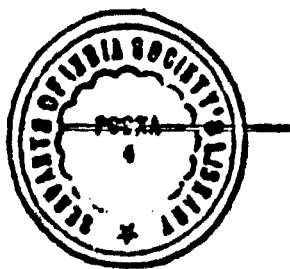


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INTRODUCTION.

The year 1757 being a well-known landmark in the history of British India, it is unnecessary to draw particular attention to the interest and importance of this volume. Although the military and the political events which have made this year so well-known are chiefly dealt with in the Consultations of the Military Department for 1757, a volume which will be issued in due course, the present volume of the Public Consultations is not without its own interest. In fact, while the Military Consultations describe the military operations set on foot by the Government, the Public Consultations throw light upon the activities of the same Government on its civil side, activities which, though less conspicuous, were very necessary for the success of the military operations.

The anxiety which was felt by the English settlements on the Coast of Choromandel as a result of the sudden disaster which had overtaken the English in Bengal in 1756 was relieved during this year by the unprecedented success with which Clive retrieved their affairs, a success which fully vindicated the wisdom of Pigot and his Council at Madras in choosing him to lead such an important expedition and in investing him with unilateral powers¹ to the disgust of the Committee in Bengal and the disapprobation of the Court of Directors. The news that Calcutta had been recaptured and that the Nawab had entered into a treaty with the English was received at Madras on Sixteenth February 1757. The joy of the settlements was not, however, an unmixed joy. For, a new and ancient foe had again begun to threaten the tranquillity of the settlements. Indeed, the Madras Council were so alarmed at the growing power of the French that they justly felt aggrieved when their repeated calls to Clive to return with part of the troops under him were unheeded by him. Clive had of course his own reasons for remaining in Bengal, but the Council naturally did not know them. Nor was the political situation in the country tranquil in any wise. Salabat Jung was in difficulties at Aurangabad.² The hopes which had been entertained in the previous year of freeing him from the influence of the French had been shattered by the disaster in Bengal. The power of the Mahrattas was increasing. They had conquered Sirah³ and had defeated the Nawab of Cuddapah and killed him and occupied his country.⁴ They had afterwards come down to the Carnatic to demand an incredible sum by way of chauth from the Nawab of Arcot⁵ and threatened that prince with the ruin of his entire domains in the event of his failure to pay.⁶ They had likewise penetrated the Northern Circars near Rajahmundry,⁷ plundered some towns and alarmed the country to such an extent that the inhabitants flocked for safety to the places on the sea coast. The Tinnevely and Madura countries had also fallen into utter confusion. Mahfuz Khan had made himself master of Madura and Caillaud had much ado in getting possession of the place.⁸

The present volume shows how the prospect of making a successful investment and filling the Company's ships with cloth were frustrated by the loss of the northern settlements to Bussy and by the danger which threatened the southern settlements from Pondicherry. The arrival of a powerful squadron from France, reports of which were coming in again and again,⁹ and the arrival of reinforcements at Pondicherry¹⁰ increased the apprehensions of the Council. The cloth from Fort St. David could not be sent to Madras for fear of its

¹ See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of the Madras Despatches, 1754–1765, page 125.

² See Do. do. page 130.

³ See Do. do. page 100.

⁴ See Do. do. page 130.

⁵ See Do. do. page 104.

⁶ See Do. do. page 129.

⁷ See Letters to Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. 37, pages 34 and 53.

⁸ See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of the Madras Despatches, 1754–65 page 129.

⁹ See Letters from Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. 32, pages 53 and 58.

See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of the Madras Despatches, 1754–65, page 105.

See pages 194 and 264.

¹⁰ See page 191.

falling into the hands of the French.¹ Cloth was forthcoming abundantly in the northern settlements,² but the cloth as well as the settlements were in danger of falling a prey to the French. Every report from the northward brought news of the movements of the French under Bussy² and the calamity that was about to overtake the English settlements in that direction.³ These fears were not unfounded. In March came news from the Resident at Bander-malanka⁴ of the historic defence of Bobbili against the combined forces of Vijayanagaram and the French under Bussy in which "after a brave defence the Raja (of Bobbili) after blowing up all his women having with some hundreds of his relations and friends fought desperately till every one of them fell."⁴ The settlements of Ingeram⁵ and Bandermalanka⁶ were the first to fall. After making several feints the French fell upon them suddenly and captured them easily.⁶ A quantity of cloth which the Agent at the former place had purchased for the Company without orders was also lost with the settlement.⁷ Vizagapatam, the most important of the northern settlements, was the last to surrender.⁸ All these settlements had been fortified as much as possible, but the French forces were so superior that the settlers could not defend them successfully.

The menace of the French Fleet was also so great at Madras that at one time the Council hastily landed all the treasure on board the ships for China which were lying in the road and ordered the ships to be brought as near the shore as possible for their greater protection from the coastal batteries.⁹ The fortifications at Madras were hastily strengthened under the supervision of Call who had been appointed as Engineer on the departure of Brohier to Bengal. Some curious incidents connected with this coastal warfare are to be found in the present volume. Mr. Newton, one of the Council at Fort St. David, went out to meet a squadron, which was thought to be English but which unfortunately proved to be French, and was thereupon promptly taken prisoner and carried off to Pondicherry.¹⁰ He was, however, allowed to return to Fort St. David on parole¹⁰, though it was found subsequently that his parole would not permit him to serve the Company in any capacity.¹¹ Orme says that a letter which Newton, with great presence of mind, had hidden between the planks of his boat was accidentally discovered by the French and raised such an alarm in the French Fleet that it immediately sailed away from Pondicherry.¹² Again, some letters were despatched by the Fort St. David Council to Madras on a catamaran. The catamaran was intercepted by the French ships whereupon the catamaran people threw the letters into the sea.¹³ Likewise the supplies of medicines and other articles required by the settlement of Fort St. David could not be sent from Madras without the risk of their seizure by the French. So they were loaded on small boats and the latter were particularly cautioned to pass Pondicherry in the night.¹⁴

The Council of Madras would have had satisfaction, if some at least of the ships under Watson had been left at Madras for the protection of their valuable settlement. But even their attempt to detain the *Revenge* man of war temporarily to cruize to the southward¹⁵ and to protect the settlement, brought upon them the wrath of Watson.¹⁶ Nor could any help be expected from the Nawab, for, what with ungrateful brothers, rebellious chieftains and chauth-demanding Mahrattas, that prince had his own worries and vicissitudes which made him utterly incapable of rendering any assistance in men or money to his hard-pressed friends, the English. Nay, he was obliged to send his own mother, wife and family to Madras for protection.¹⁷ It is interesting to note that the

¹ See Letters from Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. 32, page 6.

See page 32.

² See page 32.

³ See Letters from Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. 32, page 26.

⁴ See page 53.

⁵ See pages 184 and 287.

⁶ See Letters to Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. 37, pages 55, 56 and 89.

⁷ See pages 184, 222, 228 and 289.

⁸ See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of the Madras Despatches, 1754–65, pages 102 and 105.

See Letters to Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. 37, pages 90–96.

⁹ See page 191.

¹⁰ See page 193.

¹¹ See page 237.

¹² See Orme's History of Indostan, Vol. II, page 235.

¹³ See page 188.

¹⁴ See page 238.

¹⁵ See Page 166.

¹⁶ See page 234.

¹⁷ See page 172.

Council honoured these illustrious refugees by presenting them with "one plain gold watch with a hook and chain, two enameld gold watches, two emerald rings and one diamond hair sprigg."¹

The alarm caused by the loss of the northern settlements was to some extent mitigated by the good news of the victory of Plassey. The Council were also consoled by a knowledge that the French forces which had been sent to the northward to the aid of Bussy had rendered the force which remained at Pondicherry less formidable than what it would have been otherwise. One important effect of the successes in Bengal was the disappearance of the financial difficulties of the Madras Council. Before the battle of Plassey the appeals of the Committee of Bengal for funds and yet more funds, and all in the shape of bullion, had imposed a severe strain² upon the resources of Madras. But after Plassey the tide began to turn. When Mir Jaffir was made the Nawab of Bengal, the Company obtained 32 lakhs of rupees in gold and jewels besides a promise of 16 lakhs more.³ The Committee of Bengal now offered to send to Madras whatever the Council at Madras might require and, what is more, desired that public notice of the weight and value of the jewels might be given in Madras so that persons who wanted them might purchase them.⁴ Madras had, however, been so much impoverished by the wars that there were few there who were capable of purchasing jewels to any considerable extent.⁵

Side by side with the fortification of their settlements and the equipment of their armies the Council farmed their revenues,⁶ sold the woollen goods and other wares⁷ sent by their masters from England, bargained with their merchants for the calicoes required by the Company, loaded their ships and carried on the innumerable functions incidental to the day to day administration of a big commercial settlement with a number of settlements subordinate to it. They did not, however, always get the thanks of the Directors for their efforts. Their actions on behalf of their masters were not perhaps always disinterested. In an age in which large fortunes were made by the Company's servants in India by private trade it was inevitable that private motives should play a part in public transactions. Of course they had plausible excuses for all that they did, but the Directors in England, who had always inside information about the doings in India, would not accept them. They admonished the Council in every severe terms.⁸ Even a man like Pigot came in for a good deal of these strictures. Besides ministering to the wants of the settlements in India the Council had also to supervise the affairs of the settlements which had been established by their masters in Burma and Sumatra and were obliged to make supplies even to the distant island of St. Helena. The settlement at Negrais in Burma was in a sad plight.⁹ The place was unhealthy, supplies were scarce, the "Burmans" and "Peguers" were at war and the King of Burma was dissatisfied with the English for not supplying him with gunpowder.⁹

The Sumatra affairs do not directly relate to the history of British India, but the curious reader will find in the report of the 'West Coast' Committee recorded in this volume a wealth of interesting information about the life and habits of the inhabitants of that island.¹⁰ They are described as incorrigibly lazy and as being addicted to gaming, smoking and cock-fighting,¹¹ so much so that the English settlers were constantly asking for supplies of African slaves¹² to do the work which the people of the island were incapable of doing properly and promptly. In fact, the problem of supplying slaves not only to the settlement on Sumatra but also to St. Helena was a source of considerable vexation to the Council. Slaves were not a commodity which could be purchased readily and in sufficient numbers in India. A small ship could, of course, have been

¹ See page 172.

² See Letters from Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. 32, page 23.

³ See Letters to Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. 37, pages 78 and 80. See page 233.

⁴ See Letters to Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. 37, page 81.

See page 234.

⁵ See Letters from Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. 32, page 60.

⁶ See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of the Madras Despatches, 1754-65, page 129.

See pages 175, 295 and 296.

⁷ See pages 120, 238 and 241-253.

⁸ See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of the Madras Despatches, 1754-65, page 120.

⁹ See page 234.

¹⁰ See pages 77-85.

¹¹ See pages 81-82.

¹² See Letters from Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. 32, page 23. See page 79.

fitted out for purchasing slaves from Africa, but then there was always the danger of the slaves rising against the crew of a small ship and overpowering them.¹ Appeals were therefore made repeatedly to Bombay and Bengal for purchasing as many slaves as possible from the ships which might come to those places.² It was suggested that contracts might be entered into with the Captains of ships³ trading to Africa at so much per adult slave and so much for a child that might be actually brought, according to sex, age and quality.⁴ It is recorded that a number of slaves were obtained in this manner chiefly from Bombay⁵ and that these were shipped to Sumatra⁶ and to St. Helena.⁷

Connected with the East Indies affairs is an incident which happened to the ship *Northumberland*.⁸ While this ship lay off Junk-Ceylon⁹ the Malays, at the instigation of the Governor of the place, seized it and murdered the crew. The Captain of the ship, John Macmath, who happened to be on shore managed to escape on a small vessel, which luckily for him touched there, shortly afterwards and, on his return to India, loudly complained against the Malays and clamoured for justice.¹⁰ "Every Malay", he observed in his ungrammatical way, "is a rogue and shew it when he can with impunity."¹¹ His attempts to obtain restitution for his losses by the seizure of 3 ships of the King of Siam which were then in the Madras roads were however not successful.¹² The Council would not believe that the King of Siam was privy to the outrage committed at Junk-Ceylon. They therefore refused to do more than send a letter to the King of Siam demanding justice for the injury committed by his subjects and threatening him with the seizure of his ships wherever they might be found if he failed to make restitution.¹³

A subject which again and again finds a place in the volumes of the Public Consultations is the controversy between the Governor and Council on the one hand and the Mayor and the Aldermen on the other. The present volume is no exception to this. This controversy was almost interminable. In fact, "the Mayor's Court and the Council had differed in opinion from the first establishments of the Court." It is curious that in spite of their intense pre-occupation with grave matters the Council should have found time to enter into lengthy disputations with the Mayor's Court at frequent intervals. On one occasion, indeed, the Council were hard pressed for time, being busily engaged in despatching the Company's ships to England, but instead of giving up the controversy, they promised the Mayor's Court that as soon as the ships were despatched they would take up the matter.¹⁴ And this promise was fully kept up by them. The chief subject of controversy during this year was the suitability or otherwise of the Aldermen elected by the Council. The new charter of George II had taken away from the Mayor's Court the right of electing Aldermen and vested it in the Governor and Council.¹⁵ And the Court of Directors had followed this up by denying to the Mayor and Aldermen the right of addressing them directly.¹⁶ This naturally gave umbrage to the Mayor's Court which at once remonstrated against it on the ground that it would lead to misunderstandings.¹⁷ The Court also took an early opportunity of criticising the manner in which the Council was exercising the power newly delegated to them.¹⁸ It insinuated that the Council was not following the instructions of the Charter which laid down that the best men should be selected¹⁹ but that it was electing some very junior servants.²⁰ The Council insinuated in return that, if the Mayor and the Aldermen had learnt their proper duty, they would not have taken upon themselves to admonish the Council.²¹ This elicited the reply that the Court had a right to bring the terms of the Charter to the notice of the

¹ See page 79.

² See pages 79, 178 and 233.

³ See Letters from Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. 32. pages 22 and 23.

⁴ See page 79.

⁵ See pages 178, 184, 263 and 289.

⁶ See page 185.

⁷ See page 289.

⁸ See page 43.

⁹ Junk-Ceylon—a place subject to the King of Siam.

¹⁰ See pages 202-205.

¹¹ See page 205.

¹² See pages 202, 206 and 209.

¹³ See page 202.

¹⁴ See page 268.

¹⁵ See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of the Madras Despatches, 1754-65, page 119.

¹⁶ See Dodwell, H.—Calendar of the Madras Despatches, 1754-65, page 118.

See also page 144.

¹⁷ See pages 150-151.

¹⁸ See page 270.

¹⁹ See page 109.

²⁰ See page 285.

²¹ See page 271.

Council whenever they thought that its terms had not been followed. While this dispute was still in progress, there arose another. This was caused by the refusal of the Mayor's Court to allow the Court of Requests to meet in the new Town Hall.¹ The place where the Court of Requests had always been assembling had been sold and the Mayor's Court had obtained a new Town Hall.² The Clerk of the Court of Requests, Mr. Stratton, applied personally to the Secretary to the Mayor's Court for permission to use the new Hall.³ He was thereupon asked to apply in writing.⁴ Rather than submit to this formality the Court of Requests decided to apply to the Governor and Council for a meeting place.⁵ Accordingly they were ordered to assemble in the new Town Hall, but what was the surprise of the Court of Requests when they found that the Mayor's Court had forestalled them by assembling there beforehand on the same day on which they had decided to meet.⁶ The Council then gave the Court of Requests permission to sit in the Hall of the Fort House.⁷ The whole affair led to a long-drawn dispute between the Council and the Mayor's Court. The language used on either side in these controversies will appear to the present day official as hardly the model of official propriety, but that was a feature of the times⁸. What is surprising is that the Mayor and Aldermen, who had themselves not been very particular in the expression of their opinion, should animadvert upon the language used by the Governor and Council in these terms. "The Court therefore content themselves with saying that angry and reproachful expressions are highly unbecoming from and all invectives unfit to be used by one public-body addressing another."⁹

It is difficult to believe that responsible and serious Judges and Councillors should have discussed these apparently trivial subjects with such earnestness and acrimony. There are two ways of explaining this. One is that this form of controversy over public affairs was a characteristic of the age. The other is that in a small community of men, where every one knew every one else, it was impossible for any one to view the acts of individuals, however highly placed they might have been, in a dispassionate manner. Whatever that might be, these glimpses into the life of the early English Settlers are full of interest to the student of history, as he will find for himself on a perusal of the following pages.

¹ See pages 148, 149, 161 and 162.

² See page 107.

³ See pages 113 and 160.

⁴ See pages 113, 114, 140 and 160.

⁵ See page 109.

⁶ See pages 115 and 119.

⁷ See pages 115 and 140.

⁸ See pages 285 and 286.

⁹ See page 286.

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COMPANY'S SHIPPING TABLE.

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place	Cargo, Military, etc.
Cumberland (His Majesty's ship).	Rear Admiral Pocock.	¹ 21st and 22nd February 1757. From Vizagapatam.	² 70 of the Company's troops with the Sepoys on board landed at Madras and 60 of the Company's troops with four Serjeants, four Corporals, two drummers, one fife and Ensign Orson landed at Vizagapatam.	1st March 1757. For Bengal.	³ Letters to Admiral Watson, the Select Committee and Col. Clive. ⁴ Cypher No. 1 or A with a copy of the Directions for use sent to the President of Fort William. ⁵ Lieutenant Corneille with the Detachment of Kings troops.
Cuddalore (Sloop).	(1) George Baker.	23rd March 1757. Do.	A General letter from Vizagapatam, dated 10th March 1757 and another from Negrais dated 8th December 1756— ⁶ 55 bales of Calicoes amounting to Star Pagodas 3,290-17-0; 17 Packets including General letter, cash, accounts, etc.; Two packets from Bengal received there by the Sea Horse Sloop—Two Military men suspicious of deserting.	5th April 1757. From Kistnapatam.	⁷ Coffree Company consisting of fifty six private men.

¹ Please see pages 161 and 177 of Military Consultations 1757—Ms. Vol. 7-A.
² Do. 161 to 164 Do.
³ Do. 175 Do.
⁴ Do. 188 Do.

⁵ Please see pages 310 of Military Consultations, 1757—Ms. Vol. 7-B.
⁶ Do. 27-28 of Letters to Fort St. George, Vol. XXXVII, 1757.
⁷ Do. 247 of Military Consultations, 1757, Vol. 7-A.

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Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.
Cuddalore (Sloop).	(2) George Baker.	27th May 1757. . . From Kistna- patam.	....	28th June 1757 To the South- ward of Pondi- cherry.	On a cruize with His Majesty's ship Triton to the South- ward of Pondicherry to intercept any French Vessels that may be bound to that Port.
Do.	(3) Do.	21st July 1757. (From a Cruize with the Sloop St. Leon, a prize taken from the French).	....	9th Sept. 1757. To the South- ¹ ward to the island of Ceylon.	On a cruize to give notice to the English man of War or Com- pany's Ships about the arrival of a French squadron in the Coast.
Do.	(4) Do.	3rd Novr. 1757. From South- ward.	....	20th Novr. 1757. For Fort St. David and thence to Acheen, Fort Marlbro Straits of Sunda and Malacca calling at Batavia and back touching at Malacca and Acheen.	General letter to Alexander Wynch, Esq. and Council dated 19th Novem- ber 1757—Half a lack of rupees and 30 thousand pagodas ² —200 muskets for Fort St. David ³ — A General letter dated 4th November —Treasure to Fort Marlbro—General letter to the Deputy Governor and Coun- cil dated 19th November 1757 ⁴ — Lascars ⁵

Dragon (Sloop).	(1) Assem Condon.	24th Novem- ber 1757.	From Fort St. David.	A General letter dated 18th March 1757. ⁶ 75 Bales and eight books, including D. & C. 1756, etc.	20th April 1757.	For Fort St. David.	
Do.	(2) Do.	23rd June 1757.	Do.	....	3rd July 1757.	Do.	⁷ A General letter dated 3rd July 1757. ⁸ Invoices and Bills of Loading for cloth consignment.
Do.	(3) Do.	31st July 1757.	Do.	General letter No. 101 from Alexander Wynch dated 30th June 1757—Four eighteen pounder and two twenty four pounder gun carriages.	22nd August 1757.	Do.	⁹ General letter dated 21st August 1757. ¹⁰ Copies of Cowles for Trevendeporam and DeveCotali countries and some stores.
* Arcot (Snow).	Edward Bibb	7th April 1757.	From Galley.	Columbo Arrack	31st May 1757.	For Bengal touching at Vizaga- patam.	20,000 rupees to de- fray the charges of the Northern Settle- ments — General letters to Nor- thern Settlements, Bengal and Admiral Watson all dated 30th May 1757 ¹¹ and General letter to Bengal dated 28th May 1757. ¹² Account of silver and gold coined and the charges.

¹ Please see page 756 of Military Consultation, 1757, Ms. Vol. 8-A.

² Do. 156 of Fort St. David Consultations, 1757, Ms. Vol. 23.

³ Do. 951 of Military Consultation, 1757, Ms. Vol. 8-B.

⁴ Do. 104 of Letters to Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. XXXVII.

⁵ Do. 67 of Letters from F.S.G., Vol. XXXII.

⁶ Do. 31 of Letters to Fort St. George, 1757, Ms. Vol. XXXVII.

⁷ Do. 113 of Fort St. David Consultation, 1757, Vol. XXIII.

⁸ Do. 33 of Letters from F.S.G., 1757, Vol. XXXII.

⁹ Please see page 128 of Fort St. David Consultations, 1757, Vol. XXIII.

¹⁰ Do. 39 of Letters from Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. XXXII.

¹¹ Do. 78, Letters to Fort St. George, 1757 and pages 23 and 28 of Letters from Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. XXXII.

¹² Do. 23, Letters from Fort St. George, 1757.

* This snow was sold at public outcry on 21st July 1757—please see page 105, D. & C., 1757 and page 78, Letters to Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. XXXVII.

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.
Walpole ..	Captain Francis Fowler.	13th April 1757. From Bengal.	A General letter from the President and Council dated 28th February 1757. ¹ Salt Petre and a small quantity of Tincall and eight papers in the General letter dated 28th February 1757 mentioned above. ² Copy of a treaty concluded with the Nabob of Bengal on 11th February 1757 and 25th February 1757.	3rd August 1757. For England.	To England— ⁸ Two box Packets marked A and B—General letter to the Hon. Court of Directors— —Indent for printed paper for the Court of Requests— both dated 6th June 1757— ⁴ a separate packet for Secret Committee—General Books G.G. of Madras Presidency ending 30th April 1756,—Journal Parcel from 1st May to December 1756— James Harvey, a Mate of a Country vessel as a Charterparty Passenger— Foss Westcott, a member of the Council of Fort St. George with his luggage. ⁵ 2111 bales ⁶ Fine goods and chints ⁷ Salt petre ⁸ Diamonds and precious stones. ⁹ Private trade. ¹⁰ a separate box with Musters of Gold and silver etc. and ¹¹ a despatch dated 30th July 1757. To St. Helena— General letter to the Governor and Council dated 6th

June 1757.
¹² Rice and Columbia
 Arrack.

Prince Henry (1) John Mum- 25th April From
 Packet. ford and was 1757. • England.
 succeeded on
 his death by
 Benjamin Rey-
 nolds.

General Letter from the Hon-
 ble Court of Directors
 dated 28th July 1756—
 No. 70 & 71 from the
 Governor & Council at
 St. Helena the first dated
 the 21st June and the
 second the 6th November
 1756.

Do. (2) Benjamin 17th Septem- From
 Reynolds. ber 1757. Covelong.

.... 21st Novem- For England.
 ber 1757.

Passengers:—¹³ Mr.
 Samuel Moss
 (Company's Servant)
 and his servant,
 Lieut. Arthur
 Nelson (Company's
 servant),—John
 White, Richard
 Quin,—William
 Hardin & Ste-
 phen Greenleaf.
¹⁴40 tons of red
 wood, ¹⁵Officers and
 private men of Col.
 Adlercrons Regi-
 ment, ¹⁶Diamonds,
¹⁷Presents, ¹⁸ Des-
 patch, dated
 15—11—1757 and
 a separate despatch
 to the Secret Com-
 mittee.

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¹ Please see page 37, Letters to Fort St. George, 1757, Vol. XXXVII.
² Do. 337, Military Consultation 1757 Ms. Vol. 7 B.
³ Do. 171, Public Despatches to England Vol. 22 (1756-58).
⁴ Do. 162 Do.
⁵ Do. 162 Do.
⁶ Do. 129 Do.
⁷ Do. 149 Do.
⁸ Do. 153-160 Do.
⁹ Do. 161 Do.

¹⁰ Please see page 165 of Public Despatches to England, 1756-58 Vol. 22.
¹¹ Do. 177 Do.
¹² Do. 170 Do.
¹³ Do. 203, Public Despatches to England, Ms. Vol. 22 (1756-58).
¹⁴ Do. 189 Do.
¹⁵ Do. 193 Do.
¹⁶ Do. 194-95 Do.
¹⁷ Do. 202 Do.
¹⁸ Do. 203-205 Do.

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.
Revenge	(1) William James.	27th April From 1757. Bengal.	¹ Letter from the Select Committee at Fort William dated 26—3—1757 conveying an account of the taking of Chandernagore.	28th June To the Southward of Pondicherry. 1757.	On a cruize to the Southward of Pondicherry with His Majesty's Ship Triton.— ² For Fort St. David 350 slabs of lead, ³ 117 Candies of lead, out of which 100 Candies to be delivered to Captain Caillauds at Trichinopoly through the Chief at Fort St. David.
Do.	(2) Do.	22nd July From a 1757. Cruize.	....	24th July To the Southward. 1757.	On a Cruize.
Protector	George England.	27th April From 1757. Bengal.	⁴ Letter from Col. Clive from Chandernagore dated 30th March 1757.	31st May For Bengal touching at Vizagapatam. 1757.	⁵ 100 ton of Copper, ⁶ General letter dated 30th May 1757, ⁷ 60 Barrels of gun powder. ⁸ Ten French desertors.
Triton. (His Majesty's ship.)	(1) Edmund Townley.	22nd June From 1757. Bombay.	A General letter dated 1st June 1757. ⁹ A packet to Fort William (for forwarding). ¹⁰ Col. Lawrence and his contingent sailed from Fort St. David to Sadras.	28th June On a Cruize to the Southward of Pondicherry. 1757.	¹¹ To intercept any French vessels that may be bound to that port accompanied by Company's Ship Revenge and Company's Sloop Cuddalore.
Do.	(2) Do.	22nd July From a 1757. Cruize.	....	24th July ¹² On a Cruize to the Southward. 1757.	....

Do.	(3)	Do.	9th September 1757, at 8 A.M.	From a Cruize to the South- ward.	....	9th September 1757 evening.	For Bengal ..	20 chests of Bullion.— ¹³ A General letter to Fort William dated 9th(?) September 1757. ¹⁴ A packet received from England by Norfolk. ¹⁵ A letter to Admiral Watson advising of the arrival of the French Fleet.
Do.	(4)	Do.	17th October 1757.	From Bengal.	....	18th October 1757.	For Bengal.	¹⁶ Letters to Admiral Pocock, the Select Committee and Col. Clive.
Malbro	..	Alexander	.. 27th April 1757.	Do.	¹⁷ General letter, dated 26th March 1757.	20th June 1757.	For Bengal touching at Vizagapa- tam.	To Bengal—Copper lead, Iron and wool- len goods, three chests of Coral No. 26 and 27 I.D. D.O. No. 1 imported per Walpole—Gene- ral letter, dated 18th June 1757. To Vizagapatam :— General letter dated 18th June 1757. ¹⁹ Invoices, bills, accounts, 2 Vols. of Acts of Parliament, patterns of Broad cloth, etc.

¹ Please see pages 301-302 of Military Consultations 1757—Ms. Vol. 7 B.
² Do. page 113 of Fort St. David Consultations 1757—Vol. 23.
³ Do. 567 of Military Consultations 1757—Vol. 7 B.
⁴ Do. 302-306 of Military Consultations 1757—Vol. 7 B.
⁵ Do. 73, Letters to Fort St. George, 1757 & page 23, Letters from Fort
St. George 1757—Vol. XXXII.
⁶ Do. 82 Do. 1757.
⁷ Do. 423 of Military Consultations 1757—Vol. 7 B and page 89 of Letter to Fort
St. George, 1757.
⁸ Do. 24, Letters from Fort St. George 1757—Vol. XXXII.
⁹ Do. Do.

¹⁰ Please see page 550 of Military Consultations 1757—Vol. 7 B.
¹¹ Do. 554 Do.
¹² Do. 640 of Military Consultations 1757—Vol. 8 A.
¹³ Do. 82 of Letters to Fort St. George 1757.
¹⁴ Do. 32 of Letters from Fort St. George 1757—Vol. XXXII.
¹⁵ Do. 752 of Military Consultations 1757—Vol. 8 A.
¹⁶ Do. 893 Military Consultations 1757—Vol. 8 B.
¹⁷ Do. 22 of Letters from Fort St. George 1757, Vol. XXXII.
¹⁸ Do. 306 to 375 of Military Consultations 1757—Vol. 7 B.
¹⁹ Do. 29 of Letters from Fort St. George 1757—Vol. XXXII.

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.		Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.		Cargo, Military, etc.
Marlbro (Sloop).	Alexander Sherrard.	23rd 1757.	July From Fort Marlbro.	Mr. John Pybus, late Supra- vizier & Deputy Governor (passenger) ¹ Syrange at Fort Marlbro (passenger) to the Indian Coast to pro- cure 50 Laskars—Three General Letters from Fort Marlbro, dated 21st April, 6th & 27th May and one from St. Helena, dated 1st June 1756—4,308 gallons of arrack (found deficient by 177 gallons on examina- tion).	2nd 1757.	October For Bencoo- len (Fort Marlbro).	For Fort Marlbro:— Rice and Military stores (except gun powder) relanded from the Ship Duke which was put back on the 28th August owing to leakage, ² Copper cash; One Tindal and 33 Las- kars; Mr. Charles Fredrick Noble (passenger).
Fort William (Schooner).	Robert Munro . .	10th August 1757.	From Bombay.	A General Letter from the President & Council, dated 17th July 1757 enclosing the duplicate of their letter, dated 5th July— ³ 7 male slaves with provisions. Two packets for England— ⁴ Letters from the Ministry addressed to Mr. Pigot and Col. Adlercron forwarded by the Select Committee at Bombay.	14th August 1757.	For Bengal.	General Letter to the President & Council, dated 14th August 1757.— ⁵ Two Europe packets addressed to Admiral Watson.
* Neptune (Sloop).	Thomas Forrest.	Do.	Do.	....	17th August 1757.	For Fort St. David and Fort Mari- bro.	⁶ For Fort Marlbro:— 13 bales of Long cloth, etc., one box of Lacquered ware and 4 chests of opium—80 barrels of Gun Powder. ⁷ General letters, dated 14th August to both the Settlements.

Duke	.. (1) Thomas Powney.	Do.	Do.	26th August 1757.	For the Coast of Sumatra touching ⁶ first at Tappanooly & then at Natal, etc. places.	To Fort Marlbro :— 7 male Coffree slaves received from Bombay—about 11 Garce of rice and 21 Garce of Salt, Ordnance and Mili- tary Stores—50 bales of long cloth. General letters to Tappanooly Natal, Moco Moco & Fort Marlbro. Passenger ⁹ Charles Frederick Noble (Company's servant).
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** Hartop Snow—the name prior to the purchasing of it by the Company.

N.B.—The Hon'ble Company's ship Duke was put back on 28th August since it became leaky.

Duke	.. (2) Thomas Powney.	10th August 1757.	From Bombay.	....	16th Septem- ber 1757.	For Bengal and ¹⁰ West Coast after getting caulked and shea- thed.	To Bengal :—Gun powder—21 garce of Salt ¹¹ 120 barrels of gun powder. To West Coast :— ¹⁰ Rice and other articles.
Queenborough (His Mejesty's ship).	George Ligge	.. 19th October 1757.	From England.	....	23rd October 1757.	For Bengal.	¹² Packets to Admiral Pocock.

¹ Please see pages 64-65 of Letters to Fort St. George 1757, XXXVII.

² Do. 88 Do.
³ Do. 68 of Letters to Fort St. George 1757, Vol. XXXVII.
⁴ Do. 674 of Military Consultations 1757, Ms. Vol. 8-A.
⁵ Do. 676 Do.

* This sloop was purchased by the Company on the 30th April 1757, Please see pages 88 and 91 of D & C.

⁶ Please see page 38, Letters from Fort St. George 1757, Vol. XXXII.

⁷ Do. 128 Fort St. David Consultations 1757, Vol. 23.
⁸ Do. 39-40 of Letters from Fort St. George 1757 Vol. XXXII.
⁹ Do. 41 Do.
¹⁰ Do. 122 of Public Despatches to England, Vol. 22 (1756-58).
¹¹ Do. 180 of Public Despatches to England 1757.
¹² Do. 40 of Letters from Fort St. George 1757, Vol. XXXII.
¹³ Do. 911 of Military Consultations, 1757, Vol. 8-B.

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.
(C) Boscawen	Benjamin Braund.	6th September 1757 at noon.	From England from hence to Canton. (Supra Cargoes on Boscawen and Princess Augusta; Thomas Thomson; Hillary Torriano; John Mapletoft; and William Fead.)	21st October 1757. For Bengal.	General letters, dated 18th and 20th October to the President & Council requesting "a supply of Salt petre, etc." "A letter to Admiral Pocock.
			51 recruits. 12 packets from the Hon'ble Court of Directors to be forwarded to Bombay. "Book entitled Thesaurus Linguarum Orientalium by Meninski. "A Letter from Lord Barrington to Col. Adlercron. "4 tons of lead, 4 tons of steel, glass beads, wares, stores, Coral beads, treasure, private goods & merchandize. Passengers:—"Moses Barnett, Daniel De Castro and Joseph Gethin (not in the Company's service).		
(C) Princess Augusta.	Thomas Baddison.	Do.	Do.	.. .. .	To England:—200 tons of bales—Rice and salt for West Coast and pepper from West Coast—old unservicable guns—Officers and private men of Col. Adlercron's Regiment including Col. Adlercron (all on one ship and an equal cargo on the other). "Rice—50 bales of long cloth ordinary—Military stores to Marlbro to be partly
			44 recruits "Ware, stores, private merchandize, Coral beads, etc. "One chest of silver and one chest of gold.		

unloaded at Moco
Moco if necessary
and to load pepper
in its place.
Norfolk :—48 tons of
Redwood, 1000
bales, *Princess*
Augusta 49 tons of
Redwood, 1000 bales.
Norfolk :—Diamonds
and precious stones,
¹⁴Private Trade.
Princess Augusta :—
Diamonds and pre-
cious stones
¹⁶Presents. Ephraim
Isaac and his servant.
Passengers :—
Ephraim Isaac and
his servants Lieut.
Alexander. Peyer
Imhoff — Ensign
Richard Geers,—
Anthony Wagner
(the last three as
Charter party
Passengers) i.e.
Imhoff and Wagner
being Swiss who by
their capitulation
are to have a free
Passage and Richard
Geers being poor and
unable to pay for
a Passage.

¹ Please see page 51, Letters from Fort St. George 1757, Vol. XXXII.
² Do. 36 Public Despatches from England 1757 Vol. 60.
³ Do. 4 of Letters to Fort St. George 1757-58, Vol. 38.
⁴ Do. 92 of Public Despatches from England 1757, Vol. 60.
⁵ Do. 136 to 141 Do.
⁶ Do. 911 of Military Consultations 1757, Vol. 8-B.
⁷ Do. 193 of Public Despatches from England 1757, Vol. 60.
⁸ Do. 949 of Military Consultation 1757, Vol. 8-B.

⁹ Please see page 67 of Letters from Fort St. George 1757, Vol. XXXII.
¹⁰ Do. 140-148, Public Despatches from England 1757, Vol. 60.
¹¹ Do. 152 Do.
¹² Do. 180, Public Despatches to England, Vol. 22 (1756-58.)
¹³ Do. 195-198 Do.
¹⁴ Do. 202 Do.
¹⁵ Do. 199-201 Do.
¹⁶ and ¹⁷ Do. 203 Do.

Name of Ship.	Name of Captain.	Date of Arrival and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.	Date of Departure and Place.	Cargo, Military, etc.
(C) Norfolk ..	Pinson Bonham.	6th Sept. 1757 From England at noon. from hence to Canton.	(Supra Cargoes on Norfolk and Tavistock :—Mordecai Walker, Nathaniel Garland, Thomas Smith.) 47 recruits : ¹ Two packets from the Hon'ble Court of Directors to be forwarded to Bombay.	20th Novem- ber 1757. For Fort Marlbro ² touching at Moco Moco ; and England touching at St. Helena.	General letters to Dy. Governor & Council at Fort Marlbro, to the Resident at Moco Moco and to the Governor and Council at St. Helena, all dated 19th November 1757, ³ 80 Tons of Iron Kintlage, ⁴ 7 Coffrees Slaves, ⁵ arrack and rice from Fort Marlbro and three Corge of stockings from Madras to St. Helena, ⁶ Treasure, private merchandize and stores & Coral beads. ⁷ Passengers :—Rich- ard Starke—John Starke & Miss Jean Dela Mettrie.
(C) Tavistock..	Benjamin Jenkins.	Do. Do.	43 recruits ⁸ One packet from the Hon'ble Court of Directors to be forwarded to Bombay. ⁹ Wares, Stores, private mer- chandize & Coral beads.	21st October For Bombay 1757. ¹⁰ touching at Anjengo on 5th December 1757.	General letter dated 19th October to the President & Council ¹¹ some lead and Red Wood ; General letters from England and Bengal.

N.B.—The Cargoes from England on the four ships marked (C) above have been shown at pages 136 to 152 of Public Despatches from England 1756–57—Vol. 60. The following letters, etc., are said to have been brought by these ships :—(1) a General letter from the Court of Directors, (2) Duplicate of General Letter from the Court of Directors, (3) Copy of General Letter to the West Coast—all, dated 29th December 1756 (4) Lead and other consignments

intended for Canton. [Please see pages 190, 191 and 217 of the D & C Book (Pub) 1757 and a letter from the Secret Committee, East India Company, dated 1st February 1757.] (Please see page 734 of Military Consultations 1757—Vol. 8-A.)

140 bales of cloth and 20 bales of Long cloth (for Fort St. George), 660 bales of cloth, 316 bales of long Ells together with 790 pieces of Long Ells, yard & a half wide (for Bengal) and 1400 bales of cloth were consigned in the above ships.—Vide pages 28-29, Public Despatches from England 1757—

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Tavistock .. Benjamin
Jenkins.

17th October
1757 morning.

From
Bengal.

¹²Duplicates of letter from the Select Committee at Bengal, dated 13th August 1757; 3 letters from Col. Clive, dated 2nd July 1757, 3rd August 1757 and 12th September 1757 and journal of Military operations on the expedition to Muxadavad and six letters from Surajah Dowlah, the late Nawab of Bengal to Mr. Bussy and Mr. Law and one from Mr. Law to the Chief of Sydadabad.

¹ Please see page 51, Letters from Fort St. George 1757, Vol. XXXII.
² Do. 67 Do.
³ Do. 59 Do.
⁴ and ⁵ Do. 65-68 Do.
⁶ Do. 142-145, Public Despatches from England 1757, Vol. 60.
⁷ Do. 203, Public Despatches to England, Ms. Vol. 22 (1757-58.)

⁸ Please see page 51, Letters from Fort St. George 1757, Vol. XXXII.
⁹ Do. 149-151, Public Despatches from England 1757, Vol. 60.
¹⁰ Do. 1 of Letters to Fort St. George 1757-58, Vol. 38.
¹¹ Do. 61 of Letters from Fort St. George 1757, Vol. XXXII.
¹² Do. 880 of Military Consultations 1757, Vol. 8-B.

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Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort S ^t . David dated the 6 Instant.	9
Arriv'd Sloop Ankatasium, Christopher Oliphant from Bandarmalanka with General Letter from the Resident there dated the 7 th . Ins ^t . and 208 Bales on the Hon ^{ble} Companys account.	11

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
WILLIAM PERCEVAL. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

WEDNES-
DAY
12TH.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of the two last Consultations dated the 28th. & 31st. Ultimo read & sign'd.

General Letters read Viz^t.

N^o. 182 and N^o. 6 From M^r. John Andrew Resident at Bandarmalanka. The first dated the 16th Ultimo Enclosing the Monthly accounts for November with an Account of Cloth on hand being in all One hundred and fifty two (152) Bales. The other dated the 7th Instant Enclosing His Account Quick Stock and Monthly Papers for December, and likewise Invoice & Bill of Lading for Two hundred and eight [208] Bales he has consigned to us by the sloop Ankatasium and acquainting us that he has also sent on that Vessell Eight Coils of Cordage, which is in no demand there. That he is much in want of stationery and that an early supply of Money will greatly facilitate the Investment the ensuing Year.

General
Letters read
From
Bandarma-
lanka.

N^o. 1. From M^r John Lewen Smith Provisional Chief & C^t. Council at Vizagapatam dated the 18th. Ultimo acquainting Us that the Hartop Snow arrived there the 8th. of that Month by which they received the Treasure & Stores consign'd them by her, That they have forwarded the several Quotàs

From
Vizaga-
patam.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1757 —

of the Treasure design'd for Ingeram & Bandarmalanka, That His Majesty's ship Cumberland Rear Admiral Pocock having lost her Passage to Bengal put in there the 14th. in a sickly Condition & in great want of Provisions & Water. That the sick who are upwards of three hundred and Fifty have all been landed and have what Refreshments that can be procured, That Captains Campbell & Callendar having applied for Pay & Batta to their Companys they Intend to advance them one Months Pay, That Mr. Pocock proposes proceeding to Madras when the people are a little recover'd, That the supply of money by the Hartop being very insufficient to answer the unexpected Charges of the Cuddalore Sloop, Long Boats &c^t. after the large allowances they found necessary to make their Merchants, who still make further Demands, they apprehend they shall be obliged to draw upon us for a present supply of Cash if they can procure any, That they have at present near seven hundred Bales and expect to encrease the Number to Eight hundred by the End of January. That the three Long Boats are far advanced & shall be sent up the beginning of January, and that they now send their monthly Papers for November and an Indent for Military stores which are much wanted as likewise the Returns of Captain Campbell and Captain Callendars Company's.

From
Ingeram.

N^o. 2. From Foss Westcott Esq^r. Resident at Ingeram dated the 24th. Ultimo acknowledging the receipt of our Letter by the Hartop Snow with the supply of Ten thousand Pagodas and acquainting Us that in Consequence of the advices receiv'd from the Secret Committee he has dispatch'd Ninety Bales on the Sloop Nancy Ⓕ as Invoice inclosed, That he takes that opportunity of forwarding Duplicate Copy of his Books ending April 1756 and at the same time Requesting Leave to return to the Presidency for the Recovery of his Health. Cloth on hand 122 Bales.

From
Devecotah.

N^o. 3 From Mr. James Bouchier Chief at Devecotah dated the 1st. Instant acquainting us that the Sloop Nancy from Ingeram with Ninety two Bales [92] on board on the Hon^{ble} Companys Account arriv'd there the day preceeding, that as the syrang makes many Objections to attempting his Passage to Madras on account the Winds & Current he now forwards Her Packet to Us desiring our directions regarding her.

From Fort
St. David.

N^o. 4 & N^o. 5 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the other Gentlemen of Council at Fort S^t. David. The first dated the 4th. Instant acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 23^d. Ultimo and enclosing Translation of a Petition deliver'd them by Trevengodum Conicoply of the Lascars against Captain D'Illens. The other dated the 6th. Instant Enclosing Copy of a Letter and Petition deliver'd them by Captain D'Illens, who desir'd they might be transmitted to us.

ORDER'D that the Indent for Military Stores wanted at Vizagapatam be complied with.

Vizaga-
patam to be
wrote to.

AGREED to write the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam that they may draw Bills upon Us for such a sum as they shall find necessary for their present Occasions, That they may discharge the Account Disbursements deliver'd them by the Master of the Cuddalore Sloop & likewise advance him four Months Impress for his People, and that they must send up that Vessel to us with Bales as soon as her Repairs are completed.

Mr. West-
cott Residt.
at Ingeram
permitted to
return to the
Presidency.

AGREED that Mr. Westcott be permitted to return to the Presidency agreeable to his desire and that Mr. John Calland Assistant there have the Charge of the Settlement untill a new Resident is appointed

AND

The Chief at
Devecotah
Order'd to
send up the
Nancy Sloop.

That Mr. James Bouchier Chief at Deve Cotah be directed to send up the Nancy Sloop as soon as the Syrang shall think her Passage practicable.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1757 —

A Letter from Alexander Wynch Esq^r. addressed to the Board, dated the 26th. Ultimo is now read expressing his Concern at our not granting him the Deputy Governours allowances and representing that as he is not only the first that has been excluded from them during the Deputy Governours absence, but likewise the only one that has been placed at the head of a Settlement without having the Allowances as such, he is induced to think We will reconsider his Case but should he not obtain that Favour, that he appeals to his Honble Employers who he doubts not will think very differently of the affair.

A Letter from Alex^r. Wynch Esq^r. relating to his allowances during the Deputy Governours absence & appealing to the Company on the subject.

ORDER'D that the Letter be enter'd hereafter for the perusal of Our Honble Masters.

Order'd to be entered hereafter.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper lays before the Board as enter'd hereafter, an Account Sale of the damaged Woollen Goods which were order'd in last Consultation to be sold at Outcry amounting to Two thousand two hundred and forty five Pagodas twenty eight fanams & forty Cash and at the same time acquaints the Board that the Loss upon the sales amounts to Pagodas One hundred and seventy eight sixteen fanams & sixty four Cash [178.16.64] which is not so considerable as might have been expected from the Condition of the Goods.

Account sale of damaged Woollen Goods deliver'd in.

AGREED that the Board meet again at the Warehouse on Wednesday next the 19th.

The Board to meet at the Warehouse on the 19th to further inspect the Bales.

AGREED that One hundred & Eleven thousand & three hundred Arcot Rupees [111300] be sold to Linga Chittee at the rate of three hundred and seventy one Rupees for a hundred Pagodas amounting to Thirty thousand Current Pagodas, One half of which being fifteen thousand Pagodas he is to pay into the Treasury on the 12th. day of February and the other half on the 12th. day of March next.

Thirty thousand Pags. worth of Rupees sold to Linga Chitty.

Rawsum Vencatachilum Paupah Braminy Renter of Perembore &c^t. Villages pays in One thousand two hundred and six Pagodas (1206) being one Years Rent due in that Cowle the 31st. of August last.

Rents paid in Vizt. 1 years Rent of Perembore.

Mootiah Farmer of the Banksall Duty pays in Two hundred (200) Pagodas for six Months Rent due on that farm the 1st. of December last.

1/2 year's Rent of the Banksall Duty.

Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permaul Kelleva Chittee Renters of the Beetle & Tobacco Farm pay in six hundred and sixty six Pagodas and twenty four fanams (666—24—) in full for one months Rent due on that Cowle the 1st. of December last.

Beetle & Tobacco Farm.

Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permaul Kelleva Chittee Farmers of the Arrack & Wine Licence pay in Three hundred and thirty three Pagodas and twelve fanams (333—12—) for one Months Rent due on that Cowle the 1st. of December last.

Arrack & Wine Licence.

The Clerk of the Peace pays in Eight Pagodas being the amount of Fines levied by the Justices at the Quarter Sessions in October which is order'd to be carried to the Head of Fines & Forfeitures.

Fines levied by the Justices paid in.

AGREED that six thousand Pagodas (6000) be advanced the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad, And

Advance to the Commissary.

That fifteen thousand (15000) Pagodas be advanced Linga Chittee &c^t. Merchants on account the Investment.

Advance to Linga Chittee &c^t. Merchts. Account the Investmt.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1757 —

Six months
pension to
the 1st Ins^t.
paid the
Widow &
Brother of
the late
Killedar of
Poonamallee.

Six months of the pension of a thousand (1000) Pagodas ₹ annum which was settled on the Widow & Brother of the late Killedar of Poonamallee by the Nabobs Saned, having become due the 1st. of this Month, ORDER'D that the same be paid accordingly.

The President reads the Cash Account for December Ballance remaining compared with the Chest Eighteen thousand seven hundred and sixty nine Pagodas two fanams and forty nine Cash (18769—2—49) which is carried forward.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
WILL^M. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHA^S. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HON^{BLE} GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^B.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRs,

It was with great concern I read your Opinion in the General Letter to this Place regarding the allowances which I flatter'd myself you would have thought my right & that they were always Esteem'd to be the due of the Person that kept up the Table here Colonel Lawrences having those of President whilst he was at the Head here will shew; Nay M^r. Saunders thought the whole his right, & as such the salary for that time was paid him. The station you Gentlemen have placed me in lays me under the necessity of having a Table at the Fort (besides the Ordinary one for my Family) & of keeping up the Kings Birth, Xmas and new Year days, and to receive and entertain all strangers which was I to Omit I should certainly incur your Censure and that this cannot be done without a considerable Expence you will believe me. Permit me also to mention that you Gentlemen have thought it necessary to make allowances on these Occasions, what you lately did to M^r. Smith 5 Pagodas ₹ day besides his other allowances whilst he was at Deve Cotah will shew, as well what has been given (from 6 to 15 Rupees ₹ day) to the Commandants of the Out Garrisons, These Instances I hope will induce you to think my case worthy of Reconsideration but should I not be so happy as to Obtain this Favour, I appeal to my Hon^{BLE} Employers whom I have no doubt will think very differently of this subject, & from whom I hope for Redress. As I am the only Person that have ever been excluded from the allowances here in the Deputy Governours absence, Also the only One that have ever been placed at the Head of a Settlement by you Gentlemen without having the allowances thereof or a Valuable Consideration in lieu, I am most Respectfully

FORT ST. DAVID,
26TH. DEC^R. 1756.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRs
Your most Faithfull & very
Obedient Servant
AR. WYNCH.

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH.

						Dr.
1 To Ballance brought from last month ..	1844	5525	53	1997	17	53
7 To Current Pagodas rec'd from the Committee of Treasury	20000	—	—	20000	—	—
— To Oppajee Nayenar Renter of the Chingalaput Country (which with Pagodas 10,000 rec'd the 3 ^d . Sept ^r . is in full for six Months rent of that Farm due the 1 st . August last at which time the Cowle expired	6250	—	—	6250	—	—
— To Henry Powney Sea Customer rec'd from him on his running Account	1200	14400	—	1600	—	—
— To Henry Powney Import Warehouse-keeper rec'd from him on his running Account	13000	..		13000	—	—
— To Mussoolah Boats rec'd from Robert Orme as one of the Committee of Boats.	—	12000	0	333	12	—
Carried out ..	42294	31925	53	43180	29	53

PER CONTRA.

						Cr.
7 By Nella Chittee advanced him for the Provision of fine Goods ..	3000	..		3000	—	—
— By Claud Russell Accountant General of the Mayors Court paid his draft in favour of Shawmier Sultan as ₹ order of Consultation ..	231	21	33	231	21	33
— By Mr. Antonia de Madeiros paid one years Interest on a Bond for 20000 Pagodas @ 8 ₹ C ^t . ₹ annum due the 3 ^d . Instant	1600	..		1600	—	—
— By Mrs. Antonia de Madeiros & the Reverend Padre Severini paid one years Interest on a bond for 30000 Rupees @ 6 ₹ C. ₹ annum due the 20 th . Ultimo @ 370 R ^s . ₹ % Pagodas ..	486	17	41	486	17	41
20 By Tellisinga Chittee &c ^t . Merchants advanced on account of the Investment. . .	15000	..		15000	—	—
	20317	38	74	20318	2	74

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—cont.

					Dr.	
Brought over	42294	31925	53	43180	29	53
— To Linga Chittee Renter of Trivitore &c ^t . Villages rec'd in full for one years Rent of that Farm due the 1 st . Sep ^t . last at which time the Cowle expired	1300	..	..	1300	—	—
— To Linga Chittee Renter of Egmore &c ^t . Villages rec'd in full for one years rent of that Farm due the 1 st . September last at which time the Cowle expired	1250	..	..	1250	—	—
20 th To Pitloor Venaty Kistnah & Permaul Kelleva Chittee rec'd in full for one months rent of the Beetle & Tobacco Farm due the 1 st . November last	200	16800	—	666	24	—
— To Pitloor Venaty Kistnah & Permaul Kelleva Chittee Renters of the Arrack & Wine Licence rec'd in full for one Months rent of that farm due the 1 st . November last .. ..	..	12000	—	333	12	—
Carried out	45044	60725	53	46730	29	53

PER CONTRA—cont.

				Cr.		
	20317	38	74	20318	2	74
— By Linga Chittee &c ^t . Merchants advanced on account of the Investment	15000	..	..	15000	—	—
— By John Smith Paymaster advanced for Disbursements in that Employ .. ..	..	144000	—	4000	—	—
28 By Tellisinga Chittee advanced him for the Provision of fine goods	6500	—	—	6500	—	—
— By Linga Chittee advanced him for the Provision of fine Goods	13000	—	—	13000	—	—
— By Gundaveddy Venkata Ramah &c ^t . merchants advanced them on account of the Investment	15000	—	—	15000	—	—
— By Fort S ^t . David paid a Bill from thence dated 21 Instant in favour of Henry Powney	1300	—	—	1300	—	—
— By John Smith Paymaster advanced for the Disbursements of that Employ	4000	360000	—	14000	—	—
	75117	504038	74	89118	2	74

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Brought over	45044	60725	53	46730	29	53
.. To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Permaul Kelleva Chittee Renters of the Weighing & measuring Duty recd in full for two months rent of that Farm due the 1 st . November last	6300	—	166	24	—
.. To Pumbavy Vellapah Renter of the Paddy fields & salt Pans recd in full for 6 months of that farm due the 12 th . Instant at which time the Cowle expired ..	357	18	—	357	18	—
28 To William Perceval Land Customer recd from him the Ballance of his account for November	81	2321	70	145	17	70
-- To Pery Woodundy Renter of the Companys Old Garden recd in full for 6 months rent of that farm due the 12 th Instant	120	—	—	120	—	—
-- To Current Pagodas recd from the Committee of Treasury	60000	—	—	60000	—	—
Carried over	105602	69065	43	107520	17	43

.. By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced for the Disbursements of that Employ ..	75117	504038	74	89118	2	74
.. By Charles Bouchier Military Storekeeper advanced for the Disbursements of that Employ	6000	1800	—	6050	—	—
.. By the Mayors Court advanced them to defray the Expences of the Corporation ..	1500	..	..	1500	—	—
.. By Tondapah &c ^t . Painters advanced on account of paintings.	500	..	..	500	—	—
31 st . By Batta issued in the Course of the month to purchase fanams..	10000	10000	—	—
	15000	15000	—	—
	108117	505838	74	122168	2	74

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY CASH—cont.

						DR.	
Brought over	105602	68065	43	107520	17	43	
— To Henry Powney Sea Customer recd from him on his running Account	4800	7200	—	5000	—	—	
— To Henry Powney Import Warehouse- keeper recd from him on his running Account	11620	4680	—	11750	—	—	
31 To Batta for the produce of 15000 Pag ^s . issued as ₹ Contra & exchanged @ 40 fanams ₹ Pagoda & brought to account here at the rate of 36 fanams ₹ Pag ^s	600000	—	—	16666	24	—	
STAR OR CURR ^t . PAGODAS.	<u>122022</u> [sic]	<u>680945</u> [sic]	<u>43</u>	<u>140937</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>43</u>	

PER CONTRA—cont.

						CR.	
Brought Over Pag ^s .	108117	505838	74	122168	2	74	
By Ballance carried to next M ^o	13905	175106	49	18769	2	49	
STAR OR CURR ^t . PAGODAS.	<u>122022</u>	<u>680945</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>140937</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>43</u>	

ERRORS EXCEPTED
 ₹ GEORGE PIGOT.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1757 —

ACCOUNT SALE of the Honourable Companys Damaged & Worm Eaten
BROAD CLOTH & C^r. by Publick Outery at One Months Trust Viz^r.

The time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Quantity.	Price sold at			Amount of ea. lot.			To whom sold.
			P.	f.	c.	31	31	40	
7 th Janry. 1757.	Broad Cloth Ord ^y . Papijay Green.	3 P ^s . @	10	12	40	31	31	40	Cota Naganah.
	D ^o .	3 „	10	—	—	30	—	—	Tomby Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	10	9	—	30	27	—	Vencatrama Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	10	9	—	30	27	—	Cota Naganah.
	D ^o .	3 „	11	9	—	33	27	—	Vellapah.
	D ^o .	3 „	11	—	—	33	—	—	Comrapah.
	D ^o .	3 „	12	—	—	36	—	—	Bussovapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	11	27	—	35	9	—	Cambai Narrain.
	D ^o .	3 „	12	9	—	36	27	—	Gollah Singanah.
	D ^o .	3 „	12	—	—	36	—	—	Kelleva Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	12	—	—	36	—	—	Vera Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	12	9	—	36	27	—	Mooteapah.
	D ^o .	3 „	12	9	—	36	27	—	Ayetomby Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	12	—	—	36	—	—	Vencatarama Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	12	—	—	36	—	—	Kelleva Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	12	9	—	36	27	—	Tomby Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	12	9	—	36	27	—	Bussovapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	12	18	—	37	18	—	Vera Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	12	27	—	38	9	—	Pegue Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	12	27	—	38	9	—	Appoo Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	—	—	39	—	—	Golla Singanah.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	9	—	39	27	—	Coanary Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	—	—	39	—	—	Oppoo Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	9	—	39	27	—	Mooto Comrapa.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	—	—	39	—	—	Kelleva Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	18	—	40	18	—	Vencatashia.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	—	—	39	—	—	Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	—	—	39	—	—	Mr. Stratton.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	18	—	40	18	—	Gollah Singanah.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	18	—	40	18	—	Mootah Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	9	—	39	27	—	Mootapoolah.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	9	—	39	27	—	Cota Naganah.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	18	—	40	18	—	Vencatarama Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	18	—	40	18	—	Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	18	—	40	18	—	Nata Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	9	—	39	27	—	Mootah Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	18	—	40	18	—	Ayetomby Chittee.
	D ^o .	3 „	13	9	—	39	27	—	Mr. Stratton.
	D ^o .	3 „	9	27	—	39	—	—	Vellayoutham.
	Perpetuanoes	5 „	6	—	—	30	—	—	Combae Narrain.
	Ord ^y . Broad Green.								
	D ^o .	5 „	5	27	—	28	27	—	Ditto.
	D ^o .	5 „	5	27	—	28	27	—	Ayetomby Chittee.
	D ^o .	5 „	6	9	—	31	9	—	Ramalinga.
	D ^o .	5 „	5	27	—	28	27	—	Vencatarama Chittee.
	D ^o .	5 „	6	9	—	31	9	—	Kelleva Chittee.

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ACCOUNT SALE of the Honourable Companys Damaged & Worm Eaten
BROAD CLOTH & C^r. by Publick Outcry at One Months Trust VIZ^r.—contd.

The time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Quantity.	Price sold at			Amount of ea. lot.	To whom sold.
			P.	f.	c.		
7th Janry. 1757.	Perpetuanoes Ord ^y . Broad Green.	5 p ^s . @	6	27	—	33 27 —	Cambae Narrain.
	D ^o .	5 „	7	—	—	35 — —	Moota Chittee.
	D ^o .	5 „	6	27	—	33 27 —	Vencatarama Chittee.
	D ^o .	5 „	7	—	—	35 — —	Moota Chittee.
	D ^o .	5 „	7	9	—	36 9 —	Ammajaboy.
	D ^o .	5 „	7	9	—	36 9 —	Vencatarama Chittee.
	D ^o .	5 „	7	9	—	36 9 —	Cota Naganah.
	D ^o .	5 „	7	—	—	36 9 —	Ayetomby Chittee.
	D ^o .	5 „	7	—	—	35 — —	Kistnama Chittee.
	D ^o .	5 „	7	—	—	35 — —	Kelleva Chittee.
	Emerald Green	5 „	7	27	—	38 27 —	Cota Naganah.
	D ^o .	5 „	8	18	—	42 18 —	Golla Singanah.
	Deverets ..	5 „	—	—	—	10 18 —	Verdapah.
	D ^o .	5 „	—	—	—	11 9 —	Do.
	D ^o .	5 23	—	—	—	13 18 —	Do.

yards.

REMNANTS OF BROAD CLOTH & C^r.

