come to the Factory though they civilly sent to speak with him, When the Supravisor complain'd to the Governour of these Proceedings, he could get nothing but good words and a promise that it should not be so hereafter. What mischievous consequences may attend such Proceedings is not easy to determine, for the Governour will take and it is not doubted but he has taken Mony on both sides, the least to be expected is that Our Reputation and Authority there will be much lessen'd if not lost (and Reputation in India is Power) wherefore We hereby direct that you give Publick Notice to all Ships bound to Mocha wherein you are concern'd, or any others under Our Protection as you have opportunity, that they carefully avoid all such like Miscarriages and let them know that whenever you have plain and full proof of their being guilty, you have Our orders (as We hereby give you) to remove them out of India, and send them for Great Britain by the first Shipping. If this Curgenvén should come to Madrass, as very like he may, secure him, till there is an opportunity of shipping and send him to England, and if you hear of him in Bengal advise Our President and Council that they may Comply with these Our orders.

41. We understand some of the Persons We have permitted to Reside Free Merchants in India have suggested that by Vertue of the Lycence contained in their Covenants under Our common Seal they have an equal Liberty with Our selves to Trade where and how they please, and think themselves no way Accountable for Male Administration, or to be question'd by Our Presidents and Councils (who are Our Representatives) when chargable therewith. Give publick notice to all with you, that if they persist in that Opinion they will find themselves mistaken, and that by a Clause in their Covenants they are obliged to return for England whenever We shall see just cause, That you have Our Authority to send them accordingly whenever you find them acting contrary to Our general Interest, or that of the English trade in India. As to such as are not under Covenants, and therefore presume they are no way accountable for their behaviour towards Us or the Interest aforesaid, do you take care to let them know that by the Laws no Subjects of His Majesty can stay in India without Our leave, and therefore as they are there only during good behaviour so you will let them continue no longer than they deserve it.

42. Tho' We have laid down these Rules in such general terms, yet We add that We will not have the President and Council put them in practice so far as to send any to England, unless where the accusation is full and as well proved as the Case can admit of, and the fault of a Notorious Nature, such as assisting Our Enemys, or openly striking at Our Priviledges, or refusing to comply with the Rules by Us prescrib'd for the good Government of Our Settlements where such

Person or Persons shall be, and this not by Inferences only or Strain'd Constructions, or Interpretations, Copy of these four Paragraphs We shall send to Bengal and Bombay for their direction also.

43. The affair of the two Englishmen murder'd at Pegu appears to Us with a very ill aspect, and that Captain Heron is exceeding blameworthy on that Account in siding with Zachary the Armenian charged with that murder. If Mr. Ormes Accusation as enter'd in Consultation be truly represented, We hope the Presidents demand on the King for Justice against Zachary will be effectual to bring him to exemplary punishment, and if not, be again repeated till he is so punish'd. Let Captain Heron know that he ought to be sent to England to prevent his ever being guilty of the like again, and that if he misbehave himself in any great instance, for the future, you have Our orders, which We hereby give you, to remove him out of India.

44. We are intirely with you in opinion that the decay of the Country Trade was occasion'd by the Severitys used to the Merchants, and depend on your promise to endeavour to the utmost to recover it. We are glad to find that Suncah Ramah and his Family are return'd to you out of the Country. That many more Merchants were daily expected, and that you were in hopes to retrieve those who were retired to the French Settlements. Sure We are a free enjoyment of Liberty and Property will draw the rich trading People to Madrass, whenever they are fully convinc'd of it, and that Cultivating a good Understanding between the Casts by preventing the Right hand Cast oppressing the Left, and on all occasions checking the first beginnings of dispute between them must make the Place flourish.

45. It appears evident to Us that Mr. Hastings whole Presidentship may be reckon'd as one continued act of Arbitrary Power exemplefy'd in various Instances, amongst which the selling the return'd ships from Surat with a view, as you state the Case, to engross their Voyages to himself for the future, was none of the least, his Allegation that he was a part-owner is not reason sufficient for such Sale, without the consent of the Majority, which We mention for your future notice and observance to prevent a second Instance of such unjustifiable proceeding. The taking out the freight Silver loaden and Consign'd on them to the Bay was another unwarrantable Action and must never again be repeated, However, in regard it was sent down safely afterwards, We hope it will not have the ill effect you fear of deterring the Merchants from frighting on your Country ships for the future.

46. The Account you give Us of Dindar Caun Phousdar of Chyore his Seizing several Bales of Goods come ashore from the King George and carrying them with some of her Men up thither, That you first civilly desired them to be Restor'd, and were afterwards necessitated to use force seems to Us as you state it to be well mannaged thõ it was infortunate, that you could not save the Goods from the fire. It appears to Us plain, nothing less than a face of Power is sufficient to keep those petty Governours within due bounds, whenever they have a tempting occasion to break them, One thing seems to be wanting as We apprehend from your Silence, Vizt. You did not as you ought immediately Represent this matter to Saddatulla Caun in the best light you could set it, loading Dindar with your Complaints that you had try'd in vain all fair usage with him to restore the Men and Goods which failing you were necessitated to proceed farther, If you look back you will find such a representation had its effect when you repell'd the Juncanners who Insulted you near Egmore as We took notice of last year.

47. Your account of the Massacre of your People in the Anjengo Country, We have had further Confirm'd and particulariz'd from Bombay and Callicut. We find you have allow'd to some of the Widows and Children of the deceas'd Covenant Servants a Monthly Subsistence on the Apprehension they lost their all for so far, as the Case was so, We have no objection to your continuing such subsistence till they are enabled to provide for themselves or Our further orders,

but if it has before this time or shall hereafter appear that their husbands or Parents Effects have been or shall be recover'd sufficient to maintain them in part or whole, We then say curtail or put a stop to the Subsistence aforesaid. Your consultations mention several years books of the Companys Anjengo Accounts were found among Mrs. Gyffords papers and Effects she saved, We cant doubt but they are long since transmitted as they ought.

48. On considering the good character you give of the Warehouse Conicoply Daveroy that he has deserved it by the Experience of his Mannagement for several years past, and the reasons offer'd by the three of the then Council for dissenting to the sentence past upon him, We hereby direct that he be repaid the fine of five hundred Pagodas if as your Consultation says it was paid into Our Cash, Letting him and all others where necessary know, We will no more approve of any oppression of the Inhabitants thô to our own benefit than We will when apply'd to the private Profit of others, If the other four hundred Pagodas has not as you believe been paid the Rashwar do you endeavour to recover it for him.

FIFTHLY TOUCHING OUR FORTIFICATIONS, BUILDINGS, AND REVENUES.

49. We find your Building work is pretty near at an end nothing remaining but the new Warehouse Terraces and some Repairs to stop the leaking in at the Terraces of the Hospital and Guard House, this you may be sure is pleasing to Us as it will no longer divert Our quick Stock from Our Investments. We dont mention here the building of the Bridges because the Merchants as you write are willing to bear that charge, and We take it for granted will, We shall be glad to hear the Building charges at Fort St. Davids were also at an end.

50. Touching the Opening between Maddopollam Point and the Block House which you propose to be fill'd up by a Brick Wall of about a hundred and eighty foot to cost about five hundred Pagodas, We gave you Our Opinions last year, Paragraph 49, to plant Palmeira Trees, which by the Accounts given Us from Fort St. Davids will by degrees as they grow up become impenetrable as they were there not by Fencing with Palmeira Pallisades as you mention has been and broke down, We would willingly save the charge of the five hundred Pagodas for the Wall by this expedient, but if you should find an absolute necessity for making that Wall We must acquiesce.

51. Our late severe losses, the present discouragement on Our Trade, and the great Sums expended in building at Madrass and St. Davids, make Us unwilling to consent at present to your proposal of laying out Three Thousand Pagodas to build a new Mint House as per Plan now sent, therefore repair that you have, and do with it as well as you can, which We hope will serve as well as it has hitherto.

52. We take notice of the Promises for complying with Our orders in several of the Paragraphs under this head contain'd in the Letters then before you, they require no other answer than this, Remember and perform them accordingly.

53. The Assurances you give Us of your care of the Revenues, and that you dont doubt of raising them as high as ever is every pleasing, also that you will send Us your remarks on each of their Branches, As to the Encrease or decrease if that should happen, be sure dont forget it.

54. Mr. Draper when he paid in his account as Rentall General brought in above 214 pagodas as bad debts as per consultation 6th November which were order'd to be wrote off, We look on this as the effect of careless mannagement, do you prevent the like in future.

55. If the Allowance of Fity five per Cent to the Inhabitants of Egmore and the other two Villages, on the Paddy gather'd there be only what was Customary from the beginning without any New Additional Encroachments, as your Letter seems to Intimate, We have nothing to object thereto, especially if the Renters allow'd them the same. We find Mr. Newcome has the present Branch of Our

Revenue, but since the Famine is at an end, and Plenty restored We should like it much better if it was let out to Farm as heretofore, knowing that the Natives can afford to give and will make more of such Farms than any of Our Covenant Servants, in the St. Davids Arrack Farm is a proof of this, which you mention had been let for Fourteen hundred and fifty Pagodas, and being offer'd but twelve hundred for it, therefore it was put under Mr. Berriman's Management who doth not make it produce so much.

56. We cant add to what We have once and again wrote touching the Fort St. Davids Revenues in General, In Mr. Hassell's time they very near reimburs'd Our whole Charge of that Settlement, but of late have dwindled away year after year, Reperuse Our orders thereupon, and give directions pursuant thereto, with any Additions you shall judge for Our Service and their greater Improvement, According to the Madrass Modell or otherwise, Dont fail from time to time to be fully inform'd how far said orders are observ'd, and the Debts of the Arrack Farmers &c. recover'd, don't let them be forgotten or lost. Sure We are those Revenues might be Improved very considerably if well nurs'd by an active and Zealous Deputy Governour and Council and by your frequent hearty Enquirys touching their Progress which We earnestly recommend unto you and in particular that you do your utmost to prevent any cry of secret or open Oppression being whisper'd or heard in their Streets, which as We have often mention'd is and hath been the greatest check to the flourishing of both places.

57. The admitting the Weavers settling within Our bounds as being a usefull people, and your resolution to encourage the Encrease of such Inhabitants without disgusting the rest We approve of, as also the not regarding the frivolous Complaints of the Chitty Shopkeepers, who thereby appear to Us jealous of every-thing that looks like interfering with them.

58. We were pleased with the Account in Paragraph 129 of the Mildness of your Proceedings when Complaints were made you of Extortions and Demands for Justice, that you prevented those Complaints being made Public till all private means used for recovery of the Summs taken away proved ineffectual and altho large Summs were refunded by others yet Mr. Hordens Obstinacy obliged you to permit the Complainants to seek for remedy in the Mayors Court in the usual course of Justice, the Copy of that Courts proceedings We have received and perused, and so far as relates to him, We have advised the needfull in Our aforementioned Letter by the Carnarvon, Paragraph 23.

59. We find in your Consultations that the Import Warehousekeeper and Sea Customer have generally large Ballances standing out and pay in but little at a time, but when Messrs. Benyon and Emmerson were in those Stations and that of Land Customer they paid in Monthly the Ballance of the preceeding, which shows the thing is to be done, do you take care to keep up that good custom as much as possible.

60. Said Consultations mention an unheard of attempt to alter the prescribed method of Choosing the Mayor and Aldermen of the Corporation, Mr. Benyon's opposing that Innovation deserves Our notice, We hope and require that no attempts of the like nature be ever again made, and that even you do not make use of the liberty in that Charter of appointing a Mayor without substantial reasons, and a real regard to Our Interest, not to be otherwise preserv'd.

61. We have considered your 79th and 80th Paragraphs and the Consultations in May and August relating to the village Renters, choosing rather to pay the whole Rent than take an Oath that they did not make half the rent of them, It does not appear so plain to Us that they will rather suffer than swear to ascertain only the truth, which can't be so well clear'd up to satisfaction otherwise, Because We find in the Mayors Courts Proceedings, some of the most eminent of the Casts don't refuse to testify their knowledge of facts upon Oath, nor as We think ought We to bear all the loss occasion'd by Calamitys We no way contributed to any more than they will return Us part of their great gains when encreased

by the most fruitfull Seasons, having premised this, We now add you are on the Place, compromise the matter equitably on both sides, you are best able to judge of the whole.

SIXTHLY TOUCHING FACTORS, WRITERS, &C^a., OR OUR COVENANT SERVANTS AND THE MILITARY AND THEIR ACCOUNTS.

62. We think it necessary to begin this head with taking Notice of and approving your Proceedings for recovering or Securing the vast Summ of Mony Mr. Hastings had misapply'd of Ours, and made use of for his own account, This was the more detrimental to Us, because of not being sent down into the Bay, which if it had would have saved the Interest paid on the Summs taken up there for want thereof, We are assured it was formerly the Practice when the President brought in his Monthly Account Cash to show the Ballance by producing in Consultation the Bags of Pagodas containing it, Let this practice be revived and continued.

63. We cannot pass by without the severest censure the Account you give Us of the then Warehousekeeper Mr. Cookes parting with Twenty Nine Chests of Treasure out of Our Warehouse on Mr. Hastings single order, To prevent another Instance of this sort We hereby direct that no Warehousekeeper for the future do ever presume to part with any of Our Silver without the order of President and Council given him in Writing and Sign'd, nor indeed of any of Our Goods and Merchandizes under his care without express Order of the said President and Council agreed on in Consultation, if for small quantitys by Retail as usual; and if for large quantitys then not without a written Sign'd order as aforesaid.

64. By your last letter it appears the Amount of that Silver thô Secur'd was not then receiv'd in nor the whole of Mr. Hastings Cash Debt, We cant doubt but it is long since fully accounted for, thô it do's not appear to Us how you valued that Silver, but We persuade Ourselves you did (because you ought to) charge him with so many Pagodas as that Silver would have then sold for at Market, Advise by the next the matter of fact.

65. We dont find you have fully pursued the orders We gave you for making an Inquisition into all the Complaints mentioned or refer'd to in Our letter by the Marlbrô and Heathcote, We are willing to believe you had not sufficient time for it, Considering the Tonnage then lying on your hands to be dispatch'd, but expect to know the result by your next Letters.

66. Divers of your Paragraphs under this head in answer to Our letters then before you containing an account of what you have or will do, or avoid, require no particular notice, only, be sure to take care your Promises be from time to time turn'd into Performances.

67. In answer to Paragraph 90 touching the stationing of the Writers sent you, We say as We then did that they are to take their Standing in Our service as rank'd in the List, which We thought a sufficient Explanation, but since you hesitate, We add that althô by the accident of the Monmouth's arrival on which two of them took Passage, they did get to Fort St. George sooner than those above them, yet they are to take place in Our Service as the List directs and not otherwise, their Sallary is not actually to commence till the time of their Arrival, and althô by the Arrival of the Monmouth, the five years of the two Persons on her will Commence a little sooner than those sent by the other Ships, yet that shall not entitle them to take Place of those Our List sets above them, which Order We expect shall always be observed, when We direct the Persons to be station'd according to the List then to be sent.

68. The Accounts of Mr. Oadhams giving young Mr. English a thorough insight into the business of the Mint pleases Us, We should be glad always to have two or rather three of Our Covenant Servants good artists in that science,

well Skill'd in Essaying Gold and Silver to the utmost nicety, and well vers'd in Coinage, Considering the Mint Braminees will be easily tempted to make advantage by Our Loss if they have not a very Skillfull Person always to Inspect them, We need not tell you how Incumbent it is on Us to preserve the present General Reputation of Our Mint, and that We would not willingly run so great a risco as to depend on the life of a Single Person, or if We could help it even of two in this Important Article.

69. In your Consultations We find you agreed to allow Engineer Johnson, thô dismiss'd at Bombay and not Restor'd with you, Twelve Pagodas a Month for Subsistence of himself and Family, which it seems he afterwards refused, and We suppose We thereby saved that Mony but a little while after We find in the Pay Masters Account an Article of Pagodas 43³³—charg'd for the Funeral Expenses of the said Johnson and one Joseph Tomes, a souldier. It is true the Summ is not great but We think much less might have served, since it was to be at Our Cost, for a Private Soldier and Mr. Johnson, who dy'd Insolvent, for as you write We lost the Forty Pounds We advised you We had lent him to be deducted out of his growing Sallary, but such was the Carelessness that it never was, We expect better care in future and that you will remember true frugality shows itself in smaller as well as greater Instances.

70. We further find you allow said Johnsons Widow Ten Pagodas a Month Subsistence, besides the twelve Pagodas allowed by the Church, this We think ought, and We require be lessen'd to Five during her Widowhood and no longer.

71. We have had some Complaints of deceas'd Persons Effects being paid into Our Cash and particularly of Mr. Turtons, but not mention'd in the General Letter, for the future dont fail to advise by the first opportunity of all Monys so paid in, and whether the Accounts of the Person are so clear that We may safely pay it, or what part thereof to the Legall Claimer, and remember to carry the same duly to the Account Currant of such Deceased Person in your General Books.

72. At the Request of Mr. Benjamin Morland, who has Our leave to send his son Samuel one hundred pounds value in Foreign Silver, We direct that in case he should be dead before the said Mony is paid to him or his order, you take care to dispose of it, and pay its produce into Our Cash advising Us thereof.

73. We have agreed that Mr. Robert Woolley lately come home from you should return again and be Reinstated in his former Station to a Factory, as if he had not come home.

74. Application having been made to Us in behalf of John Seales that he may be discharged from his Confinement having been kept, as is allעד'd, above four years in Prison, do you enquire into the state of his case and discharge him, unless it shall appear it was for Debt, or his Crime was of so heinous a Nature that you cant think it adviseable to let him go.

75. Some of the Friends of Edward Parry, whom We would willingly oblige, having represented to Us that he has served Us Ten or Eleven years and has been for several of them a Serjeant at Fort St. Davids, We direct that you enquire into his behavooour and if you find he merits it give him an Ensigns commission on the first Vacancy.

76. It being represented to Us That Mr. John Bulkley, whom We permitted last year to go out on the Nightingale a Free Merchant to Fort St. George, lost his Effects on board her, We have in respect to his Friends, and because he was bred in Our Accountants Office, agreed and do hereby direct that you entertain him a Factor in Our Service to Commence from the receipt of this Letter.

77. We now send you the New Covenants in Blank, mention'd in Our preceding Letter, to be Sign'd by those already in Our Service for the reasons therein mention'd, You will on perusing them easily perceive how each Blank is

to be filled up, the date of their former Covenants will appear by the Counterparts each Person has with him, great care must be taken in the inserting said Dates, and the Station in which the Person was Entertain'd, at what Sallary, and for what time, because an Error in any of these may vitiate the whole. Take the like care to have such as are executed duly witness by two Persons besides which let the Mayor see them Executed, and when so done cause the Corporation Seal to be affixed, as a further Testimony of such their being Executed, Return to Us by Our shipping those Covenants and advise Us particularly thereof in the General Letter for Our Notice, in case of the Ships Miscarriage (which God forbid).

78. In perusing your Consultations We find great Carelessness, partly in the Writing, but more in the Mistakes for want of a carefull Examination afterwards, In some places there is no Entry of the Persons Names who Sign'd them, Instead of which it is only mention'd the name of the President and then added &c^a. Council, and throughout only the names of the Council Copy'd, whereas in other Our Settlements the President and Council each Sign the Consultations they send Us, and as it used to be at Fort St. George We expect it shall be in all time coming, It being very easy to keep up the Consultation book to be sent Us, that it need never be above a week behindhand and consequently may be laid before the Board and Sign'd at their next Meeting in Consultation.

79. In the List of the Persons residing at Fort St. George containing amongst others the Names of the Inhabitants which constantly live ashore, and those who are Seafaring People, We find them enter'd in a continued Cluster so as not to be distinguisht the one from the other. Let these faults be mended hereafter, The Chaplains certificate under the List of Marriages, Births and Burials is not Dated thô Order'd.

80. The fatal desertion of Bencoolen as We have the Account from several hands casts a reproach more or less on everybody then there so that We are not very willing to Station any of them allow'd to remain with you according to the years they have been in Our Service, because thereby they may be put over the heads of some of Our Covenant Servants at Fort St. George, that dont ly under any censure, nor do We know whether their Actions since with you have distinguisht them sufficiently to deserve Our particular regard, when We do We shall be able to judge better therefore give Us the account faithfully with your opinion.

81. On considering the Paragraphs in your Letters about the Military, We have order'd what can be got to be sent on the Shipping yet undispatcht.

82. We have heard a very ill character of Captain Fullertons gaming and enticing the young People to play, and strip them of their Mony, in which he hath been too often successful, had not you given Us a good Character of his behaviour at Chiore, We were inclin'd to send for him home, but have forbore for that reason, however, let him know We are much displeas'd with him on this Account, and do expect he give no more occasion for such reports, if he doth you have Our orders (as We hereby give you) to dismiss him Our service and return him to England for Example sake to deter others from such vile practices.

83. The friends of Mr. James Dore representing to Us that Captain Luhorne in a former voyage had turn'd him ashore on the Coast of Arabia, from whence he got to Madrass, but could not thô he endeavour'd it procure a passage to England, We direct that you give an order to the captain of any ship he shall desire to receive him on board, and bring him to England he paying his passage.

84. Herewith you will receive an Abstract of the General Expende of Fort St. Davids taken out of their Books for nine years from 1713 to 1721 Inclusive as drawn out by Our Accountant, whereby you will see the General Charge is very prodigious and what must be remedy'd and Curtail'd, said Charges have swell'd every year for the last four years, We find but about Twelve Covenant Servants there, and that four of them who are of the Council, their allowance for

Dyets Money is but four hundred and fifty six Pagodas per annum, and yet the whole charge of dyets comes for the year Ending April 1721 to six Thousand seven hundred and forty six Pagodas, what pretence or show of it can there be that the General Table for Eight Persons should amount to above six thousand, Examine this strictly and take care to recover what part thereof you find to be more than reasonable, Consider whether it be not best to allow to all Board Wages, Or if not that, yet dont fail to limit them to a Sum certain not to be exceeded. For the last Seven years We find several Articles of Expence are cover'd under the head of Charges General, and amongst others Peons and Servants Wages, which We can't approve of, for wherever there are constant large Disbursements It is best to keep them, and We require they be kept under their respective heads, that when any appear to grow more than usual you may be the sooner guided to Examine the exceedings, whereas when Mingled in the Lump they may not be so easily discover'd, An Instance of which appears plainly from the Article therein of four hundred and twenty nine Pagodas paid for Country Musick, surely you could never let such a charge pass if you had observ'd it, The Charges of Cattle are in Our opinion much too great, and ought to be considerably lessen'd, Many other Remarks We might make on these Excessive Expences, which the present Scituation of Our Affairs will not allow of, On the whole We say do you take care to put the Annual Charges of that Settlement under a much more frugal Regulation, We can't allow the Deputy Governor to keep up the Grandeur of a President of Fort St. George, and therefore not to plead that for a Precedent either as to his Retinue or other Marks of Distinction. The Charge of Military We think is much greater than it need be, Examine carefully every Item of Disbursements, and reduce them as far as reasonably you can with the utmost frugality, and send them speedily your Orders thereupon. Advise Us also what you have done by the first Opportunity for Our Notice and revisal, Wherever you find an Article large and which in your Opinion can't be lessen'd, give us your reasons for it.

SEVENTHLY TOUCHING OUR ACCOUNTS.

85. What observations you shall receive thereupon from Our Accountant you must duly regard for the reasons often given.

86. The Bills of Exchange advised to be drawn on Us have been Accepted as presented and paid when due.

87. In perusing your Consultations It did not a little surprize Us to find you so easily allow'd the Supra Cargo's of the Bridgwaters charge of above One hundred and forty three Tale said to be paid for Customs on the Mariners Goods in China, We have in the now China Councils Instructions Censured that Article, and told them We will not allow it hereafter, and We tell you the same, that you mayn't expect for a very small matter, but leave the decision to Us.

88. In answer to your 133^d Paragraph We consent to allow Interest at Six per cent per annum on the ten thousand Pagodas paid in by Padre L'Abbee from the time of payment to the Date of the Bond given him.

89. In the Consultations We find mention made of Tale 457.3.1. owing by Mr. Sommers, and as there exprest order'd to be deducted out of what due to him, but that the Secretary paid the Ballance without Stopping it, ought not this to have been advised Us in your Letters last year, when the Ballance was paid, that We might have had Notice to recover it out of his Effects, his Accounts are since settled and clear'd, so that the Secretary ought to make it good because lost by his neglect.

EIGHTLY TOUCHING THE WEST COAST.

90. We were greatly surpriz'd at the Account you gave Us of Mr. Pykes Extravagant Squandering away Our mony your Care in sending Mr. Hubbard Supravisor, and the reasons for so doing together with the other Assistants. We

approve, not doubting but you will continue this Supervising as often as you think necessary. By the Copys of Our letters to that Settlement often sent you, you will be fully inform'd of Our orders and Expectation and thereby and by the Accounts you have had and shall have of their Mannagement be fully Appriz'd what Rules to lay down for their observance on all occasions, the Summ of all is to procure Pepper, the profits on which may be sufficient to answer Our charge, and to see Our Estate is not carelessly or wickedly lavisht out, Let the pretended or more real necessitys be what they will. We find in your Consultations numerous Instances of Vile practices contain'd in the Report laid before you made on Examining the Papers receiv'd from thence, We depend on your care to apply the best remedys you can to prevent a repetition in future be the Persons who they will Intrusted now or hereafter with Our Affairs there.

91. The detaining the Addison so long on the West Coast was a vile practice contrary to Our orders, And her late arrival in Bengal occasion'd thereby did Us a very great Mischief for want of the Treasure she had on board. The detention of the Dartmouth was very little better, considering they had the Goodfellow and some Country vessels more than sufficient to supply their real wants, We mention this that you may let them know Our Sentiments and strictly charge those there from time to time not to be guilty of the like Miscarriages as they value Our service or your favour.

92. On considering the amount of the several Invoices of the Cargo's consign'd as well as to Bengal as to you directly, and the eating charge of interest there, We hereby order that you do by the first good opportunity send down to Our President and Council in the Bay fifty Chests of the Treasure Consign'd to you, that they may Invest it for Our Account in Bengal Goods, We have told them what We now write that they may expect it.

93. We have taken into consideration the Average and Salvage to be allow'd on the Private Silver and Goods recover'd out of the Nightingales wreck, and therein the Deviation of the three Ships, the benefit to the Proprietors of having their Effects early at Market, the saving of a years time thereby and much more had the same been brought back hither, The charge occasion'd at the Cape, Where four of Our Chests of Treasure were left to defray the Expences. We are apprehensive that the whole will not be sufficient to answer said Expences and a reasonable Gratification to the Persons employ'd in that affair, and for their Loss of time, for which and other reasons needless to repeat, We direct that the Proprietors of said Silver, Corall, etc., like goods do pay into Our Cash fifteen per cent on the Amount of Particulars so sav'd and deliver'd on shore at Madrass, herewith you'll receive an account of what Bullion, Coral, etc. like goods were Licenced here, if you find any Bullion or Coral not included therein among the salv'd Goods Seize it and pay its amount into Our Cash Advising the quantum and by whom claim'd, for all Bullion to be sent to any of Our Covenant Servants, they have always Our Receipts for Permission, which generally were given by Mr. Micklethwaite and if produced will remove any doubt that may arise.

94. We have Entertain'd Mr. Robert Dalzell to be a Factor at Fort St. George on the usual terms.

95. Mr. John Hastings Brother to the late President Hastings being indisposed hath by his Friends represented to Us that he is Residuary Legatee to the Deceas'd, and as such desires that you will give Mr. Wendey the other Executor your Assistance towards discharging the deceas'ds legal and Just Debts, and in any other matters that may be for the benefit of the Estate, and the rather because the late President had made over his whole Estate to secure the Companys debt first, We hereby direct you to comply therewith taking care Our just Claim on said Estate be answer'd.

96. Since what We wrote in a foregoing Paragraph about the West Coast People, We are assur'd Mr. Richard Carter who is Employ'd, or is proper to be

Employ'd under the Accountant hath behaved well and merits Our regard, therefore We direct he be Employ'd under the Accountant if you find he perseveres in well doing, and that his Seniority be preserv'd to him. We are

Your Loving Friends

JOSIAS WORDSWORTH Chairman.

JOSEPH HEENE Deputy.

ABRAHAM ADDAMS.	JOHN GOULD.
HENRY KELSEY.	JOHN HEATHCOTE.
MATH: DECKER.	JOHN ECCLESTON.
SIM: THEUNEMANS.	EDWARD OWEN.
GREGORY PAGE.	JOSIAS WORDSWORTH, JUNIOR.
JOHN DRUMMOND.	WILLIAM GOSSELIN.
WILLIAM DAWSONNE.	HENRY LYELL.
CALEB COTESWORTH.	ROBERT HUDSON.
EDWARD TURNER.	

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANDIZE & FOREIGN SILVER LYCENCED BY THE COMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY TO BE LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP CARDIGAN CAPTⁿ. WILL^m. HAMBLY COMAND^r. BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS (VIZ^t.)

Mr. Abraham Raworth.

1 Box q ^t . Provisions	...	...	...
2 Barrills q ^t . 20 Gallons of Ale	...	...	...
Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. Samuell Raworth Surgeon at Fort S ^t . George			

Mr. John Rogerson.

Directed	...	1 Small Box of Stockings	...	...	Value	£12.	—.	—
Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. James Dore at Fort S ^t . George.								

John Hanger Esq^r.

G. H. No. 1	...	1 Small Box of Stockings	...	...	Value	£26.	—.	—
Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. Gabriel Hanger at Bengall.								

Mr. Hugh King.

Directed	...	1 Chest of Ale	...	...	Value	£4.	10.	—
		1 Small Box of Apparel	...	...	Do.	8.	—.	—
Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. Robert King a Writer at Fort S ^t . George.								

Mr. Eliz^a. Stratton.

Directed	...	1 Chest of Beer	...	...	Value	£4.	10.	—
		1 Box of Apparel	...	...	Do.	5.	—.	—
Freight Free being for the Use of her Son Mr. John Stratton a Writer at Fort S ^t . George.								

Mr. John Elwick.

N E	△	...	2 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Dozen each ...	Value	£20.	—.	—
			1 Chest of Ale	Do.	4.	10.	—
			Freight Free being for the Use of Nathaniel Elwick Esq ^r . Govern ^r . of Fort S ^t . George.				

Mr. Henry Newman.

S & D	N ^o . 1	...	1 Chest q ^t . one hundred w ^t . of Books 24 Large Files 24 bottles of Hough- tons Elixir, 24 smelling Bottles of Salt one pound of Vermillion.
	2	...	1 Chest q ^t . 29 Rheams of Paper ...
	3	...	1 Firkin q ^t . 2 w ^t . of Regulus of Anti- monie
	4	...	1 Grindstone Freight Free being for the use of the Protestant Mission ^{rs} . in East India.

Edward Harrison Esq^r.

R.B.	7@8·9@12	—	6 Chests of Wine	Value	£60.	—.	—
			On which he has paid £ 9—12— for Freight into the Compa ^s . Treasury for part thereof & the rest is Freight Free being for the use of M ^r . Richard Bynion in Council at Fort S ^t . George.				

Mr. Lawrance Parker.

L P	...	...	1 Case q ^t . Wearing apparel	Value	£130.	—.	—
			Freight Free being for the Use of Mrs. Mary Parker at Fort S ^t . George.				

Captⁿ. Will^m. Hambly.

W H	...	...	1 Cask q ^t . 4 Saddles & 4 Chaise Harness	Value	£34.	10.	—
			3 Cases of Outlary Ware	Do.	31.	5.	—
			3 Cases of Pictures	Do.	12.	10.	—
			1 Cask & one Case q ^t . 9 Dozen of Hatts	Do.	43.	10.	—
			2 Cases of Stationary	Do.	46.	15.	—
			On the 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ cent & Indulgence				
			In Forreign Silver $\frac{1}{2}$ Indulgence				
			In Ditto being a stock sent out $\frac{1}{2}$ the Owners of the said ship to defray the Expences of Voyage				
					1091.	10.	—
					420.	—.	—

Mr. William Cotesworth.

I E	...	...	1 Chest of Beer	Value	£4.	10.	—
			Freight Free being for the Use of M ^r . John Emmerson at Fort S ^t . George.				

Mr. William Tryan.

A F	...	...	1 Trunk q ^t . apparel & Necessarys ...	Do.	50.	—.	—
			Freight Free being for the Use of Capt ⁿ . Alexander Fullerton at Fort S ^t . George.				

A S	...	...	Also 1 Trunk of Apparrel & Necessarys Value £120. —. —
			Freight Free being for the Use of Capt ^r . Sutherland at Fort S ^t . George.
			John Styleman Esq ^r .
			1 Small Box of Apparrel Do. 45. —. —
			Freight Free being for the Use of M ^r . Joseph Walsh a Factor at Fort S ^t . George.
			M ^r . Ballard.
A Wessell	...	...	1 Chest of Beer Do. 4. 10. —
			Freight Free being for M ^r . Abraham Wessell a Writer at Fort S ^t . George.
			M ^r . Robert Dalzell Factor.
M ^r . R D N ^o .	1@4	—4 Chests of Beer Do. 18. —. —	
	5@7	—3 Chests of Wine Do. 30. —. —	
		1 Case of Pickles Do. 6. —. —	
			Freight Free.
			Francis Edwards Esq ^r .
Directed	...	...	1 Box of Wearing Apparrel Do. 20. —. —
			Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. Henry Coddington at Fort S ^t . George.
			M ^r . Edward Wincoat.
Directed	...	...	1 Box q ^t . Peruques Do. 30. —. —
			Freight Free being for the Use of the Rever ^d . M ^r . Windy at Fort S ^t . George.

EAST INDIA HOUSE LONDON

the 16th. February 1722/23.

Exam^d.

THO: LEWES.

A LIST OF SOULDIERS SHIP'D ON BOARD THE SHIP CARDIGAN CAPT^r. WILLIAM HAMBLY COMANDER.

		Countrys	Trades	Aged.
Joseph Sharp	...	Souldier North brittain	Souldier	22
Morgan Owen	...	D ^o . Wales	Gen ^m . Serv ^t .	22
Henry Lee	...	D ^o . Surray	.....	20
John Hopcraft	...	D ^o . Northampton	Coachman	26
Rich ^d . Harvey	...	D ^o . Yorkshire	Weaver	21
James Rowley	...	D ^o . London	Vintner	25
Morris Fitzgarrald	...	D ^o . Ireland	Footman	25
John Hard Grave	...	D ^o . Nottinghamshire	Labourer	21
Richard Nelson	...	D ^o . Do.	Do.	21
John Price	...	D ^o . Wales	Pastery Cook	27
William Roberts	...	D ^o . Glostershire	Labourer	23
Jonathan Goldsmith	...	D ^o . Yorkshire	Do.	26
David Finnison	...	D ^o . North brittain	.....	21
Thomas Tullie	...	D ^o . London	.....	27

EAST INDIA HOUSE LONDON

the 16th. Feb^r. 1722/3

Exam^d.

THO: LEWES.

Accompt of Bullion & Amber Licenced to be Shipt on the Cardigan for Fort S^t. George by the following Persons to purchase Diamonds.

By Abr ^s . Mendes Sen ^r . 2 Chests markt S.N.D. 4 C. No. 1, 2 sq ^t .		Ounces.	4402
Paul Daranda ... 1 D ^o . P.D. 1			2000
Isaac Himenes ... 1 D ^o . M.D.C. 2			1000
	Ounces ...		<u>7402</u>
By Anth ^o . Mendes Da Costa 1 Box markt A.M.D.C. N ^o . 1 q ^t . Rough Amber val.			£ 30

LONDON 21 December 1722

ABSTRACT OF THE SARUM'S INVOICE BURDEN 400 TONS OR THEREABOUTS FOR FORT WILLIAM IN THE EAST INDIES CAP^t. GEORGE NEWTON COMMANDER VIZ^t.

Lead 490 Pigs & Slabs w ^t . 1000 2 3 at 13. 4			
⌘ O £		667	- 4
Iron 2363 Bars w ^t . Tons 50 @ £ 16 ⌘ Ton ...		800	- -
Ironmongers Ware 35 Casks & 9 Bundles amount ^s . to		611	18 10
Dram Bolts 20 Bundles w ^t . 41. 2. 26 at 30 ⌘ O		62	11 11
Cordage 75 Coyles 337. 8. 21... 30 10 ⌘ O ...		520	19 9
Iron Guns 186 w ^t . 373. 1. 5 amounting to ...		337	19 10
Iron Shott 1050 w ^t amounting to ...		10	5 6
Hand Shells 250 at 9		9	7 6
Broad Cloths 132 Bales cont ^a . 396 Cl ^a . amount- ing to		4154	8 -
Long Ells 18 Bales cont ^a . 380 Peices amounting to		995	10 -
Velvets 1 Case.....amounting to		148	13 2
Leather 1 Bale q ^t . 10 Backs Tann'd w ^t . 420 at 10 ⌘ O		17	10 -
Brocades 1 Case cont ^a . 12 Peices amounting to ...		172	8 6
Silver 60 Chests w ^t . 209280 at 5. 9 ⌘ Oz. ...		60168	- -
Stationary Ware 4 Chests & 1 Hamper Ink amount ^s . to		76	5 -
Medicines 6 Chests.....amounting to		209	6 -
		<u>£68962</u>	<u>4 4</u>
Charges		344	16 3
		<u>£69307</u>	<u>0 7</u>

J. FLETCHER.

LONDON 12 January 1722

ABSTRACT OF THE DARBYS INVOICE BURDEN 480 TONS OR THEIRABOUTS FOR FORT WILLIAM IN THE EAST INDIES CAP^t. WILLIAM FITZHUGH COMMANDER VIZ^t.

Lead 724 Slabs w ^t . 1001. — 1 at £13. 8 ⌘ O ...		£684	0 5
Iron 3,474 Bars w ^t . Tons 75 at 15. 10 ⌘ Ton ...		1,162	10 0

Coales 26½ Chaldrons 31. 6 ^{s.} ^{d.} ^ʒ Chaldron	... ..	£41 6 10
Deales 60 ... ..	... ..	3 3 6
Double Ufers 6 ... ..	... ..	0 11 0
Ironmongers ware 36 Casks & 8 Bundles amounting to	...	620 14 9
Bolt staves 20 Bundles sorted w ^t . 41. 1. 27 at 30 ^ʒ O.	...	62 4 10
Leather 1 Bale q ^t . 10 Backs Tand w ^t . 480 at 10 ^ʒ lb.	...	20 0 0
Broad Cloth 169 Bales Cont ^a . 501 Clo ^s . amounting to	...	5,395 6 6
Long Ells 22 Bales cont ^a . 440 Pieces amounting to ...	...	1,045 0 0
Cutlary Ware 1 Case ... amounting to ...	...	32 1 8
Silk Druggets 1 Case cont ^a . 24 Pieces at £ 5. 15 ^ʒ Piece.	...	138 0 0
Hair Camblets 2 Cases cont ^a . 20 Pieces amounting to	...	340 9 7
Looking Glasses 3 Cases amounting to ...	...	80 7 0
Lanternes 11 Casks & 1 Box spare Glas amounting to	...	50 10 10
Iron Guns 432 w ^t . 805 ^ʒ 2 1 amounting to ...	...	749 7 3
Iron shott 1,050 ... amounting to ...	...	9 15 4
Hand shells 250 at 9 Each ... ..	...	9 7 6
Stationary Ware 4 Chests & 1 hamper Ink amo ^{ts}.	...	75 2 6
Silver 60 Chests w ^t . 209,280 at 5 9 p. Oz.	... ..	60,168 0 0
		70,687 19 6
Charges ...	...	353 8 9
		£71,041 8 8

J. FLETCHER.

LONDON 16 FEBRY. 1722.

ABSTRACT OF THE BRIDGWATER'S INVOICE BURDEN 410 TONS OR THEREABOUTS FOR FORT WILLIAM IN THE EAST INDIES CAP^t. EDWARD WILLIAMSON COMMANDER VIZ^t.

Lead 320 Slabs & Pigs w ^t . 500. —. 4 at 13. 10 ^ʒ 0 ...	...	£345 17 2
Iron 5,011 Bars. w ^t . Ton 100...at 15. 10 ^ʒ Ton ...	...	1,550 — —
Hour Glasses 1 Case...amounting to ...	...	2 15 8
Silver 50 Chests w ^t . 175,814. 1 at 5. 9 ^ʒ Oz ...	...	50,546 10 9
Coppers 4—w ^t . 2,453 at 20 ^ʒ lb. ... ..	...	204 8 4
Copper Ladles 1 Cask amounting to ... ..	...	23 2 4
Drums & sticks 3 Casks cont ^a . 6 Drums & Sticks	...	7 8 6
Glass 17 Chests...amounting to ... ..	...	137 10 —
Fuzees 1 Cask cont ^a . 500-at 6·7 ^ʒ 100 ... ..	...	1 12 11
		£52,819 5 8
Charges ...	...	264 1 11
		£53,083 7 7

J. FLETCHER.

ACCOUNTANT'S LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED FEBRUARY 16, 1722. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 25, pp. 81-83.*]

TO THE HONOURABLE THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL
AT FORT S^t. GEORGE.

REMARKS AND OBSERVATIONS UPON THE FOLLOWING BOOKS OF ACCOMPTS RECEIVED
FROM YOU VIZ^t.

1. Since what was wrote you by the Enfield & Nightingale under date of 16 February 1721. Yours by the Marlborough dated the 3 February 1720-1 hath been rec^d. & the following Books of Acco^{ts}. Viz^t.

2. Fort S^t. George General Books T. Ending the 30 April 1721.

Ditto Mint Books from the 1 May 1720 to 30 April 1721.

Ditto Sea Customers Acco^{ts}. from 1 Jaⁿry. 1720 to 31 Dec^r. 1721.

Ditto Land Customers Acco^{ts}. from 1 May 1720 to 30 April 1721.

Ditto Paymasters acco^{ts}. from 1 May 1720 to 30 April 1721.

Ditto Stewards Acco^{ts}. from 1 Janu^a. 1720 to 31 Decem^r. 1721.

Ditto Consultations from 1 Janu^a. 1720 to 1 Febru^a. 1721.

Ditto Cash Acco^{ts}. from 1st. Febru^a. 1720 to 31 Janu^a. 1721.

Fort S^t. Davids General Books T, Ending the 30 April 1721.

Vizagapatam General Books T, Ending 30 April 1721.

Fort S^t. Davids Paymasters Acco^{ts}. from 1 May 1720 to 30 Ap^l. [1721].

Vizagapatam Paymasters acco^{ts}. from 1st. Janu^a. 1719 to 31st. Dec^r. [1721].

Fort S^t. George Import & Export Warehousekeepers acco^{ts}. from the 1st. May 1721. to 31 Dec^r. 1721.

3. I find by the 41 Par^a. of Your Letter dated the 3^d. Feb^ry. 1721 to the Court of Directors Viz^t. That Gold is the standard of Fort S^t. George but as Silver is the standard in England the Company Gains no more mony on their Goods Sent out than what they produce more than silver.

4. In Reply to Your answer to the Letter under date of the 24 Febru^a. 1270. by the Vizagapatam Paymasters acco^{ts}. Ending Decem^r. 1720. the Particulars of what hath been often wrote about as charged to the acco^t. of sallary you advise Viz^t.

For Mr. Blunt's Reading of Prayers Rup^s. 10½ Ψ Mon^[th] John Dutton Master at Arms. 24.

Upon which I remark that in the Vizagapatam General Books they ought to have been Particular in the said charge especially when they carry any sums of mony which they Disburse to a wrong acco^t. for that charge of Rup^s. 10½ Ψ month for Reading Divine service on Sundays should have better been carried to account of charges Extraordinary and as to the Charge of Rup^s. 24 Ψ Month charged to the Account of Sallary for John Dutton Master of Arms send an acco^{unt} whether he has pay for any other Employment at the same time.

5. I Approve of the Method you have taken in Your Consultations of the 18 December 1721. to give a Discription of your Debts and Desire you will Continue the same Yearly.

6. Your Accountant not writing off the several credits of mony Paid into your cash as Deceased Persons Estates to Acco^t. Currant London so soon as You are certain there can be no debts claimable on them occasions great clamours on the Company by their Relations in England and is Yearly a great Detriment to them whereas if you was Punctual in writing them off the Company would Immediately pay and so consequently the clamour would cease.

7. The following Debts if none of them can be recovered ought to be wrote off to acco^t. Currant London in Order for the Company's Recovering them of their Securitys in England.

Pag^s. 25. 31. 52 Elisha Ellill.

277. 32. 76 William Palmer.

5. 30. 36 Henry Garret. We have adjusted his acco^t. in England.

8. I Desire you to write off the following credits (if they can with safety be done) to Account Currant London.

686.	6.	19	Philip Noden
647.	28.	17	Richard Smith paid in England
208.	1.	23	Thomas Woodville paid in England
215.	12.	66	Thomas Bayly paid in England
69.	17.	8	Francis Mason
209.	10.	42	Ezekiel Pace
258.	9.	75	John Perry paid in England
770.	25.	...	Cornelius Moll
1157.	3.	...	Theophilus Shyllinge paid in England
2248.	17.	18	Thomas Jenkinson paid in England.
3000.	...	...	John Turton paid in England.

9. Your Revenues at Fort S^t. George & Fort S^t. Davids decrease Yearly and Your Expences Increase which must Ballance for a Merchants Profit on the wrong side there ought to be a Frugal Management always used.

10. If Your Accountant and Warehousekeeper would but take the Pains to Examine in the Account of Madeira Wine sold, that Considering the wast, Leakage and Spoilt you will find that what you sell hardly Fetches prime Cost.

11. I Desire you to give Directions to them at Fort S^t. Davids to send us Yearly Copys of their Paymasters Accounts as also the Stewards and their Consultation Book for the Company have received no Consultation or Stewards Accounts for some Years past & likewise Advise them of the true Reason why those were not sent.

I am your Humble Serv^t.

LONDON the 16 Feby. 1722.

J. FLETCHER.

AN ACCOUNT OF SILVER LICENSED BY THE COMPANY IN THE NIGHTINGALE.

For Diamonds.						Oz. Dwt.
Mr. Abraham Mendes Sen ^r.	...	...	...	...	...	2500
Moses De Medina	...	...	...	...	...	4000
S ^r . John Lock	...	...	...	...	...	2000
Moses Henriques Julien	...	...	...	...	...	12000
John Cooke & Abraham Franco	...	...	...	...	...	5000
Alvaro Mendes	...	...	...	...	...	2000
John Mendes Da Costa Jun ^r.	...	...	...	...	...	2858
Isaac Franks	...	...	...	...	...	7000
						37358.—
For Persons abroad.						
Duncan Munro	...	...	...	...	...	2044.10
John Burdett Free Merchant	...	...	...	...	...	1000.—
David Welsh free Merchant	...	...	...	...	...	736.—
Cap ^t . W ^m . Mackett	...	...	...	...	...	4996.—
John Hinde free Merchant	...	...	...	...	...	2000.—
Sam Harrison free Merchant	...	...	...	...	...	2769.—
Richard Higginson free Merchant	...	...	...	...	...	10000.—
Mr. Gunston for Zachary Gee	...	...	...	...	...	744.—
						24289.10
In the Company's Chests.						
N ^o . 512 Peter Jahourdine at Fort St. Davids	...	...	...	...	...	861.5.—
516 Michael Cotesworth at Bengale	370.0.—
517 Protestant Missionaries at Tranquebar	537.0.—

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518 Richard Farmer at Fort S ^t . George	...	556·0—	
519 Ditto. Ditto.	556·0—	
554 Thomas Stevens Ditto.	738·0—	
			36 5—
			<u>Oz^s. 65265·15—</u>

LONDON the 15 February 1722

J. FLETCHER
Account^t. Gen^l.

Arthur Morris who Packed and weighed the above silver.

THE EXPENCES AT FORT S^t. DAVID.

	L. Ends 30 April 1713.	M. 1714	N. 1715	O. 1716	P. 1717	Q. 1718	R. 1719	S. 1720	T. 1721
	Pagodoes.								
Stationary Ware	18	8	50	...	55	...	...	69	67
Factors Provisions	396	525	152	298	227	...	214	90	35
Charges Cattle	347	1817	753	617	689	839	1116	1065	1081
Sallery	1018	984	910	1088	945	777	674	721	712
Dyot	3901	4311	3392	3911	4770	5300	5690	6493	6746
Garrison	17967	20515	18555	17699	17144	16755	17280	19193	16551
Peons & Servants Wages	4685	55	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Charges Extraordinary	2176	2842	470	1607	3321	506	191	682	1570
Pressents	605	528	156	530	1112	657	50	789	495
Charges General	6804	9838	7240	7049	7443	7594	8687	9915	10009
Repaires Fortifications	...	...	778	...	945	322	153	656	1276
	37917	40723	32451	32798	36151	32750	34055	39632	41522

There is about 12 Persons to 4 of the Council for Diet	
money	456
Servants Wages	248
for the General Table for 8 Persons	6042
	<u>6746</u>
For country Musick	429

J. FLETCHER.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE SHIP CARDIGAN.

- N^o. 1. Companys Generall Letter to Fort S^t. George, dated 14th. Febry. 1722.
2. Copy Companys Generall to Ditto dated 21st. Decem^r. 1722. sent to Carnarvon & Sarum with an addition, dated 11th. January to Mary and Derby.
3. Invoice of the Cardigan amounting to£52583-11-4.

4. Bill of Lading of Ditto ship.
5. Copy of the Cardigans Charterparty.
6. List of Goods to be provided on the coast of Choromandel for the ships going out in the year 1722.
7. Manifest of Bullion and Goods Licenced to be shipt aboard the Cardigan Signed by M^r. Thomas Lewes.
8. List of Fourteen souldiers aboard the Cardigan for Fort S^t. George Signed by M^r. Thomas Lewes.
9. State of the Companys Effects in Bengall as appears by their Books Sending the 30th. April 1721. also at Fort S^t. George, Fort S^t. Davids & Vizngapatam, as by their Books ending the 30th. April 1721, Signed by M^r. John Fletcher.
10. Account of Bullion and Amber Licenced to be shipt aboard the Cardigan to purchase dyamonds.

11. Abstract of the Sarums Invoice amounting to ...	£69307	0	7
12. Abstract of the Derbys Ditto	71041	8	3
13. Abstract of the Bridwaters Ditto	58083	7	7

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14. Accomptants Letter to the President and Council of Fort S^t. George signed by M^r. John Fletcher, dated 16th. Febry. 1722.

15. Accompt of Silver Lycenced by the Company to be sent aboard the Nightingale, signed by M^r. Jn^o. Fletcher & M^r. Arthur Morris viz^t. Ounces.

	Ounces.	Dwt.
By Sundry persons to purchase Dyamonds	37358	0
By severall of the Companys servants Cap ^t . &c ^a	24289	10
Put into the Comp ^{ys} . Chests for severall persons ...	3818	5

Ounces ... 65265 15

N.B.—In the above paper was the account of particulars to whom and for what Value.

No. 16. Accompt of the Expences at Fort S^t. Davids for nine Years begining 1713. and ending 1721. Signed by M^r. John Fletcher.

17. Patterns of 249 Bales of Cloth aboard the Cardigan in the Box apart.

18. Eighteen Pair of stampd Covenants one of each to be enter'd into by the Companys Covenant servants, as in par^a. 29 of the Letter of the 21th. Decem^r. 1722, and to be fill'd up Executed & Witnest as directed in the 77th. par^a. of the Generall Letter of 14th. Febry. 1722. sent in a packet in the Box apart, Fill up also the said Counterparts in the same manner and return them with the said Covenants to Us, to have Our common seal affixed thereto and sent you back to be deliver'd the persons who have so Executed their parts, You will observe that each pair of Covenants is Markt with the same number from 19 to 36.

19. Covenants to be Enter'd into by M^r. John Bulkley with Bond to perform them dated 1st. febr^y. 1722. to be signed sealed delivered and Witnest according to the aforesaid Order in the Generall Letter and returned 3^d First ship.

20. Additionall Bill of Lading for 1 Box Drum Heads & Braces, 2 Casks ship Bells and 1 Box Books aboard the Cardigan dated 18th. February 1722.

21. Two Packetts Directed To the President and Council in Bengall, to be forwarded thither by the first good opportunity—except on the Bridgwater she having the same.

SECRETARY'S LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED FEBRUARY 22, 1722. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 25 pp. 95, 96.*]

LONDON 22th. February 1722.

OUR PRESIDENT AND
COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

We have in former Letters told you and doubtless you have from private hands been also Informed That Mr. Richard Woollaston Administrator to his sonn George late of Madrass deceased, then had begun a Suit in Chancery against Mess^{rs}. Legg Turner and Benyon relating to the Deceaseds Effects, and he having then or since made this Company Partys thereto and likewise Captain Wotton for paying some Effects of his sonn into the Mayors Court after a great deal of trouble, after a great deal of trouble occasion'd thereby an Arbitration was lately proposed and two Gentlemen of the Directors chosen on M^r. Woollastons the Plaintiffs behalf and two others on the Defendants, who were Cap^t. Thomas Wotton aforesaid of the second part Mr. John Legg for himself Mess^{rs}. Nathaniel Turner and Richard Benyon of the Third part and the Company on the Fourth part, since the dispatches for our Coast & Bay shiping The arbitrators have deliver'd in their Award which Directs and orders That the said Mess^{rs}. Legg Turner and Benyon some or one of them shall on or before the 1st of March next pay to the said M^r. Woollaston Administrator Three hundred Pounds in full payment satisfaction and discharge for all his Demands referr'd to said Arbitrators and that the said M^r. Woollaston do Execute a Generall Release to each of the aforesaid Party^s. and to the Company & all their officers Agents Factors and servants except to M^r. Collett & Mr. Horden they being mentione'd in the Arbitration and award to be excepted for so far as the Administrator hath on account of his sonn any Demands upon them for personall Debts due from them in their own right and not as they were servants or officers under the Company. That Mr. Legg do give Mr. Woollaston a Generall Release by the said 1st. March and do procure Mess^{rs}. Turner and Benyon to give the like Release in three years That Cap^t. Wootton and the Company do also give a Generall Release to Mr. Woollaston by the said 1st. of March This we send for your notice not doubting but Mr. Legg will give to Mess^{rs}. Turner and Benyon a further account of the whole The New draught of the Covenants of which we have advised you will be a sufficient Remedy against any Litigious people that may endeavour to trouble the Comp^y. or any of their Officers on this account by Vexatious Prosecutions hereafter. Wee are

Your very Loving Friends.

Sign'd by Order of the Committee of Correspondence in the absence of the Court.

THO: WOOLLEY,
Sec^y.

ACCOMPT OF CORAL LICENSED TO BE SHIPT ON THE BRIDGEWATER FOR FORT ST. GEORGE
BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS.

By Issaac Salvadore	1 Chest Markt 1S q ^t . coral Beads	Val.	328.	10.	-
Abr ^s . Lopez Dias	1. Case AL No. 3 } Rough Coral &				
	1. D ^o . PL No. 2 } Coral Beads. }		1,356.	9.	-
Abr ^s . Franco	2 Chests A ^F I No. 8. 9 q ^t . Coral Beads.		1,471.	9.	-
John Mendes da Costa Jun ^r .	1 Box MDC N ^o . 1 q ^t . Coral Beads.		176.	8.	-

£ 3,332. 17. -

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED DECEMBER 21, 1722. PER SARUM.
[Public Despatches from England, Vol. 25, pp. 103—114.]

LONDON 21 Dec^r. 1722.

OUR PRESIDENT AND
COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

1. The last We wrote you was dated the 16th. Febr^y., 1721, which being sent by treble Conveyances We dont therefore transmit its Copy not what the Secretary wrote you by Our Order in a short Letter of the 23th. of that month touching the Cowries being foul by dirt and sand sti[cking] in them which the Bayers complained of and insisted on the having an allowance and thereupon desiring better care to be taken therein hereafter since then we have received yours of the 12th. Novem^r. 1721. & 3^d. of Feb^y following by severall ships with the Books and papers contained in their packets which we have not time to take particular notice of by these First Ships the Carnarvon to the Fort and the Sarum to the Bay but shall write you the needfull by those which follow and only add the following Clauses at present of what we think material for your earliest notice under some of our accustom'd heads viz^t.

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPPING RETURN'D FROM AND SENDING OUT ALL PARTS.

2. Since the Date of our aforesaid Letter It hath pleased God the following ships arrived with us in safety Viz^t. The Sunderland from Mocha the 18th. March last, The Aislabe from thence the 22th. April, Maccolesfeild and Morice from China the 16th. May, The London with the President Boone on her, The Greenwich and Grantham from Bombay the 15th. July and on the 30th. The Cadogan from China The Francis from said place The Monmouth from the Coast and Bay The Stretham from the Bay, The Marlborough and Heathcote from Fort St. George all of them the 20th. August and the James and Mary from Benjar the first of September.

3. It is but a little while ago the melancholly news reacht us of the Loss of returning Ships Chandos from Bombay Add[ison] from Bengall and our outward bound ship Nightingale all at the Cape of Good Hope the 5th. of June last of which you will long here this have had the account by our three small Vessels, Built and sent out for the service of Bombay who very opportunity putting in at the [portions missing] had thereby the good fortune to receive on board the Nightingales recover'd Treasure and We hope deliver'd to you safely in due season The storm it seems was so terrible & lasting That not one ship in the Road scaped the Dutch loosing Six of theirs and the French One besides Ours.

4. The ships taken up & design'd for all Parts of the East Indies this season are Viz^t.

		Tons.	Captains.	
Barrington	...	440	John Hunter	} For Mocha.
Prince Augustus	...	495	Tho ^s . Ryves	
Craggs frigot	...	385	Caleb Grantham	
Duke of Cambridge	...	430	Daniel Small	} for China.
Princess Anne	...	380	Nicholas Luhorne.	
Mountague	...	380	John Gordon	
Hartford	...	440	Francis Nelly	} For the Bay.
Sarum	...	400	George Newton	
Carnarvon	...	375	Josiah Thwaites	For Madrass.
Mary	...	490	Rich ^d . Holden	} For the Coast & Bay.
Derby	...	480	Will ^m . Fitzhugh	
Bridgwater	...	410	Edw ^d . Williamson.	
Cardigon	...	420		

		Tons.	Captains.	
Duke of York ...	...	440	Rob ^t . Hyde	... } For Bombay.
Compton ...	...	440	W ^m . Mawson	... }
Essex ...	...	320	Jon ^s . Somers	... For S ^t . Hele ^a . & Borneo.
Swallowfield ...	...	250	George Pitt	... for Bencoolen.

5. The three Mocha ships were dispatcht by Us the 20th. October yet by reason of contrary winds they did not get out of the Downs till the 25th. of November and the wind taking them short they were forced to put first into Portland Road and since then into Falmouth where they were the 13th. Instant.

6. The Four China Ships were dispatcht the 3^d. of this month at the Hope We have an account they got into the Downes the 15th.

7. This comes to you by the Carnarvon what Goods and Treasure she has on board consign'd to you her Invoice and Bill of Lading will shew which (with her Charterparty and other papers) are in her packet.

8. If it shall Please God that all the Tonnage design'd you this season and that for the Bay arrive in time We are sensible you and they will have some difficulty to Lade it home & return it the next Wherefore we have determined and do hereby Order That the Sarum shall be employ'd in a Countrey voyage from the Bay to Surat and Persia which will so far ease the trouble of both places. We now write to the Bay to this purpose and shall let them know We remember how ill they served Us in the case of the Bouverie by way of Caution to prevent a repetition of the like disingenuous and unfaithfull manangement which Cost Us at least Four to five Thousand pounds in bare Demorage besides the Benefit of a Freight to Persia and back and that laid out in Bengal and the profit thereon hither each was too big a summ to be forgotten for some time & will make Us the more watchfull against the like attempts.

9. We know the true source of that miscarriage was they had ships of their own employ'd on the same Voyage and preferr'd them & perhaps some of their Friends Consignments and profit thereupon to our Interest and the providing a remedy for the necessity we were then under to have her employ'd in the Countrey just the same as now We know the cure for that Evill and could easily apply it by forbidding the like Voyages to all our Covenant Servants which we must do if we again are so ill served we have in our Letters told them their ships were that year dispatcht in decem^r. the proper & early season but the Bouverie detained till the latter end of Feb^ry, when it was next to an impossibility she could save her passage and the Event next year proved as we feared.

10. We shall be glad if you and they can lade home the rest of the Tonnage you may expect from Us this season but if not then We would have you or they employ another of Our Ships on the same or like Voyage & give you & the Bay the liberty to hire her paying Us only the Demorage it will Cost us for detaining her a year in the Coast taking care the amount thereof be sent Us Home in Bengal Goods. This we propose will be some advantage to the Hirers as well as save Us the Dead loss of a Years stay in the countrey lying by the walls.

11. If this offer be not accepted we expect she be employ'd on Our account as well as the Sarum and for Our most advantage.

12. We have reason to apprehend that when the Men of War are return'd (& we believe they will be now looking homewards because they have been about sixteen months in the Countrey) the pyrates will again infest the Indian seas & that the countrey shipping having so few Europeans on board will run a great risco so that the Moors & [Armenians] Trade as well as Our Covenant servants from the Bay to Surat and Persia will be very precarious and therefore if they are not one way or other over influenced will be glad of the benefit of a good Europe Ship.

13. In President Hedges's time We had for severall years together One of our ships Let out on a Countrey Voyage who made Considerable Freights for us but since his Death the like Fidelity and Zeal has not appeared in this article.

14. Our Charge in Grabbs and Gallevats and other Warlike preparations against Angria has been too excessive to be longer supported by Us especially when our own people both at the Coast & in the Bay and for whose sakes (at least for the Trade drove from thence) they were at first set on foot have loudly complained of contributing thereto when those at Bombay did their parts so that we shall be necessitated to lessen that charge & maintain no more than sufficient to defend our selves from Insults between Surat Bombay and the neighbouring places perhaps as far as Carwar without sending them down the Mallabar coast as we did a year or two since to the securing the Countrey Trade at our Cost.

15. We are sensible these our Resolutions which we are forced to for the reasons aforesaid may in some measure effect our Revenues & we apprehend they may be urged as a reason why they sink more than indeed they ought but if those at the Head of Our affairs at the Coast and Bay are honest and Vigilant we are sure they can't lessen in proportion to what we experience. We have really suffer'd in our aforesaid Charges and as we depend on their care to look out sharply to see we are not abused we are under the less Concern If we do find (tho' we hope we shall not) that they are not sufficiently watchfull we shall be forced to look out for such as will.

16. The Loss of all the Ships but more especially of the Addison at the Cape was a severe stroke we very sensibly feel it as well on the account of her being so rich as the News We have that her then Captain staid there much longer than he needed in hopes of getting in arrack in private Trade cheaper than at first offer'd he hath dearly paid for his own folly and Infidelity to Us if what we are told be true However this Constrains Us to endeavour to prevent the like in future as well as we can and to that end we direct that you and the Bay (to whom we now write to the same purpose and have heretofore complained of their partiality in Lading some ships with much richer and others with poorer Cargo's than the difference of Tonnage required) do as you are able assist one another in apportioning a proper sortment on each ship and to that end that you do in all times hereafter send down to the Bay as great a Quantity of coast measured Goods as you shall then be able on the first or other ships arriving with you which if they do in any tollerable time will be but a small delay and that they in like manner do by the ships they shall be able to send up to you in all Novem^r. or very soon after lade as much of their Finer Goods as possible on the ships with them to be filled up by you for Europe; this means the Ladings of our Coast & Bay ships will be repeated more to our minds and turn better to our advantage for had the News of the Loss of the Addison then daily expected reacht us before the sale of our Bengal Goods they would in the opinion of all the Buyers have sold at so much higher prices as to have reimbursed Us a considerable part of her prime cost (Give all our dispatcht shipt positive Orders not to Touch at the Cape Homeward without a reall & very urgent necessity).

17. We send you this by the two first ships now dispatching one to each place for your earlier notice that you may be apprized of our Intentions and comply with them as far as you are able when this reaches you and also may take due care for the future to get in early a good quantity of Coast Goods to be sent down to the Bay in the first of the season on any of Our soonest arrived shipping and as you have opportunity of writing to the Bay by Tappys overland do you send them an account what Tonnage is arrived and what you expect this & every follow^r. season what Quantities of Good you compute you have & shall have ready and in what time to lade thereon & we now write them to do the same to you whereby you will on both sides be able in a tollerable degree to concur in

answering our aims & earnest desires aforesaid we need not urge any further reasons for your so doing the importance of the thing to men of understanding being sufficiently plain to excite Yo^r. utmost endeavours to accomplish it & thereby answer our expectations.

SECONDLY OF GOODS.

18. We have often wrote you as a reason why you should be the [. . .] first shipping give Us an account what Quantitys sorts and colours of the several species of Woollen Goods Yo^r. market will take off because we provide all in the summer season when the weather is best for Dying as well as Curing or preserving the Lengths breadths and colours of all Our said Goods so that having the earlyer Notice We are better able to supply you we have as usuall taking care by our Committee of Buying to provide according to yo^r. List of Demands but since what we sent you last Season by the Nightingale miscarry'd at the Cape We expect that what you actually did receive sold much better than it has done of late Years even from your own shewing in Par^a. 41 of the Letter of the 3^d. febr̄y. last and so will what we now send you from the same consideration Viz^t. the Markets not being overburden'd There is another reason for this our Expectation to wit That the Dutch who send out great Quantitys of their Woollen Goods yearly for the East Indies had the misfortune to loose their outward bound ships who carry them at the same time with ours at the Cape.

19. But laying aside all these we must further remark and you will on exammination find it to be true That the Generall standard for our Wollen manufactures used to be Fifty ₯ Cent and upwards and rarely under and that the Fort St. Davids merchants if the then President & Council Wrote us as we believe the plain honest truth made that an argument why they could not abate in the prices of their Contracts for Investm^{ts}. because they could not come in to have a share on the profits of the Woollen Goods the Madrass merchants engrossing the whole to themselves Your Books will further shew that it was not till after Mr. Harrisons departure from Madrass or just on the close of his Government that the usuall price of our Woollen Goods was lower'd & then because there were too many of improper Colours but fatall experience hath shewn Us that reall or specious pretence hath been a handle ever since for not bringing them up again to their usuall prices and we have but too just reason to fear that by the then mannagement in other particulars the Merch^{ts}. did in Effect pay one way or other as much for them after as they did before, though Our Cash shews We did not receivé it.

20. We intend you this your the six hundred thirty nine Bales of Cloth & fourteen Bales of Long Ells with the other Goods according to yo^r. List & on this ship Carnarvon in part thereof one Hundred ninety five Bales of Cloth & five Bales of Long Ells which we mention for your Government in disposing of these to the best advantage if as is probable they may arrive with you some time before the others.

21. Our three Mocha Ships were dispatcht before the first news of the Nightingales Loss but being detain'd by contrary Winds, we ordered them to call in at the Cape & take in such part of her Goods as were saved and deliver them at Mocha to be thence sent to Surat or Bombay but they having as before mention'd been forc'd twice into port in our Channell by contrary winds since they left the Downs We have resolved to forbid their going into the Cape in case our Letter of the 15th. Ins^t. reaches them fearing they will Hazard by such a small delay their passage to Mocha so that we can't at present advise you by what ships or to what places the Nightingales Goods are likely to be carry'd only that the Sarum & Carnarvon shall call in at the Cape and take in what part thereof they are able.

22. The answer to yo^r. aforesaid par^a. 41. Touching pagodas being the Currant Coyne of the Countrey and silver a commodity we look upon to be rather the best

excuse for your predecessors manangement than your own reall opinions, because We look upon you Our now Constituted President and Councill to be (and hope We are not deceived in Our opinions That you are) men of honest principles & will not be influenced by either hopes or fears to depart from your Integrity or overaw'd to Yeild against your Consciences to the corrupt designs of others against Our Interest, late experience has given a further proof to that certain Truth laid down as a caution in the Holy Writings That they who will make hast to be rich at any Rate fall into divers Temptations and snares which drown men in perdition.

23. Hearing of late that the Rebels in Persia have destroyed the Vines about Shyrash We have determind to encrease the Quantity of Madera Wine design'd for India from One Hundred pipes to Two Hundred as knowing it must turn to good account on the Coast and in the Bay when their supplys from Persia fail Of this we intend fifty pipes on the Mary and One hundred on the Cardigan for the Fort and we shall on the Derby send the other Fifty pipes down to Bengal, supply your own and subordinate Factorys Tables with a moderate Quantity and sell the rest for the most it will yield by fair sale a parcell at a time for if well lookt after (as we expect it shall) it will be the better for keeping We must not forget that sneaking & base practice lately Introduced at ffort S^t. George of misapplying our Wines to the President and his Creatures at the first Cost including as you say Leakage and dammage Whereas the former Presidents have again & again assured us they scorued to put Us to Charge for Liquors spent at their Private Tables as knowing that they got very well by it in their large Commiss^{ns}. occasion'd by their being at the Head of Our affairs & were that article of Dyamonds the only one which we secure to them it will very well afford it.

24. Let Our people in Bengal know that if they cant sell there the Madera Wine for Our account you have our orders to dispose of it and as opportunity offers desire them to return it up to you for that purpuse advising them what it will sell for at Fort S^t. George for their guidance.

THIEDLY TOUCHING OUR INVESTMENTS.

25. Herewith You will receive the List of Goods to be provided on the Coast which you must observe in all its parts whether negative or possitive or by way of Caution & remarks as if herein particularly inserted.

26. We have often complained of the badness of our ffort S^t. Davids Goods & never without great reason but those received this year by Monmouth & Heathcote are the worst we ever had We send you back Two Bales of Long Cloth ordilary No. 1. 2. ¶ Heathcote as a sample of each sort not the worst but of the same Goodness with the rest for there is little difference in the Two ships, The Sallampores are equally bad in all as well as the Long Cloth The reason for sending them is that you may make a strict & impartiall enquiry into the difference between what they were then really worth where made & the price We paid for them & recover the difference either from the Sellers if that can be ascertain'd or from the Deputy Governor and Councill especially the sorters and such as should have the Charge of Inspecting the Goods when brought in from the Weavers Give Us credit for the amount in Yo^r. Books & advise in the next Letters the summ The Deputy Govern^r. must bear a part because it is incumbent on him & a necessary part of the trust committed to him to inspect our Investments from time to time to see We are fairly dealt with not that we expect he should see every Bale but he should be often in the sorting Godowns to view the Goods brought in from the Weavers before sent to the Washers & afterwards at times before embalng that if they weré either bad Washt or abused there are at the beaters by tearing or making holes in them as hath been the case heretofore by such washing or beating a proper reparation might be made Us We must tell you that we can scarce excuse you Our now President and Councill from bearing your part of

the blame but that we consider it was late in the year before you came into the Government and you had a great deal of unusuall Business to take up your time & would willingly impute thereto your failure in opening some part of the Bales received from S^t. Davids to see how they proved but if ever we have such an other Instance of carelessness and infidelity for it is in Effect no better you may depend upon it That we shall expect you to be answerable in part for such an inexcusable neglect.

FOURTHLY OF THE TRADE OF INDIA

27. The account you sent Us of M^r. Pykes mañagement at the West Coast in seizing the La fflandria was surprizingly astonishing & for which if ever he comes to England he may have his deserts, he had no such sort of orders from Us when he was at S^t. Helena nor any at all since herewith you will receive copy of the complaint of this action deliver'd into the ministry by Count Staremberg the Imperiall Minister & which has been so loudly complain'd of that we have been necessitated to appoint Gentlemen to treat with the owners of that ship or else we were possitively threaten'd with reprizals wherefore we hereby order That you detain whatever Effects belong to M^r. Pyke that you can come [at] towards making satisfaction to those Interested in s^d. ship Flandria on account of his having seized her as aforesaid It is indisputable that the Captain had the Emperours Commissⁿ. & that M^r. Pyke perused & detained it he knew as you all do or may that our Orders never went further than to seiz any English belonging to them which we openly avow having authority by Parliament so to do & not to afford the ostenders or other such sort of East India Traders any help counte[n-ance] or assistance but as they come to interlope upon Us that they [be] prevented as far as in our peoples power from doing us harm & this we can sufficiently as we think Warrant & will & shall always expect they endeavour to perform taking care not to give any just handle of complaint by fixing Facts which M^r. Pyke had the [fortune] to do & are now under his own hand produced can any doubt but this gives the Emperour an opportunity for demanding satisfaction which the ministers about him we fear will be glad enough to hold of because of the benefit they may expect to get by ffishing this troubled Water. We expect there will never happen and then of the like nature and that you will all be carefull if as probably there may be disputes with the ostenders to act with prudence & pursue Our Orders vigorously as to their consequences but with Caution in the manner of mañagem^t. to prevent giving a justifyable handle for complaint.

28. M^r. Horden is now here & hath made very grievous complaints of his usage which he calls cruel & unjust his paper or remonstrance with his first application we send you copys of & have heard what he has to alledge but from all the discourse our cōmittee appointed have hitherto with him he hath not convinced them his complaints are so well grounded as he would have them believe nevertheless if his Effects are not disposd of according to the sentence of the Mayors Court on the arrivall of this ship We then direct that you the President and Council do suspend the Execution of the same till our further orders however this hath put Us on a thought to prevent, at least eventually to cure the like in future on which Councill hath been Consulted & thereupon a new draught of Covenants hath been drawn out which we resolve shall be enter'd into by all who shall apply to be entertained in future in Our Mercantile service Copy whereof we now send you which as we are advised will contribute to that purpose & give all our Councils fuller pow^r. to Execute Our Orders without future apprehensions of being troubled here as among other things in the case of M^r. Woollastons son It will also stop in the beginning all attempts of our Knavish servants to oppress the Natives & keep them from the Temptations of dishonestly on an apprehension there is no provision or not a sufficient one in our Laws to reach them and this is the Import so far as we can yet learn of what M^r. Horden or rather his Friends here seem to hint at though they dont care to speak out quite so plain.

29. These sort of Covenants we perswade our selves none of our serv^{ts}. if honest will scruple to enter into that are now in India Wherefore we shall by this or the next shipping send you Blanks to be fill'd up & enter'd into by those in our service on the Coast & the same to all other places adapted for that purpose which we cant doubt but they will readily comply with Return us such as shall be Executed by the first opportunity However we add as to the Covenants hitherto enter'd into wth. Us We shall never fail to defend our servants for whatever they do in obedience to our orders according to equity & good conscience w^{ch}. being well prov'd will always justify itself in the Event & as they are now amended will in future prevent the endeavours of any male contents that shall be instigated to dispute their Validity.

30. We come now to tell you That this last year our President & Council of Bombay adventur'd to draw upon Us for a considerable amount of money receiv'd into our Cash there at two shillings & nine pence a rupee contrary to our orders for we never allow'd more than two shillings & six pence and the pretence was scarcity of money though the ships were daily expected did arrive soon after & that draughts would be made on them by the men of War which with those since M^r. Boone's departure did not in whole exceed seven Thousand pounds Value at two shillings & Six pence $\frac{1}{2}$ Dollar, when M^r. Boone M^r. Peachy late agent of Persia and others concern'd in those Bills found we resolv'd not to accept them as alleg'd they could have made more of their money paid into ffort S^t. George Cash for three hundred and five of their Rupees would have yielded one hundred pagodas to be so paid in whereupon & on their allowing a considerable further time for payment We did acquiesce for this once This brought us to consider more nicely of the Exchange from Madrass and the true worth of our pagodo that by silver sent out from hence to Madrass & sold for pagodos the pagodo doth not stand us in above seven shillings & three pence reckoning the silver at five shillings & six pence the ounce & adding to this our late loss the hardships on the Trade & other discouragements we cant afford to let others run away with so large a profit which the price of Goods will not now answer & therefore have determin'd & order'd & hereby order & direct That for the future we will not allow any Money to be drawn on Us for what paid into our Cash at more than eight shillings a pagodo which we find to be a fair encouragement.

31. We have also resolved & do now write to Bengal that no Bills be drawn from thence on us at more than two shillings & four pence the Currant Rupee except to our Covenant servants while such & only for their own acco^{ts}. & for so far we will allow them to draw at two shillings & six pence and no higher.

32. Touching the great sumes lying dead in the late Presidents time at Fort S^t. George & which ought to have been sent down to the Bay to supply their wants & prevent the Consuming Charge of Interest we intend to write the needfull by the next ships finding by yo^r. Letters you are sensible how much it is our Interest & that it would be your care to send thither all the money you possibly could to lessen the charge even although you should be necessitated to pay Interest at Madrass your selves we rely on your said assurances and hope they were comply'd with or else we shall think ourselves as ill served as lately which we can no longer bear but we expect better things of you than to be amused with verball promises.

33. We have on severall persons applications this year consented to the sending a great Quantity of Bullion for Dyamonds of which the Carnarvon carrys out near one Hundred thousand Ounces you know they give Bond to return the produce in Dyamonds We expect our President take care therein and advise us from time to time by proper Certificates what is so return'd as to the amount by what ships & to whom that we may come to a certainty when the said Bonds are fully comply'd with for we have reason to believe part of the money sent out on pretence for Dyamonds hath been diverted another way. Prevent this in future.

34. Our people in the Bay advise Us they are Indebted Twenty four Lack of Rupees whereupon we order'd our accountant to draw out a state of Our Effects at your place and in the Bay which comes enclosed whereby it will appear to be sufficient to pay all Our Debts & Load the shipping home. We are

Your Loving Friends

W ^m . DAWSONNE.	Jo ^s . WORDSWORTH.
JOHN COOKE.	JOS. HERNE.
MATHEW DECKER.	JOHN HEATHCOTE.
SIMON THEUNEMANS.	JOHN GOULD.
GREGORY PAGE.	HENRY LYELL.
JOHN ECCLESTON.	W ^m . GOSSELIN.
	JOHN DRUMMOND.
	ABRA. ADDAMS.
	Jo ^s . WORDSWORTH, Ju ^{nr} .
	ROB ^t . HUDSON.
	JOHN BANCE.
	EDW. TURNER.
	CALEB COTESWORTH.
	EDW ^d . OWEN.

LETTER FROM THE SECRET COMMITTEE TO FORT S^t. GEORGE, DATED NOVEMBER 30, 1722. RECEIVED JUNE 7, 1723. PER SARUM. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 25, p. 115.*]

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL
OF FORT S^t. GEORGE.

Gentlemen,

We send this to acquaint you That since the appointment of the four China ships to return thence to England We have in pursuance of the powers given Us by the Court of Directors given a Latitude to y^e. China Council as circumstances may happen to send one of them to you and one to Surat We apprehend they will not return Us more than three and if so are to send you the fourth with a proper Cargo for y^e. Coast & Bay and the Residue of the stock after filling up the other ships Tonage to be laid out in Gold We tell them We expect They do as well for the Company as themselves for the Court have allow'd them to carry our money for purchasing of Gold But if they cant get Gold for all their remaining silver rather than hazard her passage to send y^e. surplus in silver We have prest them with earnestness to hasten her to you so early as you may dispatch her as you did the Bridgwater and for that purpose to send on her three or four hundred Chests of Bohea Tea if to be got good at twenty Tale or thereabouts the Pecul Do you take care to get her lading ready against her arrivall and hasten it on board that she may not loose her monsoon.

Dispose of her China Cargo at the ffort or send part of it to the Bay if it will sell better there as you shall find most for y^e. Companys benefit We are

Your very loving friends

Jo^s. WORDSWORTH.
JOS. HERNE.
MATHEW DECKER.
HENRY LYELL.

LONDON, the 30th November 1722.

LIST OF GOODS TO BE PROVIDED ON THE COAST OF COROMANDEL FOR THE SHIPS GOING OUT IN THE YEAR 1722.

Long cloth, Ordinary	from Madrass N ^o . 1. 2. Forty Thousand	...	40,000
Ditto	From ffort S ^t . Davids No. 1. 2. Twenty Thousand	... ..	20,000
Ditto	from Vizagapatam N ^o . 1. 2. Twenty Thousand	... ..	20,000
Ditto	from Worriapollam N ^o . 1. 2. Fifteen Thousand	... ..	15,000
Ditto	from Carwaor N ^o . 1. 2. Fifteen Thousand	...	15,000
Ditto	from Nagore N ^o . 1. 2. Ten Thousand	...	10,000
Ditto	Midling N ^o , 1. 2. from Madrass better than we have had of late	Six Thousand	...
Ditto	from Fort S ^t . Davids N ^o . 1. 2. Four Thousand.		4,000
Ditto	Dark Blew from Madrass or Fort S ^t . Davids midling well dried to prevent Mildew	Four Thousand	...
Ditto	Fine F. N ^o . 1. 2. from Madrass Eight Thousand	...	8,000
Ditto	Fine F. N ^o . 1. 2. from Vizagapatam Four Thousand	...	4,000
Ditto	Fine F. N ^o . 1. 2. from Fort S ^t . Davids Four Thousand	...	4,000
Ditto	Super fine & Thick for shirts	Five hundred.	500
Ditto	Fine stripes as the Policat Ginghams	One Hundred	...
			100

N.B.—Whatsoever shall be wanting of the Quantity of Longcloth Order'd now to be provided at Vizagapatam must be made up at Madrass and Fort S^t. Davids.

Sallampores	Ordinary N ^o . 1. 2. of Thirty two Covids long & full Two Covids and a Quarter broad from Madrass	Eighty Thousand	...	80000
Ditto.	Ordinary Worriapollam N ^o . W. 1. W. 2. Twenty Thousand	...	...	20000
Ditto.	Ordinary from Fort S ^t . Davids N ^o . 1, 2, Fifty Thousand	...	...	50000
Ditto.	from Vizagapatam & Ganjam Thirty two Covids Long & full two Covids and a quarter broad N ^o . 1. 2. Twenty Thousand	...	...	20000
Ditto.	If any to be had from Nagore and Carwar	Ten Thousand	...	10000
Ditto.	Midling N ^o . 1. 2. from Madrass	Eight Thousand.		8000
Ditto.	Midling N ^o . 1. 2. from Fort S ^t . David	Six Thousand	...	6000
Ditto.	Fine from Madrass N ^o . 1. 2. Fifteen Thousand	...	...	15000
Ditto.	Fine from Fort S ^t . David	None	...	...
Ditto.	Fine from Vizagapatam N ^o . 1. 2 Four Thousand	...	...	4000
Ditto.	Of fine stripes as the Pollicat Ginghams	Five Hundred	...	500
Ditto.	of super fine and Thick for shirts	One Thousand	...	1000

N.B.—In this article as in that of Long Cloth whatever shall be wanting of the Quantity now Order'd to be provided at Vizagapatam must be made up at Madrass and Fort S^t. Davids.

The Fort St. Davids Goods Both Long Cloth & Sallampores as well midling as Ordinary are all very bad, the midling worse than the Madrass Cloth No. 1. 2, used to be, And the Ordinary N^o. 2. much worse than Gurrabs which cost less by 50 ¢ Cent, Whereas these cost the same Prices as the Madrass Cloth except the inconsiderable deduction of Two and a Quarter ¢ Cent which is a very poor Equivalent for the vast difference in Quality.

The Madrass Long Cloth & Sallampores of all sorts were much worse than they Used to be, The Longcloth Ordinary N^o. 1. 2. were very raw & uneven and wanted thread, and make the sorters thereof seem to have been very negligent for in One and the same Number of Cloth are many peices much worse than others, although the best among them were worse than usual.

Look out the best Musters you have whether formerly or later, settle and keep up your Goods to those of the best.

The Vizagapatam Goods both Long cloth & Sallampores were all to satisfaction & therefore lett them be kept up to their goodness.

The Worriapollam and Carwar Cloth which used to be brave stout sorts, good even threaded and well beat together, are now a rough foul uneven stuff and not well struck up.

Bettellees N ^o . 25. 26. from Madrass Three Thousand	...	3,000
Ditto from Ditto N ^o . 28. 29. Three Thousand	...	3,000
Ditto Oringal N ^o . 1. 2. from Fort St. Davids five hundred.	500	
Bettellees Policat Two Covids broad the finest & thickest that can be made Five hundred, if they are very good you may make them up One Thousand	...	500
Ditto Policat Three Covids broad very fine and thick Two hundred	...	200
Bettelles Strip't from Vizagapatam Five hundred	...	500

The common Bettellees of N^o. 25. 26. 28 & 29, were exceeding bad of a poor sleesy raw thred, whereas they ought to be or a harder spun and more Wiery thread, and the Original N^o. 1 & 2. the worst that ever was seen, and will not sell for little more than half what they used to do.

Bettellees strip't should be a mixture of single stripes two stripes & two & one stripes & some few of Odd stripes, but the sorts that come of late of 5 or 6. stripes together are not approved of here.

N.B.—among the common Bettellees, were ninety peices damaged suppose pack't up so in the Countrey, the package not having the least spot on the outside.

N.B.—Of the Oringal Bettellees, Two hundred Eighty three peices were also damaged, but judged to be put up so in the Countrey, the package of them being very clean & without spot, both these & the common Bettellees were Embaled by Jos^a. Bayes and sorted by Rand^l. fflowk, Edw^d. Croke, John Fullager and G. Tullie as by packing note appears.

Chints Sallampores None.

Ditto Madrass whole peices the sorts Order'd as in former Years	
Eight hundred	800
Moorees Fine ten yards long & bare One yard Eight Inches broad	
Four Thousand	4,000
Ditto Ordinary ten yards long and bare One yard Eight Inches broad	
Six Thousand	6,000

We direct the Moorees Fine and Ordinary to be an Inch less than Ell broad for if they are full Ell, We pay duty for a peice or Callico for six yards and if under Ell, Ten Yards makes a Callico.

Ginghams stript of the Policat sort Eight Yards long One Yard broad	
One Thousand	1,000
Ginghams White Small Eight Yards long One Yard broad	
Two Thousand	2,000

Ginghams White Large Twenty Yards long One Yard three	
Eighths broad Five hundred	500
Izzarees fine Two hundred	200
Dimmitties fine from Fort S ^t . Davids Two hundred	200
Allejaes Five hundred	500
Callowaypoose Five hundred	500
Sacerguntees Five hundred	500
Romals Ditto seven Eighths broad Five hundred	500
Ditto Policat fine seven Eighths broad Five hundred	500
Shellack None.	

Cowries If any ship put in from the Maldivie Islands with live ones good & cheap and well Garbled as directed the last Investment and not otherwise Fifty Tons Tons.
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Buy of all these several sorts of Goods in proportion to the Quantity of stock we shall send you and also to the Tonnage actually sending out.

The Fort S^t. Davids Long cloth and Sallampores both midling and common are Intollerably bad as may be seen by a Bale N^o. 1. & a Bale N^o. 2. returned, and the Worriapollam Fabrick is much declined of late years, as also the Carwar Cloth by the Heathcote.

N.B.—All the Vizagapatam Long Cloth should be Whitened at Madrass among this sort are often found many peices damaged, very rotten & full of holes which we believe is got in their passage from Vizagapatam to Madrass and in such case they ought to be sorted out and either packt up and sent home by themselves or disposed of in the Countrey.

Examind.

LAUR^{ce}. LANE/

ACCOMPT OF BULLION & CORAL LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ON THE CARNARVON FOR
FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS.

			Markt.	Ounces.
By Isaac Simenes	... 1 Chest	...	ΔX N ^o . 1 cont ^a .	1,000
D ^o.	... 1 D ^o.	...	M.D.C. N ^o . 1	1,500
S ^r . John Lock	... 2 D ^o.	...	Σ N ^o . 1. 2	8,000
Moses de Medina	... 1 D ^o.	...	M.D. N ^o . 3	3,000
Jos: Telles da Costa,	da 1 D ^o.	...	JDCT. N ^o : A	3,400
Jacob da costa	... 2 D ^o.	...	I.D.C. N ^o . 1. 2	7,328
Isaac Delmonte	... 1 D ^o.	...	S.X. N ^o . 1	1,800
Abr ^a . Franks	... 1 D ^o.	...	A.F. N ^o . 1	4,000
Jo ^a . Mendes da Costa Jun ^r .	da 2 D ^o.	...	M.D.C.F. N ^o . 1. 2	6,000
Abr ^a . Franco	... 1 D ^o.	...	C.F. N ^o . 3	4,000
Mo: Henriques Julian Jun ^r .	2 D ^o.	...	A.D.C. N ^o . 1. 2	6,000
Alvaro Mendes	... 1 D ^o.	...	A.M. N ^o . 1	2,000
Isaac Franks	... 8 D ^o.	...	I.F. N ^o . 1 to 8	30,000
D ^o.	... 1 D ^o.	...	B.S. N ^o . 1	2,000
			Ounces	79,528

By Abr^a. France ... 1 Chest ... ^F A I N^o. 7, cont^a. £534: 7: 6
Coral Beads value.

A LIST OF SOULDIERS SHIP'D ON BOARD THE CARNARVON CAPTⁿ.
JOSIAH THWAITES COMAND^t.

	Aged
Edward Sandys Souldier of London ... Pinmaker ...	23
Joseph Lennell D ^o . D ^o Goldsmith ...	26
Robert Tayler D ^o . D ^o Labourer ...	22
Peter Taxier D ^o . [G]ermany... Gunner ...	36
John Forster D ^o . London ... Labourer ...	27

EAST INDIA HOUSE, LONDON
y^e. 21 Dec^r. 1722

EX^o. THO: LEWES.

MEMORIAL AND SUCCINCT NARRATIVE OF THE VIOLENCES COMMITTED BY ISAAC
PYKE GOVERNOUR OF THE FORT BENCULO ON THE COAST OF SUMATRA FOR
THE EAST INDIA COMP^t. OF ENGLAND, AGAINST THE OSTEND SHIP NAMED LA
FFLANDRIA.

James Maelcamp Trader of the City of Ghent having obtain'd of His Imperiall and Catholick Maj^{ty}. Letters Patents of Passport for sending a ship Laden with merchandize to Trade to China, caused one to be bought at London which he had brought to Ostend when he fitted it and provided with every thing necessary for making the said Voyage, it departed the beginning of February 1721. Furnish'd with the above said Patent under the name of La fflandria Commanded by Cap^t. John Willems—who having continued his Voyage to the Heighth of the Islands Paul & Amsterdam on this side the streights of Sunda where he met with a great storm and was afterwards by the Tempest cast upon the Coast of Sumatra was oblig'd to anchor on the 9th. of August 1721. in the Road of the Fort of Bencoula belonging to the East India Company of England which he saluted with 5 Guns having chosen this place to put into and to take in Water of which he had want preferably to all other places for that the said Fort belong'd to the subjects of a Potentate which was in friendship and strict alliance with His Imperiall and Catholick majesty His most august master on this just belief and Confidence the said Cap^t. John Willems went the next day the 10th. of said month august in the morning ashore with One of his own Pylots and applied himself to the Governour Isaac Pyke entreating him after he had acquainted him who he was whence he came and whither he was going, to grant him leave to take in Water upon which the said Governour having demanded a [. . .] sight of the Commission which he said he had from His Imperiall & Catholick Majesty he shew'd it to him without the least difficulty or distrust not doubting but that after he had had the perusal of it he would have restored it to him again, but he soon saw he was mistaken by the Irregular proceeding of this Governour who detained the said Passports & caused the taking away from the said Cap^t. Williems all the other papers he had about him with his sword and Hat and had him confined with all those that were come ashore and Order'd the sloops to be hauld Ashoar after Pyke had made these steps the 11th. of the said month of August he had the said ship Lafflandria brought in to the [few words lost] Supra Cargo nam'd William Ven den Haute who immediately repair'd to Bencoulo accompany'd with the Chaplain and Francis de Horne being arrived there they demanded of the Governour the reason of what he had just then done in contempt of the Commission & Flagg of His Imperiall and Catholick Majesty which the said ship carried, to which all the answer he gave was an Order to confine all three, where they were detained with the most Inhumane and unheard of Cruelty among the most barbarous people for three days without Eating and drinking.

The ship being thus deprived of all its officers the said Pyke on the Night of the 13 to 14 disarmed it having carried ashore all the sails powder and Small arms and having intrusted the Guard of the Ship to the Companys Officers and

set at liberty the Super Cargo the 14th. with the Chaplain & the said De horne declaring to the former that the ship was confiscated with all the Effects of her Lading without giving him reason, Wherefore and not content with these Violences he constrained by force of Arms the ships Crew to Enter into the Companys service.