Broad Cloth dble Colour red & Green.	5½ yards.	14	9	—	Vencatashia.
D ^o . blue and red.	10¾	21	—	—	Do.
D ^o . yellow and sup. fine.	5½	6	9	—	Vencatarama Chittee.
D ^o . Ord ^y . red.	2¼	1	7	—	Nella Mootoo.
D ^o . superfine scarlet.	4½	6	9	—	Simon.
D ^o . scarlet ..	28¾	32	—	—	Kistnama Chittee.
Broad cloth fine Green.	5 yards.	4	9	—	Vellayouthum.
D ^o . yellow ..	17⅞	1	27	—	Ramalinga.
D ^o . Purple Blue & Black.	¾	—	22	—	Paupah.
D ^o . Aurora ..	3¾	3	—	—	Noota Moota Chitty.
D ^o . Ord ^y . yellow.	17⅞	1	—	—	Mootah Chitty.
D ^o . Grass Green.	7	4	18	—	Numbore Narrain Chittee.
Perpet : Ord ^y . Green, Yellow & Red.	15¾	3	9	—	Vellayouthum.
Flannels White.	½	—	6	—	Paupah.
Allapines Red..	⅝	—	16	—	Vellayouthum.
PAGODAS ..		2245	28	40	

FORT ST. GEORGE, 7TH. Janry 1757.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
 HENRY POWNEY,
 Imp^t. Ware H^o. K^r.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1757 —

Sent by pattamars the following General Letters and to
 To Vizagapatam } both dated this day. 12
 To Ingeram

Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David, dated the 14th. 17
 Instant.

Arriv'd Sloop Neptune John Cousins from Negrais & Nicobars. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
 HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
 WILLIAM PERCEVAL. JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

WEDNES-
 DAY THE
 19TH.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation. dated the 12th. Instant read & sig'nd.

General Letters read Viz^t. N^o. 7. From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the other Gentlemen of Council at Fort St. David, dated the 14th. Instant acquainting us that the Cowle for the Arrack Farm there expires the 1st. of February Old stile, and submitting to us whether the Clause in it which prohibits Toddy being sold any where but at the Toddy Gardens, should be inserted in the new Cowle, as it is generally thought a Grievance by the Inhabitants & never was in any Cowle but the last.

General
 Letter from
 Fort St.
 David.

The Board being of Opinion that there ought to be no such Restriction in the Cowle with respect to the selling of Toddy it is AGREED that the Farm shall be put up to sale at the Sea Gate at this settlement on the 11th. of next month on the same Terms as in the last Cowle excepting that all Persons shall have Liberty to sell Toddy in the Buzzars as well as Toddy Gardens; And that the Gentlemen at Fort St. David be directed to give Publick Notice to that Effect.

An alteration to be made in the St. David Cowle for the arrack Farm.
 The farm to be put up to sale on the 11th. Febr'y.

The several Madras Cowles for the Beetle and Tobacco Farm, Arrack and Wine License, Measuring Duty and Town Brokerage expiring the 11th. of March AGREED that they be advertised for sale on Monday the 28th. of February next.

Cowles for the Beetle and Tobacco, arrack & Wine, Measuring Duty & Town Brokerage to be let the 28 Febr'y.

AGREED that Two thousand (2000) Pagodas be advanced the Paymaster for the Charges of that Employ.

Cash advanced the paymaster.

The Board then adjourned to the Import Warehouse agreeable to the Resolution of last Consultation and having inspected a considerable Quantity of the Woollen Goods found great part in the same damaged Condition as what they found at the last meeting, one or two Pieces generally in every Bale that was open'd being damaged more or less by the small Worm that commonly breeds in Woollen Goods, Mr. Powney the Warehousekeeper thereupon acquaints the Board that most of the Bales that have yet been open'd before them are such as came ashore damaged or torn by being rubb'd against the ship and had been repacked in the Country. That tho' One or Two Pieces only in a Bale may at present appear to have suffer'd by the Worm yet it is most probable that it's Eggs are lodg'd in all the Pieces and in a little time they also may be in the same Condition.

The Board adjourned to the Warehouse & further inspected the Woollen Goods.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1757 —

The Bales that contain'd any damaged pieces to be sold lest the Worm's Eggs should be lodged in the pieces that appear good.

ORDER'D that an account of what is now found damaged be enter'd hereafter and that all the Bales that were found to contain any damaged Pieces be sold the 26th. Instant by Publick Outcry on a Months Trust after separating the damaged Pieces from the Good, AND That some Pieces of Velvets which have been a long time in the Warehouse and are now much spotted and rotten be put up at the same time.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
WILL^M. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHA^S. BOURCHIER.

ACCOUNT of the Damaged & Worm Eaten Broad Cloth, Velvets &c^t. which were order'd to be sold by Outcry at a Consultation the 19th. January 1757.

Broad Cloth Aurora	..	..	..	..	..	66 ps.
Broad Cloth Ordinary Popinjay Green	..	..	..	..	..	34
Do. Do. Grass Green	..	..	..	..	..	1
Do. Do. Red	..	..	..	..	..	2
Do. Fine Midley..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Perpts. Fine scarlet	..	..	..	..	..	2
Do. Do. Broad	..	..	..	..	..	13
Do. Ordy. do. Red	..	..	..	..	..	4
Do. Do. Green	..	..	..	..	..	2
Do. Do. Narrow Orange	..	..	..	..	..	12
Velvets Crimson	..	..	..	..	..	1
Purple	..	..	..	..	..	2
White	..	..	..	..	..	1
Orange	..	..	..	..	..	8
Yellow	..	..	..	..	..	1
Camblets	..	..	..	..	..	9
Shawls	..	..	..	..	..	52
Carpets	..	..	..	..	..	19
Flannels Culjeed	..	..	..	..	..	10

REMnants.

Broad Cloth Fine	..	..	..	..	..	6 Rmn ^{ts} .
Broad Cloth aurora	..	..	..	..	..	1
Broad Cloth Ordinary Blue	..	..	..	..	..	1
Perpet ^s . Fine scarlet	..	..	..	..	..	1
Perpt ^s . Ordinary Green & Yellow	1
Do. Do. Broad Green	1
Camblets	1
Flannels White	1
Velvets	14

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Arriv'd Fanny Schooner, Vencaty Ramah from Upparah.

—

D^o. sloop Seahorse Patkeer Mahomed from Ingeram, with 130 Bales on board on the Honble Companys Account and a General Letter from the Resident there dated the 16th. Instant.

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Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David dated this day.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1757 —

Arriv'd Snow Overbeck Robert Holford from Negrais with General Letter from thence dated the 7 th . Instant.	24
Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 21 st . Instant.	—
Sail'd Sloop Ankatasium Venkaty Putty for Bandarmalanka.	—
Sign'd General Letters for Fort St. David & Deve Cotah dated this day to be sent by the Neptune Sloop.	26
Sail'd Sloop Neptune John Cousins for Fort St. David and Deve Cotah with the General Letters for those settlements dated yesterday.	27
Receiv'd by Pattamar General Letter from Anjengo dated the 28 th Ultimo.	—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R GOVERN^R PRESIDENT.
 HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
 WILLIAM PERCEVAL. JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

SATURDAY
 THE 29TH

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 19th. Instant read & sign'd.

General Letters read Viz^t.

General
 Letters read
 From
 Ingeram.

N^o. 8 & N^o. 9 From Foss Westcott Esq^r. Resident at Ingeram both dated the 16th. Instant. The first Enclosing his Quick stock & Cash account to that day as also Invoices & Bills of Lading of One hundred and thirty (130) Bales the Remainder of his Investment and a Bale of Broad Cloth there is no Occasion for there, all which he has laden on the Seahorse Sloop And acquainting us that being in great want of Cash for the Expences of the Garrison he has drawn upon us for a thousand Pagodas payable to Charles Bourchier Esq^r. The other is only a Letter of advice sent with the above Bills.

N^o. 10 From Lieutenant Thomas Newton at the Negrais dated the 7th. Instant, acquainting us that he had wrote us * by the Betsey Ketch which sail'd from thence the 8th. of December & at the same time sent the accounts of that settlement brought up to the 1st. of October last. That the Overbeck Snow having arriv'd there with a Cargo of Rice he has purchased Four hundred and fifty Bags (450) at three Rupees $\frac{3}{4}$ Bag and now drawn Bills on Us for the amount payable to Captain Robert Holford, That he has had no advices from Dagon since the late Embassy from thence which he advised us of in his last Letter, That he has spared twelve Chests of Gun Powder to the King of Ava for which he has receive'd Payment in Money & credited the Company accordingly, That he now sends the accounts of that settlement to the 1st. of January, That he likewise now sends us Forty (40) Teak Timbers and fifty four Teak Plank on the Honble Companys Account as $\frac{3}{4}$ Invoice & Bills of Lading enclosed & would have sent more could the Vessell have contain'd them, That he has sent by this Opportunity all the Papers & Effects belonging to the Estates of the late Captain Howes & Mr. Thomas Carlton, but having receiv'd into the Companys Cash the amount of the Money found being Arcot Rupees Nine thousand five hundred and twenty nine, fourteen annas and four pice (9529-14-4) he has drawn Bills upon us for the same payable to Colonel Lawrence to whom he has transmitted the accounts, That he has permitted

From
 Negrais.
 * N.B.—This
 Letter is not
 yet received.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1757 —

General
Letters read.

Lieutenant Reith to return to the Coast as he has long labour'd under a bad state of Health, That the Military have been very sickly for the two last Months & likewise the Black People fifty of whom were then incapable of working, That the Barracks & Storehouses are in bad Repair & must be refitted before the Rainy season, That it would greatly contribute towards the soldiers Healths were there a Barrack erected which was floor'd & Lined with Plank and the Foundation at the same time rais'd four feet from the surface & therefore proposes that such a Work should be set about, That an Overseer of the Works is much wanted who would be still more serviceable was he at the same time versed in Boat Building, That the Hunter schooner being detain'd at Bengal he is under a Necessity for applying for a small Vessell in her Room, as likewise for a Europe Long Boat if procurable, That he has drawn a sett of Bills for six hundred and sixteen Arcot Rupees five annaes and ten pice (616-5-10) in favour of Mess^{rs}. Brooke & Whitehill and one sett for seven hundred and fifty (750) Arcot Rupees in favour of Captain Holford both which sums he has receiv'd into the Companys Cash And That he now sends a Copy of the Indent he transmitted by the Betsy Ketch being for stores absolutely necessary for the safety of the settlement.

From Fort
St. David.

N^o. 11 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the other Gentlemen of Council at Fort St. David dated the 21st. Instant, Enclosing a Charge against Mr. Charles Turner their Military Paymaster deliverd them by Captain D'Illens and Requesting a supply of as much Salt Petre as We can spare as they have not sufficient to employ the Powder Maker two Months.

From
Anjengo.

N^o. 12 From George Scott Esq^r. Chief &^{ct}. Factors at Anjengo dated the 28th. December acquainting Us with the arrival there of His Majesty's ship Tryton which left Spithead the 16th. of July, and enclosing a Packet for the President which the Chief receiv'd by her from the Select Committee at home.

Bills from
Negrais and
Ingeram to
be paid.

ORDER'D that the four setts of Bills from the Negrais, & that from Ingeram be discharged.

Bills recd.
from the
Renter of
Terpetty.

The President reports from the Secret Committee that he has receivd from the Renter & Tasealdar of Terpetty a Bill on Gocul Terwaudy payable the 10th. of February for Three thousand seven hundred and Fifty Pagodas and Eight thousand five hundred Rupees being in part Payment of the December or second Kist of the present year of Phaseley 1166.

ORDER'D that the same be receiv'd into the Treasury.

Freight of
the Neptune
sloop to
Deve Cotah
to be paid.

The President acquainting the Board that the Secret Committee have freighted the sloop Neptune to carry Military Stores to Deve Cotah for the use of Trichinopoly Garrison for which they have agreed to pay the Owners One hundred (100) Pagodas.

Abstract of
the Mint
Customs for
1756 Com-
pared with
1755.
Deliver'd in.

Order'd that the said sum be paid.

The President lays before the Board as enter'd hereafter an account of the Produce of the Mint Customs for the last Year ending the 31st. Ultimo Compared with those of the preceeding Year by which their appears a Decrease in the Customs on Madras Pagodas, of three hundred (300) Madras Pogodas, an Encrease on Current Pagodas of seven hundred and Eighty Current Pogo- das eighteen fanams and seventy Cash (780-18-70).

Abstract of
Sea & Land
Customs for
1756 compar-
ed with 1755
Deliver'd in.

The Sea and Land Customers deliver in as enter'd hereafter, the state of those Revenues respectively collected by them for the year 1756. Compared with those of the year 1755. By the Sea Customer's account there appears so great a Decrease on Goods that altho the Custom on Grain and Anchorage is increased. Three thousand three hundred and seventy three Pagodas, twenty two fanams and fifty six Cash (3373-22-56) Yet the Decrease on he whole Sea Customs this year is no less than Five thousand two hundred and seventy Pagodas two fanams and seventy three Cash (5270-2-73).

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By the Land Customers account there appears a Decrease of Three thousand three hundred and twenty four Pagodas, fourteen fanams & seventeen Cash, occasion'd chiefly by little or no Goods being provided for Manilha or any other Foreign Market.

The Sea and Land Customers also deliver in as Enter'd heerafter the accounts of the Town Conicopies Duty for the year 1756, as severally collected by them at the sea Gate and Choultry and pay in the Net Ballances thereof Viz^t.

Account
Town
Conicopies
Duty for
1756
deliver'd in &
Ballance
paid.

Sea Customer	..	..	..	..	Pag ^s . 246-33-25
Land Customer	..	..	..	..	50-26-77
					297-24-22

The Net amount of these Dutys in the year 1755 being Four hundred and Eighty Pagodas thirty fanams and seventy Cash (480-30-70) they are decreased this year One hundred and Eighty three Pagodas six fanams & forty eight Cash (183-6-48).

The President as Cash keeper pays in forty thousand (40000) Fanams amounting at the rate of thirty six fanams ₹ Pagoda to One thousand One hundred and Eleven Pagodas and four fanams, being the difference of Batta on the Exchange of Ten thousand Pagodas into fanams this month and Forty-eight fanams ₹ Pagoda and brought to account at thirty six fanams ₹ Pagoda.

Batta on the
Exchange
of Fanams
this month
paid in by
the Cash
keeper.

Henry Powney Import Wherehousekeeper pays in Eleven thousand (11,000) Pagodas on his running account.

Money
paid in
Viz. By the
Imp^t Ware-
housekr.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in four thousand five hundred Pagodas (4500) on that account.

By the Sea
Customer.

William Perceval Land Customer pays in One hundred and sixty two Pagodas twenty four fanams and five Cash (162-24-5) being the Ballance of that account for the Month of December.

By the Land
Customer.

AGREED that thirty five thousand Rupees (35000) be advanced the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad & an order on the Treasury for that sum is now signed.

Advance to
the
Commissary.

AGREED also that the following advances be made out of Cash Viz^t.

Advances
out of Cash.
To the
Paymaster.

To the Paymaster sixteen thousand (16000) Pagodas to defray the Charges of that Employ.

To the Military Paymaster six thousand Pagodas (6000) to defray the changes of that Employ.

To the
Military
Paymr.

To the Military Storekeeper Two thousand (2000) Pagodas for Disbursements in that Employ.

To the
Military
Storekr.

To Gundaveddy Vencata Ramah and Nella Chittee Three thousand five hundred (3500) Pagodas for the Provision of Fine Goods

To Gunda-
veddy
Venkata
Ramah for
fine goods.

AND

To Tellesinga Chittee &^t. Merchants Fifteen Thousand (15000) Pagodas to provide Ordinary Goods.

To Tellesinga
Chittee
&^t. Merchts.
on acct. the
Investment.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
WILL^m. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHA^s. BOURCHIER.

ABSTRACT of Mint Customs for the year 1755 and 1756.

1755			M. Pag ^s .	Cur.	P.	fa.	ca.
Janry	..	.. Amounted	.. 180	—	34	15	
		Ditto	.. ..	10	4	10	
Febry	..	.. Ditto	.. 69	—	24	70	
March	..	.. Ditto	.. 236	—	16	30	
April	..	.. Ditto	.. 187	—	6	40	
May	..	.. Ditto	.. 254	—	34	60	
June	..	.. Ditto	.. 263	1	19	15	
		Ditto	.. ..	40	27	30	
July	..	.. Ditto	.. 172	—	25	45	
		Ditto	.. ..	99	24	25	
August	..	.. Ditto	.. 129	—	25	—	
		Ditto	.. ..	26	15	10	
Sept ^r	..	.. Ditto	.. 159	—	7	70	
		Ditto	.. ..	62	33	25	
Oct ^r.	..	.. Ditto	.. 141	—	8	20	
		Ditto	.. ..	10	9	20	
Nov.	..	.. Ditto	.. 146	—	35	65	
		Ditto	.. 67	—	22	10	
Increased			Mad ^s . & Curr ^t . Pag ^s .	.. 2003	258.	14	—
					780	18	70
Mad ^s . Pag ^s .			2003	1038	32	70	

1756			M. Pag ^s .	Curr ^t .	Pa.	fa.	ca.
Janry	..	.. Amounted	.. 106	—	16	75	
Febry	..	.. Ditto	.. 123	—	4	10	
March	..	.. Ditto	.. 250	—	19	50	
April	..	.. Ditto	.. 166	—	29	40	
May	..	.. Ditto	.. 325	1	4	20	
		Ditto	.. ..	295	28	40	
June	..	.. Ditto	.. 295	—	17	40	
		Ditto	.. ..	10	5	15	
July	..	.. Ditto	.. 116	—	29	30	
		Ditto	.. ..	28	17	65	
August	..	.. Ditto	.. ..	64	2	55	
Sept.	..	.. Ditto	.. 90	—	26	40	
		Ditto	.. ..	163	31	70	
Oct ^r.	..	.. Dit ^o	.. 150	—	23	45	
		Ditto	.. ..	470	24	30	
Nov.	..	.. Ditto	.. 73	—	1	35	
Dec ^r Ditto	.. 9	—	1	50	
Decreased			Mad ^s & Curr ^t . Pag ^s .	.. 1703	1038	32	70
				300	—	—	
Mad ^s . Pag ^s .			2003	1038	32	70	

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ABSTRACT of the Land Customs for the years 1755 & 1756 Compared with each other.

1755				1756									
January	P. 427	14	49	January	..	..	..	P. 409	11	20
February	643	11	4	February	..	..	..	474	7	69
March	684	26	66	March	..	..	..	364	14	38
April	806	35	48	April	..	..	..	397	33	23
May	661	35	9	May	..	..	..	301	30	6
June	952	11	31	June	..	..	..	292	18	39
July	396	23	69	July	..	..	..	324	12	5
August	521	33	50	August	..	..	..	246	—	7
September	694	21	18	Septemb ^r.	..	..	..	322	11	77
October	415	—	57	October	..	..	..	350	22	28
November	310	11	2	November	..	..	..	145	17	70
December	510	29	1	December	..	..	..	162	24	5
				<hr/>							<hr/>		
				7026	2	4					3701	23	67
				<hr/>							Decreased .. 3324 14 17		
				Pagodas .. 7026 2 4							Pagodas .. 7026 2 4		

The Decrease in the Land Customs this Year is occasion'd by Little or no Goods being provided for Manilha or any Other Foreign Markett.

WILLIAM PERCEVAL
Land Cust^r.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1757—

AN ACCOUNT of Duties collected by the Town Conicoply on Goods cleared by the Land Customer Anno 1756.

	P.	fa.	ca.		P.	fa.	ca.
Janry. 7 th .	—	24	34	Aug. 14 th .	—	26	65
21 st .	1	5	20	31 st .	2	18	8
31 st .	1	19	77				3 8 73
			3 13 51	Sept. 9 th .	1	1	77
Febry 11 th .	—	21	45	22 nd .	2	8	8
18 th .	1	15	57	30 th .	1	18	30
28 th .	—	33	55				4 28 35
			2 34 77	Octr. 11 th .	1	17	58
March 10 th .	1	16	15	23 th .	4	14	40
17 th .	2	5	19	30 th .	—	35	41
31 st .	2	26	68				6 31 59
			6 12 22	Nov. 19 th .	2	8	19
April 14 th .	1	11	30	30 th .	—	35	—
30 th .	3	1	34				3 7 19
			4 12 64	Decr. 17 th .	1	16	5
May 15 th .	—	22	27	31 st .	1	27	42
31 st .	4	34	15				3 7 47
			5 20 42	Fanams	1826	77	
June 12 th .	—	25	64	Pagodas			50 26 77
30	4	2	57				
			4 28 41				
July 10 th .	—	23	70				
31 st .	1	12	37				
			2 — 27				

ERRORS EXCEPTED
WILLIAM PERCEVAL
Land Customer.

AN ACCOUNT of the Town Conicoply Duty collected at the Sea Gate 1756.

January	..	..	..	..	..	12	—	45
February	..	..	..	..	..	76	10	10
March	..	..	..	..	..	37	13	50
April	..	..	..	..	..	104	15	55
May	..	..	..	..	..	16	26	25
June	..	..	..	..	..	22	8	25
July	..	..	..	..	..	13	12	5
August	..	..	..	..	..	55	23	50
September	..	..	..	..	..	26	25	60
October	..	..	..	..	..	20	9	30
November	..	..	..	..	..	11	27	20
December	..	..	..	..	..	—	4	50
								396 33 25
Deduct the usual allowances.						100	—	—
To the Town Conicoply	..	..	..	..	..	50	—	—
To the Collector	..	..	..	..	..			150 — —
								246 33 25
Pagodas	..	..	..	..	..			246 33 25

FORT ST. GEORGE,
31ST DECEMBER 1756.

HENRY POWNEY
Sea Customer.

In Gold Pagodas	..	70	—	—
In fanams do.	..	176	33	25
Pags.	..	246	33	25

—FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1757—

30 Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Deve Cotah dated the 24th. Instant.

IN THE SORTING GODOWN

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQR. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT,
HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
WILLIAM PERCEVAL. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

TUESDAY
THE 1ST
FEBRY.

Mr. Manningham at the Request of the Board attending.

It is considered whether the Coast fine Goods can in any measure supply the Deficiency of those from Bengal.

The President acquaints the Board that he has assembled them to take into Consideration whether as there is great Appearance that our Honble Masters will for sometime to come be deprived of their Investments of Fine Goods from Bengal it would be adviseable to endeavour to supply in part this Deficiency by encreasing the Investment of Fine Goods provided on the Coast.

Musters produced & submitted to Mr. Manningham's Inspection.

The Musters of the Fine Goods provided on the Coast are laid before the Board and submitted to Mr. Manningham's Inspection.

Mr. Manningham thinks there is no affinity in the Fabric.

Mr. Manningham is of opinion that there is little or no affinity between the Fabrick of these Musters and the fine Cloths provided at Bengal, And on Computation it appears that the Bengal Cloths of the same Fineness are provided at a much cheaper Rate. At the same time Mr. Manningham acquaints the Board that he cannot give his Opinion with that Degree of Certainty as he should be able to do if he had musters of Bengal Cloths before him to compare with those of Madrass.

Result of the Consideration deferr'd till the Warehousekeeper can procure musters of the Bengal Goods.

Upon which the Board determine to defer the Result of the present Consideration till the arrival of some of the Companys ships from Bengal on board of which it is probable there will be some Bales of fine Goods which have been saved from the subordinate settlements or other Places when the Warehousekeeper is order'd to prepare Musters of such Bengal Goods to be laid before the Board.

A contract made with Linga Chittee & Servannah Chittee for Long Cloth at 70 Pagodas a Corge & Salempores at 30.

Linga Chittee and Servannah Chittee attending in the Warehouse produce a Muster of Long Cloth fine of which they offer to provide four thousand Pieces or more at seventy Pagodas a Corge, and Salempores of the same Fineness at thirty Pagodas a Corge.

An advance made to them.

The Board after inspecting these Musters think them worth the Money abovementioned and Contract with Linga Chittee & Servannah Chitty for four thousand Pieces of the Long Cloths fine and agree to take as many of the Salempores as they can bring in not exceeding four thousand Pieces, to which End an Advance of Twenty thousand Pagodas is now ordered to be made them.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
WILL^M. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHA^S. BOURCHIER.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1757—

Received by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 30th ultimo.	1
Sail'd Sloop Seahorse Thomas Farrow for Nicobar.	2
Sent by Pattamars <i>via</i> Tellicherry General Letter to Bombay dated this day.	3
Do. by do. General Letter to Tellicherry dated this day.	—
Do. by Pattamar General Letter to Anjengo also dated this day.	—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT
 HENRY POWNEY ROBERT ORME
 WILLIAM PERCEVAL JOHN SMITH
 CHARLES BOURCHIER

FRIDAY
 THE 4TH.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of the two last Consultations dated 29th. and 31st. ultimo, and 1st Instant read and Sign^d.

General Letters read Viz^t.

General
 Letters read.
 From Deve-
 cotah.

No. 13 From Mr. James Bouchier Chief at Devecotah dated 24th. ultimo acquainting us that on Receipt of our Letter of the 8th. he forwarded that from the President to Goderow which was enclosed in it, and at the same time wrote himself to him desiring his Assistance in collecting the monies due to Mr. Hopkins but has receiv^d. no other answer from him than that he has stated every particular Circumstance to the President Requesting therefore our further directions in the Affair, and that We would desire Mr. Hopkins either to transmitt him the Bonds or advise him where they are to be had.

No. 14 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the other Gentlemen of Council at Fort St. David dated the 30th. Ultimo acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 26th. with the stores of Neptune Sloop which turn out right, and acquainting us that they have five hundred and thirty seven Bales on hand and would be glad of our Directions for freighting them on such Vessells, as may offer for the Presidency.

From Fort
 St. David.

Goderows Answer to the Presidents Letter relating to the Debts due to Mr. Hopkins in the Chially Country being laid before the Board, The President is desired to write to him a second time, requesting in the strictest terms that he will give Mr. Bouchier all possible Assistance in recovering that Money, and the Secretary is ordered to acquaint Mr. Hopkins' Executors that it is necessary they should transmit the Bonds to Mr. Bouchier.

The Bonds
 for the mon-
 ey due to Mr.
 Hopkins in
 the Chially
 Country to
 be transmit-
 ted to Deve-
 Cotah.

AGREED to write to the Gentlemen at Fort St. David to send up their Bales by their first Opportunity that may occur when they think they can pass Pondicherry with Safety.

St. David to
 be wrote to
 send up Bales
 when they
 can pass
 Pondicherry
 with safety.

The Accomptant delivers in the Ballance of DeveCotah stock ending 30 April 1756 transmitted by Mr. James Bouchier and reports that the Prices of the several articles are ascertained by him in consequence of the Order of Consultation the 29th. December conformable to the Books of the Presidency.

The Accom-
 tant-delivers
 in the Balan-
 ce of the
 DeveCotah
 stock with
 the prices
 ascertained
 which is
 ord'd to be
 sent to the
 Chief there.

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ORDER^d. that the said account be sent to DevaCotah with directions to Mr. Bouchier to Enter it in the Books of that Settlement.

The Paymaster reports the Bill for repairing the Mussoolah Boats with alterations which is ordered to be paid.

The Paymaster reports that he has Conformable to Order of Consultation the 29th. December examined the Bill for repairing Mussolah Boats deliver'd in by John Line the Carpenter and now delivers in the said Bill as enter'd hereafter with alterations which reduce the amount from seven hundred and sixty two Pagodas twenty four fanams and ten cash (762-24-10) to six hundred and Eighty nine Pagodas four fanams and twenty two Cash (689-4-22) and thinks it may now be pass^d.

ORDER^d that the Bill as deliver'd in by the Paymaster be Enter'd hereafter and that the amount be paid.

The Impt Ware H^o keeper delivers in account sale of damaged Goods. Cash account for January read.

The Import Warehousekeeper reports that agreeable to Resolution of Consultation of the 19th.ultimo he has sold all the Bales that were then found to contain any damaged Pieces as likewise the damaged Remnants and Velvets and delivers in the accounts sales which are Ordered to be enter'd hereafter.

The President reads the Cash account for last Month Ballance remaining compared with the Chest Thirteen thousand four hundred and Eighty Eight Pagodas twenty four fanams and Fifty six Cash (13,488-24-56) which is carried forward.

Letter from the Ministers & Church Wardens requesting to lodge 12000 Pagodas at Interest.

Letter from the Ministers and Church Wardens of St. Marys Church dated the 10th. ultimo is now read, Requesting in consequence of a Vestry held the 2nd. Instant, that We will receive twelve thousand Pagodas for six months at the usual Interest of 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent $\frac{1}{2}$ annum which is AGREED to.

Rent of Poonamallee Country & Jaguier paid in.

Numboor Vencaty Soobiah, Renter of the Poonamallee Country and Jaguier pays in Ten thousand (10000) Pagodas in part of six Months Rent due on that Cowle the 1st. of January last.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
WILL^m. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHA^s. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HON^{ble} GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.,
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON^{ble} SIR & SIRs,

Agreeable to a Vestry held the 2^d. Instant We request your Honour & c^t. to receive from St. Mary's Church at the usual Interest of 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent $\frac{1}{2}$ annum, Pagodas Twelve Thousand for six Months, but if at the Expiration of that Time We should have no demand from the Inhabitants for this Money on Mortgages, We shall then request you will be pleas'd to continue it six Months longer.

We are with great Respect,

HON^{ble} SIR & SIRs,

Your most Obedient and most humble Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE,
10 JAN^y. 1757.

SAMUEL STAVELY. } *Ministers.*
ROBERT PALK. }
JOHN SMITH. } *Church Warden.*

—FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1757—

ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HONOURABLE COMPANYS BROAD CLOTH VELVETS &C^t. BY
PUBLIC OUTCRY AT ONE MONTHS TRUST VIZ^t.

The time of Sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Quantity.	Price sold at.	Amount of ea. Lot.	To whom sold.
28 th . Janry 1757.	BROAD CLOTH } Ord ^y . Pop ^y ... } Green .. } D ^o . d ^o .. 4 D ^o . Grass .. } Green .. } D ^o . d ^o .. 6 D ^o . d ^o .. 6 D ^o . Aurora. 6 D ^o . .. 6	4 P ^s . 6 6 6 6 6	@13 18 — 13 18 — 15 — — 16 — — 16 18 — 19 18 — 19 27 —	54 — — 54 — — 90 — — 96 — — 99 — — 117 — — 118 18 —	Tomby Chittee. d ^o . Ammajaboy. d ^o . d ^o . Gollah Singah. Ayetomby Chitty.
D ^o .	.. 6	6	19 27 —	118 18 —	Tondavah Chitty.
D ^o .	.. 6	6	20 — —	120 — —	Gollah Singah.
D ^o .	.. 6	6	20 — —	120 — —	D ^o .
D ^o .	.. 6	6	19 27 —	118 18 —	Ayetomby Chittee.
D ^o .	.. 6	6	19 27 —	118 18 —	Tondavah Chittee.
D ^o .	.. 6	6	20 — —	120 — —	Bussovapah Chittee.
D ^o .	.. 6	6	20 — —	120 — —	D ^o .
D ^o .	.. 6	6	20 — —	120 — —	Tagapah Chittee.
D ^o .	.. 6	6	19 27 —	118 18 —	Bussovapah Chittee.
D ^o .	.. 6	6	19 27 —	118 18 —	D ^o .
D ^o .	.. 6	6	19 18 —	117 — —	D ^o .
D ^o .	.. 6	6	19 18 —	117 — —	Tagapah Chittee.
D ^o .	.. 6	6	19 18 —	117 — —	D ^o .
D ^o .	.. 6	6	19 9 —	115 18 —	Addepah.
D ^o .	.. 6	6	19 9 —	38 18 —	Tomby Chittee.
D ^o .	.. 2	2	19 9 —	38 18 —	Tomby Chittee.
D ^o . Ordinary Blue.	6	6	18 9 —	109 18 —	Tagapah Chittee.
D ^o .	.. 6	6	17 18 —	105 — —	Gollah Singah.
D ^o .	.. 6	6	17 27 —	106 18 —	Bussovapah Chittee.
D ^o .	.. 6	6	17 27 —	106 18 —	D ^o .
D ^o .	.. 6	6	17 18 —	105 — —	Gollah Singah.
D ^o . Yellow.	6	6	22 18 —	135 — —	Vellapah.
Perp ^{ts} . Ord ^y . Yellow.	4	4	5 9 —	21 — —	Ayekaun.
D ^o . d ^o . Blue.	3	3	5 9 —	15 27 —	Tagapah Chittee.
Pagodas ..				3030 9 —	

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ERRORS EXCEPTED

HENRY POWNEY

Impt. Ware H^o. K^r.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1757—

THE HONBLE COMPANY.

D^r.

Store &c. for the use of Moossolah Boats for 9 months & 12 days.

To 687 Bundles of Dunnage	@ 8 Pa. ..	85 35 70
To 187 Leather Bucketts	@ 5	37 16 32
Ca.m.lb.		
To 5.15.16 of Coir yarn	@ 13½ P Ψ Ca. ..	78 2 11
To 401 Pieces to Fason Oars	@ 41 Pa. ..	9 32 —
To 1554 Coconut shells	@220 Ψ Pa. ..	7 2 48
To 5059 Bundles of sewing Grass	@250 Ψ Pa. ..	20 9 5
To 180 Carpenters Work	@f. 2½ ea. ..	10 40 —
To 84 Sawyers	d ^o . ..	5 5 —
To 91 smiths	2 ..	4 18 —
To 324 sewing Cooleys	2 ..	15 13 —
To 112 Boys d ^o	1 ..	2 30 —
To 1117 Pieces of Pentree	@ 20 Ψ Pa. ..	55 34 72
To 26 Basketts of Charcoal .. .. .	.. ..	— 26 —
To 1210 Brattys	@172 Ψ % ..	— 18 30
To 1334 Oars	@ 7 Ψ Pag. ..	190 23 34
To 568 feet Inch and a half plank	@ 12 feet Ψ Pa.	47 12 —
To 164½ lb. wrought Iron	@ 3 fa ^s . Ψ lb...	12 1 40
To 1½ Measure of Oil .. .. .	.. ..	— 7 40
To 89 Coir Ropes of 3 Inch at 34 fa ea. .. .. .	.. ..	73 33 —
To 54 Cross pieces containing 240 feet	@ 13 feet Ψ Pa.	18 20 —
To 4 Inch Coir Rope 4 .. .. .	.. ..	6 9 —
To Europe d ^o . 1 .. .. .	.. ..	3 4 40
To 3 stern pieces .. .. .	.. ..	3 — —
	Pagodas ..	689 4 22

FORT ST. GEORGE,
OCTOBER 18TH. 1756.

Ψ JOHN LINE.

FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1757.

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1757

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH.

PER CONTRA.

11	To Ballance brought from last month ..	13905	175106	49	18769	2	49
	To fines and Forfeitures levy'd by the Mayors Court anno 1756 recd as Ψ Order of Consultation 28 ult ^{mo} . ..	33	41	60	34	5	60
12	To Fines & Forfeitures rec'd for Fines levy'd at the Quarter Sessions in October last ..	8	..	..	8	—	—
	To Mootiah Renter of the Bank-sall Duty recd. in full for 6 Months rent of that Farm due the 1 December last	200	..	..	200	—	—
	To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permaul Kellevah Chittee Renters of the Beetle & Tobacco Farm recd. in full of 1 Months Rent of that farm due 1 st Dec ^r . last	200	16800	—	666	24	—
	To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permaul Kellevah Chittee Renters of the arrack & Wine License recd. in full for one months Rent of that farm due the 1 st December last.	—	12000	—	333	12	—

12	By Rents & Revenues paid in full for 6 Months of a pension of 1030 Pagodas Ψ annum settled on the Widow of Hussein Cawn Cauked late Killedar of Poonamallee & Causem Cawn his Brother as by the Nabobs saned due the 1 st Instant	500	—	—	500	—	—
	By Robert Orme Commissary advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	6000	—	—	6000	—	—
	By Linga Chittee &c ^a . Merchants advanced them on account of the Investment ..	15000	—	—	15000	—	—
26	By John Smith Paymaster advanced him for the Expences of that Employ as Ψ Order of Consultn. the 19 th Instant ..	—	72000	—	2000	—	—
29	By Charles Bouchier Military Storekeeper advanced him for the expenses of that Employ	2000	—	—	2000	—	—

—FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1757—

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH—cont.

PER CONTRA—cont.

Dr.

Cr.

12	To Rawsum Vencata- chilum Paupah Bra- miny Renter of Perem- bore &c ^e . Villages recd. in full for 1 years Rent of that Farm due the 31 st Aug ^t . last ..	1206	—	—	1206	—	—
	To Current Pagodas recd. from the Trea- sury	20000	—	—	20000	—	—
27	To Current Pagodas recd. from the Trea- sury	10000	—	—	10000	—	—
	To Henry Powney Imp ^t . Warehouse- keeper recd. on his running account ..	11000	—	—	11000	—	—
	To Henry Powney Sea Customer recd. on that acco ^t	4500	—	—	4500	—	—
29	To William Perceval Land Customer recd. the Ballance of that account for December.	66	3480	5	162	24	5

29	By Tellisinga Chittee &c ^t . Merchants advan- ced on account of the Investment	15000	—	—	15000	—	—
	By Gundaveddy Ven- catty Ramah & Nella Chittee advanced them for the Provision of fine Goods	3500	—	—	3500	—	—
	By Ne-grais Island paid nine months freight to the Owners of ship George lying there as a Guard ship as ^{pp} order of Cons. the 2 th Ultimo	2700	—	—	2700	—	—
	By Ingeram Factory paid a Bill from thence dated the 16 th Instant in favour of Charles Bourchier as ^{pp} Order of Cons. this day ..	1000	—	—	1000	—	—
	By John Smith Paymas- ter advanced for the Expences of that Employ	4000	432000	—	16000	—	—

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29	To Town Duty rec'd as <i>₹</i> Consultation of this date the net produce of the Town Conico- ply's Duty collected at the Sea Gate <i>₹</i> Choultry for the year ending ultimo Decem- ber 1756 Viz ^t . ..						
	By the Sea Customer 246 33 25	70	6369	25	}	297	24 22
	By the Land Customer 50 26 77	1826	77			
31	To Current Pagodas recd. from the Treas- ury	15000	—	—		15000	— —
	To Batta for the Produce of 10000 Pagodas issued as <i>₹</i> Contra exchanged at 40 fa ^s . <i>₹</i> Pagoda & brought to account here @ 36 f ^s . <i>₹</i> Pagoda	—	400000	—		11,111	4 —
	STAR OR CURR^t. PAGODAS.	76188	615624	56		93288	24 56

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
₹ GEORGE PIGOT.

29	By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him for the Expences of that Employ ..	6000	—	—	6000	—	—
	By Nabob Anneverdy Cawn paid freight of sloop Neptune to Deve- Cotah with stores for Trichinopoly as <i>₹</i> order of Cons. of this day	100	—	—	100	—	—
31	By Batta issued in the Course of the month to purchase fanams ..	10000	—	—	10000	—	—
		65800	504000	—	79800	—	—
	By Ballance carried to next Month	10388	111624	56	13488	24	56
	STAR OR CUR^t. PAGODAS.	76188	615624	56	93288	24	56

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ACCOUNT SALE of the Honble. Companys Damaged and Worm Eatenn
BROAD CLOTH VELVETS &c^t. by Public Outcry at one Months Trust Vizt.

The time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Quality.	Price sold at.			Amount of ea. lot.		To whom sold.
			P.F.C.			P.F.C.		
26 Jany. 1757.	BROAD Aurora.	CLOTH 3 P ^s .@	16	9	—	48	27	Ayekawn.
	D ^o	3	17	—	—	51	—	Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o	3	17	18	—	52	18	Subryah.
	D ^o	3	17	18	—	52	18	Verdapah Chittee.
	D ^o	3	17	18	—	52	18	Poorshatoramah.
	D ^o	3	17	—	—	51	—	Gollah Singanah.
	D ^o	3	18	—	—	54	—	Combac Narrain.
	D ^o	3	18	—	—	54	—	Appoo Chittee.
	D ^o	3	18	—	—	54	—	Tondava Chittee.
	D ^o	3	18	—	—	54	—	Polingola Chittee.
	D ^o	3	18	—	—	54	—	Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o	3	18	—	—	54	—	Tondava Chittee.
	D ^o	3	18	—	—	54	—	Gollah Singanah.
	D ^o	3	18	—	—	54	—	Bussovapah Chittee.
	D ^o	3	18	—	—	54	—	D ^o .
	D ^o	3	18	—	—	54	—	Gollah Singanah.
	D ^o	3	18	—	—	54	—	Mooto Comrapah.
	D ^o	3	18	—	—	54	—	Ditto.
	D ^o	3	18	18	—	55	18	Combac Narrain.
	D ^o	3	18	18	—	55	18	Tondava Chittee.
	D ^o	3	18	18	—	55	18	D ^o .
	D ^o	3	18	18	—	55	18	D ^o .
	D ^o Popenjoy Green.	3	12	27	—	38	9	Moorteapah.
	D ^o	3	12	9	—	36	27	Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o	3	12	18	—	37	18	Suncra Chittee.
	D ^o	3	13	—	—	39	—	Moorteapah.
	D ^o	3	13	—	—	39	—	Nata Chittee.
	D ^o	3	12	27	—	38	9	Arnagady Chittee.
	D ^o	3	12	27	—	38	9	Tomba Chittee.
	D ^o	3	12	27	—	38	9	Palliapah Chittee.
	D ^o	3	13	—	—	39	—	Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o	3	12	27	—	38	9	Arnagady Chittee.
	D ^o	3	12	27	—	38	9	Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o	4	13	—	—	52	—	Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o Grass Green	1	..	..	..	13	18	Mooto Chittee.
	D ^o Ordy. red Damaged & spotted.	2	8	27	—	17	18	Vellapah.
	D ^o Midley.	1 or 28 $\frac{1}{4}$ yds.	—	29	ψ y ^d .	22	27	20 Mr. Perceval.
	Perpetuanoes Narrow fine scarlet.	2	7	14	—	14	—	Moorteapah.
	D ^o Broad.	4	9	—	—	36	—	Ammajaboy.
	D ^o D ^o .	4	9	18	—	38	—	D ^o .
	D ^o D ^o .	5	9	27	—	48	27	D ^o .
	D ^o Ord ^y .	4	7	9	—	29	—	Poorshotwamah.
	Red.							
	D ^o D ^o .	2	7	27	—	15	18	Mr. Perceval.
	Green.							
	D ^o Narrow Ord ^y . Orange.	4	4	27	—	19	—	Poorshotwamah.

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The time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Quality.	Price sold at. P.F.C.	Amount of ea. lot. P.F.C.	To whom sold.
26 Jañy. 1757.	Perpetuanoes Narrow ord ^y . Orange.	4	4 27 —	19 — —	Cullavah Chittee.
	D ^o . D ^o .	4	5 9 —	21 — —	Tonapah.
	VELVETS Crimson.	1 q ^{tr} . 30-1/8 yds. @	1 15 3/4 y ^d .	42 24 30	Servannah Chittee.
	D ^o . purple.	1—31 7/8	— 29 —	25 24 30	Natab Chittee.
	D ^o . D ^o .	1—26 5/8	1 — —	26 22 40	M ^r . Perceval.
	D ^o . White.	.. 20 1/4	18 — —	10 4 40	Sawmee.
	D ^o . Orange.	1—30 3/4	31 — —	26 17 20	Cundapah.
	D ^o . D ^o .	1 28 1/4	31 — —	24 11 60	Combac Narrain.
	D ^o . D ^o .	1 30 3/4	17 — —	14 18 60	Velloyouthum.
	spotted very much.				
	D ^o . D ^o .	1 31	17 — —	14 23 —	Ammajaboy.
	D ^o . D ^o .	1 30 3/4	17 — —	14 18 60	Latchemyah.
	D ^o . D ^o &	1 26 1/4	25 — —	18 8 20	Nata Chittee.
	rotten.				
	D ^o . D ^o .	1 30 1/4	24 — —	20 6 —	Ammajaboy.
	Do. D ^o .	1 31 1/4	19 — —	16 17 60	M ^r . Perceval.
	D ^o . Yellow.	1 31 3/8	32 — —	27 32 —	Ammajaboy.
	CAMBLETS RED.	1	..	16 18 —	M ^r . Stratton.
	D ^o . D ^o .	1	..	16 18 —	Kistnah.
	D ^o . D ^o .	1	..	15 18 —	D ^o .
	D ^o . D ^o .	1	..	15 27 —	D ^o .
	D ^o . D ^o .	1	..	15 27 —	M ^r . Charles Burchier.
	D ^o . D ^o .	1	..	15 18 —	Kistnah.
	D ^o . D ^o .	1	..	15 27 —	D ^o .
	D ^o . D ^o .	1	..	15 18 —	M ^r . Turing.
	soiled.				
	D ^o . D ^o .	1	..	15 18 —	M ^r . Perceval.
	SHAWLS	5 @	1 13 40	6 31 40	Kistnah.
	D ^o	5	1 26 ..	8 22 —	Tonapah.
	D ^o	5	1 26 ..	8 22 —	Soubiah.
	D ^o	5	1 30 ..	9 6 —	D ^o .
	D ^o	5	1 28 ..	8 32 —	Natab Chittee.
	D ^o	5	1 27 ..	8 27 —	Ayetomby Chittee.
	D ^o	5	1 26 ..	8 22 —	Kistnah.
	D ^o	5	1 27 ..	8 27 —	Verdapah.
	D ^o	6	1 27 ..	10 18 —	Saume.
	D ^o	6	1 29 ..	10 30 —	Tellisinga.
	D ^o	1	..	5 18 —	Tonapah.
26 Jañry.	Carpets.	1	..	2 18 —	Conda Chittee.
	D ^o	1	..	1 18 —	Cullavah Chittee.
	D ^o	1	..	4 18 —	Tonapah.
	D ^o	1	..	5 9 —	Soubryah.
	D ^o	1	..	3 9 —	D ^o .
	D ^o	1	..	6 .. —	Tellisinga Chittee.
	D ^o	1	..	5 27 —	Coanary.
	D ^o	1	..	5 9 —	Cullavah Chittee.
	D ^o	1	..	3 18 —	Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o	1	..	5 27 —	Tonapah.
	D ^o	1	..	4 9 —	Tellisinga Chittee.
	D ^o	1	..	5 27 —	Cullava Chittee.
	D ^o	1	..	6 9 —	Soubiah.
	D ^o	1	..	4 27 —	Cullavah Chittee.
	D ^o	1	..	4 18 —	Tellisinga Chittee.
	D ^o	1	..	4 9 —	Vellapah.

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The time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Quality.	Price sold at. P.F.C.	Amount of ea. lot. P.F.C.	To whom sold.
26 Janry.	Carpets	1	..	5 — 0	Soubiah.
	D ^o	1	..	5 18 —	Cullavah Chittee.
	Flannels Culjeed ..	3 @	5 27 —	17 9 —	Tellinga Chittee.
	D ^o	3	5 9 —	15 27 —	D ^o .
	D ^o	4	5 9 —	21 .. —	D ^o .
REMNANTS.					
	Broad Cloth fine	5 $\frac{3}{8}$ yds.	.. ..	7 .. —	Mr. Perceval.
	Scarlet.				
	D ^o . Scarlet ..	5 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	.. ..	5 18 —	Aundeapah.
	D ^o . Superfine	6 $\frac{3}{8}$ worm	.. ..	7 9 —	Soubryah.
	yellow.	eaten.			
	D ^o . fine blue ..	2	..	1 4 40	Vellapah.
	D ^o . fine yellow ..	4 $\frac{7}{8}$ }	..	4 4 40	Subraya Narapah.
	D ^o . fine green ..	$\frac{1}{8}$ }	..		
	D ^o . medley ..	2 $\frac{1}{8}$	..	1 9 —	Soubryah.
	D ^o . aurora ..	2 $\frac{5}{8}$	..	1 31 40	Vellapah.
	D ^o . ordy. Blue ..	1 $\frac{1}{8}$	..	0 25 0	Gollah Singah.
	Pep ^{ts} . fine scarlet.	5	..	1 12 —	Vencataramah.
	D ^o . Ord ^y . Green	6 $\frac{1}{8}$	..	1 21 —	Tagapah.
	& yellow.				
	D ^o . Broad Ord.	1 $\frac{5}{8}$	..	.. 23 —	Yellapah Chittee.
	Green.				
	Camblets	8 $\frac{1}{2}$	..	2 22 40	Auppoo Chittee.
	Flannels	$\frac{7}{8}$	..	— 9 —	Mr. Henry Powney.
	Velvets purple ..	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	..	3 13 40	Gollah Singah.
	White	19 $\frac{1}{4}$	..	7 18 —	Mr. Perceval.
	D ^o	11 $\frac{1}{8}$	..	5 9 —	Mr. John Whitehill.
	D ^o	1 $\frac{3}{8}$	..	— 20 —	Nella Moota.
	Blue	11 $\frac{5}{8}$	..	7 27 —	D ^o .
	Green	8 $\frac{1}{4}$	..	10 9 —	Comrapah Chittee.
	D ^o	10 $\frac{3}{8}$	..	10 22 40	Saume.
	D ^o	5 $\frac{1}{8}$	..	7 27 —	M. Carnack.
	Crimson	2 $\frac{3}{8}$	..	4 13 40	Comrapah.
	D ^o	19	..	36 — —	Linga.
	Orange	1 $\frac{3}{4}$ }	..	6 27 —	Condah Chittee.
	D ^o	8 $\frac{7}{8}$ }	..		
	Black	8	..	5 4 40	Mr. Whitehill.
	D ^o	4 $\frac{5}{8}$..	3 9 —	Mr. Palk.
	Blue and Yellow ..	5 $\frac{3}{4}$..	3 18 —	Mr. Whitehill.
	Pagodas ..			2710 10 —	

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ERRORS EXCEPTED.

HENRY POWNEY.

Imp^t. WareH^o. Kr.

4 Sailed Fanny Schooner, Vencaty Ramah for Bandarmalanka.

— Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David dated this day.

— D^o. by do. do. to DeveCotah dated this day.5 Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 2nd. instant.6 Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from d^o. dated the 3^d. Instant.

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Arriv'd Betsey Schooner William Dogan from Vizagapatam and Bandarmalanka with Charles Boddam Esq ^r . on board & the following General Letters from the Northern Settlements Viz ^t .	6
One from Vizagapatam dated the 8 th . Jañry.	
One from Ingeram dated the 7 th . d ^o .	
One from Bandarmalanka dated the 23 rd . d ^o .	
Arriv'd Sloop Jamaran James Mylon from Vizagapatam.	—
Receiv'd by Pattamar from Vizagapatam two General Letters from Thomas Boddam Esq ^r . at Balisore dated the 6 th and 16 th December.	—
Sail'd Snow Overbeck Robert Halford for Puliacat.	—
Receiv'd by Pattamar General Letter from Bombay dated the 31 st . December.	7
Arriv'd Sloop Bowanie Persaad Narrain Doss from Balisore.	8
This day the Cowle for the Arrack Farm at Fort St. David being put up to sale agreeable to the Notice given by order of Consult ⁿ . the 19 th . Ultimo it was cryed down to Linga Chittee at Pagodas 2260 ₹ annum which notwithstanding the alterations in the Terms then agreed on is Pagodas 252 ₹ annum more than in the last Cowle.	11
Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 11 th . Ins ^t .	13
Receiv'd overland from Puliacat General Letter from the President and Council of Fort William dated 7 th January which came so far by the ship Sally.	14
Sent by Tappies General Letter to Deve Cotah dated this day.	—
Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 14 th . Instant	16
Arriv'd Ship Sally Richard Finley from Bengal & Puliacat.	—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT.
 HENRY POWNEY. JOHN SMITH.
 ROBERT ORME. CHARLES BOURCHIER.

WEDNES-
 DAY
 THE 16TH.

MR. CHARLES BODDAM *absent*.

MR. WILLIAM PERCEVAL *absent indisposed*.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 4th. Instant read and signed.

General Letters read Viz^t.

General
 Letter read

N^{os}. 15, 16, 23 & 25 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the other Gentlemen of Council at Fort St. David. The first dated the 2^d. Instant Enclosing their Consultations & Monthly Accounts for October. The second dated the 3^d. Instant Enclosing their Consultations & accounts for November and acquainting us that they have receiv'd our Letter of the 31st. Ultimo & shall observe our Orders relating to Captain D' Illens Charges, That the Cargos of Rice purchased last year being considerably the worse for lying by, they had attempted selling of some of the worst of it in the Buzar without success and as the best Rice at present will not fetch seventy Pagodas a Garce at which rate even, the Company must sustain a Considerable Loss they desire our Directions on the

Viz.
 From Fort
 St. David.

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Matter And acquainting us further That they have drawn on us for Fifteen hundred (1500) Pagodas payable to Lieutenant Colonel Forde. The third is dated the 11th. Instant and acquaints us that the Nancy Sloop arriv'd there the same day from Deve Cotah & they have resolved to land her Bales as they do not think it prudent to send them down at present there being two ships in Pondicherry Road. The fourth and last is dated the 14th. Instant Enclosing their Consultations & Accounts for December and advising that upon Landing the Bales from the Nancy six of them appearing to be very wet they were opened by the Warehousekeeper in presence of the Syrang & found to contain thirty three damaged Pieces which have been sent to be rewashed.

From
Vizaga-
patam.

N^o. 17 From M^r. John Lewin Smith Provisional Chief & C^t. Council at Vizagapatam dated the 8th. ultimo acquainting us that agreeable to what they wrote on the 18th. of the preceding Month they have drawn Bills upon us for Eighteen thousand Madras Pagodas which they hope we will honour for the Reasons they then set forth, That their Investment goes on with great success & they have now Eight hundred Bales besides the fifty they now consign us by the Betsey schooner an Invoice of which is enclosed, That a sloop of M^r. Westcotts at Ingeram which was loaded with stores for Bengal having lost her Passage & put in at Vizagapatam they have at the desire of that Gentleman disposed of such part of the stores as were perishable and credited account Current Fort S^t. George for the Produce on which there is a considerable Loss, but that they wait our directions before they will comply with the other part of his Request for forwarding the Remainder, That by Pattamar from Balisore they had receiv'd a particular account of the arrival there of all the ships on the Bengal Expedition excepting the Cumberland & Marlborough and That Admiral Pocceck still remains with them in order perfectly to recover his people.

From
Ingeram.

N^o. 18 From Foss Westcott Esq. Resident at Ingeram dated the 7th. Instant being a Duplicate the Original of which is not receiv'd Enclosing Monthly Papers for December and an Annual Report of the Expences of the Garrison, Cloth on hand Embaled 82 Bales & at the wash 70 Corge 18 pieces.

From
Bandar-
malka.

No. 19 From M^r. John Andrews Resident at Bandarmalanka dated the 23^d. January Enclosing Invoice & Bill of Lading for sixty six Bales he has laden on the Betsey schooner and acquainting us that he rather chose to take any Cloth that came to hand than to run the risk of the money lying out at this Juncture especially as it is reported that Mons^r. Bussie's Camp is moving & will soon pay him a Visit.

General
Letter
recd.

From M^r.
Boddam at
Balisore.

N^{os}. 20 & 21 From Thomas Boddam Esq^r. Chief at Balisore. The first dated the 6th. December advising the arrival of the Squadron that Morning in the Road in good health & that the Admiral proposed proceeding the next day for the Braces after taking in some provisions & Water. The other dated the 16th. of the same Month acquainting us that Admiral Watson with part of the Squadron was safe over the Braces & at Ingellee the 11 December and the Salisbury & Bridgwater were taking in Refreshments and were to proceed the day following for the Braces.

From
Bombay.

N^o. 22 From the Honble President & Council at Bombay dated the 31st. of December acknowledging the Receipt of our Letters of the 7th. August & 7th. of October & expressing their concern for the Cause of our disappointment in returning the Delawar to Europe, acquainting us at the same time that in order to obviate in some measure the bad Consequence resulting from the Misfortunes in Bengal, they had wrote the Gentlemen there they would endeavour to compleat the Tonnage of any two ships that might be sent round to Anjengo or Tellicherry. They likewise advise us that they had laid an Embargo on all the Treasure & C^t. imported there belonging to the Mogul's subjects till satisfaction should be obtained of the Nabob but there being no manner of Connection between the subashships on that side of India & that of

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Bengal they have since delivered up such Part as was proved to be the Property of the Subjects of the former and on the other hand that the Bengal Merchants may suffer as little as possible, they have allowed their Agents to dispose of such part as belonged to them upon previously depositing the amount in the Treasury, That they dispatched a sloop to Bussorah on the 31st. October with advices which are to be forwarded from thence overland to England, That the Portfield was dispatched for Europe with a Loading of Onore pepper the 15th. December in company with the Edgcote from Mocha & the Hector & Clinton were shortly to go to compleat their Cargos at Tellicherry & Anjengo And Recommending it to us as the most expeditious Method to send our advices by the means of the shroffs.

N^o. 24 From the Hon^{ble} President and Council in Bengal dated 7th. January acknowledging the receipt of our Letters dated in October and the Treasure consigned to them on the Protector, and acquainting us that all the ships on the Expedition excepting the Cumberland & Marlborough were safe arrived and Fort William with the Town of Calcutta was retaken the 2^d. of January & deliver'd over to them for the Benefit of the Proprietors of such Effects as were therein found, That a considerable Quantity of the Companys Export Goods having been left in the Godowns they were to load the Delawar for Europe as soon as possible but in the mean time to dispatch the Syren sloop with Intelligence which was to sail in three or four days, That they shall endeavour to return us the Walpole & Marlborough with the Salt Petre We desire. That the Treasure we sent them was so inconsiderable as to put them to difficulties for their Current Expences Requesting therefore a supply as soon as possible as well to provide as Investment as to defray their necessary Charges, and likewise that the stationary designed for them by the Walpole & Marlborough from Europe and detain'd here may be forwarded, acquainting us at the same time their Secret Committee will advise us of the success of the Expedition, and desiring that We will forward an enclosed Packet for the President & Council at Bombay as also another for the Secret Committee in Europe which they would chuse to be forwarded via Bussorah otherwise sent under Cover to the Gentlemen at Bombay.

From
Bengal.

AGREED that Pattamars be dispatched to Bombay with advice of success of the Bengal Expedition & that the Packet receiv'd from Bengal be forwarded thither at the same time.

Bombay to be advised of the success of the Bengal Expedition.

AGREED to write to the Gentlemen at St. David to dispose of their Rice on the best Terms they are able as they in all probability will soon have an opportunity of procuring a fresh supply and that they be directed at the same time to send up the Naney sloop with the Ingeram Bales & their own Investment by any other Opportunity when the Southerly Wind set in strong as the Risk in passing Pondicherry will then be greatly removed.

Fort St. David to be wrote to to sell their last years Rice & to send up their Investment when the southerly winds set in strong.

The President acquainting the Board that the Select Committee propose taking up two Vessels to send down to Bengal with seapoys it is AGREED to take that opportunity of sending the President and Council there, two Lacks of Rupees and Four hundred Barrels of Gun powder with some Musket Ammunition as likewise the stationary detain'd here which came out upon the Walpole & Marlbro and a Letter is order'd to be draughted accordingly.

Treasure & Stationary to be sent to Bengal.

AGREED to write to the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam to send us an Account of the Stores that M^r. Westcott had consigned to the President & Council of Bengal on the Sloop which put in there, before we can approve of the disposing of such part as were perishable, on the Company's Account or give our directions for forwarding the Remainder.

Vizagapatam to be wrote to.

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Bills from
Vizagaptn.
& Fort St.
David to be
paid.

ORDER'D that the Bill from Fort St. David for one thousand five hundred Pagodas and that from Vizagapatam for Eighteen thousand Madras Pagodas be both paid.

The Bond to
St. Mary's
Church to be
enter'd here-
after.

The sum of Twelve thousand Pagodas having been receiv'd from St. Mary's Church conformable to the Minutes of last Consultation and a Bond signed by the whole Board for the same dated the 14th. Instant ORDER'D that a Copy of the Bond be Entered hereafter.

Report from
the Com. of
Accots.
on the
Commissrs.
Accounts
from May to
December.

A Report from the Committee of Accounts dated the 11th Instant on the Commissarys accounts from 1st. May to Ultimo December is read as Enter'd hereafter On which the Board have no Observations or Remarks to make.

Report
from the
Committee
of Accounts
on those of
the Presidr.

Another report from the Committee of Accounts dated the 11th. Instant, on the accounts of this Presidency from the 1st. of May last to different Periods is read as enter'd hereafter, & it is thereupon ORDER'D that the Committee of Accounts make such plans as they think proper for ascertaining the Number of private Men and Non Commissioned Officers in each respective Company and the Places where they are quarter'd.

Monthly
accounts
pass'd Viz^t.

The following accounts of this settlement mention'd in the foregoing Report are now read and pass'd the Ballances whereof are Viz^t.

MINT.

Mint.