The super Cargo protested loudly Viva Voce against all these Outrageous Enterprizes the 17th. of the said Month, and wrote the next day 18. a long Letter on the s^d. subject to the Govern^r. Pyke, to which he reply'd plainly, that he would not give him an Account of his Actions and that he had nothing to do but to apply himself to the Company in England, after which he by Writing Order'd him towards the Evening of the same day to draw out an Inventory of the ships Loading forbidding him to Write or speak further touching the seizing the ship, declaring that he laught at his Protestations.

After which the said Supra Cargo set about making out the Inventory which was Finish'd the 14th. Septem^r. and deliver'd to the Gov^r. who the 15th. had all the Effects of the ships Cargo brought on shore as well as the ready money as merchandize except the little packetts or Effects of the officers and Seamen and had them Weigh'd the 16th. after which the said Inventory was sign'd on both sides and as the Gov^r. the 19th. acquainted the Super Cargo that he must get ready to be carried to Madrass the latter de Novo protested against all the Outrages chargeable on Pyke and on the Company whose authority and forces he had employ'd for the committing of them but in vain the Governour taking no notice of his protestations & Complaints.

The 21. of the said month the s^d. Super Cargo was put on board the Eng[**t**] ship named the Dartmouth bound for Madrass with the Chaplain and some other Officers of the ship La Flandria to the number of 10 in all & they were forced by the said Governour to take with them their Effects and Parcels although they had severall times protested solemnly against it declaring that since they were the Company's they demanded that their stock be not separated from the Joynt stock being unwilling to Expose their Effects and the little they had to so long a Navigation further that they knew not to what purpose to carry that money and merchandizes to Europe since they were only designed for and fitted for the Trade of China The Governour detain'd prisoner Cap^t. Willems dispersed one part of the ships Company among the Companys ship and forc'd the rest to take service ashoar.

The ship Dartmouth Arrived the night of the 12th. to the 13th. Novem^r. at Madrass and the Super Cargo immediately went off with some officers of the ships and the 14th. was to pay his respects to the Governour of that Fort to whom he deliver'd the Letters he had for him from the Governour Pyke, with whose Conduct the Govern^r. of Madrass express'd his great dissatisfaction and as it concerned the Interests of the said Mael Camp and of others subjects of His Imperiall and Catholick Majesty who had shares in the said ship that they should be Informed as soon as it should be possible of what had befall'n him the said Super Cargo earnestly intreated the 16. of said month the Governour of Madrass to give him permission to return into Europe on board a ship of the Companys named the King George which was ready to sail for England and though he continued his solicitations for that purpose till the 19th. Ditto Nevertheless the Governour was unwilling to consent to his request by reason of which the super Cargo was reduced to the necessity of hiring Lodgings as well as for the Officers that came with him ashore as for those which remained on board the Dartmouth the which as well as the King George had the misfortune to be lost by a storm that happen'd while the super Cargo was at Madrass and he had all the difficulty in the World to save the 3 officers whom he had left thereon and drew them from the sea ill treated and hurt one of them named Peter Bellemont had even a legg broken. It was impossible to save the least part of their Effects & small [. . .] which were miserable lost this loss ought incontestably to be to Pyke because it had been avoided [*Portions lost*].

The said super Cargo finding himself with all his companions thus disfurnish't of all things had recourse anew to the Governour of Madrass, the 10 Decem^r. earnestly beseeching him to advance him money to provide for his subsistence and that of the other said Officers of the Crew of the Flandria which the Governour refused with unheard of Cruelty by which the super Cargo & his must have all perisht with hunger & misery and out of Condition of paying the debts they had been forc'd to contract during three months they had been detained on the Coast of Choromandell If one named Schonamille, whom they had the Good fortune to meet with had not had the goodness and Charity to advance them 1000 Pagodas, which they employ'd in payment of their debts and as their remain'd nothing for furnishing the charges of their Voyage to Europe and that no person could be found who would lend them Money they knew not again where to apply but to the Governour of Madrass praying him to order at least Cap^t. Joseph Tolson Commander of the ship named the Heathcote who was near departing to England to receive them on board him, to which the Governour answer'd they might apply themselves to the said Captain who at the request they made to him for their Transport declared to them that he was content to receive them on Condition of 100. Pagodas a Head ready money but as they had not the money, they got some that were mov'd with their misery and their desperate condition to speak to the Cap^t. who at their Instances did admit them on board him on Condition of the summ of £562—10—14. which they Engaged to pay him out of the summ which the Comp^s. shall pay those Interested in the said ship for their satisfaction after which the Cap^t. set sail from Madrass the 15 Febry 1722 and arrived in England the 1st Septem^r. following as all appears more amply by the Depositions hereto joyn'd in copy made by the super Cargo Chaplain and other officers at Ghent the 2 & 3 October of the present year before the Notarys John Scarlett and James Cousins which were made Legally by the Magistrate of the said City the said 3 October that the Originall is ready always to be produc'd.

Hostility and Pyracy so open so Cruel & so Injurious with regard to the outrage done to the passports and flag of his Imperiall and Catholick majesty and the Inhumane treatment of His subjects in the persons of the officers and crew of the said ship La Flandria which clearly shews that after all the wrong done to these poor [*Portions missing*] they should not have experimented even though they should have fallen into the hands of the most barbarous Nation or the most cruell pyrates of the Indies being most prejudiciall to the subjects of His Imperiall & Catholick Majesty perhaps unheard of amongst Christians and directly contrary not only to the Law of Nations but more yet to the Treaties of Alliance and Friendship between His Imperiall and Catholick Majesty and the King of Great Britain which ought to be Cultivated and maintained among the subjects of the one side and the other to which the Ministers of His Imperiall and Catholick Majesty have on all occasions used their endeavours which have offer'd according to the Intention of their most august master it gives hope that His Britanick majesty His Ministers and even the Directors of the East India Company of England will disapprove a proceedure so Enormous and will themselves be Induced to give satisfaction proportionable to the Crime, In causing.

1st. To restore with deprecation the Passports and Imperiall Colours [which] the ship carried into the Hands of His Imperiall & Catholick M^r. Minister and to chastize exemplarily the Governour Pyke and with regard to the Inhumane treatment used to the Captain officers and ships crew who were all subjects of His Imperiall and Catholick Majesty.

2dly. To set at liberty without Loss of time the said Captain the other officers and sailors detained prisoners or dispersed to Cause them to be brought back into Europe and Land them at Ostend at the charge of the English Camp^r. in giving entire satisfaction for all that have suffer'd.

3dly. To Restore to James Maelcamp Privateer without delay or to His Mandatory the Value of the said ship La Flandria with all the Effects of the Cargo as also those of the officers the ready money, Merchandizes, ammunition.

provisions stores Commissions disbursements made or to make in General all the Expence Damages and Interests suffer'd or yet to suffer even to the Exact and entire accomplishment of the Articles mentioned with the Gain and Profit which would have acrued from this Voyage without the unjust seizure and treatment suffer'd from the Companys people according to the specification hereto—joyn'd which has been drawn [. . .] from memoirs sworn to by the Privateer in Conformity with another fitted out and departed at the same time with the said ship La Flandria afterwards return'd happily from China.

4thly. To promise no more to do or suffer to be done by their people for the [. . .] either directly or indirectly the least wrong to the subjects of His Imperiall Majesty in causing contrarywise the due respect to be paid to the [. . .] flagg of so Potent a Prince and give them the [Portions missing] other European Nations.

Before Us John Scaillet & James Coussens bottornary Notaries residing in the City of Gand Capital of Flanders, appea [. . .] Person the Reverend Father Remgents Chaplain, William [. . .] Haute Supra Cargo, Adrien Van Beuren second merchant James [. . .] Fourth John Bsp^r. Beert Fifth, Francis De Morne & Peter Billem [. . .] Officers of the Imp^r. ship called La Flandria seiz'd by M^r. Isaac Pyke Govern^r. of Bencoulo upon the Coast of Sumatra, departed from Ostend [for] Canton in China, which Persons appearing have declared attested and affirm'd at the request of James Maelcamp Esq^r. living in this city to be [. . .] That it was on the 9th. of Aug^r. 1721. They arrived with their ship Flandria the road of the said Bencoulo, where they anchored & saluted the Forty five Guns, The 10th. of the said month in the morning their Cap^t. John Williem went ashore with the sloop accompanied with one of their Pylots named Richard Commins who commanded another sloop, They being ashore went to ask leave of the said Govern^r. of Bencoulo named Isaac Pyke as is said to take in Water of which they were in want, whereupon the said Govern^r. having demanded of them their Comissions from his Imp^r. & Cathol Majesty, The said Captain having delivered it to him, and seeing the Captain had yet other papers he took them from him after having disarm'd him of his sword & his Hat, and then confining him with the said Pylot Commins, William Jehelaer & fourteen sailors, he further order'd the hauling the sloops ashore out of the Water the next morning being the 11th. D^o. the said Pylot Commins came aboard the ship accompanied wth. an English Captain with Orders to bring the abovesaid ship into the Bay upon which the Supra Cargo William Vanden Haute instantly repaired to Bencoulo the Chaplain the Reverend Father Peter Retjens & Francis Dehorne in Company, being arrived there they Demanded of the Govern^r. of Bencoulo the meaning of all these Violences, whether their Commission was not good, to which he would not give any Answer, but on the contrary he secured them also where they continued three days & nights without Eating or Drinking, during which time the Govern^r. sent some of his Officers on board them to disarm their said ship, The 13th. at night they took away all the sails, powder, small Arms &c^a. and carry'd them all ashore, he likewise Order'd our Doctor with the sick men being 5 or 6. Persons to come ashore, At night was put on board the said ship the Chu [. . .] of the Countrey of the District of Bencoulo named M^r. Huwens with a Boatman to take care of every thing the 14th. D^o. the Supra Cargo, Chaplain & Francis De Horne were discharged, telling the first That their said Ship Cargo &c^a. should continue Secured & confiscated, without entering into further discourse with the said Supra Cargo, further the said Govern^r. during their Confinement by armed force sent the said fourteen sailors on board an English ship. The 16th. D^o. a Captain named [Portions Missing] to Encourage the Equipage belonging to the Attestors to come or Enter into their Service as well by Sea as Land the 17th. D^o. seeing all the people were put on board their ships by Military Force & having made part take service ashore, further detaining part of the Officers confined ashore the Supra Cargo immediately got ready the necessary Reclamations with a General protest, the 18th. D^o. the

said Supra Cargo wrote to the Govern^r. a pertinent & ample Letter in which he repeats all that is above as also Complaining of his cruel manner of proceeding, On which he answered that it was not their business to know why he treated them so, saying that it was sufficient for him, that it was an English ship, and further that they might apply themselves to the Company in England, the afternoon the Reclamations abovesaid were insinuated to the Governour in behalf of their people which he forceably detain'd on board their ships, as also the above mentioned generall Protest of every thing, towards the Evening the Supra Cargo receiv'd a Letter from the Governour in which he sends Word, that they had nothing to do, but make hast to prepare the Inventory of their ship & Loading & to pay to the Crew their Wages that were due, further he forbad Openly to either speak or write touching their Confinement, That he pretended & would do according to his own Good pleasure, and that he laugh't at all their Reclamations & Protest, saying he was not to be insulted and none was able to hurt him. It was the 14th. September that the general Inventory was drawn out & perfect, the 15th. D^o. the Govern^r. sent the second in Councill M^r. Chilly with M^r. Chatillier his steward to take their cash and ready money, the 16th. the Govern^r. having receive'd the species weigh'd them with English Weight the 18th. D^o. the Supra Cargo sent his second ashore to take notice of the Weight, further they had much difficulty of Obtaining their passage, the 19th. D^o. the said passage was regulated which consisted of the following persons, Viz^t.

JOHN WILLEMS Captain.
 THE REVEREND FATHER PETER Remtjens Chaplain.
 WILLIAM VANDEN HAUTE Supra Cargo.
 ADRIEN VAN BEUREN second merchant.
 JAMES DIAS } Merchants. .
 JOHN BAPst. BEERT }
 GERAARD VERBEKE } Pylots of said ship.
 ELIAS KENTSINCK }
 JAMES VERMEERSK, Boatsman.
 N. CAMPHUYSEE, Constable.
 N. WILLEMS } Carpenters.
 J. WILLEMS }
 DOM HUBRECTS.
 PETER BILLEMONT, Writer.
 FRANCIS DE HORNE.
 INDOCUS WABRAVE.
 [. . .]

Further the Inventory was Examined on both sides the Govern^r. not being willing to defray them, granted them a Thousand Florins, as well for payment of the ships Crew as for their Transport to England after this the Supra Cargo paid the Crew such as were willing to receive it, the payment alone amounting to the sum of Three Thousand Eight hundred ninety three Florins Eleven pence six deniers, caused to ask the fourteen Men that were by fortune put on board the ship Addison Captain Hicks bound for Bengall, if tney were willing to receive seven months Wages, which they all refused, saying that in the present case that there was due to them the Entire & Compleat Voyage as did also the surplus of the Equipage the same day the Supra Cargo presented also his silver to the Governour who refused it, upon which the said day they let him know by Protest, that the whole was at his Risque, and [that] the Company in as much as he Confiscated the said Ship and Cargo &c by Consequence they were the Company's Prisoners, The 20th. D^o. their Equipages were discharged and some provissions for their Subsistance as far as Madras Laden upon the Ship named the Dartmouth to be carried to the said place. The Supra Cargo demanded of the Govern^r. the restitution of the Patent of his Imp^l. & Cath. Majesty who refused it, the 20th. D^o. the Chaplain and the Supra Cargo transported themselves towards the Ship

Dartmouth & [then passed] a Contract of Transport in favour of the said Captain Elliston, Payable [at] their arrival at Madrass, the 23^d. came on board the Other Officers, the 24th. & 25th. D^o. they were all compleat, the 27th. came a Sloop with Soldiers on board said Ship, passing the night there, the 29th. it was said & declared that the p^rsons following were to go ashore with the said Guard, Viz^t.

CAPTAIN JOHN WILLEMS.
GERARD VERBEKE PYLOT.
CAMPTUYSEN GUNNER.
JAMES WILLEMS.
JOHN WILLEMS. } Carpenters.
DOM: HUBBRECHTS.

Verbeke Son of the Pylot Verbeke.

The 29th. the Supra Cargo wrote to the Govern^r. what was the meaning of this Novelty, and why he did not follow the Accord agreed to, The 30th. D^o. no answer, The first of October they received Answer, That it was his good pleasure, and that they had nothing to do but to be contented, he likewise forced on board an English Ship their Pylot named Richard Comma [. . .] and William Tehelaer third Merchant & some Sailors, the which unwilling to accept of any Engagement departed the 5th. D^o. for Sillebar, the same day 3 a Clock afternoon they departed with the Ship Dartmouth abovesaid from the road of Bencoulo for Madrass, between the 13th. & 14th. Novem^{br}. they happily arrived at Madrass, the 14th the Supra Cargo went to pay his respects to Govern^r. delivering into his Excellencys hands the Letters from the Govern^r. of Bencoulo who mightily complain'd of the shamefull & in [. . .] with which the Govern^r. of Bencoulo [*Portions missing*] Veneration of His Imp^l. & Cath Majestys Patent & Contempt of his subjects in which he shew'd himself very sensibly affected, the 16th. he was with the Govern^r. of Madrass to pray his Excellency if he might not depart for Europe with the Ship called the King George, which was incessantly to depart for England, which was refused the said Supra Cargo however They importuned him till the 19th. D^o. that they might depart with the said Ship, at length seeing they could not succeed for sending some One into Europe with the said Ship The Supra Cargo informed himself of a Lodging for the other Officers to Land that were still on board, The 20th. a Lodging was hired & agreed how much they should pay a head $\frac{1}{2}$ month, the 22^d. D^o. came ashore the Sieurs Van Buren & Beert, having run great Hazard of perishing in a Storm and Impetuous Weather it has been these Eight days & still continued the 23^d D^o. the Supra Cargo was to Wait upon the Govern^r. for leave to unload his Effects but the Weather was so Stormy to Venture, It had already been forbidden to allow any Bark to put to Sea in as much as there had been several that had been staved & Opened in the Sea, in which were three Men drown'd, but the Supra Cargo and the said Captain Edward Elliston were resolved to go on board the next Morning if the Weather should be a little Calmed, The 24th. D^o. the Supra Cargo went to the Sea Side to see if he could not find a Sloop which by reason of the Ill Weather and too impetuous Wind was impossible, even though one would give a Hundred Pistols, no one would be willing to put to Sea, The 25th. D^o. the Ship named the Dartmouth Captain Edward Elliston on which they came from Beucoulo was lost in a furious Tempest such as the like was never seen in the East Indies, which began Yesterday, It was Thursday the 27th D^o. before they knew where the said Ship was Cast away, it was at Mawellawaron 12 or 14 Leagues from Madrass under the Jurisdiction of the Moors in which Misfortune they generally lost all that they had, moreover the Moors Seiz'd all the Europeans they met with ashore, the 28th D^o. the said Supra Cargo went Off for the said Ship, the next day he arrived at the place, where he found some English Troops which had been sent by Sea to Secure whatsoever should be saved, afterwards he went to the Sea Side to see whether the Three Officers of their Ships Company that had been on board

were not dead in the said Misfortune, He found them God be praised alive, but Miserably wounded and the Sieur Billemont with a Legg broken whom he sent to Sadrass 2 Leagues hence, there to be dressed, he procured them also some Cloaths & Linen to cover their naked Bodies, 'The 2^d. of Decem^r. the Supra Cargo went to pray the Govern^r. of Madrass that he might have of His Excellency some Money to new Cloath them, upon which he answerd he could do nothing till his Troops & Captain Joseph Tolson with his Ship were return'd in the mean while, these Attestors not being able to continue naked, the Supra Cargo bought provisionally severall necessarys for recloathing them and that upon Credit having informed the said Governour with the miserable condition of their Affairs, and by the Loss of the said Ship quite na [*Portions missing*].

RICHARD HORDENS MEMORIAL DELIVERED IN TO THE COURT OF DIRECTORS THE 24TH OCTOBER 17[22] AND HIS REMONSTRANCE DELIVERED TO THE COMMITTEE OF CORRESPONDENCE THE 6TH DECEMBER 1722.

TO THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE HONOURABLE EAST INDIA COMPANY.

THE MEMORIAL OF RICHARD HORDEN.

That in the Year 1701 he went a Writer to India in The Comp^{as}. service, and continued in the same untill the year 1721 during all which time he doubts not but to make it appear That he behaved himself for the Interest of The Company with diligence skill and fidelity, and he can with great pride say, That in that great length of time he has met with many praises for his good & faithfull services, but never fell under any distrust or charge of misbehaviour, untill (upon what he hopes to make appear to be gross misrepresentation) he found himself discharged The Honourable Comp^{as}. service.

The true sense he has of the Justice of this Court induced him to leave his Family at Fort S^t. George and repair hither to justify himself to them where he is sensible he shall be heard with candour, And as at the time of his discharge he was the eldest Servant The Company had at Madrass so if upon examination as well of his Conduct as abilitys it shall appear That he did not deservedly fall under the Censure of The Court of Directors he hopes that his discharge will be esteemed a suspension onely.

And as he is well assured this Court takes great pleasure in The Company's Servants being able to justify themselves upon any Charge made against them he therefore hopes they will please to give him an opportunity so to do in such manner and method as they shall think fit.

THE UNDERWRITTEN WAS GIVEN IN TO THE COMMITTEE OF CORRESPONDENCE.

SIBS,

Conformable to your Orders when I last waited on you I am to acquaint you with the severall hardships I underwent at Fort S^t. George.

1st. Having occasion to raise a sum of Money to pay a Debt due from me to a Black Merchant who pressed very hard for his Money I was obliged to sell my dwelling House in Madrass and Household property at an outcry, which I did accordingly And made a Bill of sale and sent it The Mayors Court as customary to be Registerd, The next Day I went to ask [the] Register for the Bill of Sale who told me That The Mayor had orderd him not to Register it, at which I was not a little surprized, But desired him to return the Bill, who said he could not do that neither without the Mayors Order. The next or a Day or Two after I was sent for to Court, And the Mayor asked me Whether I had sold my Houses to M^r. Walsh, I told him yes, he then asked M^r. Walsh If he had bought them, he answered yes, Notwithstanding this The Mayor thought fit to doubt the truth And said it was a fraudulent Sale by which means I designed to cheat my Creditors, and produced a Book I think it was intituled The Statutes at large by which he

declared That I was a Bankrupt for making as he called it a fraudulent Conveyance of my Estate in order to cheat my Creditors And fined the Buyer 100 Pagodos, which sum he was obliged to pay And then declared That it was Felony in me, for which I might be tryed for my Life, The Bill of Sale still remains in possession of the Register, so that the Buyer has not yet any Title for the Houses he bought and paid for.

2^{dly}. On the 23^d. of November 1721 I was by the Mayors Warrant arrested by Sargeant Henry Medhiast who came to my dwelling House and as I was writing at my Table forceably hawled me out of my House and carryed me to the Town Hall and delivered me to the Common Goaler who forced me into a small Prison and then lockt me up, I told him That as I had not been used to such Lodgings I thought it impossible for me to live long, with which I suppose he acquainted The Mayor, because some time after he returned to me and told me The Mayor would permit me to go to my House provided he (the Goaler) might sleep with me of Nights and two of his Black servants watch me by Day, which I was obliged to consent to, in this infamous manner was I kept till within few Hours of my coming away.

3^{dly}. I was sued in The Mayors Court by one Vinkatachilum a Black Merchant for an Accompt depending between Us, and likewise for Money said to be extorted from him, sppsosing I was summoned to Court onely to answer to the first part I went and acquainted the Mayor &c^a. That there was an Article of between 7 : or 800 Pagodos he charge me with which was already paid and that he would be my Debtor, However to prevent giving them or myself any further trouble I would pay the Ballance as he had stated the Accompt with this Condition That when I made appear the Article which was 741.18 had been paid they would oblige him to repay me that sum with Interest, That for the other part of his Petition it was notoriously false, For I could give sufficient proof that he was not at the time he set forth in his Petition in Madrass, so that part relating to extorting was dropt, and I paid the Ballance of the Accompt on the 22th. of November upon the Benches promising me satisfaction when I could make appear the payment of the 741.18: In January I found his Partners Receipt for the aforementioned sum, and then went to Court desiring satisfaction for I had found the Receipt, But the Partner (namely Moodu Ramma) denied it to be his hand, upon which I was dismissed, and told I must prove it, so I went home not a little concerned at the injustice I had met with, a few Days after the Register sent me a note to require me to send him by the Bearer the Note I had produced in Court. I carryed it myself immediately, And told The Court I would produce it if they would give me their promise of returning it, which they did, so I left it with them in Court, But notwithstanding their promise they kept it from me many Days, the Register telling me he could not redeliver it without the Mayors Order, fearing I should loose this Receipt I took an opportunity when The Bench was set to desire in compliance to their promise I might have my Note, the Mayor insisted It was forged and treated me with not a little severity both in his Looks and Language, which I was obliged to take. But some of The Aldermen insisted, That the Note was by me delivered conditionally and so ought to be returned, upon which the Mayor demanded a Copy and that then he would deliver it, which I consented to, and he returned me my Note, But I was no sooner got home, But I received an Order immediately to produce what Books or Accompts I had relating to the payment of the Money, I went with my Accompts and showed them the Journall Entrys which exactly answered the 741.18.

They then sent for my servant James Hall and swore him to those Entrys, who further added to them, That he wrote the Receipt But did not see Mudda Ramma sign it, but gave him a Pen and Ink for that purpose after he the said Mooda Ramma had done counting as a small sum of money, the quantity he could not swear to because he did not count it himself (notwithstanding this Proof) I could not receive any satisfaction neither would they oblige the Man to swear to the

Accompt delivered so that in this one Article I am wronged of 741.18.

4^{thly}. One Rajah Gopaal at the same time enters an Action against me for 1500 Pagodos said to be extorted from him in a most barbarous manner, The Mayor demanded me to give Answer to his Petition, I then desired to know If in these extraordinary Causes should I plead, Whether they would swear the Partyes concerned in a solemn manner, which they refusing to do (altho' its The Companys direct Orders the Natives shall be sworn in a solemn manner in extraordinary Cases) I onely denyed the Fact and refused to plead but applied myself immediately to the Governour to desire his Protection and offered to clear my innocency to him (or his Councill) but he alwaies told me he knew nothing of the matter and could not concern himself, though at the same time I was well assured that he saw (I may say encouraged the black men to make) these unjust Demands, Because I saw severall Petitions come to the Register wrote on the side by him (leave to prosecute or words to that purpose) and the Register who acts as Attorney in Court upon my desiring him to be my Attorney told me he durst not for he was ordered to be against me by the Governour or words to that purpose, some few Days after I heard Judgment was given against me I then applyed to the Governour for Protection against their unjust Proceedings he told me I must apply to him & Councill; accordingly I presented them with a writing desiring they would stay the Judgment of The Court, -and that I doubted not but to clear my innocency before them, upon which I had a verball Answer That I must appeal, I told them, That as I had not pleaded to the Mayors Court, I could not think it proper to appeal but desired their Protection as a subject to the King of England and repeated to them my readiness to plead before them, reserving to myself a Salvo Jure in any of The Courts in England If I found myself unjustly dealt with, Notwithstanding all this they suffered my Goods, Houses, Vessell, Gardens, and all things they could get possession off to be attacht, and a Note was fixed at the Sea Gate declaring the Sale of my sundry Goods & Effects if the Judgment of the Mayors Court were not complied within fifteen Days time.

I had long before this cleared all my Accompts with The Company, and delivered up all Books and Papers that were under my Charge by which I thought myself intituled to the Protection of The Governour and Councill, I therefore in the most humble manner begged The Governours Protection both in writing and by word of my mouth, I had often requested The Mayor to consider on the hardships I laboured under, That by my Confinement I was so much indisposed for want of my usuall exercise of going four or five Miles in the Countrey that I now began to fear my Life in danger, since I had scarce eat or slept sufficient to suffice nature, wherefore I desired leave to go to S^t. Thomas Mount for a few Days to recover my health, promising to return any Day or hour they should Order me, This they would not grant me tho' I went from The Mayor to The Governour and from The Governour to The Mayor severall Days one after another, at last some few Friends observing that I was much fell away and in a weak condition with the supplications of my Wife prevailed with a Relation of hers to be bound for my personall Appearance, when they permitted me to go for a few Days to the Mouut, where I recovered my health and returned to Town when my Bail was taken of, and I again committed to the Charge of y^e. Goaler, and all my Estate being to be sold at the expiration of fifteen Days, put my poor Wife (in her condition) to such an apprehension of wanting both place & necessarys for laying in, That in the dead of Night she and her Children were forced to steal out at a back Door with her Child Bed Linnen & other Necessarys for such occasion to a Room her Mother had promised to lend her, where she might lay in, But the fright and concern she was in made her fall ill, and her Life looked upon to be in great danger, upon which I again applyed to The Governour, begging That we might live in the House till she was delivered, he told me he would endeavour to prevail with the Buyer to suffer Us to stay there a Month or two, but whether he has so done I know not by Reason my coming away was before the Expiration of the fifteen Days.

5thly. I verbally requested of the Governour to permit me to go for England his answer was, you must talk with The Mayor, when I went to The Mayor he told me I must comply with the Judgments of Court, or that I should not go, from time to time I repeated my request, but in vain, at last I gave a Request to The Governour & Councill, desiring they would permit me to go home on one of The Companys ships, they said, That when I had complied with the Judgments of Court I might go but not till then, about four Days before the ships sailed a Person came to me and told me, If I would go off just then The Governour would permit me to go, It was about nine a Clock at Night and very dark, when I had a Boat ordered me, The Commander of the ship [. . . w]ould not receive me without a Permission from The Governour, so I waited on him and got his Permission, and went off, And had not so much as time to see one of my Children before I left the shoar, the four Days I lay in the Road in the ship I got some Necessaryes and cloaths for my Voyage, not having an Account how they have disposed of my Estate or treated my Wife and Children, I am not at present prepared to add to these hardships.

THIS INDENTURE Made this
Day of
and in the

Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George, by the Grace of God of
Great Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith [. . .]
Trading to the East-Indies, of one Part, and

of the other Part.

WHEREAS the said *United Company of Merchants of England, Trading to the East-Indies*, have (upon the Special request [. . .] of the said
and upon
the Conditions and Agreements hereinafter contained, on the Part of the said
to be performed) Received and Entertained
[from] the said into their Service,
as their to Serve them for the
Term of and to be Employed
in all, or any of their Traffick or Merchandizes, Businesses and Affairs, in any
Place or Places whatsoever, between the *Cape of Good Hope*, and the *Streights of Magellan*, as the said Company, or their Court of Directors, for the time being,
or any Thirteen, or more of them, or any by them Authorized, shall appoint, at,
and for the Wages, or Sum of of Lawful
Money of *Great Britain*, by the Year, to Commence from the time of his Arrival at
or any other Port or
Place, whereto he shall be sent, or whereat he shall be Employed as aforesaid.
NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH, that the said

for himself, his
Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, doth hereby Covenant and Agree to, and
with the said *United Company of Merchants of England, Trading to the East-Indies*,
and their Successors, in Manner and Form following, (that is to say) That he the
said shall,
and will, with all convenient speed, Embark in Such Ship, as he the said
shall, by the Court of
Directors of the said Company, be directed to Embark in; And shall from the
time of his Arrival at or any such other
Port or Place within the said Limits, to which he shall, or may be appointed as
aforesaid, for, and during, and unto the full End and Expiration of

truly

and faithfully serve the said Company at such Place and Places, and in all and every such Affairs and Business whatsoever as the said Company, as the said shall be employed in.

AND shall also from time to time, and at all times, observe, keep, and fulfil, all, and every the Orders of the said Company, and of the said Court of Directors, made and to be made, for the Government of their Factories and Settlements, Officers, Agents, or Servants Abroad; And shall and will also observe, keep, and fulfil, all such Orders, Instructions, and Directions, which he shall herewith, or hereafter receive under the Seal of the said Company, or from the said Court of Directors of the said Company for the time being, or any Thirteen, or more of them, or from any Persons Authorized thereunto by such Directors; And shall and will, to the utmost of his Power and Skill, resist and withstand, all, and every such Person or Persons, as shall break, or endeavour to break the said Orders, Instructions, or Directions, or any of them; And shall not himself, do, attempt, or practice, nor shall wittingly or willingly permit or suffer, any other Person or Persons whatsoever, to do, attempt, or practice, any Matter or Thing whatsoever, to the hindrance, hurt, prejudice, damage, or defrauding of the said Company, or their Successors, or of their Servants, or any of them, or of the said Company's Goods, Merchandizes, Trade, or Traffick, or any of them, or any part thereof; But shall, as much as in him lies, prevent and defeat the same. AND FURTHER, That he the said

shall, from time to time, and at all times from henceforth, give Notice and Intelligence, with all convenient speed, unto the said Court of Directors for the time being, of all and every the Deceits, Wrongs, Abuses, Breach of Orders, Inconveniences and Hindrances, which he, the said shall

know, understand, hear or suspect to be done, practised, offered, or intended against the said Company, or their Successors, or their Goods, or Trade, or any of them, or against any Person or Persons by them, or by the said Court of Directors employed; or in their Service, in any Place or Places, together with the Names of those Persons by whom the same shall be so offer'd, practised, or intended. AND ALSO, That he the said shall not engage or

employ either the Stock of the said Company, or any part thereof, or make use of the Credit of the said Company, in any kind, or other way or manner howsoever, than for the Affairs of the said Company, and as by the Major part of the Court of Directors of the said Company for the time being, under their Hands, or under the Common Seal of the said Company, shall be ordered and directed. AND, That he the said shall and will, at all times, keep

and conceal the said Company's Secrets, and every Matter and Thing committed to him as such by the said Court of Directors, or their Agents, Factors, Officers, and Servants, or any of them. AND ALSO, That he the said

shall and will, from time to time, and at all times from henceforth, during his said Employment, keep, or cause to be kept, a true and particular Journal, or Day-Book, of all Passages and Proceedings relating to the Affairs of the said Company, and also Books of Accompts; In which Journal, Day-Book, and Books of Accompt, he shall daily, duly, truly, and fully, enter or cause to be entered, the Accompts of all and every particular Buying, Selling, Receipts, Payments, Barterings, and all other Transactions and Occurrences relating to his Trust during the time he shall continue in the said *United Company's* Service and Employment; And shall not place, or consent to the placing to the said *Company's* Accompt, nor otherwise charge the said *Company*, with any more or greater Sums than he shall really, and *bona fide*, pay for all or any Goods, Merchandizes, or Effects, which he shall buy, or cause, procure, or consent to be bought, for, or on Account of the said *Company*. AND shall and will bring to the Accompt of the said *Company*, in the Books of the said *Company*, the full Rates and Prices for which he shall sell, or cause to be sold, any of the said *Company's* Goods, Merchandizes, or Effects, and shall not take, accept, or receive, or agree to take, accept, or receive, any Gift, Reward,

Gratuity, Allowance, Compensation, Sum or Sums of Money whatsoever, either from any Person or Persons, of, or to whom he the said shall, by himself, or any Agent for him, buy or sell any Goods, Merchandizes, Treasure or Effects, of, or belonging to, or for, or upon Account of the said *Company*, AND the said

for himself, his Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, doth Covenant and Agree to, and with the said *United Company*, That he the said

his Executors or Administrators, shall produce and deliver the said Books, together with all Waste-Books, Pocket-Books, Diaries, Memorials, and other Writings and papers whatsoever, wherein he the said

shall make, or cause to be made, any Entries, or set down any Matter or Thing, touching or concerning the said *Company's* Affairs, or any of them, or any way relating thereunto (although the same may or shall be intermixed with his own, or others Concerns) unto the said *Court of Directors* of the said *Company* for the time being, or to such Person or Persons, as shall by Letter or Order, under the Hands of Thirteen, or more, of the said *Court of Directors*, or under the Seal of the said *Company*, be Authorized and Appointed to demand and receive the same; And shall and will, if required, make Oath to the Truth of such Books, Diaries, Memorials, Writings and Papers, and that the same contain the whole of his Transactions, and that they have not been defaced, obliterated, or altered to the Prejudice of the said *Company*. AND FURTHER, That he the said

shall and will, well and truly deliver and pay unto the said *Company*, or their Successors, all and every such Monies, Goods, Merchandizes, and Things whatsoever, as by the Foot of his Accompt, or otherwise, shall be due from him, or remain in his Hands and Possession, and for which he ought to be Chargeable or Answerable in any manner of wise. AND ALSO, that he the said

shall and will, (before he shall leave the said *Company's* Factories or Settlements) pay and discharge all and every such Sum and Sums of Money as he shall owe or be indebted to any the Black Merchants or Natives of the Country where the said

shall be, together with such other Sums as he shall owe Abroad to any other Merchants or Persons not being Subjects of his Majesty the King of GREAT BRITAIN, or his Successors. AND, that it shall and may be Lawful, to and for the President, Agent or Chief, and Council of such Place or Factory where the said

shall then be, and in their default, to and for other the Superior Officer or Officers of the said *Company*, to apprehend and detain the said

'till Satisfaction be made for all such Debts as aforesaid; And that he the said shall and will from time to time, when and as often as he shall be thereunto required by the said *Company* or their Successors, or by the President, Agent or Chief, and Council of the Place where the said

shall be, remove to any other such Factories, as such President, Agent or Chief, and Council, shall so direct or require. AND ALSO, That he the said

shall, at all times, during the time of his Service aforesaid, faithfully and diligently demean himself as a good, honest, and faithful Servant towards the said *Company* and their Successors, and those by them Authorized, and lovingly and peaceably towards his Conforts. AND upon Condition, That the said

shall, in all Things, perform his Covenants and Agreements with the said *Company*, and to encourage him so to do, IT IS FURTHER Covenanted and Agreed by and Between the said Parties to these Presents, That it shall and may be Lawful to and for the said and the said

Company doth accordingly Licence the said

during the said commencing as aforesaid,

freely to Trade and Traffick for his own Account only, from Port to Port in *India*, or elsewhere within the Limits aforesaid, without any Lett, Hindrance, or Interruption from them the said *Company*, their Successors, or Assigns, so as the said Trade and Traffick, so to be carried and driven in *India*, or elsewhere, within the Limits Aforesaid, or any Part thereof, be subject to such rules, Regulations, and Limitations, as the said *Company*, or the *Court of Directors* for the time being, of the said *Company*, have already directed, or shall from time to time hereafter direct and appoint, and be not to the Hurt or Prejudice of the said *Company* and their Successors, or of their Trade and Commerce, and so as whatever is so Traded for by the said

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of this Agreement, be particularly entered in Books of the said *Company*, to be kept for that purpose in all the Factories of the said *Company* respectively in the *East-Indies*, or elsewhere, within the Limits aforesaid, where such Trade shall be driven; BUT in case the said

shall waste or
make use of the said *Company's* Treasure, or shall become indebted to the said *Company*, or shall make default in Performance of the Covenants aforesaid, then, and in such case, It is hereby further Covenanted and Agreed, by and between the said Parties to these Presents, That he the said

shall not be intitled to
any the Payments, Advantages, and Benefits hereby otherwise intended him; But contrarywise, for and towards Satisfaction for what shall be due from him to the said *Company*, and for and towards Reparation of the Damages done the said *Company*, It shall and may be Lawful, to and for any Person or Persons thereunto Authorized and Appointed, by Writing under the Hands of Thirteen, or more, of the *Court of Directors* of the said *Company* for the time being, or under the seal of the said *Company*, and to and for any President, Agent or Chief, and Council, of any Place or Factory of, or belonging to the said *Company*, to seize, or cause the Goods and Chattels of him the said

to be
seized, and to send, or cause his Person to be sent to *Great Britain*, or to some other Place within the Limits of the said *Company's* Trade where there is a *British* Judicature, to the end he may be proceeded against according to Justice and Equity. AND for asmuch as greivous Complaints have been made to the said *United Company*, that several of the said *Company's* Presidents and Chiefs of their Factories, and several of such Persons as are of their Councils in the Factories Abroad, or some of them, as also their Factors, Agents, and Servants, have committed very heinous and grievous Offences in such the Factories of the said *Company*, and elsewhere in the *East-Indies*, and other Places within the said *Company's* Limits of Trade, by unjustly Menacing, Imprisoning, Assaulting, Abusing, and Evil Treating the Natives and Black Merchants, and others with whom the said *Company* have had dealings or Correspondence, and by such Means, and other Violences, Abuses, and Injuries, have, as hath been alledged, Extorted and Forced great Sums of Money, and other valuable Effects from such Injured Persons, who, by reason of their great distance from this Kingdom, and the wholesome Laws thereof, and by reason that the said *Company* have not been Enabled to obtain and render Satisfaction for such Injuries and Misdemeanours, are, and have been, remediless. Now It is hereby Agreed, by and between the said Parties to these Presents, and the said

doth hereby,
for himself, his Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, Covenant and agree to and with the said *United Company*, that in case any Sum or Sums of Money, Goods or Chattels whatsoever, shall, at any time or times hereafter be Extorted, Forced, are taken by him, the said

(either
separately or jointly with others) from any Person or Persons whatsoever

within the *Company's* Limits of Trade, by the Means or Use of Imprisonments, Assaults, Violences, Menaces, or other Force or Compulsion whatsoever, then as often as any such offence or Offences shall be committed, It shall and may be Lawful, to and for every Person and Persons Injured thereby, to make and send over Complaints and Attestations thereof in Writing, to the *Court of Directors* of the said *Company* for the time being, and that upon the Receipt of such complaints and Attestations, It shall and may be Lawful, to and for the *Court of Directors* of the said *Company* for the time being, to enquire into the Truth of the said Complaints, by all such Ways and means as they shall think Just and Equitable, and thereupon to hear the Matter of the said Complaint or Complaints, and thereupon finally to judge and determine the same, and to Award Satisfaction and Reparation to be made by the said

to the said *Company*

for the Benefit of such Injured Persons. AND the said

doth hereby, for himself, his Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, Covenant and Agree, to and with the said *United Company*, well and truly to pay to the said *Company*, at such time or times as shall be limited by the said *Court of Directors* (or the major part of them) for that purpose, all and every such Sum and Sums of money as shall be so Awarded by the said *Court of Directors* for the time being, or the major part of them then assembled, to be paid as aforesaid; But in Trust nevertheless, and to the Intent, That the said *Company* may, and do render, and pay over the Monies received or recovered by them, to the Parties Injured or Defrauded, which the said *Company* accordingly hereby Agree and Covenant to do. AND the said

doth furthermore, for himself, his Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, Covenant and Agree, to and with the said *United Company*, to pay and satisfy to the said *Company*, for their own Use and Benefit, all such Damages as they shall have sustained by Reason or Means of any such Offence or Offences as aforesaid. AND forasmuch as it frequently happens, that the President and Council, Agent and Council, and Chief and Council, and several other Subordinate Officers of severall of the said *Company's* Factories Abroad, have by mutual Influences on each other, Settled, Stated, and Adjusted amongst themselves, their own Accompts with the said *Company*, in Order, as far as they could, to Bar and Preclude the said *Company* from Reviewing, Altering, Amending, Correcting, or Contesting the same; Now it his hereby further declared, That all and every such Accompt and Accompts, so at any time heretofore Stated, Ballanced, Signed, or Adjusted, as aforesaid, were ever designed by the said *Company* to be, and the same, and all and every such Accompt and Accompts, so hereafter to be Stated, Ballanced, Signed, or Adjusted, by, between, or amongst such Presidents and Councils, or Agents and Councils, or Chiefs and Councils, or other Subordinate Officers, or any of them, are hereby Agreed to be, and shall at all times hereafter be Taken and Esteemed to be open Accompts, formed and prepared only for the Inspection, Perusal, and Approbation or Correction of the said *Company*, and shall not, in any sort or kind, or in any Article thereof, Bind or Conclude the said *Company*. AND forasmuch also as Complaints have been formerly made to the said *Company*, That the Estates of Persons dying in their Service in the *East-Indies*, Intestate, were (by reason of the Absence of the Intestate's Friends and Relations, and for want of a Will and appointing an Executor to take care of the same) Embezzled and Wasted, and the said *Company*, did therefore, to prevent such Embezzlements, make a Rule, or Order, directing their Officers and Servants Abroad, to take care to get in and preserve the Estates of such as Dyed in their Service Intestate, and to keep an Account thereof, and to send Home, with the first Opportunity, an Account of the Produce thereof when paid into the said *Company's* Cash, that they might speedily make it good to their Relations; And accordingly the said *Company's* Officers and Servants in their Factories Abroad, have, upon the Decease of Persons Intestate, taken care of their said Estates, and after Payment of their just Debts, remitted the Surplus

for the Benefit of the Persons Interested therein ; Notwithstanding which, and though this has been (as far as hath come to the Knowledge of the said *Company*) very Fairly and Equitably transacted, yet the said *Company* have been Troubled with some Suits and Complaints on that Account ; Now to the Intent, That the Estates of Persons Dying in the said *Company's* Service Abroad, may be preserved for the Purposes aforesaid, and the *Company* eased from any Trouble in respect thereof ; It is hereby Agreed, and the said

doth, for himself, his Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, Covenant, Promise and Agree, to and with the said *Company*, That he the said shall and will, before, upon, or after his Arrival in the *East-Indies*, or any the Place or Places within the Limits aforesaid, make his Last Will and Testament in Writing, and thereby appoint some Person or Persons residing at the Place where the said shall be, his

Executor or Executors, to take care of his Estate and Effects in the *East-Indies*, or Places within the Limits aforesaid. But if the said

neglects to make such Will, and shall happen to Dye Intestate in the said *Company's* Service, that then, and in such case, It shall and may be Lawful, to and for the President and Council, or the major part of them for the time being, or for want of such, for the Superior Officer or Officers, at the Place where the said

shall so Dye Intestate, to Nominate and Appoint such and so many Persons, as they, or the major part of them, shall think fit, take care of the Estate and Effects of the said

and to Collect, Get in, Recover, and Receive the same, and thereout, and out of the Monies arising by Sale thereof, to Pay and Discharge all the just Debts of the said

and after Payment and Satisfaction thereof, to Render and Pay the Overplus (if any) into the said *Company's* Cash, for the Benefit of the Relations of the said

or such other Person or Persons as shall appear Entitled thereto. PROVIDED always, and Lastly it is hereby Covenanted, Concluded, and Agreed, by and between the said Parties hereto, and it is their true Intent and Meaning, That if the said

shall continue in the said *Company's* service after the Expiration of the said Term of

Years, that such Continuance shall be upon the same Terms, Conditions, and Agreements as are herein before made and agreed upon for the said Term of

Years, Save and Except, That if the said shall rise to any Superior Place or Office than what he is hereby Employed in or Appointed for, that then he the said

performing the Covenants aforesaid, shall have and receive such Wages as are usually paid to Officers in the like Advanced Stations, Places, or Employments. IN WITNESS whereof, the said *United Company* have to one part of these INDENTURES set their Common Seal ; and the said

hath to the other part of the said INDENTURE set his Hand and Seal the Day and Year first above-written.

Sealed and delivered [. . .]
Act of Parliament [. . .] in the Presence of Us.

Factory at Fort William	D ^r .	Contra	C ^r .
To Cash and Goods remain- ing as by Your Books S, ending 30 April 1721.	Rup ^s . 4,85,791. 4. 9	By Debts Owing Rup ^s	10,40,778. [1...]
		By the Strethams Cargoe ...	6,05,228. [8]
		Monmouth	1,89,854. 1[...]
to Ballance	21,24,409. 5. 3	Addison	7,74,339. [...]
	<u>R^s. 26,10,200. 10. —</u>		<u>R^s. 26,10,200. 10. —</u>

1720.	To Addisons Cargoes	£ 41518. 10. 11	By Ballance of the above Account	
	Strethams ...	51026. 19. 6	Rup ^a . 21,24,409.	5. 3
	Heathcote ...	26057. 17. 10		£ 265551. 2. 6
1721.	Desbouverie ..	61016. 6. 1	By Ballance	22378. 8. 6
	Devonshire ...	96329. 10. 6		
	Bills Exch ^a . paid in Eng ^a	11980. 0. 2		
		<u>£ 287929. 11. —</u>		<u>£ 287929. 11. —</u>

Factory at For ^t . S ^t . George		D ^r .	Contra	C ^r .
To Cash, Goods & good Debts remaining at Fort S ^t . Geo. S ^t . David & Vizaga- patam as by their Books ending 30 April 1721.	}	Pag ^o . 495657. —. 59	By Debts Owing there	
			P ^a .	52110. 34. —
			King George {	
			Cargoes lost } 48316. 1. —	
Bills paid in England	140120. 25. 6		Heathcote, Monm ^o .	
			& Marlborough's	
Money paid into your Cash besides.	13646. 8. 14		Cargoes. 316741. 10. —	
Silver took out of the Dartmouth ...	90262. 14. 26			417168. 10. —
	Pag ^o . 739686. 12. 25		By Ballance	322518 1 —
			Pag ^o . 739686. 12. [25]	

Factory at Fort S ^t . George D ^r .			Contra	C ^r .
Ballance	322518. 1. 57	£ 145132. 4. 4		
Monmouths Cargoes	...	26065. —. 5		
Marlborough	...	49133. 4. 6		
Heathcote	...	23103. 9. 10		
Drake	...	14608. 17. 7		
Fordwich...	...	61799. 6. 4		
Enfield	...	90380. 11. 7		
Ch ^{ts} . Silver saved of the Nightingale.		64000. —. —		
Middlesex	...	9185 6. 3		
		<u>483408. —. 10</u>		
Ballance of the Bengall Account.		22378. 8. 6		
		<u>£ 505786. 9. 4</u>		

By which Calculate there appears to us sufficient Remaining with you and at Fort S^t. George to pay Your whole Debt off, and to load all the ships with good Cargoes to England the ships and the Tonnage are Viz^t.

The Middlesex	430 Tons.
Drake	390
Fordwich	480
Desbouverie	450
Devonshire	480
Enfield	450

2680 Tons

LONDON 12 Dec^r. 1722.

J. FLETCHER.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANTIZE & FORREIGN GOODS LYORNCED BY THE COMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY TO BE LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP CARNARVON CAP^t. JOSIAH THWAITES COMANDER BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS (VIZ^r.)

Mr. Laurance Lane.

Directed 3 Chests of Wine ... Value £ 30.
Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. George Drake one of the Council at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. Abraham Franco.

A^ri. No. 7 1 Chest of Coral Beads ... Value £ 534-7-6.
On which he has P^d. £ 10-13-9 into the Comp^{sa}. Treasury & given Bond Pursuant to the Order of Court being Consign'd to the Hono^{ble}. Nathaniel Elwick Esq^r. Govern^r. of the Fort S^t. George Mr. Rich^d. Bynion resideing there.

Mr. Nath^l. Toriano.

G.T. 8 1 Chest of Wine ... Value £ 10.
1. 2 2 Cases of Necessarys ... D^o. 31.
Freight Free being for the use of his Son Mr. George Toriano Fort S^t. George.

Cap^t. Josiah Thwaites.

			£
I.T. 1 @ 7	8 @ 12	12 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Dozen Each	Value 120
	13 @ 15	3 Half Chests of Wine q ^t . 6 Dozen each	D ^o . 15
	3 @ 6	4 Chests of Syder	D ^o . 18
		1 Chest of Wine q ^t . 12 Dozen	D ^o . 10
		2 Half Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Dozen	D ^o . 10
			173
In Forreign silver being with what Permitted Him to ship in Goods his full allowance & the Companys Indulgence			952
In Ditto Sent Out & the Owners to Defray the Expençe of the [. . .]			375

Mr. Elibu Trenchfield.

1 @ 4 4 Chests of Wine q^t. 12 Dozen each Value £ 40.
Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. Benion of Council and Mr. Tully a Factor at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. John Elwick.

N^o. 1 @ 6 6 Chests of Wine q^t. 12 Dozen Value £ 60.
Freight Free being for the Use of Nath^l. Elwick Esq^r. Govern^r. of Fort S^t. George.

Thomas Heath Esq^r.

W.K. 1 2 2 Chests of Wine q^t. 12 Dozen each Value £ 20.
Freight Free being for the Use of Cap^t. Keble at Fort S^t. George.

- M^r. Nath^l. Barlow Surgeon.
- N.B. 1 @ 6 6 Chests of Wine q^t. 12 Dozen each Value £ 60.
On the 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent & Indulgence.
- M^r. William Gouldfinch.
- 1 Small Case of Necessarys Value £ 14.
Freight Free being for the Use of his son M^r. Joseph Gould-
finch a Writer at Fort S^t. George.
- M^r. John Goddard.
- 1 Case of Necessarys.
Freight Free being for the Use of M^r. Holland Goddard a
Writer at Fort St. George.
- M^r. Nath^l. Toriano.
- N^o. 1 1 Case q^t. Wearing apparrel & necessarys Value £ 94-12.
Freight Free being for the Use of his son M^r. George Toriano
a Factor at Fort S^t. George.
- S^r. Charles Peers Kn^t.
- N^o. 1 1 Chest q^t. Wearing apparrel & necessarys Value £ 70.
Freight Free being for the Use of his son M^r. Charles Peers a
Writer at Fort S^t. George.
- M^{rs}. Eliz^a. Higginson.
- 1 Case q^t. a spinnet.
1 D^o. q^t. Wearing apparrel.
Freight Free being for the Use of Her Son M^r. Rich^d. Higgin-
son at the Cape.

EAST INDIA HOUSE, LONDON.

[. . . Dec^r. . . .]

Exam^d. THOMAS LEWES.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKETT TO FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE SHIP CARNARVON.

- N^o. 1. Companys Generall Letter to Fort S^t. George dated the 21st. Dec^r.
[. . .].
2. Packett from the secret Co^mittee superscribed to the Hon^{ble}. the Presi-
dent and Councill of Fort S^t. George.
3. Invoice of the Carnarvon amounting to £ 50,668-1-3.
4. Bill of Lading of D^o. ship.
5. Copy of the Carnarvons Charterparty.
6. List of Goods to be Provided on the Coast of Choromandell for the ships
going out this year 1722.
7. Manifest of Bullion and Goods Lycenced to be shipt aboard the Carnarvon
Sign'd by M^r. Thomas Lewes.
8. List of 5 Souldiers aboard the Carnarvon for Fort St. George, sign'd by
M^r. Thomas Lewes.
9. Copy of the Memoriall deliver'd to the Ministry by Court Staremberg the
Imperiall Minister against Issac Pyke Governour of Bencoolen for seizing the
Ostend ship Lafflandria.
10. Copy of the attestation of the Supra Cargo &c^s. Officers of the Lafflandria
relating to the said ship's being seiz'd by Issac Pyke dated the [. . .]
October 1722.

11. Copy of Mr. Richard Hordens Memoriall deliver'd into the Court of Directors the 24th. Octo^r. 1722. and his Remonstrance deliver'd the Co^m^{tee}. of Correspondence the 6th. Decem^r. 1722.

12. Six printed Copys of the New Covenants to be hereafter enter'd [into by] all the Companys Covenant servants.

13. State of the Companys Effects in Bengall as appears by these S, ending the 30th. April 1721—also at Fort S^t. George, S^t. David and Vizagapatam as by their Books ending the [. . .] 1721. Signed by Mr. John Fletcher the 21st. Decem^r. 17[21.]

14. Accompt of Bullion and Corall Lycenced to be shipt aboard [. . .] Carnarvon to purchase Dyamonds.

15. Keys of 5 Chests of medicines for Fort S^t. George aboard Carnarvon in the box apart.

16. Patterns of 195. Bales of Broad cloth. 5 Bales of [Long Cloth] 6 Chests of stationary Ware aboard the Carnarvon [sent] apart.

17. Packett directed to the President and Councill in Ben[gall] forwarded thither by the first good opportunity except on the Sarum she having the same.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKETT TO FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE SHIP SARUM.

N^o. 1. Duplicate Companys Generall Letter to Fort S^t. George dated the 21st. Decem^r. 1722.

2. Packett from the Secrett Committee—Superscribed to the Hon^{ble}. the President and Councill of Fort S^t. George.

3. List of Goods to be provided on the Coast of Choromandell for the ships going out this year 1722.

4. Copy of the Memoriall deliver'd to the Ministry by Count Staremberg the Imperiall Minister against Isaac Pyke Govern^r. of Bencoolen for seizing the Ostend ship La Flandria.

5. Copy of the attestation of the Supra Cargo &c^a. Officers of the La flandria, relating to the said ships' being seized by Issac Pyke dated the 3^d. Octo^r. 1722.

6. Copy of Mr. Richard Hordens Memoriall deliver'd into the Court of Directors the 24th. Octo^r. 1722 and his Remonstrance deliver'd to the Committee of Correspondence the 6th. Decem^r. 1722.

7. Six Printed Copys of the new Covenants to be hereafter enter'd into by all the Companys Covenant servants.

8. State of the Companys Effects in Bengal as appears by their Books S, ending the 30th. April 1721—Also at Fort S^t. George, Fort S^t. Davids & Vizagapatam as by their Books ending the 30th. April 1721 Signed by Mr. John Fletcher the 21st. Decem^r. 1722.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT S^t. GEORGE, DATED DECEMBER 21, 1722 and JANUARY 11, 172[3]. PER CARNARVON AND DERBY. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 25, pp. 170—182.*]

[*There is a letter here which is a duplicate of the letter on page 70 supra, with the following addition.*]

LONDON 11th. January 1722.

35. The above is Duplicate of what We wrote you by the Carnarvon We must defer the further answer to your Letters before Us to be sent by the following ships determining to dispatch this ship Mary away immediately.

36. We shall only add at Present That having received a satisfactory account of Mr. Higginsons stay at the Cape of Good Hope to assist in recovery of Our Wreckt Goods and of his good manangement therein we have agreed and do hereby direct That his time shall go on as if he had actually arrived at Fort S^t. George on the Day the Enfield or Devoushire got thither thereby to prevent any others getting over his head We have not yet fully resolved what shall be Charged for the salvage of the private Silver or Goods Nor can we fully determine it till we have the account of Expences at the Cape where ffour Chests of Treasure were left towards defraying them But do Order that Mr. Higginson shall have his private Effects deliver'd him free of that and when we shall have an account of the Issue of the Transaction at the Cape we will consider what further Gratification to [give] for his readiness to stay there for Our Service and preferring his own private Interest.

37. Herewith you will receive a Copy of a Petition sign'd by divers persons who sent out Effects for purchase of Diamonds Anno 1719. in pursuance of the Camp^{ts}. regulations & Consign'd the same to Mr. Hastings as being then President complaining they have not receiv'd the returns We do at their request hereby direct That after you have taken care the Camp^{ts}. are fully reimburs'd all the Effects which Mr. Hastings Converted to his own use and other the just demands upon him you do your utmost to procure satisfaction for the said Petitioners.

38. The Stretham having this year brought a prodigious Quantity of Rattans Four thousand Bundles whereby the ship was pester'd the Mariners straiten'd their Lodging & had she [notwth. standing] would have put them in [your . . .] We have therefore added a clause to the Capt^{ns}. of the Outward bound ships Instructions which shall be continu'd forbidding them to bring home more than Two hundred Bundles one Hundred Rattans each and of the usuall sizes for every hundred Tons the ship is lett for under penalty of seizing the surplus & continuing the Cap^{ts}. no longer in our service We give you this notice that you [may] and hereby Order that you do acquaint the Cap^{ts}. of all the ships to be dispatcht [to] you that they comply therewith in the same manner as if particularly [stated] in their Instructions advise Us of yo^r. so doing & to whom for our better Information.

39. We hereby order that Mr. Charles Peers a Writer with you do comence Factor from 31th. of Janry next year at which time his Father S^r. Charles assures Us he will be fully at age altho' his Covenanted time of Writership should not be expir'd. We are,

Yours Loving Friends.

GREGORY PAGE	JOHN ECCLESTON	W ^m . GOSSELIN	JO ^h . WORDSWORTH
HENRY LYELL.	EDW ^d . OWEN	FRAN: CHILD	JO ^h . HEBNE
	CALEB COTESWORTH	SIMON THEUNEMANS	JOHN GOULD
	JO ^h . WORDSWORTH	JOHN DRUMMOND	EDW ^d . TURNER
	HENRY KELSEY	JOHN COOKE	JOHN HEATHCOTE
	JOHN BANCE	ABRA: ADDAMS	
	W ^m . DAWSONNE.		

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED JULY 10, 1723. [*Letter Book, Vol. 18, pp. 584—586. (India office transcript.)*]

LONDON, the 10th July 1723.

OUR PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

We send you this by Captain Macrae, who takes passage on the Swallowfield, Captain Pitt, first for the West Coast, where he is appointed to Supravise all Our Affairs, to examine strictly into the late manangement, To consider and settle how low Our annual charge there can be reduced, How much Pepper We can

reasonably expect from thence yearly, what Buildings are absolutely necessary to be kept there, and several other matters as particulariz'd in Our Orders and Instructions to him, which he is to lay before you, Therein you will observe We have given him an uncontrollable Power to do whatever he shall judge best for Our Service, even thô it should be to alter in part or in whole any of the Rules by Us laid down in former Letters if he apprehends them prejudicial to the Companys Interest.

2. On his coming to Fort St. George, he is to lay before you the account of his Proceedings with the reasons for his so doing as you will see by the Copy of the Letter now sending to the West Coast by Captain Macrae, herewith enclosed for your Notice and Observation.

3. We hope he will act for Our Service with so much heartiness and diligence, that you will find no cause to make any Alteration therein, and We would have none made without the utmost necessity, and even in that case We expect very good reasons from you for so doing.

4. He is to stay on the West Coast as long as he finds it necessary for the Companys Service, fully to apprise himself of the State of their Affairs, To put them in a regular honest method of Administration for the future, and to reform the abuses he shall discover there.

5. We are sensible this will occasion him a great deal of trouble, and employ the utmost of his thoughts and care and depending on the assurances he gives Us of his sincere Endeavours to retrench Our Charges on the West Coast, and Fort St. Davids too, and to discharge the Trust We repose in him at both places with great Fidelity and Application, for these reasons We have elected him on his return from thence to Fort St. George to be Deputy Governour of Fort St. Davids, and do hereby order and direct, That on his arrival you do give him the usual Commission or Powers for that Purpose, and send him thither accordingly to take upon him, and do you direct that he do forthwith take upon him the Office and Employment of Deputy Governour, whether Mr. Jennings or any other Person shall then be in that Station.

6. You will see in his Instructions We have said nothing about Fort St. Davids, Our reason was because We would leave to you to give him the needfull Orders relating thereto.

7. By the Account We had of his brave defence of the Cassandra, of his voluntary undertaking to go in pursuit of the Pyrates when on the Malabar Coast, whereby he drove them from thence, of his good behaviour all the while he was at Bombay, or under the Orders of the President and Council, and of his serviceableness to Our Interest on the unhappy Loss of Our Ships at the Cape, We are well satisfy'd of his Courage and Abilitys, and from his repeated Promises that he will heartily Espouse Our Interest, and by Proofs shew it, in reducing all superfluous Grandeur and Expences at Fort S^t. Davids, and looking carefully after the Investments that We are not wrong'd therein, We do expect considerable Service from him, and do therefore desire you will give him particular Instructions on these heads especially the better to enable him to comply with said Promises, and among other things Let him be reminded to keep no more Peons, Menial and all other sorts of Servants than really necessary.

8. Since writing the foregoing We have receiv'd your Letters by the Shipping, wherein Mr. Elwick desires leave to come home, We shall be glad if he will stay a year longer, However, it being necessary to reduce Our Orders to a certainty We have thought fit to direct, and do hereby order that in case of the Death or coming away of Our now President Mr. Elwick, Captain Macrae do succeed to the Presidency of Fort S^t. George.

9. It hath pleas'd God that since the date of Our last the following Ships have arriv'd Us in safety, Vizt., the Caesar from Mocha the 1st of March, the Fordwich from the Bay and Fort, the Eyles from the Fort, the Lyell and Princess

Amelia from China the 5th June, the Townshend from Mocha, the Middlesex, Enfield, and Drake from the Fort, and the Godfrey from Borneo the 8th, the Devonshire and Bouverie from Bengal the 26th of said June, the advices from you will be answer'd by Our next Shipping, We are

Your Loving Friends

EDWARD TURNER
HENRY LYELL
SIM^o: TREUNEMANS
JOHN COOKE
HENRY KELSEY
ABRAHAM ADDAMS
ELIHU TRENCHFIELD
BALTZAR LYKLL
EDWARD OWEN

JOSIAS WORDSWORTH, Chairman
EDWARD HAMBISON, Deputy
JOHN GOULD
RICHARD BOULTON
WILLIAM AISLABIE
C. COTESWORTH
JOHN DRUMMOND
JOHN ECOLESTON
JOS: WORDSWORTH, JUNIOR
JOHN BANCE
MAT: MARTIN.

GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED NOVEMBER 29, 1723. PRB MONMOUTH AND FRANCOES. [*Letter Book, Vol. 19, pp. 33—54. (India Office transcript).*]

LONDON, 29 November 1723.

OUR PRESIDENT & COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

By Our last years Coast and Bay Shipping Wee wrote you the needfull in Our Generall Letters of the 21th December 1722, 11th January and 14th February following all by treble Conveyances, and some by a fourth, Since then on the 10th of July last We wrote you a short letter by Captain Macrae, whom We sent Supravisor on the Swallowfield to the West Coast, and on his return from thence to Madrass to be Deputy Governor of Fort St. Davids, Its Copy enclosed for your Notice.

2. By the Ships returned this year We have received your Generall Letters of the 27th September 1722, and 17th January following, which together with the Consultations, Papers in the Packets, and other Matters occurring We shall now in part take notice of for so far as We judge proper under Our Establish Generall heads But reserve the full answer to the next Ships.

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPPING RETURN'D FROM AND SENT, OR SENDING
OUT TO ALL PARTS.

3. Besides the Ships advised to be returned in Our aforesaid Letter of the 10th July, the Dawsonne from Bombay arrived the 31st October after a very tedious passage.

4. The Ships taken up for all parts of India this Season are, Vizt.:

	<i>Tons</i>	<i>Captains</i>	<i>For</i>
The London ...	490	Robert Bootle	Mocha
The Greenwich ...	470	Richard Lasinby	"
The Monmouth ...	480	Reginald Kemeys	Fort St. George
The Frances ...	400	Thos. Newsham	Bengal
The Macclesfield ...	450	Robert Hudson	China & Madras
The Sunderland ...	400	Wm. Hutchinson	Bengal
The Stretham ...	450	George Wescot	} Coast & Bay
The Heathcote ...	480	Joseph Tolson	
The Aislabie ...	400	Henry Wilson	
The Cadogan ...	450	John Hill	} Bombay
The Morice ...	430	Eustace Peacock	
The James & Mary	300	Thos. Aubone	S ^t . Helena & Bencoolen.

5. The two Mocha Ships were dispatcht by Us the 31th October and by Letters from Deal We understand they sailed from the Downes the 18th November.

6. Wee observe the Accounts you give Us of the Proceedings of the Men of War, The arrivall and departure of Our European or other shipping, the Moneys supply'd the men of War, and Our hired Ships, The Three Bombay vessells bringing you the Nightingales saved Treasure, The reduction of the charges of the Goodfellow by putting her on the foot of the Countrey Shipping, The Account of wages paid her men as agreed in England, The Petre supply'd Our Europe Shipping, The Captains reasons for the Hanovers coming to Madrass when bound to Bombay, The notice given pursuant to Our orders to the Captains of the severall Ships you dispatcht for Europe to keep company together, and other matters of the like nature, these require no particular answer.

7. Your Letters take Notice the Metchlepatam was run ashore and lost near Covelong, That her Captain Barrere got away to Ponticherry, fearing to be question'd for his manangement. If it did or hereafter shall appear that he was faulty, We expect you will deal with him as he deserves if ever you can lay hold on him. That you have sold the Dartmouth Sloop by Outcry at the inconsiderable Summ of sixty seven Pagodas, whether her standing rigging guns or any stores were included in that summ does not appear, That ought to have been mention'd, such omissions must not be reiterated, We ought and expect to have plain and full Accounts of Our severall Affairs under your care as often as there shall be occasion to advise Us about them.

8. We take notice of what you mention touching the Ostender Loyal India being near laden with Coffee at Mocha and from thence sailing to Surat to sell her Broadcloth which would not go off at the Mocha Market, That her Supra Cargos were Messrs. Gold and Ray, and that you will follow Our orders strictly concerning them which you publisht, We shall write you further touching the Ostenders, under the head of Trade in India &c^a.

9. It is very grievous to Us to read that notwithstanding your keeping one vessell or another to attend the Dartmouths Wreck to almost the end of August, yet nothing could be recovered, We know not what to think of this kind of manangement, That nothing should be recovered although she was drove ashore and could have but little water, if not near dry, sure We are it does not look well.

10. The account given Us of the French Europe ships arrivall at and proceedings in the East Indies is so far well, but We are greatly Surpriz'd at what you mention, that the two which Imported Ponticherry brought Cargos to the value of Pagodas Eight hundred Thousand, half Money the rest Goods, which We take to be impossible, its true you say that this is only report, and that they keep their affairs very private, We must rather judge that you never exerted yourselves to come at the truth of them, because all people here that have lived at Madrass aver, it is as easy to know whats transacted there, as for the Inhabitants of Madrass to know whats doing at Fort St. George, and to be sure a very shrewd guess might be made by your Merchants if you had set them to make the enquiry among their Correspondents to know pretty near what they actually did bring by learning what Investments they set on foot with their Merchants after the receipt of the said Treasure. We have the like reason to complain that when you advise the Bourbon and Atalanta were dispatcht from Ponticherry for Europe you dont know what their lading was, but tell Us, doubtless we may learn it here on their returning to France, which we can do, and no thanks to you, We expect you should give Us the earliest and exactest accounts possible of all affairs of this nature, which often times are of great service for Us to know, as it does and may guide Us in Our resolutions, whether to put up more or less of every Species of Goods at the ensuing Sales, Our short Letter received by the Fordwich from Fort St. Davids mentions that the French had dispatcht two ships from Pontecherry for France, whose loading consisted of seventeen hundred Bales, Chiefly Longcloths and Sallampores, and

about one hundred and fifty Bales of Battellees. You add further that the French Company allow their Servants to trade to all parts of India except Mocha and Manillah, this is new to Us, Our last years Letters from Bengall mention just the Contrary, as time only can fully explain this matter, We must wait to know the certainty, or whether that Company have enlarged the Libertys of private trade, thus different from their first setting out, Let it be your care to Inform your selves fully and advise Us.

11. Wee are heartily sorry to read the advices you have receiv'd from the French, as also from Bombay, from the Prince Frederick that there were Pyrates still at Johanna and at Mosambique since so it is, We expect this will put you continually on the watch to prevent, what in you lys, their Mischievous designs, and to continue the orders to all Our returning Captains to keep company and assist one another in case of Assault as aforementioned.

12. In the papers received in the packets We observe by the Accounts of Our Countrey Shipping, that they stand Us in very great sums of Money, after deducting their Earnings by Freight computed at the rates given to hired Ships from whence it plainly appears to be Our Interest to have no more of them, We would not positively forbid your keeping any, not knowing what necessity may Compell you to, But do expect as We wrote you last year, that you keep no more than what are absolutely necessary and follow Our orders therein given, to take care that their Expences be husbanded with the utmost frugality.

13. Mr. Teake Our late President of Bengal acquaints Us that their Vessells which are absolutely necessary for carrying down Goods to Load Our Europe Ships are most of them so old and crazy, that they are not worth the repairs annually laid out upon them. That the two some years since built for them at Surat came out excessive dear and were not fit for their river, whose sands are often shifted by the Freshes so that some of the Channels are almost quite Choaked up, and therefore he proposes it for Our advantage to have some Sloops built at Pegu proper for Bengall, Do you therefore write down to Our President and Councill and acquaint them herewith, That if they be of that Opinion they send you an account what they shall really want, and of what dimensions as to the stowage of Goods, draught of water, and other necessary directions, and do you order them to be built accordingly of good teake, strong and durable, and with as much expedition as their occasions require.

14. We have received your account of Ships Importing and Exporting Madrass, wherein is the same fault. We complained of last year vizt., no account is given of any Supra Cargos on board, follow Our directions then given, that We may have no more occasion of Complaint.

15. Your Consultations take notice of five ounces of Silver short delivered out of the Nightingales Treasure Chest 429, the money being lost and the Bags rotten, We must therefore abide by the loss, but there is not the same reason for the four ounces short in Chest 535 per Drake, you do or should know Our rule is that all Treasure received ashore from any of your Ships should be weighed in the presence of the Captain, or one by him appointed, that in case there is any want of the Invoice weight the Ship may be charged with it, Dont omit this in future, for either the Ship or you must and We expect be accountable, for such want, touching short delivery of Goods We shall write you under the next head.

16. The Gentlemen this year appointed to be a Secret Committee for the purposes We have often told you are Josias Wordsworth, Edward Harrison, John Gould, and Henry Lyell Esqs. or any three of them.

17. This comes to you by the Monmouth who with the Frances We have order'd to take in each Fifty pipes of wine at the Maderas, and as they are to keep company to Fort St. George for their better defence against Pyrates and likewise to learn if any news of Pyrates on your side, That if necessary you may

put Soldiers on board as formerly directed and send both ships in Company. The Frances is to deliver you Twenty of her pipes which with the Monmouths fifty, you are to dispose of for our Account as in a following paragraph.

18. We should be glad that you had no news of Pyrates on your side, that the Frances may speedily be sent down to the Bay to bring them supplies for their Investments and as We have design'd the Monmouth and she shall be both employ'd on Freight from Bengall, We direct that you send her down also thither as soon as conveniently you can with the amount of forty Chests of her Treasure now aboard, either in specie or in rupees or both, as your last advices from thence shall guide you, if you could yet spare them more it would be acceptable to Us, as it would give a Lift to the forwarding their Investment.

19. Our reason for having these two ships detained a year in the Country is That We compute both your places will have a large quantity of Tonnage upon your hands very possibly besides what now sending out, The Walpole who lost her passage to China, and it may be one of the China ships sent out the last season, as also the Essex and Sarum, and it may be the Bencoolen Ship too—For this reason it is that We send these two ships out the earlier, that Our people in the Bay may have no pretence for the Freights being engaged before their arrivall, but may immediately let the Merchants and other Freighters know they are to be laid in for the best freight voyages, which We take to be for Surat or Persia as the then advices shall give Encouragement, for though Surat at present seems to be over stockt, and the troubles in Persia threaten the Loss of trade there, tis highly probable trade at both places may alter for the better, before these Ships arrive in Bengall.

SECONDLY CONCERNING GOODS SENT FROM EUROPE OR FROM ONE PART OF INDIA
TO BE DISPOSED OF IN ANOTHER.

20. What Woollen and other Goods, Stores, and other Demands wrote for, We take Notice of, from the Lists receiv'd in your packets. We likewise observe what remains you had in Warehouse, by the Account sent Us, continue these advices yearly, what greatly concerns Us is, the account you give, that the Merchants have Eight hundred and ten Bales of Woollen Goods lying on their hands and by what appears, the six hundred Bales you now write for to be sold them is rather the effect of your Importunate pressing them to take off said quantity, then their voluntary Inclination, you ought always to remind them of getting the Woollen Goods well and soon disposed of, and to call upon [them] frequently to know what they have done, the Consequence of which turns in the Event to Our profit or loss, for while their Warehouses remain uncleared, the Merchants will always make it a handle for giving the less for the next arrived parcell by which means We are not like ever to get Our Woollen Goods raised up to the usual and heretofore constant advance on Invoice of which We have taken notice in Our last Years generall Letters. Our Committee have given particular directions to Comply exactly as to prices and Colours according to your List of Demands for the said Six hundred Bales aforesaid, and on the Monmouth to send you Eighty Bales of Popinja's and One hundred of Auroras, the rest you may expect by the next Shipping The long ells and Reds being not yet ready, press your Merchants to get all off speedily, you seem to forget Our former Orders for sending the demand for Woollen Goods by the first Shipping, that We may have it the sooner here to provide them, especially those of the brightest colours early in the Summer, be more carefull in future.

21. You will find in Our last years Letters that We were dissatisfied at your carrying off to profit and Loss, Stores delivered short out of Our Shipping, especially as to the short weight of Iron pretended to be occasion'd by rust, and the short weight of Lead which We never understood did rust at all. We continue the Method then advised of an Officer of every Ship to be present to take the weight and see it is right and therefore as Wee then concluded We still say charge the

Ships with whatever is wanting of the Invoice weight, and require of the Captains satisfaction according to Charterparty Covenants, if they refuse dont fail to advise Us the particulars, and when you deliver them up their Bills of Loading be sure to Endorse such want, that they may not pretend by showing their said Bills of Loading that they have fully comply'd with them, as to the drying of the cordage, We must be content with the Loss of weight thereby, provided that it appears to you that it is the same We sent and not changed. You suppose that the Loss on the Iron and Lead may proceed from a difference in the weights, which appears to Us but a very poor Excuse, for you ought to take care, and We except you always will, that your own weights are just, and then they will not disagree with Ours here, If they are not, but too heavy, We suffer not only in the Europe Goods We send you when sold out, But also in Our China weighable goods which We apprehend may be the Case in some measure of the Complaints you continually make of their coming out short, though you reckon the Pecull but one hundred and thirty pounds, which should be one hundred and thirty two, for surely Tutenagus will not dry in the Ship, We apprehend one reason of this constant Complaint of short weight must arise from the Conycoplys being intrusted with weighing the goods received in and delivered out, and that they get a benefit by such over weight of the persons who receive it, which could not be if the Warehousekeeper or his Assistant was always present at the weighing of such receipts and deliverys, We require therefore that the one or other be always by at the Weighing, and do take the Account, not trusting any Black Servants with either.

22. Wee told you before that We had ordered you seventy pipes of Wine by the Monmouth and Frances, Let Us know how far they fall Short by Leakage, We hope it will be but little, because We send Hamburgh Pipe Staves from hence to prevent the Excuse Our Correspondents at Madera made, that they could not get better Casks, We have also order'd every pipe to have ten Iron hoops upon it to prevent Leakage. Since all Our Covenant Servants are now at Board Wages which includes Wine, Wee expect this quantity be sold for Our account at Outcry, and advise Us what it yields, excepting only as to ten pipes thereof, which We permit you to take for the use of you Our President and Councill, allowing a part thereof for the use of the Deputy Governor and Councill of Fort St. Davids, for which take care We be paid Invoice price in pieces of Eight after the rate of five shillings and six pence per ounce, adding thereto the Loss by Leakage, and other the Charges attending the quantity of Wine so sent you in proportion to the whole.

23. Lead is so very scarce and dear at present that We send out none, therefore make the best advantage of what you may have by you.

THIRDLY TOUCHING INVESTMENTS OF GOODS PROPER FOR EUROPE.

24. Herewith you will receive Our Orders for Investments which you must have a due and constant regard unto in all its parts whether Negative or positive as if herein inserted verbatim.

25. Wee were very greatly Surpriz'd to hear the Universall Complaint of Our Buyers when they came to view the Coast Goods opening and preparing for Sale received by this last Shipping. On reading your generall letters by them We were in hopes that what the Ships brought would have proved better than even those of last year, but instead thereof, those from Madrass prove rather worse whereupon We appointed a Committee to enquire into the said Complaints, who find that the Longcloth and Sallampores received from Fort St. George No. 2 this year were much worse than No. 3 used to be, and even worse than hitherto received, both in their make and sortments. That upon Examining the tickets in the Bales it appeared Joseph Bayes, Stephen Newcomb, George Torrignano, John Fullagar, and Randalph Fowke were the generall sorters, that Bayes, Fullagar and Fowkes sortments were even worse than the others, who have been of much younger standing. The said Committee likewise find that the Longcloth and

Sallampores No. 2 received from Fort St. Davids were much worse than No. 3 used to be, and even worse than usuall hitherto received in their make and sortments, that the major part of the persons who sorted said goods were John Berlu, Robert Berryman, Simond Holcomb, Peter Tahourdin, and B. Brooke, that although John Berlu is much the oldest in standing and the greatest sorter, yet his sortments are worst of all. It further appeared that some of the Bales sorted by Fullagar had rotten pieces put into the midst of them, that the Oringall Bettellees, which required the greatest skill and nicety, and therefore ought to be inspected by the ablest persons were sorted by two young inexperienced persons, namely, Paul Foxley and Joshua Bayes, That mention is made in the Invoices that the Sallampores were of such a length one with another, Whereas upon examining, some of them were found almost as broad as Morees, and others not yard wide, whereas they ought to be all of equall lengths and breadths. That by the Committees Observation it does not appear the Madrass Warehousekeeper did at all inspect the said sortments, though it was his duty in particular, If he did it is yet worse, and for which he deserves a solemn Censure, But his hitherto good Character and the hopes We have that his future better behaviour in this Case will make some amends for this fault or neglect, We shall say no more of it at present.

26. By this State of the Case it plainly appears that Our President and Councill have been very deficient in their Duty of putting in Execution the trust We repose in them, they cannot but know that Our Investments are the very life blood of our trade without a due and regular circulation of which We cannot long subsist, That it was always expected the President and rest of the Councill, except the Bookkeeper, ought frequently to be present at the times of sorting, at least some of them at every time, to see the Sorters are Men of Fidelity and Experience, and apply diligently to their Business at all times, this used to be so formerly, That the Warehousekeeper should never be absent except on very Extraordinary occasions and this We require to be so in future, But instead of this good Custome, it seems this great trust of sorting was left entirely or at least Chiefly to severall of the youngest and rawest of Our Covenant Servants, which ought to have been the care of the Elder and most experienced, and in the present case those who were employ'd as aforesaid have done the worst, for which if they had their deserts, they ought no longer to eat Our bread, We hope this will be a warning to you all, If We find any more of it, We shall do Ourselves justice as We expect is done in pursuance of Our orders last year with relation to the Long Cloth of which We sent back two Bales for a sample requesting that We be reimbursed the difference betwixt the true value of those Goods and what they are charged to Us at.

27. But that you may be sensible We will not always content Ourselves with bare complaints, We have resolved for example sake to dismiss, and accordingly We hereby do dismiss Mr. Berlu from Our Service, for that he was the person complained of last year as well as formerly for his negligence in Sorting, though Warehousekeeper, and therefore his more immediate and constant Duty particularly to inspect every Species of Goods when sorted by whomsoever, to see they do theirs faithfully.

28. Wee tell you by way of Caution That this dismissal shall not be interpreted to excuse his making Us for so far as he is faulty, satisfaction for the Infidelity We complained of last year, in case he has not made full reparation before this comes to hand, for so far as relates to his part therein.

29. By the harshness of the thick Gouty threads in the Longcloths and Sallampores it seems to Us as if the Cotton was not so good as it should be.

30. It is very obvious that Fort St. Davids supplies you with great part of your Course Cargo's and that your Madrass Merchants provide a large share of their Investments thereabouts, That since sufficient care has not, though it ought to have been taken, by you strictly to examine into the Sortments of the Bales received from thence to see whether we are well used, It is highly necessary to

have a Man of Experience, Fidelity and application to be the Warehousekeeper there, and that Men of the best Capacity may not be disheartned from undertaking that Trust, they should have the liberty, if desired, to return from thence to Fort St. George after a reasonable time, and take their standing in the Council in the same manner as they would have done If they had continued all the while at Madrass, and this We require to be a standing rule in future, and in regard We have a very good Character of Mr. Higginson as to his honesty and hearty application to Business, and in hopes he will deserve and encrease this character, We do hereby direct that he be sent down second to Fort St. Davids to succeed Mr. Berlu whether he shall be of Council with you when this comes to hand, We can't be certain but in either Case We require that he shall succeed and rise it the same manner therein as if he had never left you. We are apt to believe than the Embalming the Goods has been in Generall left to the entire Inspection and care of the Warehouse Conycoplys and other Servants without any of Our Covenant Servants actually overlooking them because We think impossible that Our own Factors could pass such bad pieces of Cloth as We have complained of unless they were well paid for it, It is very probable when bad Cloth has been turned out opportunitys have been watcht to bring it in again, to apply at least some cure to this Evill We hereby direct that in all time Coming such turned off Cloth at each place have a particular Chop put upon it, to prevent its being brought in again.

31. Your letters now before Us mention that you diligently recommended to the Merchants to keep up to the Musters, and in the sorting, how well they have comply'd is very evident by Our aforesaid Complaints, You seem to lay a stress that the Goods now sent are the remains of Mr. Hastings Contract, and that when you make a new one, care shall be taken the Cloth be of full lengths and breadths, and kept up to Muster, That care ought to have been taken in the Goods now sent, for We can never Imagine that even Mr. Hastings would when he made his Contract have admitted of Musters so bad as the Goods now sent are, and therefore it must be the vile carelessness or worse of the Sorters to receive such base goods as they have done, and that they never examined them by the Musters.

32. We observe your reasons for encreasing the pay to your Washers, which if truly stated We find no fault with, and that the Dyers are abated a Pagoda and a half per Corge on the Blue Cloth, We remember they got an advance of two pagodas when dying Materialls were dear, If they are or whenever they shall be as Cheap as formerly, We expect that other half pagoda be reduced likewise.

33. Wee dont understand the reason for your buying One thousand Candys of Pepper at twenty two pagodas a Candy of Suncah Ramah, and for which he was allowed to bring it in free of Duty, Supposing there was no Loss in weight or Dust by lying in the Warehouse, that it will never yield here the first cost, and which is yet worse at the same time when you were drawing on Us for the value at nine shillings a pagoda, pray buy Us no more till We Order you, Our former rule was that none should be Loaden on Our ships, unless the Captains would make good to Us the difference of its Cost above Eighteen pagodas per Candy, and then pepper bore a better price then now, theretore We expect you make Us satisfaction for so far as you are not warranted by Our Orders.

34. Wee could have been glad that the Bales you received from Vizagapatam had been Imported sooner, That We might have had some of them to see how they proved. You tell Us Mr. Symmonds has abated five per cent on the former prices, If you thought that was sufficient We acquiesce, Your care that Mr. Faucet shall not Enlarge the Expences at Ingeram so as to over-ballance the Goodness or Cheapness of the Cloth he provides there deserves Our notice, But that other part of it vizt., nor raise the price of Goods at Vizagapatam, does not appear so Intelligible, for We take it that his Investment at Ingeram should contribute rather to the lessening the Vizagapatam prices, If he has sufficient supplys, and acts with the same care he did formerly when there, to buy them cheaper, and that he be without Secret or Open Embarrassments like those Mr. Hastings occasion'd him.

35. You tell Us that the large supplies you had sent to Bengall had enabled them to purchase Goods sufficient for the Bouverie as well as Devonshire, We dont well approve of their Mannagement in that matter, for We order'd the Bouverie and Fordwich should be employ'd on Freight, that so debts at Interest might be cleared with the stock they brought, which they say is not yet fully done, although as they advise they shall have a large surplus of Bales when all the ships are dispatcht, so that We loose the Interest of their Amount for near a year and yet pay Interest in the Mean time, this is far from good husbandry or forethought, however, this good use may be made of it if Our last years Orders are observed of reparting Our Coast and Bay Cargos by sending up a good quantity of Bales early in the season to Fort St. George, and your sending them down a large parcell of your Bales, which by your Letters are ready in your Warehouses even although the Lethieullier should be dispatcht.

36. Wee observe the prices at which you sold Our silver, they seem to Us to be done with Fidelity, but it is a very odd Reason you give that those then of the Councilll could not prevent the selling the Silver which We complained of, as being parted with at so Cheap rates. Could not they have enter'd their dissent to it, or did they think it enough for them to sit still and be silent when they saw Us so notoriously wrong'd, We know the thing is past But mention it here to prevent any the like instances in future, and that We may know of which of the Councilll to recover satisfaction in case they should be repeated, and which ought to be excus'd.

FOURTHLY TOUCHING THE TRADE OF INDIA IN GENERALL AND THEREIN ANY
TRANSACTIONS WITH THE COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

37. There have been severall disputes this year in Europe touching the Ostend trade to the East Indies, hitherto carried on only by private Merchants, but last Spring the Emperour having Granted a Charter to erect a Company with a Joint Stock in Flanders, formerly the Spanish now the Austrian Netherlands, the Dutch have at last thought themselves in danger, and therefore vigorously opposed it, as being contrary to the Treaty between Spain and Holland concluded at Munster, anno 1648, whereby all the Spanish subjects were entirely shut out from having any trade to the East Indies by the way of the Cape of Good Hope, to which England and France were then Guarrantys. The Dutch have solicited both Courts to interpose with the Emperour to maintain said Treaty, and they have by their Ministers at the Imperial Court given in warm representations upon it, but not having hitherto received the Satisfaction expected, the Dutch Company have obtained from the States Generall (as We are assured) Liberty to defend their rights in the East Indies by force, what will be the Issue of these proceedings time must determine, Our Parliament this Spring have also past another Act (as per Copy now sent) for the further deterring any of His Majestys Subjects being directly or indirectly concerned in that Trade.

38. The account you give Us under this head and Elsewhere in your Letters touching the French proceedings in India, Wee have before herein taken notice of under the head of Shipping whereto refer.

39. Wee are glad to find that the Countrey round about you is in peace, That you delay sending the Nabob the present he has so often signified to you he expected, and that when he sent the President a horse and Seerpaw, as a shoeing horn to draw the greater present from you, to which you as usually is done in all parts of the Mogouls Government on such occasions paid a very great respect at the reception of them, yet the return you made him in severall rarities was no more than to the value of five hundred pagodas, and when he stopt it by the way as declaring he would not accept it, you let his Ministers know that you would give no more, upon which he took it, This confirms what We have often told you, that those great Governours will take what you give them if they find you

resolute, and that they cant intimidate you, Especially if you dont give them a handle to begin an open Quarrell by Imprudent or disrespectfull Mannagement. It equally pleases Us that his demands about the five Villages begins to die away, since you let him know that you are resolved to keep them and are uneasy at his having so often troubled you on that head.

40. Wee hope your Complaint of the badness of your Countrey Trade will by degrees lessen, The troubles which interrupted the Currency of Trade at Surat and the subversion of the Persian Monarchy are common Calamitys which must be submitted to, We shall be glad to hear that trade in both places revives.

41. It is with pleasure We read that you encourage trade, and that all your inhabitants Europeans and others shall Enjoy the liberty We allow therein in the manner they themselves like best. Your excuse in paragraph 46 of the 17th January for not contributing towards Supporting the war against Angria dont appear to Us strong enough to bear the stress you would lay upon them, you know Our minds therefore We shall Expostulate no longer with you upon that head, But endeavour to Contract Our charge which was set on foot at first principally for the benefit of Our Countrey Shipping.

42. Wee note what you advise of the proceedings against Mar Kistna, Mr. Hastings's Dubash, for his vile practices, as also against Vinketty Putty. We hope this will give the Inhabitants entire satisfaction that you are resolved to discourage all Instances of Oppression when they come to your knowledge, and that even those rapacious Dubashes will be more cautious of acting the like villanys when they find that sooner or later they must answer for their oppressions.

43. Wee have some reason to expect that your Complaint of the Dutch inhospitality towards your ships at Cochin will be remedy'd, We did about two years since represent to the Company in Holland the Accounts We had of the Assistance the Pyrates received at Cochin, We hope it will have its Effect, however, Wee shall not be wanting when a fitting opportunity presents to Inform them of the Substance of your advices now before Us relating to Tutticoreen Bay.

44. Touching the keeping Madrass constantly supplyd with a sufficient stock of rice, We have wrote so fully in former Letters and for encouraging both the Casts so absolutely necessary to the well being and Flourishing condition of Madrass, that We need only refer you thereto for your remembrance and observation.

45. Wee note what you mention about admitting a parcell of Corall to an Entry because belonging to a relation of the Bashaw of Bussorah which was seiz'd by one of the Searchers for the reasons mentioned in your Consultation of the 31st of May, and do approve of your giving publick notice that you will not show the like Indulgence to any others.

FIFTHLY TOUCHING OUR FORTIFYCATIONS BUILDINGS AND REVENUES.

46. Wee take notice that the Merchants have paid you Two Thousand Pagodas in part of the Cost of two of the rebuilt Bridges which you hope are strong having stood one Monsoon, that the remainder shall be collected as soon as possible, We mention this to refresh your Memorys that it maynt be too long, that the Bridge at the Fort shall be repaid out of the Town conicopy Duty, It had pleased Us better if you had advised that part of it at least had been received which We think ought to have been done because Wee find in your Consultations 8th January there was paid into the Councill of that Duty received at the Sea Gate and Choultry for the year ending 31st December 1722 upwards of Six hundred and Fifty pagodas besides the Allowance to the Town Conicopy and Receivers, and in Aprill before Mr. Fowke paid in the Ballance of what he had received for that Duty at the Sea Gate for seventeen Months, pagodas Four hundred forty one and a half, It surprizes Us how that Summ came to stand out so long unreceiv'd.

47. Your Letter mentions the bad Condition of the Factory house at Metchlepatam, and that you had permitted Mr. Holcomb to fit up only a small apartment there for himself and had sent Us a plan of said Factory for Our direction. We could find no such thing in the List of the Packets by this Shipping, but perusing the List of Books sent in a Box by the Eyles, mention is made of the plan or Draft thereof, as if therein contain'd, But Our Accomptant assures Us it was not, so that We know not what to say to it.

48. Wee have received abstract of the Sea Customs, from the year 1715 to 1722 and do find the last to Aprill 1722 somewhat exceeding that of 1715, between which times We find a Gradual Sinking of them for some years at first, and that afterwards they began to be rising up again, We hope the like care will be taken to look after them in all time Coming, as likewise after every other branch of Our Generall Rents and Revenues, which by another List in the Packet appear to amount to upwards of Sixty Seven Thousand pagodas, for one year ending the last of December 1722, but in that List there appear'd to be some faults in the account of Commencement and Ending of the Cowles, Let better care be taken therein for the future, Our orders were that the List of the Farms should be enter'd in the Front of every years Consultation Book, but of late they have been omitted, Take care they be so enter'd in future to remind you to call upon the Renters whenever they are backward in the payments as We find some of them are, though others are punctually made, We observe last year that there was a deficiency of Two hundred and fourteen pagodas in the Rentall Generalls Account and called bad debts and in your Consultations of this year there is another deficiency of pagodas one hundred and ninety two in the Rentalls Account, surely such Losses or a great part of them might be prevented by early care, and We expect they be for the future.