For the month of MAY. Ballance due from the Mint and carried forward Thirty seven thousand two hundred and thirty nine Arcot Rupees five annaes (37239-5-) Forty five thousand three hundred and twenty five Madras Pagodas (45325) and Fifty eight thousand two hundred and ninety six Current Pagodas, thirteen fanams and ten Cash (58296-13-10).

For the month of JUNE. Ballance due from the Mint and carried forward Thirty seven thousand three hundred and twenty eight Arcot Rupees ten annaes (37328-10-) Forty thousand six hundred and twenty Madras Pagodas (40620- -) and Fifty eight thousand two hundred and seventy three Current Pagodas thirty one fanams and forty five Cash (58273-31-45).

For JULY. Ballance due from the Mint & carried forward Eighty four thousand two hundred and ninety five Madras Rupees (84295- -) One hundred and fifty nine thousand four hundred and twenty one Arcot Rupees (159421 -) Four thousand seven hundred and thirty two Madras Pagodas (4732 -) and Forty two thousand one hundred and eighty nine Current Pagodas, twenty three fanams and forty Cash (42189-23-47).

For AUGUST. Ballance due from the Mint & Carried forward Eight thousand five hundred and five Madras Rupees (8505) Four hundred and seventy eight thousand four hundred and fifty nine Arcot Rupees one annae (478459-1-) Four thousand Madras Pagodas (4000) and Twenty three thousand four hundred and twenty one Current Pagodas six fanams and sixty five Cash (23421-6-65).

For SEPTEMBER. Ballance likewise carried forward and due from the Mint Eight thousand five hundred and five Madras Rupees (8505) Three hundred and eighteen thousand four hundred and fifty one Arcot Rupees one annae (318451-1-) Ninety Madras pagodas (90- -) and Four thousand five hundred and twenty seven Current Pagodas two fanams and seventy five Cash (4527-2-75) AND

For OCTOBER. Ballance due from the Mint & carried forward One hundred and fifty eight thousand seven hundred and eighty five Arcot Rupees (158785 - -) Five thousand one hundred and eleven Madras Pagodas (5111) and sixty five thousand three hundred and twelve Current Pagodas six fanams and forty Cash (65312-6-40).

IMPORT WAREHOUSEKEEPER.

Import
Warehouse.

For MAY. Ballance due from him & Carried forward Two thousand one hundred & forty Pagodas three fanams & fifty three Cash (2140-3-53).

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For JUNE. Ballance also due from him and carried forward six hundred & eighty three Pagodas thirty one fanams & thirty three Cash (683-31-33).

For JULY. Ballance due from him & Carried forward One thousand & sixty Pagodas, seven fanams and twenty nine Cash (1060-7-29).

For AUGUST. Ballance due from him & Carried forward seven hundred and fifty five Pagodas, twenty seven fanams and thirty two Cash (755-27-32).

For SEPTEMBER. Ballance due from and Carried forward seven hundred and sixty eight Pagodas, seven fanams and twenty one Cash (768-7-21).

For OCTOBER. Ballance due from him & Carried forward One thousand and fifty three Pagodas, seventeen fanams and forty two Cash (1053-17-42).

SEA CUSTOMER'S.

The several Ballances carried forward are Viz^t.

Sea
Customer.

For MAY due from him Eight thousand seven hundred & fifty four Pagodas, three fanams and one Cash (8754-3-1).

For JUNE due from him Eight thousand five hundred & thirty one Pagodas, thirty four fanams and forty one Cash (8531-34-41).

For JULY due from him Eight thousand four hundred and eighty five Pagodas twenty nine fanams and sixty one Cash (8485-29-61).

For AUGUST due from him seven thousand five hundred & ninety Pagodas, ten fanams and sixty five Cash (7590-10-65).

For SEPTEMBER due from him seven thousand three hundred and thirty five Pagodas, seventeen fanams and seventy three Cash (7335-17-73) AND

For OCTOBER due from him six thousand three hundred and sixty seven Pagodas twenty one fanams and twenty one Cash (6367-21-21).

EXPORT WAREHOUSEKEEPER'S.

The Ballance which are carried forward are as follows.

Export
Warehouse.

For MAY due from him Two thousand five hundred and ten pagodas seventeen fanams and forty Cash (2510-17-40).

For JUNE due from him One thousand four hundred and seventy six Pagodas, twenty nine fanams and sixty three Cash (1476-29-63).

For JULY due from him One thousand four hundred and seventy six Pagodas, thirty four fanams and twenty four Cash (1476-34-24).

For AUGUST due from him Eight hundred and twenty seven Pagodas two fanams and twenty eight Cash (827-2-28).

For SEPTEMBER due from him six hundred and seventy Pagodas thirty four fanams and thirty four Cash (670-34-34) AND

For OCTOBER due from him One thousand three hundred and thirty seven Pagodas thirteen fanams and fifty three Cash (1337-13-53).

LAND CUSTOMER'S.

The several Ballances due from him & Carried forward are Viz^t.

Land
Customer.

For MAY Three hundred and one Pagodas, thirty fanams and six Cash (301-30-6).

For JUNE Two hundred and ninety two Pagodas eighteen fanams and thirty nine Cash (292-18-39).

For JULY Three hundred and twenty four pagodas, twelve fanams and five Cash (324-12-5).

For AUGUST Two hundred and forty six Pagodas and seven Cash (246-7).

For SEPTEMBER Three hundred and twenty two pagodas, eleven fanams and seventy seven Cash (322-11-77) AND

For OCTOBER Three hundred and fifty Pagodas twenty two fanams and twenty eight Cash (350-22-28).

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PAYMASTER'S.

Paymaster.

The several Ballances which are carried forward are Viz^t.

For MAY due from him Nine thousand two hundred and eighty four Pagodas, twelve fanams and sixty six Cash (9284-12-66).

For JUNE Nine thousand one hundred and ninety seven Pagodas seventeen fanams and forty six Cash (9197-17-46).

For JULY Nine thousand six hundred and nineteen Pagodas ten fanams and four Cash (9619-10-4).

For AUGUST Eleven thousand one hundred and one Pagodas twenty five fanams and eighteen Cash (11101-25-18).

For SEPTEMBER seven thousand eight hundred and twenty nine Pagodas, twenty fanams and nine Cash (7829-20-9).

For OCTOBER Thirteen thousand three hundred and seventy Pagodas, thirteen fanams and thirteen Cash AND

For NOVEMBER Eighteen thousand seven hundred and seventeen Pagodas eight fanams and six Cash (18717-8-6).

MILITARY PAYMASTER'S.

Military
Paymr.

The several Ballances which are carried forward and due from him Viz^t.

For MAY six thousand four hundred and twenty nine Pagodas twenty five fanams and sixty one Cash (6429-25-61).

For JUNE seven thousand and ten Pagodas eleven fanams and fifty seven Cash (7010-11-57).

For JULY Three thousand five hundred and eighty nine Pagodas thirty four fanams and seventy nine Cash (3589-34-79).

For AUGUST Two thousand three hundred and sixty five Pagodas three fanams and sixty five Cash (2365-3-65).

For SEPTEMBER Four thousand six hundred and forty Pagodas ten fanams and thirty six Cash AND

For OCTOBER due to him Five hundred and sixty Pagodas four fanams and six Cash (560-4-6).

STOREKEEPER'S.

Storekeeper.

The several Ballances carried forward and due from him are as follow.

For MAY Thirty two Pagodas four fanams and seventy four Cash (32-4-74).

For JUNE Nine hundred Pagodas thirty two fanams (900-32-).

For JULY One thousand seven hundred and forty five Pagodas thirty four fanams and thirty one Cash (1745-34-31).

For AUGUST One thousand six hundred and ninety three Pagodas three fanams and one Cash (1693-3-1).

For SEPTEMBER One thousand six hundred and forty seven Pagodas twenty nine fanams and forty five Cash (1647-5-45).

For OCTOBER One thousand one hundred and forty three Pagodas twenty nine fanams and nineteen Cash (5143-29-19).

MILITARY STOREKEEPERS.

Military
Storekr.

The several Ballances due from him & carried forward are Viz^t.

For MAY Two hundred and seventy four Pagodas fourteen fanams and thirty four Cash (274-14-34).

For JUNE Five hundred and twenty nine Pagodas, thirty three fanams and one Cash (529-33-1).

For JULY Two thousand two hundred and five Pagodas twenty two fanams and ten Cash (2205-22-10).

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For AUGUST Two thousand six hundred and ninety eight Pagodas eleven fanams and sixty nine Cash (2698—11—69) AND

For SEPTEMBER Two thousand five hundred and forty two Pagodas twenty nine fanams and fifty seven Cash (2542—29—57).

Linga Chittee Farmer of the Ruby Brokerage pays in Two hundred and thirty two Pagodas and Eighteen fanams (232—18—). in full for six Months Rent due on that Cowle the 1st. of January last. Rents paid in of Ruby Broker^{rs}.

Christna Row Renter of DeveCotah pays in Two thousand six hundred and ten Pagodas in part of six Months Rent due the 1st. of December last. Of Deve Cotah.

Guntoor Vencatachilum pays in one thousand one hundred and fifty (1150) Pagodas in part of six Months Rent due the 1st. December last on his Cowle for S^t. Thome &ca^t. Villages. Of St. Thome.

AGREED that an advance be made To the Military Storekeeper of Two thousand five hundred (2500) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ AND Advances made To the Military Paym^t. &

That Two thousand (2000) Pagodas & five thousand Rupees (5000) be advanced the Commissary from the Treasury and a Draught for the same is now sign'd. To the Commissary.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
WILL^m. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHA^s. BOURCHIER.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS that We the President and Council of Fort S^t. George for and on behalf of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies have borrowed and receiv'd of the Reverend Samuel Stavely and Robert Palk Ministers & Mess^{rs}. John Smith and Josias Du Pré Church Wardens of S^t. Marys Church at Fort S^t. George the full and just Principal sum of Twelve thousand Pagodas Current of Madras; to the true and lawfull Payment of which said Principal sum together with the Interest that shall be due thereon after the rate of seven $\frac{1}{2}$ c^t. $\frac{1}{2}$ annum well and duely to be made to the said Reverend Samuel Stavely and Robert Palk Ministers and Mess^{rs}. John Smith & Josias Du Pré Church Wardens of St. Mary's Church at Fort S^t. George as aforesaid or the Ministers and Church Wardens of the Church for the time being at the Expiration of six Months from the day of the Date hereof. We do hereby oblige the said United Company Ourselves and successors. IN WITNESS whereof we have hereunto set our hands in Fort S^t. George this fourteenth day of February One thousand seven hundred and fifty seven.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
WILL^m. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

To THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT Esq^r.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &ca^t. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

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HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

We have inspected the Commissarys Accounts & those of the Out Garrisons for May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December but have found nothing further to be observ'd than what has been offer'd in our former Reports. We are with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most Obedient humble servants,

GEORGE PIGOT.

ROBERT ORME.

JOHN SMITH.

JAMES ALEXANDER.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
11 FEBRY 1757.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^a. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

We now present the Observations We have made on the HOME ACCOUNTS since our former Report CASH.... for May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December.

Paymasters } for May, June, July, August, September,
Engineers } October and November.

EXPORT WAREHOUSE
IMPORT WAREHOUSE
MINT
TREASURY
SEA CUSTOMS
LAND CUSTOMS
STOREHOUSE
MILITARY PAYMASTER

for May, June, July,
August, Sept^r. & Oct^r.

Military Storehouse for May, June, July, August & September have all passed Examination.

1. The Paymaster's Accounts are kept agreeable to what was before recommended & agree in fact with the Engineer's tho' till the Month of September, there is a seeming difference in the article of Repairing MILITARY STORES occasioned by some Tumbrils made in former being brought to account in that Month.

2. We observe some little Dissagreement between the Engineer's & Paymaster's accounts before September in particular Heads (tho' they agree upon the whole) by the former having seperated REPAIRS OF NECESSARY FURNITURE from the General Repairs, to prevent this in future we have taken the Liberty to give directions to which M^r. Brohier has promised to make his Writers attend.

3. The Committee having made enquiry in regard to the Disbursements in the Import Warehouse under the Head of PRESENTS which appear'd large, were well satisfied of the Necessity of them from the Representation of the Gentlemen of Council.

4. In the Storekeeper's Account for August The Purchase of stores is to a great amount owing chiefly to the large Quantity of Timber and Plank procured for the Works & to the Purchase of Provision for Garrison store.

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The Increase in Godown Rent has been occasion'd by a great part of the Bengal Stores being landed here & the Quantities of Provision purchased for the store of the Garrison as is observ'd above at the same time that many of the Godowns in the Curtain, formerly under the Storekeeper, has been turned into Barracks.

5. The Military Paymaster altho' he has particularly express'd the sums paid in fanams & what in Pagodas has not attended to the method We formerly recommended, which as it is that of all the other Employs, ought to be follow'd in future.

On Examining these Accounts we observ'd that in several Companies more Serjeants & Corporals at one time, at another fewer than the Number order'd by the Regulations of the Secret Committee are paid in particular Companies. Nor is there any account which explains in one view the Number in each particular Company & the Places they are quarter'd in. Were such an account monthly represented We should immediately become Judges of the Regularity of the Payments of each Company for want of it, to certify this Regularity is impracticable. At the same time We must submit it to you to determine whether a state of the Company's Military could with prudence be subjected to the Inspection of such a Number of Persons, as thereby Opportunities might be given by the Loss of a single Paper for any Black Servant to furnish the Enemy with the sum of our strength and therefore we in no measure impugn the Military Paymaster for not endeavouring to procure such an account but till We are possess'd of something of this kind It is impossible to declare whether the Companies are paid according to the Establishment of their Numbers. It appears however that the Military Paymaster has Vouchers for all the sums paid by him to the Military.

We have nothing further to offer in regard to the above Accounts but remain very respectfully

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most obedient Hble. servants

GEORGE PIGOT.

ROBERT ORME.

JOHN SMITH.

JAMES ALEXANDER.

FORT ST. GEORGE
11TH FEBY. 1757.

Sent by Pattamar General Letter to Bombay dated this day.	19
Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David dated this day.	—
Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 18 th .	20
Ins ^t .	
„ Boat General Letter from Vizagapatam dated 1 st . Instant.	21
Arriv'd Brigantine Chintamoney Bento de Almeida from Bengal.	—
D ^o . Sloop George Owen Williams from Trincomalay and St. David.	—
Arriv'd from Vizagapatam his Majesty's Ship Cumberland Rear Admiral Pocock.	22
Arriv'd Snow Hartup Thomas Savage from Vizagapatam with Bales and a General Letter from that Settlement dated 4 th . Instant.	
Arriv'd Vizagapatam Snow Colin Michie from Vizagapatam.	

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- 22 Arriv'd Ship Success Galley David Rannie from Bengal by which receiv'd a General Letter from the President & Council of Fort William dated the 4th. Instant.
- 23 Arriv'd Ship Ganges John Lewis from Bengal.
- 24 Receiv'd by Pattamar General Letter from Bandarmalanka dated the 3^d. Instant.
- Sail'd Sloop George Owen Williams for Bandarmalanka.
- 25 Receiv'd by Boat General Letter from Vizagapatam dated 13th. Instant.
- Arriv'd Snow Fortune Ballea from Trincomaly & Negapatam.
- Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort S^t. David dated the 22^d. Instant accompanying their Annual Letter of same date.
- 27 Arriv'd Sloop Neptune John Cousins from DeveCotah.
- 28 D^o. Brigantine Spratt Hamilton Parkinson from Bengal.
- Sail'd Snow Fortune Ballea for Upparah.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY
THE 28th.

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT

HENRY POWNEY.

ROBERT ORME.

WILLIAM PERCEVAL.

JOHN SMITH.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

M^r. CHARLES BODDAM. *Absent.*

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 16th. Instant read & sign'd.

An Ex-
clusive
Priviledge of
sale to be
added to the
Cowles for
the Beetle
& Tobacco
Farm &
Arrack &
Wine
License.

The President acquaints the Board that this being the day advertised for the sale of several Cowles amongst which are those for the Arrack & Wine Lincense and Beetle and Tobacco Farm, he has assembled them to consider whether any Means may be fallen on for raising their value. He at the same time adds it is his opinion it might be effected by granting to the Farmers the exclusive Priviledge of sale in all the Districts within six Miles round Fort S^t. George. After due Consideration had, the Board see no other Objection but that it might hurt the Revenues of the Renters of the Poona-malee Country and S^t. Thome, part of whose Districts would be included, However as their Cowles will expire in June next it is AGREED that the additional Grant shall not take place till then and thereupon ORDER'D that Notice to that Effect be given before the Arrack and Wine License & Beetle & Tobacco Farm are put to Sale and that Clauses be inserted in the new Cowles accordingly.

30,000
Pagodas
worth of
Rupees sold
Linga
Chittee.

AGREED that One hundred & ten thousand seven hundred Arcot Rupees (1107000-0) be sold to Linga Chittee at the rate of Three hundred and sixty nine Rupees for One hundred Pagodas amounting in the whole to Thirty thousand Pagodas One half of which he is to pay into the Treasury on the 20th. March & the other half on the 9th. April And an order on the Treasury for the same is now sign'd.

Bill for
Victualling
the Troops
on the
Cumberland
design'd for
Bengal to be
paid.

A Bill being presented by James King in behalf of Mr. Henry Doidge, for the Victualling the Military & Seapoys on board His Majesty's Ship Cumberland which having lost her Passage to Bengal has return'd here amounting at the rates contracted for to Thirteen thousand two hundred and forty four Rupees and two annaes (13,244-2-0) ORDER'D that the same be paid

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Linga Chittee to whom the Cowle for the Arrack Farm at Fort St. David was cryed down the 11th. Instant now proposes for his security Gangaddarah who is accordingly accepted of and the Cowle is order'd to be drawn out

Linga Chittees Security for St. David Arrack farm proposed & accepted.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in Seventeen thousand six hundred Pagodas (17600) on his running Account.

Money paid in By Impt. Ware-Ho. Kr.

Henry Powney Sea Customer Pays in One thousand two hundred and Eighty nine Pagodas one fanam and thirteen Cash (1289-1-13) in full of the Ballance of that Account for December.

By Sea Customer.

William Perceval Land Customer pays in Two hundred and seventy six Pagodas nine fanams and eight Cash (276-9-8) the Ballance of that Account for January.

By Land Customer.

The President as Cashkeeper pays in Forty thousand (40,000) fanams amounting at the rate of thirty six fanams ₹ Pagoda to One thousand one hundred and eleven Pagodas and four fanams (1111-4-0) being the difference of Batta arising on the Exchange of ten thousand Pagodas this month into fanams at forty fanams ₹ Pagoda & brought to Account at thirty six fanams.

Batta on Ex. of fas in the Cash account for this month paid in.

A Bill drawn by the President & Council of Fort William for Five thousand Arcot Rupees in favour of Captain Robert Baillie being presented for Payment & upon Recourse had to the General Letter from thence mentioned in the diary of these Minutes to be receiv'd by the ship Success Galley but not yet read in Consultation it being found that it is therein advised of, AGREED that it be paid and a Draft on the Treasury for the same is now sign'd

A Bill of Exchange from Bengal to be paid.

AGREED that an Advance of Fourteen thousand (14000) Pagodas be made the Paymaster for the Charges of that Employ, AND

Advances made To the Paymaster.

That the Military Paymaster be advanced Eight thousand (8000) Pagodas to pay the Military.

To the Military Paymr. & Commissary.

AGREED also that Thirty thousand Rupees be advanced to the Commissary out of the Treasury and a Draft for the same is now sign'd.

The Board then adjourn'd to the Sea Gate and the undermention'd Cowles being put up to sale were let as follows.

Cowles put up to sale & let for five years Vizt.

ARRACK & WINE LICENSE Cryed down with the Priviledge agreed on at this days Consultation to China Nella Chittee & Vadamala Pillah at seven thousand Eight hundred and ten Pagodas ₹ Annum for five Years commencing the 12th. of March.

Arrack and Wine Licence.

This was let on the last Cowle for Four thousand Pagodas ₹ Annum for 5 years.

BETLE & TOBACCO FARM Cryed down to Sunca Ramah with the exclusive Priviledge agreed on at this days Consultation for five Years from the 12th. of March at Eleven thousand two hundred Pagodas ₹ Annum.

Beetle & Tobacco farm.

This Farm let on the last Cowle for Eight thousand (8000) Pagodas ₹ Annum for the same time.

MEASURING DUTY Cryed down to Sunca Ramah at One thousand six hundred and ten Pagodas ₹ Annum for five Years Commencing the 12th. of March.

Measuring Duty.

This was let on last Cowle at One thousand Pagodas ₹ annum for 5 years.

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Town
Brokerage

TOWN BROKERAGE Cryed down to Numboor Vencaty Soubiah at Two Thousand Eight hundred & ten Pagodas (2810) ꣳ Annum for five years from the 12th. of March.

This on the last Cowle was let for seven hundred (700) Pagodas ꣳ Annum for the same time.

The Board then adjourn'd 'till Thursday next being the 3rd. March to read the General Letters mentioned in the Diary of these Minutes.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
WILL^M. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^S. BOURCHIER.

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- 1 Receiv'd by Peons two General Letters from Ingeram both dated the
9th. Ultimo.
- Sail'd His Majesty's Ship Cumberland Rear Admiral Pocock for Bengal.
- 2 Receiv'd by Peons General Letter from Ingeram dated the 13th. ultimo.
- Sail'd ship Ganges John Lewis for the Malabar Coast.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*THURS-
DAY 3^d.
MARCH.

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^B. GOVERNOR PRESIDENT.
HENRY POWNEY. WILLIAM PERCEVAL.
ROBERT ORME. CHARLES BOURCHIER.
JOHN SMITH.

MR. BODDAM. *Absent.*

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 28th. Ultimo read and sign'd.

General Letters read Viz^t.

General
Letters readFrom Fort
St. David.

No^s. 26, 32 & 33 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the Gentlemen of Council at Fort St. David. The first dated the 18 Ultimo Enclosing M^r. Fairfields Answer to Captain d'Illens Charge & giving it as their opinion that in a great Measure it invalidates the Accusations therein laid against him, acquainting Us at the same time that they have examined the 8 Article of the Charge & think it groundless as M^r. Fairfield has produced Vouchers for the delivery of all Material Stores. The second is dated the 22^d. Ultimo Acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 19th. & serving to accompany their Annual Address of the same date containing a summary of the Transactions at that Settlement in the last Year digested under the usual Heads.

From
Vizaga-
patam.

No. 27, 28 & 31 From M^r. John Lewen Smith Provisional Chief &c^t. Council at Vizagapatam. The first dated the 1st. Ultimo protesting against the Captain of the Betsey Schooner for putting into Bandarmalanka against their Orders & thereby risking the Companys Bales on Board acquainting Us that a difference having happened between Captain Beaver & Ensign Meyers, they have been put under an Arrest & a Court of Enquiry held upon them the Proceedings of which are enclosed. And as these Gentlemen cannot do any Duty until the Affair is settled. They have thought it necessary to detain. Captain Charles Campbell to Command their Garrison & Ensign Smith in the Room of M^r. Meyers to whom they have given

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Liberty to come to the Presidency, That Military Stores are greatly wanted but particularly Gun Powder of which Article Admiral Pocock has supplied them with thirty Barrels upon Promise of having the Quantity returned to him at the Presidency, That the Admiral proposes sailing in a few days when their Bales shall be sent on the Hartop & Vizagapatam Snow's under his Convoy & That they in the mean time dispatch one of the New Boats We directed them to build with this letter & the other two Boats will follow in a few days. The second dated the 4th. Ultimo Acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter & Promising to dispatch the Cuddalore sloop to Us when her Repairs are compleated with what Bales they may then have, Acquainting Us at the same time that to prevent the Lascars leaving that Vessel they had already Advanced the two Months Impress & will now discharge Captain Bakers Account of Disbursements, That Captain's Campbell and Callender have only drawn for Batta to themselves & Officers & Pay to the seapoys, That they now consign Us eight hundred and fifty two Bales as f Enclosed Invoices on the Hartop & Vizagapatam Snows which they have sent under Convoy of Admiral Pocock, That they have real Occasion for another supply of Cash for their Investment but particularly of Rupees being in great want of that specie, Advising Us further that they have exchanged their unserviceable Arms for the same Number of good ones from the Seapoys on board the Cumberland, That Mr. Wilson their surgeon having presented to them a Memorial of the Hardships he labours under by the present Establishment of their Hospital, they now transmitt us the same for our perusal, Requesting at the same time another supply of Copper to coin into Dubbs & Enclosing Duplicate Copy of their Books & their Monthly Papers. The Third dated 13th. Ultimo encloses their Cash Account for January and advises that they now send us another of Boats intended for the Westcoast service.

N^o. 29 From the Honble Roger Drake Esq^r. President & Governour &c^t. Council of Fort William dated the 4th. Ultimo Enclosing a Narrative deliver'd them by Captain John Mackmath of the Treachery of the Malays at Junk Ceylon in cutting off the Northumberland Snow & her Crew & requesting that We will assist in procuring him satisfaction, Acquainting Us that they have drawn on Us for five thousand Rupees payable to Captain Robert Baillie, and that no Salt Petre being procurable, the Walpole will proceed to the Coast in Ballast as soon as possible.

From
Bengal.

N^o. 30 From M^r. John Andrew Resident at Bandarmalanka dated the 3^d. Ultimo encloses his Monthly Account for January & advises that Mons^r. Bussies Camp was to move for Chickacull the next day.

From
Bandar-
malika.

N^o. 34, 35 & 36. The first from Foss Westcott Esq^r. late Resident at Ingeram dated the 9th. Ultimo acquainting Us that he has agreeable to Our Orders deliver'd over the Charge of the Settlement to M^r. Calland and now encloses the Accounts for January. The other two from M^r. John Calland the first of which is dated the 9th. Ultimo Enclosing an Indent of sundries and acquainting Us that M^r. Westcott has deliver'd over the Charge of the Settlement to him and as the Wall of Nellipillee Godown cannot be supported by Buttresses he shall pull it down & Rebuild it agreeable to our Permission that not having Money sufficient for the Expenses of that Month he has requested of the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam to send him a thousand Pagodas. The other dated the 13th. of the same Month advising that the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam not having complied with his Request he has now drawn on us for Eleven hundred Current Pagodas.

From
Ingeram.

AGREED to write to the President & Council of Bengal that We cannot see how we can possibly procure Captain Mackmath any Redress for the Malay's Treachery at Junk Ceylon but should an Opportunity hereafter offer, We shall
... him what Assistance We can.

Bengal to be
wrote to.

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Bill from Ingeram to be paid. To be wrote to, to draw no more Bills.

Surgeon of Vizagapatam. Memorial to lye on the Table.

5 Candys Copper to be sent to Vizagapatam.

The Company's Recommendation of an Abatement in the Prices of Northern Cloth to be informed to the Gentlemen at those settlements.

The Company's Recommendation of Mr. Andrews to the Chiefship of Vizagapatam considered.

Mr. Perceval Appd. Chief.

Mr. Powney appd. for the present to be Land Customer in the room of Mr. Perceval.

Capt. Bever & Ensign Meyers to be released from an Arrest.

Orders to be sent to Vizagapatam for Capt. Beaver to proceed to Bengal.

AGREED that the Bill from Ingeram advised of in the General Letter N^o. 36 be paid, but that the Provisional Resident be directed not to draw upon Us again as We shall take care he shall be supplied with what We think necessary.

ORDER'D that the Memorial of the Surgeon at Vizagapatam mention'd in the General Letter N^o. 28 Do lye on the Table to be further Consider'd, AND

That Five Candy's of Copper be sent to Vizagapatam to be coin'd into Dubbs.

The Honble Court of Directors in their Letter to Chesterfield & Walpole dated the 11th. of February 1756 having recommended an abatement in the Prices of the Northern Cloths of five Pagodas to Corge on Superfine Izzarees, two Pagodas on Fine Long Cloth, & half a Pagoda on Ordinary Cloths. AGREED that the Gentlemen at the Northern Settlements be directed to comply therewith and it being observ'd in the said General Letter that the Chiefs at the Northern Settlements "seem to be sole Merchants" by which manner of expression it may be concluded that the Honble Court of Directors are not thoroughly inform'd whether their Chiefs are really the sole Merchants or not or in what manner the Investments are made at the Northern Settlements. AGREED that in the next General Letter they be acquainted particularly with the Present method of conducting that Branch Viz^t. That the Chiefs alone do provide the whole Investments at their own risque that they are answerable for all bad Debts and that the Cloth rejected on resorting at the Presidency is always left for their Account.

The Company's Recommendation of Mr. Andrews to the Chiefship at Vizagapatam in their Letter dated 11th. February 1756 being now deliberated on The President & Mess^{rs}. Powney Orme and Perceval are of Opinion that as they look upon any one at the Board to be as equal to that Trust as Mr. Andrews Seniority should have the Preference in the appointment. Mess^{rs}. Smith and Bouchier urge on the other hand that tho' they are very sensible any of the Gentlemen who have the Honour to sit at the Board are as capable of Conducting the Company's affairs at Vizagapatam, Yet as the Court of Directors have been pleas'd to recommend Mr. Andrews they think such Recommendation ought to take Place. The Majority being of the contrary Opinion, The President proposed Mr. Powney as a very proper Person and upon his desiring to be excused the next in Standing Mr. Orme who also declining it Mr. Perceval the next in Seniority is thereupon proposed & being thought a very proper Person to take Charge of that settlement is accordingly appointed to be the Chief thereof & Order'd to get himself in Readiness to proceed thither by the first Opportunity.

As Mr. Perceval's departure for Vizagapatam will be very shortly and the employ of Land Customs will then become vacant AGREED that Mr. Henry Powney do take charge thereof until the Board have consider'd further whom to fix in the management of that Branch.

The President acquaints the Board that Colonel Adlerson had been with him & desired that no Notice should be taken of the difference between Captain Beaver & Ensign Myers as otherwise it would be necessary to call many of the Officers from Vizagapatam to give Evidence at the General Court Martial which he thought would be imprudent at the present Juncture.

AGREED that Captain Beaver and Ensign Meyer be no longer under arrest and that Orders be sent to the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam to send Captain Beaver up to this Presidency or to Bengal by the first Opportunity they shall have to join the Troops there under the Command of Colonel Clive.

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The President reporting from the Secret Committee that the Vessells they have taken up for Bengal will sail tomorrow or next day, an order is now sign'd to the Committee of Treasury to send aboard of each one Lack of Rupees conformable to the Resolution of Consultation the 16th Ultimo.

Treasure for Bengal to be laden on two Vessells taken up by the Secret Committee.

All the Articles in the Indent from Ingeram excepting the Gun Powder & Arms having been laden on the Don Carlos Snow in October last which Vessell has lost her Passage & is now to the southward but daily expected here ORDER'D that upon her arrival the stores on board her be forwarded by some other opportunity but that no Gun Powder or Arms be sent for the present.

Ingeram Indent to be in part complied with.

The Board taking into Consideration Mr. Fairfield's Reply to Captain D' Illens Charges against him, make the following Remarks Viz^t.

Remarks on Mr. Fairfield's Reply to Captain d'Ellen Charges.

In regard to the 1st. and 2^d. Articles.

The Board are of Opinion that the Answer sufficiently invalidates the Charge.

The 3^d. Article.

The Director of the Laboratory is the person that should be answerable for the Irregularities represented, and not the Military Storekeeper.

4th. Article.

The Board deem Captain D' Illens as culpable in taking the Keys of the Grand Magazine by force as Mr. Fairfield was imprudent in trusting them to Serjeant Carter. The Deputy Governor being the Person with whom the Keys of the Magazine ought to be lodged And it is now order'd that the Keys be lodg'd with the Deputy Governor accordingly.

5. Article.

It appears to the Board that Mr. Fairfield did make application to Captain D' Illens, but never could prevail upon him to deliver in the accounts he mentions, or at least proper ones. It is therefore AGREED to direct the Gentlemen at Fort S^t. David to observe it as a Standing Rule that the Director of the Laboratory deliver in monthly regular Accounts of the stores made & work'd up.

6th. Article.

If Mr. Fairfield's assertion is true that the Weights are the same that were deliver'd him by the Clerk of the Market they must be just. AGREED therefore to direct the Gentlemen at Fort S^t. David to enquire into this Charge.

7th. Article.

The Committee of Accounts at Fort S^t. David having never represented any thing of this kind, this Article of the Charge is look'd upon as entirely groundless.

8th. Article.

The Board perfectly agree with the Gentlemen at S^t. David that this Article of the Charge is groundless.

9th. Article.

The Board think Mr. Fairfield's answer fully sufficient but as the Gentlemen at S^t. David can easily arrive at the Truth of the Charge it is Agreed to recommend to them to make such an Enquiry.

10th. Article.

This Article of the Charge against Mr. Fairfield does not touch any part of the Military Storekeeper's duty.

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11th. Article.

Mr. Fairfield's Account Remains and the papers annex'd sufficiently evince that he has adhered to Customary Forms and therefore no blame can fall upon him. It being highly proper however that these Forms be better regulated, it is AGREED that as soon as the Military store-houses at the Presidency are properly regulated which Mr. Milton one of the Conducters in His Majesty's Detachment of Artillery is now modelling after those in Europe, he be desired to put that at Fort St. David in the same Order.

12th. Article.

If any Deficiencies of stores appear on examining the Account Remains Mr. Fairfield of Course is accountable for them And in regard to the

13th Article.

This article of the Charge has much the air of Improbability & untill Captain D' Illens proves the accusations in it the Board think Mr. Fairfield's Reply quite sufficient.

ORDER'D that the above Remarks be communicated to the Gentlemen at Fort St. David.

Lieutenant Thomas Rumbold promoted to a Company.

A Company in the Military being vacant by the Death of Captain John Honees AGREED that the Command thereof be given to Lietenant Thomas Rumbold & that he take Rank as Captain from the 26th. of September last the day when that Gentleman died.

Money paid in from the Mayors Court.

A Certificate being laid before the Board from the Accomptant General of the Mayors Court dated the 2^d. Instant that Captain David Rannie pursuant to an Order of the Court of the 1st. Instant is to pay in Five thousand four hundred and two Pagodas fourteen fanams and thirty five Cash (5402-14-35) which is to be placed to his account as Accomptant General and to the Credit of the Cause Cruttenden Versus Rannie.

ORDER'D that the same be receiv'd.

A Bill for Pay and Batta due to Major Killpatrick to be paid.

A Bill sign'd by Major Killpatrick for pay due to him for five Months from the 1st. of August, as also Batta as Commanding Officer from the 20th. July to 15th. December amounting in the whole to One thousand and thirty one Pagodas thirty six fanams sixty Cash (1031-36-60) is now laid before the Board and Order'd to be paid.

Advances to the Commissary.

AGREED that seventeen thousand Pagodas and Ten thousand Rupees be advanced the Commissary out of the Treasury And

Military Paymr.

That seven thousand Pagodas be advanced out of Cash to the Military Paymaster to pay the Military.

Cash Account read.

The President reads the Cash account for last Month, Balance remaining Compared with the Chest Twenty five thousand one hundred and twenty four Pagodas, eight fanams and seventy seven Cash (25124-8-77) which is carried forward.

Rents paid in of Chingalaput.

Oppajee Nayenar Renter of Chingalaput Country pays in Ten thousand (10000) Pagodas in part Payment of six Months Rent due on that Cowle the 1st. of February.

Of Poona-malle & Jagueer.

Numboor Vencaty Soobiah Renter of Poonamallee pays in Ten thousand Pagodas (10000) in further part Payment of six Months Rent due on that Cowle the 1st. of January.

Of Beetle and Tobacco farm.

Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permaul Kelleva Chittee Farmers of the Beetle & Tobacco Farm pay in One thousand three hundred and thirty three pagodas twelve fanams in full for two Months Rent due on that Cowle the 1st. Instant Old stile when the Cowle expires.

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Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permaul Kelleva Chittee Farmers of the Arrack & Wine License pay in six hundred & sixty six Pogodas & twenty four fanams (666-24) in full for two Months Rent due on that Cowle the 1st. Instant Old Stile when the Cowle expires. Of Arrack & Wine License.

Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permaul Kelleva Chittee Farmers of the Weighing & Measuring Duty pay in One hundred and sixty six Pagodas and twenty four fanams in full for Two months Rent due the 1st. Instant Old stile when the Cowle expires. Of measuring Duty.

Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permaul Kelleva Chittee Farmers of the Town Brokerage pay in Three hundred & fifty Pagodas (350) in full for six Months Rent of that Cowle due the 1st. Instant old stile when the Cowle expires. Of Town Brokerage.

Mr. William Perceval as Attorney to Mr. William M^c. Quire at Bengal requesting that a silver salver poizing sixty eight Ounces, ten Penny weights ^{Ozs.} (68 ^{Pn.} 10) which was saved from the Dodingtons Wreck and deposited in the Treasury may be deliver'd to him and it appearing by a Note produced sign'd by Theophilus Dovington that a peice of wrought Plate of that Weight was permitted to be laden on that ship consign'd to the said Mr. M^c. Guere ORDER'D that it be deliver'd to Mr. Perceval on his Indemnifying the Company for any Claim that may be made on Account thereof for salvage or otherwise. A silver salver saved from the Dodington & Lodg'd in the Treasury deliver'd to Mr. Perceval.

GEORGE FIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
WILL^m. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH						
Dr.						
1	To Balance brought forward	10388	111624	56	13488	24 56
..	To Current Pagodas rec'd from the Treasury	20000	—	—	20000	— —
..	To Numboor Vencaty Soubiah Renter of the Poonamallee Country rec'd from him in part for 6 months rent of that country due the 1 st . ult ^{mo}	10000	—	—	10000	— —
..	To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permaul Kelleva Chittee Renters of the Beetle & Tobacco Farm due the 1 st . Ultimo ..	200	16800	—	666	24 —
..	To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permaul Kelleva Chittee Renters of arrack & Wine license rec'd in full for one months rent of that Farm due the 1 st . Ultimo ..	—	12000	—	333	12 —
..	To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permaul Kelleva Chittee Renters of the measuring duty rec'd in full for two months					

PER CONTRA.						
1	By Linga Chittee & Servannah Chittee their account fine long Cloth & Salempores advanced them agreeable to the Minutes of Consultation this day ..	20000	—	—	20000	— —
16	By Fort St. David paid a Bill of exchange from thence dated the 3 ^d . Instant in favour of Lieutenant Colonel Forde as Ψ order of Consultation ..	1500	—	—	1500	— —
..	By Vizagapatam Factory paid a Bill of Exchange from thence dated 8 th . ultimo for Madras Pagodas 18000 with Batta @ 10 Ψ c. in favour of Mr. John Smith as Ψ order of Consultation ..	19800	—	—	19800	— —

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	rent of that Farm due the 1 st . Ultimo ..	—	6000	—	166	24	—
14	To S ^t . Mary's Church stock rec'd agreeable to the Minutes of Consultation the 4 th . Instant for which a Bond is given by the President & Council at the usual Interest of 7 % ann ^m , for 6 months	12000	—	—	12000	—	—
16	To Linga Chittee Farmer of the Ruby Brokerage rec'd in full for 6 months rent of that Farm due the 1 st Ultimo.. ..	232	18	—	232	18	—
..	To Christna Row Renter of Deve Cotah rec'd in part for 6 months rent of that Farm due the 1 st December last ...	2610	—	—	2610	—	—
..	To Guntur Vencata- chelum Renter of S ^t . Thome rec'd in part of 6 months rent of that Farm due the 1 st . December last ..	1150	—	—	1150	—	—
28	To Current Pagodas rec'd from the Treasury	10000	—	—	10000	—	—

..	By Charles Bouchier Military Storekeeper advanced for the Ex- pences of that Employ.	2500	—	—	2500	—	—
28	By John Smith Pay- master advanced for the disbursements in that employ	—	504000	—	14000	—	—
—	By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced for the expences of that employ	8000	—	—	8000	—	—

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—cont.

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28	To Henry Powney Imp ^t . Ware H ^o . K ^t . recd on his running account ..	17000	21600	—	17600	—	—
..	To Henry Pawney Sea Customer recd the ballance of that Account for December last	1134	5581	13	1289	1	13
..	To William Perceval Land Customer recd the Ballance of that account for last month.	103	6237	8	276	9	8
..	To Batta for the Produce of 10,000 Pagodas issued as Ψ Contra exchanged at 40 fanams & brought to account here at 36 fanams Ψ Pagoda ..	—	400000	—	11111	4	—
	STARR OR CURR ^t . PAGODAS ..	84817	579860	77	100924	8	77

..	By Batta issued in the Course of the Month to purchase fanams ..	10000	—	—	10000	—	—
..	By Ballance carried to next Month	51800	504000	—	75800	—	—
	STAR OR CURR ^t . PAGODAS..	84817	579860	77	100924	8	77

ERRORS EXCEPTED
 Ψ GEORGE FIGOT
Govr.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1757—

—FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1757—

Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 1st. 3
Instant.

Arriv'd Ship Elaibux, Wallee Mahomed from Tenassaree. —

Sail'd Ship Sally Richard Finley for Bengal with General Letter dated 5
this day & a Consignment of Treasure & Military Stores for the President &
Council there.

Sail'd Betsey Schooner William Dogan for Bengal with Duplicate of the 6
above Letter & a Consignment of Treasure &c^t for the President & Council
there.

Arriv'd Ship George Herbert Sutherland from Tenassere. —

Receiv'd by Pattamar General Letter from Tellicherry dated the 16th. 12
Ultimo with duplicate of one dated the 19th. January the Original of which is
not received.

Arriv'd Ship Rubeira Abdul Rasaoul from Ganjam. 13

Arriv'd Ship Welcome Robert Bailley from Bengal. 15

Sloop Nancy Tamiah Syrang from Deve Cotah & Fort St. David with —
General Letters from both these settlements the first dated the 8th. Ultimo &
the other the 9th. Instant.

Sail'd Snow Vizagapatam Paupiah for Vizagapatam. —

Ship Success Galley David Rannie for Persia. —

Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated the 15th. 17
Instant.

D^o. by Peons. d^o. from Ingeram dated the 1st. Ins^t. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. PRESIDENT.
HENRY POWNEY. WILLIAM PERCEVAL.
ROBERT ORME. CHARLES BOURCHIER.
JOHN SMITH.

THURS-
DAY THE
17TH.

MR. BODDAM—*absent*.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 3^d. Instant read & sign'd.

General Letters read Viz^t.

General
Letters read.
From Fort
St. David.

No^s. 37, 41 & 42 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the other Gentlemen
of Council at Fort St. David. The first dated the 1st. Instant acquainting us
with the Death of Captain D'Illens which happen'd that Morning, & that as he
had the Keys of most of the Military Stores in his Custody they had order'd
an Account Remains to be taken of them. The second dated the 9th. Instant
advising that they have dispatched the Nancy Sloop to us with the Ingeram
Bales after having rewashed the Thirty three pieces that were damaged, and
that in a few days they shall send the Dragon sloop with a Loading of their
own Bales, and their General Books. The third dated the 15th. Instant
Enclosing their Consultations & Monthly accounts for January & an account
of Cloth on hand being in all six hundred and eighty-nine Bales.

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From
Tellicherry.

N^o. 38 & 39 From Thomas Hodges Esq^r. Chief & c^t. Factors at Tellicherry, The first being a Duplicate the Original of which is not receiv'd is dated the 19th. January and acquaints us that in Consequence of our letter of the 9th. November they have set Becaum Cawn at Liberty, That the Blaze Fireship arriv'd there the 13th. and the next day the Triton Man of War from England which she left in July being dispatch'd purposely with the Declaration of War, That on the 18th. she sail'd for Bombay for which place the Royal Duke had left them the 17th., That the Portfield was dispatch'd from Bombay the middle of December for England and that they are in daily Expectation of the Clinton & Hector from thence both bound for Europe. The other dated the 16th. of February acquainting us that the 3^d. of that Month the Clinton & Hector were dispatch'd from thence to Anjengo to compleat their Loadings for Europe, That their Remains of Pepper is Candies One thousand five hundred and fifty nine, six Maunds and twenty eight Pounds and five eighths (1559-6-28 $\frac{5}{8}$) which with what they expect by the end of April, will be sufficient for the two ships they expect from Bengal as well as the Royal Duke for China.

From Deve
Cotah.

N^o. 40 From M^r. James Bouchier Chief at Deve Cotah dated the 8th. of February acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 26th. January by the Neptune sloop & enclosing an account of Deficiencies of the stores by her which he shall demand the amount of from the Captain. And that in consequence of our Letter of the 4th February he dispatches the Nancy sloop with Directions to the Syrang to touch at Fort S^t. David.

From
Ingeram.

N^o. 43 From M^r. John Calland Provisional Resident at Ingeram dated the 1st. Instant enclosing Journal Parcels & Cash Account for February.

30000
Rupees to
be sent to
Vizagapatm.

AGREED that thirty thousand Rupees be sent to Vizagapatam by the first Opportunity.

Draft from
the
Accompt.
General-
Account
Estate
Solomon
Solomons
to be paid.

A draft from the Accountant-General of the Mayors Court dated the 14th. Instant for one hundred and ninety Pagodas (190) account the Estate of Solomon Solomons Insolvent payable to John Palmer Attorney for Messieurs Walsh & Vansittart substitutes for Jacob di Natal Levi Sonsino & Company, is now laid before the Board and order'd to be paid.

Neptune
sloop
freighted for
Vizagapatm.

AGREED that the Neptune sloop now lying in the Road be freighted on the Company's account to carry the Treasure & Copper intended for Vizagapatam and M^r. Perceval is desired to take that Opportunity of proceeding thither.

Mr. Smith
appointed
one of the
Committee
for West
Coast
Affairs.

AGREED that M^r. John Smith be one of the Committee for West Coast Affairs in Room of M^r. Perceval.

Advance
to the
Commissr.

AGREED that three thousand (3000) Pagodas and twenty thousand Rupees be advanc'd the Commissary to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad,

A years
Interest
due to the
Roman
Female
Orphan
stock to
be paid.

Twelve months Interest on six thousand Pagodas deposited at six $\frac{3}{4}$ cent on account the Roman Female Orphan stock amounting to Three hundred and sixty Pagodas being due the 21st. of last month. ORDER'D that the same be paid.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
WILL^M. PERCEVAL.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^S. BOURCHIER.

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Receiv'd by Boat General Letter from Vizagapatam dated 21st. Febr̃y. 17
 Receiv'd by Peons two General Letters Bandarmalanka one dated the 21
 28th. Febr̃y the other dated 5th. Instant.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERNOR PRESIDENT
 HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
 JOHN SMITH. CHARLES BOURCHIER.

TUESDAY
 THE 22nd.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 17th. Instant read and sign'd.

General Letters read Viz^t.

N^o. 44 From M^r. John Lewin Smith Provisional Chief &c^t. Council at
 Vizagapatam dated the 21st. Ultimo Enclosing Duplicate of their last & advising
 that the Remaining Boat for the service of the West coast is compleated & now
 dispatch'd to us. General
Letters read
From
Vizagap^tm.

N^o. 45 & 46 From M^r. John Andrews Resident at Bandarmalanka. The
 first dated the 28th. February Enclosing Invoice & Bill of Lading for Forty six
 Bales consign'd, Us by the Ankatasium and advising to have drawn for One
 thousand Madras Pagodas his Cash being low. The second is dated the 5th.
 Instant and advises that on the 24th. Ultimo Monsieur Bussy with Vizeram
 Rawzee attacked the Rajah of Bubalees Capital and took it with the Loss of
 Two hundred and fifty Europeans after a Brave defence the Rajah after blow-
 ing up all his Women, having with some hundreds of his Relations & friends
 fought desperately till every one of them fell. That Vizeramrauze was the same
 Night murdered by one of the Bubalee Rajahs Friends and That it is reported
 a Numerous Body of Morattas has enter'd the Province near Rajahmundrum
 all which Events have put the Country into Confusion. From
Bandar-
malka.

* Letter from Mess^{rs}. John Smith and Charles Bouchier dated 31st. July
 1756, read in Consultation the 14th. August 1756 and then order'd to lye on the
 Table to be reconsidered is now again read as enter'd hereafter containing the
 report of their Enquiry in relation to the Juncan and other dues Claim'd by
 the late Renters of Deve Cotah Bounds whose Cowle expired the 31st. May
 1755. RESOLVED that no allowance be made to the said Renters on account
 of the abovemention'd Claim but that the Gentlemen at Fort S^t. David be
 directed to recover from them what they owe on account of the Rent of that
 Farm. Report
relating to
Juncan
claimed by
the Renters
of Deve-
Cotah 1755.

Letter from Mess^{rs}. John Smith, Charles Bouchier and John Brohier dated
 the 30th. July 1756 read in Consultation the 14th. August 1756 and then Order'd
 to lye on the Table to be reconsidered, is now again read as enter'd hereafter
 containing their report of the value of the Houses in Peddynaigues Pettah
 which have been Rented for an Hospital. Since the Order for surveying and
 valuing the said houses several of them having been pulled down and part of
 the Materials deliver'd to the Owners ORDER'D that the Engineer lay before the
 Board an Account of the value of such Materials, that the amount thereof be
 deducted from the sums those Houses are valued at in the above mentioned
 report and that the Ballance be paid to the owners; and in regard to such of
 the said Houses as are still standing, that the full value agreeable to the said
 Estimate be paid to the Owners and what all Materials of the said Houses
 when pulled down (as they must shortly be in order to remove the Hill where-
 on they stand) be applied to the Companys Use in the Works now carrying on.
Report of
the value of
the Hospital
Houses.
* Vide Cons.
3d. Febr̃y.
1755
& 24th. Nov.
1755.

* Vide reference Cons. the 21st. July 1755, letter from Fort S^t. David dated 20th Aug^t. 1754, N^o. 155 d.
 To d. 29th. Aug^t. 1754 N^o. d. From d. 21st July 1755 N^o. 103.

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Letter from the Surgeon at Vizagapatam that that Garrison may be put on the same footing in regard to medicines as the others.

Letter from M^r. James Wilson surgeon at Vizagapatam receiv^d. from thence enclosed in the General Letter dated 4 Febry last No.28 and ente'r^d after said Letter having been read in Consultation the 3^d. Instant and then Order^d to lye on the Table to be reconsider^d is now again read setting forth that it has been, the Custom at that Settlement to allow the surgeon seventy Pagodas ₨ annum in full satisfaction for his care of the sick and supplying them with Europe Medicines but that the Numbers of Men sent from hence, those brought sick from the Negrais and the Topasses who were formerly attended by black Doctors but now put under his Care having greatly increased the Number of Patients the usual Allowance is become very inadequate to the Charge he therefore requests that the Garrison of Vizagapatam may be put on the same footing as the other Garrisons on the Coast with respect to the Surgeon and Medicines. The foregoing request appearing to the Board for the reasons therein given to be very reasonable AGREED to write to the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam to send up an Indent for what Europe Medicines the Surgeon shall think necessary for that settlement that it be sent to England by the next ship and untill the pleasure of the Honble the Court of Directors be known thereon, that the surgeon be allowed Fifteen Pagodas ₨ Month to provide Medicines.

resolution thereon.

ORDER^d. that the Bill of Exchange drawn by the Resident at Bandramalanka as advised in his foregoing Letter be paid.

Bill drawn from Bandramalanka to be paid.

Land Customers Febry Ballance paid in.

William Perceval Land Customer pays in two hundred and forty six Pagodas seventeen fanams and thirteen Cash (246-17-13) for the February Ballance of that Account.

Mr. Magee monthly Writer to go to Vizagapatam.

AGERED that M^r. William Magee employed as a Monthly Writer under the Military Storekeeper by order of Consultation the 20th. December last proceed to Vizagapatam with M^r. Perceval in the same quality.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT Esq^r.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR—&^{ct}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^t. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

In obedience to your Orders to Us to Enquire into the nature of the demands made by Cawn Moodelle & Irishapa Chittee former Renters of Deve Cotah Bounds, on several Persons for Juncan on Firewood & ^{ct}. which they alledge they were entitled to by the Tenour of their Cowle, We have applied by Letter to all the Persons the Renters have inserted in their Account except M^r. Empson, Captains Cope & Murray who are dead, Captain Clarke who is gone to England and Lieutenant De Mare whose absence in some distant part of India would not admit of our sending to. The answers We have receiv^d from the rest are in substance as follows:—as your Honour & ^{ct}. may be more particularly acquainted with by referring to their respective letters which are herewith delivered you. M^r. Boddam & M^r. Wynch dont allow they are any thing indebted to the Renters having as they assert Contracted with one Cadeer Boya servant of the said Renters at the rate of 81 Pagodas ₨ Lack of Brick kiln firewood, to be delivered them at S^t. David, and upon receiving a promise from the Board, that He should meet with no Interruption in having the Wood from thence M^r. Wynch mentions his agreeing with Gentlemen of Council to allow the Company 200 Bricks more in every Pagoda than they receiv^d from his Predecessor & that to the best of his Recollection it was the

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General opinion of the Board at that time that the Paymaster should have the liberty of Cutting what firewood was wanted for the Brick Kilns Juncan free. M^r. Boddam declares upon his succeeding M^r. Wynch in the Paymaster's Employ the same Allowance of 200 Bricks in a Pagda was made the Company till M^r. Robins enlarged the size of them, and should anything be due to the Renters for Juncan, as they alledge which neither He Or M^r. Wynch heard anything of from them when at Fort S^t. David the Person Contracted with for the Firewood is answerable for the same.

Captain Maskelyne acknowledges that being a stranger to the Nature of the Cowle & no hindrance being offered his People in cutting the Wood, He continued the Custom, practised by his Predecessors in clearing it away and always found it shot up again so fast that there was scarce any perceptible Diminution.

As to the Article of Anchorage he declares he never receiv'd. it, and therefore presumes he should not stand charged with it and with regard to the Village of Dermanaick Cottegam He encloses a letter from Captain Clive and refers to M^r. Dawson for further particulars, who knew that M^r. Saunders told M^r. Pybus no one was to enjoy the benefit of it after him (Captain Maskelyne). The ready money mentioned to be taken from their agents Captain Maskelyne acknowledges was so much recover'd by him for Captain Clarke on account of the advantages due to him of the said Village of Dermanaick Cottegam at the time He was Commandant there.

M^r. Dawson seems an utter stranger to the Charge against him Declaring no such demand for Juncan was ever made on him by the Renters during the time of his remaining in Charge of the settlement of Deve Cotah & had it been then asked for He should have put such a price on the Wood He sold as would have answered that Expense; The cutting and selling of that Article being the only benefit the Chiefs enjoyed which he hopes will be consider'd by the Board M^r. Hopkins objects to the charge made on him for Juncan in the year 1753 alledging he arrived at Deve Cotah so late that he exported but a very trifling proportion of the Firewood they have put down to his account and with regard to Anchorage of Boats, He declares he never heard of any being paid or received. He also says further that no Bricks being made there but for the use of the Company, (or the Inhabitants and the latter were allowed the liberty of making for themselves which he had nothing to do with). The Company therefore must be accountable for the Wood made use of for that purpose. The Produce of the Land recovered from Chially He says he was wholly at the pains & Expence of obtaining, therefore concludes the Renters can have no Right pretence to it nor did they ever make a Demand of it, but if any one has it must be the Company, after deducting the charges he had been at on that head. The Braminies duty amounting to Pagodas 700. He acknowledges to have stopt upon the Complaints made by the Bound Renters & acquainted M^r. Saunders of it, whose answer was peremptory to return it to the Braminies in these Words " Let their Paddy be immediately restored to them & their Grounds put into their Possession " and Quotes also the Boards directions." To restore to the Braminies their Charity Grounds."

Comrapah Conicoply says in Reply to what He is charged with by the Renters that the Accounts He had with them having been properly Examined by People appointed for that purpose, there was a Ballance in their favour of Pagodas 168-13-50 as he makes appear by an account he has also sent Us of which his Brother having paid Pagodas 150 to Cawn Moodelle at this Place there remains due to them only the sum of Pagodas 18-30-50. He declares as to the article of Juncan that as He never cut any firewood himself but bought what he had of the Gentlemen residing there. He thinks himself, no way accountable on that Head more than the Merchants who purchased in like

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manner, & if they had paid it, He should have done the same. The Polligar of Deve Cotah in reply to the Renters demand sends an account of duties due from them amounting to Pagodas 2289-18- so that instead of owing them money according to his account, they are indebted to him Pagodas 1153-18-.

Rama Naigue lately deceased declared that the Land whereof they claim the produce was let out to him by the King of Tanjore as part of the Sheally Country, which he had then rented; so that what they demand, if just, is not due from him but from the King of Tanjore to whom he paid the Rent of that District.

Major Killpatrick says that about the year 1752 Mr. Saunders gave him the care of the Troop which was then raised, and as he was in great want of firewood to boil Gram, he apply'd for leave to get some Cut at Deve Cotah, which was granted. He accordingly advanced Fifty Pagodas to a Blackman, whose name he does not now recollect who furnish'd him with to the amount of about 10 Pagodas at that place, and 19 Pagodas more was recover'd for him by Cap^t. Donald Campbell at Madras, These are the only Quantities of Wood he says he has ever been concerned in since he came to India.

The Debts which are alledged by the Renters to be due to them by the Inhabitants of Atchevaram and Alacudy. Those people declared to Mr. Smith when he was at Deve Cotah, they were entirely Ignorant of nor could He obtain any Proof to the contrary.

The Losses which the Renters mention they sustained by the Incursions of the Morattas and French amounting to Pagodas 1500 being so long past as the Year 1752. It is entirely out of our Power to arrive at any certainty of, Or with regard to the damages rated at 8000 Pagodas said to have accrued from the violent Inundations in the Year 1754.

Upon the whole we think it proper to observe. That had the Renters judged themselves entitled to what they now Claim. They would most likely have made their demands upon the several Persons mention'd in their account when they resided upon the spot but that they never did, as they have themselves acknowledged. Our humble opinion therefore of the matter is that upon finding there was a probability of their being sufferers by the farm from the badness of seasons and other accidents they imagined it might be an advantage to them to insert every Article they could make the least pretence for, and that that alone seems to be their first Inducement more than any Right they Judged they had to charge the Juncan Anchorage and several other particulars. However We submit the whole to your Honour &c^t. Consideration and are with Respect.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS,
Your Most Obed^t. Hble serv^{ts}.

FORT S^r. GEORGE,
THE 31ST JULY 1757.

JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT S^r. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS,

Having in obedience to your Honour &c^{ts}. Order surveyed the Houses in the Peddenaigues Pettah rented by the Honble Company for an Hospital, and the Ground on which several others stood that were pulled down, being unfit for the purpose; We now lay before you hereunto annexed An Account of the valuation of each as near as we are capable of Judging from the Enquiries we have made of the Companys Head Europeans & Black Bricklayers (who were

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engaged both in putting down some & refitting others for making them convenient for an Hospital) as well as the proprietors & people of the Neighbourhood, as to their state & Condition, at the time they were taken for the Companys use which submitting to your Honour &c. Consideration we remain with Respect.

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HONBLE SIR & SIRS.
Your most obedient Hble ser^{ts}.

JOHN SMITH.
CHA^s. BOURCHIER,
J. BROCHIER.

AN ACCOUNT of the Valuation of the Houses in the Peddenaigues Pettah rented by the Honble Company and made Use of for an Hospital Viz^r

— CAPTAIN PETER EKMAN. Two Houses a Particular Estimate of these having been deliver'd into Consultation by the Engineer, which to the best of our Judgment appearing Just their valuation according thereto is	P. 964	7	70
— FRANCIS PEIXOTO, Three Houses a particular Estimate of these having been deliver'd also into Consultation by the Engineer & to the best of our Judgment appearing Just their valuation according thereto is	1473	33	52
— But as no Consideration is made in the said Estimate for a piece of Garden Ground which by a particular Bill of sale it appears was bought by the said Peixoto sepearte from the Houses we think him Entitled to the cost of it which was	97	22	— 1571 19 52
— PEDRO DE GOVEA. One House cost Originally but Pagodas 54 but several additional Buildings and repairs being made to it It stood him in altogether Pagodas 354 only a part of it being now left standing which appearing to be of tolerable Materials upon enquiry it is represented to have been in tolerable Good repair when taken for the Company and work about	350	—	—
— Besides which there was a peice of Garden Ground also taken into the Limits of the Hospital that appears by a Bill of sale to have been bought sepeartely by the Govea and We think him entitled to the Cost which was	30	—	— 380 — —
— JOANA DE COSTA One House cost Originally Pagodas 60 but several additional Buildings as well as repairs being made to it, is Estimated by the Owner at Pagodas 190 as a part of it only is left standing, upon Enquiry We find the length of it was 36 feet, the depth 50 feet, that the Walls were built of Brick & good but the roof was very Indifferent, therefore computed worth only .. .. .	..	..	150 — —
— GRACIA RODRIQUEZE One House which is said to have cost about 320 Pagodas. This being now standing the Dimensions of which are 40 feet long & 50 deep & said to have been in good repair when taken for the Company We think the worth of it	300 — —

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— NATHALIA GOLVOA One house which was left her as a Legacy and valued by her at about Pagodas 200. This having been pulled down, upon enquiry it is represented to have been built with Brick, had also a small Brick Inclosure belonging to it with two Wells & was in tolerable good repair when taken for the Compy. from whence We judged it may have been worth	160	—	—
— ANNA COREA One house which she bought for Pagodas 23 but expended in making several conveniences & repairs as far as 70 Pagodas more. This having been entirely pulld down We find upon enquiry it was very much out of repair when taken for the Companys Use & the Materials but Indifferent & the utmost value of it computed at .. .. .	.. .. .	60	—	—
— MANOEL DE MONTE One house which cost originally Pag ^s . 81 & by making additional Buildings & repairs stood in all together Pagodas 150. This being entirely Demolished enquiry being made into the State & condition of it; It is represented to have been 30 feet long by 50 feet depth that it was much out of repair & the materials very Indifferent, the Value of it is therefore Judged to be .. .. .	.. .. .	100	—	—
— SAMUEL TROUTBACK lays claim for one LEWIS GONSALVES to one House the cost of which is unknown, the Owner who is absent having with him the Bill of sale. This being entirely pulled down is found upon enquiry to have been in good Repair when taken for the Company & valued at .. .. .	.. .. .	100	—	—
— PASCOAL REBEIRO One House the cost of which at first was only Pagodas 20 but with additional Buildings & Repairs stood in about Pagodas 60 as no part of this is left standing upon Enquiry it is found to have had only clay Wall & a Tiled Roof & valued therefore at only .. .. .	.. .. .	40	—	—
— JOANNA GONSALVES One House the cost of which appears by a Bill of sale to have been Pagodas 68—9. This being entirely pulled down, upon Enquiry is represented to have been partly built with Raw Bricks and valued at..		60	—	—
	PAGODAS ..	3885	27	42

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JOHN SMITH.
CH^S. BOURCHIER.
J. BROHIER.

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Arriv'd the Honble Companys Sloop Cuddalore George Baker from Vizagapatam with General Letter from thence dated 10 Instant, also General Letter from Negrais dated 8 th December last.	23
Arriv'd Sloop Hazard Samuel Laming from Quedah.	—
Sloop Endade Elay Mahomed Rajah from Pegue.	—
Arriv'd the Honble Companys Sloop Dragon from Fort S ^t . David with General Letter dated 18 th . Instant.	24
Receiv'd from Fort S ^t . David General Letter from Foss West Cott Esq ^r . dated 15 Instant.	—
Arrived Ship Nanganar Meerjah Ally from Tennassaree.	25
D ^o . Ship Seerajenair Hadjee Buck from Tennassaree.	—
Receiv'd from Negapatam by a Macao Ship arriv'd there from Canton two General Letters from Messeiurs Pigou Lockwood Peisley & Kinnersley both dated 20 October 1756.	—
Sailed Sloop Neptune Thomas Henderson for Vizagapatam with William Perceval Esq ^r . lately appointed Chief of that Settlement & General Letters to the Gentlemen there, at Ingeram & Maddapollam all dated Yesterday.	—
Sailed ship Seerajanair, Hadjee Buck for Metchlepatam.	26
Received by Peons General Letter from Ingeram dated 14 th . Instant.	30

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT
 HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
 JOHN SMITH. CHARLES BOURCHIER.

WEDNES
 DAY THE
 30th.

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 22^d. Instant read and signed.

General Letters read Viz^t.

General
 Letters read
 From
 Vizaga-
 patm.

N^o. 47 From Mr. John Lewin Smith Provisional Chief &c^t. Council at Vizagapatam dated the 10th. Instant acquainting Us that the Cuddalore Sloop being repaired they have taken the opportunity of sending fifty-five Bales by her, Invoice of which is enclosed, as also two Packets from Bengal received there by the Sea Horse Sloop which arrived there the 23^d. Ultimo with dispatches for Admiral Pocock but not finding him there returned immediately after being supplied with Water agreeable to M^r. Watson's Orders, That she was likewise supplied with some stores she wanted an account of which is enclosed, That Ensign Flaction returned to Bengal by the Sea Horse Sloop, That Lieutenant Nelson and Ensign Hart having been near three Years at Vizagapatam are desirous to be relieved, That two of their Military are returned to us by the Cuddalore sloop as they are suspected of having an Intention to desert & the Town being favourable for such a design And that their Cash is very low.

N^o. 48 From Lieutenant Thomas Newton at Negrais dated the 8th December containing an Account of the Transactions on that Island from the 15th October and enclosing an Indent for stores, as also the monthly Accounts of the Island brought up to the 1st of October.

From
 Negrais.

N^o. 49 From Foss Westcott Esq^r. late Resident at Ingeram dated at Fort S^t. David the 15th Instant acquainting Us with his Arrival there from Ingeram & his Intentions to stay a few days for the Recovery of his health if it meet with our approbation.

From Foss
 Westcott
 Esq^r. late
 Resident of
 Ingeram.

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From Fort
St. David.

N^o. 50 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. & the other Gentlemen of Council at Fort St. David dated the 18th Instant Enclosing Invoice & Bill of Lading for seventy five Bales dispatched by the Companys sloop Dragon by which Vessel they have also sent their General Books & Accounts for the year.

From
Messrs.
Pigou & ct.
Supra
Cargos
in China.

N^o. 51 & 52 From Mess^{rs}. Pigou Lockwood Peisley & Kinnersley Supra Cargos in China both dated the 20 October 1756. The first expressing their disappointment on account the Caernarvons not arriving there last season and desiring she may be dispatched early this, or in case she has been lost, We may dispatch another to them in her stead, as a Cargo has been provided & lies ready for her, Also requesting that We would send some Redwood and other saleable Goods in China by her. The other acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter by the Suffolk of the 24th July, and desiring that a Chest of station-ary consign'd them by the Caernarvon, shall be disposed of, if the ship is still with us as they have no Occasion for it.

From
Ingeram.

N^o. 53 From M^r. John Calland Provisional Resident at Ingeram dated the 14th Instant acquainting Us he is busy about the Repairs of Nellepille Godown which will cost more than it was first imagined by reason of a fissure of an Inch & a half in the Front Wall which makes it necessary to take it down as well as the Back one And requestring a supply of Cash not having sufficient to defray the Expences of the succeeding Month.

Letter from
Mr. Ardley
to be paid
salary &
diet due to
John
Douglas of
Fort
Marlbro
deceased
Granted

Letter from M^r. Samuel Ardley Administrator to the Estate of M^r. John Douglas late a Factor in the Honble Company's service at Fort Marlbro who came hither for the recovery of his Health but died in the Year 1755 read as entered hereafter requesting to be paid for 2 months & 21 days Diet allowance and 3 Months & 26 days salary due to him at the time of his decease amounting together to Fifty six Pagodas fifteen fanams and fifty cash (56-15-50) ORDER'D that the Paymaster discharge the same.

Letter from
G. Stratton
with proofs
of an
account
Sundry's
deb^t. the
Company by
his late
Father
referred
Home.

Letter from M^r. George Stratton the acting Executor of the Will of his late Father John Stratton deceased read as enter'd hereafter containing what he has to offer by way of proofs of the several Articles placed to the Companys Debit in an Account by him laid before the Board the 6th of November last and referr'd to the Honble Court of Directors in the last General Letter by the Chesterfield dated 21st November 1756 Paragraph 124. AGREED that the said Letter be also referr'd to the Court of Directors for their directions thereon,

Mr. Trench
requests to
be paid his
allowance &
to be employ-
ed.

Letter from M^r. Thomas Trench who came out last Year a Writer on the Bengal Establishment read as enter'd hereafter setting forth that after the loss of Calcutta which happen'd the day of his arrival in the River the President and Council there permitted him to return hither for the recovery of his Health and his allowances having been paid there to the end of September he requests that they may be paid him here from that time and that he may be employed in the Companys affairs untill an opportunity offers for him to return to Bengal.

Granted.

ORDER'D that his Salary be paid from the time of his Arrival in Bengal River and Diet allowance from the end of September & that he employed as occasion may require.

Sundry
accounts
relatg. to
the Cudda-
lore sloop &
Orders there-
on.

The Storekeeper lays before the Board An Account of stores expended and remaining on board the Cuddalore Sloop which he acquaints the Board he hath examined & finds reasonable.

An Indent for Stores for the said sloop, which he is order'd to comply with.

An Account of One Months Wages due to the Crew of the said Sloop the 31st. Instant amounting to four hundred and fourteen (414) Rupees.

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An Account of Provisions supplied by the Master of the said sloop for the Months of December, January, February and March amounting to six hundred and forty eight Rupees twelve anaes (648-12-)

And

An account of four months Impress to the Crew of the said sloop commencing the 1st. April and ending the 31 August amounting to One thousand six hundred and fifty six (1656) Rupees.

ORDER'D that the amount of the said three Accounts be paid.

The Military Paymaster lays before the Board a Bill for eight Pagodas twelve fanams (8-12—) due to the Master of the Cuddalore sloop for Dieting a Serjeant and a Centinal from Vizagapatam hither. ORDER'D that the same be paid.

AGREED that one hundred Pagodas (100) be paid to the Owners of the Neptune sloop in full for the Freight of that Vessell to Vizagapatam.

Freight of the Neptune sloop to Vizagapatam to be paid.

An account is now laid before the Board of Juncan and other dues amounting to Eleven hundred and sixty eight Pagodas four fanams and forty Cash which the Renter of the Poonamalle Country alledges he has been deprived off by sundry parcells of Goods being suffered to pass free to and from the Nabobs Camp at Viparee in the Year 1755 and on other Accounts several Charges in the said account appearing unreasonable the Board think proper to allow no more than three hundred and seventy nine Pagodas four fanams and forty Cash (379-4-40) being the amount of the Juncan on Goods passed free for the use of the Nabob and his Officers.

Allowance made to the Poonamaller Renter in lieu of his Juncan on Sundrys passed for the Nabob in 1755.

A Petition of Numboor Vencaty Soubiah read setting forth that when the Farm of the Town Brokerage was put up at Outcry the highest offer made, except by him, was Two thousand (2000) Pagodas on which he bid ten more, after which two of his Gomastahs by mistake bid upon one another as far as Two thousand eight hundred and ten Pagodas (2810) occasioned by the crowd of People which prevented them from seeing who were the Bidders praying therefore to be reliev'd ORDER'D that the said Petition be enter'd hereafter for the information of the Honble Court of Directors as it accounts for a great part of the large encrease in the Rent of this Farm.

Petition of Soubiah Farmer of the Town Brokerage.

An Account of six months Salary due the 25th. Instant to the Honble Companys Covenant Servants at this Presidency is now laid before the Board as enter'd hereafter amounting to two thousand three hundred and thirty six Pagodas three fanams (2336-3—) ORDER'D that it be paid.

Account 6 months Salary due 25 Ins^r. passed.

The President reports from the Secret Committee that the Renter of Tripoty is ready to pay in the Sums of Eight hundred and twenty two Pagodas three fanams and thirty Cash (822-3-30) and Two hundred forty seven Rupees and a half (247½) being the Ballance of the December or second Kist of the Year of Phasely 1166 which according to our stile commences the 11th. July 1756. ORDERED that the said sums be received into the Treasury.

Tripoty Renters Ball^{ce} of the month Decem^r.

AGREED that Thirty thousand (30000) Madras Pagodas be purchased for the service of the Northern settlements and Linga Chittee offering to Contract for providing them at Ten ¾ Cent batta a Draught on the Committee of Treasury is now signed for the amount thereof being Thirty three thousand Current Pagodas.

30000 M.P. to be purchased. advances on that Acco^t.

AGREED that Five thousand Madras Pagodas (5000) be sent to M^r. John Andrews Resident at Bandarmalanka by the Sea Horse Sloop shortly bound thither.

5000 M.P. to be sent to Madaplim. Sea Horse.

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Cashkeeper
pays in
fanams.

The President as Cashkeeper pays in Forty thousand (40000) fanams amounting, at the rate of thirty six fanams to the Pagoda, to One thousand one hundred and eleven Pagodas four fanams (1111-4) being the difference of Batta on the Exchange of ten thousand Pagodas into fanams this month at the rate of forty fanams ꣳ Pagoda and brought to Account at thirty six fanams ꣳ Pagoda.

Import Ware
H^c. k^r. pays
in.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in Fifteen thousand five hundred (15500) Pagodas on his running Account.

Rent for 7
Magans
paid.

Mahomet Ayar Cawn Renter of the seven Magans of the Tripossore Country pays in Six thousand (6000) Pagodas in part of six months Rent of that Farm due the 1st. Ultimo.

D^r. Manna-
mangalum.

Mahomet Ayar Cawn Renter of the Mannamangalum Country pays in four thousand (4000) Pagodas in part of six months Rent of that Farm due the 1st. Ultimo.

Advances
to the
Commissary.

AGREED that the following advances be made Viz^t.

To the Commissary Eleven thousand (11000) Pagodas and Thirty thousand (30000) Rupees to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad.

Paymaster.

To the Paymaster seventeen thousand (17000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.

Military
Paym^r.

To the Military Paymaster six thousand and fifty (6050) Pagodas to pay the Military & c^t. next Month.

To the Military Storekeeper Fifteen hundred Pagodas (1500) for the Charges of that Employ.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^r. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT S^t. GEORGE,
HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

This waits upon your Honour & c^t. to Pray for the salary and diet money due from the Honble Company to the Estate of M^r. John Douglas formerly Tailor of Fort Marlbrō who came hither to recover his health but died the 21st. day of April 1755 when I was by the Mayors Court appointed Administrator of his Effects in consequence of which by the first opportunity I wrote to Fort Marlbrō to learn if he had there left any Will or otherwise to know how Affairs stood at that Place and directed my Attorney (if no Executor was there) to acquaint me with the debts and credits of the deceased and remit me what might belong to his Estate, therefore as I concluded my attorney would of course amongst other things have claimed the diet allowance and salary that was due to M^r. Douglas upon the Bencoolen establishment. I neglected at that time to apply to your Honour & c^t. for the said salary and diet allowance. But upon the arrival of the Hartup Snow when she came last from the West Coast by her I receiv^d. answer to my Letter above spoke of with an account of the produce of some Effects of M^r. Douglas sold by my attorney tho no mention is made about his salary or diet allowance either of which (upon searching the Fort Marlbrō Books) I find he never received since the last day of January 1755 when he appears by the Paymaster Accounts to have been paid only his Diet allowance for that month and by the same Accounts he is charged only to have received his salary due in December 1754 so that there remains owing to him 3 months & 27 days salary of 10 Dollars ꣳ mensem Viz^t. from the 25 day of December 1754 to the 21st. day of April at

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20 Dollars ꝑ mensem which added together make the sum of 93 Spanish Dollars which @ 16½ ꝑ 10 Pagodas is

P.	f.	c.
56	14	50

 and that sum I humbly crave your Honour &c^t. will be pleased to pay.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

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30 MARCH 1757.

Your most obed^t. and most humble servant

SAMUEL ARDLEY

Adm^r. to the Estate of Mr. Jn^o. Douglas deceased.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your Secretary having acquainted me with the Minutes of Consultation in Consequence of a Letter I address^d. your Honour &c^t. under date the 3^d. November last, requiring my Proofs to the several Demands made on the Company in an Account Current annexed, as due to the Representatives of John Stratton deceased, I now lay before you the only one in my possession, being Copy of a Paper signed by M^r. Monson Export Warehousekeeper at the loss of Madras wherein he acknowledges the receipt of the Cloth Charged Pagodas 316-4-72. For Proof of Grain charged Pagodas 1234-18- deliver'd at the Seige of Madras I can produce his Dubash who will take his Oath, if required that he heard some of the other servants say that their Master went himself to the Godowns to deliver out Grain, and I think it seems likely that the same was deliver'd as every one knows how greatly distress'd the Garrison was in at that time for all kind of Provisions. In respect to Diet money charged Pagodas 35-7 and salary Pagodas 60-24-60 I must beg leave to refer to the Companys Books, where it will appear whether the same was ever paid, The Mast charged Pagodas 50. I must refer to your Honour &c^t. having no other proofs than his Books and which are the only one I can produce in respect to Pagodas 1627-7-48 charged as Debts due from the Merchants at Vizagapatam whilst he was Chief of that place. The seven Duppors of Butter supplied ship Preston, charged Pagodas 48 the Gentlemen at Saint David immediately paid M^r. Goodwin upon his making the demand and your Honour &c^t. will observe due Credit is given the Company for the same.

I have now gone thro every Article of the Accounts & submitting the whole to your Honour &c^t. Subscribe myself with the greatest respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

FORT ST. GEORGE,
30TH MARCH 1757.

Your most obedient humble servant

GEORGE STRATTON

Acting Exor.

VIZAGAPATAM LONG CLOTH FINE

(Copy)

	N ^o . 1	2 Bales	q ^{ts} . 4	@ P. 70 ꝑC	280		
	2		8 p ^s .	@ 68 d ^o .	27	7	16
SALLAMPORES FINE	1		19 d ^o .	@ 26 d ^o	24	25	16
					Pag ^a .	331	32 32
Freight	..	..	..	P 6	—	—	
Washing Long Cloth Fine	7	16	—	
D ^o . soal. F	—	27	40	14 7 40
					PAGODAS ..	346	4 72

W. MONSON

Exp^t. Ware H^o. K^r.

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T. GEORGE.

GENTLEMEN,

I beg leave to represent to you the great disadvantage I am under, on account of the loss of Calcutta the Place of my appointment in the Honble Companys service and which happen'd on the day of my Arrival in Bengal River, where I continued until my distress, and indisposition obliged me to apply to the President and Council there, for leave to come hither, for the recovery of my health which is now effected and having already been paid the usual allowance as a Companys servant to the end of September, I request as my Circumstances require it, that you will be pleased also to pay me here what is due from that time; and I further request, that you will consider my situation and indulge me with an employment in any branch of the Honble Companys concerns as you shall judge proper, for the support of Family and until a convenient opportunity offers for my return to Bengal, I am with great Respect,

GENTLEMEN

FORT ST. GEORGE,
30TH MARCH 1757.

Your most obedient & most humble serv^t.
THO^S. FRENCH.

ACCOUNT SALARY Due to the Honble Company Covenated Servants from the 25th September 1756 to the 25th March 1757.

		Months.	Days.	Per Annum.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	Page.	fa.	Ca.
George Pigot Esq ^r .	President & Governour	6	..	£ 200	100	..	..				
	Gratuity	..	..	100	50	..	..	150	..	..	375	..	..
Henry Powney	2 ^d . of Council	..	..	100	..	..	..	50	..	..	125	..	..
Charles Boddam	2 ^d . of d ^o . @ 25 th March to 2 ^d . July 1756.	3	7	100	26	18	11						
	3 ^d . of d ^o . @ 3 ^d July 56 to 25 March 1757.	8	22	70	50	19	9						
Robert Orme	3 ^d . of d ^o . @ 25 th . Sep ^t . to 7 th February.	4	12	70	25	13	4						
	4 th of d ^o . @ 8 th Febry, to 25 th March.	1	17	50	6	10	7						
William Perceval	4 th of d ^o . @ 25 th Sept ^r . to 7 th February.	4	12	50	18	6	8						
	5 th of d ^o . @ 8 th Febry. to 25 th March.	1	17	40	5	4	5						
John Smith	6 th of d ^o .	6	..	40	..	..	..	20	..	..	50	..	..
Charles Bouchier	7 th of d ^o.	..	..	40	..	..	..	20	..	..	50	..	..
John Walsh	Senior Merchant	6	..	40	..	..	..	20	..	..	50	..	..
Henry Vansittart	Junior d ^o .	6	..	30	15	..	..				
	Gratuity as Translator	..	..	30	15	..	..				
Samuel Ardley	D ^o.	..	..	30	..	..	..	15	..	..	37	18	..
Edward Edwards	D ^o.	..	..	30	15	..	..				
	Gratuity as Assay Master	..	..	80	40	..	..				
								55	..	..	137	18	..
Charles Hopkins	D ^o .	4	12	30	..	..	..	11	..	..	27	18	..
Josias Du Pre	Factor	6	..	15	7	10	..						
	Gratuity as Secretary	100	50						
	Ditto as Clerk of the Peace.	45	22	10	..						
								80	200

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ACCOUNT SALARY Due to the Honble Company Covenanted Servants from the 25th September 1756 to the 25th March 1757—cont.

		Months.	Days.	per Annum.	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	Page.	fo.	Ca.
John Browning	Ditto as Clerk of the Peace.	1	..	15	..	..	..	1	5	..	3	4	40
James Alexander	D ^o .	6	..	15	7	10	..						
	Gratuity as Sub Accomptant.	..	..	100	50	..	..				
	D ^o . for keeping the Company	..	..	20	10	..	..				
	Acco ^t . with the Mayor's				<hr/>			67	10	..	168	27	..
	Court.												
John Smith	D ^o.	..	..	15	..	..	..	7	10	0	18	27	..
Daniel Morse	D ^o.	..	..	15	7	10	..						
	Gratuity for keeping the	..	..	20	10	..	..				
	Books of the Mayor's				<hr/>			17	10	..	43	27	..
	Court.												
Charles Simpson	D ^o.	..	..	15	..	..	..	7	10	..	18	27	..
George Stratton	D ^o.	..	..	15	..	..	..	7	10	..	18	27	..
Philip Francis Greenslate	D ^o.	..	..	15	..	..	..	7	10	..	18	27	..
Matthew Clarke	D ^o.	..	..	15	..	..	..	7	10	..	18	27	..
Henry Brooke	D ^o.	..	..	15	..	..	..	7	10	..	18	27	..
Thomas Maunsell	D ^o.	..	..	15	..	..	..	7	10	..	18	27	..
John Whitehill	Writer .. ..	..	6	5	2	10	..	2	10	..	6	9	..
Claud Russell	D ^o.	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Gratuity as Accompt-General	..	..	20	10	..	..				
	of the Mayors Court.				<hr/>			12	10	0	31	9	..
John Perceval	D ^o.	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
Thomas Rumbold	D ^o.	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
George Pyne	D ^o.	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
Charles Smith	D ^o.	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
Alexander Dalrymple	D ^o.	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
John Davidson	D ^o.	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
Samuel Johnson	D ^o.	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
James M ^o . Carmick	D ^o.	..	..	5	..	..	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
William Aldersey	D ^o	5	2	10	0	6	9	..
Robert Dowset	D ^o	5	2	10	0	6	9	..
John Palmer	D ^o	5	2	10	0	6	9	..

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Charles Floyer	D ^o	5	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
William Barker	D ^o	5	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
John Manuall Stone	D ^o	5	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
Archdale Palmer	D ^o.	..	..	..	5	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
Abraham Browne	D ^o.	..	..	..	5	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
John Douglas	D ^o.	..	..	..	5	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
James Hay	D ^o.	..	..	..	5	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
Alexander Leigh	D ^o.	..	..	..	5	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
John Crawford	D ^o.	..	..	..	5	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
Henry Parsons	D ^o.	..	..	..	5	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
Thomas Lane	D ^o.	..	..	..	5	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
Thomas Hamilton	D ^o.	..	..	..	5	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
James Taylor	D ^o.	..	..	..	5	..	2	10	0	6	9	..
The Rev ^d . { Mr. Robert } Chaplains .. ..		..	..	..	100	..	50	0	0	125	..	..
{ Palk. } .. ..		..	..	..	100	..	50	0	0	125	..	..
{ Mr. Stavely. } .. ..		..	..	..	36	..	18	0	0	45	..	..
Andrew Munro .. ..		..	..	..	36	..	18	0	0	45	..	..
Robert Turing	36	..	18	0	0	45
at 8 Shillings \mathcal{P} P.							..	£ 934 8 8		2336	3	..

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

\mathcal{P} ROBERT ORME.

Accompt.

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR ETC. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

The humble Petition of Numboor Soobiah.

SHEWETH

That when the Town Brokerage was put up at the Publick Outcry, after several offers made by the People there Suncarama bid for 2,000 Pagodas & then it was bid for your Petitioner for Pagodas 2,000. Afterwards 2 Gomasthas belonging to your Petitioner stood on each side & bid one against another by mistake unknown to each other which was owing to the thickness of the Croud of people, and by that means it was encreased to 2,810 Pagodas which is a great prejudice to your Petitioner and if it should be little your Petitioner would not mind it but as it is a large sum & and arose by a Gross mistake as aforesaid, your Petitioner humbly Prays your Honour &c^t. will be pleas^d. to think it reasonable to forgive the said sum of 800 Pagodas occasioned by a mistake as aforesaid, otherwise will be pleas^d. to Order all the Merchants of this Place not to dispose any Goods without his Brokers, and Likewise be please to mention that Clause in the Cowle.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly refers the aforegoing to your serious Consideration & begs a relief in the Premisses.

And Your Petitioner as in duty bound shall Every Pray

- 31 Receiv^d. by Tappies General Letter from Fort S^t. David dated 27th.
Instant.
- APRIL
- 1 Receiv^d. by Tappies General Letters from Fort S^t. David dated 29th. March.
Arriv^d. Snow Lapwing Alexander Gordon from Bengal.
- D^o. Don Carlos, Ballea from Fort S^t. David.
- 2 Ship Companerote, Meer saib, from Tenassaree.
— Ship Cojasee, Mahomet Ameen, from Tenassaree.
— Sloop Fancy, John Price from d^o.
- Receiv^d. by Pattamars General Letter from Anjengo dated 7th. March.
— D^o. General Letter from Bandarmalanka dated 20th. March.
- 4 Arrived Sloop Mary Manoel Marine from Cuddah.
— D^o. Snow Canterbury, Harty Hart from Bengal.
- 5 Received by Pattamar General Letter from Tellicherry dated 18th. March.
Sailed Ship Welcome Robert Bailie for Kistnapatam & Pegue
D^o. Honble Companys Sloop Cuddalore, George Baker for Kistnapatam

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

WEDNES-
DAY THE
6 APRIL.

GEORGE PIGOT ESQR. GOVERN^R. PRESIDENT.

HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.

FOSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.

CHARLES BOURCHIER

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 30th. ultimo read and signed.

Foss Westcott Esq^r. lately arrived from Ingeram now takes his seat at the Board and the Oaths of allegiance and office as one of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace are administered to him by the President.

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General Letters read Viz^t. N^o. 54 & 55 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. & the other Gentlemen of Council at Fort S^t. David. The First dated the 27th. ultimo advising their having sent us Two hundred and forty Bales by Snow Don Carlos Invoice & Bill of Lading for which shall be forwarded overland. The other dated the 29th. ultimo enclosing Invoice & Bill of Lading for the Bales sent by Don Carlos Snow as also copy of a Petition and Memorial delivered them by serjeant Galloway and a Petition from Manuel de Silva Bragg on the first of which they wait for our directions but the Contents of the latter being found just, they have put Bragg upon the Pension List at two Pagodas which they hope We will approve. Requesting a supply of Cash & acquainting us that having been in want of Tarr they have landed the four Barrells that were on board the Don Carlos, belonging to the Company And that upon examination they find Captain D' Illens charge against M^r. Fairfield in regard to the Weights arose from a mistake in having Troy weights in the Elaboratory instead of Averdupoise of which the Labratory serjeant declares he informed Captain D' Illens, but he would not listen to it.

General
letter read
from Fort
St. David.

N^o. 56 From George Scott Esq^r. Chief & c^t. Factors at Anjengo dated the 7th. ultimo acknowledging the receipt of our Letter of the 3^d. February & acquainting us that the Clinton and Hector were dispatched from thence for Europe the 21st. of February.

From
Anjengo.

N^o. 57 From M^r. John Andrews Resident at Bandarmalanka dated the 20th. March acquainting us that since his last a Body of Morattas have taken a Fort and robbed some towns in the Road between Golcondah and Rajahmundrum which greatly alarmed the Inland Inhabitants, many of whom had come to Bandarmalanka & other Places near the sea, Requesting a supply of Stationary and Pagodas.

From
Bandarma-
lanka.

N^o. 58 From Thomas Hodges Esq^r. Chief & c^t. Factors at Tellicherry dated the 18th. March acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 3^d. February and acquainting us that their Remains of Pepper is about Two thousand six hundred (2,600) Candies that none of the Bengal Ships they expected are arrived and that by a Macao ship which left Canton the 3^d. January they have learned that the Caernarvon was not arrived there but all the other ships would be dispatched in good time.

From Telli-
cherry.

M^r. Westcott requesting leave to resign the Chiefship of Ingeram, the Board Consent thereto and he is now appointed to take charge of the Land Customers Employ from the 1st. of May next.

Mr. West-
cott resigns
the Chief-
ship of
Ingeram,
is app^d.
Land Custr.

AGREED that the Petition and Memorial of Serjeant James Golloway (receiv^d. from Fort S^t. David with their letter N^o. 55) be referred to the Secret Committee to do therein as they shall think fit.

Petition &
memorial of
Serjt. Gollo-
way ferr'd
to Secret
Committee.

AGREED that a supply of Pagodas be sent to Fort S^t. David by the first Sea conveyance and in the mean time that the Gentlemen there be permitted to draw on us.

Pagodas to
be sent to
St. David

AGREED that a chest of Stationary and Five thousand (5,000) Madras Pagodas to be sent to M^r. Andrews at Bandarmalanka by the Sea Horse Sloop.

5,000 Mads.
Pags. & c^t. to
be sent to
Bandarma-
lanka.

A Vessell being wanted to carry a supply of salt and other stores to Fort Marlbro. The Presidents acquaints the Board that the Owners of the Hartop snow are willing to let her to Freight from this Port to Fort Marlbro for Two thousand Pagodas. AGREED that the said Snow be freighted on those terms.

Hartop Snow
freighted for
Fort Marlbro.

AGREED that five thousand (5,000) Madras Pagodas be purchased of Linga Chittee at ten $\frac{3}{4}$ cent batta and a draught on the Treasury is now signed for the amount being Five thousand five hundred Current Pagodas.

5,000 Ms.
Pagodas
Purchased.

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Cash account
for March
read,

The President reads the cash Account for last month ballance remaining compared with the chest Twenty five thousand one hundred and sixty four Pagodas twenty nine fanams and forty five cash (25,164-29-45) which is carried forward.

Rent for
Covelong
paid in.

Pushponatha Nayener Renter of Covelong pays in Four thousand (4,000) Pagodas in full for six months Rent of that Farm due the 1st. February last.

GEORGE FIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

D^{rs}.

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH.

1757-5-A*

1	To Balance brought from last month ..	23017	75860	77	25124	8	77
3	To Claud Russell Accountant General of the Mayors Court received on account the Cause Cruttenden Versus Rannie as Ψ order of Cons. this day ..	5402	14	35	5402	14	35
—	To Numboor Vencaty Soubiah Renter of the Poonamalle Country received in part of 6 months Rent of that Farm due the 1 st . Janry. last ..	10000	..	..	10000	—	—
—	To Oppajee Nayenar Renter of the Chingalaput Country recd in part of 6 months rent of that Farm due the 1 st . ultimo ..	10000	..	..	10000	—	—
—	To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permal Kalleva Chittee Renters of the Beetle & Tobacco Farm recd in full for two months Rent of that Farm due the 1 st . Instant (O.S.) when the Cowle expired ..	400	33600	—	1333	12	—

Ψ CONTRA.

3	By Ingeram Factory paid a Bill from thence dated the 13 Ultimo in favour of Mess ^{rs} . Du Pre & Alexander at ten days sight ..	1100	..	1100	—	—
—	By Robert Orme Commissary adv ^d . to defray the Charges of the Troops abroad ..	17000	..	17000	—	—
—	By John Smith Military Paymast. advanced for the expenses of that employ.. ..	7000	..	7000	—	—
7	By Claud Russell Accountant General of the Mayor's Court paid his draft in favour of John Palmer Attorney for Mess ^{rs} . Walsh and Vansittart on account the Estate of Solomon Salomons as Ψ order of Consultation	190	..	190	—	—

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D^a.THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH—*cont.*

— To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Permaul Kelleva Chittee Farmers of the Arrack & Wine License recd in full for two months rent of that Farm due the 1 st . Instant (Old Stile) at which time the Cowle expired	24000	—	666	24	—
— To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah and Permaul Kelleva Chittee farmers of the Weighing and measuring Duty recd in full for two months rent of that Farm due the 1 st . Instant (O.S.) at which time the Cowle expired.	6000	—	166	24	—
.. To Pitloor Vencaty Kistnah & Permaul Kelleva Chittee Renters of the Town Brokerage recd in full for six months rent of that Farm due the 1 st . Instant (O.S.) at at which time the Cowle expired ..	350	—	350	—	—

₹ CONTRA—*cont.*

— By the Roman Female Orphan House paid Father Serverini one years Interest on a Bond, dated 21 st . Febry. 1745/6 (O.S.) for Pagodas 6000 at 6 ₹ Cent ₹ Annum due the 3 ^d . Instant ..	360	..	360	—	—
30 By Vizagapatam Fac- tory paid Freight of Sloop Neptune thi- ther	100	..	100	—	—
.. By Robert Orme Commissary advanced him for the Charges of the Troops abroad.	11000	—	11000	—	—
.. By Charles Bouchier Military Storekeeper advanced for the Expenses of that Employ	1500	—	1500	—	—
.. By Maddapollam Factory paid a Bill from thence dated 24 th . Ultimo at 10 days sight in favour of Mess ^{rs} . Du Pre & Alexander	1100	—	1100	—	—

15	To Current Pagodas recd from the Treasury ..	10000	—	—	10000	—	—
22	To William Perceval Land Customer recd the Ballance of that Account for last month	153	3365	13	246	17	13
30	To Mahomet Ayer Cawn Renter of the seven Magans of the Tripossore. Country- recd in part of 6 months rent of that Farm due the 1 st . Ultimo ..	6000	—	—	6000	—	—
..	To Mahomet Ayer Cawn Renter of the Mannamangalam Country recd in part of 6 months Rent of that Farm due the 1 st . Ultimo ..	4000	—	—	4000	—	—
..	To Henry Powney Import Warehouse-keeper recd on his running Account ..	15000	18000	—	15500	—	—
..	To Batta for the Produce of 10000 Pagodas Issued as Ψ Contra & exchanged @ 40 & brought to account here @ 36 fanams Ψ Pagoda ..	—	400000	—	11111	4	—
	STAR OR CURRENT PAGODAS	84322	560840	45	99900	32	41

..	By Account Salary paid the Honble Compys Covenanted servants their salary for the last six months ending 25 th . Instant ..	2336	3	—	2336	3	—
..	By John Smith Paymaster advanced for the expences of that employ	5000	432000	—	17000	—	—
..	By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced expences of that employ	6000	1800	—	6050	—	—
..	By Batta issued in the Course of the month to purchase fanams ..	10000	—	—	10000	—	—
..	By balance carried forward	21636	127037	45	25164	29	45
	STAR OR CURRENT PAGODAS	84322	560840	45	99900	32	45

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ERRORS EXCEPTED.
 Ψ GEORGE FIGOT.

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- 7 Arrived the Honble Companys Snow Arcot from Gallee.
- 8 Arrived Ketch Hydra Jalaam, Babaa from Acheen
- Sailed sloop Sea Horse, Meera Syrang, for Bandarmalanka with General Letter to the Resident there dated yesterday.
- Sailed Sloop Bouvane Persaud, Narrain Doss for Ballasore.
- 10 Arrived Snow Fanny, Roger Woodburne, from Bombay with General Letter from the President & Council there dated the 5th Febr̃y.
- Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David dated this day
- 11 Arrived Sloop Muskets Mootiallah from Fort St. David
- Received by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 9th Instant.
- 13 Sent by Sloop Nancy General Letter to the Resident at Ingeram dated this day.
- Arrived the Honble Companys Ship Walpole Francis Fowler from Bengal with General Letter from the President & Council there dated 28 February.
- 14 14 Received by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 11th Instant.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURSDAY
THE 14^{TA}.

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.

HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.

FOSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 6th Instant read and signed.

General Letters read Viz^t.

General
Letters read
From
Bombay.

N^o. 59 From the Honble Richard Bouchier Esq. President and Governour & c^t. Council of Bombay dated the 5 February acquainting Us that in Consequence of their laying an Embargo on the Property of the Moguls subjects imported there from Bengal and other Places (their Motives for doing which We were advised of in their last) Mess^{rs} Gee and Lowis Supra Cargos of the Prince George had repeatedly applied for such part of that ships Freight Treasure as is consigned to Bengal promising not to deliver any part of it without our Consent or that of the President and Council at Bengal which Proposal as it would fully answer the design of laying the Embargo was agreed to, upon the supra Cargos executing three Obligations of the same tenour and date (one of which is enclosed) that they will act agreeable to our orders or such as they shall receive from the Gentlemen in Bengal for the delivery of the said Treasure Referring it to Us therefore to act in this Affair as we may think most Conducive to the Companys Interest advising at the same time that the Clinton and Hector were dispatched from thence for Europe the 21st January and that they hourly expect the Tryton Man of War and Blaze Fireship, the Bombay Frigate having left them at Sea four days before the date of their Letter.

From Fort
St. David.

No. 60 & No. 63 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the other Gentlemen of Council at Fort St. David The first dated the 9 April advising their having dispatched the Sloop Muskets with forty Bales and that they shall send the Invoice of them overland. The other is dated the 11th Instant and encloses the Invoice of these Bales.

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N^o. 61 From the Honble Roger Drake Esqr. President and Governour &c^t. Council of Fort William dated the 28 February acquainting Us that the Walpole is under dispatch to Us to be filled up for Europe, That they have laden on her what Salt Petre they could get and also a small Quantity of Tincall which are consigned to the Company but have sent no Stores on her for S^t. Helena, That they are uncertain how they shall dispose of the Marlbrō but hope they shall have a full Loading for her in September provided We supply them in time with Money for an Investment, That they have drawn upon Us for seven thousand five hundred Arcot Rupees in favour of Henry Powney Esqr. and Requesting We will take the first opportunity of sending down the Copper and Lead consigned them last season from Europe as likewise the Remainder of the Madeira wine Which Article they are in great want of.

From
Bengal.

N^o. 62 From Mr. Culling Smith dated at Culpee the 9th March Enclosing the Report of the Walpoles Ammunition and Warlike Stores and Muster Roll of her Crew as also the Captains Bill of Lading, and an Account of the ships Draft of Water at the time of her Dispatch from thence.

From
Mr. Smith
at Culpee.

A Bill of Exchange for Seven thousand five hundred (7500) Arcot Rupees drawn by the President & Council of Bengal in favour of Henry Powney Esqr. as advised in their Letter N^o. 61 being presented to the Board is Order'd to be paid.

Bill from
Bengal to
be paid.

A Bill drawn by Robert Clive Esqr. at Bengal for six thousand nine hundred and forty five (6945) Arcot Rupees payable to Purbud Sing is also now presented and the President acquainting the Board that the Secret Committee are duly advised thereof ORDER'D that it be paid

Another
drawn by
Colonel
Clive.

The President also lays before the Board a Bill of Exchange drawn by Captain Nicholas Welles on Francis Ford Esqr. Paymaster of His Majesty's Thirty ninth Regiment for Three thousand five hundred (3500) Arcot Rupees payable to the President and Council of which the Secret Committee are advised, ORDER'D that the amount be receiv'd into the Treasury.

A bill from
Bengal to be
read.

The President also acquaints the Board from the Secret Committee that six thousand (6000) Pagodas have been Collected in the Contested Districts, and that three hundred and seventy Pagodas twenty three fanams and forty Cash (370-23-40) have been sent in from Terpasoor being the amount of the Sales of Paddy which was formerly laid in there for Store. ORDER'D that the said sums be receiv'd into the Treasury.

Money
Collected in
the
Contested
Districts &
for Paddy
sold at
Terpasoor to
be pd. in.

A Report from the Committee for Affairs of the West Coast dated the 13th Instant being read as enter'd hereafter the following Resolutions are taken thereon Viz^t.

Report from
the West
Coast
Committee
read &
Orders there
on.

PARA. 2. AGREED that a sloop of Fifty Tons be built at Vizagapatam and that another of the same burthen be purchased here for the Service of the West Coast. But in regard to the Sloop of Eighty Tons wanted for the service of Natal, as that settlement will probably be withdrawn such a Vessell will become unnecessary.

PARA. 4. The Board are of Opinion it would always be more to the Companys advantage to hire than purchase a ship for the service of the West Coast but as proper Vessells may not always be procurable when wanted it is therefore AGREED to purchase a ship And one of three hundred Tons formerly called the S^t. John Baptist and now the Elaibash, built about five Years ago at Pegue being advertised for sale by Outcry at the Sea Gate tomorrow and which the President acquaints the Board has been Survey'd and is reported to be sound and staunch ORDER'D that the Secretary bid for the said ship on the Companys Account not exceeding Six thousand Pagodas

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PARA. 6. AGREED that the Walpole be dispatche'd from hence for Europe without touching at the West Coast and that the Gentlemen there be advised after the Arrival of the expected shipping from Europe of the provision that may be then made for their Surplus Pepper.

PARA. 8 & 11. AGREED that a further Quantity of Salt be sent to the West Coast by the next opportunity, as well as another supply of Gun powder and six twelve pounder Gun Carriages.

PARA. 23. AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort Marlbro be directed to withdraw the settlements of Natal and Tappanooly unless they should receive contrary Orders by the storeship.

PARA. 25. AGREED that it be recommended to the Honble Court of Directors to give positive Orders to the two other Presidencys to prohibit their Vessells from trading at the Ports on the West Coast of Sumatra.

PARA. 30. AGREED that insted of Collecting the Dutys as directed in October 1754 the following be the Rule. That on all Merchandize from hence twenty five p Cent be added to the value expressed in the Manifest and that five p Cent be levied on that Sum in full for all Customs and Duties and that in all other respects the directions given in 1754 and the Regulations made at Fort Marlbrō, in Consultation the 15 May 1756 stand confirm'd.

PARA. 33. ORDER'D that a Captains Brevet be drawn out for Mr. Frith to take Rank from the date of the Brevet given him at Fort Marlbro.

In all other respects the Board approve and confirm the Observations and recommendations in the said Report a Copy whereof is Order'd to be transmitted to the Gentlemen at Fort Marlbro.

Relating to
the Arcot
snow.

The Gentlemen at Vizagapatam pursuant to order from hence having put One thousand four hundred (1400) Bags of Rice on board the Arcot snow Captain Bibb in October last and given the Commander Orders to proceed to the Negrais he accordingly put to sea but being unable to reach his destined Port was by stress of Weather drove out of the Bay and put in at Gally where finding some of his Cargo damaged and fearing the rest might also suffer he sold it there and laid out the produce in Columbo Arrack for the Companys account and after having refitted the snow proceeded to this Port where he arrived the 7th. Instant, and now lays before the Board the following Papers Viz^t.

Paper &
accounts
produced.

Accounts of Rice damaged and expended on Board the Arcot Snow and supplied His Majesty's Fireship Blaze being part of what was laden at Vizagapatam for the Negaris. Account sales at Columbo of the remainder of the Arcots Cargo of Rice.

Invoice of Arrack purchased at Columbo on the Company's Account out of the produce of the Arcot's Rice sold there.

Account of Disbursements on Account of the Arcot Snow.

Captain Edward Bibb of the Arcot Snow his account Current.

and referr'd
to the
Storekr.

List of Stores remaining on board the Arcot Snow All which are referred to the Storekeeper.

Diet of
Military on
board the
Arcot to be
paid.

An Account is also laid before the Board by Captain Bibb for the Diet of Military on board the Arcot Snow amounting to four hundred and forty one Arcot Rupees one Anae (441-1) ORDER'D that the Military Paymaster discharge it.

Drafts from
the Account
general
to be paid.

Eighteen Drafts N^o. 2 @ 19 From the Account General [*sic*] of the Mayors Court on account the Estate of Solomon Salomons payable to sundry persons amounting together to Ten thousand three hundred and Nineteen Pagodas three fanams and fifty nine Cash (10319-3-59) are now presented to the Board and ORDER'D to be paid

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Charles Bouchier Rental General and Scavenger pays in Nine hundred (900) Pagodas or Account on the Ballance of the Scavengers Roll ending 31 August 1754

Scavenger pays in money account the Role 1754.

Sunca Vencato Ramah Renter of the Beetle and Tobacco Farm pays in Nine hundred and thirty three Pagodas twelve fanams (933-12) in full for one Months Rent that Farm due the 12th Instant.

Rent for the Beetle & Tobacco Farm paid in.

Agreed that two thousand (2000) Pagodas be advanced the Military Storekeeper for the Charges of that Employ.

200 Pagodas advd. the Military Storekeeper.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
JOHN SMITH.
CHA^r. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. PRESIDENT & C^f COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

PARA. 1. Having carefully perused the West Coast Papers, we now do ourselves the Honour to lay before you our Remarks under the Usual Heads.

FIRST CONCERNING SHIPPING

2^d. Our Honble Masters have been particularly Unfortunate in that Part of their Estate which consists in Vessells employed on the West Coast. The Marlbro^o Hoy, as of little service has been sold at a Price much inferior to the sum she stood at on the Company's Books ; Two long Boats become unserviceable, have likewise been sold at Publick Outcry, the only remaining Long Boat was lost coming from Pooloo ; The Swallow Sloop just on the Point of sailing from Marlborough to Natal, with stores on board, sunk in the Road, and the Lives of the People were saved with difficulty. The Mary Sloop is therefore become the only Vessell remaining, and has been stationed at Natal from June 1755 to July 1756. From these Circumstances the Gentlemen of the West Coast repeat their former Request to be supplied with two sloops of Fifty Tons and three Long Boats and indent for another sloop of about 80 Tons, and of some Force to be stationed at Natal, as occasions may require, as well as to bring Pepper the Residencies to Marlborough. The West Coast Committee in their Report to this Board of the 7th October 1754 concur in the Necessity of sending the 2 sloops of 50 Tons notwithstanding which they have not been prepared. They should either be brought out of Hand, or immediately ordered to be built at Bombay. The 3 Long Boats are ready and must be sent in Company with the Hartop now freighted to Marlbro^o at which Place alone they must be employed. A sloop of 80 Tons and of some Force will be of heavy Expence at all Events, and if kept as the Swallow has been Year round at Natal, will be a dead Charge to the Profits of that settlement. It therefore will be proper, that the Board consider well the state of Affairs at Natal before We can recommend the incurring this Expence to the Company. Fatal experience forbids the Use of Country Boats in transporting any Part of the Company's Estate. At the same time that the Rate of 4 Dollars ꝓ Bahar for the Freight of Pepper is Exorbitant. If the Gentlemen of the West Coast have any trading sloops of their own there can be no objection in case of Necessity to freighting the Companys Pepper upon them, provided the Navigation of them is trust worthy, We say Trust worthy, as the Adventure Snow flung over board most of the Pepper she had taken in at Croee, and went to Batavia with the Rest.

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3^d. The want of Proper Artificers and Materials are indeed great Difficulties in preserving as the want of proper Navigators is in conducting the Companys Vessells on the West Coast; but perhaps these not unsurmountable. The Training of Coffrees here, as Artificers for the West Coast is not very practicable but must be attempted. And as we are in want of Children some must be attempted. And as we are in want of Children some must be sent Us from the West Coast for this purpose Let the Gentlemen there take into their Pay, as many European Artificers as they can find sober Men, and give such Wages, as will induce them to contract for serving a Term of Years; and let these train up Slaves in a proper Carpenters Yard, where the Work is carried on as with us at regulated Hours; they must likewise be permitted to give such Encouragement to sea men as will induce such as are fit for the service to remain in it.

4. The loss of the Companys ship Prince George at Bengal renders it a Consideration of the board in what manner to supply her Place, whether by freighting or purchasing a ship.

5. The Annual Ship from Europe to the West Coast must continue to be sent with the utmost dispatch after her Arrival to the Northern Residencies to supply them with stores, and to take in their Pepper. She must then as usual proceed to and receive her Dispatch at the Southern Settlements. The Exeter by being employ'd in the service of Natal was not dispatched to England till the 5th. of April. Positive Orders must be given on no Consideration of appearing formidable at Natal, or any of the other subordinats to risque the Loss of the Passage of the Annual ship, or of that sent from Bengal round the Cape of Good Hope.

6. We must provide for a whole Cargo of Pepper, which We are told to expect to be ready at this Time at Marlborough & its Dependencies above that of the Annual ship which arrived with them. The affairs of Bengal have to their other fatal Consequences added that, of our Inability hitherto to make this Provision. The Walpole hourly expected from Bengal will be dispatched so late from hence, as to leave little hopes of gaining her Passage. We submit to the Consideration of the Board whether she might not be order'd to take in a Part of this Pepper as We conceive her going the West Coast will make no difference in her Passage to S^t. Helena.

7. The Gentlemen of Bengal must be desired to dispatch a ship early in December to the West Coast to take in at least 300 Tons of Pepper; she may touch Natal to see if the Resident, who may perhaps be still there, shall have any service for her in transporting Effects to Marlborough. They must likewise be desired to engage 40 or 50 Lascars to serve the Company on the West Coast, which may be sent on that ship.

SECONDLY OF GOODS FROM EUROPE OR ONE PART OF INDIA TO BE DISPOSED AT ANOTHER.

8. Salt is the Grand Article of their Indents, having that, they have Rice from the Country, without it the Pepper Investments are detrimented [*sic*]. Their Indent of the 17th. July last is for 40 Grace, which they expected in November disappointed, they will now want twice that Quantity. The Vessel now freighted will carry but 30 Garse. It must be your attention to send them as much as possible of this Article.

9. Four thousand Dollars worth of Fanams 10 Pipes of Madeira are ready to be shipp'd on the Hartop. Having complain'd in the Year 1755 of the Badness of the Long Cloth sent them in 1754. It is necessary to acquaint them that We send them the Number Threes of our Ordinary Cloths & the Gentlemen should be directed to promote as large a Sale as possible of this kind of Cloth as by separating that Quality for the West Coast, the Cloth we

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send to England will turn out of a better Assortments, The other articles of the Indent for Wares may likewise be sent by this Dispatch.

10. The Gentlemen at Bengal must be wrote to send on the December ship, as much Rice, which must be of the finer sort, as she can carry above the Europe Bales, together with two thousand good Gunny bags and 50 Chests of the best Patna Opium. In this last Article the West Coast has been disappointed for this Year by the loss of bengal. There is no Opium in this Place, but what has been imported more than a Twelve month, & as it is a Commodity which impairs much by keeping. We cannot recommend any to be purchased here.

11. Representing themselves in a very indefensible Condition their Indent for Military Stores is very large & our situation renders us little able in Precedence to part with any some Gunpowder must if possible be sent. Even twenty Barrels will be a help. The Gentlemen of Bengal must be wrote to send 200 Barrels of the best they can make. And if any other Conveyance offers, We must not lose the opportunity of sending them some more to serve till that from Bengal arrives. The Chest of Bengal Powder sent to us, as a sample of what came to them by the Elizabeth, is quite unfit for service. It is necessary to acquaint the Gentlemen of Bengal, that the West Coast Gentlemen likewise sent a Chest of it to England. Six Gun Carriages for 12 Pounders should be sent by this Conveyance. They must be directed to make as many as they can themselves. They must not only be permitted but directed to Indent to England for all other Articles of their indent for Military Stores and Ordinance, but it will be necessary that they revise the Indent, they have sent us, & curtail what is not absolutely necessary.

12. It appears that the turn'd out Pepper in general is not paid for to the Planters. Consequently We cannot expect, that it should be appropriated to the Company. It must as soon as the Garbling is over be distroy'd in Presence of the Planters; but as the Pepper from Croee & Cawoor is receiv'd by Measure & garbled at Fort Marlborough the turned out must be brought to Account, and sent here. This was promised & has not yet been done. Why? Why is the manner of receiving the Pepper at Croee & Cawoor different from that of the other settlements?

13. Mr. Gardiner of Batavia has given a second Occasion to complain of his unmercantile Method of doing business by sending a parcel of rotten Timber & planks & not of the Dimensions indented for. The excuse is that he had lost the Indent so negligent a Factor is unworthy to be trusted in purchases for the Company. The Gentlemen of the West Coast may have an opportunity by the Hartop which will sail from Marlborough to Batavia to Commission a Person to purchase Timber & plank, which may be Brought to them by the storeship, as she usually touches Batavia before she arrives at Marlborough.

14. The Board must consider in what manner to supply the West Coast Indent for 100 Male slaves as they are essentially necessary in almost every kind of service. The ships coming out this season will not want speedy Dispatches to Europe. To hire a country Vessel for this service will be expensive & Risque great not only from the Vicinity of the Slaving Ports to the French Islands, but from the Purchase itself, if made as the small Number of Europeans generally employed in Country Vessels will encourage the slaves to rise and will in that Case scarcely [sic] be able to suppress them. The Gentlemen of Bengal and Bombay send vessels to Madagascar & the Islands to trade for Cowries &c. Both Presidencies may be desired by us to contract with the Owners of all such Vessels to give so much a Head for every slave they bring. Those from Bengal may be brought either to this Port or Calcutta, Males must be agreed for, a proportionable Difference stipulated in the Price of Men and Children, according to their Age and Quality. What arrive at Bengal may be

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sent from thence to the West Coast. Those procured at Bombay must be sent thither. But as these are attended with great uncertainty We had best recommend to Our Honble Masters the necessity of appointing a ship from Europe to this service.

15. What follows is wrote principally on a supposition that the settlement of Natal and Tapanooly shall exist, a Person versed in Gold is entertained at Natal on the Companys Account so that scruples in taking Gold there are, we suppose, removed. Whenever a Disadvantage is likely to accrue by insisting on Dollars, Gold must be taken which must be sent hither. We cannot think of admitting either Benjamin, or Camphire to be taken at Natal in Exchange for the Companys Goods sold there. Such Barthers will infinitely perplex Accounts in which they have not many Adepts, and the Companys Estate will always remain in an uncertain Valuation. More; the Waste & Damage of these Articles by being sent first to Marlborough and then hither will be great & when arrived here the sale very uncertain Gold or Dollars only must be taken in Exchange for the Companys Goods.

16. The Gold ₤ Hartop turned out 94 $\frac{1}{4}$ Touch and produced Pagodas 1279-20-70 for Ozs. 124-5

THIRDLY TOUCHING THE INVESTMENT

17. By a Comparison of the Produce of Pepper on the whole Coast between the Years 1754 and 1755. The Increase is Tons 17-1-3-17 but they tell Us, as they told our Honble Masters that the Account is not to be depended on, as the Produce of one Years Pepper is in some Places not brought to Account in the Year of its Groth, [sic] by which a Decrease which ought not to affect that years Produce appears in its Account & Contrario an Increase in the next year, which it is not entitled to. It would be very satisfactory if an Estimate of the Annual Increase and Decrease that could be depended on were contrived & it must be recommended. To this Account is likewise annexed, a statement of the Produce of 1754 from the 1st of July to the last of June, compared with the Receipts of 1755 from the 1st July to the last of May. A month is wanting to equal the Terms of Time, but an Increase is set down of Tons 68-4-19^{qs. lb.} without any Explanation. However an Abstract of the surveys made in 1754 & 1755 compared give us some Light into the Improvements made.

IN THE MOCO MOCO DISTRICTS

		Increase	Increase
In 1754 the Families having Gardens were	..	1160 their Vines	1446712
1755	.. .. .	1306	1824565
			<hr/>
		146	377853

AT CATOWN AND SABLAT

1754	.. .. .	416	509011
1755	.. .. .	468	494734
			<hr/>
		52	
		Decrease of Vines	14277

IN THE LA DISTRICTS

1754	348	498280
1755	50	596574
			<hr/>
		222	98294

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IN THE SALOOMAH DISTRICTS

1754	584		360154
1755	863		482947
								279	122793

IN THE MARLBRO DISTRICTS

1754	..	..	..	..	..	..	241		120356
1755	..	..	..	..	..	..	729		201403
								488	81047

IN THE DISTRICTS OF MANNA

1754	..	..	..	..	..	..	1096		763518
1755	..	..	..	..	..	..	1123		864128
								27	100610

The CAWOOR districts were not surveyed in 1754, therefore no Comparison with 1755 can be made.

IN THE DISTRICTS OF CROEN

1754	..	..	..	..	..	..	719		226950
1755	..	..	..	..	..	..	780		262957
								61	36007

Total Increase in 1755 of Families with Gardens. 1285 Of Vines 816594
 Deduct the decrease of Catown 14277
 802317

In their General Account the Total of the Cawoor Districts as they stood in 1755 are added as an Increase so that they make the Total Increase of Vines in 1755 more than those of 1754 to be 141760
 944077

After remarking that the Vines of the Cawoor Districts should not be added as an Increase, as but a small Part of their Number can be supposed to be added in 1755. We find that the Total Increase of the Year 1755 more than the state of 1754 to be, of

Families with Gardens	..	..	..	1285 &
Of Vines Planted	..	..	..	802317
The Total of Families with Gardens on the whole Coast in the Year 1755 is	..	..	..	4564
& of Vines	..	..	..	4869068

So that the Vines are increased about one sixth & the Families more than a Fourth.

18. It is striking, that in none of the Residencies the Increase of Vines bear the least proportion to the Increase of Families with Gardens. The Vines of Catown decrease 14277 when the Families are increased 52 an Increase of 488 Families at Marlborough have added only 81047 Vines when they are outdone at Manna by an Increase of only 27 Families, the Vines there encreasing 100610. Manna & its Dependencies considered in this Light have been the most improved, Many Causes of this Disproportion may be assigned. The applications of the people, in following other Cultures & Occupations, their Indolences & Vices, in having no Application but to Gaming, smoaking of Opium, and fighting of

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Cocks Their Ignorance, in not chusing proper soils, their Neglect & Perversness in not giving the proper Distance to the Chinkareens & not carefully weeding the Gardens. The seasons at different Places may have contributed likewise, by nipping, or basting Vines, when planted accidents such as Destruction to the Vines by Vermin, cattle and Wild Beasts ; most of these might with strict Attention be prevented except that of the season & this with the different Times in the year in which the Families at different Districts have began to plant would remain the only unavoidable Cause, why an equal Progress as might be expected did not every where take Place. We may venture to say, that this is not the Case.

19. Such a Statement as above presented should annually be sent Us, as well as their General Comparison of one Year with the preceeding & the Causes assigned, why the Families are not every where equally Industrious or why their Labours are not every where equally successfull.

20. In General the Instructions of 1754 concerning the Attention necessary to promote the Industry of the Planters must be repeated. Rewards & Punishments recommended and these in general must be the Portion of the Head Men. The utmost strictness in the surveys insisted on These to be annual and oftner, whenever the Board have Reason to suspect Remissness in the Planters at any of the Residencies. The surveys to be taken by the Residents themselves, at least by a Company's servant. The Appearance of the Young Sultan of Moco Moco with the Resident at the survey, must certainly be of advantage, if his Retinue is so circumscribed as not to burden the People. The old Sultan must continue to be treated with Respect, and the Deputy Governour and Council did right in checking the Resident of CATOWN & in keeping to themselves the Priviledge of making Representations to him. Encouragement must be given to bring down the People from the Hills at the Back of the several Residencys; in which such has not been done. Cock Fighting, smoaking and Gaming must be abolished with the utmost severity. If any of the Headmen, such as the Panjaran, Bonseraja at Manna shall raise Disturbances or Prejudice the Investment by their bad Example, they must be proceeded against with Rigour, We must say that we think, the Instructions given by the Deputy Governour and Council to the Respective Residents on their proceedings to surveys are sensible, & the same Injunctions must constantly be repeated on the same Occasions. Other directions given by them regarding the proper Government of the Planters & exciting their Industry, appear no less pertinent such as a Division of the Customs to the Chiefs at Cawoor in Proportion to the Pepper they bring in, And their Remarks and Amendments on the Proclamation made by the Resident there, are just. So is their Caution in not infringing the established Customs of the People by releasing the Debtors from the subjection to their Creditors but obliging the Creditors to increase their Plantation in Proportion to the Number of Debtors dependant on them. The Resolution of banishing to S^t. Helena the Malay who drew his Creize on the Resident at Catown was scarcely too severe.

21. It appears that the Arrack & Sugar Works are in a thriving way & it must be recommended to encrease them as much as possible.

22. The Pepper computed to be remaining at all the settlements on the 1st. of Junelast is Tons 226-11-3-15. We have already taken Notice, that they expect by this Time to have a Compleat Loading more than that of the annual ship.