49. In the Letter received from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. Davids in answer to the Accomptant of Fort St. George or his remarks of their annuall Charges, We observe they say they have reduced them in Books V. from what they say were in Books S. pagodas Four Thousand four hundred and Fifty five, and cant reduce them lower. That the yearly Charges in Book V. amount to Pagodas twenty seven Thousand seven hundred and ninety nine finding after all that Our yearly Complaints of the Excessive Charge of that Settlement, and Our Earnest desires to reduce them have not had that weight with you they ought, We have resolved to try what We can do here, and to that purpose appointed a Committee to enquire into the State of that Settlement, who have inspected the yearly Books of Accounts, whereby it appeared that from its Infancy till the year 1699, which was the last year of Mr. Hatsell's time, the Net Charge of the place, then in the Old Companys hands, rarely exceeded six thousand pagodas a year Buildings included, That in the year 1699 Coddolore being attack't and enter'd by the Moors who were beaten out with great Slaughter, The Net Charge was pagodas Eleven Thousand four hundred and forty nine, of which at least five thousand pagodas Extraordinary was caused on account of that war, Including Fortifications and Buildings. Anno 1700 Mr. Frasier Deputy Governour the Net Charge was pagodas Six Thousand seven hundred and sixty nine wherein were included in necessary Buildings pagodas Two Thousand Eight hundred and sixty.

50. In the aforesaid years the Revenues were from sixteen to seventeen thousand pagodas a year.

51. In the first year of Mr. Roberts being Deputy Governour, the Net Charge was pagodas 8,748 and the Revenues fell about 3,000 a year.

52. In his last years Mannagement Anno 1709 the Net Charge swelled to pagodas 11,290. The Revenues further decreased pagodas 1,751 and the Committee observed the Charges of Diet Encreased in his time to about double to what he found them.

53. Anno 1,712 in the height of the War with SIRRUP Sing the Net Charge was pagodas 33,060, but then the Garrison was doubled, and Severall Fortifyca-

tions raised, and other Extraordinary Charges of various kinds amounting to about 19,000. The Revenues of course sunk, the Sea Customs entirely lost and yet the remainder of the Revenues was pagodas 9,054.

54. Anno 1,716 when Mr. Frederick was Deputy Governour and the War had been ended, but the Countrey Government not well Settled, the Net Charge was pagodas 23,333 which is double to what it was before the War begun.

55. Wee have herein taken notice of the Expences of the year 1,722, besides which there is charged for Building pagodas 9,516 and on that account, and the four preceeding years, the Charge of Buildings are not less then pagodas 64,351.

56. The Committee further observe that in the said year 1,722 there were but ten Covenant Servants at Fort St. Davids, Including the Deputy Governour, their sallary was but pagodas 736. and yet the Charges of diet and Stores laid in came to pagodas 5,489 besides 500 more at least, Concealed under the head of Charges Generall for Wheat, Arrack, and Sugar, but they being now put to a stated allowance for diet, It is computed at least 3,000 pagodas will be saved thereby.

57. The Committee then examined the Charges of Garrison, Charges Generall, and Charges of Cattle, wherein they found severall great summs might be saved, and came to divers Observations and Resolutions thereupon, which We confirmed and therefore you must see performed accordingly, They are as follows vizt. :

58. That as the Extraordinary Expence of Fort St. Davids arose Chiefly from the War, it ought now effectually to be reduc'd in time of peace as near the Old Standard as possible, and to that end.

59. That the Garrisons of the severall points or Bastions at the Edge of the bounds called Horsetail Point, Middle Point, Royal Oak Point, and Patchary Hill be withdrawn, the Guns carried to the Fort, and only two peons left to look after each of them.

60. That three of the Points in Coddalore be likewise withdrawn the remaining six being fully sufficient for the defence of the place against any Countrey Enemy.

61. That the three Companys of Souldiers be reduced to two consisting of 150 men each at most, the number of Ensigns, Serjeants, and Corporalls to be reduced as near as possible to what they were before the War.

62. That there be only two head quarters, One at the Garden House and the other at Cuddalore, Forty men, and the Gunroom Crew being fully sufficient for the Fort in times of peace.

63. That the Gunroom Crew, Lascars, and Macquaws be considerably reduced, also the Numbers of Peons and Servants.

64. That the Stable Expence be set at a certain Summ of Six hundred Pagodas not to be exceeded.

65. That the Severall Articles under the head of Charges Generall be set in a Clearer light, there being no less then Pagodas 9,088 charged to that head, anno 1,722, of which 5,000 for Peons and Servants wages, and the other pagodas 4,088 consist of severall concealed Articles, which when strictly examined into (as We require they be) doubtless a great summ might be annually saved.

66. That if such as shall be Employ'd will set heartily to work upon it, The Committee have reason to hope for a further reduction of said expences which We order you to take effectual Care be performed accordingly.

67. The Committee observing that the Revenues of Fort St. Davids are sunk to pagodas 8,000 since the year 1,699, have had some thoughts about retrieving them, of which you may expect a further account in our next Letters, as also for the regulating the Garrison at Fort St. George.

68. We have reentertained Major John Roach into his former station of Major of that Garrison, and on the same terms, he had always a great character for his Courage and Faithfull execution of whatever orders he received from his Superiours, he assures Us he will use his utmost endeavours to preserve the reputation he has acquired by a constant endeavour to persevere in well doing and behave himself to please his Superiours. On his arrivall give him the Command of the first Company of the Garrison Souldiers.

SIXTHLY TOUCHING OUR COVENANT SERVANTS AND THE MILITARY
AND THEIR ACCOMPTS.

69. Severall of the Paragraphs under this head do not require any particular Answer, only that We take notice of their Contents.

70. Wee observe that you have received the ballance of the late President Mr. Hastings Account of Cash, and his Warehouse account of the Silver taken out from thence, We have not had from Wright or any others any Money paid Us on account of the Gold by him brought from China.

71. Dont forget your promise that the free Merchants Inhabitants with you shall enter into the Indentures We sent now two years ago, If any have not, call upon them to do it, if they refuse, it must be understood they have something in prospect no ways for the generall benefit of the English trade in India, therefore send them home to prevent their doing Mischief to it.

72. Wee observe the reasons given by the Minister and Church Wardens why they detained the Five per cent of Mrs. Burnistons Effects paid out of the Church Stock, that the same is only taken from such Effects as amount to above One Thousand pagodas when paid to the proprietors out of the said Stock, and is all of it apply'd to the benefit thereof, which is very different from what was represented to Us, vizt.: that it was a perquisite to the Minister and Church Wardens, and as We apprehend from your showing that the Poor have the said benefit, We consent that the order of Vestry empowering such demand be and remain in force on that occasion.

73. We have received the security bond you took from Mr. Pyke wherein We find that he is thereby bound to the Honourable Company of Merchants &c^a. Whereas the Companys Title is the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies, be very carefull in future (if you should have occasion) to describe the Company by said Title without variation or even adding the word Honourable, for the Lawyers are apt to make advantages of the least error of this kind.

74. What We shall think further necessary to write you under this head, you may expect in Our next.

SEVENTHLY TOUCHING OUR ACCOMPT.

75. The Bills of Exchange advised to be drawn on Us (which amount to a very great summ) have been accepted when tender'd and paid when due, for the future whenever you draw any make them all to run payable at two Months.

76. Wee continue Our former Orders, that you comply with the directions Our Accomptant shall send you by order of our Committee of Accompts from time to time relating to your Generall Books or papers, or upon those of your Subordinate Factorys.

77. Wee were pleased to read that you had recovered an old debt of pagodas One hundred and Fifty two, 15 Fannams, due from a former measuring Farmer, We hope you will use your utmost diligence to enquire into and recover what possible from all other our debtors.

78. You tell Us the Bound Renters and Arrack Farmers of Fort St. Davids charge Marr Kistna for Moneys paid him at sundry times on account of their

severall rents, and that if they can prove it will very near clear their Debt, which is now under debate, This must be of some years standing, had the Accomptant there done his duty he ought to have yearly or oftner settled with them what they were in arrears had he done so and told them what was brought to their Credit in the Books, it would have been immediately discovered whether they had paid more (and to whom) than what they had Credit for in said Books.

EIGHTHLY TOUCHING THE WEST COAST.

79. Wee take notice of the severall paragraphs in both your Letters relating to this head, which give Us but a very Melancholly Account of the prodigious Expence, or rather extravagancy of that place, even when a supervisor was sent over to remedy it Mr. Pyke is very positive a great deal more Money was consumed during Mr. Hubbards being there, considering the time he stay'd and the Worke that was done, than what he Mr. Pyke expended in proportion, had We the Books of Accounts of both We could be at a certainty, but for want of them are forc't to take whats represented to Us, We find in the Examinations taken at Fort St. George when Mr. Hubbard and the others accused Mr. Pyke the one side are very positive in Affirming, and the other in denying, and that Mr. Hubbard and the others dont seem to Us so clear as We expected in severall parts of their replys to what Mr. Pyke charged upon them, But it is incontestible from your own Consultation Books, That when Mr. Hubbard returned from thence, there came in one Glub of Bills to the Amount of Dollars Thirty Five Thousand Seven hundred (what more might be expended out of the Cash Mr. Hubbard found there, or what was left behind does not appear) We find Mr. Hubbard arrived the 7th February on the West Coast and was back again at Fort St. George the 4th August, which is not quite six Months, Including the time of his passage, This is demonstratïon to Us that he did not Execute his Supravisorship with that good Husbandry, We think he ought, had he laid before you the monthly Expences, how it was possible how such a summ could be laid out, you might have made some Estimate. It do's not appear by your Consultations that ever you Examined him about it, or made the least Objection, We cant but observe that the greatest part of those Bills are payable to our own people at Fort St. George, and among the rest Mr. Hubbard has a Bill for Ten Thousand Dollars, and Mr. Pyke is positive that the true reason why no Deputy Governour of the West Coast be he who he will if sent by Us, will ever please is because the Deputy Governour must be under the Influence of Fort St. George to dispose of the goods they send him at a certain and large profit, and then the Deputy Governour will have his Profit in disposing of the same afterwards, this has been often privately Whisper'd here, and seems now to be positively Confirmed, Wherefore That We may put some stop to this unjustifiable practice, We positively order and direct that for the future no Callico's or other measured Goods be sent by any of you to the West Coast in private Trade, and We do hereby absolutely forbid all others from trading therein on private account under penalty of seizure and confiscation, half to the Company and half to the person or persons who shall discover such trade, of which give Publick Notice, That none may pretend Ignorance, and Signifye the same to our people in Bengall however least necessity or other cogent reasons should be trump't up as an excuse for breaking this our order, We add (as We have often done) do you take timely and continued care to supply on Our account the West Coast with whatever Money or Measured Goods they shall want, that they may have no occasion to draw Bills on you, and if they do, We forbid you to pay them.

80. Wee dont descend into further particulars, because as We have told you, We have Cloathed Captain Macrae with full Authority to put that Settlement under such a regulation as he shall think most for our Service, which he is to lay before you for your Examination and further directions therein if necessary, when We hear the result We shall add further.

81. By what is before written you will see what little room We have to think though you do, That Mr. Hubbard is Entitled to the Gratuitous salary of Deputy Governour, it will be time enough to consider further of it when his Mannagement shall appear to Us in a more favourable Light than We see it in at present.

MISCELLANIES.

82. Mr. Horden has represented to Us, that he is advised from Fort St. George an Attachment is laid upon the Legacy of pagodas Five Thousand left him by Mr. Hastings, and about pagodas Five hundred more which Mr. Hastings Owed him, whereupon he desires We will order the Attachment to be taken off, That the money may be paid him, To this as We have told him We say We have no account of it in Our Advices, and know not on what account the Attachment is laid if it be laid, or whether Execution has been or may be taken out before this comes to your hand, and the money thereupon paid, But if it be not, We hereby direct that you stop Execution, till you hear further from Us.

83. In paragraph 8 of Our short Letter aforesaid of the 11th July We in answer to Mr. Elwicks desire to come home wrote, That We should be glad he would stay a year longer, this We did as apprehending from the Letters We should have found no reason to complain of the ill sortment of the goods by the late returned Ships, which We are sorry to find that We have as herein before mention'd, We cant but judge he deserves a share of the blame, and must Impute it at best to his Indolency, that he did not himself (at times at least) supervise the sortments which is the Incumbent duty of every President, but finding it otherwise, We have so far Changed our minds, That We now direct That he do on the dispatch of the January shipping surrender the Government to the person appointed to succeed him, That he take passage for England on any ship he shall choose, and that you give the Captain orders to receive him on board, and treat him with respect suitable to the Character he has borne in Our Service, If for any reasons which may happen he shall rather desire to stay some timelonger at Fort St. George We give him liberty so to do, and in that case do hereby direct that you show him all Civility and Treat him with respect such as ought to be to one who had been Our President, But at the same time We think it necessary to add for the Notice of all of you That you may not think We will rest here, but shall expect satisfaction for this years bad Cargos as aforesaid.

84. When We in July last appointed Captain Maccrae to be Deputy Governor of Fort St. Davids, We did not give any particular Directions about Mr. Jennings, being willing he should fall gently, and it was said he intended home, But the bad Cargos received from Fort St. Davids this year give Us such just Offence, That We think it necessary for a future warning to others to add now that Wee dismiss him from Our Service on receipt hereof, Because every head or Chief of the place where Our Investments are made, be their Titles what they will, are responsible to Us for the Investments being good of their kind, and as it is their duty and a part of the Trust reposed in them, ought to have the Generall Inspection of the Goods brought in to be sorted, and to be at least sometimes (the oftener the better) present at the Warehouse to see the Sorters do their duty.

85. Wee have thought fit to elect Mr. George Morton Pitt to be Second of Fort St. George and to succeed Captain Maccrae in the Deputy Governorship of Fort St. Davids, and Wee having appointed the Macclesfield to proceed for China and thence to return to and be filled up at Fort St. George, have put him at the head of the Mannagement for disposing of her outward bound Cargo, and investing the produce, according to Our Orders.

86. Wee find by your List of remains in the Eyles's Packet, you had forty-four compleat Chests of Bullion, besides Rupees and above Four Thousand Pagodas Vallue in Fanams, which made Us wonder why you should draw so many.

large Bills on Us, and why you should not have sent down to the Bay to clear their Debts (which they say will be One Hundred and Seventy Thousand Rupees on the dispatch of the Ships) to ease Us of that eating Interest, Our Money should not ly dead in Warehouse, and Interest be running on, For We suppose they did let you know they were not out of debt. We are

Your Loving Friends

	JOS ^r . WORDSWORTH, Chairman
	EDWARD HARRISON, Deputy
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JN ^o : DRUMMOND	JN ^o : COOKE
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BALTZAR LYELL	JOHN ECCLESTON
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GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED NOVEMBER 11, 1724. PER FORDWICH. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 26, pp. 1-5.*]

LONDON 11th November 1724.

OUR PRESIDENT AND
COUNCIL OF FORT S^t. GEORGE.

1. By the Ships sent out the last year We wrote you the needful & at large in our Letters of the 29th Nov^r. the 29th Jan^y and a short supplement of the 7th February 1723 which being sent by at least treble Conveyances We dont send their Copys. On perusing them We find many particulars necessary to be taken notice of in answering the Letters Consultations & other advices since receiv'd, wth. being their inserted will save Us the trouble of a repetition and therefore We shall only refer you thereto, or touch but shortly upon them in our intended reply by the next Ships.

2. Since our aforesaid Letters We have by the late return'd ships receiv'd your severals Viz^t. Of the 17th Aug^t. Of the 30th Sep^r. 5 Oct^r., of the 21 Jan^y & 1^o Feb^y 1723, and a short Letter from Fort S^t. Davids of the 16th of said Jan^y, to these We shall say but little at present because We would dispatch the Fordwich which brings you this, and the Lyell for Bengall with all possible expedition that they may arrive in the first of the season to bring to both Places notice of our intended Orders for Investm^t and an early supply of stock to set them on foot wth expedition We now proceed.

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPPING RETURNED FROM AND SENT OR SENDING OUT TO ALL PARTS OF THE EAST INDIES.

3. Since writing our last it has pleas'd God, the follow^s. have arrived with Us in safety Viz^t. The Barrington from Mocha the 11th March The Stanhope from Bombay but last from Madrass the 19th April, The Carnarvon from Madrass the same day, The Cardigan from thence the next day. The Craggs from Mocha the 26 May, The King George from Bombay the 27 D^o The Lethieullier from the West Coast & Bengall, The Sarum from the Bay, The Mary and Derby from the Coast and Bay, and the Essex from Fort S^t. George th 10th July, The Bridgewater from Bengall & the Mountague from China the 14th July, The Princess Ann from China the 17th August, The Hartford from China and the Walpole from thence and Madrass the 9th Sep^r. and the Hannover from Bombay the 16th of that Month.

4. The Ships sent and sending out to all our Settlements & elsewhere in the East Indies this season are Viz^t.

Ships	Tons	Comanders	To what Places
The Princess Amelia.	350 ...	John Misenor ...	Benjar, China & Mocha.
The Drake ...	... 390 ...	Will ^m . Westerbane...	Mocha.
The Fordwich ...	... 480 ...	Rich ^d Gosfright ...	Fort S ^t . George.
The Lyell ...	... 470 ...	Charles Small ...	Bengall.
The Houghton ...	... 450 ...	Edw ^d Gibson ...	} China.
The Caesar ...	... 430 ...	Will ^m . Mabbot ...	
The Marlborô ...	... 480 ...	Rich ^d Mickelfield ...	} Coast & Bay.
The Lynn ...	... 450 ...	Edw ^d Elliston ...	
The Eyles ...	... 480 ...	James Winter ...	} Bombay.
The Enfield ...	... 450 ...	Charles Rigby ...	
The Wyndham ...	... 470 ...	Rob ^t Lyell ...	} S ^t . Hel ^s & West Coast.
The Devonshire ...	... 480 ...	Lau ^{ce} Prince ...	
The Grantham ...	... 480 ...	Tim ^o Field ...	

5. The Amelia saild out of the Downes the 6th of Oct^r. The Drake the 1st Novem^r. and We hope these two first ships if Wind and Weather permit will in a few days get into the sea on their Voyages.

6. We have directed both these Ships to keep company being rich, each of them having Sixty Chests of Treasure on board besides Goods with which they are filled up & that therefore the Lyell shall touch at yo^r. Port to learn if any News of Pyrates infesting yo^r side of India because if there should you must Supply them with souldiers to strengthen them as We have directed in former Letters on the like apprehensions & use all others nec^{ry}. precautions to prevent the Ships falling into the Enemys hands.

7. If there is danger then hasten both ships in company to Bengall for their greater Security & to that end use all possible dispatch in getting the Goods consignd for Fort S^t. George ashore.

8. If there should be the same reason as last year why the Bay should desire a Supply of Rupees from you & you have any by you & can put them on board in a day or two's time, We direct that you do put them on board the Lyell for We reckon she will stay at least a day with you to get a Supply of some fresh Provisions from the shore.

9. According as yo^r. advices shall be from Bengall with relation to Rupees you must govern yo^r. selves as to the quantity of rupees more or less being sent to them which you are to make up on the Fordwich and to that end We hereby order That the Fordwich shall carry at least the value of Forty of her Chests of Treasure for the early supply & forwarding their Investm^t. and therefore if all quiet, dont keep her longer with you than necessity requires We should be glad if you could spare the whole Sixty Chests, it would prevent that eating charge of Interest, for so far, at least as it is so much dearer there than with you, & enable them to pay off what may be owing

10. We have heavy complaints from thence of your not supplying them with the thirty Chests We order'd to be sent last year because for want of them they fear they shall not be able to raise sufficient to enable them to set on foot & begin early a large Investm^t. at Cassimbuzar & Dacca as they intended, and because thereby they expected to get the Goods bespoke cheaper and better made as well the Nov^r. Bund, of Raw silk as the Piece Goods.

11. We were not a little surpriz'd at yo^r. delays in sending down said Treasure and also at the reasons you give in Par^a. 18 of yo^r. Letter of the 21st Janry why you did not, because till the ship [s] were gone you could not tell what you should be able to spare when We found in yo^r. account of Remains that at the time of the

Marys dispatch when all the Tonage on yo^r. hands was provided, there was in Warehouse, Ninety two Chests of Silver besides some Rupees & you had no Tonnage more to expect besides the Walpole & Swallowfield for which last you write Us you have en^d in case she arrives in time to dispatch her after the Walpole, lay all this together & you must own We have reason to resent your disobedience to our Orders.

12. As to Goods The Fordwich's Invoice will show you what part of the Quantity you wrote for is laden on her which by coming the sooner to market will give you the more time to get them off yo^r. hands, the Reds are but few, We shall have the remainder ready by the following ships the others were Dy'd in the Summer so that the lengths breadths & colours will we believe answer better than most of those sent out for some time past the Course Cloths were all bought one wth. another fifteen shillings a piece cheaper than those of last year of the same goodness which We mention for yo^r. notice and regard care will be & is taken that yo^r. List of Demands shall be comply'd with as exactly as possible both as to quantity & quality.

13. AS TO THE INVESTMENTS We are sorry to find the same (and indeed greater) reasons for complaints of the badness of the Goods receiv'd this year than those of the two former of which We have taken some notice as you will find in our Letters of the last & preceding years, We shall add more in our advices by the following ships & only say at present that herewith you will receive our Orders or List of Investment of Goods to be provided which you must have a due regard unto & strictly comply withal as far as possible but be sure take care We have no more such bad Goods as We have such just reason to complain of, for we will no longer bear but expect a thor^o amendment and that the Guilty shall make Us satisfaction as well for time past as since of which you shall hear further in our next.

14. We were under the utmost surprize to find in the Letter by the Walpole Par^a. 12, That yo^r. Warehousekeeper was so early order'd to provide five to Six hundred Candy of Pepper so as not to exceed twenty two Pag^o. a Candy We did last Year as you will see Par^a. 33 of the 29th. Nov^r. find fault with that Innovation & forbid the sending Us any more till We order it, We now confirm the said Orders as We do the latter part of them that you make Us satisfaction for all the Pepper then & since sent if any should be, you cant produce any warrant from Us, for sending Pepper at that price, sure We are if you would but carefully & honestly review our former Orders you will find We complain'd of & forbad sending Us any Pepper purchased on yo^r. side at above Eighteen Pag^o. the Candy or except the Cap^{ts}. who desired said Pepper would pay into our Cash the surplus for the benefit of the freight increased by such shooting of Pepper between the Bales We expect therefore that the difference between Eighteen & twenty two Pag^o. be made good to Us and that you tell Us plainly who was concerned therein.

15. What Souldiers We shall send you will find an Account or List of them in the Packets by the ships who bring them.

16. We think it necessary to let you know We have not rec^d. by any of the ships this year so much as one List of our Covenant Servants on yo^r. side of India th^o they ought to be sent by every sea Conveyance, these neglects are inexcusable.

17. There comes to you on the Fordwich M^r. Thomas Weston whom We have entertain'd Essay Master & Factor at Fort St. George at the sallary of Eighty Pounds a Year he hath a good Character for his skill in his Profession having served his time with an eminent refiner and since that employ'd for several years in the Tower of London Mint whose Principal Officers have given him very ample Certificates of his ability We expect he will by his Integrity & Care put our Mint into good order for there are several Complaints That it has not since M^r. Oadham's Death been well lookt after and that Persons have been charged one & a half and better $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent on the Coynage of Gold, including the Essay

more than they ought, if this be so, no wonder the Dutys on the Mint lessen as you own thō there may be something in the reasons you assign which may contribute in part thereto, We leave to you to continue M^r. English under him if you see fit, that he may in time arrive at a perfection in the Art & for the reasons formerly given should be pleased if you could find among our Covenant Servants an acute young man to be training up to understand the Mint in all its Branches for fear of mortality, We hope & expect M^r. Weston will give him a thorough Insight therein. We are

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MATTEW DECKER	W ^m . GOSSELIN
JENISHETRY	FRAN: CHILD
JO ^s . WORDSWORTH	W ^m . BILLERS
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GENERAL LETTER TO FORT ST. GEORGE, DATED FEBRUARY 2, 1724. PEB MARLBOROUGH. [*Public Despatches from England, Vol. 26, pp. 9—38.*]

LONDON, the 2^d. February 1724.

OUR PRESIDENT AND
COUNCIL OF FORT S^t. GEORGE

1. With this We send you Copy of Our General Letter of the 11th. November last by the Fordwich and Lyell, wherein We gave you an Account what Ships and Letters We had received from you and elsewhere, as well as Your Consultations & other Writings and Accounts of Our Affairs, What ships were sent and sending out to call parts this Season, and some other matters relating to the Investments &c^a, whereto we refer you, We are now to give answer to such parts of your said Letters, and other Books and Papers before Us, and to make such Additions thereto as We judge necessary under Our usuall General Heads.

AND FIRST CONCERNING SHIPPING

2. The Lyell and Fordwich have been detained by contrary winds and did not sail till the 7th. January. The two China Ships were dispatcht by Us the 21th. day of December, they sail'd out of the Downes in prosecution of their Voyage the 6th. of this inst^t. January.

3. We observe the Account you give of the several Quantitys of Saltpetre you were necessitated to get from Bengal on ffreight which makes it come out to Us very dear, We have yet a large stock lying by Us, It goes off but heavily & besides Wasts by lying, Wherefore we have this year resolved all Our Coast and Bay ships shall by Charterparty be obliged to carry out their whole Kintlage in Iron, as we know they will want more, Remember Our former directions to supply the ships with no more than they really stand in need of.

4. The Orders We have formerly given That our Ships shall not in their returning Voyages call in at the Cape without the last necessity, shall not bring home more Rattans than Our limited quantity, nor any Tea or Raw Silk and shall keep Company, assist, and stand by each other if attackt, or in danger of it by Enemy. We confirm and expect you look upon as so many standing Rules for

the future, till We shall think fit to alter them the same We say as to reparting the Coast and Bay Goods on Our respective shipping to both places as often as you can have the opportunity for the reasons given you two years ago which do & in all likelihood will always continue.

5. We have this year appointed Edward Harrison, Abraham Addams & Josias Wordsworth Esq^r. with Sr. Mathew Decker Bar^t. to be a Secret Committee, or any three of them to give Orders about shipping, so that whatever Orders you shall receive from them relating thereto, or to any other matters usually left to their direction, you must be sure to observe as if sign'd by the whole Court.

6. The accounts of Our own or other skips Arrivals, Employments, Proceedings, Departures, supplying them with Petre, paying the Souldiers head Money, We observe they require no answer, but to be continued.

7. The last Lists received of shipping, Importing at, & Exporting from Madrass is according to our Orders, but that by the Stanhope was not.

8. Our last years Letters tell you fully Our opinion and directions relating to the Captains Registers of their Goods, & about deficiencies of either Silver or Goods wanting of the Invoice quantity on board any ship (as your Consultations mention in short weight of the Cardigans and Carnarvons Iron and Cordage which the Captains refused to account for) so that we need only refer you thereto, you gave Us no answer to par^a. 22 of the 14th. February about the loss of the spectacles as the ship is now in India, dont fail to recover the Value of the Captain.

9. Touching the constant charges of Our Countrey shipping We then wrote what we thought necessary, We find by the accounts of the 5. sent in the Marys and other packets, of which some are lost or sold, that they stood Us in a prodigious summ of Money over and above what they earned on the ffreights they made, altho those ffreights were charged at the Rates you gave when you casually wanted a Countrey Vessel at hire We observe what you promise about looking after them that no new Stores are deliver'd them till the storekeeper have a satisfactory account what is become of the former, that is for so far well, but there are many other Items in a ships account, besides Stores which ought to be regarded, and by what you mention it should seem you leave that only to the Storekeeper Whereas It ought not to be below your care now and then to Inspect and overhaul the accounts yourselves at proper seasons to see whether the Storekeeper dos his Duty, and the Master brings in no fictitious or unreasonable articles, and in consequence is or is not faithful, and a good Husband.

10. By what we can collect from your Letters It seems to Us you despair of recovering any part of the Dartmouths Treasure It is a heavy Loss We shall long feel But in regard yo^r. monsoons have different Effects, perhaps it may so happen that the sand may be washt away so as to make it practicable to come at all or a great part of it, therefore have an eye upon the Wreck at proper times, that if there be any likelihood you may make another Tryal.

11. We observe the Gratuitys you gave the Serango & those who assisted in recovering the Goodfellow out of the hands of the Conspirators who had kill'd Cap^t. Crossing and his mates and design'd to run away with her, such brave actions and Fidelity deserve to be Rewarded But then some regard should be had to the Condition of the persons, and therefore in regard you had given him a medal and Tasherift¹ him, and promised to make him Head Serango,² when a Vacancy happen'd, all which are marks of Honour and a Reward for merit, One half of the pagodas Two hundred given him besides, had been sufficient, this we mention for yo^r. direction in future in case of an accident of any thing of the like

¹ This is the Ar. *tashrif*, 'honoring' and thus conferring honour upon any one. In south India the word seems to have been used for the dress of honour conferred, and so it means any complimentary present, in fact a honorarium. *Hobson-Jobson*, p. 902.

² The word is Persian *Sarhang*, 'a commander or overseer', *Hobson-Jobson*, p. 812.

nature that when you are Considering of encouragements, you distinguish between Generosity and lavishness It seems plain to Us you were the more liberal because some of you had concerns on board as in the following paragraphs is acknowledged though for another reason, therefore We direct that the proprietors do pay into our Cash their proportion of the said Two hundred pagodas rata pro rata as the Value of what they saved bore to Ours, wherein let every one bear their true share and advise by the next what is so paid in and what their and Our parts respectively amounted to for Our observation.

SECONDLY, CONCERNING GOODS SENT FROM EUROPE OR FROM ONE PART OF INDIA TO BE DISPOS'D OF IN ANOTHER.

12. The Invoices of the respective ships will show you what Woollen or other Goods, Stores and Medicines are laden on board You will therein observe We have taken care to comply with Your List of Demands of the Woollen Manufactures.

13. Finding in Your Consultations some part of the Cordage complained of as twice laid, some burnt out with the Tarr & other part said not to be well spun, to prevent this in future We direct That whenever hereafter any of the Cordage proves worse than the rest and is complained of You send Us an Account of the mark of the Talleys which are affixt thereto, and contains the number of Coyls in every bundle the two first letters of the makers name, & by what ship received by this means We shall be able to do Our selves Justice, & remedy the like complaints in future, We observe that by the Cardigan was liked.

14. Our last years Letters give you the Reasons why you ought to be frequently inciting the merchants to clear their Warehouses of all old remains of the Woollen manufactures It is of that concern to Us, that we think it proper to remind you of it again, and to recommend it to your constant care, The Account you give Us of the large Quantities lying still in their Godowns affords a melancholy prospect, and the low rates they go off at encreases it considering that they buy it at nine shillings a Pagoda, which Our Silver would purchase at seven shillings and three pence.

15. We take notice that they would not meddle with a peice of what was recover'd out of the Nightingale although it was apparently to their loss in your selling it in small parcels by Outcry especially at Madrass, and the adjacent parts, which otherwise they would have supply'd, However you did well to Dispose of it as soon and as well as you could We see the particulars, as enter'd in Consultation You ought to have enter'd the account of the Sale of the Iron and Lead, and of the Perishable Goods Order'd by Consultation in March, The trouble would have been but little, & if it had been more yet ought to have been done for our satisfaction and We direct it be so for the future, It is always best to set every thing in a clear and true light that we may judge with more certainty which cant be done when any part of Our affairs are thrown in the shade Of this We laid down the Rule plain & we think full the last year and particularly as to disposing by Outcry any Goods or Stores when they first begin visibly to decay and to inspect them at times to come early to the knowledge of it, as also what relates to the deficiencies in weight in Goods from China.

16. We are sorry to find so bad an account of our Madera Wine and approve of Your Resolution to keep it till it comes to a better Market, If well lookt after (as we hope you will take care it shall) it will be the better by lying as experience shows it always dos at Jamaica and Barbadoes, both very hot places, Our Letters from the Bay give Us an account of the Dull Market there, scarce any sold so high as ninety Current Rupees the pipe, and at last it would not go off at above eighty which is not prime Cost, besides the great leakage, this makes the Loss the heavyer, We observe you sent thirty pipes to Bombay and upon further considering that we sent you last year a further supply We determine to stop at

least for a year or two sending you out any, In Our Letter by the Carnarvon and Sarum We directed you should advise Bengal how the Madera Wine would sell with you for their Guidance, but We have no account from you whether you did or not It looks as if you did not, by the poor prices they got for it, and if so, you are to blame, if not they, but either way we are the sufferers.

17. We were concerned to find in your Letters that you allow'd the Buyers of the Iron two and a half $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent for rust, but on perusing your Consultations in May We see the reasons inducing you thereto, which if truly represented should have been only on the Iron receiv'd from the West Coast for that being a damper Climate than Fort S^t. George might occasion an encrease of it, however It was some satisfaction to Us to find in said Consultation, You were resolved for the future to allow no beating the Iron with a hammer to knock off the rust, nor any thing more than tossing it from the pile, We suppose to prevent disputes you will make that declaration previous to the sales hereafter, dont forget it.

18. We find you resolved to send the Tootenague Vermillion and Quick-silver to the Bay as being now the better market, and how you sold the Allom, Sugar, Sugar Candy, and China root, all endeavours of this kind to make the most you can of all Our Effects under your manangement bespeak their own commendation.

19. The Committee dont think it necessary to send you this Year any of the Five Hundred Bayonet Peices, desired in the Postscript of your Letter by the Walpole to compleat your Armoury, since you own you have a sufficient provision at present, & they are apprehensive the heat of the climate will gradually weaken the springs and soften the Steels of the Locks.

• **THIRDLY TOUCHING OUR INVESTMENTS.**

20. By Our Letters of the last and preceeding year You will see how loudly We have complained of the badness and ill sortments of the Coast-Goods received from Madrass and Fort S^t. Davids, The slight and trivial answers now before Us to the said Letters of the preceeding year, the Excuses in behalf of the persons We complained of, the disobedience to Our orders therein contained for getting Us satisfaction from those who sorted those bad Goods, discover to Us a kind of General Confederacy in the Councils of that time to support one another, and forbear to do Us Justice and the Wretched Cargos brought home by the last returned ships are a further proof that We have no Grounds to expect better from those who had then the manangement of Our affairs in their hands, since after they knew what fault We found, had received from hence two Bales as a proof how bad the Goods were, and required to Exammine the difference between what the said Goods were worth and their price as Invoiced at and make the sorters or merchants who provided them repay Us the said difference, they neither comply'd with Our Orders or took warning to do better for so far as We can yet discover by the Goods since sent, for they are not all open'd, The mischief to Us by the badness of our returned Cargo's the last two or three years, hath been intollerable, especially in the Long Cloth Ordinary N^o. 2. from Fort S^t. Davids, though We have had great cause to find fault with those from Fort S^t. George also as well as other Goods from both places.

21. By the Middlesex last Year, By the Carnarvon this, as also by the Derby, Mary, Sarum, Bridgwater and Walpole, We have a very large Quantity of the said Long Cloth Ordinary N^o. 2. We put up the Middlesexes parcell in March last, part sold of the sound at the bare advance, but Two hundred and eight Bales would not, they were put up again in September and only eight went off, Of the Carnarvons sound Bales which were put up in Septem^r. only seven of the Three hundred and twenty Bales sold at the bare Advance, so that We are necessitated to new sort these two parcels and put them up again at the next sale as Goods with all faults without any Numbers least they should bring a further disreputation on the very Cloth of that Number, Because,

what have been sent to Holland and Hambrô bought at the last sales (it being one of the sorts that is generally Exported) are, so grievously complained of, that we are afraid they will bring the sortment into a total disuse abroad which will be an irretrievable damage.

22. The Walpoles Cargo is not yet open'd, but some of the above ships are only for so far as to take out the damag'd Bales which must always be sold as soon as possible to prevent their growing worse, and by what appears on opening them We have reason to fear that all those ships Bales of D.N^o. 2. must be also new sorted their numbers Concealed, and sold as the others aforesaid, which will put Us to a further great Charge of Warehouse room to show every, single Lot in, & for the porters that must attend all the while.

23. This being the State of the Case with Relation to this Branch of the Companys Investment on the Coast all occasion'd by the Carelessness and infidelity of those with whom the same was Intrusted, and who were bound by all the Tyes of Duty, Honour and Conscience to have done better, We have consider'd how to apply a Remedy to prevent the further spreading of the Evil; and to that end have resolved to authorize and Empower and do hereby authorize & Empower Our President M^r. Maccrae, Our Deputy Governour M^r. Pitt, M^r. Turner who as he was Accomptant was not expected to look after the Investment, and M^r. Higginson to be a special Council or Committee to enquire into and as far as possible to find out who are the persons that are most to be Censured for the mischief, and ought to make Us satisfaction for the damage We have suffer'd by these Instances of mismanagement wherein We expect and do accordingly Order that they proceed with Impartiality and heartiness, without favour, affection or Resentment, as the case on due enquiry shall fairly appear to them, and that none of the rest of the Council shall controul or intermeddle therein further than as they can give any light to the said Co^m^{tee}. in their Enquirys, or any assistance when requir'd which We hope and desire they will heartily do whereby we shall have the better opinion of them in furture, and be more easily induced to pardon their past faults if not very great or repeated.

24. The Spring of Our being so badly served must arise either from Bribery and Corruption in Our Servants thereby influent to take in such base Goods, or the great piscashes¹ given by the merchants to Our Head servants or others, who had no other ways to make themselves amends and be reimbursed the Value of what they so gave, Or by the want of skill, pains and care in the Sorters, or the Warehouse keepers, trusting the Warehouse with the Conicoplys after to see the Embalng, very probably there is a mixture of all.

25. What we expect from the above four persons or special Council (who by not being concerned in the sortments afores^d. are under no Temptation to palliate or excuse what they find amiss, and We desire will not do it on Account of any personal regards) Is that they proceed by such ways and methods as they shall judge most likely for that purpose to find out such bribery, Corruption or piscashes, and want of pains, skill or care, and the persons chargeable therewith.

26. That whoever shall be found to have received Bribes or Presents, be made to refund the same into Our Cash for the Companys Account, they being the sufferers, & if any who have left the place be discover'd you advise Us for what Summ and of whom received, and when, that We may get Our Remedy.

27. That in regard the merchants brought in the bad Goods, the utmost care be used to fix who they were, which cant be difficult to do, since we have told you Divers of the ships & the Invoices, and Registers will show of whom they were received, and that those merchants when found out be fin'd for so far as you judge equitable towards making the Company reparation.

28. That You Use your best endeavours to find out who were the bad sorters, and censure them as their demerits deserve.

¹ This word is mostly used in the sense of a present to a great man. *Hobson-Jobson*, P. 701.

29. That as it is very probable the same ill sortments of Goods has since also been continued till the change of hands Ordered last year, Therefore you do as soon as possible after the Receipt hereof examine the Goods in Your Warehouses, & the rest as they are brought in from Fort S^t. Davids, and compare them with the musters which you must also order up for that purpose, By this means you will be at a certainty as to the Bales you shall so Inspect, as well wherein, and how far they are worse either in the Fabrick or ill sortment, and consequently how far to recover reparation from the Merchants, and the Deputy Governour or Warehouse keeper who is principally answerable, and the sorters, Though if Our Orders of last year took place, or so soon as they did We expect this hath been remedy'd, as to what has been transacted since the said change of hands, but very likely may answer as to any Bales that were provided before.

30. That this enquiry respect all sorts of Goods from ffort S^t. David, as well as long cloth ordinary D. N^o. 2.

31. That the like enquirys, Examminations & proceedings be made and carry'd on for what relates to ffort S^t. George Investments.

32. That the said Four Persons, or in case of any of their Decease the survivours have power which We hereby give them on this occasion to oblige all persons to comply duly with their Orders made in pursuance of the abovemention'd Rules and Directions, and to Suspend, Expell, and send for England such as they shall see just Cause for in the Course of their proceedings.

33. That they keep Consultations and Dyarys plain and full from time to time during the whole of their proceedings in Executing the powers and authoritys aforesaid therein taking notice of the proofs which appear to them on their enquirys, and on which their Resolutions & Orders shall be grounded, and by whom those proofs made, sending Us Copys by the Ships for Our notice.

34. That M^r. Pitt be sent for up from Fort S^t. Davids & also M^r. Higginson if both can be spar'd, but this of M^r. Higginson is left to the discretion of the rest of the s^t. speciall Committee as Circumstances may happen, for we would not have Our Affairs at Fort S^t. Davids stand still or delay'd further than needs must.

35. That in regard the greatest complaints arise from the ffort S^t. Davids Goods Therefore we direct the President to proceed thither by the beginning of October, which we reckon the most leisurely time taking care first to dispatch the Tonnage then Lading or intended for England and to leave the Government in the ablest hands during his absence and therefore It is left to his discretion, considering Circumstances, to take M^r. Turner with him or not, That the reasons why, be enter'd in Consultation in case M^r. Turner do not go down or M^r. Higginson come up.

36. That the President and the rest of the Council do proceed from day to day, in putting Our aforesaid Orders in Execution, because it will be necessary for him to return to ffort St^t. George as soon as he well can.

37. That as it is probable both the President & Dep^y. Governour will make their Journeys by Land, We hope and expect they will be frugal in their Expences, and put Us to no more charge than absolutely necessary, & that the whole Amount of each be sent for our Cognizance.

38. That as we reckon the putting in Execution this extraordinary power and enquiry, may with diligence be compleated in a few months, Therefore We direct it shall continue no longer than the dispatch of the last ship to Us the next season.

39. The foregoing are directions how to proceed in applying some Remedys towards curing of Evills past, which we expect be heartily set about and performed thoroughly, and not excused as was by M^r. Hastings in the case of M^r. Collett, who because absent the Penman of the General Letter had the assurance to tell Us he thought, and as the Council sign'd it they did so too, That it was scarcely

fair or honest to make enquiries about mismanagements charg'd on him when he was not present, or as the President and Council in the Letters now before Us, in answer to what we wrote them Anno 1722. give Us trifling Excuses for not obeying Our orders made on Our sending them the two Bales of Long Cloth for their Conviction, but though those orders have been delay'd, We expect from you that that they be not forgot or disregarded longer.

40. We now proceed to lay down some Rules for the future management of Our affairs to prevent the like Evills in Our Investments in time to Come, which the present and every succeeding President and Council of Fort St. George, and Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St. Davids must and We hereby direct they do comply with and regard as so many standing Rules for their Government till alter'd from hence Viz^t.

41. That the said President and Council and Dep^y. Governour and Council, do often at convenient times, go to the sorting Godowns, and their examine the Goods brought in, and the Sortments then made and also the Goods sent to Fort St. George from all the subordinate Factorys at least some Bales of every Number and species taken promiscuously, as they rise to see whether they answer as to equal sortment, Lengths & breadths, goodness and price, and to give the proper directions thereon.

42. That as it is expected from the said President & Dep^y. Gov^r. to take care the Company are well serv'd by every Subordinate Servant and Settlement, Therefore each at the place of their Residence do at proper times visit the Warehouses & sorting Godowns to see how the Companys affairs are Mannaged and to keep the Warehousekeeper and all others there the better to do their duty to go at uncertain days, and when least expected.

43. That as the President and next to him the Dep^y. Govern^r. are at the Head of the Mannagement each where they reside & entrusted as such, and in case they do well will have the largest share of the Praise and benefit, so on the contrary if the Companys affairs under them suffer by their connivance or want of diligence and a general Inspection into all the branches of them, They ought and shall bear their share of the blame & making satisfaction for mismannagement because they ought to prevent them by their Authority.

44. That the Warehousekeeper as such, and therefore to be chiefly in the Warehouse is supposed to be more immediately answerable for the Goodness and true sortment of the Cloth, He must expect to bear a large share in the blame, and making satisfaction for mismannagement, when any in the Warehouse and what relates to it.

45. That all turned out cloth be markt with a T. to distinguish it by, and be kept in a Warehouse apart under the President or Deputy Governours, and Warehousekeepers seperate Locks, to prevent its being offer'd again with a fresh parcell, & in case the merchants shall desire any of said turn'd out Cloth to be deliver'd them for shipping abroad, or the like, that an account be kept, thereby to know what is so deliver'd out, & what still remains, and be laid from time to time before the Council, and enter'd in Consultation, but that the Council do first give leave for every delivery.

46. That as the Warehouse keeper when he inspects the Cloth brought in brown & chops it, it is understood to be only to ascertain he passes it as to lengths and breadths so every sorter do chop what he Sorts with the two Letters of his name Whereby it will appear who did sort and prevent the suggestion used here that it is in the power of a Warehouse keeper or his Conicoply to change the peices, because the Bales and Tickets therein are often left open in the Warehouse, and not made up till severall days after.

47. That it having been more especially of late found That the Weavers have made the middle of the peice bad and loose struck when the Selvidges one or both have been struck close To discover and prevent such fraud in future That

the Dutch method be always hereafter practiced Viz^t. That every sorter have a Table to himself and another Companys Servant to stand over against and assist him at opening the folds of the Cloth that their hands may meet, whereby they will be capacitated to discover if any fault in the maker as aforesaid, and young persons will be trained up to get an early insight into the Business of sorting.

48. That as all the Young men should be thus employ'd when they can be spared from their more immediate Business they and all other the sorters be told and often reminded to be carefull in sorting, and if they are not must expect to make good the damage of passing bad Goods, and run the hazard of dismissal, which we hope will be effectuall to overawe them if tempted to base compliances by any whomsoever.

49. That continued care be taken in the Contracts to have the Goods brought in early, that they may be Washt and dry'd in seasonable time before the Water is mudded by the Rains, which at Fort S^t. Davids makes the Cloth look worse than what is cured at Madrass.

50. That so far as it can be brought about all the Cloth from Ingeram and Vizagapatam be Whiten'd at Fort S^t. George & none at either of those places, where are not so good artists as the Madrass people, and being brought up by sea, they are sometimes dammaged and rewasht at Madrass, and by the time they come here are quite Rotten in the middle of the peice, besides they are generally too much conjeed, and dont look so clear as the Madrass Cloth of the same species.