FOURTHLY OF COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

23. It may be unnecessary to enter into a Detail of what has passed at Natal. The Troubles commenced in April 1755 by the appearance of one Begginda, who spirited by the Dutch laid Claim to the Government & tho' no actual Disturbances, allarms not groundless subsisted at the Dispatch of

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the Hartop in July 1756. Not having the regular Accounts of that settlement, nor of the Deputy Government, We cannot form any just Idea of the Expence incurred but the Measures that have been taken convince us, that it must have been heavy. The Mary Sloop belonging to the Company was kept on this Service entirely from the month of June 1755 to July 1756. 1250 Dollars were paid for the Hire of the Centurion for five months. The Key belonging to the Company was detained at Natal a long while. European Military, Ammunition and Stores were sent on the Mary, on the Centurion on Country Boats from Fort Marlbro'. The Country Guard at Natal was encreased. In October 1755 the storeship was order'd to proceed thither, touched on a sand, and got no farther than Moio Moco. At last on an Alarm of two Dutch sloops armed from Padang, the storeship was again ordered thither at the Certainty of incurring Demorage with 50 Europeans and by this hardy step, was not dispatched from Marlborough untill the 6th. April. The Swallow sloop with stores on board designed for Natal sunk in the Road. These dead Expences will appear heightened when we consider, that most of the Charge might have been appropriated with Profit to the service of the Pepper Residencies, had not this great Object engrossed all attention. But this is not all. It was found that Tapanooly, a Place laying 40 Leagues to the Northward of Natal was necessary to be taken in as Dependant on that settlement. Because Independent a Trade would be carried on there, which by subjecting, it was thought might be brought to Natal Tapanooly was settled by M^r. Carter in the Storeship just before he left India in March 1756. The English Flag was hoisted there and supported by an Officer and a few Men. Dattoo Proass one of the Principal Men in that Country had signed a Paper, which was no less than an Alliance with the East India Company of Holland but he declared on being examined, that he was ignorant of the Contents of the Paper, imagining it was a License for him to trade to Padang. There is the greatest reason to believe that the Paper was imposed on him but the Dutch support it as valid, and by a Letter of the 13 April last from the General & Council of Batavia to the Deputy Governour & Council they seen determin'd to vindicate what they call their Rights. The Letter is wrote in high stile and ends with Menaces of using Force, and something of this kind will probably happen. The Military designed for Us by the Exeter which would have been a most seasonable Recruit in these Times are detained from us to maintain this new Possession and to support the settlement of Natal and after all the Air of Tapanooly proves fatal to our Europeans.

24. The report of the Committee of this Board dated the 7th October 1754 calculates the Gains of Natal at 10000 Dollars ꝑ Annum and this might be, provided the specified Quantities of Iron salt and Opium are regularly sent and sold there every Year and that the Charges do not exceed the Calculate made. An Increase in the Cost, or a Failure in the Quantity, or Sale of the Goods, or an Increase in the Charges of the settlement will alter the Gains proportionably, at that Time the Influence of Tapanooly over the Trade of Natal was not discovered; now it is, and some other Places may & certainly will be found to affect the Trade of Tapanooly, and soon perhaps up to Atcheen. Both Places are Residencys established against the Will of many of the Natives, & at both Places the Dutch will always spirit up the People of Atcheen, and dissatisfied Chiefs to intercept and molest us. Two hundred of the People repulsed 40 or 50 Europeans. From this Review it seems to Us little probable, that the Expence of keeping Natal will ever be reimbursed to the Company and We therefore give it as our Opinion, that both settlements be wholly withdrawn, as soon as the storeship Arrives, if our Honble Masters to whom the Gentlemen of the West Coast have wrote very fully on this subject, are not positive in their Orders for continuing them.

25. We do not mean by evacuating Natal and Tapanooly to confirm the Dutch in their Notions of a Right to the exclusive Trade of that part of the

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Island. They must be told the Contrary marks of our Possession must be left such as a Flag or an Inscription. and our private Vessels may be allowed to trade there. It becomes a Question whether the Right of trading to that Part of the Island, should not be reserved to the Gentlemen of Bencoolen and if that opinion prevails, the Gentlemen of Bengal must be advised of that Resolution & told to prohibit their Vessels from going to those Ports.

26. In our Letter to Batavia, it will be necessary to demand Restitution for the Praw belonging to Marlborough, which was seized going to Natal by the Dutch Gentlemen at Padang, and sent by them to Batavia.

27. In attempting to seize a disorderly Malay the Duppaty of Carang, he, on making Resistance was killed; At Croee in attempting to seize two others of the same Dispositions in April 1755, they killed two of the Military, wounded a serjeant and made their Escape. In March 1756 at the same Place in attempting to seize a Proatteen Alam Oaloo, a Coffree and an European were killed by the Fire of our own People, & he, though much wounded, escaped & fled to the Hills to which his People followed him & could not be brought back by the Force sent against them, such Accidents may affect our Interest & Reputation. The Residents of the Out Settlements must not, except on Extraordinary Occasions, recur to Force & when they do, it must be with such Precautions as will insure the success of their Attempt.

FIFTHLY OF FORTIFICATIONS, BUILDINGS, REPAIRS & REVENUES.

28. Our Honble Masters in their Letter to the West Coast of the 3^d. December 1755, refer the Gentlemen of the Coast to the orders We may give concerning their Fortifications. These are represented to us in a very indifferent Condition. An Engineer is requested to be sent. Our Attentions to the Companys Possessions on this Coast, & at the Presidency of Bengal, leave us none to spare them. They must be directed to give Repair for the present to such Works, as stand in immediate Need of it. To render themselves formidable to the Natives, is all that can be expected of them. The Calculate of Expences, necessary to put them in a state of Defence against an European Enemy must, when it can be made by a proper Judge, be sent to Our Honble Master and We fear that they will find it too great a Burden on the Profits of their Possessions there.

29. The Gentlemen of the West Coast must be permitted to make all such Buildings and give all such Repairs at Marlborough and it's Dependencies, as are absolutely necessary for the Housing our Honble Masters Effects and with Frugality they may be permitted to build such Accommodation for their servants and Military, as may likewise be indispensably necessary & it is best, that these be made at once of Brick and Chunam as Wood & the common Methods of building are of little Duration always wanting Repair, & in the End prove more expensive than Works of Masonry.

30. We cannot see any Reason for altering the Duties at Marlborough, established by this Board in October 1754. At the same time We think the Resolutions of the Deputy Governour & Council of the 15th May last are not unreasonable & may be confirmed by Us.

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

31. The Gentlemen of the West Coast represent the Business they have to go through to be more than the Establishment of their servants can perform, as it ought to be done. In this We concur with them more particularly, as we think it necessary, that all surveys of the Pepper Plantations be made by Company's servants.

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32. M^r. Tottie is order'd by our Hon^{ble} Masters to be sent to England. M^r. Beach the Pepper Warehousekeeper was dismissed the service by the Deputy Governour and Council. His great Neglect in not ascertaining the Weight of Pepper returned from the Exeter, when she was order'd to proceed to Natal, flung the Invoice of that ship's Cargo into a Confusion which could not be adjusted & in other particulars his Character is described as unworthy of our Favour. Attention must be given to recover all that is possible from the Effects of M^r. Massey.

33. Lieutenant Firth has been presented with a Captains Brevet & as an advantageous Description is given of him, We see no reason for not complying with the Request made by the Gentlemen of the West Coast to confirm him in that station.

34. The Gentlemen of the West Coast must be directed after the Reduction of Natal and Tapanooly, to compose on mature Deliberation and send us a state of the European Military, necessary for the service of Marlborough and all the Residencys, and if they have more than these Necessities require, they must be directed to send them to us by such Conveyances as may offer. They may be permitted to augment their Buggysses at the Out Residencies, as Occasions may require, but by their own Accounts, Arabbs are most Trust worthy in the common service allotted to the Buggysses, that of looking after their Countryman, the Malays.

35. We see no Redress, that can be given to M^r. Idells application to Us.

SEVENTHLY OF ACCOUNTS.

36. The Hartop brought us the General Books of the Coast ending April 30, 1755. Those give no light into the Affairs of 1756.

37. We observe in these Books, that the Expences of Natal Residency are wrote to the General Head of Charges General Dollars 7664. This should not be. Proffit and Loss should be debited to Natal Factory and as this settlement was intended not only to support itself but to yield a certain advantage it must be ordered, that the Books of it be compiled in a very regular manner and that every Kind of Expence incur'd to support that Place, as well as Tapanooly be charged to its Account, that so the net Gain or Loss may regularly appear. Till this can be done it is necessary to order, that a General state be immediately prepared exhibiting in one View in general Articles, the Debits & Credits of Natal Residency from its first Establishment to the Time the Account is made. This General State must be sent to England and We doubt not, but it will confirm our Hon^{ble} Masters in our sentiments of the Disadvantage of maintaining Natal and Tapanooly. Copy must be sent to us. The amount of the Demorage incur'd on the Exeter, must not be forgot to be set down in this Account. Their Consultations want Indexes & their Letter to us want References, which neglect must be amended in future.

We have the Hon^{our} to be with Respect,

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRs,

Your most Obedient & most humble servants.

GEORGE PIGOT.

HENRY POWNEY.

ROBERT ORME.

JOHN SMITH.

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- 16 Arriv'd ship Welcome, Robert Baillie from Kistnapatam.
 — Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Deve Cotah dated 12th. Instant.
 17 Sailed ship Welcome. Robert Baille for Pegue.
 — D^o. Sloop Mary John Cousins for Bengal.
 — Received by Tappies General Letter from Fort S^t. David dated 15th. Instant.
 18 Sailed sloop Hazard, Samuel Laming for Bengal.
 20 Arrived Ketch Kyderose, Adjee Agamuth from Bimlepatam.
 — Sailed the Hon^{ble} Companys sloop Dragon, Assem Condon for Fort S^t. David.
 21 Arriv'd sloop Neptune Thomas Henderson from Vizagapatam.
 22 D^o. ship Ganges, John Lowis from Columbo.
 -- D^o. ship Isaac Galley, Isaac Benjamin from Bengal.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
 HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
 FGSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated 14th. Instant read and sign'd.

General letters read Viz^t

N^o. 64 From M^r. James Bouchier Chief at Deve Cotah dated 12th. Instant Acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 14th. February and acquainting Us that in a few days he hopes to have settled all the accounts between M^r. Hopkins and Goderon but apprehends the Ballance will not be forth coming before next harvest, That he shall shortly send the General Accounts of that Settlement agreeably to the Method of Form Practised at the Presidency, That the Renter is delivering in the Paddy stipulated by the Cowle. That thirty three Gun Carriages and a field one for the Use of the Garrison are finished but as a sufficiency of the Sort of Wood which he mentioned to us in his letter of the 27 November last could not be got he was obliged to make use of Tamarind Trees to make the greatest part of them which he thinks equally good for that purpose, That some of the Serjeants and Private Men have given Notice that their Contracted time is near elapsed, but are not inclined to reenlist, That the military stores are much wanted & he hopes the Indent he now encloses will be complied with AND referring to Us the Decision of a dispute between the Renter and Pollygar relating to the Measurement of the Cawnies expressed in the Pollygars Cowle.

N^o. 65 & 67 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the other Gentlemen of Council at Fort S^t. David the first dated the 15th. Instant acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 10th. and acquainting Us that Irshippah Chittee's bad state of health will not allow of his proceeding to the Presidency to sign his Cowle but he will send two Agents whose signing will be sufficient, The Cootah will set out in a few days to sign his Cowle for the Measuring Farm, on whose old Cowle there is a Ballance of one Hundred Pagodas due, which he disputes, alledging that sum was remitted him by the Governour and Council in July 1751, That Cawn Moodelaire's Affair has been had under Consideration and they are afraid they shall not meet with the Success we seem to expect as his Debtors in General have many Accounts to settle with him and some of these even mention'd in the List we sent, deny owing him at

FRIDAY
THE 22nd

General
Letters read.
From Deve-
Cotah.

From Fort
St. David.

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all, that Irshippah Chittee offers to pay half of the Ballance due by him & Cawn Moodelaire as Deva Cotah Bound Renters but will not be answerable for the other half, as he alleges he was not bound for his Partner. Acquainting Us also with the Death of Lieutenant Langford and Enclosing their Consultations and Monthly Accounts for February. The other is dated the 19th. Instant and advises having drawn on Us for One thousand six hundred Pagodas in favour of Captain Brohier.

N^o. 66 From William Perceval Esq^r. Chief &c^t. Council of Vizagapatam, dated the 9th. Instant acquainting Us with the Arrival of M^r. Perceval & that the Charge of the Settlement was deliver'd over to him as Chief, with the Ballance of Cash to the 31st. March, That the supply of Thirty thousand Rupees and five Candy of Copper by the Neptune Sloop was very seasonable, but it will not admit of Advances to the Merchants who give strong Assurances of a large Investment by September were they furnished with Money in time, That Captain Beaver has been released and proceeds to the Presidency on the Neptune Sloop as does likewise M^r. Anderson late Surgeon at the Negrais, And that they have consign'd us by that Vessell twenty Bales Callicoos, Invoice & Bill of Lading for which are enclosed.

From
Vizagap^tm.

M^r. Smiths Opinion being asked in regard to the Dispute between the Renter and the Poligar of Deva Cotah mention'd in the General Letter from the Chief at that Settlement N^o. 64 acquaints the Board that there is no such Measure known in the Deva Cotah Bounds as a Caunee but that the Measure used there is called a Valee and that when he rented those Bounds he allowed the Pollygar Forty one and a half Valees as former Renters had done. AGREED to write to the Chief of Deva Cotah that the Pollygar is to be allowed the same Ground and Privileges as he enjoy'd under former Renters.

Touching
the Deve
Cotah
Pollygars
Ground and
Privileges.

AGREED to write to the Gentlemen at Fort S^t. David that in regard to the Ballance due from Cawn Moodelaire and Irshippah Chittee on Account of the Rent of Deve Cotah Bounds that they are Jointly and separately answerable for the whole and therefore if Cawn Moodelaire is not able to pay his part Irshippah Chittee must.

Directions in
regard to
the Rent of
Deve Cotah
due from
Cawn
Moodelaire
& Irshippah
Chittee.

ORDER'D that the Bill of Exchange drawn by the Deputy Governour and Council at Fort S^t. David in favour of Captain John Brohier for One thousand six hundred Pagodas as advised in their Letter N^o. 67, be paid.

Bill from S^t.
David to
be paid.

The Secretary acquaints the Board that pursuant to order of Consultation the 14th. Instant, he had bid on the Companys Account for the ship formerly called the S^t. John Baptist and now Elaibash which was cryed down to him at five thousand two hundred and fifty Pagodas (5250) and he now lays before the Board the Titles and Conveyance to the Company duely executed. ORDER'D that the purchase money be paid.

Ship
purchased
for the
Company.

Purchase
money to be
paid.

AGREED that the New purchased ship be called the DUKE and that the Command thereof be given to Captain Thomas Powney.

Called the
Duke &
Command
given to
Captain
Powney

The Storekeeper lays before the Board an account of four Months Impress for the Duke from the 16th. Instant to the 16th. August amounting to Two thousand nine hundred and thirty six Rupees (2936). AGREED that the said sum be advanced him for that purpose.

Impress for
the Duke
to be paid.

The Hon^{ble} Companys Snow Arcot now lying in the Road being very leaky notwithstanding she has been but lately repaired at Vizagapatam ORDER'D that she be survey'd and that a report thereof be laid before the Board.

Arcot snow
to be
surveyed.

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Sloop
Neptune to
be surveyed.

A sloop of Fifty Tons called the Neptune now lying in the Road being offer'd to sale and such an one being wanted for the service of the West Coast ORDER'D that she be survey'd & a report thereof laid before the Board.

Mootumar
Chittee
Son of the
late
Tellisinga
Chittee
admitted a
Compys
merchant.

Tellisinga Chittee one of the Companys Merchants having died lately the President acquaints the Board that his Eldest son Mootumar Chittee is desirous of being admitted as a Company's Merchant in his Fathers room. As he latterly transacted all his late Fathers Business and now possesses his Estate which is reckoned considerable AGREED that he be admitted accordingly. He is thereupon called in and being acquainted with the Boards resolution promises to exert himself in the Investient, and that he will very shortly bring in Cloth in discharge of his Fathers Ballance, and being desirous of making a beginning on his own Account he requests an Advance of Five thousand (5000) Pagodas which is granted, and a new head is order'd to be open'd for him in the General Books.

5000 Pag^s.
advanced
him.

Messrs.
Hallet
Saunders &
Charles
Frederick
Noble
Factors on
the West
Coast
Establish-
ment to
have their
allowances
as such.

The President acquaints the Board that Mess^{rs}. Hallet Saunders and Charles Frederick Noble (whom the Company have been pleas'd to entertain as Factors on the West Coast Establishment) the former of whom has waited here ever since May last and the latter from the arrival of the Chesterfield in September last in expectation of some Conveyance to the West Coast but none having offered till this time they have unavoidably been at a Great expence and have requested him (the President) to recommend their Cause to the Consideration of the Board. The Board being sensible that what they alledge is true, That M^r. Noble has been employed under the Engineer and that M^r. Saunders would willingly have acted in the same manner had not his ill state of health prevented him and not doubting but that the Honble Court of Directors will approve of their having the usual allowance AGREED therefore that they be paid from the time of their Arrival respectively the same salary and allowances as they would have received had they been at the West Coast.

Rent of
Poonamallee
Country
paid in.

Numboor Vencaty Soubiah Renter of the Poonamallee Country pays in four thousand three hundred and twenty five Pagodas (4325) in further part of six months Rent of that Farm due the 1st. January last.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

23^d.

Received by Peons General Letter from Ingeram dated 4th. Instant.
Sailed snow Canterbury Harty Hart for Arracan.

24

Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort S^t. David dated this day.

Received by Tappies General Letter from Fort S^t. David dated 21st. Instant.

25

Arrived the Honble Companys ship Prince Henry Packet John Mumford from England.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY
THE 25.

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

ne Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1757—

The Packet from the Honble Court of Directors by the Prince Henry Packet is now opened and being compared with the List is found to Agree therewith. The following Letters are now read Viz^t.

Packet of
Prince
Henry.

General Letter from the Honble Court of Directors dated the 28th. July 1756.

N^o. 70 & 71. From the Governour and Council at St. Helena the first dated the 21st. June, the 2^d., the 6th. of November 1756.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
JOHN SMITH.
CHA^s. BOURCHIER.

Sign'd General Letter to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort Marlborough to go by the Hartop, also sailing orders to Captain Thomas Savage of said Snow dated this day.

This day Captain John Mumford Commander of the Honble Companys ship Prince Henry Packet departed this Life.

The Command^r. of the Honble Companys ship Prince Henry Packet being vacant by the decease of Captain John Mumford, M^r. Benjamin Reynolds the Chief Mate is appointed to succeed him therein and being now called before the Board (Present George Pigot Esq^r. President and Governour, Henry Powney, Robert Orme, Foss Westcott, John Smith and Charles Bouchier) He is acquainted therewith and the Oath of Fidelity to the Company is administred to him.

Arriv'd the Honble Companys ships
Revenge William James }
Protector George England } From Bengal.
Marlbrō Alex^t. Macleod }

D^o. Ketch Betsey Thomas Holmes from Bengal.

Receiv'd by the Revenue General Letter from the President and Council at Bengal dated the 26th. March.

Arriv'd sloop Gopenada Persaud, Laul Doss from Ballasore.

D^o. ship Stree Vencataish, Moodo from Poondemarka.

D^o. sloop Jagarnada Persaud, sat Magee from Ballasore.

Receiv'd by Peons General Letter from Ingeram dated 10th. Instant.

D^o. D^o. Bandarmalanka dated 14th. Instant.

Sail'd Snow Hartop Thomas Savage for Fort Marlbrō.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

SATURDAY
THE 30TH.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of the two Consultations dated the 22^d. & 25 Instant' read and sign'd.

General Letters read Viz^t.

General
Letters read.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1757—

From
Ingeram.

N^o. 68 & 73 From M^r. John Calland Provisional Resident at Ingeram. The first dated the 4th. of April acquainting Us that the Ballance of his Cash Account is now in his favour. And that a Report of the Morattas coming into the Country having prevailed for some time a great Quantity of Cloth had been brought in by the Natives, fifty Bales of which being equal in Quality to what is taken in for the Company, he desires our Directions about them. The other dated the 10th. Instant Acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 24 Ultimo and acquainting Us that he has communicated to the Merchants our Injunctions for an abatement in the Prices of the Different Cloths who reluctantly acquiesced representing at the same time the great advantage the Dutch & French Merchants have over them by making their Contracts much sooner than they do, And that having no Money to defray the Expences of the settlement he is obliged to borrow from the most Substantial People in the Place.

From Fort
St. David.

N^o. 69 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the other Gentlemen of Council at Fort St. David dated the 21st. Instant advising having drawn on Us for Three thousand two hundred and fifty Pagodas in favour of Captain Manoel de Moreas for Money paid into Cash there.

From St.
Helena.

N^o. 70 & N^o. 71 From the Woshipfull Charles Hutchinson Esq^r. Governour &c^t. Council of St. Helena. The First (being Duplicate the Original of which is not received) is dated the 21st. June 1756 acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 2^d. March preceeding & expressing their disappointment in not receiving the Long Cloth they indented for by the Grantham in 1754 or the 30 Coffrees whom they expected which has greatly distressed them. The other dated the 6 November last serving only to enclose the former and enforce their Request in it for sending the Long Cloth & Coffrees.

From
Bengal.

N^o. 72 From the Honble Roger Drake Esq^r. President & Governour &c^t. Council at Fort William acknowledging the Receipt of our Letters with the Treasure ₹ Sally, & the Betsey schooner and desiring that as the Capture of Chandernagore presents too good an Opportunity to lose for making an Investment, We will send them a large Consignment of Treasure early in the season all of which must be in Bullion as the Nabob has consented to the establishing a Mint at Calcutta, Requesting at the same time that We will inform them how the different Sortments of Bullion and Gold turn out and upon what Term Private Silver & Gold are coined, That as they have hopes that the Nabob will deliver up the Goods seiz'd at the Aurengs, they imagine they shall be able to dispatch one ship compleately laden in September and therefore desire that the Marlbrō may be returned to them with such part of the Copper, Lead, Iron, Woolen Goods &c^t. detained here last season as she can take in and in case We should have sufficient Number of Bales for the Tonnage of a ship that We will detain one of those expected this season in her Room.

From
Bandar-
malka..

N^o. 74 From M^r. John Andrews Resident at Bandarmalanka dated the 14th. Instant acquainting Us that he has receiv'd our Letters of the 24th. Ultimo & 7th. Instant, That he shall endeavour to regulate the Investment agreeably to the Abatements We order, That he is in great want of money, That the Invoice he formerly omitted to send is now enclosed, And that the Morattas are return'd to their own Country.

Bills of
Exchange
from St.
David to
be paid.

ORDER'D that the Bill of Exchange drawn from Fort St. David in favour of Captain Manoel Moreas for Three thousand two hundred and fifty Pagodas (3250) as advised in their General Letter N^o. 69 be paid when presented.

Consignment
to Bengal
1756 to be
forwarded.

AGREED that the Consignments to Bengal last Year which were landed here be sent down on the Marlbrō.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1757—

Pursuant to order of last Consultation the Honble Company Snow Arcot having been survey'd by Captains Thomas Powney, Benjamin Reynolds and Edward Bibb, their Report is now laid before the Board and read as enter'd hereafter. Tho' her Timbers in sight appear sound yet as she has cost the Company much in repairs and still continues leaky AGREED that she put up at Outcry at the Sea Gate on Saturday the 7th. May.

Arcot Snow to be sold at Outcry.

Captain Thomas Powney, Benjamin Reynolds and Edward Bibb having also in pursuance to an ORDER of last Consultation survey'd the sloop Neptune their reports is now laid before the Board and read as enter'd hereafter where- by it appears that the sloops Hull is sound and in good Order but her Mast and Boom defective. The Owner of the said sloop being called before the Board and acquainted with the aforegoing Report, offers to put in a New Mast and Boom and values the Sloop then at Two thousand seven hundred Rupees. AGREED that the said sloop be purchased at that price for the service of the West Coast.

Sloop Neptune of 50 Tons purchased for the West Coast.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in Fourteen thousand (14000) Pagodas on his running Account.

Money paid in by the Imp^t. Ware Ho.Kr.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in twelve hundred (1200) Pagodas on his running Account.

Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Land Customer pays in Four hundred Pagodos, twenty two fanams and one Cash (400-22-1) on that Account.

Land Customer.

The Companys Shrooffs who were confined in February 1756 for a fraud in sealing up Fanams instead of * Pagodas having also by Order of the Board Collected Juncan in the Poonamallee Country† to the amount of Two thousand two hundred and thirty eight Pagodas (2238) That sum is now paid in which with Ten thousand (10000) Pagodas paid in by the Renter the 2^d. January 1756, Ten thousand (10000) Pagodas the 15 February and three thousand nine hundred and sixty two (3962) Pagodas the 20 April 1756 making together the sum of Twenty six thousand two hundred Pagodas (26200) is in full for six Months Rent of the Poonamallee Country due the 1st. January 1756.

Poonamallee Rent 1756.
* Vide Cons. 28 Febry. 4 } March 23 } 1756.
† Vide Cons. 21 July 1755.

Numbeoor Vencata Soubiah Renter of the Poonamallee Country pays in Eight hundred and twenty one Pagodas (821) which with Eight thousand (8000) Pagodas deposited the 21st. July 1755, Five thousand (5000) Pagodas paid in the 14 August, Five thousand (5000) Pagodas the 29 August, Seven thousand (7000) Pagodas the 8th. September 1756 and Three hundred and seventy nine (379) Pagodas allowed him in Consultation the 30th. March in lieu of Juncan on Goods brought to the Nabob at Viparee in 1755 making together the sum of Twenty six thousand two hundred (26200) Pagodas is in full for six months Rent of that Farm due the 30th. June 1756.

Poonamallee Rent.

The Resident as Cash Keeper pays in Forty thousand fanams amounting at the rate of thirty six fanams to the Pagoda to One thousand one hundred and Eleven Pagodas four fanams being the difference of Batta on the Exchange of ten thousand Pagodas into fanams this Month at the rate of Forty fanams ¶ Pagoda and brought to Account at thirty six fanams ¶ Pagoda.

Bill on Exchange of Pagodas paid in.

AGREED that the following Advances be made out of Cash.

. Advances.

To the Paymaster Fourteen thousand Pagodas (14,000) for the Charges of that Employ.

To the Paymaster.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1757—

To the Military Store Keeper.

To the Military Paymaster six thousand (6,000) Pagodas to pay the Military &c^t. next Month.

GEORGE FIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE FIGOT ESQ^s.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^t. COUNCIL.
HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

Agreeable to your Directions We have been on board the Honble Company's Snow Arcot and on a survey find her Timbers and Plank in sight very sound and Good and imagine her Complaint of Leaking proceeds from her not being well nailed and thoroughly Caulked, her Main Mast is sprung in three places We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^t. and most humble servant[s.]

THOMAS POWNEY.
BENJ^s. REYNOLDS.
EDW^d. BIBB.

FORT ST. GEORGE
APRIL THE 29TH 1757.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE FIGOT ESQ^s.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^t. COUNCIL.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Agreeable to your directions, We have been on board the sloop Neptune and on a Survey found her Hull to be sound and in good Order but her Mast and Boom defective and the stores agreeable to the List.
We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^t. and most Hble ser^{ts}

THO^s. POWNEY.
BENJ^s. REYNOLDS.
EDW^d. BIBB.

FORT ST GEORGE,
APRIL THE 29TH 1757.

MAY 1757.

2 Receiv'd by Peons General Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 12th April.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present.

GEORGE FIGOT ESQ^s. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT.
HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
M^r. WESTCOTT. } *Absent*
M^r. BOURCHIER. }

TUESDAY
THE 3D.
[MAY]

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.
The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 30th Ultimo read and sign'd.

---FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1757---

N^o. 75 General Letter from the Chief & Council at Vizagapatam dated the 12th Ultimo read, enclosing Duplicate of their last Monthly Papers for March, and an Invoice of Stores laden by M^r. Westcott on the sloop Albecore with an Account of such part of them as have been sold at Outcry being perishable, and of those that they keep being in want of them, also an Invoice of the remainder forwarded to Bengal, by Sea Horse sloop.

General
Letter from
Vizagapatam
read.

Captain Willaim James of the Honble Companys ship Revenge in his Passage from Bombay to Bengal in November last having taken a French ship on the Mallabar Coast called L'Indian and having brought with him two of the Officers of the said ship with the material Papers found in her has made application to have the said ship Condemn'd but the President & Council being of Opinion that they are not invested with any Power to enquire Judicially into the Legality of Prizes, decline proceeding any further in this matter than they are authorized to do as His Majesty's Justices of the Peace by taking the Depositions of Witnesses to serve as proofs in the Court of Admiralty in England which Depositions (to wit of Captain William James, of Mess^{rs}. William and Ives Desjardins, of M^r. William Desjardins) are order'd to be enter'd hereafter for the Information of the Honble Court of Directors to whom it is Agreed to represent the Inconveniencies that may arise to the Captors of Prizes (should any be taken in India during the War) for want of proper Powers to Condemn them that so, if they see proper, they may Sollicit the necessary Grants from the Crown.

Commodore
James
applies to
have a
French Prize
Condemned.

Consider'd.

Deps. taken
and entered.

Letter from Mess^{rs}. Walsh and Vansittart read as enter'd hereafter requesting for the reason therein mention'd that they may be permitted to deposit in the Company's Treasury three sealed Chests of Treasure, being the produce of Coral Consign'd last Year to Mess^{rs}. Manningham & Frankland but sold here and that the same may remain so deposited untill they receive Orders from their Constituents for making the returns.

Walsh &
Vansittart
desires leave
to deposite
3 Chests of
Treasure in
the Treas-
ury.

Granted.

ORDER'D that the Committee of Treasury receive and give a receipt for the said three Chests upon Condition nevertheless that in case of inevitable Loss the Company be not answerable for the same.

Granted.

AGREED that the Walpole be loaded for Europe and that all the Advices Books and Papers to go by her be prepar'd that she may be in readiness to sail whenever it shall be thought proper to give the Commander his Dispatches.

Walpole to
be loaded for
Europe &
Dispatches
prepar'd.

The Gentlemen at Fort St. David being in want of Pagodas and Linga Chettee offering to draw in their favour for twenty thousand Pagodas and to receive the amount in Rupees at the rate of Three hundred and sixty six for One hundred Pagodas which is the present Current Exchange amounting to seventy three thousand two hundred Rupees (73,200).

a Remitt-
ance to
St. David
by Bill.

AGREED that the sum be issued to him out of the Treasury accordingly.

ORDER'D that the Companys Allowance of five Pagodas a day for Admiral Watsons Table from the 1st October to 30th April last, being 212 days amounting to One thousand and sixty (1060) Pagodas be paid to M^r. Morse who has the Admirals directions to receive the same.

Admiral
Watson's
Table money
to be paid.

The President reads the Cash Account for last month Ballance remaining compared with the Chest Twenty thousand Nine hundred and twenty four Pagodas twenty seven fanams and sixty seven Cash (20924-27-67) which is carried forward.

Cash Ac-
count for
April read.

Oppajee Nayenar Renter of the Chingleput Country pays in Four thousand two hundred and fifty Pagodas (4250) which with ten thousand Pagodas paid in the 3^d of March is in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 1st of February last.

Rent of
Chingalaput
paid in.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1757—

Do. Arrack & Wine License.	Chinna Nella Chittee and Vadamala Pillah Farmers of the Arrack & Wine License pay in six hundred and fifty Pagodas thirty fanams (650-30) for one months Rent of that Farm due the 12 th Ultimo.
Advance to Owners of the Hartop.	AGREED that the following Payment and advances be made Viz ^t . To the Owners of the Hartop snow Two thousand [2000] Pagodas for the Freight of that Vessel to Fort Marlbrö.
Commissary.	To the Commissary six thousand [6000] Pagodas and Fifteen thousand (15,000) Arcot Rupees for the Charges of that Employ.
Military Storekr.	To the Military Storekeeper Two thousand Pagodas [2000] for the Charges of that Employ.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
JOHN SMITH.

THE TOWN OF MADRAS PATNAM SS.

THE DEPOSITION of William James Captain of the Private ship of War belonging to the United East India Company called the Revenge Carrying Twenty Guns, taken before Us George Pigot, Henry Powney, Robert Orme and John Smith four of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the said Town.

THIS DEPONENT on his Oath saith that the several Papers hereunto* annexed were found on board the ship L' Indien belonging to the French East India Company and Commanded by Captain Joseph Bouchez after she had struck and surrender'd to the said ship Revenge Commanded by him this Deponent on or about the 11th day of November last past.

*N.B. the
Papers
annexed to
the Original
are the
Invoices
& Bills of
Loading
found on
Board the
ship L'
Indien.

WM. JAMES

SWORN THE 3^d. MAY 1757

BEFORE US

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.

LA VILLE DE MADRASSPATNAM, SCAVOIR.

LES DEPOSITIONS de Guillaume Desjardins is dewart second Lieutenant etd Ives Desjardins aussia devant 5 Lieutenant du Vaisseau appelle' L'Indien du Port de 650 Tonneaux on envinon portant 20 pieces de Canon Montes et 205 [. . .] mmed' Equipage Commande' parla Capitaine Joseph Bouchez faites devant Nous George Pigot, Henry Powney Robert Orme, et Jean Smith quatre des Magistrats pour sa Majeste' de la d^{te}. Ville.

CES DEPOSANTS sur leur serment disent que le 27 d' October Dernier ore enerron its sont partis avec le dit Vaisseau de Pondichery Cote de Choromandel destine' a Mahe' Cote de Malabare, et de la a' l' Isle de France, que le 11me. Jour de November dernier environ a 7 heures du Matin its ont en Connoissance du haut des Mats de trois Voiles et-environ deux heures de l' apresmidi Un des dits Visseaux, que juspue' alora avoit porte' Pavillon Portugais l'amena et bissa Pavillou Anglois, les deux autres Vaisseaux.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1757—

give avoient e'te 'en Compagnie. le Matin etant alons plus de deux Lieux en arriere qu' environ l'es Cing heures du Loir (elant alors vis a vis de Calicut a la distance de trois a quatre Lieux deterre) le bit Vaisseau s' etant approche' d'eux et l'avant hele it fit quelque reponse en Anglois qu' its n' enterdirent point et aussitot it leur tua un Coup de Cannon a Bordet et fit une decharge de Monsquetize sur enx, pour lois Mons. Bouchez le Capitaine du dit Vaisseau l' Indien fit amener le Pavillon, et peu apres un Lieutenant ayant ete' envoye du dit Vaisseau, its liu rendirent le sus dit, Vaisseau le Indien, et aprivent alors que la Visseau auguel its s'etorient rendus s'appelort La Revenge appartenant a la Compagnies des Indes' d Angleterre, arme' a Bombay portant vingt Pieces de Canore et Commande' par le Capitaine Guillaume James EL CES DEPOSANTS en eutre font serment que suivant la melleure de leur Connoissance et croyance, le dit Vaisseau l' Indien, dans le tems qu' it sest rendu au dit Vaisseau la Revenge, appartenoit a la Compagnce des Indes de France et que tourtes les Merchndndizes et Effects abord du dit Viasseau l' Indien appartenrent a la dite Compagnice on a d' autres sujits du Roy de France

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GME. DESJARDINS

DEVANT NOUS

DESJARDINS CADET

GEROGE FIGOT.

HENRY POWNEY.

ROBERT ORME.

JOHN SMITH.

TRANSLATE

THE TOWN OF MADRAS PATNAM SS

THE DEPOSITION William Desjardins late 2^d. Lieutenant and Ives Desjardins late 5 Lieutenant of the ship called L' Indien of the Burthen of 650 Tons or thereabouts carrying 20 Guns and 205 Men where of Joseph Bouchez late was Commander taken before Us George Pigot, Henry Powney, Robert Orme and John Smith four of His Majesty's Justice of the Peace for the said Town.

THESE DEPONENTS on their Oath say that on or about the 27th day of October last past they set sail with the said ship from Pondicherry on the Coast of Choromandel bound for Mahe' on the Malabar Coast and from thence to the Isle of France, that on or about the 7th day of November last past about seven O' clock in the Morning they saw three sail from the Mast head and about two of the Clock in the afternoon one of them till then under Portugueze Colours struck them and hoisted English Colours, the two ships which were in Company with her in the Morning being then above two Leagues a stern (that about five O' clock in the afternoon being then of Calicut distant about 3 or 4 Leagues) the said ship being come up with them they haled her and received an Answer in English which they did not understand but immediately after a shot was fired at them from the said ship and a Volley of small Arms upon which Mr. Bouchez the Captain of the said ship L' Indien order'd the Colours to be struck, and soon after a Lieutenant being sent from the said ship on board the said ship they surrender'd the said ship L' Indien to him and learnt that the ship to which they struck was called the Revenge belonging to the English East India Company fitted out from Bombay carrying twenty Guns and Commanded by Captain William James AND these Deponents further on their Oath say that to the best of their Knowledge and belief the said ship L, Indien was at the time

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of her being surrender'd to the said ship Revenge, the property of the East India Company of France and that all the Goods Merchandize and Effects on board the said L' Indien were the property of the said Company or other subjects of the King of France.

GME. DESJARDINS.
DESJARDINS CADET.

SWORN THIS 3 DAY OF MAY 1757

BEFORE US

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.

LA VILLE DE MADRASSPATNAM, SCAVIOR

LA DEPOSITION de Guillame Desjardins ei devant 2^d. Lieutenant du Vaisseau appelle' L' Indien du Port de 650 Tonneaux on environ portant Vingl Pieces de Canon Monte's et 205 hommes d' Epuiage Commande' par le Capitaine Joseph Bouchez, faite devant nous George Pigot, Henry Powney, Robert Orme et Jean Smith quatre des Majistrates pour Sa Majistrate delad^{et}. Ville.

CE DEPOSANT surs on serment dit qu'it connoit Ecriture et la signature du Capitaine Joseph Bouchez ie devant Commandant le sus—dit Vaisseau L' Indien, et que le Papier ci jouit marque A est une Lettre Originale urite et signee par le dit Capitaine Joseph Bouchez, et que lui ce Deposant en etoit le Porteur a Mons^r. Louet a qui elle est adressee' EL CE DEPOSANT en outre fait serment qu' it Connoit Les Signatures de Mess^{rs}. Louet, Dela Mottee et Housse' Directeur et Conseillieursa Mahe et que le, Papier ie joint marque B signe' par eux a Ete' remis au Capitaine James par le sieur Housse' Charge' de Pouvoir de traiter de la Ranjcon due susdik Vaisseau

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G^{me}. DESJARDINS

DEVANT NOUS.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.

THE TOWN OF MADRASSPATNAM, SS

THE DEPOITION of William Desjardins late 2^d. Lieutenant of the ship called L' Indien of the Burthen of 650 Tons or thereabouts carrying 20 Guns and 205 Men whereof Joseph Bouchez late was Commander taken before Us George Pigot, Henry Powney, Robert Orme and John Smith four of His Majestys Justices of the Peace for the said Town.

This DESPONENT on his Oath saith that he is well acquainted with the hand Writing and signature of Captain Joseph Bouchez late Commander of the said ship L' Indien and that the paper hereunto annexed marked A is an Original Letter wrote and signed by the said Captain Joseph Bouchez and that he this Deponent was the Bearer thereof to M^r. Louet to whom it is directed and this Deponent further maketh Oath that he is acquainted with the signatures of Messieurs Louet, De la Motte and Housse' the Director and

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Councilors at Mahe' and that the paper hereunto annexed marked B signed by them was deliver'd by them to Captain James by M^r. Housse' who was empower'd to treat for the Ransom of the said Ship.

SWORN THE 3^d MAY 1757.

G^{mo}, DESJARDINS

BEFORE US

GEORGE PIGOT.

HENRY POWNEY.

ROBERT ORME.

JOHN SMITH.

A

MONSIEUR

Se nest pas serw chagrin que Je vous aprant La perte de notre V^{an}. Je vous Dire' Monsieur que Nous avons eu le Malheur D' Etre rencontre' par Monsieur Le Commandeur Well^m, James Command^t. trois V^{an}. arme' Enguerre que nous arette' El se sont Enpare de Notre V^{an}. a la hauteur De Calicut Monsieur le Commandeur nous a tous destribue sur Chagun de ses V^{an}. El a denne' ses ordres a fin que Rien Ne futs pille' a bord de Notre V^{an}. Comme Je Metrouve sur sout V^{an}. Je trouve occasion de Converser avu Luy et deparl de ranson, Il maparu de Volonte' a le faire En consequence Il ma permie de Vous Ecrire a fin Devous Enprovenir Il ma permic Deplus Devous Envoijen less^r, Desjardins pour Etre porteur de la presente, Il compte Nous Conduirce a Engaingue El la y Esperer Votre Response pour scavoir sy vous Juge' a propor Dacaisor a cette proposition sy sesont vos Intantions Mons^s. Le Commandeur Vous prie D' Envoyer une personne surre a veig le quel Il puisse sarenger apres quil En aura Recu vos Ordres Comme Il compte Notre pas lon lemp a Engenque Il vous prie De faire toutte Diligence less^r. Desjardins off^r. denotre V^{an}. que Est ausy au fait que Moyde tout ceque Nous somme Charge' aura L, honneur De nous Instruwire De tout Moy ne le pouvant faire pour le present vie, que l, occasion mepresse, Jose Esperror que vous voudre bien bien avoir pitie Jay L, honneur D, Estre averg Respect

MONSIEUR.

ABORD DU VAN LA REVENGE
LE 12^d 9^{me} 1756.

Votre tres heumble El tres
obeisant serviteur
BOUCHEZ

Adressee au dos

A monnein

Monsieur louet Directeur de la Compagnie
de France a Mahe'

B

En consequence de la Deliberation en datte de quatorze du Courant prize au suset du Vaisseau L' Indien venant de pondicherry, El Commande, par le sieur Bouchez, lequel Vaisseau a ete, pris Par des Vaisseau anglois. Nous donnons pouvoir par la presente au sicar housse de traiter a Angengue de la Ran, con du dit Vaisseau soit avec le Commandant Anglois soit avec le Conseil du dit lieu. Nous donnons pouvoir aussy au dit sieur houssee de passer pour

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la somme convenue une obligation au Nom de la compagnie qui dura la payer fait a Mahe' le Quatorzieme Novembre Mille sepl cenl Cinquante six.

L' ORIEL.
HOUSSEE.
PUIZ DE LA MOTTE.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL
AT FORT S^t. GEORGE

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

Having in our hands Considerable sums of Money, the produce of sundry Boxes of Coral Consign'd last Year to Mess^{rs}. Manningham and Frankland of Bengal, but detain'd and sold here by reason of the Troubles at that place.

And not being furnish'd with sufficient Powers to make Returns from hence for the said sums which remain subject to the Orders to be sent by the said Mess^{rs}. Manningham & Frankland from Bengal.

Therefore for the greater security of the Concerned in the said Coral, and for our own Indemnification we take the liberty to request your Permission to lodge the said sums in the Company's Treasury, in three sealed Chests Marked and containing as follows

$\frac{D}{B}$ No. 9 Arcot Rupees ^{Rs.} 14,415-^{A. P.}12-3 being the nett produce in full of a Chest of a Coral of the same Mark & Number \wp Walpole 1756.

$\frac{D}{B}$ No. 10 Arcot Rupees 12,045-15-10 Being the nett produce in full of a chest of coral of the same Mark & Number \wp Walpole 1756,

$\frac{B}{B}$ No. 18 Arcot Rupees 7,011-9-10 being the nett produce in part of a Chest of Coral of the same Mark & Number \wp Walpole 1756.

And that You will permit the said Chests to remain so lodged untill we shall be furnished with the Orders of our Constituents for making the Returns.

We are with the greatest Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most obedient humble ser^{ts}.

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WALSH & VANSITTART

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH.

1757-7*

D ^r .							
1 To Ballance brought from last month	21636	127037	45	25164	29	45	
6 To Pushponatha Nayenar Renter of Covelong rec'd of him in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 1 st . of February last. ..	4000	—	—	4000	—	—	
14 To Charles Bouchier Rental General & Scavenger rec'd of him on Account of the Ballance due on the Roll ending 31 st August 1754 ..	300	21600	—	900	—	—	
.. To Sunca Vencata Ramah Beetle and Tobacco Farmer rec'd of him for one Months Rent of that Farm due the 12 th Instant	311	22404	—	933	12	—	

		PER CONTRA.		C ^r .
14 By Charles Bouchier Military Storekeeper advanced him for that employ	2000	—	2000	—
.. By Claud Russell Accountant General of the Mayor's Court paid the following Drafts Account the Estate of Solomon Salomons Viz ^t .				
No To whom payable P. f. C.				
2 Nicholas Morse & William Perceval Attorneys for Naphthali Franks of London	224	5	65	
3 Nicholas Morse & William Perceval for Salvadore Lazzero Racanati of Leghorn	490	19	74	

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PER CONTRA—cont.

D ^r .							
22	To Numbori Vencaty Soubiah Farmer of the Poonamallee Country recd of him in further part of six months Rent of that Farm due the 1 st January last ..	4325	—	—	4325	—	—
30	To Henry Powney Import Warehouse- keeper rec'd of him on his running Account..	14000	—	—	14000	—	—
..	To Henry Powney Sea Customer recd of him on his running Account	1200	—	—	1200	—	—
..	To Henry Powney Land Customer recd of him on that Account ..	277	4450	1	400	22	1

No.	To whom payable	P.	f.	C.
4	Nicholas Morse & William Perceval for Rebecca & Miriam Salomons	1121	—	35
5	Nicholas Morse & William Perceval for David Salomons	47	18	18
6	Salamon Salomons & Nicholas Morse the former as Exqr to Abraham Salomons			

.. To Numboor Vencata
 Soubiah, recd (with
 10000 Pagodas paid in
 the 2^d January 10000
 Pag^s the 15th Febr^y &
 3962 Pogodas the 20th
 April 1756) in full for
 six Months Rent of the
 Poonamallee Country
 due the 1st January
 1756 2238 — — 2238 — —

.. To Numboor Vencaty
 Soubiah, rec'd (with
 8000 Pagodas deposit-
 ed the 21st
 July 1755 — 5000 Pag^s.
 paid in the 14th. August
 — 5000 Pagodas the
 29th August — 7000
 Pagodas the 8th. Sep-
 tember 1756 and 379
 Pagodas allowed him
 in Consultation the
 30 March last) in full
 for six Months Rent of
 the Poonamallee
 Country due 30th. June
 1756 821 .. 821 — —

mons the
 latter as
 Attorney to
 Aaron
 Franks
 & David
 Salo-
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 Exors.
 to Ab^m.
 Salo-
 mons 1522 13 2

7 Nicholas
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 Vansit-
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 Robert
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 Godfrey 989 7 71

9 Walsh &
 Vansit-
 tart 327 12 36

10 D^o. for
 Abra-
 ham da
 Fonseca 240 7 47

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH—cont.

PER CONTRA—cont.

D ^a .			
.. To Current Pagodas rec'd from the Treas- ury	10000	—	—
To Batta for the produce of 10,000 Pagodas issued as Ψ Contra and exchanged at 40 fa ^s . and brought to Account here at 36 fan ^s . Ψ Pagoda ..	400000	11111	4 —

No.	To whom	P.	f.	C.		
..	payable					
11	Walsh & Jacob di Nat Levi Sonsino & C ^o .	367	9	—		
12	D ^o Raph' de Eman Ergas.	354	35	6 ..	..	..
13	Salomon Franco for Ab: & Jacob Franco.	2253	18	46 .	..	..
14	D ^o . for L' Barthe- lemi ..	55	16	31
15	Samuel Moses for Natal di Levi Sonsino & C ^o . ..	150	20	50

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16	Peter Maretto for Jos: Salomons and Thomas Free- man ..	510	5	53
17	Lallecunta.	398	29	28
18	Mootamar Chitley.	486	17	70	..	..	..	..	..
19	Mooda Ramah Lingum Chitty.	315	21	2		10311	291	59	10319 3 59
22	By ship Duke paid the purchase money as ^{pp} Consultation of this date				5250	—		5250	— —
..	By Mootamar Chittee advanced him on acco ^t the Investm ^t ..				5000	..		5000	— —
24	By Fort S ^t . David paid their Bill of Exchange in favour of Cap ^t . Brohier				1600	..		1600	— —

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Sailed sloop Musketoo, Darnia Syrang for Fort St. David.	5
Pursuant to Order of Consultation the 30 th . Ultimo the Honble Company snow Arcot was put up at Outcry at the Sea Gate but no Bidders appear'd.	7
Sail'd snow Fanny Roger Woodburne for Bengal.	8
Arriv'd ship Sally Richard, Finlay from Bengal last from Fort St. David.	9
Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David dated this day.	—
Arriv'd Ketch Boneta John Edwards from Bengal, last from Nagore & Fort St. David.	10

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT Esq^r. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
 HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
 FOSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

TUESDAY
 THE 10TH.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 3^d. Instant read & sign'd.

N^o. 76 General Letter from Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the rest of the Gentlemen of Council at Fort St. David dated the 7th. Instant enclosing Invoice & Bill of Loading for 36 Guns sent by the Sally.

General Letter from St. David read.

The President acquaints the Board that the Secret Committee have receiv'd the following Bills on Account of the Rent of the Tinnevelly Country Viz^t.

Report of Bills sent in for the Rent of the Tinnevelly Country.

One Bill for One hundred and thirty thousand Rupees drawn on Buckunjee Cassedoss payable at Madras the 12th. June which is order'd to be receiv'd into the Treasury.

And one Bill for the like sum payable at the same time in Trichinopoly, which is order'd to be kept there for the service of the Garrison to save the Charge of drawing Bills at a Praemium on Madras or Fort St. David & that the said sum be brought to the Credit of the Commissary.

Letter from the Mayors Court dated the 4th. Instant desiring an Advance of Eight hundred and eighty six Pagodas for the Rent of the Town Hall, which is order'd to be advanced accordingly.

Mayors Court draw for Rent of the Town Hall to be paid.

A Draught from the Accountant General of the Mayors Court for six hundred & fifty eight Pagodas, seven fanams and forty eight Cash (658-7-48) Account the Honble the Mayors Court, is tender'd to the Board and order'd to be paid.

Draught of the Acct. General acct. the Mayors Court to be paid.

Moodu Kistnah Chittee having been employed as the Company's Shroff from the 25th. of February 1756 when the former* shroffs were confined for fraudulently sealing Bags of Fanams instead of Pagodas, and Linga Chittee offering to be his Security, AGREED that he be appointed the Companys Shroff and have the same pay for himself & Assistants as was allowed to the Companys Shroff before the Loss of Madras being Forty Pagodas $\frac{2}{3}$ Month to Commence from the 25th. of February 1756.

Salary of the Compys Shroff settled.
 * Vide Cons. 28 Febr. 1756.

The Arcot Snow having been put up at Outcry the 7th. Instant but no Bidders offering AGREED that she be sent down to Bengal & that the Gentlemen there be desired to sell her.

Arcot snow to be sent to Bengal to be sold.

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Mr. Russell
resigns the
Sub-
Secretary's
Employ.
Mr. A.
Dalrymple
app^d. in his
Room.

Mr. Claud Russell, the Sub Secretary, having for some time past had a very bad state of Health occasioned by the close application that Station requires and being desirous (by the Doctors advice) of retiring for sometime for the recovery of his Health AGREED that he be permitted to resign that Office And Mr. Alexander Dalrymple is now appointed to succeed him as Sub Secretary.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^S. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT & GOV^R. & C^T. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

I am Order'd by the Honble the Mayors Court to draw upon your Honour & c^t. for the sum of Eight hundred and eighty six Pagodas, being the amount of Rent due to the Estate of Joseph Smith Decreas'd for the time the Court have Occupied the present Town Hall. I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

FORT ST. GEORGE,
MAY 14TH. 1757.

Your most Obedient servant

DAN^L. MORSE

Reg^r.

11 Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 8th.
Instant.

12 Arrived ship Ampara Manoel Moreas from Macao last from the Ports to
the Southward on this Coast.

— Arriv'd Brigantine Allah Dowlat, Joseph Austin from Bengal last from St.
David.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

SATURDAY
THE 14TH.

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 10th. Instant read & sign'd.

General
Letter from
Fort St.
David read.

N^o. 77 General Letter from Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the rest of the Gentlemen of Council at Fort St. David dated the 8th. Instant advising that they have drawn upon Us for One thousand six hundred and fourteen Pagodas six fanams and forty four cash in favour of Captain Richard Finlay.

Bill from
St. David
to be paid.

ORDER'D that the abovementioned Bill drawn from Fort St. David be paid.

Letters from
the Eng^r.
relating to
Houses
pulled down
in the
Pettah.

Letter from Captain John Brohier read as enter'd hereafter accompanying an Estimate of the value of several Houses which stood on the rising Ground of Peddy Naigue Pettah and have been pulled down with the Presidents approbation.

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ORDER'D that the Paymaster pay the amount of the said Estimate to the respective proprietors of the said Houses taking proper Acquittances for the same.

the value of the Houses to be paid to the Proprietors.

An Estimate of Repairs, Masts Yards &c^t. wanting for the Hon^{ble} Companys ship DUKK is now laid before the Board amounting to One thousand six hundred and Eighty six Pagodas five fanams which the Carpenter John Line offers to make and furnish at the several prices set against each Article in said Estimate. AGREED that they be made & furnished accordingly under the Inspection of Captain Thomas Powney the Commander of the said Ship.

Estimate of the Reprs. for the ship Duke.

Letter from the Commissioners of the Court of Requests read as entered hereafter representing that the Mayor and Alderman having sold the House where the Commissioners of the Court of Requests have hitherto assembled they are destitute of a place to sit in.

Letter from the Court of Requests relating to a Place to assemble in.

AGREED that it be signified to the Commissioners of the Court of Requests that they may assemble in the present Town Hall, and that a Letter be wrote to the Mayors Court of Requests.

Answer thereto.

Letter from the Mayors Court dated 11th. Instant read as enter'd hereafter signifying that the seat of Mr. Dawsonne Drake as an Alderman and Judge of the Mayors Court is become vacant by an Absence of above Twelve Months.

Letters from the Mayors Court Signifying a Vacancy.

Mr. Claud Russell being proposed as a proper person to fill the said Vacancy is unanimously elected an Alderman of the Mayors Court.

Mr. Claud Russell chosen an Alderman.

ORDER'D that the usual Notice be given to the Mayors Court and to the Alderman Elect.

The Export Warehousekeeper acquaints the Board that a Ballance which has been long due from the Washers is collected in, and to prevent the ill Effects of making further advances on that Account proposes to the Board to undertake on his own Account the Washing of the Companys Cloth at the same prices as have been hitherto allowed to be paid after delivery of the Cloth Washed, to which the Board Agree.

The Expt. Wareh. K^r. Contracts to Wash the Companys Cloth.

A Sett of Bills of Exchange of this date are now sign'd drawn on the Hon^{ble} Court of Directors at Ninety days sight to Mess^{rs}. Joseph & Francis Fowke for seven hundred and twenty two Pounds fifteen shillings and Nine pence making at the Exchange of seven shillings and eight pence $\frac{2}{3}$ Pagoda One thousand Eight hundred and Eighty five Pagodas Nineteen fanams and seventeen Cash value receiv'd into the Hon^{ble} Companys Cash of Mess^{rs}. Walsh & Vansittart.

A sett of Bills drawn on the Compy.

AGREED that Twenty thousand (20,000) Rupees be advanced the Commissary, and

Advances to the Commissary.

That five thousand (5,000) Rupees be advanced the Storekeeper for the Charges of that Employ.

To the Storekeeper.

GEORGE PIGOT.

HENRY POWNEY.

ROBERT ORME.

FOSS WESTCOTT.

JOHN SMITH.

CH^s. BOURCHIER.

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCILOF FORT S^T. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

The necessity of Raising the Works to the Westward of the Town having obliged me to bring the Earth from the High Ground of Peddy naigues Pettah and enlarge thereby our Esplanade on that side, several Houses which stood in the Way, having been pulled down with the Honble Presidents approbation amount as ₹ Estimates Annexed Viz^t.

Three Houses belonging to the Capuchine Fryars	P	1097	31	60
A House belonging to M ^{rs} . Madeiros		268	28	64
A House belonging to Antonico Fernandes		262	27	10
A House belonging to Peixoto		92	28	70
A House belonging to Captain Innes		779	1	0
As also two Houses belonging to Captain Eckman which were formerly Estimated by the Committee of Works as taken for the Hospital		964	7	70
A House belonging to Arnachillum has been taken for the Navy Hospital an Estimate is here annexed and must be pulled down with the Rest of the Houses composing the Company's Hospital Estimated as ₹ particulars to		546	6	60
Two Houses belonging to Captain Parkinson Adjoining to the Companys Hospital Occupied as an Hospital to the Kings Regiment and must also be pulled down Cost the Land Lord 750 Pagodas which sum I conceive much below their value but the Owner will be satisfied with the first Cost.		750	—	—
A House belonging to Dawdah Mutiapah has been also pulled down but as he has carried away his Materials the Honble Board will be pleased to Order him such Ground to Build upon as they may think proper and adequate to the Expenche he must be at in Rebuilding his House.				

All the Buildings which compose the present Hospitals being on high Ground, and their Situation of great Advantage to the Fortifications of the Place by over-looking them and that Batteries Erected on that spot by an Enemy would Enfilade the greatest part of Our North front, and greatly perplex the Beseiged. This being the Case it is Absolutely necessary those Houses should come down immediately, the best Bricks of which may serve to Line Our Earthern Works and the Rubbish and Ground on which they stand to fill the River and finish the Glacis to the Westward.

I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most obedient and most Hble serv^t.

J. Brohier.

FORT S^T. GEORGE,13TH. MAY 1757.

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.
 PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL
 OF FORT S^T. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

The seat of M^r. Dawsonne Drake as an Alderman & Judge of the Honble the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam being become vacant by an Absence of upwards of Twelve Months, I am directed to advise your Honour & c^t. thereof, that another may be Elected in his stead. I am with Respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,
 Your most Obedient Hble serv^t.
 DANIEL MORSE,
Reg^r.

FORT S^T. GEORGE,
 11TH MAY 1757.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.
 PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL
 AT FORT S^T. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

The Corporation having sold the House in which the Commissioners of the Court of Requests have held their Court since its first Institution, I am directed by them to acquaint your Honour & c^t. they are by that means distitute of a Place to sit in. I am with respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,
 Your most Obedient Humble ser^t.
 GEORGE STRATTON,
Clerk.

FORT S^T. GEORGE,
 5TH MAY 1757.

Arriv'd ship Mahaumudy David Crichton from Fort S ^t . David with a General Letter from the Gentlemen there dated 16 th . Instant.	18
Sent by Tappies General Letter to Deve Cotah dated this day.	—
Receiv'd by Pattamars General Letters from Bombay dated 22 nd . April.	19
Arrived Schooner Betsey William Dogan from Fort S ^t . David.	20
D ^o . Ketch S ^t . John John Murphy from Bombay.	—
Received by Tappies General Letter from Fort S ^t . David dated 17 th . Inst ^t .	—
Sail'd ship Ganges John Lewis for Pegue.	22

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. PRESIDENT.
 HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
 FOSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

TUESDAY
 THE 24TH

The Book of Standing Orders being on the Table.
 The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 14th Instant read & Sign'd.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1757 —

General
Letters from
St. David.

General Letters read Viz^t.

N^o. 78 & 80 From Fort St. David the first by the Mahaumudy dated the 16th Instant Acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 11th and acquainting us that the remittance in their favour has been accepted. That Captain Crichton of the Mahaumudy having informed them his ship was in the Companys service they had taken the Opportunity of sending up twenty nine Iron Guns, with Eight thousand two hundred shott and sixty Casks of His Majestys Provisions and two hundred and ninety two Bales Observing that as the Companys Rice is Considerably damaged and cannot keep much longer they had purchased from Captain Crichton about Thirty six Garse of Good Rice at Fifty four and a half Pagodas ꝓ Garse which they deem a very reasonable rate and flatter themselves this step will meet with our Approbation considering the Necessity there is for keeping up the Garrison Stock. They add that they have in vain tried every method they could think of to dispose of the old Rice the People refusing to Purchase it when Offer'd in the Buzar at three and four Pagodas cheaper than the Market Price and the Cooleys employed on the Works deserting in great Numbers when deliver'd out to them which method they had for that Reason disisted from, desiring our Positive Instructions whether they should proceed to Compulsion as the only means of getting quit of it tho this method they observe cannot but raise great Clamours as Country Grain is there in great Plenty and very cheap, Desiring to be inform'd if M^r. Hum[e] who is arrived there, to take charge of the Works in room of M^r. Call who takes his Passage on the Mahamudy is to succeed the latter at the Board of Works and to have the same Allowance for a Palankeen which M^r. Call had no Assistant Engineer, Observing that Cootah, when he took the Weighing and measuring Farm in November 1751 owed Two hundred Pagodas on account of his former Cowle One hundred of it he said was forgiven him in July 1751 on which head they request our Commands as they are not possess'd of any Records for that Time, Inclosing the Warehouse with the Civil and Military storehouse Indents which they earnestly desire may be complied with as soon as possible, Desiring a copy of the new Cowle for the Arrack Farm may be transmitted them as they cannot but ascribe the late frequent Desertions of the Military to the greater Number of Houses kept by the present Farmer than allowed by the former Cowle to prevent which bad Consequence they had thought it necessary to direct the Farmer for the present to observe the Regulations enjoind by the former Cowle, Inform-us that Irshippah Chittee having been acquainted with our Intentions of advancing him on Account of the Investment at this Place, had beg'd we might be told it would be very inconvenient for him to receive it here as he must make his advances to the Weavers at & to the Southward of Fort St. David. They add that his Ballance is about Five Thousand Pagodas and Linga Chittees Four thousand five hundred, Acquainting us they had drawn on us in favour of Captain Crichton for One thousand five hundred and sixty three Pagodas and that they have by this Conveyance transmitted their Monthly Papers. The second dated the 17th is only to enclose Invoice & Bill of Lading for the Bales by the Mahumudy.

From
Bombay.

N^o. 79 From Bombay dated 22^d April acknowledging the receipt of our Letters of the 3^d November 1756 & 3^d February 1757 and Informing us they had wrote us last by the Prince George & Fanny, That the Chief & Factors of Tellicherry not having received any account the 13th March of a ship being intended them from Bengal this season, they concluded the President & Council there did not purpose sending any thither for the Pepper which they formerly acquainted us would remain there, and Intimating they were in hopes hourly to receive from hence particular Accounts of the success of the Troops at Bengal, and to hear of the Companys Affairs there being re-established on a good footing.

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AGREED to write to the Gentlemen at Fort St. David that Compulsion must not be used in the sale of the Companys Rice but that rather than suffer it to perish still more by longer keeping we would have them offer it in the Bazars even as far as ten or fifteen Pagodas per Garce under the Market Price of New Grain, That we approve of Mr. Humes succeeding Mr. Call at the Board of Works and having the same Allowance for a Palankeen, That as it does not appear by the Consultations for July 1751 any Allowance was made to Cootah in the Rent of the Measuring Farm he must therefore pay in all Arrears, and that in future they must insist on all the Farmers paying in their Rents regularly as they become due and if it should be reasonable on any Occasion to make an Allowance on proper application it may be done afterwards, That we cannot at present furnish them with all the articles of their Indents but that they shall be supplied with such as We have as opportunitys offer, And that We do not think it proper to make any further Advances to Irshippah Chittee or Linga Chittee untill they have reduced their Ballances.

St. David
to be wrote
to.

Letter from the Mayors Court read as enterd hereafter acknowledging the receipt of the Secretarys Letter of the 14th Instant and signifying that the office of Accountant General of the Mayors Court which Mr. Claud Russell now fills will become vacant as soon as he shall have qualified himself for the Office of an Alderman and Judge of the said Court, And containing also their Answer in regard to the Notice given them in the Secretarys said Letter that the Commissioners of the Court of Requests might assemble in the present Town Hall.

Letter from
the Mayors
Court.

AGREED that as soon as Mr. Claud Russell shall have qualified himself for the Office of an Alderman by taking the Oaths, Mr. Alexander Dalrymple do then succeed him in the Office of Accountant General of the said Court And in regard to the other part of the abovementioned Letter a draft of an Answer is now approved as enter'd hereafter.

Answer
thereto.
Mr. Dalrym-
ple, appoint-
ed Account^t.
General.

The President acquaints the Board that the Honble Companys ship Revenge and Protector which arrived here last Month from Bengal were sent up by Admiral Watson with Orders to take in the stores and Provisions belonging to the Squadron and return to Bengal, but as it is necessary some ship of Force should lye in the Road for the protection of the Walpole now taking in her loading as well as the China ships when they arrive which otherwise might be exposed to the Attempts of any ship of force from Pondicherry and as the Marlbro and Protector are capable of taking in all the Provisions and stores for the Squadron he proposes to the Consideration of the Board whether it is not expedient to detain the Revenge. The Board being of Opinion that the detention of the Revenge is very necessary AGREED that she be detain'd accordingly, That Admiral Watson be advised of the reasons for this Measure, And That the Secretary signify this Resolution to Captain James with Orders to transport on board the Marlbro such part of the stores as have been sent on board the Revenge.

Concerning
the deten-
tion of
Revenge
here.

Marlbro &
Protector to
take in
stores &c^t.
for the
squadron
Revenge to
be kept
here.

Admiral
Watson
to be
advised.

The Captain of the Prince Henry Packet representing that he is under some difficulty to ascertain the value of the Bullion brought from England as the ships stock it being in small pieces of various Coins & desiring other specie in lieu ORDER'D that the storekeeper receive the said foreign Coin and dispose of it for its full value Crediting the ship for the amount & that the Commander be advanced such sums as may be necessary for the ships Expences.

Storekeeper
to dispose
of the
Prince
Henry stock
of foreign
silver.

Other specie
to be
advanced
the Comr.

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30 New
Tarpaulins
to be made
for the
Exp^t.
Warehouse.

The Export Warehousekeeper represents that he is want of Tarpaulins for shipping off Bales the old ones being quite worn out ORDER'D that thirty new ones be made.

250 Pagodas
to be given
to Mr. Milton
as a present
for regulat-
ing the
Military
storehouse.

The President acquaints the Board M^r. Charles Milton of His Majesty's Train having sometime ago undertaken to regulate the Military storehouse has now compleated it to his entire satisfaction and as he has had much Care and Trouble having been employ'd in it above Eight months The President recommends to the Board to consider whether it may not be proper to make him a Gratuity AGREED that he be presented with two hundred and fifty Pagodas for his Trouble and ORDER'D that the Engineer draw out a Plan of the Military Storehouse as it is now regulated to serve as a Model for Metho- dizing the Military storehouse at Fort S^t. David.

Mr. Robert
Fletcher
entertained
a Monthly
Writer
under the
Milit-
storekeeper.

The Military storekeeper represents to the Board that as M^r. Milton is shortly going to Camp he shall want one or two Assistants AGREED that M^r. Robert Fletcher be entertained a Monthly Writer & stationed under the Mili- tary Storekeeper and that after the Walpoles Dispatch the Board will consider of another proper Assistant.

China
Jesuits
Interest
order'd to
be paid.

Father Saviour of Pondicherry Superior of the French Jesuits requesting payment of One Years Interest due to the Jesuits Missionaries in China on Twenty thousand Pagodas deposited in the Companys Cash at six ⅔ Cent ⅔ Annum due the 12th. March last amounting to Twelve hundred Pagodas, the same is now ordered to be paid.

Bills drawn
on the Co.

The following Bills of Exchange all of this date are now signed drawn on the Honble Court of Directors at their stated Exchange of seven shillings and eight pence ⅔ Pagoda payable at Ninety days sight Viz^t.

		Pag. f. c.					
1	To Thomas Godfrey Esq ^r . or order value rec'd of Robert Orme Esq ^r . in full return of a Chest of Coral marked .. N ^o . 10 imported ⅔ ship Delawar Anno 1756	£770	13	10	2,010	18	—
1	To Jnyr Burges or order value of Josias du Pre' & James Alexander for Acc ^t . of John Williams	158	9	11	413	16	63
1	To Hugh Ross Value of George Mackay ..	4,025	—	—	10,500	—	—
1	To D ^o	1,106	1	—	2,885	12	46
1	To John Young value of d ^o	201	6	8	525	8	20
1	To William Ferguson value of d ^o	116	3	—	303	—	—
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6	Setts amounting to ..	£6,377	14	5	16,637	19	49
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Sixteen thousand six hundred and thirty seven Pagodas nineteen fanams and forty Nine Cash which is now received into the Honble Companys Cash.

Supplies
for the
Northward.

AGREED that Fifteen thousand (15,000) Madras Pagodas be sent to Vizagapatam by the Arcot snow of which Five thousand for the use of Madda- pollam Factory and that the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam be directed to supply M^r. Calland with what may be necessary for the Expences of Ingeram Factory.

Rents paid
in for
Beetle &
Tobacco.

Sunca Vencata Ramah Beetle & Tobacco Farmer pays in Nine hundred and thirty three Pagodas twelve fanams (933-12) in full for one Months Rent of that Farm due the 12 Instant.

Measuring
Duty.

Sunca Venkata Ramah Farmer of the Measuring Duty pays in Two hundred and sixty eight Pagodas twelve fanams (268-12-) in full for two Months Rent of that Farm due the 12th. Instant.

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AGREED that the following Advances be made

Advances to.

Twenty thousand (20,000) Pagodas and Ten thousand (10,000) Rupees to the Commissary for the charges of the Troops abroad. the Com-
missary.

Eight thousand Pagodas to the Paymaster to pay for sundry Houses pulled down in Peddynaigues Pettah. Paymaster.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBRET ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL

OF FORT S^t. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs.

I am order'd by the Honble the Mayors Court to acknowledge the receipt of a Letter from your Secretary of the 14th. Instant acquainting them that You had Elected M^r. Claud Russell to be an Alderman. The Court do accordingly send the usual notice to him that He may Qualify himself by taking the accustomed Oaths.

But I am directed to observe to your honour & c^t. that as soon as Mr. Russell shall have qualified himself for the Office of an Alderman & One of the Judges of the Mayors Court; the Office of Accomptant General of the Mayors Court which he now fills will thereby become void; and therefore the Court think it their indispensable duty to represent to your Honour & c^t. that some other Person should be appointed as Accomptant General as soon as possible.

With regard to that part of your Secretarys Letter which sets forth that the Commissioners of the Court of Requests have represented in a Letter to you dated the 5 Instant that they are destitute of a Place to Assemble in since the disposal of the House lately rented as a Town Hall. I am Order'd to say, in Answer thereto; That the Court of Requests have not upon this occasion dealt ingenuously with your Honour & c^t. for they have concealed from you, a Fact which had it been known this Court is well assured that Your Honour & c^t. would have found it altogether unnecessary (as in fact it is improper in You) to signifie to them that they may sit in the present Town Hall.

On the 3^d. Instant M^r. George Stratton Clerk of the Court of Requests appeared and acquainted this Court that the said Court of Requests desired that this Court would grant them leave to assemble in the New Town Hall purchased by this Court as they were destitute of a House to set in. This Application being immediately taken into consideration. It was Agreed that the Court of Requests should make their application in writing (that the same might be Enter'd on Record) & not by a verbal Message and that when such written application was made this Court would take the same into consideration. This was at the same time intimated to the Clerk of the Court of Requests that he might Communicate it to the Commissioners. It was likewise suggested to the Clerk that the Court of Requests themselves, should think an application in writing most eligible for the better Establishment of the priviledges which they wanted in case the same should ever come into dispute hereafter. The resolution, which this Court came to, that the application from the Court of Requests should be made in writing was thought conformable to the Forms and practice thereof, a practice so reasonable & just in itself & so necessary for Court of Record to observe; that it cannot be dispensed with, without introducing, Confusion and Misrule, instead of Order & Regularity, more especially in this Court which transmits to the Court of Directors, annually an

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authentick Copy of all their Records; as well for the use & information of such persons in Great Britain, as may have an Interest in any matters that come before this Court; as for the satisfaction of the Directors themselves. The right which this Court have to proceed in such Forms, as shall be found most conducive to the regular and due Execution of any matter which comes before them; and of framing certain Rules of practice for that purpose; they derive, from the Royal Charter; subject only to the approbation, controul & alteration of the Company under the Hands of Majority of the Court of Directors. It was consistent with this right, that the Clerk of the Court of Requests was told, that that Court should make their application in writing; & this Court really believ'd that the Court of Requests would have made an application in that manner, to the Corporation or this Court; in which case, the privilege of sitting in the House lately purchased by this Court, would immediately have been granted them. But as Yet no such application has been made.

Your Honour &c^t being therefore thus acquainted with the matter of Fact; cannot, but be surprized that the Commissioners of the Court of Requests, should think it at all necessary to make any application to You; and much more, that they should at once represent, that they are destitute of a place to assemble in; when they themselves could have no reason to doubt that a very few Lines of a proper application to the Corporation or the Court; would have instantly procured them the accommodation they wanted. And this accommodation they may still have upon an application agreeable to the Forms and practice of this Court. I am with Respect

FORT ST. GEORGE,
21ST MAY 1757.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS
Your most Obed^t. Serv^t.
DANIEL MORSE
Reg^r.

TO THE HONBLE THE MAYORS COURT
AT MADRAS PATNAM.
GENTLEMEN,

In answer to your Registers Letter of the 21st Instant I am directed by the President & Council to acquaint you that they have appointed Mr. Alexander Dalrymple to be Accountant General of the Mayors Court in the room of Mr. Claud Russell who lately filled that Office & to say they are much concerned you could not admit of the application made by Mr. Stratton the Clerk of the Court of Requests for Liberty to hold their Courts in the Town Hall as whatever may be your Opinion on that subject, the President & Council don't in the least doubt but the Court of Directors will think that application was quite sufficient.

The many more material attentions to which the President & Council are now subject make them decline any animadversions upon the Declaration you are pleased to make that the Notice they gave you was improper.

I am
GENTLEMEN
FORT ST. GEORGE
26TH MAY 1757.
Your most Obed^t. hble serv^t.
JOSIAS DU PRE
Sec^y.

26. Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David dated this day.
27. Arrived the Honble Companys ship Cuddalore George Baker from Kistnapatnam.
28. Sent by pattamars General Letter to Bombay dated this day.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. PRESIDENT
 HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
 FOSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MONDAY
 THE 30TH

The Book of standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 24th. Instant read & Sign'd.

Letter from Captain William James of the Honble Companys ship Revenge read as enter'd hereafter enclosing a Copy of Admiral Watson's Orders to him, and signifying that as he has received an order to Transport the Kings Provisions from the Revenge to the Marlbro and as the Board purpose to employ him on a different service than was intended by the Admiral he hopes they will take upon themselves all Losses, accidents or disappointments that may thereby happen to His Majesty's service and also that they will take under their Directions the Betsey Ketch which is now loaded with Kings Provisions and which the Admiral put under his Care & Convoy.

Letter from
 Cap^{tn}.
 William
 James of the
 Revenge.

AGREED that a Letter be wrote to Captain James by the Secretary acquainting him that the Orders of the Board signified to him by the Secretarys Letter of the 24th. Instant will be his Justification, and in regard to the Ketch that he may order the Master to put himself under the Convoy of the Honble Company's ship Protector and that Orders will be given to the Commander for that purpose.

Answer to
 be sent
 Captain
 James.

Letter from Captain Francis Fowler of the Walpole read as enter'd hereafter representing that part of the Salt Petre he brought from Bengal having been landed here there remains on board only Tons Fifty three, one hundred weight, two quarters and six pound (53. 1. 26) which is deficient of the proportion of Kintlage Goods by Twenty six Tons, eighteen hundred weight one quarter and twenty two pound (26. 18. 1. 22) and as he is informed by the Warehousekeeper that that deficiency of Kintlage cannot be made up unless it be in Ballast or stones, his ship being already sufficiently stiff he is content to receive what is deficient of the Kintlage proportion in Bales at whole Freight.

Letter from
 Captain
 Fowler
 consenting
 to take
 Bales in
 lieu of
 Kintlage
 Goods.

ORDER'D that the said deficiency of Kintlage be made up in Bales accordingly.

Granted.

Letter from the Court of Requests read as entered hereafter representing that agreeable to the Notice given them they had adjourned to the present Town Hall but that the Mayors Court having assembled the same day on which the Commissioners are by the Charter obliged to meet the Business of their Court is thereby impeded they having no other place to sit in.

Letter from
 the Court of
 Requests in
 regard to a
 place to sit
 in.

AGREED that it be signified to the Court of Requests that as the Mayors Court may again happen to sit on the day there are obliged to meet to prevent any further Impediments of that kind they may assemble in the Hall of the Fort House.

Answer:
 may meet in
 the Fort
 House.

The Export Warehousekeeper represents to the Board that in Conformity to the Orders receiv'd from Our Honble Masters he had seperated such Cloths as had received damage at the Wash or were torn in Rents and Holes and that

Representa-
 tion of the
 Exp^t. Ware-
 H^{se}. K^{ing}. touch-
 ing the
 Cloth.

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in the Course of taking the Ballances of his Warehouse to the 30th of April 1757 he finds that the amount of the Cloth so seperated is follows.

LONG CLOTH ORDINARY MADRAS				
Damaged large Holes	..	..	..	P ^s . 180
D ^o . small D ^o.	..	..	..	49
				226
LONG CLOTH Ordinary Verendapuram Damaged large Holes	..	..	..	65
SALAMPORES MIDLING MADRASS Damaged large Holes.	..	..	..	176
				Total P ^s . 470

The Warehousekeeper likewise represents that he finds the Cloth turn'd out by the Gentlemen sorters when sorted white more than what he has been able to use for packing stuff, amounts to from April 30, 1755 to April 30th 1757.

LONG CLOTH Ordinary Madras	..	..	..	P ^s . 144
SALLAMPORES Midling d ^o.	..	..	..	196
LONG CLOTH Ordinary Verandapuram	..	..	..	50
LONG CLOTH fine Fort St. David	..	..	..	9
				In all P ^s . 399

The Warehousekeeper requests the Orders of the Board in what manner he shall dispose of these Cloths whether by selling them at publick Outcry, By sending them to the West Coast on the sloop now ordered there.

Order there-
on, torn
Cloth to be
sent to the
West Coast.

As the Companys Orders are not direct that the Cloth torn in large Rents should be sent to England and as by selling them in the Town a Door would be open for the Washermen to bring them into the Warehouse again in the place of Good Cloth ORDERED that they be sent to the West Coast and that the Gentlemen there be acquainted very particularly of the Condition of these Cloths and that they be directed to dispose of them for the most they will fetch.

Advice from
the N^o. ward
of the
French
design ag^t.
those
settle^{ts}.

The President acquaints the Board that he has receiv'd Intelligence by a peon (who arriv'd here yesterday and brought the Impression of Mr. Percevals seal as a Token of his being sent by him) that Mr. Law with a party of French from Metchlepatam were preparing to attack the Company's settlements at Ingeram & Bandarmalanka and were then to join Monsieur De Bussy who with the main Body of the French Forces in the Northern Province were preparing to reduce Vizagapatam.

Arcot snow
to be
dispatched
to Vizaga-
patam & c^t.

AGREED that instead of the Fifteen thousand Madras pagodas intended for Vizagapatam, Twenty thousand Rupees be sent by the Companys Snow Arcot to defray the Charges of the Northern settlements in case they should still be in the Possession of the Companys servants, that the Commander of the said snow be ordered to proceed under Convoy of the Protector now bound to Bengal and to touch at Pondemarka for Intelligence and if he should there learn that Vizagapatam is safe that he proceed thither immediately but if he should find the French have taken it that he then go to Bimlepatam that such of the Companys servants as may be released and inclined to go to Bengal may proceed with him.

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In Consequence of the foregoing Resolution Letters to the Northern Settlements and orders to Captain England of the Protector and Captain Bibb of the Arcot Snow are now prepared and sign'd as also a General Letter to Bengal and one to Admiral Watson. Letters signed

The Import Warehousekeeper lays before the Board as entered hereafter an account sale of sixty Bales of Broad Cloth sold at Outcry the 28th Instant. Account sale
60 Bales of
of Broad
cloth.
6 Bills on
the C^r.
Walpole

Six setts of Bills of Exchange of this date are now signed drawn on the Honble Court of Directors at Ninety days sight and 7. 8d. ॐ pagoda Viz^t.

1	To Daniel Lascelles Esq ^r . or order value rec'd of William Aldersey on account of William Perceval Esq ^r . ..	728	6	8	1900	—	—
1	To Captain John Dalton or order value of Henry Vansittart	409	6	7	1067	29	35
1	To Peter Tahourdin or order value of Walsh & Vansittart.	375	16	—	980	12	60
1	To William Watts or order value of John Smith for account of Edward Croke ..	100	—	—	260	31	24
1	To Robert Ogilvie or order value of Claud Russell for account of Robert Campbell.	60	—	—	156	18	62
1	To Josiah Norris or order value of Josias Du Pre account the Estate of John Norris Deceased	30	5	8	79	23	10
6	Setts amounting to ..	£ 1703	14	11	4445	7	31

Four thousand four hundred and forty five Pagodas seven fanams and thirty one Cash which sum is now paid in. Money paid in

The President as Cash keeper pays in Twenty four thousand fanams (24000) amounting at the rate of 36 fanams ॐ Pagoda to six hundred and sixty six Pagodas twenty four fanams (€66.24.) being the difference of Batta on the Exchange of six thousand Pagodas into fanams this Month at forty fanams ॐ Pagoda and brought to account at Thirty six fanams ॐ Pagoda. By [the]
Cash keeper

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in Twelve thousand seven hundred Pagodas (12700) on his running account. Imp^t. Ware-
H^o. k^r.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in Fifteen hundred Pagodas (1500) on his running account. Sea Custom-
er.

Henry Powney late Land Customer pays in six hundred and sixty Pagodas thirty four fanams and sixty eight Cash (660. 34. 68) for the April Ballance of that account. Land
Customer.

Mahomed Ayar Cawn Renter of the seven Magans of the Tripossore Country pays in Three thousand five hundred (3500) Pagodas which with six thousand Pagodas paid in the 30th of March is in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 1st February last. Rent of 7
Magans.

Mahomet Ayar Cawn Renter of Mannamangalum pays in Two thousand five hundred (2500) Pagodas which with four thousand Pagodas paid in the 30th March, is in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 1st. February last.

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to Vizaga-
patam &c^t.

AGREED that instead of the Fifteen thousand Madras pagodas intended for Vizagapatam, Twenty thousand Rupees be sent by the Companys Snow Arcot to defray the Charges of the Northern settlements in case they should still be in the Possession of the Companys servants, that the Commander of the said snow be ordered to proceed under Convoy of the Protector now bound to Bengal and to touch at Pondemarka for Intelligence and if he should there learn that Vizagapatam is safe that he proceed thither immediately but if he should find the French have taken it that he then go to Bimlepatam that such of the Companys servants as may be released and inclined to go to Bengal may proceed with him.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1757—

which the Admiral is acquainted) and is at present only made serviceable by Fishes which are not to be trusted to much.

I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

Your most Obed^t. & very h^{ble} serv^t.

W^r. JAMES.

FORT S^r. GEORGE,
29 MAY 1757.

By Charles Watson Esq^r. Vice Admiral of the Balue Squadron of His Majesty's Fleet and Commander in Chief of all His Majesty's ships and Vessells employe'd in the East Indies; and of the Marine force of the United Company of Merchants Trading to and in these parts.

You are hereby required and directed to take under your Care & Convey, The Betsey Ketch Mr. Edward Rockmaster, and proceed with her to Madrass, where on your arrival you are to apply to Nicholas Morse Esq^r. Correspondent to the Agent Victualler for such Provisions and Naval stores as he is directed to send here, you are to use all the dispatch possible in shipping them off aboard the Ketch and your ship which done you are to receive on board all the Men belonging to His Majesty's squadron now at the Hospital at Madras Or as many of them as possibly can be brought away without endangering their Lives, and then make the best of your way together with the Ketch to this place, And Whereas a War is declared against France you are to keep a very good look out, and cautiously avoid every thing You see, As your safe arrival here is of the utmost consequence to his Majesty's service.

DATED on board His Majesty's ship Kent off Fort William in the River Houghely the 13th. March 1757.

CHA^s. WATSON.

TO CAPTAIN WILLIAM JAMES OF THE EAST INDIA
COMPANYS ARMED SHIP REVENGE
BY COMMAND OF THE ADMIRAL
HEN^r DOIDGE.

(A True Copy).

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR & C^r. COUNCIL OF FORT S^r. GEORGE,
HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

I am directed by the Commissioners of the Court of Requests to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 4th. Instant and to acquaint your Honour & C^t. that agreeable thereto they had adjourn'd their Court to the present Town Hall but that since your Intimation thereof the Mayor's Court have assembled on the day the Commissioners are obliged by their Charter to hold their Court by which means the Business is put a stop to, they being destitute of any other proper place to sit in.

I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^t. h^{ble} serv^t.

GEORGE STRATTON.

Clerk.

FORT S^r. GEORGE,
THE 26th. MAY 1757.

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—FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1757—

ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HONBLE COMPANY'S BROAD CLOTH BY PUBLICK OUTCRY ON THE USUAL TERMS VIZ^t.

The time of sale.	Quality of the goods.	Lot or Quantity,	Invoice price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at	Amount of ea. Lot.	To whom sold.
28 May 1757 ..	Board Cloth Aurora 2 Ordy 2 Red Green 2	6 Bales.	Pag ^s . 500. 3. 60	Pag ^s . 575	..	Pag ^s . 5. 2	Tombay Chittee.
	Do.	6	..	..	..	584	D ^o .
	Do.	6	..	..	..	583	D ^o .
	Do.	6	..	..	..	584	D ^o .
	Do.	6	..	..	..	586	D ^o .
	Do.	6	..	..	..	590	D ^o .
	Do.	6	..	..	..	594	D ^o .
	Do.	6	..	..	..	596	D ^o .
	Do.	6	..	..	..	599	Linganah.
	Do.	6	..	..	..	597	Tombay Chittee.
		— 60 Bales. —				— 5895 —	

FORT ST. GEORGE, 28TH MAY 1757.

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

ϕ HENRY POWNEY.

Impt. Ware H^o.Kr.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1757—

Sail'd the Honble Companys ship Protector for Bengal. 31

D°. D°. Snow Arcot for Vizagapatam & Bengal. —

Receiv'd General Letter from Captain Norton Hutchinson of the Caernarvon dated at Batavia the 1st. Janry with a postscript of the 8th. April, also General Letter from M^r. James Flint dated at Batavia the 12th. April. —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.

HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.

FOSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.

M^R. BOURCHIER *absent*.

TUESDAY
THE 31ST.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

General Letters read Viz^t.

N^o. 81 From M^r. James Flint dated at Batavia the 12th. April last advising that two French Men of War one of sixty the other of seventy four Guns had been in the Streights of Sundy but that fortunately the three early ships from China has passed thro a few days before but that the Caernarvons Long Boat which had been on board those China ships was taken by the Men of War in returning to Batavia, That the Griffin Harcourt and Stormont left Malacca for England the 2^d. of March, That he came from Limpo to Malacca in the Griffin & proceeded thence to Batavia to wait for the ships bound this season to Limpo.

General
Letter from
M^r. Flint
at Batavia.

N^o. 82 From Captain Norton Hutchinson of the Caernarvon dated at Batavia the 1st. January with a Postscript of the 8th. April giving an account of the Occurrences in his Passage from hence bound for Canton but that having met with hard Gales of Wind off the Island Suconia in which his ship sustained considerable damage he was obliged to bear away for Batavia where he intends to stay till the proper season for going to Canton, advising of two French Men of War being in the Streights of Sundy as mention'd in the foregoing abstract of M^r. Flints Letter, and adds that a French ship arrived there the 3^d. of April from Mauritius the Captain of which reports that he left at Mauritius seven East India ships fitted as Men of War and that four large Men of War sailed from thence for India before him.

From Captⁿ.
Hutchinson
of the
Caernarvon.

Draught of the General Letter to the Honble Court of Directors to go by the Walpole read and approved.

Draught of
Letter to
England &
Walpole
read.

The President from the Secret Committee reports that the Nabob had sent in an Account of Rupees Three hundred and forty four thousand six hundred and twenty five (344,625) being in part of the four Lack due the first of this Month on account of the Rents of the Arcot Countrys the remaining Rupees Fifty five thousand three hundred and seventy five (55375) due from Nellour not having been Collected by reason of the Troubles, which sum of

Report from
the Secret
Committee
of money to
be rec'd
Account the
Nabob.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1757—

Rupees Three hundred and forty four thousand six hundred and twenty five (344625) is to be accounted for in the following manner Viz^t.

Due on demand from Linga Chittee security for Terpasore	93750
By Bill on Goverdendoss payable 13 th . June next..	57000
In part of the Nellour Rents which the Nabob has order'd the Terpasore Amuldar to pay	5625
By Bill on Buckunjee Cassedoss payable 5 th . July.	188250
	344625
Rupees ..	344625

ORDER'D that the said sums be receiv'd into the Treasury and Carried to the Credit of Nabob Mahomed Ally Cawn.

Consideration on the Farms to be let this day. Resolution thereon.

This being the day on which the Farms of S^t. Thome, DeveCotah, and the Banksall Duty are advertised to be relet, The President proposes to the Consideration of the Board whether any and what alterations are proper to be made in the Cowles and those which are now expiring being produced and read, it is agreed that the said Farms be put up at Outcry on the same terms and Conditions as are express'd in the old Cowles.

The Board then adjourn'd to the sea Gate to put up the said Farm at Outcry.

Farms let
Viz^t.

AT THE SEA GATE.

Banksall.

The Farm of the BANKSALL DUTY being put up for five years to commence tomorrow is cryed down to COLLASIAH at Eleven hundred (1100) Pagodas ₨ annum. This Farm was last let on a Cowle for five years at four hundred (400) Pagodas ₨ annum.

St. Thome.

The Farm of S^t. THOME put up for one Year Commencing tomorrow and cryed down to RAMARIAH at Three thousand seven hundred and forty Pagodas (3740). This Farm let last year for four thousand One hundred Pagodas.

Deve Cotah.

This Farm of a DEVECOTAH put up for one year Commencing tomorrow and cryed down to Linga Chittee at Seven thousand One hundred Pagodas, this Farm let last year for Nine thousand two hundred and twenty (9220) Pagodas.

Poonamallee
Country &

The Cowles for the Farms of the Poonamallee Country and the Ruby Brokerage expiring the 30th. June.

Ruby
Brokorage
to be let
30th. June.

ORDER'D that Publick Notice be given for reletting the said Farms on that day by Publick Outcry, the Poonamallee Country for One year and the Ruby Brokerage for five.

GEORGE PIGOT.

HENRY POWNEY.

ROBERT ORME.

FOSS WESTCOTT.

JOHN SMITH.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1757—

JUNE

Sail'd ship Endade Elay Herbert Sutherland for Bengal.

JUNE
3.

D°. Snow Ketty, Hamilton Parkinson for Malacca, Siam and Bussorah.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.

HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.

FOSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MONDAY
THE 6TH.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of the two last Consultations dated the 30th. & 31st. Ultimo read and signed.

The Paymaster and Captain of the Train deliver in as enter'd hereafter their Report of their Walpoles Ammunition and Warlike Stores and Muster Roll of her Crew.

The President reads the Cash Account for last Month Ballance remaining compared with the Chest Thirty thousand two hundred and nine Pagodas four fanams and sixty Cash (30209. 4. 60) which is carried forward.

Cash
account
read.

The following Dispatches are now signed Viz^t.

General Letter to the Honble Court of Directors
General Letter to the Governour & Council of S^t. Helena } All dated this day.
Indent for Printed Papers for the Court of Requests.

General Books GG of this Presidency ending Ultimo April 1756.

Journal Parcels from 1st May to Ultimo December 1756.

Also Sailing Orders to Captain Francis Fowler the date being left blank to be filled up and deliver'd him when it shall be judged proper he should sail.

ORDER'D that the packets be closed and held in readiness to be deliver'd to Captain Fowler whenever required.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^S. BOURCHIER.

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH

DR.

1	To Ballance brought from last month ..	14947	215199 67	20294 27 67
3	To Oppajee Nayenar Renter of Chingleput rec'd of him (with Pagodas 10000 paid the 3 ^d . March) in full for six months Rent of that Farm due the 1 st . February last ..	4250	— —	4250 — —
—	To Chinna Nella Chitty & Vadamala Pillah Farmers of the Arrack & Wine License rec'd of them in full for one Months Rent of that Farm due the 12 th . Ult ^{mo}	—	23430 ² —	650 30 —
14	To Bills of Exchange for one sett of this date drawn on the Honble Court of Directors payable at 90 days to Joseph & Francis Fowke or order value received of Mess ^{rs} . Walsh & Vansittart @ 7/8 ¹ / ₂ P. £ st.	722 15 9	1885 19 17	1885 19 17
23	To Current Pagodas receiv'd from the Treasury	10000	— —	10000 — —

PER CONTRA.

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3	By Fort Marlborough paid the Owners of the Hartop Snow for the Freight of that Vessell to the West Coast	2000	— —	2000 — —
4	By Robert Orme Commissary advanced him for the Charges of that Employ ..	6000	— —	6000 — —
—	By Charles Bouchier Military Store-keeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	2000	— —	2000 — —
9	By His Majesty's Squadron paid the Companys allowance of 5 Pagodas ¹ / ₂ day for Admiral Watson's Table from 1 st . October to 30th April both inclusive being 212 days	1060	— —	1060 — —
17	By the Mayors Court advanced to pay the Rent due for the late Town Hall	886	— —	886 — —

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24 To Bills of Exchange for six setts of this date drawn on the Honble Court of Directors at 90 days @ 7/8 $\frac{1}{2}$ Pagoda Viz^t.

£. S. D. P. F. C.

1 To Thomas Godfrey Esq^r. or order value received of Robert Orme Esq^r. in full return of a Chest of Coral marked DC. No. imported $\frac{1}{2}$ Delawar Anno 1756. 770 13 10 2010 18 —

1 To Yny^r. Burges or order value of Josias Du Pre and

— By Claud Russell Accountant General of the Mayors Court paid his Draft in favour of Dan ^l . Morse the Register on Account the Mayors Court ..	658	7 48	658	7 48
— By Fort St. David paid their Draft in favour of Captain Richard Finlay dated 8 th . Instant	1614	6 44	1614	6 44
23 By Fort St. David paid their draft in favour of Captain Manoel Morea dated 21 Ultimo	3250	— —	3250	— —
24 By Fort St. David paid their Draft in favour of Captain David Crichton dated 16th Instant	1563	— —	1563	— —
— By Account Current London paid Father Saviour Superior of the French Jesuits in India Living at Pondicherry one years Interest due 31 st . March last to the Jesuits Missionaries in China on a Bond for Pagodas 20,000 at 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ C ^t . dated 1 st . October 1726 ..	1200	— —	1200	— —

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY CASH— cont.

D^a.

James Alexand ^r . for account of John Williams..	158	9	11	413	16	63			
1 To Hugh Ross or order value of George Mackay ..	4025	—	—	10500	—	—			
1 To D ^o . value of D ^o . ..	1106	1	—	2885	12	46			
1 To John Young .. value of D ^o . ..	201	6	8	525	8	20			
1 To William Ferguson value of D ^o . ..	116	3	—	303	—	—			
—							16636	55	49
6 setts amount- ing to £ ..	6377	14	5				16637	19	49
— To Sunca Vencata Ramah Beetle & Tobacco Farmer receiv'd of him in full for One Months Rent of that Farm due the 12 th Instant ..	311	22404	—	933	12	—			

PER CONTRA—cont.

28 By John Smith Pay- master advanced to pay for sundry Houses pulled down in the Peddy Naigues Pettah	8000	—	—	8000	—	—			
30 By George Pigot Esq ^r . Mint Master paid him the Ballance of Current Pagodas due to the Mint on the Account for April ..	32	24	—	32	24	—			
— By John Smith Pay- master advanced him for the Charges of that Employ ..	5000	432000	—	17000	—	—			
— By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him to pay the Military &c ^t . next month	6000	1800	—	6050	—	—			
— By Batta Issued in Course of the Month to purchase fanams ..	6000	—	—	6000	—	—			
31 By Ballance carried to next month	27895	83308	60	3020	94	60			

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<p>— To Sunca Vencata Ramah Farmer of the Measuring Duty rec'd of him in full for two Months Rent of that Farm due the 12th Instant</p> <p>30 To Bills of Exchange for six setts of this date drawn on the Honble Court of Directors at 90 days sight at 7/8 Ψ Pagoda</p> <p>1 To Daniel Lascelles Esq^r. or order value recd of W^m. Aldercry on Account of W^m. Perce- val Esq^r...</p> <p>1 To Captain John Dal- ton or order value of Henry Vansittart.</p> <p>1 To Peter Tahourdin or order value of Mess^{rs}. Walsh and Vansittart.</p>	<p>— 9660 — 268 12 —</p> <p>.. ..</p> <p>728 6 8 1900 — —</p> <p>409 6 7 1067 29 35</p> <p>375 16 — 980 12 60</p>
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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY CASH—cont.

PER CONTRA—cont.

Dr.

1	To William Watts or order value of John Smith Account of Edward Croke ..	100	—	—	260	31	24		
1	To Robert Ogilvie or order value of Claud Russell Account of Robert Campbell..	60	—	—	156	18	62		
1	To Josiah Norris or order value of Josias Du Pre Account the Estate of John Norris deceased.	30	5	8	79	23	10	4442	115 31 4445 7 31
6	setts amount- ing to ..	1703	14	11					

30	To Henry Powney late Land Customer rec'd of him the April Ballance of that Account	487	6262 68	660 34 68
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehouse-keeper rec'd of him on his running Account	12700	— —	12700 — —
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer rec'd of him on his running Account ..	1500	— —	1500 — —
—	To Mahomet Ayar Cawn Renter of the 7 Magans of the Tripassore Country rec'd of him (with 6000 Pagodas paid in the 30 th . March) in full for six months Rent of that Farm due the 1 st Febry last	3500	— —	3500 — —
—	To Mahomet Ayar Cawn Renter of Mannamangalum rec'd of him (with 4000 Pagodas paid in the 30 th . March) in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due 1 st . February last ..	2500	— —	2500 — —
—	To Bitta for the produce of 6000 Pagodas issued as P Contra & Exchanged at 40 fanams P Pagoda & brought to Account here at the rate of 36 fanams P Pag.	—	240000 —	6666 24 —
	STAR OR CURRT. PAGODAS	73158	517146 72	87523 6 72

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
GEORGE PIGOT.

27895	83308 60	30209	4 60
73158	517146 72	87523	6 72

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL

OF FORT ST GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs.

In Consequence of your Orders signified us by Mr. Secretary Du Pre We have survey'd the Ordnance stores of the Walpole Captain Fowler & Muster'd her ships Company as P Lists annexed, and Believe she is properly Equipped and very Capable of proceeding to Europe.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most Obedient hble Serv^{ts}.

JOHN SMITH.

JOHN BROHIER.

FORT S^t. GEORGE,

THE 6TH JUNE 1757.

- 9 Receiv'd Pattamar General Letter from Tellicherry dated 8th. May.
 — Received into the Honble Companys Cash the sum of Forty six (46)
 Pagodas by virtue of an order of the Mayors Court Certify'd by the Account-
 ant General in the Cause Vellah Chittee against Arratoon Badramy.
- 11 Sail'd ship Rubeira, Peter Le Blanc for Puliacat & Pegue.
 — D^o Sloop Nacodal, Antonio for D^o.
 — D^o. Snow Trivitore, Francis Taylor, for Manilha.
- 13 Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort S^t. David 11th. Instant.

MONDAY
THE 13

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^R. PRESIDENT.

HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.

FOSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

General Letters read Viz^t.

General
Letter from
Tellicherry.

No. 83 From Thomas Hodges Esq^r Chief & c^t Factors at Tellicherry dated the 8th. Ultimo advising that the Royal Duke sailed from thence for Canton the 27th. April and that their remains of Pepper are Two thousand eight hundred and thirty two (2832) Candies also that the 30th. April a small French ship imported at Mahe' from Mauritius having been at Boccanore and that the day after her arrival a snow sailed from Mahe' for Pondicherry as they are informed.

From Fort
S^t. David.

N^o. 84 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. & c^t. Council at Fort S^t. David dated the 11th. Instant acknowledging the Receipt of ours of the 26th. and accompanying their Consultations & Monthly accounts with a Calc^late of quick stock to the 30th. April, desiring that an Invoice may be sent them of the arrack they receiv'd from His Majesty's squadron and Mr. Kellett, and acquainting us that Mr. Turner having been in a bad state of Health ever since his arrival there requests leave to return hither.

Mr. Charles
Turner
permitted to
return
hither.

AGREED that Mr. Charles Turner at Fort S^t. David be permitted to return hither agreeable to his request and that Mr. Andrew Newton now at Fort S^t. David succeed him there at the Board and in his Employs.

Mr. And.
Newton to
succeed him.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1757—

The Accountant lays before the Board his Annual Report of the State of the Expences and Revenues of this Settlement and its Subordinates on this Coast for the last year Compared with those of the former which is ordered to be entered hereafter.

Accountant
Annual
report.

The President reports from the Secret Committee that Sanawashecherry Renter of Terpetty has sent in a Bill on Gocul Terwaudy payable the 2^d. July for Star Pagodas six thousand (6000) in part of the June or last Kist of the present Year of Phasely 1166.

Bill sent in
for the
Tripoty Rent

ORDER'D that the amount of the said Sum be received into the Treasury.

The Export Warehousekeeper represents to the Board that there is in the Warehouse a Bale of Raw Silk imported by the Eastcourt in January 1756 amounting as per Invoice to Current Rupees One thousand and eighty (1080) concerning the disposal of which no directions came from Bengal, and that as the lower assortments are excessively Coarse it does not appear proper to be sent to Europe but may meet with a sale here as Raw silk of all sorts is at present in demand in the Town.

A Bale of
Silk recd
from Bengal
per Eastcourt
in 1756.

ORDER'D that the Warehousekeeper do dispose of the same to the best advantage and report the sale thereof to the Board.

To be sold
and reported

Three Chests of Coral mark'd N^o. 26 & 27 IDDC N^o. 1 Consigned to Roger Drake Esp^r. of Calcutta by the Walpole having been landed here last year by Mr. William Perceval on Account of the Troubles in Bengal he now by his Attorney requests that the same may be sent down on the Marlbrō free of Charge agreeable to the Honble Companys directions.

Three Chests
of Coral
imported per
Walpole
permitted
to be sent to
Bengal per
Marlbrō.

AGREED that Mr. Percevals Attorneys be permitted to send the said Chests on Board the Marlbrō accordingly.

Two following Drafts from the Accountant General are now presented to the Board and order'd to be paid Viz^t. one for Thirty two Pagodas thirty five fanams and thirty one Cash (32. 35. 31) payable to Captain Richard Smith account the Estate of Solomon Solomons.

2 Drafts
from the
Accountant
General to
be paid.

The other for One thousand Nine hundred and twelve Pagodas fourteen fanams and seven Cash (1912. 14. 7) payable to Mr. William Aldersey for Daniel Lascelles of London account the Estate of Solomon Solomons.

Chinna Nella Chittee and Vadamala Pillah Farmers of the Arrack & Wine License pay in six hundred and fifty Pagodas thirty fanams (650. 30.) in full for one Months Rent of that Farm due the 12th. Ultimo.

Arrack Rent
paid in.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^t. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

According to a Standing Order from the Honble the Court of Directors, I now lay before you a State of the Expences & Revenues of this Settlement and its subordinates on this Coast, for the last year Compared with those of the former by which your Honour & C^t. may Judge of the Proper Directions to be given in Relation thereto

—FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1757—

EXPENCES OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

	Ending April 1755			Ending April 1756			Increase			Decrease			Pa.	fa.	Ca.
Charges Garrison	146658	26	67	147133	36	15	475	8	28						
Charges Hospital	6051	11	3	4530	35	35				1520	11	48			
Peons & servants Wages	5563	1	17	6349	11	78	786	10	69						
Account salary	3955	23	10	4194	31	—	239	8	70						
Account Presents	7138	21	12	5343	22	41				1749	34	51			
Charges Diet	7000	—	—	7000	—	—									
Charges Cattle	8.0	—	—	800	—	—									
Charges Extraordinary	7987	4	1	7351	22	28				635	17	53			
Repairs	11064	21	16	9016	19	10				2048	2	6			
Mayors Court	900	—	—	1100	—	—	200	—	—						
Court of Requests	190	21	—	175	13	—	15	8	—						
Charges General	5455	24	54	10695	35	37	5240	10	72						
His Majesty's Squadron under Admiral Watson ..				1930	—	—	1930	—	—						
The annual Expences	202765	10	11	205612	10	4	8886	10	17	5998	29	78			
Deduct the Decrease from the Increase							5998	29	78						
The Expences of this settlement are Increased this Year													2886	16	19

EXPENCES OF FORT ST. DAVID

Charges Garrison	47028	—	48	38570	2	72				8457	33	56			
Charges Hospital	4168	14	50	3590	24	25				577	26	25			
Charges Extraordinary	4454	1	53	3836	17	48				617	20	5			
Charges Diet	3128	—	—	3344	—	—	216	—	—						
Charges Cattle	600	—	—	600	—	—									
Charges General	10703	7	8	10301	32	53				401	10	35			
Peons & servants Wages	4871	—	—	4907	22	—	36	22	—						
Account presents	529	33	—	723	31	60	193	34	60						
Account salary	1238	6	59	1301	23	50	63	16	71						
Repairs	7909	15	76	3523	24	17				4385	27	59			
Fortifications	10942	3	77	14983	1	43	4040	33	46						
His Majesty's squadron under Vice Admiral Watson	304	30	19	1039	26	2	734	32	63						
His Troops under Colonel Adlercron	16688	8	73	20926	15	59	4238	6	66						
The annual Expence	112565	14	63	107649	6	29	9524	2	66	14440	10	20			
Deduct the Increase from the Decrease										952	2	66			
The Expences of this settlement are Decreased this year													4916	7	34

—FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1757—

EXPENCES OF VIZAGAPATAM

Charges Garrison	8505	20	20	8884	22	10	378	31	70					
Charges Hospital	332	22	40	212	24	—				119	34	40		
Charges General	4194	16	21	4960	3	37	705	23	16					
Charges Diet	441	0	—	458	—	—	16	30	—					
Charges Extraordinary	2586	31	40	1044	31	20				1542	—	20		
Repairs of Fortifications	2494	7	30	3362	19	75	868	12	45					
Account Presents	811	12	68	310	19	61				500	29	7		
Account Salary	267	5	52	300	—	—	122	30	28					
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The annual Expence	19633	20	31	19623	12	43	2152	19	70	2162	27	67		
Deduct the Increase from the Decrease										2152	19	70		
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The Expences of this Settlement are Decreas'd this year												10	7	68

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EXPENCES OF INGERAM

Charges Diet	304	—	—	324	9	48	20	9	48					
Account Salary	112	18	—	119	19	—	7	1	—					
Account Presents	308	8	63	405	30	75	97	22	12					
Charges Garrison	3141	30	11	3029	14	75				112	15	16		
Charges General	1045	2	1	1152	6	2	107	4	1					
Charges Extraordinary	837	25	11	595	28	70				241	32	21		
Charges Merchandize	317	11	76	186	29	25				130	17	71		
Repairs	700	32	38	931	29	34	230	32	76					
Servants Wages	412	—	—	444	21	48	32	21	48					
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The Annual Expence	7179	19	60	7190	9	57	495	10	25	484	29	28		
Deduct the Decrease from the Increase							484	29	28					
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The Expences of this Settlement are Increased this year												10	25	77

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EXPENCES OF MADDAPOLLAM.

	Ending April 1755			Ending April 1756			Increase			Decrease			Pa.	fa.	Ca.
Charges Diet.. .. .	300	—	—	420	—	—	120	—	—						
Charges General	555	27	49	747	5	76	191	14	25						
Charges Extraordinary	675	13	48	1038	20	56	363	7	8						
Charges Merchandize	2146	34	16	1912	9	40				234	24	56			
Charges Garrison	2378	2	51	2427	17	67	49	15	16						
Repairs	251	35	—	212	—	6				39	34	74			
Servants Wages	478	—	—	823	24	48	345	24	48						
Metchlepatam Factory	114	—	—	127	10	64	13	10	64						
Account Presents	276	31	56	453	20	36	176	24	60						
Account salary	112	18	—	118	4	40	5	22	40						
Bandarmalka House & Buildings	700	—	—	767	15	40	67	15	40						
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Annual Expense	7989	18	60	9047	21	73	1332	25	61	274	23	50			
Deduct the Decrease from the Increase							274	23	50						
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The Expences of this settlement are Increased this year													1058	3	11
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The Expences of Fort St. George are increased this year.							2886	16	19						
Ditto of Ingeram							10	25	77						
Ditto of Maddepollam							1058	3	11						
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Total Increase of this Settlement & the above Subordinates													3955	9	27
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THE REASON for an Increase in the several Heads Viz ^t .		
CHARGES GARRISON of Fort St. George. By an Augmentation of the Military by the arrival of Recruits from Europe & by a larger quantity of Necessaries being delivered out for the use of the Garrison	475	8 28
PEONS & SERVANTS WAGES. By the Charge of the Naubit attended with the Expence of Feeding an Elephant & 9 Horses and paying a sett of Country Musick for no more than 4 months in 1755 whereas now there's a years Charge and by a greater Number of Peons employed this year than Last	786	10 59
ACCOUNT SALARY. By the arrival of M ^r . Boddam from Vizagapatam M ^r . Brooke and Whitehill from the Negrais and 9 Writers from Europe	239	8 70
MAYORS COURT. By 200 Pagodas advanced them for the Charge of the Corporation more this year than Last.	200	— —
COURT OF REQUESTS. This small Increase arises from Binding several Books belonging to the said Court and sundry small fees Paid the Marshall and sundry other Persons attending the Quarter Sessions more this year than in the preceeding.	25	8 —
CHARGES GENERAL By Extraordinary Charges of Fire arms delivered the Military and by pay and allowance to Captain John Brohier & his Assistant; from the 1 st . May 1752 to the 30 th . April 1756 being 4 years which the Paymast ^r . in his Account Charged to the Head of Fortifications but is now brought in the General Books under the Head of Charges General... .. .	5240	10 72
HIS MAJESTY'S SQUADRÓN under Admiral Watson; this Head is New	1930	— —
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	8896	10 69
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PEONS & SERVANTS WAGES. Several Peons & Hircars &c ^t . were Discharged this year which would have occasioned a Considerable decrease but the Bricklayer's Carpenters &c ^t . pay being Charged to this Head from that of Charges General makes it that this Increase appears	36	22	—
ACCOUNT PRESENTS several Presents made to the Nabob more this year than in the proceeding	193	34	60
ACCOUNT SALARY. Some of the servants being of a superior rank this year than they were in the preceding & one or two more in Number makes this Increase	63	16	71
FORTIFICATIONS. Increased	4040	33	46
HIS MAJESTY'S SQUADRÓN under Admiral Watson. By Pallan-keen Boys & other servants Wages Allowed to Admiral Watson and his Officers Godown Rent for 10 months more than Last year	734	32	63
HIS MAJESTY'S TROOPS under Colonel Adlercron. Four Months Allowance more this year than in the preceding and sundry Disbursements made by the Paymaster on Account of Pots & Pans, Brooms &c ^t . makes this Increase of	4238	6	66
CHARGES DIET. John Call, Edward Raddon Richard Cooke their Diet Allowance Last year makes this Increase	216	—	—
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Pagodas ..	9524	2	66
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CHARGES GARRISON. By the Military & Train pay more Men being Entertained this year than the foregoing	378	31	70
CHARGES GENERAL. This increase appears to be occasioned by a considerable Number of Peons & Servants employed this year more than the preceding now brought under this Head which before were under the Head of Charges Extraordinary	765	23	16
CHARGES DIET appears to arise from Diet money to three Persons only the Last year and four in this	16	30	—
REPAIRS & FORTIFICATIONS from a Number of small Articles but chiefly from there being more Artificers employ'd this year in repairing a New Wall from Martin's Point to the Flag staff Train Barracks Garden House &c ^t	868	12	45
ACCOUNT SALARY—			
By Pay to more Covenanted Servants in the Honble Companys Service than last year at this Settlement	122	30	28
	<u>2152</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>79</u>

INGERAM.

CHARGES DIET.. .. .	20	9	48
ACCOUNT SALARY—			
By the account being kept in Curr ^t . Pag ^s . which before was in Mad ^a	7	1	—
CHARGES GENERAL	107	4	1
SERVANTS WAGES for the same reason as above and a Touchy Woman more taken in the Service	32	27	48
ACCOUNT PRESENTS. Occasioned by 2 years Presents, gave Jaggapettrauze in latter year	97	22	12
REPAIRS. By repairing redoubt &c ^t . Buildings at Nellipillee in the latter year	230	32	76
	<u>495</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>25</u>
PAGODAS ..			

MADDAPOLLAM.

CHARGES DIET Occasioned by the Account now being kept in Current Pagodas whereas before it was in Madrass	120	—	—
METCHLEPATAM FACTORY, this Increase is for the same reason	13	10	64
ACCOUNT SALARY, this Increase for the same reason	5	22	40
CHARGES GENERAL Occasion'd by that Charge being now in Current Pagodas and a greater Expence in Batta	191	14	25
CHARGES EXTRAORDINARY, By Building a Godown and Choultry at Bandarmalanka, Expence in dispatching the Bengal Gentlemen Boxes &c ^t . and the present Charge being in Current Pagodas	363	7	8
CHARGES GARRISON Occasioned by an armourer & Piquet money	49	15	16
SERVANTS WAGES By the Doctors, Carpenters, Bricklayers & smiths Wages being brought under this Head & the whole kept in current Pagodas	345	24	48
ACCOUNT PRESENTS By a Tautapauck present being to account sooner than usual & other Extra presents	176	24	60
BANDARMALANKA HOUSE &C ^t . Buildings Occasioned by Building Godowns, Walls &c ^t	67	15	40
	<u>1332</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>61</u>
THE VARIABLE REVENUES of this place and its SUBORDINATES ..			

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Sea Customs.	From 1 May 1754 to 30 April 1756.	35087	21	50
	From 1 May 1755 to 30 April 1756	29887	18	57	5270	2 73 ..
Land Customs.	From 1 st May 1754 to 30 April 1755.	6772	21	16	..	..
	From 1 May 1755 to 30 April 1756.	6019	16	27	..	..
					753	4 69 ..
Custom on Coinage.	From 1 May 1754 to 30 April 1755.	1303	15	68
	From 1 May 1755 to 30 April 1756.	2634	19	40
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Sea Customs Cuddalore.	From 1 st May 1754 to 30 April 1755.	5513	9	65
	From 1 May 1755 to 30 April 1756.	5437	31	41
					75	14 24 ..
Land Custom do.	From 1 May 1754 to 30 April 1755.	1802	19	72	..	..
	From 1 May 1755 to 30 April 1756.	2083	15	76	..	280 32
Tevenepatam Customs.	From 1 st May 1754 to 30 April 1755.	950	14	78
	From 1 st May 1755 to 30 April 1756.	935	24	26
					14	26 52 ..

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Town Custom.	From 1 st May 1754 to 30 th April 1755	2460	23	—
	From 1 May 1755 to 30 April 1756.	1607	20	70
					853	2 10 ..
		Pagodas ..	6966	14	68	1611 35 56
			1611	35	56	..

Total Decrease in the Revenues Pagodas .. 5354 15 12

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HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

Your most Obed^t humble servant,

FORT ST. GEORGE,
MAY 1st 1756.

ROBERT ORME,
Accompt.

Arriv'd Sloop Martha William Flint, from the West Coast of Sumatra with a General Letter from M^r. Randolph Marriott at Natal dated 13 April. Receiv'd by Pattamars three General Letters from M^r. John Andrews late Resident at Randarmalanka.

1st Dated at Palicol 9th May
1 at Maddapollam 16th. } 1757
1 at Metchlepatam 25th. }

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- 19 Sailed Sloop Gopinada Passaad, Laul Doss, for Bellasore.
 — D^o. Sloop Jaggernada Passaad, Laul Magie for D^o.
 20 Sail'd the Honble Companys Ship Marlborough, Captain Alexander Macleod
 for Bengal & to touch at Vizagapatam with General Letters for both those
 Settlements dated the 18th. Instant.
 — Sail'd Ketch S^t. John, John Murphy for bengal.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT.

HENRY POWNEY ROBERT ORME.

JOHN SMITH. FOSS WESTCOTT.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MONDAY
20TH

The book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 13th. Instant read & sign'd.General Letters read Viz^t.General
letters read
From Mr.
Andrews.

N^o. 85, 86 and 87 From M^r. John Andrews late Resident at Bandarmalanka. The first dated at Pulicat the 9th. May advising of having sent a Boat with all his Military to the Assistance of Nellipillee on receipt of a letter from M^r. Calland acquainting him that the French from Metchlepatam, Rajahmundry, Narsapore &c^t. having rendezvouz'd at Yanam were preparing to attack him. This boat he directed in case of Nallipillee should be taken or block'd up & the Winds prevents it's return to proc'd to Vizagapatam. That it is since reported by the French that Party has been intercepted by their seapoys. He adds that having embal'd all the cloth he embarqued it with all the Companys Effects on board the George Sloop & sent her close to the barr. The fresh sea Winds preventing her from getting to sea he thought it most expedient to make his Retreat which he did on the 6th. narrowly escaping the partys laid for him and got to Palicole in safety, That he is informed some Guns have been fired from Nellipilla upon the Beseigers but none from them at our People, Requesting our Endeavours to procure a Passport from Pondicherry for himself and M^r. Dolben with their Effects to proceed to Bandarmalanka and informing us that he has sent this under the Dutch cover to Puliocat, by which channel he is in hopes of our speedy Answers & Advice, & that he has annexed the Account of Cloth shipp'd on board the sloop, concluding with a promise of further particulars in his next. The second dated at Maddapollam the 16th. Ultimo Advising that Nellipillee surrender'd the 11th. and that the French on the 12th. sent a party to late possession of Bandarmalanka but that the Sloop, upon Promise of a Pecuniary Reward to the Pilot was before they arriv'd got over the Barr, That he can get no particulars of the evacuation of Nellipillee but from the French who say the People surrendered Prisoners of War, adding that his Family being ill and his Effects in Power of the French he had on their word come to Maddapollam and that he believes he shall be obliged to surrender to obtain his Liberty altho even in that case he is dubious whether his Effects, will be saved, as being unwilling to detain the Sloop, he chose rather to expose his own than the Companys, That the Enemy are collecting all their Force with Intention to join M^r. Bussie who he believes will attack Vizagapatam, Observing that the Disposition of the place & what assistance will be necessary must be best known to us and that he hopes his last will be time enough to prevent any supplies being sent to Nellipillee or Bandarmalanka. The last is dated at Metchlepatam the 25th. of the same Month, and encloses the above Letters (which the Dutch Factory at Palicol being surrounded and their Letters stopped and opened on his

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account fell into the hands of M^r. Maracin who delivered them back to him) and the Monthly Account for April by which and the List of Cloth sent to Vizagapatam he Observes we may see the Company will be no sufferers in their Cash and not much Money lying in the merchants Hands, That he is in hopes the Sloop is got safe to Vizagapatam with all the Companys Stock that could possibly be shipped off & promises shortly a more particular and satisfactory Account of the whole.

N^o. 88 From M^r. Randolph Marriot Resident of Natal dated 13th. April From Natal. received by the Sloop Martha which Vessell he informs us sailed in September last for Bengal with a Letter under our Address on the situation of the Companys Affairs on his management but lost her passage and return'd, that he omits transmitting a Duplicate as he concludes Copy must have been receiv'd from Marlbro by Hartop, That they have been in perfect Tranquility since then and that some Boats luckily brought supplies of Rice which has eased the Discontents of the Inhabitants at the want of proper supplies That salt will be very acceptable as that place has been without for sometime, he adds that there are various Reports of the Designs of their Neighbours, some pretend Bigganda Moreja Lello has been well receiv'd at Batavia whither he went to solicit Assistance against us and is shortly expected with a large Party, Others insist he is called to Account for the expence he has run the Dutch Company to, and that the Governour of Padang is likewise recalled on that Account. Of the Atcheen Rebels he can get no Satisfactory Intelligence.

The three following Letters from the Mayors Court having been receiv'd just at the time the dispatches for Europe by the Walpole were preparing to be closed, time would not then admit of their being thoroughly Consider'd or enter'd on the Minutes of Consultation they are therefore now read, Considered and order'd to be enter'd after these Minutes Viz^t. Three Letters from the Mayors Court read.

A Letter dated the 31st May last proposing certain times to be fixed for Ballancing the Books kept by the Governour and Council, the Accountant-General and Register of the Mayors Court for all such money Effects and Securitys belonging to the Suitors of the said Court as shall be paid in or deposited with the Governour Council.