51. That continuall care be taken all the Cloth be kept up to the full lengths and breadths, and where not, that a full Recompence be made to answer the deficiencyes in each.

52. Having laid down these Rules and Directions for searching into the late grievous mismannagements, & preventing the like in future, We come to make some Remarks on the Excuses and pretences in the Letters before us, why the Goods are not better The great one seems to be the quantity of Tonnage. This we were aware of, and gave it as a reason why we would have for the last three or four years two ships a year employ'd on Freight Voyages in the Countrey, which would have for so far lessen'd the Tonnage, and consequently the merchants pretence that the Weavers were over hurry'd, It is to be further observed That every season it appears by the advices sent, you had a great quantity of Bales lying ready when all the Tonnage was dispatcht, not that We find fault with your being expeditious in getting in your Investments against We want them, for that is commendable But for sending Us much bad Goods under pretence of necessity, when there was really none, at least none ought to have been.

53. To tell Us as the Consultation of the 29th. August dos, That if you kept up strictly to the sorting by the muster you could not send Us a ships Lading in a year, is very assuming and contrary to the Experience of all former times as upon reviewing your Books and Invoices, of the then annuall Cargo's you must acknowledge.

54. The Letter from ffort S^t. Davids last received owns they could provide from Two Thousand to Two Thousand Five hundred Bales a Year in seasonable time of good Cloth, & as it has been always observed that the merchants at Madrass, their Investments were much larger than the others, surely between both Including Vizagapatam and Ingeram and supposing them sufficiently supply'd you need never want what we yearly demand.

55. Reperuse Your Contracts for Investments which by Our standing orders are allways to be enter'd in the Consultations for your as well as Our notice you will therein see the merchants are under a penalty of twenty % Cent to comply with them and that the Goods shall answer the muster settled which if not good is your unpardonable fault, the naturall consequence is that if they fall short, as

they do, [for] so far as you refuse what does not answer, they are liable to the penalty, and if You were but steady enough to recover it they would take warning for the future Besides as you have two sets of them with right management and Zeal for Our Interest, They might be made to rivall and outvie one another, especially if those who did best, were encouraged in proportion as they ought to be.

56. The pretence that if every peice of Cloth be turn'd out short of muster, You must wash vastly more than now, which would be impossible for your Washers to comply with is fallacious, at least would soon be found so, for when the merchants find you are in earnest, and that there is integrity judgment and care enough in the sorting Godown to distinguish and throw by the bad they would take better care, add to this that the Cloth is brought in brown, and a little inspection into it before deliver'd out to the Washers would prevent the suggestion, as it would keep it from being sent them.

57. Your allegation That the Manilla and Eastern merchants take off our turn'd out Cloth, which is urg'd in behalf of the Fort S^t. Davids people do pay for it the same price, we give for the Good, is very weak and evasory, was it not always so as well as now, But you should remember they can better afford it, as it even then costs them less than Us, for we are at constant charge to provide Our Washers with rice which they repay again, when they are able, and are always in Our Debt, we cleanse their Tanks when necessary, and are otherwise in disburse for them, and if your complaint be just, that you cant always get Washers enough for our Goods, how can it be supposed that the said Traders should be able to get Washers at any Rate, and consequently and other cloth than what we turn out, so as to be at a certainty for their Quantum, Let Us never again hear more of this sort of pretence, for we tell you plainly if we cant have cloth enough for Quantity & quality for our demands we will forbid all the Trade in it to Manhila, because it cant with reason be expected We should allow a Trade for other peoples benefit, and our own loss, which the Customs cant answer.

58. Another Remark We find necessary to make, & which shows to Us a Careless or worse management, is, when we write for Goods in Our Orders for Investments, As for instance, Longcloth Ordinary N^o. 1. 2. It was always supposed that N^o. 1 should be the Main part, and only N^o. 2. such as did not fully answer the Muster of N^o. 1. but by a proper abatement might vend here, Look back to former times and you will find it so, and that the Quantities of N^o. 1. sent, much exceeded those of N^o. 2. when Our Servants were faithfull.

59. But upon reviewing those Our Orders Anno 1722. and what hath been sent Us in return we find the very reverse, Of this, We Ordered Forty Thousand peices of that Longcloth from Madrass, but you have sent very near fifty thousand peices of which, not quite Twelve thousand peices of N^o. 1, though we Order'd from Fort S^t. Davids but Twenty thousand peices, We have received above Fifty eight thousand peices, of which N^o. 1. not Twentyfour thousand of the same numbers from Worriapollam where the cloth used to be formerly well made, we directed Fifteen thousand peices, but instead thereof had but eleven Thousand and odd, of which Eight thousand N^o. 2. of the Twenty thousand demanded from Vizagapatam where the cloth is good, you have not sent Five thousand, of the Nagore sort, which we told you was good cloth, we have not half of the Ten thousand Order'd, and none of the Carroor though we Order'd Ten thousand peices, We find on comparing the rest of the Goods received with what we wrote for, The like remarks are to be made with respect to the midling & Fine Long Cloth in General, and to all the Salempores, as well on account of the great exceedings in the Ordinary sorts from Madrass and ffort S^t. Davids and falling short at the places where the Fabrick was good and of some of the Investment Articles, few or none sent of the Quantities demanded.

60. It is true You tell Us the merchants would not undertake for the Worriappollam, Nagoor, and Carroor Cloth to get it ready in time, If so why did not you endeavour to get such as would, or to put them on doing as much as they were able, of which you could if you pleased be Judges, If we find that you have set them upon providing the full quantitys the next season, and they do bring them in good as they used to be we shall believe your assertion, but it seems plain to Us they will never be hearty therein while they can pass upon you such base Goods as aforesaid.

61. We observe likewise That on looking into some Bales you received from Vizagapatam, you owned the cloth was good, and that from Ingeram inspected at the same time was better, what substantial reason then can you give why should send but Five thousand pagodas to Ingeram, and Twenty thousand to Vizagapatam, or why you should not enlarge the Investment at both places, we would not willingly put the Construction upon it which naturally Occurs to Us as very probable those places are indeed further off, yet you have Our Countrey Vessells and often Our Europe Ships to fetch or call for them, and at worst you can if you please get them up on Freight.

62. However to prevent even this pretence of being overburden'd with Tonnage, which considering what before said was rather an occasion taken than given, You will see We have lessen'd Our demands of Goods to be provided on your Coast the Ensuing season in the Enclosed Orders for Investments.

63. Though we write these complaints to the President and Council in general as they are Our Representatives, yet you will easily discern, We dont include those of you who were not then of the Council, nor concerned in the unjustifiable manangement of which we found fault, & we perswade our selves they never will, It is very irk some to Us to be chiding, We should like it much better not to be forced to the trouble of it.

FOURTHLY TOUCHING THE TRADE OF INDIA IN GENERAL, AND ANY TRANSACTIONS
WITH THE COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

64. The account (as you state in your Letters & Consultat^{ns}.) of your Transactions with the Nabob Sadatulla Caun, your Resolute denyall to give up the five Villages, and the late present he demanded while he was so near you as S^t. Thoma was managed to Our satisfaction, And is a further confirmation of what We have often inculcated, That when the Countrey Governours find they cant intimidate you, and that yo^r. conduct is prudent They will take what you will give them, let their first demands be never so large and exorbitant We hope the disputes about those Villages is now entirely at an end since the Writing given by M^r. Collet about them, and on which Sadatulla Caun so much insisted as an obligation for their redelivery is so plain proved not to be binding upon Us.

65. Touching the new settlement at Covelong, & what relates thereunto directly or in consequence We can add nothing new to Our large Orders on that Head in the last & former years Letters sent you from hence by the Courts or Committees to all or a select part of you, only this, Remember that they be put in practice heartily on all occasions as they present themselves, or are presented to you.

66. Your Mannagement with the Dutch in relation to the Ferry boat at S^t. Davids, We approve, soft words & hard arguments prevail best in cases of this nature, altho in affairs with the Countrey Government It is necessary to speak big, sometimes to prevent Insults and Encroachments.

67. Our advices from Tellicherry bring sad Complaints of the troubles the french Occasion Us by instigating Boyanore to hold on the War against Us, wherein the Ostenders are also concerned, and do support the French therein, what M^r. Addams endeavours is to prevent both from encroaching on Us in Our Trade there, and settling within Our Territorys while Boyanore a revolted Prince

is striving to Gain them a settlement, influenced thereto by the Bribes he hath received from them, and the assistances they continue to supply him withall against Us.

68. We sympathize with you in the failure of the Persia and Surat Branches of your Countrey Trade and shall be glad to hear when they are recover'd, It is well that any of the other Branches yeild and promise better.

FIFTHLY TOUCHING OUR FORTIFICATIONS, BUILDINGS AND REVENUES.

69. We are glad to find at last Our charges of Building are brought so near to a period That a stop is put to that at ffort S^t. Davids, excepting the New Building of Condapah Guard and the Bridge, that you consented thereto only on the necessity of the Case, and that you have nothing to do when the Wall is built from Madapollam point to the Black house where Palemeras will not grow, and the Barracks at the Garden are finisht with the shed adjoyning to the saluting Battery, wherein the Gunner lodges part of his stores, As to the repairing of the Mint house which you say it will often want We cant imagine why that should be, if due care be taken the Repairs are substantially done with good Husbandry Let an account be kept in your Books of the charge of each for the reasons mentioned in par^a. 68. of last year which also takes notice how easy it is to cover frauds under the paymasters mingling things together, therefore let it be no longer practiced, We have often Ordered the keeping every account of Buildings and Repairs apart, but it has not been duly regarded, We will bear it no longer, not only for so far as relates to Madrass, but also to all your Subordinate settlem^{ts}. and expect you give Orders accordingly.

70. You did well to confine M^r. Holcombe to put Us to no further charge of Building at Metchlepatam than only for a lodging for himself.

71. We observe what you mention relating to the Revenues and your looking after them for their further improvement, this is very acceptable to Us and would have given Us yet better satisfaction, had it not been alloy'd by the want of care in the Investments of which We have so justly complained in the last years as well as this, You Instance your lessening the annuall charge of Fort S^t. George as a further proof of your Zeal for Our Service, We would not be wanting in taking notice of every Instance of yo^r. endeavours to serve Us faithfully, but you will find by our last Years Letters that We expect a yet further Retrenchment which with due care and Inspection may (and We say must) be brought about according to the Modell in M^r. Pitts time, who every one will acknowledge raised the English Reputation at Fort S^t. George higher than any of his predecessors, and from thence we took great part of Our Remarks The retrenchments yet further to be made at Fort S^t. Davids We gave you directions about at the same time, and therefore shall only refer you thereto, & repeat that they must also be comply'd with.

72. Touching the letting Egmore and the other two Villages to ffarm as also the yearly deficiencies in the Rentall Generals account, We also wrote you the needfull last year, We observe by your Consultations pagodas Two hundred and twenty three worte off as bad Debts in the Rentall Generals annuall account, of which in the Quit Rents pagodas One hundred and fifty one, and in the Scavengers Duty pagodas seventy two, you say it is impossible but something will be yearly lost, surely with good looking out there need not be near so much.

73. You tell Us you hope the Bound Renters & arrack Farmers debts at ffort S^t. Davids will be recover'd in time, and that Eram Rouze has paid in pagodas Two hundred in part, let Us know yearly what progress you make therein, We keep the mentioning of it in Our Letters for Our and your Remembrance, The letting Chenapa out of Prison as you state his case was right, since there is a possibility he may do something when at liberty towards paying off his debt which while Confined was never to be expected.

74. We note what you say why the Sea Customs are so slowly collected, but in regard you are certain the Debts are not had, We acquiesce considering circumstances, that you do & will frequently call upon the Sea Customer and Merchants, & do take care not to let large sums stand out either on account of the Warehouse or Customs, We remember the Case of Tonapa us to the Warehouse, trusting as to that, We have laid down Rules such as we hope have prevented and always will a Repetition of that evill so, and have prescribed the Rule as to the Sea Customs that they be settled and as far as possible cleared yearly at furthest, which your 45th par^a. of 21th. January owns was, and may be done to Christmas, that being the dead time of the years Trade, or if the case should happen, the Goods should not be sold as is the Patans reason, then to Collect the Dutys on them speedily after they are, first taking care your Men are responsible or the money due secured We remember there have been Instances of sums Wrote off to profit and Loss due for Customs, which if timely call'd for might have been recover'd, and therefore, It was, that We have since been always jealous of outstanding accounts.

75. As to what you mention of Mr. Symond's raising a quit Rent at Vizagapatam and your forbidding all oppression therein we shall be able to give you Our opinion when Wee see a further account of it, by yo^r: sending Us the particulars, Let Us also know the whole state of Vizagapatam whether any and which of the Towns granted Us by the phirmaund are surrender'd, what We pay for those We hold, and what they annually yield Us for our Reimbursement.

76. Your Management in the letting a new cowle for the measuring Farm at the old Rent of pagodas Eight hundred & twenty a year (when the former Farmer would not give Five hundred & ninety pagodas a year on the Terms you proposed for silencing the poor's Clamours) was a peice of good service, but the Calculation you made thereupon was all in Blanks, and therefore we could make no judgement upon it which was an Error very blame worthy, We want to see that Calculation well made as it will give Us some insight into the true state of the Case of Annuall supplies of Grain necessary for Fort S^t. George.

77. If we understand rightly your Consultation of the 30th April there yet remains pagodas Two hundred and thirty eight due from the Egmore Inhabitants ever since M^r. Newcombe was overseer there, how it came that it was not got in before does not appear, Let care be taken that it dont become desperate but recovered as soon as possible, sometimes a little forbearance may be necessary, but too long rarely betters the Debt, it often makes it worse till at last it becomes a deed Loss, why Rawsum Paupas rent of the paddy fields should stand out fourteen months after it was due appears to Us the Effect of Carlessness in not calling on him sooner.

78. We find at last the Casts are Collecting the money for repaying the charge of the Bridges built at their desire better late than never, You ought to have quicken'd them and oblig'd them to reimburse you sooner, and we expect you do so, whenever any thing of the like nature happens, The Interest of the Money is too much to be lost.

79. We observe your reasons for Ordering the storekeeper to be paid for the plank he supply'd the Boatmen, let due care be taken We be reimburs'd, But we dont like this way of Transferring Debts to Us, contracted by others, If there had been a necessity of supplying them, It had beer better to have got the Councils leave before hand to furnish them therewith.

80. In the List of Farms which is this year again recited in the Front of Your Consultation Book but has been omitted, Notwithstanding Our Orders that it should be yearly enter'd there We find some are not mentioned which the Rentall Generall receives, and we suppose it is for that reason, however for the future let them all be inserted, that we may at one view see their totall amount, for we look upon them as so many certain Branches, & with due care are not liable to that precariousness, which you say will always in part attend the Collections of the quit rents and scavengers Duty.

81. We find in your Consultation of 9th. April a Lease was prolonged to M^r. Empson of some ground without the Town, on her paying sixty pagodas and the usual Quit Rent, You ought to have inserted for what time, and what the Quit rent was, this would have made it intelligible, Take care to make all your Entrys plain and full, that whoever peruses may understand them.

82. Another instance of this We find in Your Letter of 21th. Jan^y in par^a. 38, you say the Collectors of the Villages having made oath to their accounts deliver'd in, you would pay the money, That having so done, you did pay it, and the oaths enter'd after the Consultation of the 15th. Jan^y, this we have not receiv'd, so that we are entirely at a loss what money was paid them back, the Letter not expressing the summ, nor doth the petition, though it asks for all, or what part the Company pleased, It seems to Us you paid the whole, which if so is stretching too far the Liberty We gave You, as you may see, if will but review it, prevent these sort of omissions in future.

83. We observe the Ferry boats at S^t. Davids is Farm'd out at Eighty pagodas ₹ annum, and that the S^t. Davids Letter adds, that heretofore they would scarce produce the charge of keeping, this is a proof of either Our own peoples carelessness, or at least why we ought never to keep any of these things in Our own hands when possible to be avoided, the said Letter says That the Rent of the Lands and other Farms never amounted to more than what now let for without Contracting bad debts, But if the Bound Renters treat the people well in the Juncan duty & the mole at Trevindaporum be repair'd and made usefull, of which we wrote you last year, we have reason to believe they will in time yield much more, provided due and constant Watchfulness be used in looking well after them, the people become sensible they are and will be treated justly and humanely, and that they may be so, We laid down several Regulations at that time, which we earnestly recommend to you to see be duly put in practice.

SIXTHLY TOUCHING OUR COVENANT SERVANTS AND THE MILITARY, AND THEIR ACCOUNTS, AS ALSO OF OTHER EUROPEANS INHABITING IN INDIA.

84. Many of the Paragraphs under this Head require no answer being an account of Persons deceased, and who succeeded them, of others arriving or going home, or being put into new stations, what has been and will be done in pursuance of Our Orders touching others.

85. We are pleased with the care you took when the storekeepers station was shifted, that the account of Remains was interchangeably signed by the predecessor and successor as appears by the Consultation of the 20th. May, being enter'd in the Book kept by the Accomptant for that purpose, We take it for Granted, all others on changing places do the same according to Our former Orders, though we find no more in the Consultat^{ns}., in which all such notices ought to be enter'd, that being a proper Register where to look for them.

86. It is a standing Order of Ours, that you should answer Our General Letters par^a. by par^a. when you come to give an account of Our affairs in general, and for that purpose the Letters used to mention the number of the par^a. you were then replying to, But of late and in particular in those before Us, this is often omitted, though it never ought, in Our 67th. par^a. of the 14th. febr^y 1722. We reminded you of the Inquisition We expected from you that it should be made, and found fault it was not, We suppose your 91th. par^a. of the 30th. Septem^r. is intended as an answer thereto, You say as to the enquiry it has been pursued, but M^r. Hastings death and the late Orders about M^r. Hordens Effects makes people very unwilling to put themselves to any charge which they cant but believe will be to no purpose, This is very assuming, and what we could not have expected, for those Orders were extended further than to M^r. Hastings, We take notice of it here though of a thing past to prevent any thing bordering upon it hereafter, and to let you know, If Our Orders are not strong enough to make you obey them We will endeavour to make them sufficient to prevent a repeated disobedience.

87. In Paragraph 89. of our said Letter We took notice of the Money owing by M^r. Somers, which ought as we then wrote you to be made good to Us, because it was Order'd to be deducted out of what due to him, and yet the whole was paid without any Deduction, and no advice sent Us of it, that we might recover it here, We cant find any answer thereto, We expect that money be repaid into Our Cash, since nothing less than refunding will make Our people so carefull as they ought to be.

88. The order in your Consultations why no register of the Mayors Court shall be allow'd to plead or Act as an Attorney in that Court We allow of, as also of your giving publick notice forbidding any Attorney to take more than the allow'd Fees, or any person to pay more each under penalty of fining, It seems to Us, that the reason of it was from some ill practice you had discover'd which you were not willing to lay open plainly, but thought the Order would prevent the like in future.

89. The Regulations sent you last year about the stable Charges make it needless to say any thing now about the Presidents Horses you advise to be kept at Our charge, of which your 48th. Par^a. of the 21th. January makes mention, for We expect those Regulations be observed.

90. We take Notice of what you write in answer to M^r. Hordens paper of complaints, and that you conclude them on the whole frivolous or Groundless, and falsly urged.

91. Your Consultations, the Countrey letter Books, and copys of your Letters receiv'd and sent have not been so duly exammined as they ought, for some of them We cant make sence of but upon a supposition of Errata's in the Copying, therefore let due care be taken to amend and correct the faults by a carefull Exammining every Consultation Entry The List of the packets should also have exprest in them the Dates of the several Letters sent therein for want of which Our clerks are sometimes at a loss where to put them, when as it often happens, they are call'd for on a sudden, and perhaps not returned till a day or two after, & then to another person, Besides every Letter ought in the Front of it to make mention of the date of the last that We may be sure We have all sent, this has not been always minded.

92. We have perused M^r. Walshes Covenants and find they were well intended, but the Companys Title should be, as exprest in Our common printed Ones without any additions thereto, which serves only to give the Lawyers a handle for objection, and the Clauses therein about accounting, should be in the Words of Our common Covenants, especially of those last sent, which have been settled by Council.

93. Our last took notice of your omission in not sending in the packets, the List of Our Covenant servants which are often call'd for, We found the List Enter'd at the end of the Consultation Book where we did not expect it, though we think it proper to be enter'd there also, but that is not so handy, and sometimes cant be come at out of the Office hours, We observe therein two or three names that have no notice taken in what Employment they are, which dos not look well, It seems rather as if they were good for nothing, or nothing expected from them, the first is their fault and if they continue so, and will not amend, ought to be sent home, the other is yours.

94. The Lists in the pacquets will show you what souldiers We send and by what ships.

95. M^{rs}. Mary Gwillim Widow and Administratrix of M^r. Tho^s. Gwillim has represented to Us that her son Captain Will^m. Gwillim, deceased in the East Indies leaving Captain Powney and M^r. Long his Executors, that the Captain by a Letter to her Husband then living desir'd his Directions how to send home the Deceaseds Estate, That she desires it may be paid into the Companys Cash and remitted here by Bills, Do you therefore acquaint Captain Powney therewith, & take care her request be comply'd with.

96. At the request of Phebe Skinner, we permit Zachary Skinner her Son who went out a souldier (as she alledges three years since) to ffort S^t. George to return to England if he desires it.

97. M^r. Alice Oldner Wife of George Oldner Jun^r. representing to Us that she is advised by M^r. Turner and John Powney of ffort S^t. George, That her Kinsman Isaac Willison deceased had left her a Legacy of Pagodas Two Thousand, and that she desires it may be paid into Our Cash and Bills drawn on Us for the same at eight shillings a pagoda, wherefore We direct that you comply therewith.

98. By your Consultation of the 6th. of March, It appears there was fir'd Thirty Six Guns from your Batterys at M^r. Oadham's Funerall, which is too much & ought not to be repeated either as to the number or greatness of the Ordnance, for We suppose your greatest Guns are mounted there, Good Husbandry appears in lesser as well as greater Articles.

99. We observe your good Character of M^r. Wessell and request thereupon, for his having One hundred pagodas for his good service in the Accomptants Office, as others have had, this shows the mischief of bad precedents, that it must be urged again, after we had forbid it formerly, We are not against giving Encouragem^t. to such as deserve well to spurr on others to do likewise, and therefore we are content to allow him a year in his standing, though by what you write, It seems to Us that particular favourites have fill'd up, and you design shall have all the places of profit, because there was none for him, notwithstanding you own his merit, nor so much as a promise of the next Vacancy he is fit for.

100. We dont understand the reason for allowing Lieutenant Ogden's charges in coming up from Fort S^t. Davids, nor of Lieutenant Eckmans in going down, when both were on account of their preferments, and which they would be glad of, many such littles, make a mickle.

101. We have entertained M^r. W^m. Monson Factor, & Wood Smart, Edward Brackstone and Edward Harris Writers for Fort S^t. George they will proceed on this Shipping.

102. We have thought fitt & do hereby direct, that M^r. Sam^l. Hyde ffactor with you, We having so good Character of him do Commence Jun^r. Merchant from the Arrivall of this Letter, being the rather induced thereto from the consideration that his Ancestors have for many years past spent their lives in the East India service as well in War as in times of peace.

103. In par^a. 41. of the 21th. January, You say it is impracticable to fill up the Covenants We sent you to be Executed by Our Covenant servants, because of some Blanks in the beginning, and therefore refer them back to Us, who have the Counterparts, (whereas scarce any go from hence, but carry their Counterparts with them) had their been an inclination in you to follow our Orders, and you had read them over but once with any attention, you should have been ashamed of the pretence, But to prevent further delays, We send you in the packet a specimen of Nich^o. Morse's entertain'd a Writer, but by his Standing is now a Factor The Date is left in blank, because to be fill'd up with the time when sign'd You will observe how the other blanks are to be fill'd up with the Date of his former Covenants his entertainment a Writer for five Years at five pounds a year at ffort S^t. George, that the said five years are expir'd & he is now ffactor for three years—you know the reason is because a Writer after serving his time is to be a Factor for that term and then to Commence Junior Merchant.

104. Though it is mentioned three years, yet as in his case part of that three years is expired when the whole is, let him commence Junior Merchant, for We dont intend him or any others shall suffer in their standing thereby.

105. After the same manner must the Covenants be fill'd up & Executed by such as were entertained Writers or Factors and are risen to the stations of Junior or Senior merchants, those stations are to be Inserted in their Covenants and to prevent future objections, We send for your notice the names of those on the Coast mentioned in your List with the Date of their former Covenants their then Employments sallarys & for what times whether the same were signed here or in India, Some of these Have not fully served their time, therefore delay their Entering into the New Covenants, till you can Insert in them that said Covenanted Term is Expired.

SEVENTHLY TOUCHING OUR ACCOUNTS.

106. Our General Directions under this Head have been so full they need not be repeated, but only by way of Remembrance that they be constantly observed.

107. The Bills of Exchange drawn on Us have been accepted as presented and paid as they became due.

108. Your 116th. Par^a. in answer to Our 93^d. about the Bullion and Corall salv'd out of the Nightingale, is very trifling and dissatisfactory and not to be born, You tell Us you had discoursed the persons concerned in the said silver, but cant find any of them inclined to pay the average We directed, alledging that the Remittances are all gone home and that since We have Bonds from the owners of the money, it may be more satisfactorily recover'd of them at Home, had you told Us who they were, by what ships, and for what Summs those Remittances were severally made, and to what persons, there had appear'd some show of Reason, of your Inclination to obey Our Orders that We might have demanded it here, though not enough, for you ought to have obliged them to reimburse you then, You cant but know their Bonds are only that they shall return in Dyamonds the Effects sent out to purchase them, and don't reach this Case, neither can you be ignorant that other private merchants silver was sav'd at the same time that was not sent or design'd for Dyamonds, and that for Mr. Higginsons voluntary stay at the Cape, We wrote we would not demand any salvage of him, nor have you answer'd one word to the later part of that par^a. aforesaid whether you did or did not discover any Bullion or Corall that was not Licenced, though We sent you the account of what had been for your examination, It seems to Us you took no pains to enquire or so much as the least notice of it, and even your answer is put in as a supplement or postscript to your Letter, as something scarce worth charging your memorys with all, or else that it was not demanded till the last, But if you dont, We must look better after Our affairs, and therefore We possitively require you to recover of every one to whom, or to whose Ord^r. you deliver'd the said salv'd silver or Goods, the full amount of the salvage, with Interest from the time you received Our said Letter and made the demand, to the time of payment, and to send an account signed by you as a Voucher it is true, and the whole of the particulars and Values so deliver'd, or else we shall expect those then of the Council make the same, and every part not recover'd good to Us in proportion to your sallarys, for we will not bear further Expostulations or Excuses in direct breach of Orders, It will not be difficult for Us on reviewing Our Registers to Collect the account again, if you fail to answer Us fully.

109. Another Paragraph in Your Letter gives Us no better satisfaction, and that is the 113th, wherein you say you had on Mr. Hubbards' application paid him six thousand eight hundred and eighty two peices of eight for account of Lewis Deane which he had disbursed at Moco Moco for Our account in Cloth, If the Account had been well proved to be true, yet even then, We ought to pay no more than the true Value of the Cloth, not the exorbitant price generally, or rather always put upon it, & We require you to recover that surplus from him, and to that end to examine his accounts as to the sorts and quantitys he so paid away, and put an honest rate upon each, You know well enough from Our many Letters wrote to that purpose & otherwise how Grossly We have been abused by that practice, and how often We have forbid it, and you own that

Mr. Pyke for that reason refused to pay him, and therefore you should have paid him no more than We now Order to be allow'd on a fair Examination of what he was out of Pocket, especially considering (if as it seems to be the case) That he lavisht away more money than he ought, for since Mr. Pyke had left him a supply, he ought to have husbanded it better, let Us know what is done by the first without evasion or delay.

110. You complain and but too justly of the excessive Charge of the West Coast, and yet it is plain you continue the same, for we Find in the Consultations of the 22th. July you accepted their Bills for pagodas Twenty thousand seven hundred and nine, & by what appears only on account of the private Traders thither, such as Captain Middleton the Master, Mr. Ormston the supra Cargo of the ship sent from Madrass, David Carnegie, whom you had but a little before sent thither under a great Character, this shows the reason of it, Edward Bugden who understands well enough the Vile practices of that Coast and even Mr. Elwick him self & this Hubbard whose Mannagement when supravisor there, We took notice of last year; On all which, We could make severall Remarks and should were it not that we did lately apply what we think an effectuall Remedy by forbidding the Trade thither or accepting the Bills from thence, We expect also to hear the Effects of Captain Maccraes Supervisorship.

MISCELLANYS.

111. Mr. Robert Berriman hath been before Us and Examined why he came to England, and other matters that Occurr'd to Us, on which We have thought fit to reentertain him in his former Station of Third of Council at Fort St. Davids, send him thither accordingly.

112. The Owners of Our outward bound Shipping have lately complained to Us of severall matters, wherein they suffer, and which they desire may be Remedy'd, whereupon we have thought fit to Direct, and accordingly do hereby Order that for preventing the Dammage which they alledge often happens in carrying off the Bales from Our settlements on the Coast of Choromandel by the Surf or Spray of the Sea, Therefore every boat be provided with Boards to make a platform to ly over the bushes or Dunnidge, and also with Tarpaulins so large as to ly under the Bales, & to come up on both sides, and ends sufficient to wrap over the top & keep off the said spray, That the Gunroom crew have the care of the said-platforms, and see that the Tarpaulins be well dry'd & roll'd upon poles for the better preserving them.

113. That to prevent the great Expençe of Powder which the Owners likewise complain of as lavisht away under pretence of salutes We direct That all the Companys Europe ships upon their first arrivall in any port of India salute the Fort with no more than nine Guns, and that the Fort return the like number, and at the Captains first coming on shore from Europe or Dispatch thither, they shall Fire but nine Guns, and at all other times of saluting the Captains with only seven, That all Countrey ships be answer'd with no more than Five Guns, (Foreigners excepted) That the Governour 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 fir'd during their stay on board.

114. We further recommend it to you to take care that as well at ffort St. George, as at all your subordinate settlements, as much frugality as possible be used in the Expençe of powder upon all Festivals or at Funerals, and all other occasions of salutes.

115. The said Owners renew their complaints of the difficultys they lay under in purchasing provisions by reason of the stewards or purser Marines engrossing thereof, so that the natives by their Influence over them, dare not supply the ships, but through them at second hand, by which meanes the Owners pay greatly more for such provisions than they need, if there was liberty of going to a free

Market, We are sorry this complaint is again revived, and do expect to hear no more of it, If We do let those who are justly complained of take the consequence for their pains.

116. M^r. George Ramsay who comes out surgeon of the Lynn having been recommended to Us as a very able man in his Business, and it being said that M^r. Monroe one of Your surgeons intends to return for Europe, We direct if either he or your other surgeon should be dead or should quit the service, that M^r. George Ramsay be entertained in his stead.

117. M^r. Edward Prat one of the Walpoles Supra Cargo's Representing to Us, That a small parcell of his China Lacker'd Ware was left behind at ffort S^t. George, which he prays may be brought home by the next shipping, We therefore direct that you give the necessary Orders thereupon, if it be not sent home before.

118. We have Entertained M^r. George Tempest to be second of Council on the West Coast, He has served Us as a Supra Cargo, and We take him to be an honest and Capable Man, We are not at present appriz'd how the Companys affairs stand there, and for that reason send him directly to you, that you may forward him to the West Coast in that station, Unless you have some extraordinary reasons for Continuing the Person that Governour Macrae may have placed there, and in such case we would have you station him elsewhere with you, as you shall judge most convenient.

119. In answer to par^{as}. the 5th. 10th. and some following of yo^r. Letter of the 21th January relating to the Pyracys aboard the Goodfellow, We say that We have enquir'd into, and do find that the Act for trying pyrates and on which the Commissⁿ. sent you Dated the 27th. of February 1717-18 was founded, is by another Act of the sixth of King George made perpetual, Copy whereof we now send you, so that the said Commission is by vertue thereof made perpetual, also to the President and Council of ffort S^t. George for the time being and such others to be added to them as the Commission directs of which the President to be One, It is somewhat odd how M^r. Elwick should come to be concerned in Our Ship Goodfellow & thereby an incapacity for Trying the Criminals should be incurr'd; However he is no longer President, and the Present is fully authorized to act, for he could not be concerned therein, We shall endeavour to get another Commission with some enlargement of powers to obviate the like difficulty as happen'd in M^r. Elwicks case aforesaid, and to send it you when obtained, in the interim make Use of the present, and the authoritys therein and thereby Granted.

120. Whatsoever par^{as}. or clauses in this Letter relate to ffort S^t. Davids, and to the immediate manngement of Our affairs there, take care Copys thereof be sent them by the first, This We take for Granted you look upon as a standing Rule, as you ought to do, But we have some reasons to apprehend by what We have heard, That it hath not always been comply'd with in its full Extent.

121. Application having been made to Us by M^r. William Fullerton Executor of Captain Alexander Fullerton deceased, proposing that he would Cause to be paid into Our Cash with you, pagodas Two thousand five hundred and fifty one at eight shillings each, deducting seven and a half p Cent for the Exchange, and M^r. Fullerton having in pursuance thereof drawn on Mess^{rs}. John Emmerson, Duncan Munro, Alexander Sutherland and a Hugh Campbell at Fort S^t. George, a Bill for said payment which is Endorsed by M^r. John Higdon, We have thereupon paid to said M^r. Fullerton Nine hundred forty three pounds seventeen shillings and five pence, the Value thereof which comes enclosed in the packet, for your receiving the said Two Thousand five Hundred & fifty one pagodas accordingly.

122. Your Letter of the 19th. February last advises that the Jesuits in China, have by their attorney offer'd to deposit in Our Cash with you a sum of money which you intend to receive and give Bond to pay Six p Cent p Annum for it, Padre de Goville lately returned to Europe, has by writing requested of Us, to receive Ten Thousand pagodas into Our Cash, and to pay the missionarys for it.

six hundred pagodas a year which We have agreed to, whether this is Included in what you advise dos not appear.

123. Mr. Richard Horden representing to Us, that he is prevented by an unforeseen accident to return to his family at the Fort this year, and is obliged to wait till next Season; We hereby confirm what we wrote in par^a. 82. of Our Letter of the 29th. Novem^r. 1723. relating to his affairs, as if the same was again herein inserted.

124. We have this year sent to the Coast and Bay on the six ships in Bullion and Goods, what We reckon will produce Four hundred and forty five thousand pounds, By Our last ships, We directed you to send all the Treasure you could spare to the Bay, We compute that your Investments now Ordered will amount to Ninety seven Thousand pounds or thereabouts, but you will be able to make a more exact computation, and when you have reserved in Bullion and Goods sufficient for your own Investments, We would have all the remainder of the silver immediately sent to the Bay and not kept as has been before shamefully done till the spring to Our great prejudice. We are

Your Loving Friends

E. HARRISON.
 ABRA : ADDAMS.
 JO^a. WORDSWORTH.
 RICH^p. BOULTON.
 MATT : MARTIN.
 W^m. GOSSELIN.
 WILL^m. AISLABIE.
 JOHN GOULD, JUN^r.
 JOHN COOKE.
 BALTZAR LYELL.
 JOHN DRUMMOND.
 ROB^t. HUDSON
 JO^a. WORDSWORTH, JUN^r.
 EDW^p. OWEN.
 JOHN BABNE.
 CABEB COTESWORTH.
 JOHN ECCLESTON.

LIST OF GOODS TO BE PROVIDED ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDEL FOR THE SHIPS GOING OUT IN THE YEAR 1724.

	Peices.
Bettellees N ^o . 26. from Madrass Three Thousand ...	3,000
Ditto N ^o . 29. from Ditto Three thousand ...	3,000
Ditto Policat, two Covids broad the finest and thickest that can be made five hundred ...	500
Ditto Policat, thirth two Covids long, three Covids broad very fine and thick according to last years direction, Two hundred.	200
Bettellees stript from Vizagapatam Five hundred ...	500
Ditto Oringal, of thirty two Covids long, two Covids broad, if improved according to the direction last year, three hundred ...	300
Chints Madrass, whole peices, the sorts Order'd as in former years, One thous ^d	1,000
Diapers Two hundred	200

	Pices.
Dimmittys Fine from Fort S ^t . Davids, must be Invoiced by the name of Gingham, not exceeding four Pagodas $\frac{3}{4}$ peice two hundred	200
Ginghams stript of the Policat sort eight yards long, one yard broad Five hundred	500
Ginghams white, small, eight yards long, one yard broad, Two thousand, of the prices as formerly	2,000
Ditto white, large, twenty yards long, one yard three eighths broad of the prices as for- merly five hundred	500
Izzarees, fine Two hundred	200
Long Cloth, Ordinary from Madrass, N ^o . 1. Ten thousand	10,000
Ditto N ^o . 2. eight thousand	8,000
Ditto from Fort S ^t . Davids N ^o . 1. Six thousand.	6,000
Ditto N ^o . 2 Four thousand	4,000
Ditto from Vizagapatam. A. of the best sort One thousand	1,000
Ditto Middling N ^o . 1. from Madrass Two Thousand	2,000
Ditto N ^o . 2. Two thousand	2,000
Ditto N ^o . 1. from Fort S ^t . Davids One thousand.	1,000
Ditto N ^o . 2. One thousand	1,000
Ditto Dark blew from Madrass or Fort S ^t . Davids midling well dry'd to prevent mildew Four thousand	4,000
Ditto Fine, F. N ^o . 1. from Madrass Three thousand	4,000
Ditto N ^o . 2. Two thousand	2,000
Ditto Fine. F. N ^o . 1. from Vizagapatam, Two thousand five hundred	2,500
Ditto N ^o . 2. One thousand five hundred	1,500
Ditto Fine. F. N ^o . 1. from Fort S ^t . Davids, One Thousand five hundred	1,500
Ditto N ^o . 2 One thousand	1,000
Ditto Superfine, and thick for shirts at One hundred or One hundred and twenty Pagodas $\frac{3}{4}$ Corge, yard wide, Five hundred	500
Ditto Fine stripes as the Policat Gingham, One hundred	100
Ditto Ingeram N ^o . 1. Three thousand	3,000
Ditto N ^o . 2. Two Thousand	2,000
These must be made much thicker.	
Ditto Fine, F. 1. One thousand }	1,000
Ditto 2. One thousand } all to be Whited at	
	Madrass ...
Ditto F. A. 3. One thousand }	1,000
All these must be made thicker and whiter then the last.	
Sallempores Ordinary, N ^o . 1. of thirty two Covids long, and full two Covids & a quarter broad from Madrass, Fifteen Thousand	15,000
Ditto N ^o . 2. Ten thousand	10,000
Ditto Ordinary, from Fort S ^t . Davids, N ^o . 1. Fifteen Thousand	15,000

	Peices.
Ditto N ^o . 2. Five Thousand	5,000
Salempores from Vizagapatam and Ganjam Thirty two Covids long and full two Covids and a quarter broad N ^o . 1. six thousand	6,000
Ditto N ^o . 2. Four thousand	4,000
Ditto Ingeram N ^o . 1. Two Thousand } Ditto N ^o . 2. One Thousand }	3,000
Salémpores, Midling N ^o . 1. from Madrass Two Thousand	2,000
Ditto N ^o . 2. Two Thousand	2,000
Ditto Midling N ^o . 1. from Fort S ^t . Davids Two Thousand	2,000
Ditto N ^o . 2. One Thousand	1,000
Ditto Fine from Madrass N ^o . 1. Four Thousand ...	4,000
Ditto N ^o . 2. Four thousand	4,000
Ditto Fine from Vizagapatam N ^o . 1. One thousand ...	1,000
Ditto N ^o . 2. One Thousand	1,000
Ditto of Fine stripes, as the Policat Gingham, Five hundred	500
Ditto of superfine Madrapauck Five hundred ...	500
Moorees Fine, ten yards long, and bare one yard eight inches broad Two thousand	2,000
Ditto of yard wide for shirts six hundred	600
Ditto Ordinary, ten yards long, and bare one yard eight Inches broad, Three thousand	3,000

The Moorees both Fine and Ordinary that came this time were the worst that ever we had among the Fine ones many were five shillings worse than others, and the best not so good as they should be.

We Direct that the Moorees fine and Ordinary to be an inch less than Ell broad, for if they are full Ell, we pay duty for a peice of Callico for six yards, and if under Ell, ten yards makes a Callico.

Salt Petre no more than what shall be demanded by the Captains over and above the Iron Kintlage they carry with them.

Red Wood as usual.

No Pepper. on any Terms.

Examind
LAUR^{rs}. LANE.

Sign'd by Order of the
Court of Directors,
THO: WOOLLEY
Sec^{ry}.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANTIZE & FOREIGN SILVER LYCENCED BY THE COMMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY TO BE LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP FORDWICH CAPTⁿ. RICHARD GOSFRIGHT CO^mAND^r. BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS (Viz^t).

Captⁿ. Richard Gosfright.

R G N ^o . 9 @ 20—12 Chests of Wine q ^t . 11 Dozen each ...	Value £ 120	—	—
R B— 1.2— 2 Chests of Wine q ^t . 11 Dozen each ...	D ^o . 20	—	—
R G— 1 @ 24—24 Chests of Ditto q ^t . D ^o . each ...	D ^o . 240	—	—
R B— 1 @ 3— 3 Chests of D ^o . q ^t . D ^o	30	—	—
R G— 1 @ 4— 4 Chests of Wine q ^t . D ^o	D ^o . 40	—	—
1 @ 3— 3 Chests of Wine q ^t . D ^o	D ^o . 30	—	—

	1—2	4—	3 Half Chests of Wine q ^t . 6 Doz ⁿ . each.	Value £	15	—	—
	1 @	4—	4 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Dozen each ...	D ^o .	40	—	—
F—		1.2—	2 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Dozen each...	D ^o .	20	—	—
		—	1 Chest of Wine q ^t . 12 Dozen each ...	D ^o .	10	—	—
R G—	1 @	5—	5 Cases q ^t . 10 Marvel Tables ...	D ^o .	25	—	—
		—	1 Esscritore Empty	D ^o .	10	—	—
		—	1 Case of Pictures	D ^o .	10	—	—
					£ 605	—	—

On the 5 ^p Cent & Indulgence.

Mr. Nathaniel Torriano.

G T—	1—1	Case of Apparrel	Value £	27	—	—
	2—3—2	Cases of Oyl & Seeds	D ^o .	6	—	—
	4—5—2	Chests of Wine q ^t . 10 Dozen each ...	D ^o .	20	—	—

Freight Free being for the Use of his son Mr. George Torriano Secretary at Fort St. George.

Cap^t. Richard Gosfright.

In Forreign Silver ^p Indulgence	£ 830
In Ditto for the Ships stock	480

Mr. Thomas Weston Essay Master.

T W	N ^o . 1 @	4—4 Chests of Wine 12 Dozen each ...	£ 40	—	—
	5 @	7—3 Half Chests of Wine q ^t . 6 Dozen each	15	—	—
	•	2—3—2 Chests of Beer q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ . each ...	9	—	—
		1—1 Chest of Apparrel	60	—	—
		3—1 Small Chest of Books	10	—	—
		2—1 Esscritore	15	—	—

Freight Free being for his Own Necessary Use in the Voyage.

Francis Porten Esq^r.

F P	1 @	3—3 Chests of Rough Corral Value	£ 355-: -:
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On which he has p^d. £ 14-4 for Freight & permission into the Compa^s. Treasury & has given bond pursuant to the Order of Court being Consign'd to James Macrae Esq^r. Govern^r. and Mr. George Torriano at Fort S^t. George.

Charles Boone Esq^r.

G M Pitt	1 @	3—3 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Dozen each ...	Value £ 30	—	—
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Freight Free being for the Use of George Morton Pitt Esq^r. at Fort S^t. George.

John Drummond Esq^r.

M Roach	N ^o . 1—1	Half Chests of Wine	Value £ 5	—	—
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Freight Free being for the Use of Maj^r. Roach at Fort S^t. George.

S^r. John Blunt Barro^t.

+Blunt	N ^o . 1—1	Chest of Wine q ^t . 10 Dozen each ...	Value £ 10	—	—
		2—1 Case of Apparrel	D ^o . 24-10	—	—

Freight Free being for the Use of his son at Fort S^t. George.

S^r. Charles Peers Kn^t.

C Peers N^o. 2—1 Case q^t. Hatts, Wiggs & Necessarys. Freight Free being for the Use of his son at Fort S^t. George.

EAST INDIA HOUSE 12th. Novemb^r. 1724.

EXAM^p. W^m. LEWES.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS & MERCHANDIZE & FORREIGN SILVER LYCENCED BY THE COMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY TO BE LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP MARLBOROUGH CAPTⁿ. RICH^d. MICKELFIELD COMAND^r. BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS (VIZ^r.)

Mr. John Saunderson.

SQ—1 Case q^t. Wearing apparel Value £ 24 — —
Freight Free being for the Use of his Son Mr. John Saunderson one of the Council at Fort S^t. Davids.

Mr. Judah Supino

DO No. 1 }
E—No. 1 } 4 Cases of Coral Beads Value £ 787-10-:
I—No. 1 }
IS No. 1 }
F

On which he has paid £ 15-15^{s. d.} for Freight & permission into the Compa^s. Treasury & has given bond Pursuant to the Order of Court & is Consign'd to the Govern^r. for the time being at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. John English.

R English —1 Chest of Beer q^t. 9 Dozⁿ. Value £ 3 — —
Freight Free being for the Use of his son Mr. Rich^d. English at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. Jacob Farnandes Nunes

NF N^o. 1—1 Box of Corral Beads Value £ 430: -: -:
2—1 Box of Rough Corral D^o. £ 214: -: -:

On which he has p^d. £ 17-3-3^{s. d.} for Freight & Permission into the Compa^s. Treasury & has given bond Pursuant to the Order of Court, being Consign'd to the Govern^r. for the Time being, & Mess^{rs}. Nath^l. Turner & Richard Higginson at Fort S^t. George

S^r. John Blunt Barro^t.

—1 Hogshead of Wine Freight Free being for the Use of his son at Fort S^t. George.