AGREED that the said Books be Ballanced on the 30th of April and 30th of October in every year and that a space of four days preceeding each of those days be allowed for that purpose. Order thereon.

Another Letter dated the 2^d Instant being in Answer to one wrote to the Mayors Court by the Secretary the 26th Ultimo, The Board do not think it necessary to animadvert on the Contents of this Letter, but Order'd it to be enter'd hereafter for the inspection of the Honble Court of Directors. Order thereon.

Another Letter dated the 6th Instant. The Board have already made their remarks on this Letter in their Address to the Honble Court of Directors dated the 6th Instant which are as follow Viz^t.

The Court in their Letter of this date say they think it probable the former Court had some Stock of their own in the year 1743 when they gave up to the President and Council on behalf of the Company the Revenues of the Banksall &c^t. on Condition that the Company should bear their Expences. It appears quite otherwise to us for on recourse to the Minutes of Consultation of the 9th January 1743/4 We find a Letter enter'd from the Mayors Court desiring to be reimbursed the sum of Three hundred and fifty seven pagodas, Twenty seven fanams and thirty Cash, which they had been obliged to take out of the Estates deposited in Court, to defray their Expences, as the Revenues appropriated to that purpose had been insufficient for some years and by an Account entered after Consultation the 23^d. January 1743/4 it appears that in the Course of seven Years the Mayors Court Expences had Remark thereon

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exceeded their ordinary Revenues by the sum of Pagodas Two thousand three hundred and seventy five thirty four fanams and fifty seven Cash which deficiency (except the above sum of Three hundred and fifty seven pagodas, twenty seven fanams and thirty Cash then in Arrear it was conjectured at that time had been made good out of the Interest on the Moneys belonging to the Estates deposited and lent out by them on security from which it is plain the Mayors Court had no Stock of their own in 1744 and We do not know of any means by which they could acquire one between that time and the loss of this Settlement in 1746, if so, it is then plain that the Two thousand Pagodas lent in June 1746 on a Mortgage of Mr. Joseph Smiths House must have been the Suitors money deposited and consequently that the present Court can have no legal authority to apply it to the uses of the Court or Corporation. We agree with the Mayors Court that the present Goal is bad and inconvenient but rather than apply as they propose any part of the Money deposited under the head of SUNDRY PERSONS UNKNOWN in the purchase of the House and Warehouse behind the present Court house, or put your Honours to that Expence We think the Godowns under the Court House had better be converted into a Goal, for which they may easily be made Commodious and proper. What has pass'd on the subject of the application made to us by the Commissioners of the Court of Requests for a place to assemble in. We submit entirely to your Judgment only observing (as in justice We ought) that the Commissioners of the Court of Requests, far from deceiving or intending to deceive Us as the Mayors Court labour to shew, acted, We think, very Judiciously, they (as we are well inform'd tho it does not appear by their Letter to us) never meant to make a formal application to the Mayors Court but thinking they might with as little difficulty have been admitted to hold their Courts in the present as they had in the former Town Hall paid the Mayors Court the common Compliment of asking their Consent verbally but as soon as they found that a formal request in Writing was required of them in order to be enter'd of Record they Judg'd it more adviseable to apply to us for a Place to hold their Courts, and accordingly in a Concise and Modest Letter without any animadversions merely represented to us that since the Sale of the late Town Hall they were destitute of a place to assemble in. We thought it as little became us as them, to Petition the Mayors Court on this Occasion and have therefore appropriated the General Hall under the Consultation room in the Fort House to the use of the Court of Requests till your Pleasure be known.

Mr. Westcotts acct. Investment & Accot. remains at Ingeram.

Mr. Foss Westcott lays before the Board an Account Current of the last Investment made by him at Ingeram to the time of his departure from that place and at the same time an Account of the Companys Stock at that Factory deliver'd over by him to Mr. John Calland, and acknowledged by Mr. Calland.

The Export Warehousekeeper Certifies to the Board that the amount of Cloth specified in Mr. Westcotts Account of the last Investment and said to be delivered at Madrass is conformable to the Warehouse Books.

Order thereon.

ORDER'D that the Account remains of Stock at Ingeram be deposited in the Accountants Office, That the Account Current be enter'd hereafter and that the Ballance thereof being Four thousand one hundred and thirty seven Pagodas thirty two fanams and thirty two Cash (4,137-32-32) be received into Cash and brought to the Credit of Ingeram Factory.

A Pipe of Madeira Wine leaked out on Board the Marlbro to be wrote off to Profit & Loss.

The Import Warehousekeeper desires the directions of the Board in regard to one of the pipes of Madeira Wine sent on Board the Marlbro and intended for Bengal but which thro some defect in the Cash not discovered till too late entirely leak'd out on board as appears by the declaratien of Mr. John Nalton the Second Mate of that Ship now produced to the Board.

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As it appears that the said pipe of Wine leaked out from a defect in the Cask and not thro neglect either on shore or aboard ORDER'D that it be wrote off to profit & Loss.

Four of the Honble Company's Writers who came out last year for Bengal on the Chesterfield which ship was returned home from hence, having been permitted to proceed on the Walpole Capt. Fowler represents to the Board that he has not receiv'd any Consideration for their Diet during seventy seven days that they were on board.

Capt. Fowler to be paid for the passage of 4 writers to Bengal.

The Board considering that it is usual to allow the Companys Servants ten Pagodas for their Charges in removing from one Settlement to another on this Coast think it but reasonable to add something on Account of the length of the Walpoles passage to Bengal in October last and do therefore agree to allow Captain Fowler fifteen Pagodas for the Passage and Diet of each of the aforementioned Writers.

The President acquaints the Board that some time ago one James Harvey a Mate of a Country Vessell then lying in the Road having been accused before him of wounding two Cattamaran Fellows by firing a Musket at them as they were passing near the said Vessell he had thereupon put the said Harvey under Confinement and sent the Wounded Men to the Hospital who are now perfectly recovered. The President further acquaints the Board that on enquiry it does not appear to him the said Harvey had any malicious intent in firing at the Cattamaran People but only meant to oblige them to come on board that he might buy Fish of them, he therefore proposes to the Consideration of the Board in what manner to proceed against the said Harvey.

Representation in regard to one James Harvey who wounded two Cattamaran Fellows.

The Board are of Opinion that altho the abovementioned James Harvey might not have had any Malicious Intent to Kill or wound the Cattamaran people yet that such acts of Licenciousness ought not to be pass'd over, and are further of opinion that the sending him to Europe may serve as the most effectual Example to deter others as well as a Punishment to the Delinquent for his Offence and it is accordingly agreed that he be sent to Europe as a Charterparty Passenger on the Walpole.

He is to be sent home on the Walpole.

Sunca Vencata Ramah Farmer of the Beetle & Tobacco pays in Nine hundred and thirty three Pagodas twelve fanams (933-12) in full for one Months Rent of that Farm due the 12th. Instant.

Beetle & Tobacco, Rent paid.

Poombavay Vellapah Farmer of the Paddy fields and salt Pans pays in Four hundred and fifty seven pagodas Eighteen fanams (457-18) in full for six months Rent of that Farm due the 12th. Instant.

Paddy fields and salt pans.

AGREED that Ten thousand (10,000) Arcot Rupees be advanced the Commissary for the Charges of the Troops abroad.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRs,

I am order'd by the Honble the Mayors Court, to acquaint you, that M^r. Claud Russell the late Accomptant General of that Court having this day delivered to the Court an Account containing the Ballances of what Monies, Effects and Securitys belonging to the Suitors of the Court remained Deposited

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with the Governour & Council on the 31st. December 1756 at the same time that he did, Conformable to An order of the Court deliver in an Account containing the Ballances of what Monies, Effects and Securitys belonging to the Suitors, remain in the hands of the Governour & Council on this day at the expiration of his Office, to be filed among the Records of the Court Reference being thereupon had to the Order of the Court of Directors for appointing an Accomptant General which Accompanied the Royal Charter, a Clause was found therein in the following Words.

“ AND IT IS FURTHER ORDER'D that twice in every year at such times as shall be agreed upon by the said Governour or President, and Council and the said Mayors Court the Books of the said Governour, and Council, Accountant General and Reg^r. shall be Ballanced and for that purpose, and during that Interval of time no moneys Effects or Securities, shall be received paid or delivered out; and that a Duplicate, or Copy be made of one of the sets of the said Books and signed by the Governour and Council, Accountant General and Register, and transmitted from time to time to the East India Company in England, and the said Governour and Council, Register and Accountant General, shall at the first sitting of the Mayors Court after the respective times beforementioned, Deliver unto the said Court an acco^t. in Writing, containing the Ballances of moneys, Effects, and securities belonging to the suitors of the Mayors Court, in each respective Cause; at the time afore said, and shall sign the said accounts, and shall Certify that they have Examined their respective Accounts with each other and that the Ballances set forth in the said Accounts do agree with those in their respective Books, which Certificate and Account shall be filed among the Records of the Mayor's Court. ”

The perusal of which Clause, and the late Accountant General delivering in the Account of the Ballances for last year, so long after the Expiration thereof, gave the Court Occasion to consider that these necessary Directions in the aforesaid Clause had hitherto in a great measure been neglected, for that no time had as yet been agreed upon, for Ballancing the Books of the Governour & Council Accountant General and Register, as the Order Directs And therefore it was Agreed by the Court, that the said Clause should immediately be taken into Consideration and that the Opinion which should be formed thereupon should be intimated to your Honour &c^t. that your Concurrence might be obtained as to the two times in the year, when the aforesaid Books should be Ballanced. The Court, upon enquiry, having been inform'd that the General Books of this Presidency, are Ballanced on the 30th. April annually it was unanimously agreed that, The Books of the Governour and Council, Accountant General and Register for all such Moneys, Effects and securities, belonging to the Suitors of this Court as shall be paid in or Deposited with the Governour and Council shall be Ballanced on the 30th. of April; and likewise on the 30th. of October in every year, and that a space of four days preceeding each of these Dates, shall be allow'd for the doing thereof; for which purpose and during which Interval of time no Money Effects or Securities shall be received paid [&] delivered out, and that a Duplicate or Copy be made by the Accountant General of one of the sets of the said Books, and signed by the Governour & Council Accountant General and Register of this Court; and delivered into this Court, at the time of the dispatch of the first ship, which shall be order'd for England after the 20th. December annually to be transmitted to the East India Company together with the other Records of this Court; and further that the Order in the said Clause for delivering into this Court an Account in writing containing the Ballances of Moneys, Effects and Securities belonging to the suitors of this Court, at the first sitting of the Court, after the respective times beforementioned shall be observed in manner & form is therein specified & But as your Honour &c^t. may possibly think that a longer time than four

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days might be allowed for Ballancing the said Books ; I am desired to represent, that it may happen to be a perticular hardship on any Suitor who may have Occasion to offer a deposit of Money or other Security to the Court, for want of special Bail during the time that the Books are shut, that such Deposit cannot then be received and therefore the Court are desirous to make the time as short as possible for the Conveniency of the Suitor However should your Honour &c^t. think the time proposed for Ballancing the Books too short ; or any other two times in the year, more Convenient ; I am directed to acquaint you that the Court will have no Objection to acquiesce in this matter with what-ever your Honour &c^t. shall AGREE to. I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRs.

Your most Obedient servant.

DANIEL MORSE.

Reg^r.

TOWN HALL,
31st. MAY 1757.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.
PRESIDENT GOVERNOUR & c^t. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

I am directed by the Honble the Mayors Court to acknowledge the receipt of a Letter from your Secretary of the 26th. past In which you express your concern that this Court could not admit of the application made by Mr. Stratton, the Clerk of the Court of Requests for liberty to hold their Courts in the Town Hall and that you do not in the least doubt, but the Court of Directors will think that application was quite sufficient, whatever may be the opinion of this Court on that subject.

In Answer to which I am desired to say that your prejudging what the Opinion of the Court of Directors may be in this matter, cannot but be superfluous, since the Court of Directors will undoubtedly form their Judgment, from a fair representation of the Case, which will of course go transmitted to them, upon the Records of this Court. And since no opinion of your Honour &c^t. with regard to the Forms, which this Court find it necessary to observe in the Course of their Practice, and Proceedings can in any way controul affect the same.

The Court are very sensible that your Honour & c^t. are now subject to many such material attentions as makes it reasonable in you to decline any animadversions upon the declaration made by the Court, that the notice given by you to the Court of Requests was improper and had the Commissioners of that Court been equally sensible thereof, they could never have thought it proper, much less necessary to have troubled your Honour &c^t. with any application for obtaining, what they might so easily procure without it, by a means the most reasonable in them to acquiesce with as they could not be ignorant that it was well known to your Honour &c^t. and indeed to every body else, that the Corporation of the Mayor & Aldermen had purchased the House, which they now possess, without putting the East India Company to any Expencc ; and therefore if the Liberty of holding the Court of Requests in that House, was a Convenience worth the obtaining what sensible reason can be suggested, why the Commissioners should avoid an Address to this Court, in writing instead of a verbal application, since the Court were of opinion that an Application in writing ought to be made in conformity to their practice ; and since that application by the success it would have met with, would have.

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prevented the Trouble which the Commissioners have given upon this occasion. The Court therefore think that it only remains to be said that if the Commissioners of the Court of Requests should give your Honour &c^t. any further trouble upon this subject. It is not to be doubted but your Honour &c^t. (in consequence of the Letter which I had the Honour to write to you, from the Court of the 21st. past) will acquaint them, that when they make their application in writing to this Court, for leave to sit in the present Court House, such leave will be granted them.

I am with Respect,

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

Your most Obed^t. Serv^t.

DANIEL MORSE.

Reg^t.

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JUNE 2^d. 1757.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^t.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^t. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

The Court of Directors in the 22^d. Paragraph of their General Letter of 11th. February 1756 having expressed their disapprobation of a direct application to them from this Court ; and Desir'd that the Court would upon these occasions, address themselves to you : such matters as We Judge it necessary, at this time to communicate to the Court of Directors, We hereby address to you, that the same may be transmitted to them.

Para 1. The House which has been occupied by the Mayors Court, as a Town Hall, since the reestablishment of the Court, was mortgaged to the former Court, in June 1746 by M^r. John Smith, the then Gunner of this Place, for the sum of Two thousand pagodas, lent to him by the Court at 7 ꝑc^t. ꝑ annum. It remained so mortgaged, when this Court was reestablished, and as the old Court House then was (and still is) in a very ruinous condition and not fit to be occupied ; unless it was entirely rebuilt (which would take much time and require a large sum, besides the employing Materials, which were necessary for the Fortifications) the Court thought it most expedient to make use of the Mortgage House, for assembling in notwithstanding the whole House had only a Ground Floor, with a low Roof, which render'd the Room in which the Court assembled, very close as it was too small also for the purpose.

The holding Courts in such a House constantly once a week and very often twice for three Hours & frequently for five hours' for near four years in this Hot Town, has been found extremely inconvenient and the Members could not often help expressing the hardship they labour'd under both in regard to their health ; and the difficulty of preserving for four or five hours together, the same attention in the discharge of the functions of their office, as they might be able to preserve in a more convenient situation. But justly sensible as they were, that they ought to bear with this Hardship for sometime, rather than procure any part of the Materials and Workmen, which were wanted for the Fortifications & other publick Works, which have been rais'd for the Security of this Settlement, to be by their means applied for any other purpose ; they resolved to wait with patience till some favourable opportunity should offer for the purchase of a convenient House, or till the Fortifications were so far finished, that Materials, or Workmen could be spared for rebuilding the

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old Court House, or erecting a New Advertisements appearing at the Gates in August last, that the Executor of Petrus Usca, Armenian Merchant, Deceased was (by order of the President & Council) to sell a large House, which was built by the said Petrus Usca, before the loss of the place, in Choultry Gate street,— then occupied by Mr. Ephraim Isaac. The Mayor & Aldermen considered, that , that House by having a more spacious and airy upper room Hall, with proper Rooms on each side, in good repair for Offices was in every respect, more suitable & convenient for the Mayors Court, than any other that was likely to offer in future ; and that if they were to wait till a new House could be built, it must cost by far a greater sum than that House was likely to sell for ; besides the hardships of being so much yet longer deprived of the conveniency they stood so much in need of : and as the Corporation found upon examination, that the Funds which they were possess'd of, from the sum mortgaged upon the House they then occupied (with the Interest thereon) & also about Eight hundred Pagodas, which had been lately left to them by Mr. William Jennings, late of London & formerly an Alderman of this place, together with above six hundred Pagodas, which Mess^{rs}. Goodwin & Sloper had paid to the Court, as the amount of the Maces Palankeen Tossells & other such Ensigns of the former Court as they found means to save, at the Loss of the place, It was found, that these sums together would go nearly if not be quite sufficient, for the purchase of Petrus House, And therefore it was agreed, that the Corporation should as much as possible avoid putting the East India Company to any Expencc for Building or purchasing a Court House. But it being suggested at that time, that there was an intention of purchasing that House, for the Company the Mayor, at the desire of the Corporation, acquainted the President with their Intention of purchasing the House ; but that they had likewise agreed at the same time that if the President intended to purchase is for the Company the Corporation would drop their intention of making the purchase. The Mayor reported this matter accordingly to the President & the President desired him to signifie to the Corporation that there was no intention of purchasing the House for the Company nor had he any objection to its being purchased by the Corporation, for their own use, and further likewise, the President acquainted the Mayor, that the President & Council had leave from the Court of Directors, to build a Town Hall but that the Members of the Court must be very sensible that it could not without great Inconvenience be undertaken 'till the Fortifications were Erected. Hereupon the Resolution which the Corporation had come to, at their former Meeting, for purchasing the House was confirm'd and it was further proposed that if the Money which the Corporation were possess'd of, should fall any thing short of the purchase Money the Deficiency (in order to avoid putting the Company to any advance upon this occasion at that time) might be taken up as a Loan to the Corporation out of the Pagodas 3456, which remain'd of the Pagodas 4368 that was deposited with the President & Council in the Name of the Accomptant General, under the head of SUNDRY PERSONS UNKNOWN in payment of a Bond, granted to the former Mayors Court in the year 1746 by the then President & Council And for the security of the repayment of any such sum so to be taken up in case the same should ever be claim'd by such as could prove their Title thereto as Suitors to the former Court (a matter which it was reasonably believ'd was never likely to happen as no more than Pagodas 912, of the first 4368 had been claim'd since the re-Establishment of the Court to that time) It was agreed that a Deed of Mortgage should be granted upon the house which was to be purchased in the Name and on the part of the Corporation, which Deed should be deposited in the hands of the President & Council with the Cash & Effects of the Company in the name of the Accomptant General under the Head of SUNDRY PERSONS UNKNOWN, there to remain as a security till such persons as might be legally entiled thereto should appear & make good their claims; at which time or as soon as this

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Transaction should be known to the Court of Directors they might order the sum so borrowed to be replaced and the Mortgage to be redeem'd

But this last part of the purpose of the Corporation they have not found it necessary to put in execution as there has been no occasion to take up any Money at all for Compleating the purchase of the House for thō it was bought by them for 5,000 Pagodas (on the 26th. August last to be deliver'd on the 1st. of May thereafter and the Money to be paid at the delivery) yet by a favourable sale of the House which had been Mortgaged by Mr. Joseph Smith and which sold for Pagodas 3150 (after four Months notice given to the Representatives of Mr. Smith to redeem the same & no persons whatsoever appearing) the whole sum of the purchase money is compleated. The several Resolutions, & proceedings of the Corporation in this matter are Enter'd on the Records of the Court & are transcribed in the annexed paper N^o. 1 to be transmitted herewith to the Directors for their satisfaction. Para 2^d. The Corporation being thus possess'd of a better & more convenient House, than they had before, without putting the Company to any Expence for the same; it is intended that two large Warehouses, which belong to it, shall be always let out in order to raise a constant fund for keeping the House in good repair, and other necessary purposes, and as the Warehouses may both let for about Pagodas 140 to Pagodas 150 or more one year with another, no Expence will be occasion'd to the Company on account of repairs.

Altho' some explanation is given in the annexed paper N^o. 1 of the sum of Pagodas 2,000 which was lent by the former Court upon the Mortgage of Mr. Smith's House; yet since some of the Members dissented to the application of that sum for the purchase of the new House, from an opinion, that the same might or did, belong to the suitors of the former Court; It is thought proper, to explain that matter more particularly in this Letter, the better to remove any scruples which may arise, with regard to the right of the Corporation to the House, and for the greater satisfaction of the Court of Directors. Almost all the Cash Books of the former Courts from year 1688 to the month of July 1746 are Preserv'd and by these it appears, that the Mayors Court which was Established by the Companys Charter in 1687 had grants of Revenue and Fine &c which produced Funds for building a Town Hall, Bridge & other publick Works, and left some Stock to the Corporation, And thō some of these Revenues were lessen'd (by means not particularly known at this distance of time) before the Charter Granted in 1727 came out; yet such Revenue as continued from the old Corporation to that which was then established, seems for some years, to have exceeded the Current expences of the Court. For the Court did in Anno 1743 (finding their Revenues much decreas'd) give up to the President & Council on behalf of the Company, their Rents & Revenues for the Banksall, Sea Gate & Weighing Dwty &c^t. on condition that the Company should bear the Expences of Court keeping; yet it seems very probable from a perusal of the Cash Books (althō the matter is not rendered so dear to the present Members of the Court, as might be wished because some few of the Cash Books at different periods since the year 1688 are wanting (that the Court had some stock of their own, when they gave up the Revenues; which did not belong to their Suitors; & which the then Members, might think they ought to preserve entire for the benefit of the Corporation as it had arose from the Revenues thereof. The said sum of Pagodas 2000 (as mention'd in the annexed paper N^o. 1) which had been lent to John Sanderson & which was repaid on the 28th, of June 1746 (on the very day the same was lent to Mr. Joseph Smith, on the mortgage of his House) had been in Mr. Sandersons hands ever since anno 1756 and he paid 7 p^{er} C^t. Interest thereupon, regularly every year. Besides this sum of Pagodas 2000, It appears that some more Money (about

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Pagodas 1500 more or less) had been lent by the Corporation, to other substantial Persons, before & about that time : so that it is probable they might have about Pagodas 4000 of their own at the time that the place was taken tho they did not carry the same on, in the Ballance of their Cash Account, as they kept the Money at the Interest; for in the Cash Account of July 1746 (which is the last account they wrote) several particular sums, which were then paid into the Chest, on account of the suitors are specified; and these make together, no more than about Pagodas 2500 besides which there was a ballance of cash of Pagodas 539 remaining from June, belonging to the Corporation, both which are about Pagodas 1320 short of the sum paid in by Mr. Joseph Fowke the then Mayor to the President & Council, for which he obtained the Bond, which has since been paid to this Court and if these two sums of Pagodas 539 & Pagodas 1320 had belong'd to the Suitors as well as the other sums, which made up the sum of Pagodas 2500 which is expressly declared to be theirs, it is reasonable to suppose that the same would have been so express'd in the Cash Book; that it might afterwards be distinguished as money belonging to the suitors. It is indeed true that the last Cash account (which is in July 1746) is not closed; nor does it shew what were all the particulars which made up the sum of Pagodas 4368 that was paid to the Governor & Council; neither is there any particular account of that sum, as yet found amongst the Records that are saved. But as it seems so probable, from all these Circumstances that not only the aforesaid sum of Pagodas 2000 lent upon the Mortgage; but near as much more did belong to the former Corporation; & that it no where appears that the same belong'd to the suitors; the right which this Corporation had to make use of that Money, which the sale of the Mortgaged House produced, towards the purchase of a better House, will hardly be impeach'd; Especially when it is considered that even upon a supposition that that sum did actually belong to suitors of the former Court; this Corporation have not otherwise changed the disposition which the former Court thought proper to make of it than to obtain another House, to stand as a security for it which will be much more lasting and is much better & more valuble than that which it was secured upon before: And therefore if any suitors should be supposed to appear at any time hereafter, that can bring proofs of their right to the sum of Pagodas 2000 (a Circumstance, that cannot well happen, before the whole sum of Pagodas 4368 for which the abovementioned Bond was granted is first paid off by claims since it will at all times appear by the Records of the Court, how that sum has been applied, the house purchased will always remain, to answer for it, to such supposed suitors. To give the greater satisfaction to the Court of Directors upon this Head, We herewith transmit Copys of the Cash accounts for the Month of June & July 1746 in paper N^o. 2; and We purpose to write to Mess^{rs}. Fowke & Godwin to procure what information, they can give upon the subject. The other sums which made up the Pagodas 5000 are sufficiently explain'd here & in the paper N^o. 1 & and it will hardly be question'd by any body.

Para 3. Altho the Corporation are thus provided with a House the Money they had being expended in that purchase they find it necessary to represent to the Directors, that the Goal which belongs to the Court is bad & inconvenient for the confinement of the Debtors, or even Felons. It is the Ground Floor room of the old Court House in a ruinous condition & the only part of the House that now remains and (as it stands in St. Thomas street) by being so far detach'd from the present Court House, it is not so properly situated as it ought to be. The Corporation are of opinion that the House which stands behind their present House, belonging to the Church which is a House of one story only & likewise a Warehouse, which stands betwixt that House & and the old Portugueze Church belonging to one Sunca Ramah, a Gentoe Merchant street ought to be purchased & by that means, a better passage from Middle Gate street might be made to Court House, than what it has at present, fronting the new

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Barracks, in Choultry Gate street ; & a proper Goal might be made that would be close to the Court House, & render'd as convenient & comfortable to poor Debtors as such a place ought to be in all well regulated settlements ; These purchase and alterations would not cost a great deal and if it should be thought proper that part of the sum which remains of the Money from the old Court, under the Head of **SUNDRY PERSONS UNKOWN** might be employ'd for this purpose, to be replaced again, if what came to be so taken out should ever be claim'd, it is very probable that the Company would never be put to any more expence, on that account than they have been put to, for the purchase of the Court House.

Para 4. The Court of Requests, being establish'd by His Majesty's Charter for the more easy & speedy recovery of small Debts and as the Establishment thereof, may Encourage and promote usefull Industry & will relieve the Mayors Court, from many suits for small sums, as long as this new Court, does not exceed the Limits prescribed by the Charter and the Rules, Orders & Regulations, which the Court of Directors, shall find it expedient to lay down for them from time to time This Corporation could not hesitate, as to the reasonableness of accomodating that Court, with a proper place to hold their courts, in the House lately purchased, & now possess'd by this Corporation ; and it was always their intention so to do, when a proper application was made to them for that purpose. But as the Court of Requests (after a verbal Message from them to this Court, was thought irregular) have chose to write to your Honour &c^t. for a place to assemble in rather than to apply to this Court, in that manner which was thought most conformable to the Forms & practice thereof and your Honour &c^t. by having now accommodated them with a place to hold their Court in, have taken away all occasion for their making an application to this Court, in that from which was most conformable to the practice thereof ; the whole matter might have been pass'd over in silence ; But as some accidents attended this Affair which might have produced no very agreeable consequences, it will not be improper to be something more particular with regard to it. A Verbal Message having come from the Court of Requests to this Court, for leave to assemble in the House purchased by the Corporation they were told, that an application should be made in writing, agreeable to the practice of the Court, that the same might be entered on record & the privilege which they wanted might be thereby better established in case the same should ever come into dispute hereafter ; but instead of doing this, since they have thought proper, to discover a behaviour upon this occasion, very little consistent with sound reason & far from that Candour which they owe to your Honour &c^t. to this Court, in their private capacity ; or to themselves as a Court ; It is thought proper to cause the two Letters from Honour &c^t. to this Court of the 14th. & 26th. past, wherein this subject is mention'd & the answers to these Letters from this Court of the 2st. Ultimo 2^d. Instant to be transcribed in the annexed paper N^o. 3 that the same may be transmitted to the Court of Directors for their Information and satisfaction. The Court of Requets, upon this occasion rather than conform with the practice of this Court to obtain the convenience they wanted having wrote to your Honour &c^t. in most disingenous manner, by concealing the application they made to this Court & the answer they receiv'd & at the same time telling you that they were destitute, of a place to sit in by which they desired your Honour &c^t. & thereby procured the Paragraph in your Letter of the 14th. past, wherein (before the consent of the Corporation, to whom it belongs was obtained) it is signified to them, that they may sit in the present Town Hall. But the Court having intimated to your Honour &c^t. in their Letter of the 21st. past that such consent was necessary & that it should be granted when properly applied for ; Why no application has been since made nor any intimation given them, by your Honour &c^t. that if they made such an application it would succeed ; but instead thereof a second Address to your Honour &c^t. from the Court of

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Requests, (upon their finding that Obstacles arose from this Court, which render'd the first unsuccessfull) and thereupon a place appointed them by your Honour &c^t. to assemble in ; is no further of consequence enough to be convass'd than to satisfy the Court of Directors, that the spirit by which the Court of Requests seem to have been actuated might (if your Honour &c^t. had been less observant of those Rules of Justice & reason which are so necessary for duely supporting & shewing a due regard to these authorities, which are conveyed by the Royal Charter I have led the Gentleman of that Court to try a very extraordinary Experiment; under the sanction of the intimation which was given them, as express'd in your Letter of the 14th. past; to Wit, whether by an Intrusion into the House belonging to the Corporation, they could be the Instruments of shewing the publick, that the Mayors Court, which is established for the preservation of every Mans property could not enjoy the free possession of their own without being exposed to Insults upon their authority. But these Gentlemen seem to have acted upon this occasion without strict regard to consequences. This Court indeed by assembling on the Thursday (till that spirit with which the Court of Requests were actuated, should subside, by a proper application to this Court or by their being accommodated otherwise) took the most prudent course they could to prevent any rash attempt of theirs. But how far any steps which may have the most distant tendency to such consequences ought to be discouraged (especially in these far distant Settlements) is too obvious to your Honour &c^t. to require any further reflection and with all due deference to the Court of Requests, whatever Title, the Gentlemen that compose it, might imagine they had to sit in the House belonging to this Corporation, without any liberty being obtain'd from them We must take the Liberty to say, that it was a duty incumbent on them, to have shewn a more suitable behaviour to a Court of Record & Corporation; of which, Five of them are Officers; and likewise the duty of many of them to remember; that as Junior servants to the Company or even as Commissioners of the Court of Requests; they ought not so far to deviate from that respect and decorum which is due to your &c^t. as to deceive you, in the representation they made of the want of a place to assemble in; by concealing from you how much they had it in their own power, to procure such a place; if they would but do, what was so reasonable in itself, & so easy to be done; without troubling your Honour &c^t. upon the occasion.

Para 5. This Court cannot avoid acquainting the Court of Directors that every days practice in the Business thereof; & innumerable accidents that occur to their observation in Affairs of Commerce & of Meum & Tuum; convince them more & more, of the extreme hardship, it is, upon the Natives, to be deprived, of an application to the Kings Courts, in matters of property; a hardship which must in time and perhaps too soon, alienate their affections & attachment; (at least of the Industrious part of them) from this Settlement. Many of them, who are compelled to pay their debts, to those who can prosecute them in the Court, or submit to Imprisonment if they do not pay; have much more owing to them by their own Countrymen, Who bid them defiance, as knowing, that no legal means can be taken, to compel them, to pay what they owe, upon account or upon many Bargains, which they make. Indeed some of their who have obtained Bonds, & Cadjan Obligations, or Promissory Notes assign them to such Creditors as can sue for the payment of them or sell them very often to others no doubt at a very great discount; a practice which must unavoidably increase every day as long as People find themselves compelled by their wants & their Creditors, to have recourse to it. What your Honour &c^t. have done, in consequence of the 103^d. to the 109 paragraph, of the General Letter from the Court of Directors of 31st. Janry 1755 upon this subject, this Court can give no account of. The Court are very sensible, how much the Trouble, which they now have, in the discharge of the Business thereof (on which likewise they attend without any Emolument) would be greatly increased

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by a Repeal of that Clause of the Charter which excludes the Natives ; but as honest Men under whose observation, this matter most frequently & most particularly occurs ; the fulfill that duty, which by the Function of their Officer they owe to the Publick to these Settlements & to the Interest of the East India Company in thus giving their opinions.

Para 6. By thus addressing your Honour &c^t. the Court at this time comply with the desire of the Court of Directors, but they must take the Liberty to say that the method of a direct application to the Court of Directors, which they have followed since their Reestablishment, till now, is in their opinion, a much more likely method to Cause less trouble on either side & to procure with more certainty & ease that Information, which in some particular cases, they may require from time to time, for the better regulation of the Proceedings & Practice of the Court in Points of Law : And without presuming to form the least doubt of what the Court of Directors say in the 22^d. paragraph of their Letter of the 11th. February 1756 “that this Court may perhaps “receive satisfaction in most of their Enquirys, from their President & Council”. It is a Justice, which we owe to your Honour &c^t. to intimate to the Court of Directors, that the constant attention, which you are obliged to pay to the discharge of the many Functions, which you have to execute (especially in these dangerous times) for the Government & Conduct of the Companys Affairs, for the administration of justice in Criminal affairs & in civil Cases, as a Court of Appeals, can leave you but very little time, to Examine into many points of Law, of Which the Court may be ignorant and may not be able to find sufficiently explained in the Books they are possessed of & which it may be very necessary that they should receive a distinct explanation of for fear of falling into greater Errors by endeavouring to avoid less. In the time of the former Court, We believe, all points of any difficulty that went from the President & Council or the Court, were laid before the Companys Council & they corresponded immediately with the Gentlemen here ; I here are Copys of some Letters from Mess^{rs}. Browne & Woodford, remaining which testifie this. Indeed the above-mentioned Paragraph from the Court of Directors gives another reason for the Courts addressing your Honour &c^t. that “whatever” may be found necessary to be transmitted to them, may come through your Channel, attended with “your sentiments & Observations”. But to this, We ingenuously must own, We have the chief objection as serving to introduce of sometime or other, the very reverse of those Ends which the Court expect and wish for by their applications to the Court of Directors ; whilst those Endeavours which the Court of Directors in the latter part of the 128 Paragraph of their Letter of the 19 December 1755 recommend to your Honour &c^t. to use, for promoting & preserving a good understanding among the several Members of this Court from time to time will be very little practicable : For thõ this Court have the greatest respect for & the greatest, opinion of the candour of the present Members of your Board, it is an indispensable duty on them not to go too far in the establishment of a Practice which may be misused in future, althõ they are well assured that it will not be so, under the administration of your Honour &c^t. Nothing is more true than that Men will differ in their opinions at all times And that one Publick Body will differ in opinion, from another is as true. The President & Council have frequently differ’d in their opinions from the Mayors Court since the first establishment of both & misunderstandings have at times happened between them in matters in which the one had not the least shadow of right to check, or controul the other ; and some things of that Nature may still happen in spite of the best Endeavours, that can be used, by both sides to avoid them. True it is, that these Misunderstandings should be industrious avoided by both ; whilst no attempts are made by either to impede the Rights & Priviledges which are annexed to the Functions of the other. Differences in opinion may arise even about these very rights & priviledges, & even about matters of less moment ; It is very obvious that the President & Council may in the exercise of this priviledge given them by the Court of Directors, give a very different sense & turn to

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those sentiments, which the Court deliver to them for obtaining a true information, from home, & that even in matters, where a Misunderstanding may have already happened or from such different Interpretations of which, disagreeable consequences may arise, even altho both sides mean to convey their own sentiments, for as the sentiments & Opinions of the President & Council will be transmitted without being known to the Court the latter cannot have any opportunity to explain what the President & Council may happen to mistake or misapprehend, 'till they see by the answers from home that their meaning has been misrepresented to the Court of Directors & in consequence thereof (as naturally may be expected) that a very different opinion is return'd by the Directors, from what would have been delivered by them had the Court enjoy'd the Priviledge of conveying their own meaning to the Court of Directors, without any Interpretation whatsoever and that this is a confidence & regard, which it is most reasonable & just in the Court of Directors, to shew to this Court as a Court of Record for which they have found it necessary to obtain a very considerable Jurisdiction and authority; The exercise of which they should render themselves unworthy of should they upon any occasion betray the least want of candour, in their addresses and Representations to the Court of Directors; or in any case which they had to mention in such address, should they forget, that they are to discharge that part of their Functions, conformable to the Words of their Oath, without fear or favour to the best of their knowledge. Besides in the 16th. & last paragraph of the Letter from the Court to the Court of Directors of the 3^d. March 1756. The Court do request that the Court of Directors would correspond with them directly because that Clause in His Majestys Charter, which gives an authority to the Court of Directors to make Rules & Orders for the better administration of Justice seem'd to the Court at that time and does still seem to imply that the Court should correspond with the Court of Directors & the Court of Directors with the Court & that all such Rules and Orders are to be transmitted under the hands of a Majority of the Court of Directors, and this Court declare that they never have seen the signature of the Directors, to any of those Opinions, which this Court have received from their Letters, for these Letters have never been shewn to them, such Extracts as the President & Council have thought proper to send, attested by their Secretary, is all that the Court have received.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient servants

FORT ST. GEORGE
6 JUNE 1757.

SIGN'D BY ORDER OF THE MAYORS COURT.

DAN^l. MORSE.

REG^R.

AT A MEETING OF THE CORPORATION AT THE TOWN HALL ON
SATURDAY THE 21st. DAY OF AUGUST 1756.

Present

GEORGE MACKAY ESQUIRE MAYOR	} Aldermen.
JOHN WALSH ANDREW ROSS	..	..
JOHN SMITH SAMUEL ARDLEY	..	..
EDWARD BURMAN	..	..

The Mayor having order'd the Register to summon a Meeting of all Residing Aldermen for Deliberating upon some affairs relating to the Corporation. The

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abovementioned Members met, and the serjeant who carried the summons acquainted them that M^r. Browning one of the Aldermen was Indisposed and M^r. James Alexander another of the Aldermen was in the Country.

There having been a former meeting assembled by the Mayor on the 19th. Instant of all the Residing Members (except Mr. John Browning who was then likewise Indisposed) at which the Mayor acquainted them, that he had called them together to consider of means for procuring a more suitable and Convenient House to the Corporation for holding the Mayors Court in, and for preserving the Records thereof; than the House which has been occupied for these uses for the last three years, since the present Royal Charter took place; because the experience which all those have had who have been Members of this Court for that time of the inconveniency of the present House, for holding the Mayors Court in gave him reason to believe, that the Corporation were inclined to embrace the first favourable opportunity of procuring a better House; and that nothing but the want of such an Opportunity together with their unwillingness that any part of the Materials and Workmen which have been required for the fortifications and other publick Works at this place, should through their means be applied to any other purpose has hindred them from procuring a better House before this time. But that an Opportunity offering at present which appears to him very favourable for the Corporation to be provided with a Convenient and Good House fit for a Town Hall, or Court House, by the intended sale of the large House belonging to the Estate of the Deceased Coja Petrus Usca, situated in Choulty Gate Street, which is advertised to be sold by an Order of the Governour and Council by publick auction in a few days, he had then called them together to consider of the Circumstances relating to the House they possess at present, and the Expediency of conserting means for the purchase of the House proposed by him, as he believes that the Money which the Corporation has of their own together with what was Mortgaged by the former Court upon the House which is Occupied by this Court, will nearly answer that purpose.

It was AGREED at that Meeting That the House which has been Occupied for a Town Hall since the Re-establishment of this Court has (by reason of its being on a Ground Floor with a low Roof and very close) been found extreamly inconvenient for holding a Court in this Hot Country and likewise that the House which is now to be sold by having a more spacious & airy upperroom'd Hall with proper Rooms on each side in good Repair for Offices is in every respect a House much more suitable and Convenient for the Mayors Court than one other that is likely to offer in future, and that if they should wait till a New House is procured to be built it must cost by far a greater sum than the House now proposed is likely to sell for and the Court will be long deprived of the Conveniency they stand so much in need of. The Motion of the Mayor was therefore approved of and it was resolved that it is proper and Expedient to purchase the House he proposed. But it being suggested that the President & Council intended to purchase that House for the use of the Company. It was AGREED that the Resolution for purchasing the House should for that time be suspended and that the Mayor should acquaint the President with the intention of the Corporation and to let him know, that it having been suggested that the said House was intended to be bought for the Company they are desirous to know whether it is so, as they will in that Case, drop their intention of making the said Purchase.

The Mayor does therefore now acquaint the Members present that in Consequence of their last resolution, he had acquainted the President with what they had desired him; and that the President had desired him to signify to them, that there was no intention of Purchasing the said House for the Company; nor had he any objection to its being purchased by the Corporation for their own use, and that the

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President further acquainted him that the President & Council had leave from the Court of Directors to build a Town Hall but that the Court must be very sensible it could not without great inconveniency be undertaken till the Fortifications are erected. It is AGREED at this present meeting that the Opinion of the Governor with regard to the inexpediency of Building a Town Hall till the Fortifications are erected is very just and therefore the resolution of the Former Meeting for purchasing the House propos'd is now confirm'd and it is likewise AGREED that this Corporation shall as much as possible avoid putting the Company to any expence for Building or purchasing a Court House And for that intent It is AGREED to examine how far the Funds which the Court may have as their own Estates and what is Mortgaged upon the security of the House at Present Occupied by them and in their possession will answer for the Purchase of the House proposed to be bought. They find that there is a Legacy lately come to their Knowledge which was left to this Court by the Deceased Mr. Jennings who Died in England about the year 1752 amount^s. to

847 18 —

That there is in the hands of the President and Council with the Cash and Effects of the Company under the Head of Mayors Court in the Books of the Accomptant General a sum which was saved by Messieurs Goodwin and Sloper of the Cash & Effects of the former Corporation amounting to ..

606 9 48

Upon an inspection into the Cash Book of the former Corporation the following Entry is found in the Credit side of the Cash account for the Month of June 1746.

To Wit.

28. By the Chest paid Joseph Smith on the Mortgage of his House. 2000

This sum therefore having been lent on Mortgage by the former Mayors Court upon the House which has been in the possession of this Corporation since the Re-establishment thereof, as devolving to them from the former Court. ..

It is AGREED that the Mortgaged House may be sold to pay of the Loan with the Interest, That the account of this transaction shall be made up and that the Money arising by such sale may be laid out on the new purchase.

The old House will probably produce more than the Principal sum Mortgaged upon it out for the present let that sum only be reckon'd.

2000 — —

Now the sum of Pagodas ..

2453 27 48

It is hoped will go a great way towards if not nearly purchase the House proposed. And should there be more Money wanting. It is proposed (in order to avoid putting the Company to any Advance upon this Occasion) that whatever sum may be necessary for making up the Purchase Money shall be taken up by the Court out of that Money which was paid to this Court at the Re-establishment thereof by the Order of the Court of Directors on account of a certain Bond granted to the former Mayors Court in Anno 1746 by the President and Council of this place for a sum of Money which at the loss of the place the former Mayors Court paid into the Hands of the said President and Council as money belonging to the suitors of that Court the same having been deposited at the Re-establishment of this Court in the hands of the President and Council with the Cash and Effects of the Company in the Name of the

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Accountant General of this Court under the head of sundry Persons unknown.
 The sum which was at first so deposited being Pagodas. 4,368 26 54
 there has been paid out of the same to the suitors of the
 former Court. 912 17 28

so that there is now remaining 3,456 9 24
 to answer the latent Claims of such suitors of the former Court as may in
 future be able to prove their Right to any part thereof.

These members being indeed of Opinion that there is very little reason to believe that so much of this sum now remaining will at any time hereafter be claim'd as to make it ever necessary to replace that sum which may be necessary to be taken out of it upon this occasion. But that these unknown suitors of the former Court may at all events have their security (for what sum may be so taken up) preserved as nearly as can be upon the same footing it is at present and that the same may be continued equally secure to such suitors It is intended that whatever part of that money there may be a necessity for taking up and employing in the proposed purchase shall be Mortgaged in the said House for the account of such suitors of the former Mayors Court as may hereafter appear and prove their Right to the sum so mortgaged and that a deed of Mortgage for the same shall be granted upon the said House in the name and on the part of the Corporation and as soon as the sum which may be wanted is taken up that the said Deed of Mortgage shall be deposited in the Hands of the President & Council with the Cash and Effects of the Company in the Name of the Accomptant General of this Court under the Head of sundry Persons unknown thereto remain as a security for the sum so taken up till such suitors as may be entitled thereto shall appear and make good their Claim to the same at which time the House is to answer for the Payment of the Money, or the Court of Directors may at that time, or if they please, as soon as this transaction is made known to them order that sum to be replaced out of the Company's Money and the Deed of Mortgage to be deliver'd up to the Corporation or they may order the same to be otherwise settled as they shall think fit, It being presumed that this whole Transaction will meet with approbation at it is done with an intention to save the Company the expense of Purchasing or Building a House for the Mayors Court.

Mr. John Walsh Dissents to these Resolutions.

It is AGREED that all these Resolutions shall be reported to and reconsidered in a full Meeting of all the residing Members of the Corporation on Tuesday next the 24th. Instant that such members as are now absent may then likewise have an opportunity of giving their opinions.

AT A MEETING OF THE CORPORATION AT THE TOWN HALL ON
 Tuesday the 24th. day of August A. D. 1756.

Present

GEORGE MACKAY ESQUIRE MAYOR.

JOHN WALSH	} Aldermen.
ANDREW ROSS	..	..	..	..
JOHN BROWNING	..	..	..	..
JOHN SMITH	..	..	..	..
SAMUEL ARDLHY	..	..	..	..
JAMES ALEXANDER	..	..	..	..
EDWARD BURMAN	..	..	..	..

ALL the residing members being present the Minutes of the last Meeting held on Saturday the 21st. Instant being now Reported and Re-consider'd; the subject was now likewise duely weigh'd and deliberated upon some of the

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Members differing in their opinions It was put to the Vote whether the resolutions of the last Meeting shall now be agreed to and whether the House proposed by the Mayor shall be accordingly purchased for a Mayors Court House.

The same was carried in the Affirmative.

AND it was further AGREED that it shall be left to the discretion of the Mayor how far to bid for the proposed House.

Mr. John Walsh Dissents Because he thinks the Company should purchase whatever House may be convenient for the service of the Mayors Court. Because he imagines the Corporation has not a sufficient sum to make the intended Purchase as it appears to him that all the money the present Corporation can call their own is the Legacy left them of Pagodas 847—18 which too is not yet paid them. And that even the late Corporation subsisting before the Loss of Madras does not appear to him to have had a stock of above five or six hundred Pagodas when the place was taken. The rest being the property of the suitors of the Court Mr. Samuel Ardley dissents from employing any Money in the purchase of a House for a Town Hall that is not apparently the property of the present Corporation. Mr. James Alexander is of Opinion that it is improper to employ any part of the suitors money but to apply to the President & Council to buy the House and for the Court to advance in part payment of the House Pagodas 1,453.27.48 which belongs to the Court.

Mr. John Browning is of the same Opinion as the last Member.

AT A COURT HELD AT THE TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY the 31st. DAY OF AUGUST ANNO DOMINI 1756.

Present

JOHN WALSH *Senior*.

ANDREW ROSS	} <i>Aldermen.</i>
JOHN SMITH ..	..	..	..	..
JAMES ALEXANDER ..	..	..	..	..
EDWARD BURMAN ..	..	..	..	..

GEORGE MACKAY ESQ^r. the MAYOR *being in the Country* The Register produces a Note from the Mayor wherein the Register is desired to acquaint the Court that the Mayor had purchased Coja Petrus's House 26 Instant at Publick sale (agreeable to a Resolution of the Corporation on the 24th. Instant) for the sum of Pagodas 5,000. The House to be deliver'd on the 1st. of May next and on delivery to be paid for.

AT A MEETING OF THE CORPORATION the 25th. day of NOVEMBER ANNO DOMINI 1756.

Present

GEORGE MACKAY ESQ^r. MAYOR.

ANDREW ROSS	} <i>Aldermen.</i>
JOHN SMITH ..	..	..	..	..
SAMUEL ARDLEY ..	..	..	..	..
JAMES ALEXANDER ..	..	..	..	..
EDWARD BURMAN ..	..	..	..	..

In Consequence of a resolution of the 21st. of August last for selling the Present Court House, It is now Agreed that an Advertisement be fixed at the most Publick Places of this place, Fort St. David and Trichinopoly giving Notice to the Heirs nearest of Kin or Creditors of the Deceased Mr. Joseph Smith, THAT WHEREAS the said Joseph Smith did mortgage the said House to the former Mayors Court in the year 1746 for the principal sum of 2,000 Pagodas with

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Interest of 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ cent, and WHEREAS no part of the said sum has been yet discharged the said Heirs nearest of Kin or Creditors are desired to redeem the said Mortgage Premises, by paying the said Principal sum of 2,000 Pagodas with the Interest that shall be due thereon. On or before the 10th. day of January next in default of which, the said House will be sold at Publick Outcry and the produce applied for the payment of the Money it is Mortgaged for.

The Register acquaints Corporation that the Notary Publick had regularly Protested the Bills of Exchange draw by Mr. Nathan Wright of London on Mr. Samuel Greenhaugh deceased for Pagodas 847.18.—being for £ 325 at 7 shillings & 8 pence $\frac{3}{4}$ pagoda the Principal & Interest of a Legacy left to this Corporation by the late William Jennings also of London and that he had delivered the said Bills Protested to George Pigot Esq^r. to be sent to England to the drawer.

The Mayor likewise acquaints them, that George Pigot Esq^r. having offered for the honour of the Drawer to pay the Corporation now the amount of the Draught which was drawn for the said Legacy at 8 shilling $\frac{3}{4}$ Pagoda making Pagodas 112. 18 provided they would engage to repay him the said sum with Interest unless the £ 325 was paid to his Order in England He the Mayor had agreed to this proposal, as he made no manner of doubt but the Corporation would approve of it (Notwithstanding a loss arises by the difference of the Exchange of Pagodas 37) as otherwise the Corporation could not receive this Money till it was remitted from England, which would be a great inconveniency as that sum will be soon wanted to go towards the payment of the Court house lately purchased. That he had ordered the Registers to receive from George Pigot Esq^r. the said sum of Pagodas 812.18 and to give receipts for the same to the following purpose. RECEIV'D by Mr. Edward Jennings Executor of William Jennings Esquire late of Great Russell Street in the Parish of S^t. George's Bloomsoury by the hands of George Pigot Esq^r. the sum of Eight hundred and twelve Pagodas eighteen fanams being the amount of three hundred and Twenty five Pounds sterling which is the Principal sum with all Interest due thereon of a Legacy left by the said William Jennings Esq^r. to the Mayors Court at Fort Saint George for the use of the Corporation. I say received as above Fort S^t. George the 6th. November 1756.

(SIGN'D) DANIEL MORSE

Reg^r.

The Corporation approve of what the Mayor had done and ORDER'D that the Register do for the present keep the said sum of Pagodas 812.18 in the Iron Chest belonging to the Corporation.

AT A MEETING OF THE CORPORATION THE 15TH. DAY OF
MARCH ANNO DOMINI 1757

Present.

ANDREW ROSS Esquire MAYOR.

GEORGE MACKAY	} Aldermen.
JOHN SMITH	..	..	..	..
EDWARD BURMAN	..	..	..	..
HENRY BROOKE	..	..	..	..

In consequence of a Resolution of the 21st. August, last, for settling the present Court House, It is now AGREED that advertisements be fixed at the most publick Gates of this place, and Fort S^t. David Giving Notice that the said House with it's several Warehouses and appurtenances will in order to discharge the Mortgage thereof be put for sale by Publick Outcry at the Sea Gate on Wednesday, the 23^d. Instant at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon to be delivered the 8th. day of May next, and the Money to be paid on the day of Entrance.

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AT A COURT HELD AT THE TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY, THE 29TH. DAY OF MARCH ANNO DOMINI 1757.

Present

ANDREW ROSS Esquire MAYOR.

GEORGE MACKAY	} Aldermen.
JOHN SMITH	..	..	..	..
SAMUEL ARDLEY	..	..	..	..
JAMES ALEXANDER	..	..	..	..
EDWARD BURMAN	..	..	..	..
HENRY BROOK	..	..	..	..

The Mayor acquaints the Court that the present Court House was (agreeable to a resolution of the Corporation of the 8th. Instant) Put up for sale, by public Outcry, the 23^d. Instant, and that the same was brought by Mr. John Smith of Fort St. George Merchant for the sum of Pagodas (3150).

AT A MEETING OF THE CORPORATION HELD THE 27TH. DAY OF APRIL ANNO DOMINI 1757.

Present

ANDREW ROSS Esquire MAYOR.

GEORGE MACKAY.
JOHN SMITH.
SAMUEL ARDLEY.
EDWARD BURMAN.

The several Members abovementioned being assembled It was agreed to take into Consideration the settling the sum due to the Corporation from the Estate of Joseph Smith Deceased on the Mortgage of his House Reference being accordingly had to the Cash Books of the former Corporation the following Entry is found on the Credit side of the Cash account for the month of June 1746.

28th. By the Chest paid Joseph Smith on the Mortgage of his House Pagodas 2000 — —

Which sum appears to have been paid in on that day, by Joseph Fowke Esquire Executor of John Saunders Deceased, that sum having been lent to the said John Saunders, Deceased for several years at 7 ½ Cent ½ annum, and it likewise appearing by the sketch of the Mortgage Bond Granted by the said Joseph Smith to the former Corporation, found among the Records of Mayors Court (the Original being lost) that the said Principal sum of Two thousand Pagodas, was to bear Interest after the rate of 7 ½ Cent ½ annum. It is therefore agreed that no more than 7 ½ c. Interest ½ annum be charged thereon. The Estate of the said John Smith is therefore to be debited for the Principal sum Pagodas. 2000 — —

y^r. m. d.
Interest thereon for 10 10 10. @ 7 ½ Cent ½ annum.. 1519 28 —

Several necessary repairs having been made to the said House since the same has been occupied by the Court. It is agreed that the Estate of the said Joseph be charged therewith amounting to 183 16 40

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The sum due from the Estate of the said Joseph Smith is	3703	8	40
In order to discharge which the Estate of the said Joseph Smith is be Credited for the amount of the sale of the House, sold M ^r . John Smith. ..	3150	—	—
And it is Agreed that the rent to be paid for the said House during the time the Court has occupied the y ^r . m. d. same being 3 8 14 be computed @ Pagodas 20 P ^r m ^o .	886	—	—
Sum due to the Estate is	4036	—	—

so that there remains a Ballance due to the Estate of the s^d. J. Smith P 332.27.40 ORDER'D that the Register do Draw on the President & Council for the sum of Pagodas 886 being the amount of the rent due for the Court House, and that he do immediately on receipt thereof deposite the sum of Pagodas 332.27.40 (being the Ballance of the Estate of the said Joseph Smith Deceased) in the Companys Cash by the hands of the Accomptant General, for the benefit of such persons as shall appear justly entitled thereto.

THE Corporation then proceeded to Examine how far the funds which they may have as their own Estate, will answer for the purchase of the House lately bought by them for the sum of five Thousand Pagodas. They find that the House Mortgaged to the former Corporation (and which devolv'd to this) sold by publick Outcry for the sum of Three thousand one hundred and fifty Pagodas which sum is to be paid to this Corporation Pagodas	3150	—	—
There is a Legacy lately left them by M ^r . Jennings Who died in England in the year 1752	812	18	—
There is deposited with the Companys Cash & Effects under the Head of the Honble the Mayors Court the sum of	658	7	48
There is due from the President & Council on account of House rent 886 Deduct the Ballance due to the Estate of Joseph Smith, to be paid into the Companys Cash out of the above sum	332	27	40
		563	9 40
There has been the sum of Pagodas 265 32 recd, for Godown Rent.		265	32 —
All which said sums amount to		5438	23 40

so that after having paid for the House, there will be a ballance in favour of the Corporation of Pagodas 449 5 40.

ORDER'D that the Registrar do procure from the Reverend Father Severine a proper Bill of sale of the House purchased from him, as Executor to the Last Will and Testament of Petrus Usca Deceased by this Corporation drawn out in the name of the present Mayor & the succeeding Mayors thereof, and likewise that the Register do draw out a Bill of sale of the House sold by the Corporation to M^r. John Smith and that both the said Bills of sale shall be Registered in the Mayors Court.

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Examined & Compared with the Minute Book in the Registry of the Honble the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

☞ DANIEL MORSE.

Reg^r.

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D ^r .		CORPORATION CASH FOR JUNE	
1	To Ballance brought from last month	382	30 60
12	To the Chest rec'd of Joseph Fowke Esq ^r Exor. of John Saunders deceased the Principal of his Bond	2000	— —
..	To Interest rec'd. of Litto for Interest thereon m d from the 15 th . July 1745 to this day 10 27 @ 7 p ^r C ^t . p ^r annum	127	6 —
27	To the Chest rec'd. the sum p ^r Contra of Joseph Fowke Esq ^r	2127	6 —
30	To monthly allowance rec'd. of the Company. Pagodas ..	50	— —
		<u>4687</u>	<u>6 60</u>

CONTRA		C ^r .	
12	By the Chest paid in by the two sums of this date p ^r Contra	2127	6 —
28	By the Chest paid Joseph Smith on Mortgage of his houses	2000	— —
By servants Wage Viz ^t .			
	Mr. Affleck Clerk of the Market	3	— —
	Court Serj ^{ts} . 2 @ P.3 ea	6	— —
	Marshall	2	— —
	Court Dubash and Interpreter	2	— —
	Mayors Pallankeen Boys	6	30 —
	Peons 23	15	24 —
	Sweeper	—	6 —
	Registers salary	4	24 —
		<u>40</u>	<u>12 —</u>
	By Ballance carried to next Month	4147	18 —
		539	24 60
		<u>4687</u>	<u>24 60</u>
	Pagodas (sic)		

D ^r .		CORPORATION CASH FOR JULY	
1	To Ballance brought from last month	539	24 60
3	To the Estate of Charles Bedford rec'd of him	498	6 —
8	To Trevengadum Comrapah Vers ^s . Cootapilla Vencata & Tada Mooteapah detain'd in the Cash of this Court	511	— —
..	To John Crompton Exor. of John Sanderson ret ^d . by the Sheriff	328	24 70
..	To Guntla Latchme Ver ^s . Pentapatue Nersapah returned by the Sheriff & detained at by two suits on Mortgage	869	3 33
	To Andrew Munro &c ^t . Ver ^s . Edward Jacob sequestred in the hands of Nicholas Morse Esq ^r . Arcot Rupees 1051. 7. 15		

CONTRA		C ^r .	
8	By Estate of Charles Bedford paid into the Chest	498	6 —
	By Trevengadum Comrapah V ^s . Cootapilla Vencata & Toda Mootiapah paid into the Chest	511	— —
	By John Crompton Exor. of John Sanderson paid into the Chest	328	24 70
	By Gulta Latchme Ver ^s . Pentapatee Nersapah Naigae paid into the Chest	869	3 33
	By Andrew Munro &c ^t . ver ^s Edward Jacob paid into the Chest Arcot Rupees 1051 7 15.		

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Examined & Compared with the Cash Book in the Registry of the Honble the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam.

p DANIEL MORSE

Reg^r.

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TO THE HONBLE THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRAS PATNAM.
GENTLEMEN

I am directed by the President & Council to acknowledge the receipt of your Letter dated the 11th. Instant and to acquaint you that they Elected M^r. Claud Russell at Fort Saint George Merchant to be an Alderman of the Mayors Court in the place and stead of M^r. Dawsonne Drake whose seat as an Alderman is become vacant by absence.

I am order'd also be acquaint you that the commissioners of the Court of Requests have represented in a Letter to the President & Council dated the 5th. Instant that they are destitute of a place to assemble in since the disposal of the House lately Rented as a Town Hall. In answer to which Letter it has been signified to them that they may use the present Town Hall.

FORT ST. GEORGE THE 14 MAY 1757.

I am
GENTLEMEN

Your most obed^t. h^{ble} serv^{ts}.

Jos^s. DU PRE

Sec^y.

To the HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT Esq^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

I am ordered by the Honble the Mayors Court to acknowledge the Receipt of a Letter from your Secretary of the 4th. Instant acquainting them that you had Elected M^r. Claud Russell, to be an Alderman. The Court do accordingly send the usual Notice to him that he may qualifie' himself by taking the accustomed Oath.

But I am directed to observe to our Honour & C^t. that as soon as M^r. Russell shall have qualified himself for the Office of an Alderman and one of the Judges of the Mayors Court the Office of Accomptant General of the Mayors Court, which he now fills will thereby become void. And therefore the Court think it their indispensable Duty to Represent to your Honour & C^t. that some other person should be appointed as Accomptant General as soon as possible.