R M N ^o . 24 @ 39—	16 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ . each...	Value	£ 160	—	—
40 @ 45—	6 Half Chests of Wine q ^t . 6 Doz ⁿ . each.	D ^o .	30	—	—
46: 47—	2 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ . each.	D ^o .	20	—	—
1 @ 12—	12 Half Chests of Wine q ^t . 6 Doz ⁿ . each.	D ^o .	60	—	—
	1— 1 Half Chest of Wine q ^t . 8 Doz ⁿ	D ^o .	5	—	—
R H 1	2— 2 Half Chests of Wine q ^t . 8 Doz ⁿ . each.	D ^o .	10	—	—
F K	1— 1 Half Chest of Wine q ^t . 6 Doz ⁿ	D ^o .	5	—	—
R M 1 @	5— 5 Cases of Looking Glasses—Value	...	80	: - : - :	
	1 — 2— 2 Cases of Cutlary Ware—	D ^o .	50	: - : - :	
	1 @ 10—	10 Cases of Felt Hatts—	D ^o .	100	: - : - :
	11 @ 17—	7 Cases of Caster Hatts—	D ^o .	80	: - : - :
1 1/2 B N ^o . 1 @	3— 3 Barrils of Cochineal—	D ^o .	500	: - : - :	
	In Forreign Silver being with what Permitted him to ship				
	in Goods his full allowance by the Compa ^s . Indulgence—		£ 340	: - : - :	
	In Ditto for the ships stock		£ 48	: - : - :	

Mr. Samuel Martin, Chief Mate

SM N^o. 1 @ 10—10 Chests of Wine q^t. 12 Dozⁿ. each—Value. £ 100:--:--:
 1 @ 4—4 Chests of Beer q^t. 12 Dozⁿ. each— D^o. 18:--:--:
 On the 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent & Indulgence—

Mr. Isaac Salvadore.

IS—N^o. 1 @ 4—2 Boxes of Corral Beads Value ... £ 1194-10-
 2 Boxes of Rough Corral D^o. ... £ 430:-:-

On which he has paid £ 41-1-10 for Freight & Permission into the Comp^a. Treasury & h[a]s given bond Pursuant to the Order of Court & are Consign'd to the Govern^r. for the Time being & Mess^{rs}. Rich^d. Binion & Nath^l. Turner at Fort St. George

Mr. Will^m. Berresford, 2^d. Mate

WB N^o. 1 @ 7—7 Chests of Wine q^t. 12 Dozⁿ. each—Value... £ 70:--:--:
 8—1 Half Chest of Wine q^t. 6 Dozⁿ. D^o. ... £ 5:--:--:
 On the 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent & Indulgence

Mr. Abraham & Jacob Franco.

⊕ N^o. 1 @ 6—6 Chests of Rough Corral—Value £ 912-16-:
 7—1 Chest of Corral Beads D^o. £ 949- 9-8

On which they have p^d. £ 55-10-1 for Freight & Permission into the Compa^a. Treasury & has given bond Pursuant to the Order of Court and are Consign'd to the Govern^r. for the time being at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. Henry Newman

S & D N^o. 2 3—2 Cases of Printing Paper—
 4—1 Case q^t. a Printing Press &ca—
 5—1 Case q^t. Books
 B.W.P. 1 2—2 Chests of Beer q^t. 12 Dozⁿ. each—Value ... £ 9:--:--:
 3—1 Chest of Wine q^t. 6 Dozⁿ.— D^o. ... £ 5:--:--:
 4—1 Case of Spirrits &ca.—
 5—1 Case of Stores—
 6 @ 8—3 Portmantuas of Wearing apparel—

Freight Free being for the Use of the Protestant Missionaries for Propagating the Gospel at Tranquabar.

M^{rs}. Eliz^a. Brown

GW—1 2—2 Chests of Wine q^t. 12 Dozⁿ. each—Value ... £ 20:--:--:
 Freight Free being for the Use of M^r. George Williamson at Bengall.

Mr. William Tryon

AS N^o. 1—1 Trunk q^t. Wearing apparel—Value ... £ 70:--:--:
 Freight Free being for the Use of Cap^t. Alex^r. Tutherland at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. Joshua Vanneck

SP 1 Case q^t. Necessarys—Value ... £ 118:--:--:
 Freight Free being for the Use of M^r. Sam^l. Vando Putte at Fort S^t. George.

S^r. Charles Peers Kn^t.

C Peers N^o. 1 2—2 Chests of Beer q^t. 12 Dozⁿ. each—Value. £ 9:--:--:
 Freight Free being for the Use of his son a Factor at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. William Lindsey Surgeon

WL N^o. 1 @ 5—5 Small Casks q^t. 26 Dozⁿ. of Wine in
 Bottles Value £ 12:--:--:
 1 Small Box of Hatts Value 15:--:--:
 2 Boxes of Cutlary Ware—Value 20:--:--:

On which he has p^d. £ 7—4 for Freight into the Compa^s. Treasury the 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent being full—

Mr. Moses Demedina

M. D. N^o. 1—1 Case of Corral Beads Value £ 150:--:--:

On which he has p^d £ 3 for Freight & Permission into the Compa^s. Treasury & has given bond Pursuant to the Order of Court & is Consign'd to the Govern^r. for the Time being at Fort S^t. George.

EAST INDIA HOUSE 1st. Feb^r. 1724

Exam^d.

W^m. LEWES.

A MANIFEST OF GOODS MERCHANDIZE & FORREIGN SILVER LYCENCED BY THE COMITTEE OF SHIPPING OF THE COURT OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNITED EAST INDIA COMPANY TO BE LADEN ON BOARD THE SHIP LYNN CAPTⁿ. EDWARD ELLISTON COMAND^r. BY THE SEVERAL PERSONS AS FOLLOWS (VIZ^r).

Mr. John Spencer

TG N^o. 2—1 Box q^t. Perukes Value £^s 30:--:--:
 1—1 Box of Hatts— D^o. 7-15--:

Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. Joseph Gouldfinch a Writer at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. Nath^l. Toriano

GT N^o. 1 @ 4—4 Chests of Wine q^t. 12 Dozⁿ. each Value £ 40:--:--:

Freight Free being for the Use of his Son Mr. George Toriano at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. John Bapt^s. Meyer

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 CO SM 2 Small Boxes of Corral Beads Value £ 562-11--:

On which he has paid £ 11-5 for Freight & permission into the Companys Treasury & has given bond Pursuant to the Order of Court & is Consign'd to the Gov^r. for the time being and Mr. George Toriano at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. Gabriel Tahordin

PT N^o. 1 @ 3—3 Chests of Wine q^t. 12 Dozⁿ. each Value £ 30:--:--:
 4—1 Chest of Beer q^t. 12 Dozⁿ. D^o. 4-10:--:--:
 5—1 Case of Pickles D^o. 1-10:--:--:
 6—1 Cases of Apparrel D^o. 90--:--:--:

Freight Free being for the Use of his Brother Mr. Peter Tahordin at Fort S^t. Davids.

Ralph Ratcliff Esq^r.

CB N^o. 1 2—2 Chests of Beer q^t. 12 Dozⁿ. each Value £ 9:--:--:--:

Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. Cha^s. Barrington at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. Thomas Cook

RF N ^o . 1 @ 3—3	Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ . each	Value ...	£ 30-:-
4—1	Chest of Wearing Apparel	D ^o	70-:-
5—1	Box q ^t . 1 ^o W ^t . of Currants	D ^o	
6—1	Box of Glass Ware	D ^o	3-:-

Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. Randall Fowke one of the Council at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. John Turner

NT N ^o . 1 @ 6—6	Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ . each—Value...	£ 60-:-
7—2	Chests of Wearing apparel	D ^o ... 80-:-

Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. Nath^l. Turner 2^d in Council at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. Abraham & Jacob Franco.

SD N ^o . 7 8—	2 Chests q ^t . Rough Corral—Value ...	£ 263-10-
⊕ N ^o . 8—	} 2 Chests of Corral Beads— D ^o	£ 1,533- 6-
DD N ^o . 1—		

On which he has paid ^{s. d.} £ 41-4-6 for Freight & Permission into the Companys Treasury & has Given bond Pursuant to the Order of Court & are Consign[^td] to the Govern^r. for the time being at Fort S^t. George.

Edward Harrison Esq^r.

G M P N ^o . 1 @ 4 ...	4 Chests of Wine q ^t . 10 Doz ⁿ . each.	Value £ 40.
+ R 1-2 ...	2 Chests of Wine q ^t . 10 Doz ⁿ . each.	D ^o . 20.

Freight Free being for the use of George Morton Pitt Esq^r. and Maj^r. John Roach at Fort S^t. George.

Mr. Wood Smart.

WS N ^o . 1-2 ...	2 half Chests of Wine q ^t . 6 Doz ⁿ . each.	Value £ 10.
3 ...	1 Half Chest of Beer q ^t . 6 Doz ⁿ . each.	D ^o . 2-5.
1 ...	1 Chest of Apparel	D ^o . 12.
2 ...	1 Case of Cordials.	
3 ...	1 Case of Haberdashery.	
4 ...	1 Chest of Stores.	
5 ...	1 Cask of Cheese.	
6 ...	1 Half Chest of Beer.	
7 ...	1 Case of Pickles.	
	Freight Free.	

Cap^t. Edward Elliston.

EE N ^o . 1 @ 13 ...	13 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ . each.	Value £ 130.
AB 1 @ 4 ...	4 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ . each.	D ^o . 40.
WM 1 2 ...	2 Half Chests of Wine q ^t . 6 Doz ⁿ . each.	D ^o . 10.
1 2 ...	2 Casks of Cutlary Ware	D ^o . 10.
3 ...	1 Case of Ditto	D ^o . 20.
1 @ 10 ...	10 Cases of Looking Glasses	D ^o . 100.
1 @ 3 ...	3 Boxes of Hatts	D ^o . 12.
3 ...	1 Case of Cutlary Ware	D ^o . 11.
4 ...	1 Case of Glasses	D ^o . 3.
1 2 ...	2 Cases of Paper	D ^o . 80.
1 ...	1 Case of Cards	D ^o . 5.

E E 1 @ 11	...	11 Cases of Sword Blades	...	Value £ 100.
1. 2	...	2 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ . each.	D ^o .	20.
3. 4	...	2 Half Chests of Wine 6 Doz ⁿ . each.	D ^o .	10.
F E	...	1 Half Chest of Wine q ^t . 6 Doz ⁿ . each.	D ^o .	5.
R Binion	...	1 Half Chest of Wine q ^t . 6 Doz ⁿ . each.	D ^o .	5.
M G P	...	6 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ . each.	D ^o .	60.
				571

In Forreign Silver being with what Permitted him to ship in Goods his full allowance by the Compa ^s Indulgence.	780
In Ditto for the ships Stock	450

Mr. Robert Berriman Passinger.

R B	...	3 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ . each	...	Value £ 30.
		1 Chest of Stationary Ware	...	D ^o . 15.
		1 Box q ^t . 3 Doz ⁿ . of Hatts	...	D ^o . 16.
		1 Box of Looking Glasses	...	D ^o . 12.
		2 Cask of Corks	...	D ^o . 5.
		1 Case of Pickles	...	—
		3 Hampers q ^t . 3 Doz ⁿ . of Wine each.	D ^o .	9.
		2 D ^o . 8 D ^o . each.	D ^o .	4-10.
		3 Hampers of Ale q ^t . 4 Doz ⁿ . each	...	D ^o . 4-10.
Freight Free.				

Mr. Christp^r. Fullagar.

1 Chest of Wine q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ.	...	Value £ 4-10.
Freight Free being for the Use of Mr. John Fullagar at Fort S ^t . George.		

Mr. George Tempest Passinger.

G T N ^o . 1 @ 6	{	4 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ . each	...	Value £ 40.
		2 Chests of Wine q ^t . 6 Doz ⁿ . each	...	D ^o . 10.
1. 2	...	1 Chest of Beer q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ . each	...	D ^o . 4-10.
		1 Chest of Beer q ^t . 6 Doz ⁿ . each	...	D ^o . 2-5.
1. 2	...	1 Case and one Box of Pickles	...	D ^o . 1.
3. 4	...	2 Cases Oyle & Lime Juice	...	D ^o . 1.
5. 6	...	1 Box of Soap & 1 Rundlet of Brandy.	D ^o .	2-10.
7	...	1 Box of Looking Glasses	...	D ^o . 1.
A B	...	1 Box of Hatts & 1 Box of Whips	...	D ^o . 30.
8 9	...	2 Boxes of Sugar	...	D ^o . 3-10.
10: 11	—	1 Box of Glasses & 1 Box of Pipes	...	D ^o . 1.
12: 13	—	1 Box of Tobacco & 1 Case of Brandy	...	D ^o . 3.
14	—	1 Burow of Apparrel	...	D ^o . 10.
15	—	1 Case q ^t . 2 Sadles	...	D ^o . 4.
16	—	1 Box of Books	...	D ^o . 6.
		—1 Chest of Apparrel	...	D ^o . 20.
		—2 Hampers of Wine	...	D ^o . 3-10.

Freight Free.

Mr. William Monson Factor.

W M N ^o .	1—	1 Chest of Wine q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ.	...	Value £ 10
		2 Half Chests of Wine q ^t . 6 Doz ⁿ . each	...	D ^o . 10
		2 Jarrs & 1 Barrill of Sugar	...	D ^o . —

1 Scrutore	Value
1 Chest q ^t . Wearing Apparel	D ^o . 97
1 Cheese.	
1 Case of Spirrits.	
1 Empty Case.	
1 Box of Powder.	
1 Chest of Beer	Value 4-10
1 Case of Pickles.	

Freight Free

M^r. Humphry Bell.

I 4 S	1 Box q ^t . 6 Rheams of Paper	Value £ 12
	1 Case q ^t . 2 Fowling Peices	D ^o . 5
	1 Box q ^t . 2 Hatts & 2 Wiggs	D ^o . 12

Freight Free being for the Use of M^r. John Stark a Free merchant at Fort S^t. George.

EAST INDIA HOUSE 1st Feb^r. 1724

Exam^d. with another sheet

W^m. LEWES

Ship Lynn M^r. George Ramsey Passinger.

G R N ^o .	1 @ 3—3 Chests of Wine q ^t . 12 Doz ⁿ . each ...	Value £ 30
	4—1 Half Chest of Wine q ^t . 6 Doz ⁿ	D ^o . 5

Freight Free.

EAST INDIA HOUSE 1st. Feb^r. 1724.

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W^m: LEWES

ACCOUNT OF CORAL LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ON BOARD THE FORDWICH FORT S^t.
GEORGE TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS.

Fran^o. Porten Esq Aldⁿ. 3 Chests Market F. P. cont^a. Rough Coral Value
£ 355.

ACCOMPT OF BULLION & CORAL LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ON THE MARLBOROUGH BY THE
FOLLOWING PERSONS FOR FORT S^t. GEORGE TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS.

	Ounces
By William Wildbore 1 Chest Market LW Cont ^a	2,000
John Barnard Esq ^r . 1 Ditto & N ^o . 1	3,000
Abr ^a . Mendes Sen ^r . 2 Ditto AMDS N ^o . 1. 2	5,500
Isaac Ximenes— 1 Ditto IX N ^o . 3	1,000
Abr ^a . Franks 2 Ditto AF N ^o . 2. 3	9,627
Mo: Hen: Julian Jun ^r . 1 Ditto ALS N ^o . 1 }	8,000
Ditto 1 Ditto ADC N ^o . 3 }	
	<u>Ounces 29,127</u>

By Jac ^o . Fern ^o . Nunes 1 Chest Markt NF N ^o . 1 q ^t . Coral Beeds } Val £ 644 - -	
1 Ditto A.F. 2 q ^t . Rough Coral	
Mo ^o : de Medina 1 Box MD N ^o . 1 q ^t . Coral Beeds	Val £ 150 - -
Isaac Salvador 2 D ^o . I S { N ^o . 1 @ 4 Coral Beeds } ... Val £1,624-10 -	
Ditto 2 Chests I S { . . . Rough D ^o . }	

Judah Supino	1 Case	DO N ^o . 1	} q ^t . Coral Beeds	... Val	787 10 -
	1 D ^o .	I N ^o . 1			
	1 D ^o .	E N ^o . 1			
	1 D ^o .	IFS N ^o . 1			
Abr ^a . & Jacob Franco	6 Chests	⊕ N ^o . 1 @ 6 Rough Coral	}	Val	1,862 5 8
	1 D ^o .	⊕ N ^o . 7 Coral Beeds			
					<u>£5,068 5 8</u>

ACCOMPT OF BULLION & CORAL LICENCED TO BE SHIPT ON THE LYNN BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS TO PURCHASE DIAMONDS VIZ^t.

By Abr ^a . Mendes Sen ^r .	2 Chests Markt	SMDS N ^o . 1,	Ounces
2 cont ^a.	...	...	5,500
Abr ^a . Franks	1 D ^o .	AF N ^o . 1	4,000
Mo: Hen ^r : Julian Jun ^r .	2 D ^o .	ADC N ^o . 1. 2	8,000

Ounces ... 17,500

By Abr ^a . & Jac ^o . Franco	2 Chests Markt	} Val £ 1,797 4 -
	SD N ^o . 7.8 q ^t . Rough Coral	
	1 D ^o . F N ^o . 8 q ^t . Coral Beeds	
	1 D ^o . DD N ^o . 1 q ^t . D ^o .	} Val £ 562 11 -
Jon Bapt ^a . Mayer	1 Box SC N ^o . 1 q ^t . Coral Beeds	
	1 D ^o . MC N ^o . 2 q ^t . D ^o .	

£ 2,359 15 -

A LIST OF SOLDIERS SHIP'D ON BOARD THE SHIP FORDWICH CAPT^m. RICHARD GOSFRIGHT COMAND^r.

		Countrys	Trades.	Age.
Thomas Ackenhead.	Souldier.	of North	Glass	20
		Brittain	Pollisher.	
Ezekiell Miles	...	Surry	...	27
William Berry	...	D ^o . London	Lobourer	35
Edward Forman	...	D ^o . Lincolnshire	Butcher	33
Thomas Bromwell.	...	D ^o . London	Soldier	26
William Evans	...	D ^o . Derbeighshire.	Labourer	31
John Young	...	D ^o . Northbrittain.	Caulker	28
Sam ^l . Parr.	...	D ^o . Lincolnshire.	Weaver	21
Charles Woodland.	...	D ^o . London	...	27
W ^m . Thorogood Southby.	...	D ^o . Cornhill	Goldsmith	35
Daniel Smith	...	D ^o . North brittain.	Soldier	24
George Smith	...	D ^o . London	Waterman.	25

EAST INDIA HOUSE 12 Novemb^r. 1724.

Exam^d.

W^m. LEWES.

A LIST OF SOLDIERS SHIP'D ON BOARD THE MARLBOROUGH CAPTⁿ. RICH^d. MICKELFIELD
CO^mD^r.

John Carter.	...	Souldier	of London.	Staymaker.	21
Andrew Burnett	...	Ditto.	North Brittain.	Surgeon.	22
Henry Blunt	...	D ^o .	London.	...	22
Michael Wyatt	...	D ^o .	D ^o.	...	23
Robert Winn	...	D ^o .	D ^o .	Cordwainer.	19
John Goodshalk	...	D ^o .	Prushia.	Sould ^r .	26
Jacob Mills	...	D ^o .	London.	Weaver.	30
Peter Graham	...	D ^o .	North Brittain.	...	20
Christopher Ludawick	...	D ^o .	Saxony.	Sold ^r .	28
Lawrance Steel	...	D ^o .	London.	Husbandman.	43
Patrick Kelly	...	D ^o .	Ireland.	Weaver.	21

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W^m. LEWES.

A LIST OF SOLDIERS SHIP'D ON BOARD THE LYNN CAPTⁿ. EDWARD ELLISON
CO^mAND^r. (VIZ^r.)

William Robinson	...	Soldier.	North Brittain.	...	22
Andrew Scott	...	Ditto.	Ditto.	...	22
Cha ^s . Slay	...	D ^o .	London.	...	24
William Mott	...	D ^o .	Essex.	Woolcomber.	36
Nath ^l . Henchman	...	D ^o .	London	...	27
Edward Vaux	...	D ^o .	Wales.	Waterman.	30
Edw ^d . Pharough	...	D ^o .	York.	Sold ^r .	32
Thomas Turner	...	D ^o .	Wales.	...	26
Henry Hertford	...	D ^o .	Liestershire.	Weaver.	25
Peter Blair	...	D ^o .	North brittain.	...	27
John Goulding	...	D ^o .	London.	...	26

EAST INDIA HOUSE 1st. Feb^r. 1724.

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BOND ENTRED INTO BY ALL PERSONS LYCENCED TO SEND OUT SILVER TO PURCHASE
DYAMONDS.

Know all Men by these Presents, That held and firmly bound unto
The United Company of Merchants of *England*, Trading to the *East-Indies*, in the
Sum of
Pounds of Lawful Money of Great Britain, to be paid unto the said United Company,
or their Certain Attorney or Successors: To which Payment well and truly to be made
bind
Heirs, Executors, and Administrators firmly by these Presents. Sealed with
Seal. Dated the Day of *in the Year of our*
Lord and in the *Year*
of the Reign of our Sovereign by the Grace of
GOD of Great Britain, France, and Ireland,
Defender of the Faith, &c.

WHEREAS the Court of Directors of the above-named United Company of
Merchants of England, Trading to the East-Indies, have at the special Instance
and Request of the above-bounden

Licenced and Permitted the said
to send on the Ship Captain Commander
in the *East-Indies*, there to be invested, and Returns made in Diamonds or
Diamond Boart only, and in no other Goods whatsoever, in the manner herein
after exprest. Now THE CONDITION of the Obligation is such, That if the said
Executors,
Administrators, or Assigns, do and shall Consign the said
of to the President
other Person or Persons shall think fit, and do allow the Said President Two
Pounds Ten Shillings *per cent.* Commission for the same, and do pay or cause
to be paid the Duties usually payable on
at aforesaid, on Importation
there, and if the said the
said Executors, Administrators,
or Assigns, or Agents or Attorneys, do lay out and expend or
employ the said Adventure and every part thereof, in Diamonds or Diamond
Boart only, and not at Interest, or any other Trade whatsoever, and if such
Diamonds or Diamond Boart shall within Twelve Months after the Sale of the
said at be put on Board or Loaden on one or more
Ship or Ships, employ'd in the Service of the said *United Company*, and bound
for *London*, and if Oath shall be made before the said President of the real Cost
of the said Diamonds or Diamond Boart before the Shipping or Loading thereof,
and if the said Diamonds or Diamond Boart be brought in the Treasury of the said
United Company, in order to be Sold as the the said *Company's* Candle (the Danger
of the Seas, and other unavoidable Accidents excepted) then this Obligation to be
void and of none effect, or else to remain and be in full force and virtue.,

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together with any other Person or Persons shall think fit, and do allow the said President Two Pounds Ten Shillings *per cent.* Commission for the same, and do pay or cause to be paid the Duties usually payable on _____ at _____ the said aforesaid, on Importation there, and if _____

Executors, Administrators, or Assigns, or _____ Agents or Attorneys, do lay out and expend or employ the said Adventure and every part thereof, in Diamonds or Diamond Board only, and not at Interest, or any other Trade whatsoever, and if such Diamonds or Diamond Board shall within Eighteen Months after the Arrival of the said Ship, the _____ at _____ be put on Board or Loaden on one or more Ship or Ships, employ'd in the Service of the said *United Company*, and bound for *London*, and if Oath shall be made before the said President of the real Cost of the said Diamonds or Diamond Board before the Shipping or Loading thereof, and if the said Diamonds or Diamond Board be brought into the Treasury of the said *United Company*, in order to be sold at the said *Company's* Candle (the Danger of the Seas and other unavoidable Accidents excepted) then this Obligation to be void and of none effect, or else to remain and be in full force and virtue.

ACT OF PARLIAMENT RELATING TO PYBATES.

ANNO REGNI

GEORGII

REGIS

Magna Britannia, Francia, & Hibernia.

SEXTO.

At the Parliament Begun and Holden at *Westminster*, the Seventeenth Day of *March*, *Anno Dom.* 1714. In the First year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE, by the Grace of God, of *Great Britain, France, and Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c.

And from thence Continued by several Prorogations to the Twenty third Day of *November*, 1719. being the Fifth Session of the Present Parliament.

LONDON.

Printed by *John Baskett*, Printer to the Kings most Excellent Majesty, And by the Assigns of *Thomas Newcomb*, and *Henry Hills* deceas'd 1720.

ANNO SEXTO

GEORGII REGIS.

An Act for making Perpetual so much of an Act made in the Tenth Year of the Reign of Queen *Anne*, for the Reviving and Continuing several Acts therein mentioned, as relates to the Building and Repairing County Goals; And also an Act of the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of the Reign of King *William* the Third, for the more effectual Suppression of Piracy; And for making more effectual the Act of the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of King *Charles* the Second, Intituled, *An Act for Establishing Articles and Orders for the Regulating and better Government of His Majesties Ships of War and Forces by Sea.*

WHEREAS IN AN ACT MADE IN THE TENTH YEAR OF THE REIGN OF QUEEN ANNE, [INTITULED, An Act for the Reviving and Continuing several Acts therein mentioned, For the preventing of Mischiefs which may happen by Fire; for Building and Repairing County Goals; For Exempting of Apothecaries from Serving Parish and Ward Offices, and Serving Upon Juries; and relating to the Returning of Jurors] there is a Clause relating to the Building and Repairing County Goals,

which by Experience has been found very useful and beneficial to the Publick, and will expire at the End of this present Session of Parliament; Be it therefore Enacted by the Kings most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons in this present Parliament Assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That so much of the said Act made in the Tenth Year of the Reign of Queen *Anne* as relates to the Building and Repairing County Goals, shall be, and is hereby made Perpetual.

And whereas Vagrants and other Criminals, Offenders, and Persons charged with small Offences, are for such Offences, or for want of Sureties, to be committed to the County Goal, it being adjudged that by Law the Justices of the Peace cannot commit them to any other Prison for safe Custody, which by Experience hath been found to be very prejudicial and expensive; Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful, to and for the Justices of the Peace, within their respective Jurisdictions, to commit such Vagrants, and other Criminals, Offenders, Person and Persons, either to the Common Goal or house of Correction, as they in their Judgment shall think proper; Any Law, Custom, or Usage to the contrary notwithstanding.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Act made in the Eleventh and Twelfth Years of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* the Third [Intituled, An Act for the more effectual Suppression of Piracy] shall be and is hereby made Perpetual.

And Whereas by an Act made in the Sessions of Parliament held in the Thirteenth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King *Charles* the Second [Intituled, An Act for Establishing Articles and Orders for the Regulating and better Government of His Majesties Ships of War and Forces by Sea] Provision is made for the Tryal of Persons belonging to his Majesties Ships or Vessels of War, who shall be guilty of any Crimes or Offences, mentioned in the several and respective Articles in the same Act contained, which shall be done upon the main Sea, or in the Ships or Vessels lying or hovering in the main Stream of Great Rivers only, beneath the Bridges of the same Rivers, nigh to the Sea, within the Jurisdiction of the Admiralty, and in no other Places whatsoever; But no provision is by the said Act made for the Tryal and Punishment of such Persons who shall be guilty of any of the Crimes or Offences mentioned in the said Articles, in case the same be committed upon the Shore in Foreign Parts; for Remedy whereof, Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons, who, from and after the first Day of *January* One thousand seven hundred and twenty, shall be in actual Service and Pay in his Majesties fleet, or Ships, or Vessels of War, shall commit any of the said Crimes or Offences mentioned in the said Articles, upon the Shore in any foreign Part or Parts, the Person or Persons so offending, shall be, and is hereby declared to be subject and liable to be tryed and punished for the same, in the same manner, to all Intents and Purposes, as if the said Crime or Crimes, Offence or Offences, had been actually committed or done upon the main Sea, or on Board any of His Majesties Ships or Vessels of War.

FINIS

ANNO REGNI

GULIELMI III.

REGIS

Anglia, Scotia, Francia & Hibernia,
Undecimo & Duodecimo.

At the Parliament begun at *Westminster* the Four and twentieth Day of *August*, Anno Dom, 1698. In the Tenth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord *William* the Third, by the Grace of God, of *England, Scotland, France and Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c.

And from thence Continued by several Prorogations, and Adjournments to the Sixteenth Day of *November*, 1699, being the Second Session of this present Parliament.

LONDON,

Printed by *Charles Bill*, and the Executrix of *Thomas Newcomb*, decess'd Printers to the Kings most Excellent Majesty 1700.

ANNO UNDECIMO & DUODECIMO

GULIELMI III. REGIS.

AN ACT FOR THE MORE EFFECTUAL SUPPRESSION OF PIRACY.

Whereas by an Act of Parliament made in the Twenty eighth Year of the Reign of King *Henry* the Eighth, it is Enacted, That Treasons, Felonies, Robberies, Murthers and Confederacies committed on the Sea; shall be enquired of, tried, and determined according to the common Course of the Laws of this Land used for such Offences upon the Land within this Realm; Whereupon the Tryal of those Offenders before the Admiral, or his Lieutenant, or his Commissary hath been altogether disused: And Whereas that since the making of the said Act, and especially of late Years, it hath been found by experience, That Persons committing Piracies, Robberies and Felonies on the Seas, in or near the East and West *Indies*, and in Places very remote, cannot be brought to Condign Punishment without great Trouble and Charges in sending them into *England* to be Tryed within the Realm, as the said Statute directs, insomuch that many Idle and Profligate Persons have been thereby encouraged to turn Pirates, and betake themselves to that sort of Wicked Life, trusting that they shall not, or at least cannot easily be questioned for such their Piracies and Robberies, by reason of the great Trouble and Expence that will necessarily fall upon such as shall attempt to Apprehend and Prosecute them for the same: And Whereas the Numbers of them are of late very much increased, and their Insolencies so great, that unless some speedy Remedy be provided to Suppress them, by a strict and more easie Way for putting the ancient Laws in that behalf in execution, the Trade and Navigation into remote Parts will very much suffer thereby; Be it therefore Declared and Enacted by the Kings most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons in this present Parliament Assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That all Piracies, Felonies and Robberies Committed in or upon the Sea, or in any Haven, River, Creek or Place, where the Admiral or Admirals have Power, Authority or Jurisdiction, may be Examined, Inquired of, Tryed, heard and Determined, and Adjudged, according to the Directions of this Act, in any Place at Sea, or upon the Land in any of his Majesties Islands, Plantations, Colonies, Dominions, Forts of Factories, to be Appointed for that purpose by the Kings Commission or Commissions under the Great Seal of *England*, or the Seal of the Admiralty of *England*, directed to all or any of the Admirals, Vice-Admirals, Rear-Admirals, Judges of Vice-Admiralties, or Commanders of any of His Majesties Ships of War, and also to all or any such Person or Persons, Officer or Officers by Name, or for the time being, as His Majesty shall think fit to appoint; Which said Commissioners shall have full Power joyntly or severally, by Warrant under the Hand and Seal of them, or any one of them, to commit to safe Custody any Person or Persons, against whom Information of Piracy, Robbery or Felony upon the Sea, shall be given upon Oath (which Oath they or any one of them shall have full Power, and are hereby required to Administer) and to call and assemble a Court of Admiralty on Shipboard, or upon the Land, when and as often as occasion shall require; which Court shall consist of Seven Persons at the least.

And if so many of the Persons aforesaid cannot conveniently be Assembled, Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That any Three of the aforesaid Persons (whereof the President or Chief of some *English* Factory, or the Governour, Lieutenant Governour, or Member of His Majesties Councils in any of the Plantations or Colonies aforesaid, or Commander of one of His Majesties Ships, is always to be one) shall have full Power and Authority, by Virtue of this Act, to Call and Assemble any other Persons on Ship-board, or upon the Land, to make up the Number of Seven.

Provided that no Persons but such as are known Merchants, Factors or Planters, or such as are Captains, Lieutenants, or Warrant Officers in any of His Majesties Ships of War, or Captains, Masters or Mates of of some *English* Ship, shall be Capable of being so Called, and Sitting and Voting in the said Court.

And be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That such Persons Called and Assembled, as aforesaid, shall have full Power and Authority according to the Course of the Admiralty, to Issue Warrants for bringing any Persons Accused of Piracy or Robbery before them to be Tried, Heard and Adjudged ; and to Summon Witnesses, and to take Informations and Examinations of Witnesses, upon their Oath ; and to do all things necessary for the hearing and final Determination of any Case of Piracy, Robbery and Felony ; and to give Sentence and Judgment of Death ; and to Award Execution of the Offenders Convicted and Attainted, as aforesaid, according to the Civil Law, and the Methods and Rules of the Admiralty ; And that all and every Person and Persons so Convicted and Attainted of Piracy or Robbery, shall have and suffer such Losses of Lands, Goods and Chattels, as if they had been Attainted and Convicted of any Piracies, Felonies and Robberies according to the aforementioned Statute, made in the Reign of King *Henry* the Eighth.

Provided always, and be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That so soon as any Court shall be Assembled, as aforesaid, either on Ship-board, or upon the Land, the Kings Commission shall first be openly Read, and the said Court then and there shall be Solemnly and Publicly Called and Proclaimed ; and then the President of the Court shall in the first Place, Publicly in Open Court, take the following Oath, viz.

I A. B. Do Swear in the Presence of Almighty God, that I will Truly and Impartially Try, and Adjudge the Prisoner or Prisoners which shall be Brought upon his or their Tryals before this Court, and Honestly and Duly on my Part put His Majesties Commission for the Trying of them in Execution, according to the best of my Skill and Knowledge : And that I have no Interest, Directly or Indirectly, in any Ship or Goods, for the Piratically taking of which any Person stands Accused, and is now to be Tried :

So help me God.

And he having taken the Oath in manner aforesaid, shall immediately Administer the same Oath to every Person who shall Sit, and have and give a Voice in the said Court upon the Tryal of such Prisoner or Prisoners, as aforesaid ; and immediately thereupon the said Prisoner or Prisoners shall be formally brought before them ; and then the Register of the said Court shall openly and distinctly Read the Articles against such Prisoner or Prisoners, upon which they or any of them is or are to be Tried ; Wherein shall be set forth the particular fact or facts of Piracy, Robbery and Felony, With the Time and Place when and where, and in what manner it was committed ; And then each Prisoner shall be asked, Whether he be Guilty of the said Piracy and Robbery, or Felony, or not Guilty : Whereupon every such Prisoner shall immediately Plead thereunto, Guilty or not Guilty, or else it shall be taken as Confessed ; And he shall suffer such Pains of Death, Loss of Lands, Goods and Chattels, and in like manner as if he or they had been Attainted or Convicted upon the Oath of Witnesses, or his own Confession ; But if any Prisoner shall Plead not Guilty, Witnesses shall be pro-

duced by the Register, and duly Sworn and Examined openly, *vice versa*, in the Prisoners Presence; And after a Witness hath answered all the Questions proposed by the President of the Court, and given his Evidence, it shall and may be Lawful for the Prisoner to have the Witness cross-examined, by first declaring to the Court what Questions he would have asked, and thereupon the President or the Court shall Interrogate the Witness accordingly; And every Prisoner shall have liberty to bring Witnesses for his Defence, who shall be Sworn, and examined upon Oath, as the Witnesses were that Testified against him; and afterwards the Prisoner shall be fairly heard what he can say for himself; all which being done, the Prisoner shall be taken away and kept in safe Custody, and all other Persons, except the Register, shall withdraw from the said Court; and then the Court shall Consider of the Evidence which hath been given, and Debate the Matters and Circumstances of the Prisoners Case; and the President of the Court shall Collect all the Votes of the Persons who do Sit and have Voices in the said Court, beginning at the junior first, and ending with himself; and according to the Plurality of Voices Sentence and Judgment shall be then given and pronounced Publickly in the presence of the Prisoner or Prisoners, being called in again, and according to such Sentence and Judgment the Person or Persons Attained shall be Executed and put to Death, at such time, in such manner, and in such place upon the Sea, or within the Ebbing or Flowing thereof, as the President or the major part of the Court, by Warrant directed to a Provost Marshal (which the President or said major part shall have power to Constitute) shall appoint.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That some Person, being a Publick Notary, shall be Register of the Court; and in Case of his Absence, Death or Incapacity, or for want of a Person so qualified, the President of the Court shall and may appoint a Register, giving him an Oath, which he is hereby Impowred to Administer, Duly, faithfully and Impartially to Execute his Office; which Register shall prepare all Warrants and Articles, and take care to provide all things requisite for any Tryal, according to the Substantial and Essential parts of Proceedings in a Court of Admiralty, in the most Summary way; and shall take Minutes of the whole Proceedings, and Enter them duly in a Book by him to be kept for that purpose; and shall from time to time as opportunity offers, Transmit the same, with the Copies of all Articles and Judgments given in any such Cases, in any Court whereof he shall be Register, unto the High Court of Admiralty of *England*.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any of His Majesties Natural born Subjects or Denizons of this Kingdom, shall Commit any Piracy or Robbery, or any act of Hostility against others His Majesties Subjects upon the Sea, under Colour of any Commission from any Foreign Prince or State, or pretence of Authority from any Person Whatsoever, such Offendor and Offenders, and every of them, shall be deemed, adjudged and taken to be Pirates, Felons and Robbers; and they and every of them being duly Convicted thereof, according to this Act, or the aforesaid Statute of King *Henry* the Eighth, shall have and suffer such Pains of Death, Loss of Lands, Goods and Chattels, as Pirates, Felons and Robbers upon the Seas ought to have and suffer.

And be it further Enacted, That if any Commander or Master of any Ship, or any Seaman or Mariner, shall, in any place where the Admiral hath Jurisdiction, betray his Trust, and turn Pirate, Enemy or Rebel, and Piratically and Feloniously Run away with his or their Ship or Ships, or any Barge, Boat, Ordnance, Ammunition, Goods or Merchandizes, or yield them up Voluntarily to any Pirate, or shall bring any seducing Messages from any Pirate, Enemy or Rebel, or Consult, Combine or Confederate with, or Attempt or Endeavour to Corrupt any Commander, Master, Officer or Mariner to Yield up or Run away with any Ship, Goods or Merchandizes, or turn Pirate, or go over to Pirates, or if any Person shall lay Violent hands on his Commander, Whereby to hinder him from fighting in Defence of his Ship and Goods Committed to his Trust, or that shall Confine his Master, or make, or endeavour to make a Revolt in the Ship,

shall be Adjudged, deemed and taken to be a Pirate, Felon and Robber, and being Convicted thereof, according to the Directions of this Act, shall have and suffer Pains of Death, Losses of Lands, Goods and Chattels, as Pirates, Felons and Robbers upon the Seas ought to have and suffer.

And Whereas several Evil-disposed Persons in the Plantations and elsewhere, have Contributed very much towards the Encrease and Encouragement of Pirates, by Setting them forth, and by Aiding, Abetting, Receiving and Concealing them and their Goods, and there being some Defects in the Laws for bringing such Evil-disposed Persons to Condign Punishment, Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every Person and Persons whatsoever, who, after the Twenty ninth Day of *September*, in the Year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred, shall either on the Land or upon the Seas, wittingly or knowingly set forth any Pirate, or Aid and Assist, or Maintain, Procure, Command, Counsel or Advise any Person or Persons whatsoever, to do or commit any Piracies or Robberies upon the Seas, and such Person and Persons shall thereupon do or commit any such Piracy or Robbery, then all and every such Person or Persons whatsoever so, as aforesaid, setting forth any Pirate, or Aiding, Assisting, Maintaining, Procuring, Commanding, Counselling or Advising the same, either on the Land or upon the Sea, shall be and are hereby declared and shall be deemed and adjudged to be Accessary to such Piracy and Robbery done and Committed; And further, That after any Piracy or Robbery is or shall be committed by any Pirate or Robber whatsoever, every Person and Persons who, knowing that such Pirate or Robber has done or committed, such Piracy and Robbery, shall on the Land or upon the Sea, Receive, Entertain or Conceal any such Pirate or Robber, or receive or take into his Custody any Ship, Vessel, Goods or Chattels, which have been by any such Pirate or Robber Piratically and feloniously taken, shall be and are hereby likewise declared, deemed and adjudged to be Accessary to such Piracy and Robbery; And that after the said Nine and Twentieth Day of *September*, all such Accessaries to such Piracies and Robberies, shall and may be Enquired of, Tried, Heard, Determined and Adjudged after the common Course of the Laws of this Land, according to the said Statute made in the Twenty eighth Year of King *Henry* the Eighth, as the Principals of such Piracies and Robberies may and ought to be, and no otherwise; and being thereupon Attainted shall suffer such Pains of Death, Losses of Lands, Goods and Chattels, and in like manner as the Principals of such Piracies, Robberies and Felonies ought to suffer, according to the said Statute of King *Henry* the Eighth, which is hereby declared to be and continue in full force; Any thing in this present Act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

And forasmuch as it will also conduce to the Suppressing of Robberies on the Sea, if due Encouragement be given, and Rewards allowed to such Commanders, Masters and other Officers, Seamen and Mariners, as shall either bravely Defend their own Ships, or take, seize, and destroy Pirates, Sea-Robbers and Enemies, Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That when any *English* Ship shall have been Defended against any Pirates, Enemies, or Sea-Robbers by fight, and brought to her designed Port, in which fight any of the Officers or Seamen shall have been killed or Wounded, it shall and may be lawful to and for the Judge of His Majesties High Court of Admiralty, or his Surrogate in the Port of *London*, or the Mayor, Bayliff or Chief Officer in the several Out-ports of this Kingdom, upon the Petition of the Master or Seamen of such Ship so Defended, as aforesaid, to call unto him four or more good and substantial Merchants, and such as are no Adventurers or Owners of the Ship or Goods so Defended, and have no manner of Interest therein, and by Advice with them to raise and levy upon the respective Adventurers and Owners of the Ship and Goods so Defended, by Process out of the said Court, such Sum or Sums of Money as himself and the said Merchants, by Plurality of Voices, shall determine and judge reasonable, not exceeding Two pounds *per Cent.* of the freight, and of the Ship and Goods so Defended, according to the first Costs of the Goods; Which

Sum or Sums of Money so Raised, shall be distributed among the Captain, Master, Officers and Seamen of the said Ship, or Widows and Children of the Slain, according to the Direction of the Judge of the said Court, or his Surrogate in the Port of *London*, or the Mayor, Bayliff or Chief Officer in the several Out-ports of this Kingdom, with the Approbation of the Merchants aforesaid; who shall proportion the same, according to their best Judgment, unto the Ships Company, as aforesaid, having special Regard unto the Widows and Children of such as shall have been Slain in that Service, and such as have been Wounded or Maimed.

And for the better and more effectual Prevention of Combinations and Confederacies, for the Running away with or Destroying of any Ship, Goods or Merchandizes, Be it further enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That a Reward of Ten Pounds for every Ship or Vessel of One hundred Tons or under, and fifteen Pounds for every Ship or Vessel of a greater Burden, shall be paid by the Captain, Commander or Master of every Ship or Vessel, wherein any such Combination or Confederacy shall be set on foot, for the Running away with or Destroying any such Ship, or the Goods and Merchandizes therein Laden, to such Person as shall first make a Discovery thereof, upon due Proof of such Combination or Confederacy; the same to be paid at the Port where the Wages of the Seamen of the said Ship are or ought to be paid, after such Discovery and Proof made.

Provided also, That this Act shall be in force for Seven Years, and to the End of the next Session of Parliament, after the Expiration of the said Seven Years, and no longer.

And for the more effectual Prosecution and Punishment of Piracies, Felonies and Robberies upon the Sea, and of all other Offences aforementioned; Be it Declared and Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That the Commissioners appointed, or to be appointed by the aforementioned Statute of King *Henry* the Eighth, or the Commissioners for Tryal of Pirates, appointed by this Act, shall from and after the said Nine and twentieth Day of *September*, One thousand Seven hundred, have the sole Power and Authority of Trying, Hearing and Determining the said Crimes and Offences, within all or any of the Colonies and Plantations in *America*, Governed by Proprietors, or under Grants or Charters from the Crown, and of bringing the Offenders to Condign Punishment; and shall and may issue forth their Warrant or Warrants for the Seizing and Apprehending of any Pirates, Felons or Robbers upon the Sea, or their Confederates or Accessories, being within any of the said Colonies and Plantations, in order to their being brought to Tryal within the same, or any other Plantation in *America*, according to this Act, or sent into *England* to be Tryed there; and that all and every Governour and Governors, Person and Persons in Authority in the said Colonies and Plantations, governed by Proprietors, or under Charters, as aforesaid, shall assist the Commissioners and their subordinate Officers in doing their Duty, and also in the Execution of such Warrants and otherwise, and shall deliver up to such Commissioner or Commissioners, Officer or Officers any Pirates, Felons and Robbers upon the Sea, and their Confederates and Accessories, in order to their being Tryed, or sent into *England*, as aforesaid; any Letters-Patents, Grants or Charters of Government, in and about the said Plantations, or other Usages heretofore had or made to the contrary notwithstanding.

And be it hereby further Declared and Enacted, That if any of the Governors in the said Plantations, or any Person or Persons in Authority there, shall refuse to yield Obedience to this Act, such refusal is hereby declared to be a forfeiture of all and every the Charters granted for the Government or Propriety of such Plantation.

Provided always, and be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That whensoever any Commission for the Tryal and Punishment of the Offences aforesaid, or any of them, shall be directed or sent to any place within the Jurisdiction of the Cinque-Ports, that then every such Commission shall be directed unto the Lord

Warden of the Cinque-Ports, for the time being, or to his Lieutenant, and unto such other Persons as the Lord High Chaucellor, or Keeper of the Great Seal of *England*, for the time being, or Commissioners for the Custody of the Great Seal, shall name and appoint; And likewise that every Inquisition and Tryall to be had by virtue of such Commission so directed and sent to any Place in the said Cinque-Ports, shall be made and had by the Inhabitants of the said Cinque-Ports, or the Members of the same; any thing in this Act to the contrary thereof notwithstanding.

And for the prevention of Seamen Deserting of Merchant Ships abroad in Parts beyond the Seas, which is the chief occasion of their turning Pirates, and of great detriment to Trade and Navigation in general; Be it Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all such Seamen, Officers or Saylor, who shall desert the Ships or Vessels wherein they are hired to serve for that Voyage, shall for such Offence forfeit all such Wages as shall be then due to him or them.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in case any Master of a Merchant Ship or Vessel, shall after the Nine and twentieth Day of *September*, One thousand and seven hundred, during his being abroad, force any Man on Shore, or wilfully leave him behind in any of his Majesties Plantations, or elsewhere, or shall refuse to bring home with him again all such of the Men which he carried out with him, as are in a Condition to return, when he shall be ready to proceed in his home ward-bound Voyage, every such Master shall, being thereof legally Convicted, suffer three Months Imprisonment without Bail or Mainprize.

FINIS.

Anno Regni

GEORGII

REGIS

Magna Britannia, Francia, & Hibernia,

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At the Parliament Begun and Holden at *Westminster*, the Ninth Day of *October*, Anno Dom. 1722. In the Ninth Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord GEORGE, by the Grace of God, of *Great Britain, France, and Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. being the First Session of this present Parliament.

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An Act to prevent His Majesty's Subjects from Subscribing, or being concerned in Encouraging or Promoting any Subscription for an *East-India* Company in the *Austrian Netherlands*; And for the better Securing the Lawful Trade of His Majesty's Subjects to and from the *East-Indies*.

Preamble.

Whereas several Acts and Statutes have been heretofore made and provided, by Parliament, for the securing to the United Company of Merchants of *England*, trading to the *East-Indies*, the sole Trade to and from the *East-Indies*, and other Places beyond the *Cape of Good Hope*, in the said Acts, some or one of them particularly mentioned and described, to the Intent that the *British* Nation might thereby have and enjoy the full fruits and Advantages of so beneficial a Trade; notwithstanding which Acts, and the Prohibitions, Injunctions, and Penalties contained therein, several evil-minded Persons (Subjects of His Majesty) preferring their own Lucre to the Good of their Native Country, have, not only in their private Capacities, secretly and illegally traded to and from the *East-Indies*, and with the Privates infesting those Seas, but have also openly, and in Defiance of the Laws of this Kingdom, under Foreign Commissions, fitted out and loaded many great and defensible Ships for Voyages to the *East-Indies*, and have corrupted several *British* Sailors to serve on board such Ships for Such Voyages, and of late, with Design totally to elude the good and wholesome Laws made to prevent such Practices, as aforesaid, have subscribed, contributed to, or promoted the raising, establishing, and carrying on a foreign Company, under a Foreign Charter, for carrying on an *East-India* Trade from the *Austrian Netherlands*, taking and providing for themselves Shares and Proportions in the Stock or Capital of Such Company, with Design to engage others of His Majesty's Subjects, as well as themselves, to be concerned in the same Undertaking, by which perfidious and unwarrantable Practices the Trade of this Kingdom is diverted, the Revenue diminished, and the Treasure thereof exhausted: To prevent therefore such wicked Practices, and more effectually to secure the said *East-India* Trade to His Majesty's Subjects for the future, according to the Laws now in being; Be it Enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the Advice and Consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the Authority of the same, That if, at any Time or Times from and after the four and twentieth day of *June*, in the Year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and twenty three, any Person or Persons whatsoever, Subject or Subjects of His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors, shall contribute or subscribe to, or encourage or promote the raising, establishing, or carrying on any Foreign Company, Society or Corporation, trading, trafficking, or adventuring, or hereafter to trade, traffick or adventure, from any Part or Parts of or in the *Austrian Netherlands*, in, to, or from the *East-Indies*, or Places aforesaid, or shall be interested or concerned in his, her, or their Name or Names, or in the Name or Names of any other Person or Persons whatsoever, or otherwise howsoever, in any Part or Share of or in the Capital, Principal Stock or Actions of any such Foreign Company, Society, or Corporation, as aforesaid, or shall make any Payments in Money, or by Bills of Exchange, Remittances, or otherwise, to, for, or towards the raising, supporting, sustaining, encouraging, or promoting such foreign Company, Society or Corporation, or the Trade or Traffick thereof, or shall subscribe, contribute to, encourage or promote the raising, establishing, or carrying on any other Foreign Company or Companies, hereafter to be raised, formed, or erected, for trading or dealing to the *East-Indies*, or Parts aforesaid, or shall become interested in, or entituled into any Share in the Stock or Capital of such last mentioned Company or Companies, every such Person and Persons, so offending, shall forfeit all his, her, and their Interest, Share, Proportion, and Concern in the Capital, Principal Stock or Actions of any such foreign Company, Society, or Corporation, as aforesaid, together with Treble the Value thereof; One Third Part thereof to the Use of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and the remaining Two Third Parts thereof to the Use of the said United Company, if they shall inform, sue, or prosecute for the same; or otherwise, One Third Part of such Two Thirds shall be to the Use of such Person or Persons, as shall inform or sue for the same, such Informer or Prosecutor first taking such Directions and Consent, as hereafter is mentioned for that purpose; and the said Penalties shall and may be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of His

After 24
June, 1723.
none of His
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scribe to, or
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Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, wherein no Essoign, Wager of Law, or Protection, shall be allowed, nor any more than One Imparlance.

Provided nevertheless, and it is hereby further Enacted and Declared by the Authority aforesaid, That it shall and may be lawful to and for His Majesty's Attorney General for the time being, of his own Authority, or at the Relation of the said United Company, and to and for the said United Company, to file or exhibit a Bill or Bills of Complaint in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery, or Court of Exchequer, against any Person or Persons, who shall have subscribed, contributed to, encouraged or promoted, or any Ways become interested or concerned in the raising, establishing, or carrying on any such foreign Company, Society, or Corporation, as aforesaid, or the Stock, Capital Trade, or Traffick thereof, for the Discovery of such his and their Offence, remitting or waving in every such Bill, the said forfeiture of the Treble Value of the Offender's Stock, Interest, Share, Proportion, and Concern in the Principal Stock or Actions of any such foreign Company, Society, or Corporation, and insisting only on the Single Value thereof; and thereupon such Person and Persons shall answer the said Bill or Bills, and not plead or demur to the Discovery thereby sought; and in such Case the Single Value only of such Interest, Share, Proportion, and Concern, shall be decreed to be paid by such Offender or Offenders, One Third Part whereof shall be yielded and paid to his Majesty, his Heirs and Successors, and the remaining Two Third Parts thereof to the Use of the said United Company.

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General how
to prosecute.

Provided also nevertheless, and it is hereby further Enacted and Declared by the Authority aforesaid, That if, before any Suit or Prosecution shall be commenced for the Recovery of the Penalties aforesaid, either by His Majesty's Attorney-General, or the said United Company, any common Informer or Informers shall go to the Court of Directors of the said United Company, and make known to them the Offence committed, and his or their Intentions to sue or prosecute for the same at Law, and if instead thereof the said Court of Directors shall elect to have the Suit or Prosecution brought or commenced by Bill or Bills of Complaint, to be filed or exhibited in His Majesty's said Courts of Chancery or Exchequer, then and in every such Case, there shall be yielded and paid to such common Informer or Informers, One Third Part of the remaining Two Third Parts of the Single Value of the said Interest and Concern, when recovered; but if the said Court of Directors shall elect to have the Suit or Prosecution commenced for the Penalties or forfeitures by Information or Action of Debt at Law, then the said Informer or Informers shall and may accordingly sue and prosecute for the same at Law, and the said Information or Action shall be proceeded upon, and shall not be discontinued or determined, but by and with the Consent of the said United Company, or their Court of Directors.

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secute, etc.

And for the more effectual Discovery of the Interest, Share, Proportion, or Concern of any of His Majesty's Subjects, of or in the Capital, Principal, or Stock of any such Foreign Company, Society, or Corporation, as aforesaid, It is hereby further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons, Subject or Subjects of His Majesty whatsoever, shall have accepted of any Trust or Trusts, or shall know of any Interest, Share, Part, Proportion, or Concern, which any of His Majesty's Subjects shall have or be entitled to in any such foreign Company, Society, or Corporation, as aforesaid, and shall not, within Six months next after his, her, or their accepting such Trust, or coming to the Knowledge of such Interest, Share, Proportion, or Concern, as aforesaid, truly discover and disclose in Writing the same to the said United Company, or their Court of Directors for the time being, every Person so Offending shall forfeit Treble the Value of the Interest, Share, Proportion, or Concern, so accepted in Trust, or so known, and not discovered, as aforesaid; One Moiety thereof to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and the other Moiety thereof to him or them, who shall sue for the same, to be recovered by Action of Debt, Bill, Plaint, or Information, in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, wherein no Essoign, Protection, or Wager of Law, shall be allowed, nor any more than

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or imprisoned for a year.

One Imprisonment; or otherwise, such Offender and Offenders shall, at the Discretion of the Court where the Prosecution is commenced, suffer Imprisonment by the Space of One whole Year, without Bail or Mainprize.

Persons within the Time limited Discovering, to have Moiety of the Forfeitures.

And be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That every Person, who shall, within the Time above limited for that Purpose, voluntarily come to the Court of Directors of the said United Company, and make a true Discovery in Writing of the Interest, Share, Part, Proportion, or Concern, of any of His Majesty's Subjects in the Capital, Principal, or Stock, of any such foreign Company, Society, or Corporation, as aforesaid, then every such Person, making such Discovery, shall have and receive, out of the forfeitures arising or to arise upon or by Virtue of this Act, by, from, and out of the Estate or Estates of such Person and Persons so interested or concerned in any such foreign Company, Society, or Corporation, as aforesaid, One Moiety or half Part of the Clear amount of such forfeitures; and the Court, in which the Prosecution against such Offender or Offenders shall be commenced, shall have full Power and Authority, and are hereby directed to award to the Person making such Discovery, such Reward, as aforesaid.

Subjects (except lawfully authorized) going to the East-Indies, guilty of a Misdemeanor.

And it is hereby further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That if any Person or Persons, Subject or Subjects of His Majesty, His Heirs or Successors (other than such as are lawfully authorized thereunto) shall, at any Time or Times from and after the four and twentieth Day of *June*, in the Year of Our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and twenty four, go, sail, or repair to, or be, or be found in or at the *East-Indies*, or any the Places aforesaid, every Person and Persons so Offending, are, and are hereby declared to be guilty of a high Crime and Misdemeanor, and shall and may be prosecuted for the same in any of His Majesty's Courts of Record at *Westminster*, wherein no Essoign, Wager of Law, or Protection, shall be allowed, nor any more than One Imprisonment; and such Person and Persons so Offending being convicted thereof, shall be liable to such Corporal Punishment or Imprisonment, or to such fine, as the Court, where such Prosecution shall be commenced, shall think fit; One Moiety of such fine to be to the Use of His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, and the other Moiety thereof to him or them that shall inform and sue for the same.

Penalty.

Offenders may be seized,

And it is hereby further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every Person and Persons so Offending, shall and may be seized and brought to *England*, and it shall and may be lawful to and for any One or more of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace, and they are hereby Authorized and required to commit all and every such Person and Persons to the next County Goal, there to remain until sufficient Security be given by Natural-born Subjects or Denizens, to appear in the Court where such Suit or Prosecution shall be commenced or depending, to answer the same, and not to go or depart out of Court, or out of this Kingdom, without the Leave of the said Court.

and committed till security, etc.

A *Capias* in the first Process may issue on bills filed for any these Offences.

Offenders to give Bail by Natural-born Subjects.

And to the Intent that this Act, and the Laws heretofore made for encouraging, settling, and securing, or for better securing the Lawful Trade of His Majesty's Subjects to and from the *East-Indies*, and Parts aforesaid, may more effectually be put in Execution; Be it further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That a *Capias* in the first Process shall and may issue upon any Bill, Complaint, Indictment, or Information, commenced, found, filed, or prosecuted, for, upon, or by reason of any the Offences mentioned in this Act, or in any other Act or Acts made for the encouraging, settling, securing, or better securing the lawful Trade of His Majesty's Subjects to and from the *East-Indies*, and Parts aforesaid, or for preventing all or any unlawful Trade thereto or therefrom; which *Capias* shall specify the Sum of the Penalty sued for; and such Offender and Offenders shall be obliged to give sufficient Bail or Security by Natural-born Subjects or Denizens, to the Person or Persons, to whom such *Capias* shall be directed, to appear in the Court, out of which such *Capias* shall issue at the Day or Return of such Writ, to answer such Suit or Prosecution; and shall likewise,

at the Time of such Appearing, give sufficient Bail or Security by such Persons, as aforesaid, in the said Court, to answer and pay all the forfeitures and Penalties incurred for such Offence and Offences, in case he, she, or they shall be convicted thereof, or to yield his, her, or their Body or Bodies to Prison.

And it is hereby further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That all and every the Offence and Offences committed or done against this Act, or against one Act made in the Ninth Year of the Reign of His late Majesty King *William* [Intituled, *An Act for raising a Sum, not exceeding Two Millions, upon a Fund for Payment of Annuities after the Rate of Eight Pounds PER CENTUM PER ANNUM, and for settling the Trade to the EAST-INDIES*] or against one other Act, made in the fifth Year of the Reign of His present Majesty [Intituled, *An Act for the better securing the lawful Trade of His Majesty's Subjects to and from the East-Indies*; and for the more effectual preventing all His Majesty's Subjects Trading thither under Foreign Commissions] or against one other Act made in the Seventh Year of the Reign of His present Majesty [Intituled, *An Act for the further preventing His Majesty's Subjects from Trading to the East-Indies under Foreign Commissions*; and for encouraging and further securing the Lawful Trade thereto; and for further regulating the Pilots of *Dover, Deal, and the Isle of Thanet*] shall and may, from and after the fourteenth Day of *June*, in the Year of our Lord, One thousand seven hundred and twenty three, be laid or alledged to be in the City of *London*, or County of *Middlesex*, at the Pleasure of the Informer or Prosecutor.

Offences against this Act, and the other Acts here enumerated, may be laid in *London* or *Middlesex*.

And it is hereby further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That this Act, and also the said Acts, made in the fifth and Seventh Years of His said present Majesty's Reign, in all and every the Clauses, Articles, and Parts thereof, shall be, and be deemed, construed, and adjudged to be Publick Acts, to all Intents and Purposes whatsoever: And furthermore, that the said Act, made in the fifth Year of His said Majesty's Reign, shall stand, continue, and be in full force and Virtue for Seven Years, to be computed from the Five and twentieth Day of *March*, One thousand seven hundred and twenty three, and from thence to the End of the then next Session of Parliament, and no longer; Any thing therein to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

This Act [and] the Acts 5 [and] 7, *Geo.*, Publick Acts.

Act 5, *Geo.*, continued for Seven years, etc.

And it is hereby further Enacted by the Authority aforesaid, That in case the said United Company shall first inform, sue, or prosecute for any the Offences committed contrary to all or any the Laws or Statutes made for encouraging, settling, or securing to the said Company the Lawful Trade to and from the *East-Indies*, or for preventing any unlawful Trade thereto or therefrom, that then the Part, Share, and Proportion of the Penalties and forfeitures, otherwise given or appointed, in and by any of the said Acts, to any other Person or Persons that should sue or inform for the same, shall devolve upon, and be to the Use of the said United Company, although such Information, Suit, or Prosecution be commenced by the said Company after the Time limited by Law for the Suit, Prosecution, or Information of the common Informer is elapsed.

If the company first inform the Part of [the] Forfeiture that devolve upon them.

Provided always, That if any Suit or Prosecution shall be commenced upon or by Virtue of any the aforesaid former Act or Acts, then, and in such Case, the Offender or Offenders shall not be sued or prosecuted upon this Act, or any Branch or Article thereof, except such Suit or Prosecution be by Bill or Bills of Complaint in the said Courts of Chancery or Exchequer.

If Suit be commenced on the former Acts, Offenders not to be sued on this Act, except by Bill of Complaint.

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NEW COVENANTS TO BE ENTRED INTO BY ALL THE COMPANY'S COVENANT SERVANTS (FILLED UP IN THE NAME OF NICHOLAS MORSE).

This Indenture Made the _____ Day of _____ Anno Dom 17 _____ and in the Eleventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord G E O R G E, by the Grace [of God of] *Great Britain, France, and Ireland*, King, Defender of the Faith, &c. BETWEEN the *United Company of Merchants of England, Trading to the East-Indies*, of the one Part, and Nic^o. Morse of Fort S^t. George Merch^t. of the other [Part WHEREAS the] said *United Company*, and the said Nic^o. Morse did, on or about the sixth Day of Nov^r. which was in the Year of our Lord 1717 Enter into and Execute Interchangeable Indentures, wherein and whereby the said Nic^o. Morse did upon the Covenants, Conditions, and Agreements in the said Indenture, contained on the Part of the said [Company] to Serve the said Company as their Writer for the Term of Five Years, and for so long time after as he should be continued in their Service to be Employed in all, or any of their Traffick or Merchandize and Affairs, in any Place or Places whatsoever, between the *Caps of Good Hope*, and the *Streights of Magellan*, as the said *United Company*, or their Court of Directors, for the time being, or any Thirteen, or more of them, or any by [them Authorized] should Appoint, at, and for the Wages, or Sum of Five Pounds of Lawful Money of *Great Britain*, by the Year. AND WHEREAS the said *United Company*, did, in and by the said Indenture, for the [. . .] and upon the Conditions and Covenants therein contained, on the Part of the said Nich^o. Morse to be Performed, Agree to Receive and Entertain the said Nicholas Morse Writer for the Term and Time, and at the Wages aforesaid, as in and by the said Indenture, Relation being thereunto had, may more at large appear. AND WHEREAS the said Nic^o. Morse went in the aforesaid Service of the said *United Company* to Fort S^t. George in the East Indies and the said Term of Five Years is expired and the said Nic^o. Morse [. . .] station or Employment of a Factor in the Service of the said Company. AND WHEREAS the said Parties hereto have Agreed, That the said Nic^o. Morse shall be continued in the Service of the said Company, as their Factor for the Term of Three Years next ensuing the Date of those Presents, upon the Terms, Conditions, and Agreements herein after-contained, on the respective Parts of [. . .] hereto to be performed: which Terms, Conditions, and Agreements do in some Articles Differ, and are Altered from what they are in the above in Part recited Indenture. NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH, That the said Nic^o. Morse for Himself, his Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, doth hereby Covenant, Promise, and Agree to, and with the said *United Company of Merchants of England, Trading to the East-Indies*, and their Successors, in [Manner] following, (that is to say) That he the said Nic^o. Morse shall, and will, for, and during, and unto the full End and Expiration of Three Years truly and faithfully serve the said Company [. . .] President & Council at such Place and Places, and in all and every such Affairs and Business whatsoever of the said Company, as the said Nic^o. Morse shall be employed in. AND shall also from [. . .] times, observe, keep, and fulfil, all, and every the Orders of the said Company, and of the said Court of Directors, made and to be made, for the Government of their Factories and Settlements, Officers, Agents, or Servants Aboard; And shall and will also observe all such Orders, Instructions, and Directions, which he shall herewith, or hereafter receive under the Seal of the said Company, or from the said Court of Directors of the said Company for the time being, or any Thirteen, or more of them, or from any Person [. . .] by such Directors; And shall and will, to the utmost of his Power and skill, resist and withstand, all, and every such Person or Persons, as shall break, or endeavour to break the said Orders, Instructions, or Directions, or any of them; And shall not himself, [. . .] nor shall wittingly or willingly permit or suffer, any other Person or Persons whatsoever, to do, attempt, or practice, any Matter or Thing whatsoever, to the hindrance, hurt, prejudice, damage or defrauding of the said Company, or

their Successors, or of the [. . . em] or of the said Company's Goods, Merchandizes, Trade, or Traffick, or any of them, or any part thereof; But shall, as much as in him lies, prevent and defeat the same. AND FURTHER, that he the said Nic^o. Morse shall, from [. . .] from henceforth, give Notice and Intelligence, with all convenient speed, unto the said Court of Directors for the time being, of all and every the Deceits, Wrongs, Abuses, Breach of Orders, Inconveniencies and Hindrances, which he, the said Nic^o. Morse shall know, understand, hear or suspect to be done, practised, offered, or intended against the said Company, or their Successors, or their Goods, or Trade, or any of them, or against any Person or Persons by them, or by the said Court of Directors employed in any Place or Places; together with the Names of those Persons by whom the same shall be so offer'd, practised, or intended. AND ALSO, that he the said Nic^o. Morse shall not engage or employ either the Stock of the said Company or make use of the Credit of the said Company, in any kind, or other way or manner howsoever, than for the Affairs of the said Company, and as by the major part of the Court of Directors of the said Company for the time being, under their Hands, or under the Company shall be ordered and directed. AND, That he the said Nich^o. Morse shall and will, at all times, keep and conceal the said Company's Secrets; and every Matter and Thing committed to him as such by the said *Court of Directors* [. . .] Officers, and Servants, or any of them. AND ALSO, That the said Nic^o. Morse shall and will, from time to time, and at all times from henceforth, during his said Employment, keep, or cause to be kept, a true and particular [Journal . . .] all Passages and Proceedings relating to the Affairs of the said Company, and also Books of Accompts; In which Journal, Day-Book, and Books of Accompt, he shall daily, duly, truly, and fully, enter, or cause to be entered, the Accompts of all and every particular Business, Payments, Barterings, and all other Transactions and Occurrences relating to his Trust during the time he shall continue in the said *United Company's* Service and Employment; And shall not place, or consent to the placing to the said *Company's* Accompt, nor otherwise [. . .] with any more or greater Sums than he shall really, and *bona fide*, pay for all or any Goods, Merchandizes, or Effects, which he shall buy, or cause, procure, or consent to be bought, for, or on Account of the said *Company*. AND shall and will bring to the Accompt of the [. . .] of the said *Company*, the full Rates and Prices for which he shall sell, or cause to be sold, any of the said *Company's* Goods, Merchandizes, or Effects, and shall not take, accept, or receive, or agree to take, accept, or receive any Gift, Reward, Gratuity, Allowance [. . .] Sums of Money whatsoever; either from any Person or Persons, of, or to whom he the said Nic^o. Morse shall, by himself, or any Agent for him, buy or sell any Goods, Merchandizes, Treasure or Effects, of, or belonging to, or for, [or upon the] *Company*. AND the said Nic^o. Morse for himself, his Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, doth Covenant and Agree to, and with the said *United Company*, That he the said Nic^o. Morse his Executors [. . .] all produce and deliver the said Books, together with all Waste-Books, Pocket-Books, Diaries, Memorials, and other Writings and Papers whatsoever, wherein he the said Nic^o. Morse shall make, or cause to be made, any Entries [or] Thing, touching or concerning the said *Company's* Affairs, or any of them, or any way relating thereunto (although the same may or shall be intermixed with his own, or others Concerns) unto the said *Court of Directors* of the said *Company* for the time being or to [. . .] shall by Letter or Order, under the Hands of Thirteen, or more, of the said *Court of Directors*, or under the Seal of the said *Company*, be Authorized and Appointed to demand and receive the same; And shall and will, if required, make Oath to the Truth of such [Books], Writings and Papers, and that the same contain the whole of his Transactions, and that they have not been defaced, obliterated, or altered to the Prejudice of the said *Company*. AND FURTHER, That he the said Nic^o. Morse shall and [. . .] and pay unto the said *Company*, or their Successors, all and every such Monies, Goods, Merchandizes, and Things whatsoever, as by the Foot of his

Accompt, or otherwise, shall be due from him or remain in his Hands and Possession, and for which he ought to [be liable in any manner or wise. AND ALSO, That he the said Nic^o. Morse shall and will, (before he shall leave the said *Company's* Factories or Settlements) pay and discharge all and every such Sum and Sums of Money as he shall owe or be [indebted to the] Merchants or Natives of the Country where the said Nic^o. Morse shall be, together with such other Sums as he shall owe Abroad to any other Merchants or Persons not being Subjects of his Majesty the King of *Great Britain*, or his Successors [as] may be Lawful, to and for the President, Agent or Chief, and Council of such Place or Factory where the said Nic^o. Morse shall then be, and in their default, to and for other the Superior Officer or Officers of the said *Company* to [. . .] said Nic^o. Morse 'till Satisfaction be made for all such Debts as aforesaid; And that he the said Nic^o. Morse shall and will from time to time, when and as often as he shall be thereunto required by the [. . .] Successors, or by the President, Agent or Chief, and Council of the Place where the said Nic^o. Morse shall be, remove to any other such Factories, as such President, Agent or Chief, and Council, shall so direct or require. AND ALSO, That [the said Nic^o.] Morse shall, at all times, during the time of his Service aforesaid, faithfully and diligently demean himself as a good, honest, and faithful Servant towards the said *Company*, and their Successors, and those by them Authorized, and lovingly [and . . .] Consorts. AND upon Condition, That the said Nic^o. Morse shall, in all Things, perform his Covenants and Agreements with the said *Company*, and to encourage him so to do, It is FURTHER Covenanted and Agreed by and between the [these presents], That it shall and may be Lawful to and for the said Nic^o. Morse and the said *Company* doth accordingly Licence the said Nic^o. Morse during the said Three Years commencing [to] Trade and Traffick for his own Account only, from Port to Port in *India*, or elsewhere within the Limits aforesaid, without any Lett, Hinderance, or Interruption from them the said *Company*, their Successors or Assigns, so as the said Trade and Traffick, so to be carried [a . . .] elsewhere, within the Limits aforesaid, or any Part thereof, be subject to such Rules, Regulations, and Limitations, at the said *Company*, or the *Court of Directors* for the time being, of the said *Company*, have already directed, or shall from time to time hereafter direct and [any . . .] not to the Hurt or Prejudice of the said *Company* and their Successors, or of their Trade and Commerce, and so as whatever is so Traded for by the said Nic^o. Morse by Virtue of this Agreement, be particularly entered in Books of the said *Company*, to [and] for that purpose in all the Factories of the said *Company* respectively in the *East-Indies*, or elsewhere, within the Limits aforesaid, where such Trade shall be driven; BUT in case the said Nic^o. Morse shall waste or make use of the said *Company's* Treasure, or become Indebted to the said *Company*, or shall make default in Performance of the Covenants aforesaid, then, and in such Case, It is hereby further Covenanted and Agreed, by and between the said Parties to these Presents, That he the said Nic^o. Morse shall be intituled to any the Payments, Advantages and Benefits hereby otherwise intended him; But contrarywise, for and towards Satisfaction for what shall be due from him to the said *Company*, and for and towards Reparation of the Damages done the said *Company*, It shall and may be Lawful to and for any Person or Persons thereunto Authorized and Appointed, by Writing under the Hands of Thirteen, or more, of the *Court of Directors* of the said *Company* for the time being, or under the Seal of the said *Company*, and to and for any President, Agent or Chief, and Council, of the Place or Factory of, or belonging to the said *Company*, to seize, or cause the Goods and Chattels of him the said Nic^o. Morse to be Seized, and to send, or cause his Person to be sent to *Great Britain*, or to some other Place within the Limits of the *Company's* Trade where there is a *British* Judicature, to the end he may be proceeded against according to Justice and Equity. AND forasmuch as grievous Complaints have been made to the said

United Company, that several of the said *Company's* Presidents and Chiefs of their Factories, and of such Persons as are of their Councils in their Factories Abroad, or some of them, as also their Factors, Agents, and Servants, have committed very heinous and grievous Offences in such Factories of the said *Company*, and elsewhere in the *East-Indies*, and other Places within the said *Company's* Limits of Trade, by unjustly Menacing, Imprisoning, Assaulting, Abusing, and Evil Treating the Natives and Black Merchants, and others with whom the said *Company* have had Dealings or Correspondence, and by such Means, and other Violences, Abuses, and Injuries, have, as hath [been] alledged, Extorted and Forced great Sums of Money, and other valuable Effects from such Injured Persons, who, by reason of the great distance from this Kingdom, and the wholesome Laws thereof, and by reason that the said *Company* have not been Enabled to obtain and render Satisfaction for such Injuries and Misdemeanours, are, and have been, remediless. Now it is hereby Agreed, by and between the said Parties to these Presents, and the said Nic^o. Morse doth hereby, for himself, his Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, Covenants Agree to and with the said *United Company*, that in case any Sum or Sums of Money, Goods or Chattels whatsoever, shall, at any time or times hereafter be Extorted, Forced, or Taken by him the said Nic^o. Morse (either separately or jointly with others) [. . .] any Person or Persons whatsoever within the *Company's* Limits of Trade, by the Means or Use of Imprisonments, Assaults, Violences, Menaces, or other Force or Compulsion whatsoever, then and as often as any such Offence or Offences shall be committed, It shall and may be Lawful, [to and] for every Person and Persons Injured thereby, to make and send over Complaints and Attestations thereof in Writing, to the *Court of Directors* of the said *Company* for the time being, and that upon the Receipt of such Complaints and Attestations, It shall and may be Lawful, to and for the [*Court*] of *Directors* of the said *Company* for the time being, to enquire into the Truth of the said Complaints, by all such Ways and Means as they shall think Just and Equitable, and thereupon to hear the Matter of the said Complaint or Complaints, and thereupon finally to Judge and Determine the [same] and to Award Satisfaction and Reparation to be made by the said Nic^o. Morse to the said *Company* for the Benefit of such Injured Persons. AND the said Nic^o. Morse doth hereby, for himself, his Heirs, Executors and Administrators, Covenant and Agree, to and with the said *United Company*, well and truly to pay to the said *Company*, at such time or times as shall be limited by the said *Court of Directors* (or the major part of them) for that purpose, all and every such Sum and Sums of Money as shall be Awarded by the said *Court of Directors* for the time being, or the major part of them then assembled, to be paid as aforesaid; But in Trust nevertheless, and to the Intent, That the said *Company* may, and do render, and pay over the Monies received or recovered by them, [to] Parties Injured or Defrauded, which the said *Company* accordingly hereby Agree and Covenant to do. AND the said Nic^o. Morse doth furthermore, for himself, his Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, Covenant and Agree, to and with the said *United Company*, to pay and satisfy to the said *Company*, for their own Use and Benefit, all such Damages as they shall have sustained by Reason or Means of any such Offence or Offences as aforesaid. AND forasmuch as it frequently happens, That the President and Council, Agent and [Council] and Chief and Council, and several other Subordinate Officers of several of the said *Company's* Factories Abroad, have by mutual Influences on each other, Settled, Stated, and Adjusted amongst themselves, their own Accompts with the said *Company*, in Order, as far as they could, to [. . .] and Preclude the said *Company* from Reviewing, Altering, Amending, Correcting, or Contesting the same: Now it is hereby further declared, That all and every such Accompt and Accompts, so at any time heretofore Stated, Ballanced, Signed, or Adjusted, as aforesaid, were ever [design . . .] the said *Company* to be, and the same, and all and every such Accompt and Accompts, so hereafter to be Stated, Ballanced, Signed, or

Adjusted, by, between, or amongst such Presidents and Councils, or Agents and Councils, or Chiefs and Councils, or other Subordinate Officers, or [. . .] of them, are hereby Agreed to be, and shall at all times hereafter be Taken and Esteemed to be open Accompts, formed and prepared only for the Inspection, Perusal, and Approbation or Correction of the said *Company*, and shall not, in any sort or kind, or in any Article thereof, [. . .] Conclude the said *Company*. AND forasmuch also as Complaints have been formerly made to the said *Company*, That the Estates of Persons dying in their Service in the *East-Indies* Intestate, were (by reason of the Absence of the Intestate's Friends and Relations, and for want of a will [. . .] appointing an Executor to take care of the same) Embezzled and Wasted, and the said *Company* did therefore, to prevent such Embezzlements, make a Rule, or Order, directing their Officers and Servants Abroad, to take care to get in and preserve the Estates of such as Dyed in their Service Intestate, and to keep an Account thereof, and to send Home, with the first Opportunity, an Account of the Produce thereof which paid into the said *Company's* Cash, that they might speedily make it good to their Relations; And accordingly the said *Company's* Officers and Servants in [all] Factories Abroad, have, upon the Decease of Persons Intestate, taken care of their said Estates, and after Payment of their just [claims], remitted the Surplus for the Benefit of the Persons Interested therein: Notwithstanding which, and though this has been (as far as hath come to the knowledge of the said *Company*) very Fairly and Equitably transacted, yet the said *Company* have been Troubled with some Suits and Complaints on that Account: Now to the Intent, That the Estates of Persons Dying in the said *Company's* Service Abroad, may be preferred [for] Purposes aforesaid, and the *Company* eased from any Trouble in respect thereof; It is hereby Agreed, and the said Nic^o. Morse doth, for himself, his Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, Covenant, Promise, and Agree, to and with the [. . .] That he the said Nic^o. Morse shall and will, make his Last Will and Testament in writing, [and] Thereby appoint some Person or Persons residing at the Place where the said Nic^o. Morse shall be, his Executor [. . .] to take care of his Estate and Effects in the *East-Indies*, or Places within the Limits aforesaid. BUT if the said Nic^o. Morse neglects to make such Will, and shall happen to Dye Intestate in the said *Company's* Service, that then, and in such case [it] may be Lawful, to and for the President and Council, or the major part of them for the time being, or for want of such [. . .] Superior Officer or Officers at the Place where the said Nic^o. Morse shall so Dye Intestate, to Nominate [any] such and so many Persons, as they, or the major part of them, shall think fit, to take care of the Estate and Effects of the said Nic^o. Morse and to Collect, Get in, Recover, and Receive the same, and thereout, and out of the Monies [collected] thereof, to Pay and Discharge all the just Debts of the said Nic^o. Morse and after Payment [and] Satisfaction thereof, to Render and pay the Overplus (if any) into the said *Company's* Cash, for the Benefit of the Relations of the said Nic^o. Morse or such other person or Persons is shall appear entitled thereto. PROVIDED always, and Lastly it is hereby Covenanted, Concluded, and Agreed, by and between the said Parties hereto, and it is their true Intent and Meaning That if the [said Nico^o. Morse] shall continue in the said *Company's* Service after the Expiration of the said Term of Three Years [. . .] such Continuance shall be upon the [said] Terms, Conditions and [A few lines missing].

THE COMPANYS SERVANTS IN FORT S^r. GEORGE WHO ARE TO ENTER INTO THE COVENANTS SENT OUT ANNO. 1722.

Names.	Stations.	Date of Covenants.
M ^r . Nath. Turner	... Factor & 6 of Council.	20 Jan. 1719.
Rich ^d . Benyon	... Writer	... 9 Dec ^{br} . 1709.
John Emmerson	... Factor	... 23 th Dec ^r . 1713.

Randal Fowke ...	...	Taken in India.	
James Hubbard ...	...	Writer	14 Dec ^{br} . 1711.
Goe : Drake ...	...	Factor & 9. of Council.	26 April 1721.
Jos : Houghton ...	...	Jun ^r . Merchant	10 Feb ^{ry} . 1720.
Geo : Tullie ...	...	Writer	5 Dec ^r . 1711.
Rich ^{ds} . Higginson ...	...	Jun ^r . Merchant	12 Jan ^{ry} . 1721.
Edw ^d . Croke ...	...	Writer	31 Dec ^{br} . 1707.
Geo : Torriano ...	...	Taken in, in India.	
Rich : Carter ...	...	Factor for Benc ^o :	17 Dec ^{br} . 1718.
John Lauder ...	...	Writer	18 Jan ^{ry} . 1715.
Sands Davis ...	...	Writer	4 Jan ^{ry} . 1715.
John Fullagar ...	...	Writer	23 Dec ^{br} . 1715.
Cha : Fleetwood ...	...	Writer	23 Dec ^{br} . 1715.
Paul Foxley ...	...	Writer	7 Dec ^{br} . 1716.
Sam ^l : Hyde ...	...	Factor	17 Jan ^{ry} . 1721.
Mat. Empson ...	...	Writer	20 Nov ^{br} . 1717.
Abr ^a . Wessell ...	...	Writer	6 Nov ^{br} . 1717.
Nic ^o . Morse ...	...	Writer	6 Nov ^{br} . 1717.
Rich. English ...	...	Writer	30 Octo ^{br} . 1717.
Cha. Peers ...	...	Writer	3 Jan ^{ry} . 1719.
Cha. Gee ...	...	Writer	25 Jan ^{ry} . 1720.
Holl ^d . Gooddard... ..	...	Writer	20 Jan. 1720.
John Stratton ...	...	Writer	20 Jan. 1720.
Jos : Goldfinch ...	...	Writer	25 Jan. 1720.
Cha. Barrington ...	...	Writer	20 Jan. 1720.
Sam ^l . Parkes ...	...	Writer	20 Jan. 1720.
Aug ^{ms} . Burton ...	...	Jun ^r . Merchant	20 Dec ^{br} . 1717.
Simon. Holcombe ...	...	Writer	2 Feb ^{ry} . 1708.
Rob ^t . Brooke ...	...	Writer	14 Dec ^{br} . 1709.
John Sanderson ...	...	Factor	5 Dec ^{br} . 1716.
Peter Tahourdin ...	...	Writer	7 Dec. 1711.
Rich ^d . Gilman ...	...	Writer	2 Jan. 1716.
John. Graham ...	...	Writer	13 Dec. 1717.
Ralph Mansell ...	...	Writer	30 Oct ^o . 1717.
Philip Tullie ...	...	Writer	20 Jan. 1720.
James Smith ...	...	Writer	25 Jan. 1720.
Rob ^t . Symonds ...	...	Taken in, in India	
Step ⁿ . Newcombe ...	...	Factor for Benc ^o .	15 Dec. 1714.
Cha. Simson ...	...	Writer	28 Dec. 1716.
Hum Holcombe ...	...	Writer	9 Jan. 1707.
John Blunt ...	...	Writer	9 March 1715.

FACTORY AT FORT ST. GEORGE AS BY THEIR BOOK W. ENDING THE 30th. APRIL 1723.

DEBTOR PAGODES.			
Fort St. George Cash and Good Debts.	163138	10	37
Silver	31354	7	53
Europe Goods for Sale.	51755	8	16
Goods for Europe ...	101482	31	3
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	347730	21	29
Fort St. David Goods for Sale ...	9481	11	47
Cash & Good Debts ...	102774	23	63
Goods for Europe ...	21509	25	39
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	133765	24	69
Vizagapatam Cash & Good Debts ...	4237	17	75
Goods for Sale ...	2912	7	38
Goods for Europe ...	2846	20	40
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	9636	9	73
To Bills of Exchange Drawn on England		14890	4 —
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Pagodcs ...	506022	24	11
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To Ballance Pagod ^a .	495476-3-60 at 9.	222964	4 9
1722.—To a Cargoe Ψ Carnarvan ...	50668	1	3
Ψ Mary	72689	6	10
Ψ Cardigan	52583	11	4
Ψ Essex	25195	7	—
1723. Ψ Mountmouth	71350	19	7
Ψ Sunderland	51305	1	—
Ψ Heathcote	55699	7	7
Ψ Walpole from China	35178	—	—
Ψ Sarum from the Cape	2483	4	5
Ψ Carnarvan	4800	16	1
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	421953	15	1
To a Cargoe rec ^d . from Bencoolen Ψ Geo :	2918	22	21
To Ditto Ψ Lethiullier	2369	10	25
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Pagod ^a . 5287-32-46 at 9 ...		2379	11 —
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	647297	10	10

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Creditor Pagodes.			
Fort St. George Debts Owing there ...		9692	85 45
Fort St. David Ditto.		853	20 66
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		10546	20 81
By Ballance		495476	3 60
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	Pagod ^a .	506022	24 11
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By Dollars 4615 Supplied Commadore Mathews		£ 1153	15 —
By a Cargoe rec ^d in England			
Ψ Cardigan	£ 39848	18	8
Ψ Carnarvan	31292	11	3
Ψ Essex	37184	16	2
Ψ Mary	67431	—	2
Ψ Darby	67994	11	11
Ψ Walpole	52607	17	10
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		296359	16 —
By Fort Marlbor ^o paid their Bills ...	27863	—	—
By D ^o . for a Cargoe sent Ψ Young Darby... ..	8044	24	41
By D ^o . for d ^o . Ψ George Briga. ...	1489	2	66
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	Pagodcs 37,396-27-27 at 9 ...		16828 10 —
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		£ 314342	1 —
By Ballance		332955	9 10
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		£ 647297	10 10

FACTORY AT FORT WILLIAM IN THE BAY OF BENGALL AS BY THEIR BOOKS V ENDING THE 30 APRILL 1723.

		Debtor.		Rupees.			
To Cash remaining at Fort William	...	28,507	0	3			
Goods in the Import Warehouse	...	57,014	14	3			
Export Warehouse	...	4,79,929	4	9			
Storehouse	...	61,068	15	0			
Good Debts	...	28,835	0	0			
Effects at Dacca	...	1,04,332	7	6			
Effects at Maulda	...	54,859	9	0			
Cash at Ballasore	...	3,366	3	0			
					8,15,913	5	9
To Cash at Cossimbuzar	...	3,617	13	3			
Europe Goods	...	9,832	14	0			
*Dadney among the Merchants.	...	3,84,961	4	0			
					3,98,411	15	3
To Cash & Europe Goods at Pattana	...	63,917	2	0			
Good for Europe	...	8,499	13	3			
Good Debts	...	10,712	12	0			
Gomastahs & Salt Petre Assam.	...	54,658	0	0			
					1,37,787	11	3
					Rupees ...	13,52,113	0 3
To Ballance of the above account	Rup ^s .	4,79,998	11	6	at 2:6	£ 59,999	15 0
1722 To a Cargo	£	69,307	0	7			
Darby	...	71,084	14	8			
Bridgwater	...	53,083	7	7			
1723 Frances	...	67,879	16	3			
Stretham	...	48,799	10	10			
Aislable	...	48,138	16	3			
					3,58,293	6	2
					13,868	15	10
To Bills of Exchange paid in England.					£ 4,32,161	17	0
To Ballance of Fort S ^t . George	...				3,32,955	9	10
London the 2 February 1724.					£ 7,65,117	6	10
J. Fletcher Account ^t . Gen ^l .							

		Creditor.			
By Debts owing at Fort William	Rupees	3,11,057	3	9	
By Debts owing at Interest at D ^o	...	1,93,497	1	0	
By Debts owing at Interest at Cossim-buzar.	...	3,07,560	0	0	
By a Years Interest on Rup ^s . 501000 at 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent.		60,000	0	0	
					Rup ^s .
		8,72,114	4	9	
By Ballance	...	4,79,998	11	6	
					Rup ^s .
		13,52,113	0	3	
By a Cargo sent to England	£	50,870	6	5	
Sarum	...	62,512	16	3	
Lethienlier	...	69,584	16	4	
Bridgwater	...				£ 1,82,967
					19 0
By Ballance	...	5,82,149	7	10	

* Dadny from *H. dadny*, an advance made to a craftsman, a weaver, or the like, by one who trades in the goods produced. *Hobson-Jobson*, p. 290.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE SHIP FORDWICH.

- N^o. 1. Companys General Letter to ffort S^t. George Dated 11th. Novem^r. 1724.
 2. Invoyce of the Fordwich amounting to £67612-11-10.
 3. Bill of Lading of Ditto Ship.
 4. Copy of the fordwiches' Charterparty.
 5. List of Goods to be provided on the coast of Choromandell for the ships going out in the Year 1724. Signed by the Sec^r.
 6. Manifest of Bullion & Goods Lycenced to be shipt aboard the Fordwich, signed by M^r. William Lewes.
 7. List of 12 Souldiers aboard the Fordwich, with an Account of their Countrey, Trade and ages signed by M^r. W^m. Lewes.
 8. Accompt of Corall Lycenced to be shipt aboard the ffordwich to purchase Diamonds.
 9. Copy of two New Bonds to be enter'd into by all persons, Lycenced to send out Silver or Corall, one for each to purchase Diamonds.
 10. Two Acts of Parliament, Entituled, An Act to prevent His Maj^{ty}. subjects from subscribing or being concerned in encouraging or promoting any subscription for an East India Company in the Austrian Netherlands, and for the better securing the Lawfull Trade of His Majestys subjects to and from the East Indies.
 11. Patterns of 148 Bales of Broad Cloth, 12 Bales of Long Ells & samples of 3 Chests of Paper for ffort S^t. George—in the Box apart.
 12. Packet Directed To the President and Council for all the forces and Affairs of the English Nation at Fort William in Bengal—To be sent by the first safe Conveyance except on the Lyell she having the same.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACKET TO FORT S^t. GEORGE BY THE SHIP LYELL.

- N^o. 1. Duplicate Companys General Letter to ffort S^t. George dated the 11th. November 1724 & Fordwich.
 2. List of Goods to be provided on the Coast of Choromandell for the ships going out in the Year 1724 Signed by y^e. Sec^ry.
 3. Copy of two new Bonds to be Enter'd into by all Persons Lycenced to send out Silver or Corall, one for each to purchase Diamonds.
 4. Two Acts of Parliament, Entituled, An Act to prevent His Majestys subjects from subscribing or being concerned in encouraging or promoting any subscription for an East India Company in the Austrian Netherlands and for the better Securing the Lawful Trade of His Majestys subjects to and from the East Indies.

LIST OF THE COMPANY'S PACKETT TO FORT ST. GEORGE, BY THE SHIP MARLBOROUGH.

- N^o. 1. Companys General Letter to Fort S^t. George dated the 2^d. Feb^r. 1724.
 2. Commission under the Companys Common Seal dated 27 Jan^y 1724 Constituting James Macrae Esq^r. President & Governour of Fort S^t. George, Morton Pitt Esq^r. 2^d. & Dep^{ty}. Governour of Fort S^t. David. M^r. Nathaniel Turner 3^d. M^r. Richard Benyon 4th. M^r. John Emmerson 5th. M^r. Randall Fowke 6th. M^r. James Hubbard 7th. M^r. George Drake 8th. & M^r. Joseph Houghton 9th. of the Council there.
 3. Copy Companys General Letter to Fort S^t. George dated 11th. Nov^r. 1724. sent & Ships Fordwich & Lyell.
 4. Invoice of the Marlborough amounting to £ 62,135-11-0.
 5. Bill of Lading of Ditto Ship.
 6. Copy of the Marlboroughs Charterparty.
 7. List of Goods to be Provided on the Coast of Chormandell for the Ships going out in the Year 1724. Sign'd by the Secretary.
 8. Manifest of Bullion and Goods Lycenced to be shipt aboard the Marlborough sign'd by M^r. William Lewis.

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