With regard to that part of your Secretary's letter which sets forth that the Commisisoners of the Court of Requests have represented in a Letter to you dated the 5th. Instant that they are destitute of a place to assemble in since the disposal of the House lately rented as a Town Hall. I am ordered to say in Answer thereto That the Court of Requests have not upon this occasion dealt ingenerously with your Honour & C^t. for they have concealed from you a Fact which had it been known this Court is well assured that your Honour & C^t. would have found it altogether unnecessary as in fact, it is improper in you to signifie to them, that they may sit in the present Town Hall.

On the 3^d. Instant M^r. George Stratton Clerk of the Court of Requests appeared and acquainted this Court, that the said Court of Requests desired that this Court would grant them leave to assemble in the New Town Hall purchased by this Court as they were destitute of a House to sit in.

This Application being immediately taken into Consideration it was agreed that the Court of Requests should make their application in writing (that the same might be Entered on Record) and not by a verbal Message and that when such written Application was made, this Court would take the same into consideration. This was at the same time intimated by the Court, to the Clerk of the Court of Requests that he might Communicate it to the

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Commissioners, It was likewise suggested to the Clerk that the Court of Requests themselves, should think an application in writing most eligible for the better establishment of the Privilege which they wanted in Case the same should over come into dispute hereafter.

The Resolution which this Court came to that the Application from the Court of Requests should be made in writing, was thought most Conformable to the Forms and Practice thereof. A practice so reasonable and Just in itself and so necessary for a Court of Record observe that it be dispensed with without introducing Confusion and Misrule instead of Order and Regularity more especially in this Court, which transmits to the Court of Directors annually an Authentick Copy of all their Records as well for the use and Information of such Persons in Great Britain as may have an Interest in any matters that come before this Court, as for the satisfaction of the Directors themselves.

The Right which this Court have to proceed in such Forms as shall be found most Conducive to the Regular and due Execution of any matter which comes before them and of framing certain Rules of Practice for that purpose, they derive from the Royal Charter, subject only to the approbation controul and alteration of the Company, under the hands of a Majority of the Court of Directors. It was consistent with this Right that the Clerk of the Court of Requests was told that that Court should make their Application in writing, and this Court really believed that the Court of Requests would have made an Application in that manner to the Corporation, or this Court, in which case the Privilege of sitting in the House lately purchased by the Court would immediately have been granted them. But as yet no such Application has been made.

Your Honour &c^t. being therefore thus made acquainted with the real matter of Fact cannot but be surprized that the Commissioners of the Court of Requests, should think it at all necessary, to make any application to you and much more that they should at once represent that they are destitute of a place to assemble in, when they themselves could have no reason to doubt that a very few lines of a proper Application to the Corporation, or the Court would instantly have procured them the accommodation they wanted. And this Accommodation they may still have upon an Application Agreeable to the Forms and Practice of this Court. I am with respect,

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

Your most Obed^t. Servant.

DANIEL MORSE

Reg^r.

TOWN HALL,
21st. MAY 1757.

TO THE HONBLE THE MAYORS COURT
OF MADRAS PATNAM.

GENTLEMEN,

In Answer to your Register's Letter of the 21st. Instant I am directed by the President & Council to acquaint you that they have appointed Mr. Alexander Dalrymple to be Accountant General of the Mayors Court in the room of Mr. Claud Russell who lately filled that Office, and to say they are much Concern'd you could not admit of the Application made by Mr. Stratton the Clerk of the Court of Requests for Liberty to hold their Courts in the Town Hall, as whatever may be your Opinion on that subject the President & Council don't in the least doubt but the Court of Directors will think that Application

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was quite sufficient. The many more material Attentions to which the President and Council are now subject make them decline any Animadversions upon the Declaration you are pleased to make that the Notice they gave you was improper.

I am

GENTLEMEN

FORT ST. GEORGE,
THE 26th. MAY 1757

Your most Obed^t. h^{ble} serv^{ts}.

Jo^s. DU PRE

Sec^{ry}.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^t. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

I am directed by the Honble the Mayors Court to acknowledge the Receipt of a Letter from your Secretary of the 26th past. In which you express your Concern that this Court could not admit of the application made by M^r. Stratton the Clerk of the Court of Requests for Liberty to hold their Courts in the Town Hall and that you do not in the least doubt but the Court of Directors will think that application was quite sufficient whatever may be the opinion of the Court on that subject. In answer to which I am desired to say That your prejudging what the Opinion of the Court of Directors may be in this matter, cannot but be superfluous ; since the Court of Directors will undoubtedly from (*sic*) their judgment from a fair Representation of the Case, which will of course go transmitted to them, upon the Records of this Court, and since no Opinion of your Honour &c^t. with regard to the Forms which the Court find it necessary to Observe in the Course of their practice and PROCEEDINGS can any way Controul or affect the same. The Court are very sensible that your Honour &c^t. are now subject to many such Material attentions as makes it reasonable in you to decline any animadversions upon the Declaration made by this Court that the Notice given by you to the Court of Requests was improper and had the Commissioners of that Court been equally sensible thereof, they could never have thought it proper much less Necessary to have troubled your Honour &c^t. with any application for obtaining what they might so easily procure without it by a means the most reasonable in them to acquiesce with as they could not be Ignorant that it was well known your Honour &c^t. and indeed to every Body else, that the Corporation of the Mayor and Aldermen, had purchased the House which they now possess, without putting the East India Company to any Expence, and therefore if the liberty of holding the Court of Requests in that House, was a Conveniency worth the obtaining what sensible reason can be suggested why the Commissioners should avoid an Address to this Court in writing instead of a verbal Application since the Court were of Opinion that an Application in writing ought to be made in Conformity to their practice, and since that Application by the success it would have met with would have prevented the trouble which the Commissioners have given upon this Occasion. The Court therefore think that it only remains to be said. That if the Commissioners of the Court of Requests should give your Honour &c^t. any further trouble upon this subject it is not to be doubted but your Honour &c^t. (in consequence of the Letter which I had the Honour to write to you from the Court on the 21st. past) will acquaint them that

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when they made their Application in writing to this Court for leave to sit in the present Court House that such leave will be Granted them.

TOWN HALL,
2^d JUNE 1757.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^t. Ser^t.

DANIEL MORSE

Reg^r.

FORT ST. GEORGE 6th. JUNE 1757.

Examined & Compared with the Letter Books, in the Registry of the Honble the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam,

⌘ DANIEL MORSE

Reg^r.

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INGERAM RESIDENCY IN ACCOUNT WITH FOSS WESTCOTT

Dr.	Ct.
To (215) Bales of Callicoos taken in at Presidency of the Consignment made on the Don Carles in September 1756 17966 — —	By the following Merchants Ballances as they stood on the Honble Companys Books at Ingeram the time I left that Settlement
To (80) Bales of Callicoos taken in at Presidency of the Consignment made on the Nancy in December 1756. 7658 18 —	
To (215) Bales of Callicoos taken it at the Presi- dency of the Consignment made on the Sea House in January 1757. 10876 21 48	
To the following Merchants Ballances as left by M ^r . Graham.	
Cunshum Conniah 4533 11 40	Cunshum Conniah 14902 11 54
Dorchitty Ballah 4411 17 78	Dorchitty Ballah 12431 28 18
Pogglapetty Mookuntry 1186 30 69	Pogglapetty Mookundry 12053 24 29
Woratta Chinna 981 33 26	Worrattee Chinna 12364 29 33
11113 21 53	51752 21 53
47614 25 21	
To Ballance now paid into the Honble Com- panys Cash. 4137 32 32	
PAGODAS .. 51752 21 53	PAGODAS .. 51752 21 53

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ERRORS EXCEPTED

P FOSS WESTCOTT.

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- Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David and DeveCotah dated this day. 21
- Arrived his Majesty's ship Triton Captain Edmund Town by from Bombay with General Letter dated 1st. Instant. 22
- Arrived the Honble Companys Sloop Dragon Assem Condou from Fort St. David. 23
- Received by Tappies General Letter from DeveCotah dated 14th. Instant. Sailed ship No. S. de Amparo Manoel Moreas for Macao. 24
- Received by peons General Letter from Anjengo dated first Instant. 26

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESID^t.
 HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
 FOSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MONDAY
27th.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 20th Instant read & signed.

General Letters read Viz^t.

N^o. 89 From Richard Bouchier Esq^r. President and Governour & Council at Bombay dated the 1st. Instant acquainting us that they wrote to us by the St. John Ketch and did not receive our Letter of the 19th February till the 10th May and that they have communicated to Our Honble Masters by the way of Bussorah the News of the successes in Bengal enclosing a Packet for the Gentlemen there which they desire We will forward. General Letter from Bombay.

N^o. 90 From Mr. James Bouchier Chief of DeveCotah dated the 14th Instant accompanying the Accounts of that Settlement from August to March. From DeveCotah.

N^o. 91 From John Spencer Esq^r. Chief & Council Factors at Anjengo dated the 1st Instant, serving to accompany a packet for the President and Council of Bombay which they desire may be forwarded immediately and acquainting us that George Scott Esq^r. return'd to Bombay & that Mr. John Spencer has succeeded him as Chief of that Settlement. From Anjengo.

ORDER'D that the packet for Bombay from Anjengo be forwarded by Pattamar, and that from Bombay for Bengal by the first Ship bound thither. Packets from Bombay & Bengal to be forwarded.

Letter from the Mayors Court dated the 22^d Instant read as enter'd hereafter requesting an Advance of Four hundred Pagodas to defray the Charges of the Corporation. Advance to the Mayors Court.

ORDER'D that the same be advanced accordingly.

The President acquaints the Board that the Owners of the Grampus Tender, which sailed from this Port last year for Batavia to purchase Arrack & C^t. for the use of His Majestys squadron, sent a quantity of Ophium as part of her Cargo to be disposed of at Batavia but the Agent for transacting the Affairs of that Voyage not being suffer'd to dispose of it and being a stranger in India & ignorant that the importation of Ophium had been prohibited at Fort Marlbrō, except on the Companys Account, Consigned a part of the abovementioned Adventure to the amount of Thirty six (36) Chests to the Deputy Governour of Marlbrō who writes him (the President) that considering the Circumstances of the Case he had permitted the Ophium to be landed and put in the Companys Godowns there to remain untill he should receive directions from hence how to dispose of it. Ophium part of the Grampus's Cargo sent from Batavia to Marlbrō altho there prohibited.

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Consideration thereon & Resolution.

As the importation of Ophium at Fort Marlbrō was prohibited, except on the Companys Account, merely that they might have the sole benefit of supplying the Markets at Natal and Tappanooly and as those Settlements are ordered to be withdrawn if no Contrary Orders should be received this year from England, in which case the prohibition will cease; as well for the foregoing reasons as Considering that the abovementioned Consignment was made by a stranger ignorant of the Regulations at that Port it is AGREED that the Deputy Governour & Council at Fort Marlbrō be directed to purchase the said Ophium for the Companys Account if it shall appear advantageous to the Company otherwise to permit the sale of the same for Account of the Proprietors.

Redwood to be purchased for China & the works.

The Export Warehousekeeper acquaints the Board that he has survey'd about Eight hundred Candys of China Redwood and about Four hundred Candies of Long Redwood piles which he finds proper for the Companys use AGREED that it be purchased on the Companys Account the China sort at four Pagodas ₪ Candy and the Piles at three Pagodas ₪ Candy and that the Engineer be supplied with such part thereof as he may want for the Works.

The Revenge Cuddalore Sloop & three Boats put under the Command of Captn. Townley of the Triton to Cruize off Pondicherry.

The President reports from the Secret Committee that as the Walpole is loaded and ready to sail, they are of opinion the Honble Companys Ship Revenge may now be usefully employ'd in cruising with His Majestys Ship Triton to the Southward of Pondicherry to intercept any French Vessells that may be bound to that port. He further acquaints the Board that the Committee have conferred with Captain Edmund Townley of the Triton on that subject who is willing to go on that Cruize with the Revenge and in that Case desires that the Cuddalore Sloop and the three Boats intended for the service of the West Coast but now lying in the Road may also accompany him to make signals. The Board agree in Opinion with the Committee and thereupon it is.

RESOLV'D that Captain William James of the Revenge the Commander of the Cuddalore Sloop and the Masters of the three Boats be Order'd to put themselves under Captain Townleys Command and follow his Orders untill they receive further directions from this Board.

Batta on fanams paid in.

The President as Cashkeeper pays in Twenty thousand (20,000) Fanams amounting at the rate of Thirty six fanams ₪ Pagoda to Five hundred and fifty five Pagodas Twenty fanams (555.20.—) being the difference of Batta arising on the Exchange of Five thousand Pagodas this Month into fanams at forty fanams ₪ Pagoda and brought to Account at thirty six fanams ₪ Pagoda.

Money paid in by Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in Two thousand (2,000) Pagodas on his running Account.

Land Customer.

Foss Westcott Land Customer pays in Seven hundred and thirty two Pagodas twelve fanams and sixty one cash (732. 12. 61) in full for the last Months Ballance of that Account.

Banksall Rent.

Mootiah late Farmer of the Banksall pays in Two hundred Pagodas (200) in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 31st Ultimo when the Cowle expired.

Companys old garden do.

Choleapah Farmer of the Companys old Garden pays in One hundred and thirteen (113) Pagodas in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 12th Instant.

Advances.

AGREED that the following Advances be made.

To the Commissary.

To the Commissary Eighteen thousand (18,000) Pagodas and Five thousand (5,000) Rupees for the Charges of the Troops abroad.

Paymaster.

To the Paymaster Two thousand (2,000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.

Military Paym^t.

To the Military Paymaster Twelve thousand (12,000) Pagodas to pay the Military &^t. next Month.

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To the Military Storekeeper Two thousand (2,000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ. Military Storekr.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
JOHN SMITH.
CHA^s. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

I am directed to say by the Honble the Mayors Court to draw upon Your Honour & c^t. for the sum of Four hundred (400) Pagodas to defray the necessary Charges attending that Corporation.

I am with Respect,

TOWN HALL,
22^d JUNE 1757.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs
Your most Obed^t. Serv^t.

DANIEL MORSE.

Reg^r.

Arriv'd ship Prince George Ninian Lowis from Bombay & Galle' 28

Sail'd His Majesty's Ship Triton Captain Edmund Townly --

The Companys Ship Revenge William James } On a Cruize to the S^o.
Do. Sloop Cuddalore George Baker } ward.

Sent by Pattamar General Letter to Bombay dated this day with a packet rec'd Anjengo.

JULY.

Sail'd Ketch Betsey, Thomas Holmes, for Bengal, with General Letters dated 30th Ultimo. 2

D^o. Sloop Endade Elay, Hurbert Sutherland, for Bengal.

Received by Tappies General Letter from Fort S^t. David dated 30th Ultimo. 3

Sail'd the Honble Companys Sloop Dragon Assem Cundoo, for Fort S^t. David with General Letter of this date.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT

HENRY POWNEY

ROBERT ORME.

FOSS WESTCOTT

JOHN SMITH.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MONDAY
THE 4TH
JULY.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 27th Ultimo read and sign'd. General Letter from St. David.

N^o. 92 General Letter from the Council at Fort S^t. David dated the 30th Ultimo read acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 21st Ultimo and acquainting us that M^r. Andrew Newton has been admitted to his seat at the Board and to M^r. Turners Employs. That they have drawn on us for

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One thousand eight hundred and fifty Pagodas (1850) in favour of M^r. Charles-Turner. That after much Trouble they have got one Arbitration finished between Cawn Moodeliar and one of his Debtors Shitumbella Chitty who now refuses to abide by the Award and as they imagine this may be the Case with all they therefore desire directions how to proceed in the Affairs of Sbitumbella Chittee in the mean time they have been obliged to confine Cawn Moodelair having reason to apprehend he intended to leave the Bounds. That they send by Boat seventeen Timbers being all they have of the dimensions we wrote for and that they have not sent the Timbers for the Bascule of the Draw Bridge as they are but Twenty feet long and seven Inches Square and that the Gun Carriages shall be sent by a subsequent Conveyance.

St. David
Bill to be
paid.

ORDERED that the bill of Exchange drawn from Fort St^t. David as advised in the foregoing Letter for One thousand eight hundred and fifty Pagodas (1850) in favour of M^r. Charles Turner be paid.

Poonamallee
Killedar
pension to
be paid.

ORDER'D also that five hundred Pagodas (500) for half a years Pension to the Widow & Brother of the late Killedar of Poonamallee be paid to them.

Rent of
Arrack &
wine paid.

Chinna Nella Chittee and Vademala Pillah Farmers of the Arrack & Wine Licence pay in six hundred and fifty Pagodas thirty fanams (650.30) in full for one Months Rent of that Farm due the 12th Ultimo.

Cash account
from June
read.

The President reads the Cash account for last month Ballance remaining compared with the Chest Twelve thousand and Ninety Pagodas eight fanams and thirty five Cash (12090.8.35) which is carried forward.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

Dr.

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH

PER CONTRA

1	To Ballance brought from last month ..	27895	83308 60	30209	4	60
9	To Alexander Dalrymple Accountant General of the Mayors Court reꝑd by order of the said Court on Account the Cause Veilah Chittee against Arratoon Badramy ..	46	..	46	—	—
13	To Chinna Nella Chittee and Vadamala Pillah Farmers of the Arrack & Wine Licence reꝑd of them for 1 Months Rent of that Farm due 12 th . Ult ^o. ..	..	23430 —	650	30	—
20	To Sunca Vencata Ramah Beetle & Tobacco Farmer reꝑd of him for One Months Rent of that Farm due the 12 th . Instant ..	311	22404 —	933	12	—
..	To Poombavay Vellapah Farmer of the Paddy Fields & Salt Pans reꝑd of him for six months Rent of that Farm due 12 th . Instant	457	18 —	457	18	—

9	By Robert Orme Export Warehousekeeper adv ^d . him for the Charges of that Employ ..	2000	..	2000	—	—
13	By Alexander Dalrymple Accountant General of the Mayors Court paid his two following Draughts Account the Estate of Solomon Salomons Vizt.					
1	To William Aldersey for Account of Daniel Lascelles 1912 14 7					
1	To Cap ^t . Richard Smith 32 35 31	1944	49 38	1945	13	38
29	By Robert Orme Commissary advanced him for the Charges of the Troops abroad ..	18000	...	18000	—	—
30	By John Smith Paymaster advanced him for the Charges of that Employ ..	2000	..	2000	—	—
..	By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him to Pay the Military &c ^t . next Month	12000	..	12000	—	—

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—cont

PER CONTRA—cont

— To Ingeram Factory recd of Foss Westcott the Ballance due from him to the Company on Acco ^t of his last Investment as Ψ Account Current enter'd after Consultation of this date ..	4137	32	32	4137	32	32
27 To Batta for the produce of 5000 Pagodas issued as Ψ Contra and exchanged into fanams at 40 Ψ Pagodas and brought to Account here at 36 Ψ Pag.	—	200000	—	5555	20	—
— To Henry Powney Sea Customer recd of him on his running Account	2000	—	—	2000	—	—
— To Foss Westcott Land Customer recd of him for the May Ballance of that Account ..	619	4080	61	732	12	61
— To Mootiah late Farmer of the Banksall recd of him in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 31 st . Ultimo when the Cowle expired ..	200	—	—	200	—	—

— By Charles Bouchier Military Storekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	2000	..	2000	—	—
— By Batta Issued in the Course of the Month to be Exchanged into Fanams as Ψ Contra.	5000	—	—	5000	—
	42944	49	38	42945	13 38
— By Ballance carried to next Months Account.	2834	333224	35	12090	8 35

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— To Choliapah Renter of the Companys old Garden recd of him in full for six months Rent of that Farm due the 12 th . instant.	113	—	—	113	—	—
30 To Current Pagodas rec'd from the Treasury	10000	—	—	10000	—	—
STAR OR CURR^T. PAGODAS.	<u>45778</u>	<u>333273</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>55035</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>73</u>

STAR OR CURR^T. PAGODAS.

<u>2834</u>	<u>333224</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>12090</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>35</u>
<u>45778</u>	<u>333273</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>55035</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>73</u>

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
GEORGE PIGOT.

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- 7 Sent by Pattamar General Letter to Anjengo dated this day.
9 Sailed ship Mahamudy David Crichton for Fort St. David & Bombay.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE FIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. PRESIDENT.
HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

WEDNES-
DAY THE
13TH.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 4th. Instant read & signed.

Letter from
the Supra
Cargos of
the Prince
George.

Letter from Mess^{rs}. Abram Gee and Ninian Lewis Supra Cargos of the Prince George read as enter'd hereafter setting forth that they had enter'd into a Bond to the President & Council of Bombay in the penal sum of Bombay Rupees Five hundred and thirty one thousand and forty two (531042) upon Condition that they should not deliver at this place any part of the Freights Treasure on board the said ship from Bussorah Consigned to Bengal without the Consent of the President & Council here, and as several Merchants at this Settlement have applied to them for part of the said Treasure they therefore desire the Boards permission to deliver the same if there be no Objections.

Resolution
thereon.

On recourse to the General Letter from the President & Council of Bombay dated the 5th. February last N^o. 59 It appears that their Intention in the above recited Bond was to prevent the delivery of the abovementioned Treasure, which belongs to the subjects of the Mogul, untill satisfaction were made to the Company for the Losses they had sustained in Bengal but as a Peace has been concluded with the Nabob there the Board have no objection to the delivery of the said Treasure or any part of it here, which the Secretary is ordered to signify to Mess^{rs}. Gee & Lewis.

2000 Bags
of Rice to
be bought
of Capt.
Austin.

Captain Joseph Austin having about two thousand Bags of Bengal Rice for sale agreed that it be purchased for the Company's Account at Fifty Eight pagodas $\frac{2}{3}$ Garce.

Presents to
the Nabobs
Family.

The President acquaints the Board that the Nabobs Mother Wife and Family are come to reside under the protection of this Settlement for some-time AGREED that the following presents be made them.

One plain Gold Watch with a Hook & Chain.

Two Enameld Gold Watches.

Two Emerald Rings.

One Diamond Hair sprigg.

Money
deposited
by the
Mayors
Court.

A Certificate is presented from the Accountant General of the Mayors Court that the said Court have ordered the sum of Three hundred and thirty two Pagodas twenty seven fanams and forty Cash to be deposited with the Company being a Ballance due from the Corporation to the Estate of Joseph Smith. The said sum being now paid in accordingly a Receipt is signed for the same.

Advances
to the
[Export
Warehouse
keeper].

AGREED that the following Advances be made Viz^t.

To the Export Warehousekeeper Four thousand Pagodas (4000) for the Charges of that Employ.

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To the Commissary Thirty thousand (30,000) Rupees and Ten thousand (10,000) Pagodas for the Charges of the Troops abroad. Commissary.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
FOSS WESTCOTT.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^t. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

We presume the Honble President & Council of Bombay have acquainted your Honour &c^t. Council that they did oblige us to enter into a Bond under the Penalty of Five hundred thirty one thousand and forty two (531042) Current Rupees of Bombay not to deliver any part of our Freight Treasure from Bussorah for Bengal at this place without the Previous consent of your Honour &c^t. Council for reasons therein mentioned, And as several Merchants have applied to Us and produced proper powers for receiving part of the same, We desire the permission of your honour &c^t. Council so to do unless there are any Objections.

We are with great Respect,

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

FORT ST. GEORGE,
8 JULY 1757.

Your most Obed^t. humble Servants
ABR^x. GEE.
N^o. LOWIS.

Rec'd by peons General Letter from Madapollam dated 3 ^d . June.	15
Arriv'd Sloop Groningen, Henry Karr from Bengal & Sadrass.	17
Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort S ^t . David dated this day.	—
Arrived Snow Overbeck, Robert Holford from Ceyloan and Fort S ^t . David.	18
Sail'd Sloop Tartar, Thomas Henderson for the Nicobars.	—
Received by Tappies General Letter from Fort S ^t . David dated 13 th Ins ^t .	—
Arrived the Honble Companys Sloop Cuddalore, George Baker from a Cruize with the Sloop S ^t . Leon a prize taken from the French.	21
Arrived His Majestys Ship Triton Captain Edmund Townley and the Honble Companys Ship Revenge Captain William James from a Cruize.	22 ^d .
Received General Letter from DeveCotah dated 10 th . Instant.	—
Arrived Sloop Marlbrō Alexander Sherrard from Fort Marlbrō., Mr. John Pybus late Supra Vizor & Deputy Governour passenger and by the same Conveyance recd three General Letters from Fort Marlbrō dated 21 st . April 6 th & 27 th . May and one from S ^t . Helena dated 1 st . June 1756.	23
Sailed His Majesty's Ship Triton Captain Edmund Townley and the Honble Companys Ship Revenge Captain William James on a Cruize to the Southward.	24
Received by Pattamar General Letter from Anjengo dated 30 th . June.	26

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1757 —

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT.
 HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
 FOSS WESTCOTT. JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

THURSDAY
 THE 28
 JULY.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 13th. Instant read & sign'd.

General Letters read Viz^t.

General
 Letters read
 From
 Maddapol-
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N^o. 93 From M^r. John Andrews at Maddapollam dated the 3^d. Ultimo enclosing His Accounts for May and acquainting us of having drawn for Current Pagodas One thousand (1000) as the Company are indebted to him and he in great distress for Money enclosing likewise the Invoice of the Cloth sent to Vizagapatam which he is informed is gone to Bengal and acquainting us that he has given the Merchants due Credit for that Cloth and Debted this Presidency for the stores sent to Vizagapatam, That Four hundred (400) Europeans and Fifteen hundred (1,500) Seapoys march'd from Rajahmundrum to the Northward to join M^r. Bussie (as he presumes) who is at Chickacul and has sent Orders to Vizanagram to prevent anything going to Vizagapatam.

Fort
 St. David.

N^o. 94 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and Gentlemen in Council at Fort St. David dated the 13th. Instant by a Dutch Vessel acknowledging the receipt of our Letter of the 9th. Observing that the Mahomudy must proceed to DeveCotah as there is no probability of another Conveyance for the Ammunition and enclosing the Monthly Accounts for May. Desiring to be informed whether the Trevenduporum Rent is to be paid at St. David or this Place as Linga Chittees Agent had informed then he had no Directions to pay it there.

N^o. 95 From M^r. James Bourchier Chief of DeveCotah dated 10th. Instant acknowledging the receipt of our Letter of the 21st. Ultimo and promising all the Assistance in his power to the Renter in making what Improvements may be deemed necessary Requesting our Instructions, as he is much at a loss to know on what Articles the Renter is to draw Juncan acquainting us that by the best information he can obtain the Quantity of Ground expressed in Our Letter is exactly what the Pollygar has hitherto enjoyed & he promises to prevent any encroachment on the Property of the Renter intimating that the Charity Braminys were guilty of a most egregious Imposition on this Board as he is assured by the principal Inhabitants they were entitled by the King of Tanjore Saned to no more than Twenty five and a half Valees (Reducing the different Measures to Valees calculated of sticks of twelve feet each) but that they forged the Kings Seal when they were called on to produce the Saned from whence their priviledges were derived and drew out another investing them with sixteen additional Valees (which with their former Indulgence amounts to Forty two Valees and that this was the Saned laid before the Governour & Council from whence their priviledges were confirmed leaving the whole to our determination and requesting he may be acquainted with the Result of it representing that agreeable to the Tenour of the Cowle he has receiv'd from the Renter Fifty Garce of paddy and desiring to know if the Quantity laid in last year must be disposed of which he is apprehensive will be damaged by keeping at the same time cannot be sold off but at a considerable Loss as the Market price is at present very low.

From
 St. Helena.

N^o. 96 From Charles Hutchinson Esq^r. Governour of St. Helena acknowledging the Receipt of Our Letters by the Winchelsea and Hardwicke containing their Indents for the use of the Island and representing the Necessity they are under for the Thirty Slaves already wrote for which they earnestly request may be sent by the very first opportunity.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1757 —

N^o. 97, 98 & 99 From Fort Marlbrō dated the 21st. April, 6th. & 27th. May, representing the Situation of the Companys Affairs on the West Coast. From Fort Marlbrō.

N^o. 100 From John Spencer Esq^r. & c^t. Factors at Anjengo dated 30th. June acknowledging the receipt of Our Letter of the 30th. May & enclosing a packet which they request may be immediately forwarded to Bombay.

AGREED that the Bill of Exchange drawn by M^r. Andrews at Maddapollam as advis'd in his Letter N^o. 93 be paid. Maddapollam Bill to be paid.

The Letters from Fort Marlbrō N^o. 97, 98, 99 with the several papers accompanying them as referr'd to the West Coast Committee to examine and Report West Coast Letters referr'd to the Comm.

A Report from the Committee of Accounts on the Accounts of this Settlement from the times mention'd in their former report to the end of April (Viz^t. Cash, Mint, Treasury, Import Warehouse, Export Warehouse, Sea Customs, Land Customs, Storehouse, Military Storehouse, Paymaster and Military Paymaster) read giving it as their Opinion that they are fit to be passed and they are therefore now passed accordingly. Committee of Acco^{ts}. report on the Home accounts.

Another Report from the Committee of Accounts on the Accounts of the Commissary General and Out-Garrisons & Camp Disbursements for January February March & April read, giving their Opinion that they are fit to be passed and they are therefore passed accordingly. Do. on the Camp & Out Garrison.

Letter from the Mayors Court read as enter'd hereafter signifying that M^r. William Roberts an Alderman and Judge of the Mayors Court having been absent above twelve Months his seat is thereby become vacant. Mayors Court advice of a vacancy.

M^r. John Davidson being thereupon proposed to supply the said Vacancy is now elected an Alderman & Judge of the Mayors Court and the Secretary is directed to give the usual Notice. Mr. Davidson chosen an Alderman.

Letter from Foss Westcott Esq^r. read as enter'd hereafter requesting leave to resign the Honble Companys Service and return to Europe where his Affairs require his presence in which the Board acquiesce. Mr. Westcott resigns the service.

The President reports from the Select Committee that the Cowles for the Covelong and Mannamangalum Country and the Seven Magans of the Triposore Country expiring the 31st. Instant the Committee has relet them for three years at the same Rents they produced last year Viz^t. Report from the Secret Committee that the following Countries are let.

COVELONG . . . to Linga Chittee for three years P. 8000 ₨ ann.

MANNAMANGALUM to Mahomud Caussem for three years at 13,000 d^o.

SEVEN MAGANS to D^o. . . . d^o. 19000 d^o.

ORDER'D that the Cowles be drawn out accordingly. Covles to be drawn out.

The Land Customer's Employ being Vacant by the Resignation of M^r. Westcott AGREED that M^r. Powney take Charge of the same until the Board shall have further consider'd thereof. Mr. Powney appd. Provisional Land Customer.

The President as Cash Keeper pays in Twenty thousand (20,000) fanams amounting at the rate of thirty six fanams to the Pagoda to five hundred and fifty five Pagodas twenty fanams (555.20) heing the difference of Batta on they Exchange of five thousand Pagodas into fanams this Month at the rate of fort fanams ₨ Pagoda and brought to account at thirty six fanams ₨ Pagoda.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in One thousand six hundred (1600) Pagodas on his running account. Money paid by the Import Wareh^o.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1757 —

Sea Customer.	Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in three Thousand two hundred (3200) Pagodas on his running account.
Land Customer.	Foss Westcott Land Customer pays in six hundred and forty four Pagodas twenty fanams and forty six Cash (644.20.46) for the June Ballance of that Account.
Mr. Westcott for passage.	M ^r . Westcott also now pays in Thirty Pagodas for Permission of Passage to England on the Honble Company's Ship Walpole.
Advances to	AGREED that the following Advances be made.
Expr. Wr. Kr.	To the Export Warehousekeeper Two thousand (2000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.
Commissary.	To the Commissary Twenty thousand (20000) Rupees for the Charges of the Troops abroad.
Paymaster.	To the Paymaster Thirteen thousand (13000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.
Military Paym ^r .	To the Military Paymaster Six thousand and fifty (6050) Pagodas to pay the Military &c ^t . next Month and
Military Storek ^r .	To the Military Storekeeper Fifteen hundred Pagodas (1500) for the Charges of that Employ.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^r. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

The Accounts of the Commissary General and Out Garrisons for January, March & April and the Camp Disbursements in April have been inspected and are in Opinion fit to be passed the Board. We are.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient humble servants

GEORGE PIGOT.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
THE 28 JULY 1757.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^r. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

We have perused the several Home Accounts, as observed below, from the times mentioned in our former Address to the end of April.

CASH	SEA CUSTOMS.
MINT	LAND CUSTOMS.
TREASURY	STOREHOUSE.
IMP ^r . WAREH ^o .K ^r .	MILITARY STOREHOUSE.
EXPORT WAREH ^o .K ^r .	PAYMASTER & MILITARY PAYMASTER.

without discovering any thing to impede their being passed in Consultation.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY—AUGUST 1757—

The Engineers Accounts have not undergone our Inspection, M^r. Call informing the Committee Captain Brohier had carried those Accounts so far as the 20th. May with him to Bengal.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
THE 28TH JULY 1757.

We are with perfect Respect
HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your very Obedient servants,

GEORGE PIGOT.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

The Seat of M^r. William Roberts as an Alderman and Judge of the Honble the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam being become Vacant by an Absence of upwards of twelve Months, I am directed to advise your Honour & C^t. thereof that another may be Elected in his Stead. I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

FORT ST. GEORGE
16 JULY 1757.

Your most Obedient Servant

DANIEL MORSE
Reg^r.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

As it is very necessary for my Affairs that I should proceed to Europe, I am to request your Honour & C^t. would permit me to Resign the Honble Companys Service and give an order to the Captain of the Walpole to receive me and my necessarys on board; Being with great Respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

FORT ST. GEORGE,
28TH JULY 1757.

Your most Obed^t. Hum^{ble}. Serv^t.

FOSS WESTCOTT.

Arrived the Honble Companys Sloop Dragon Assem Cundore from Fort S^t. David. 31

Sailed Ketch Boneta John Edwards for Acheen —

—AUGUST 1757—

D^o. Ketch Hyder Jalaam Babaa for d^o.
Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort S^t. David dated 30 July. 1

D^o. by Pattamars General Letter from Bombay dated 5th. July. 2

Sail'd the Honble Companys Ship Walpole Captain Francis Fowler for England. 3

—FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1757—

- 4 Sailed Ship Prince George Ninian Lowis for Bengal with General Letter to the President & Council dated yesterday.
- D^o. Ship Sally of Richard Finlay for Bengal.
- D^o. Brigantine Allah Dowlat, Joseph Austin for Bengal.
- D^o. Betsey Schooner William Dogan for Bengal.
- 6 D^o. Ship S^t. Juan Baptista formerly the George, Anthony da Silva Andrade for Tranquebar & Bussorah.
- 7 Sent by Pattamar General Letter to Bombay dated this day.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY
8th.

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT.
HENRY POWNEY. ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH. CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultations dated the 28th. Ultimo read and sign'd by all the Members then present except M^r. Westcott who took his Passage for England on the Walpole and sailed the 3^d. Instant.

General Letters read Viz^t.

Fort S^t.
David.

N^o. 101 from Alexander Wynch Esq^r. &c^t. Council at Fort S^t. David dated the 30th. Ultimo by the Dragon Sloop, acknowledging the receipt of our Letters of the 3^d. & 17th. Ultimo with the Consignments by the Mahomudy, Revenge & Dragon, all which were agreeable to Invoice, acquainting us that they have now sent the four Eighteen Pounder and two Twenty four Pounder Gun Carriages we wrote for, with an Invoice of them and of Nine hundred and forty four twelve Pounder shott sent by the Revenge and enclosing an Account Remains of Military Stores with a Letter and several other Papers deliver'd in by the Military Storekeeper in regard to which they desire our Directions.

N^o. 102 from Richard Bouchier Esq^r. President and Governour &c^t. Council of Bombay dated the 5th. July acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 27th May informing us That agreeable to our request they shall endeavour to contract with the Owners of any Vessels bound to Madagascar for the purchase and delivery of slave for the West Coast, tho' they have but little prospect of success. That having some males which were brought by the Swallow in 1753, they intend ordering the Fort William Schooner hither in her way to the Bay, with as many as she can carry towards the close of the month and that having called upon Captain Scott in regard to his detaining the King of Acheen's Sloop he deliver'd a Copy of the Agreement between them which they send enclosed by which it was stipulated that in case of being disabled from returning, which Captain Scott declares to be the Case, the value of it was to be invested in Goods, as the King was unwilling to be at any Charges in repairing her, and no opportunity has yet offered of complying with these Terms. They add they shall require Security from Captain Scott for discharging the Debt on delivering up his Bond, which they desire us to signify to the King of Acheen and enclosing a Packet which they request may be forwarded by the first Conveyance to the Court of Directors.

St. David
Military
Storekeepers
Account
referred
to the
Committee
of Accounts.

Agreed that the representation of the Military Storekeeper at Fort S^t. David to the Council there together with her Accounts of Surplus, Deficiency and remains mentioned in the foregoing General Letter from Fort S^t. David N^o. 101 be referr'd to the Committee of Accounts to examine and report.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1757—

The President is desired to write to the King of Acheen to acquaint him of what the Gentlemen at Bombay advise in their foregoing Letter N^o. 102 touching the Sloop he lent to Captain Scott*.

President to write to the King of Acheen.

The President acquaints The Board that some time ago he received a Letter from Mr. Drake the President at Fort William acquainting him that Mr. John Hume who arrived here from England in August 1754 with a Lieutenant's Brevet for the Bengal Establishment being by his Rank entitled to a Company there, they had kept one Vacant for him AGREED therefore that a Brevet be granted here to Mr. Hume to take Rank as Captain from the 10th April last the date of Mr. Drakes Letter and that in the next Advice to Bengal the Gentlemen there be acquainted that We have found it necessary to detain Mr. Hume on this Coast to carry on the Works at Fort S^t. David in the room of Mr. Call who has supplied Mr. Brohier's place here since his departure for Bengal and therefore We desire they will keep one of the Captains belonging to this Establishment in his Stead and as soon as We are advised they have done so We shall appoint Mr. Hume to a Company here, That we also desire they will appoint the proper Number of Officers for all the Military it may be absolutely necessary to detain for the protection of the Company's Settlements in Bengal out of those we sent them, who already have Commissions as otherwise own Officers on this Establishment will be more than proportionate to our Men.

A Captain Brevet to be given Lieutenant Hume and Bengal to be wrote to about that & the appointm^t. of other Officers.

The Export Warehousekeeper lays before the Board the Account of Proffit & Loss gain'd and lost from 1st May 1756 to Ultimo April 1757 together with the Journal Entries for the Close of the Books of that Employ to said Ultimo April 1757, which the Board approve & order to be entered hereafter.

Expt. Ware H.k^{rs} annual account Proffit & Loss approved. Amount to be paid.

A Letter from Captain Thomas Powney of the Hon^{ble} Companys Ship Duke read as enter'd hereafter purporting a Certificate that Mr. John Line has fully perform'd his Contract for repairing the said Ship † ORDER'D that the amount of the said Contract being One thousand six hundred and Eighty six Pagodas five fanams be paid him.

The Storekeeper acquaints the Board that the Impress advanced the Crew of the Hon^{ble} Company's Sloop Neptune is near expiring. ORDER'D that four Months Impress more be paid.

Four months Impress for the Neptune Sloop to be paid.

AGREED that the said Sloop be dispatch'd to Fort Marlbrō with a Cargo of Rice and that the three Long Boats, built for the Service of the West Coast, proceed thither in Company with her.

Neptune Sloop with a Cargo of Rice & the 3 Long Boats to be dispatched to the West Coast.

The President reads the Cash account for last Month Ballance remaining compared with the Chest Thirteen thousand Eight hundred and three Pagodas Thirty four fanams and forty one Cash (13803·34·41) which is carried forward.

July Cash Account read.

Sunca Vencaty Ramah Beetle and Tobacco Farmer pays in Nine hundred and thirty three Pagodas twelve fanams (933·12·-) in full for one months Rent of that Farm due the 12th Ultimo.

Rents paid in Beetle and Tobacco.

Sunca Vencaty Ramah Farmer of the Measuring Duty pays in Two hundred and sixty eight Pagodas twelve fanams (268·12·-) in full for two Months Rent of that Farm due the 12th ultimo.

Measuring duty.

AGREED that the following Advances be made.

To the Commissary Twelve thousand (1200) (*sic*) Arcot Rupees, and Six thousand (6000) Pagodas for the Charges of the Troops abroad.

Advance to the Commissary.

To the Storekeeper Two thousand (2000) Rupees for Impress to the Neptune Sloop &c^t.

To the Storekeeper.

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

* Vide General Letter to Bombay dated 28th May 1757, N^o. 31.

† Vide Consult^o. 41th May.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1757—

FORT ST. GEORGE 30TH APRIL 1757.

LONG CLOTH ORDINARY D^r. to Sundry Accounts P. 136·7·52 for the following Cloths carried to this Account by mistake the marks being washed out Viz^t.

LONG CLOTH ORDINARY VERAND ^M	..	C ^o . 1.	18 @	..	..	..	..
P. 44 Ψ C ^o.	..	..	..	83	21	48	..
LONG CLOTH MIDLING	..	..	1. 3.	45	52	22	4 ..
							136 7 52

Sundry Accounts D^r. to Profit & Loss Pag^s. 366·10 for the difference between the Charge in the Invoice sent to Europe & the real Cost to the Company.

LONG CLOTH ORDINARY	..	..	..	166	4	40	..
D ^o . D ^o . MIDLING	..	..	..	90	13	40	..
SALLAMPORES	..	..	..	109	28	—	366 10 —
PROFIT & LOSS D ^R . TO LONG CLOTH ORDINARY VERANDAP ^M . P.5.9 for the difference between the charge in the Invoice & the real cost to the Company.	..	..	..	5	9	—	—
CHARGES GENERAL D ^R . TO GOODS FOR PRESENTS Pag ^s . 37.18.— for three Looking Glasses taken for the use of the Great House	..	..	..	37	18	—	..
PROFIT & LOSS D ^R . to Sundry Accounts Pag ^s . 249·9 lost on the following Articles.							
TARPAULINS 25 Torn & quite worn out on the Works Warehouse &c ^t.	..	..	..	146	28	30	..
FORT ST. DAVID GOODS being what was lost on 3 Cerge Long Cloth Chinnamanaickpollam damaged & torn at the Nabobs & sold at Outry	..	..	..	100	32	61	..
REDWOOD ca ^s . m ^d . 10·11 lost in saving @ P. 2·18 Ψ Candy	..	..	..	1	10	78	..
							249 — 9

Sundry Accounts D^r. to PROFIT & Loss Pag^s. 1975·4·14 Gained on the following Articles Viz^t.

REDWOOD	..	..	..	294	30	50	..
SALT PETRE	..	..	..	804	31	10	..
RICE	..	..	..	872	32	33	..
BETEELAS PULLIACAT 2 Covids broad	..	..	..	—	—	1	..
SALLAMPORES MIDLING	..	..	..	2	8	10	..
PROFIT & LOSS D ^R . to Sundry Accounts P. 1417·34·16 lost on the following Articles.							
LONG CLOTH ORDINARY	..	..	..	5	17	44	..
D ^o . D ^o . Verand	..	..	..	2	25	52	..
D ^o . D ^o . Midling	2	19	28	..
CHARGES ON MERCHANDIZE	1306	7	52	..
BATTA	68	—	—	..
ACCOUNT PRESENTS	33	—	—	..

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Sundry Accounts D^r. to Stock P. 399670·6·66 to close the following heads Viz^t.

THE HONBLE COMPANY'S CASH	..	..	..	10500	—	—	..
BENGAL PRESIDENCY	..	..	..	5503	19	6	..
TELLISINGA CHITTEE	..	..	..	64577	2	59	..
GUNDAVEDDY VENCATA RAMAH & NELLA CHITTEE	..	..	..	36676	20	20	..
SUNCA VENCATA RAMAH & AMBALATADDY CHITTEE	..	..	..	7805	12	6	..
LINGA & SERVANNAH CHITTEE..	..	..	..	38261	3	26	..
LINGA TELLISINGA, SERVANNAH CHITTEE & C	..	..	..	11457	20	58	..
MOOTA CHELLUMBRUM & WYDELINGUM	981	18	—	..
GUNDAVEDDY VENCATA RAMAH	1346	27	44	..
NELLA CHITTEE	2280	9	—	..

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TONAPAH CUNDAPAH & C ^r . PAINTERS	7991	28	37		
FORT ST. DAVID	44542	9	—		
VIZAGAPATAM FACTORY	90632	31	43		
INGERAM FACTORY	39705	19	50		
MADDAPOLLAM FACTORY	36738	30	48		
PROFIT & LOSS FOR THE REAL GAINS	669	6	69		
				399670	6 66

STOCK D ^r . to Sundry Accounts Pagodas to close the following heads Viz ^t .	492729	17	11		
ACCOUNT CURRENT LONDON	193952	3	70		
FORT MARLBOROUGH	5280	7	4		
CHARGES GENERAL	37	18	—		
BALLANCE	293459	24	17		
				492729	17 11

ROBERT ORME Export Warehousekeeper D^r. to BALLANCE Pagodas 1543 33 5 to close his Account in these Books being the Amount of Cash advanced by Him since 1st. of May last 1543 33 5

BALLANCE D^r. to Sundry Accounts P^s. 295003 21 22 being the Amount of Goods remaining & Debts Outstanding in these Books this 30 April 1757.

	Corge.	Ps.			
LONG CLOTH ORDINARY	1153	11	52003	24	60
D ^o . D ^o . Verand ^m	58	5	2742	33	60
D ^o . MIDDLING	175	10	8571	34	34
SALLAMPORES D ^o	1905	9	42734	2	62
D ^o . FINE		4	6	3	48
LAMPASSES	55	3	1809	12	33
MOOREES ORDINARY CHINTS	63	6	1683	32	4
D ^o . FINE D ^o	77	14	3994	5	32
JUDGEA BAFTAS	213	4½	3959	1	8
SANNOES ORDINARY	73	16	2072	31	44
D ^o . FINE	45	—	2179	6	64
D ^o . SUPERFINE	43	8	3145	26	11
MUSTRAS CALLICOES	—	26½	80	9	54
TEAK HORSES	43	—	296	12	20
Ca. m. lb.					
REDWOOD 231 1 13			827	1	65
SALT PETRE 51 18 15½			636	5	45
TARPAULINS 5			29	12	70
RICE Garce 69.329 5/16			4930	30	3
GOODS FOR PRESENTS			942	19	34
OIL Measures 939			97	2	76
RAW SILK Md ^s 1.22			308	20	46
MATERIALS for PACKING 1 pair screws			166	22	40
THOMAS COOKE			669	1	54
PASQUAL & C ^r . BOATMEN			763	32	—
VIZAGAPATAM GOODS			92027	11	57
INGERAM GOODS			20670	15	56
MADDAPOLLAM GOODS			17277	31	28
FORT ST. DAVID GOODS			30377	8	34
				295003	21 22

To the Honble George Pigot Esq^r.
President & Governour & C^t. Council.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs.

This is to Certify that M^r. John Line has fully perform'd his Contract in repairing & in finding Necessaries for the Honble Companys Ship DUKE.

I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most Obed^t. and humble servant

THO^s. POWNEY.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
3^d AUGUST 1757.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1757—

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH.

DR.

1	To Ballance brought from last Months Account	2834	333224	35	12090	8	35
4	To Chinna Nella Chittee & Vadamalla Pillah Farmers of the Arrack & Wine Licence recd of them in full for One Months Rent of that Farm due the 12 Ultimo .. ..	..	23430	—	650	30	—
12	To Current Pagodas recd from the Treasury	15000	—	—	15000	—	—
13	To Alexander Dalrymple Accountant General recd from the Mayors Court Account the Estate of Joseph Smith	332	27	40	332	27	40
28	To Henry Powney Import Warehouse-keeper recd of him on his running Account.	16000	—	—	1600	—	—
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer recd of him on his running Account.	3000	7200	—	3200	—	—
—	To Foss Westcott Land Customer recd of him for the June Ballance of that Account ..	501	5168	46	644	20	46

CONTRA.

4	By Rents & Revenues paid in full for 6 Months Pension of 1000 Pagodas ₹ annum settled on the Widow of Hussein Cawn Cauked late Killedar of Poonamallee and Hussein Cawn his Brother as ₹ the Nabobs Saned.	500	—	—	500	—	—
9	By Fort St. David paid their Bill of Exchange in favour of Mr. Charles Turner	1850	—	—	1850	—	—
13	By the Mayors Court advanced for the Charges of that Corporation ..	400	—	—	400	—	—
18	By Robert Orme Export Warehousekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	4000	—	—	4000	—	—
28	By Maddapollam Factory paid a Bill of Exchange drawn by Mr. John Andrews in favour of Mess ^{rs} . Du Pre & Alexander ..	1000	—	—	1000	—	—

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— To Account Current London recd of Mr. Foss Westcott for permission of Passage to England on the Walpole ..	30	—	—	30	—	—
.. To Current Pagodas recd from the Treasu- ry	10000	—	—	10000	—	—
— To Batta for the purpose of 5000 Pagodas issued as Ⓟ Contra and Exchanged into fanams @ 40 fanams Ⓟ Pagoda & brought to Account here @ 36 fanams Ⓟ pagoda ..	—	200000	—	5555	20	—
STAR OR CURRENT PAG ^s ..	<u>33297</u>	<u>569050</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>49103</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>41</u>

ERRORS EXCEPTED
Ⓟ GEORGE FIGOT.

By Robert Orme Export Warehousekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	2000	—	—	2000	—	—
— By John Smith Paymas- ter advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	4000	324000	—	1300	—	—
— By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him to pay the Mili- tary &c ^t . next month.	6000	1800	—	6050	—	—
— By Charles Bouchier Military Storekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	1500	—	—	1500	—	—
-- By Batta Issued in the Course of this Month to be Exchanged into fanams as Ⓟ Contra.	5000	—	—	5000	—	—
	<u>26250</u>	<u>325800</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>35800</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>
31 By Ballance carried to next Months Account.	7047	243250	41	13803	34	41
STAR OR CURRENT PAG ^s ..	<u>33297</u>	<u>569050</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>49103</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>41</u>

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- 10 Arrived the Honble Companys Schooner Fort William Robert Munro from Bombay with General Letter from the President & Council there dated 17th Ultimo.
- 11 Receiv'd by the way of Puliacat two General Letters from Mr. John Callaud late Provisional Resident at Ingeram the one dated at Vizagapatam the 26th May, the other at Maddapollam the 15th July.
- 13 Arrived the Brigantine Experiment John Whiteway from Bombay & Ceylon.
- 14 D^o. Brigantine Shakender, Hussein from the Maldives.
- Sailed the Honble Companys Schooner Fort William, Robert Munro for Bengal with General Letter to the President & Council there dated this day.
- 15 Sail'd Sloop Groningen, Henry Karr for Bengal.
- 16 Received by Pattamars General Letter from Tellicherry with a Packet to be forwarded to the President & Council at Bombay.
- 17 Sailed the Honble Companys Sloop Neptune Thomas Forrest for both these Settlements dated the 14th. Instant.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.

STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.

ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

WEDNES-
DAY THE
17th.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 8th Instant read and signed.General Letters read Viz^t.General
Letter read
from
Bombay.

N^o. 103 From Richard Bouchier Esq^r. President and Governour &c^t. Council of Bombay dated the 17th July F Fort William Schooner enclosing Duplicate of their Letter of the 5th. Ultimo and Invoice of Seven Slaves now sent Us, advising of the Caernarvon having lost her passage and put into Batavia & of the narrow Escape of the three homeward bound China Ships & the Grampus Tender and transmitting two packets for England, the Original of which they desire may be forwarded by the first Conveyance.

Ingeram.

N^o. 104 From Mr. John Calland late Provisional Resident of Ingeram, the first being a Duplicate dated at Vizagapatam the 26th May (the Original *Via* Bengal not yet received) advising of his arrival there and of the Investure of Nellypillee by the French who were ten days on the Island before they summoned him to surrender, which having no Match and only half a Barrel of Gun Powder he was obliged to do. That the Bandermalanka Detachment taken in coming to his Assistance are prisoners with his people at Metchlepatam that the Expedition against him was carried on with such Secrecy that their Intention was not known till they were within a few hours march of Yanam having disguised their purpose by a Report that Mr. Bussy was defeated & that they were marching to his Assistance. That he has saved the Company's Books and Papers under his own Name at Cokinarra and Twenty seven Bales of Cloth on board a Vessell which narrowly escaped the French and got to Vizagapatam. That the Remainder being Fifty seven Corge was lost with the place, no Cooley or Doney's being to be had at any rate & the Enemy on hearing of his securing the Effects, order'd a Party to Yanam which effectually prevented him. That the Force with which he was attacked was Four

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hundred Europeans Fifteen hundred Seapoys Twelve pieces of Cannon and two Mortars, and that twenty Seapoys went out at one of the Embrazures to the Enemy leaving to us, to judge of his situation when he surrender'd, adding in a Postscript that the 1st of May he transmitted the monthly Accounts for April. The second is dated the 15th. Ultimo from Maddapollam enclosing his Accounts, in it he observes, as Mess^{rs}. Perceval and Andrews were pursuing their Investments he should have thought himself culpable had he remained inactive after he had brought the Merchants to the Abatements we directed, that to pay the Merchants and to defray the Expences of the Place for part of March all April and May which are induced in the Account, he was obliged to borrow Money at Interest of which he promises the Account hereafter, desiring that the Ballance being in his Favour Pagodas seven thousand three hundred and fifteen, seven fanams and sixty six Cash (7315·7·66) may be paid as soon as possible to Mess^{rs}. Westcott and Bouchier, that the Account may not be swelled by the Charge of Interest, Informing us of a mistake in the Quantity of Cloth lost which was sixty nine Corge, and sixteen peices (Cor. 69·16) instead of Fifty nine (59) Corge he formerly wrote us occasioned by an account of Cloth since delivered to him and assuring us not a peice is charged more than was lost.

N^o. 106 From Thomas Hodges Esq^r. &c. Factors at Tellicherry dated 1st Instant, serving only to enclose a Packet for Bombay which they desire may be forwarded as soon as possible.

From
Tellicherry.

AGREED that the Seven Male Slaves received from Bombay by the Fort William Schooner be sent to Fort Marlbrō by the Company's Ship Duke and that in the next Advices to Bombay the Gentlemen there be acquainted that if they can spare any more it will be acceptable to Our Hon^{ble} Masters that they send them by the first Ship to S^t. Helena where they are much wanted.

7 Coffrees
recd from
Bombay to
be sent to
Marlbrō —
Duke.
Bombay to
be wrote to
to send some
to S^t.
Helena.

AGREED that the General Letters from M^r. John Calland N^o. 104 & 105 do lye on the Table to be Consider'd when M^r. Calland arrives here.

Ingeram
Letters to
lye on the
Table.

A Report from the Committee for Affairs of the West Coast read, as enter'd hereafter, giving their opinion of what Stores &c^t. are immediately necessary for the Service of those Settlements. The President acquaints the Board that upon the receipt of the Letters from thence by the Marlbrō Sloop he had Order'd about Eleven Garce of Rice and twenty one Garce of Salt to be laden on the Company's Ship Duke, which the Board approve, and an Abstract of the Fort Marlbrō Indent and Account Remains of Ordnance and Military Stores being now laid before the Board whereby it appears, that they have some unserviceable Guns, others for which they have little or no proper shot and a Number of shot of different diameters for which they have no Guns of the same Calibre a* List is now formed therefrom of such Ordnance & Military Stores as are proper to be sent thither and such as are to be returned either to England or this Presidency, it is also order'd that Fifty Bales of Long Cloth Ordinary be sent by the Duke of which the torn and damaged Cloth reported in Consultation the 30th May last to be part, and that the Fanams & Cash they Indent for be coined as soon as conveniently may be and sent as opportunitys present and as the Gentlemen at Fort Marlbrō write that they expect to have above six hundred Tons of surplus Pepper by the end of January for which if it be not shipped off they shall want Godown room AGREED that they be directed to send us by the Duke as much of it as she can take in and also by that and other safe Conveyances all the Treasure they have more than sufficient for their own demands.

Report of
the West
Coast
Committee.
Orders
thereon.

*This List
will be
entd, after
the General
Letter to
Fort
Marlbrō to
go by the
Duke.

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Account
Coinage of
Gold from
the West
Coast.

An Account Coinage of Gold received from Fort Marlbrō ⌘ Marlbrō Sloop is now laid before the Board on which there appears a gain of about twenty five ⌘ Cent.

Report of
the Sale of
Sugar &
Arrack from
the West
Coast.

The Storekeeper reports that the Sugar received last year from the West Coast by the Hartop Snow was sold at Outcry the 30th Ultimo and produced on an Average seventeen and a quarter Pagodas ⌘ Candy and that all the Arrack receiv'd from thence at the same time has been issued out at Fifty three Pagodas ⌘ Leaguer.

Report of
the Stowage
of Arrack ⌘
Marlbrō
Sloop & of
the defi-
ciency on
Gauge.

The Storekeeper lays before the Board, as enter'd hereafter a report of the Stowage of the Arrack received from Fort Marlbrō by the Marlbrō Sloop, whereby it appears that the said Arrack was properly stowed, and he also reports to the Board that the said Arrack being landed and Gauged there appears a deficiency of One hundred and seventy seven Gallons on Four thousand three hundred and Eight.

Lieutenant
Brevets.

The President acquaints the Board that he has granted Lieutenants Brevets to the undermention'd Gentlemen who were Ensigns dated the 1st Instant and to rank as follows.

John Clarke	..	..	To take Rank	..	28 th .	December 1756.
Simon Hart	..	..	D ^o .	..	29 th .	D ^o .
John Henry Meyers	..	..	D ^o .	..	30 th .	D ^o .
Joseph Darke	..	..	D ^o .	..	31 st .	D ^o .
David Blake	..	..	D ^o .	..	1	January 1757.
Robert Bannatyne	..	..	D ^o .	..	2	D ^o .

Accountt.
Generals
Drafts.

The three following Drafts made by the Accountant-General of the Mayor's Court are now presented an[d] Order'd to be paid Viz^t.

ACCOUNT SUNDRY PERSONS UNKNOWN.

1. Payable to Captain John Mackmath Administrator of the Goods &c ^t . of John Sanderson deceased for three hundred & twenty eight Pagodas twenty four fanams & seventy Cash	328	24	70
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ACCOUNT THE ESTATE OF JOS^{PH}. SMITH.

1. Payable to Christopher Macklin for fifteen Pagodas	..	15	—	—
1. Payable to Charles Bourchier Esq ^r . Rental General & Scavenger for Two Pagodas Thirty Fanams	..	5	30	—

Madras
Pags. 361-61
sold Linga
Chittee at
10 ⌘ Ct.
Batta 2
months
trust.

The President acquaints the Board that the Ballance of Madras Pagodas now in the Treasury is Thirty six thousand One hundred and sixty one, which were purchased of Linga Chittee at ten ⌘ Cent Batta, for the use of the Northern Settlements but as those Settlements have unfortunately been subdued by the French, consequently there can be no further demand for that Coin, he has treated with Linga Chittee for the sale of them and he offers to take them back again at the same price they were brought of him provided he be allowed two months time to pay in the amount, as he must retail them out to the Merchants, which the Board approve.

Rent of
Ruby
Brokerage
paid in.

Linga Chittee farmer of the Ruby Brokerage pays in Two hundred and thirty two Pagodas Eighteen fanams (232.18) in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 30th. June when the Cowle expired.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^S. BOURCHIER.

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TO THE HONOURABLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.

PRESIDENT & C^T. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have perused the Letters now received from the West Coast and conformable to your Orders now present our Observations on them but as the Records of Fort Marlbro since the dispatch of the Harlop have not accompanied the Letters now received We are confined in this our Report only to point out to Your Honour &c^t. what is immediately necessary to be done by this Board for the service of these Settlements without making any Observations on the State of Affairs but in the most General Terms.

The Gentlemen of the West Coast represent their Distress for Rice & Salt to be extreme and apprehend fatal Consequences, if not immediately supply'd with fifty Coyans of the former & sixty of the latter and represent it as necessary, that they be annually supplied with thirty five Garce of Rice at least, otherwise they must depend on the good Will of the Natives for their Subsistence and the Mallays are too well known to trust anything to their good Inclinations.

They indent for sixty Bales of Long Cloth Ordinary Eight thousand Dollars worth of Fanams & One thousand Dollars worth of Copper Cash.

They desire large supplies of Military Stores of all kinds may be immediately sent them & in order to convince us of their Necessities send us an Account of all the Ordinance, and Stores serviceable and unserviceable remaining in the Garrison of Fort Marlbro at the dispatch of the Sloop.

They likewise request a Reinforcement of Men & at least two hundred Barrels of Gun Powder.

They again remind us of sending them an Engineer & Artificers such as Masons, Bricklayers & Ship Carpenters they have sent a Syrang to the Coast to hire Lascars into their Service.

By the latter end of January, they will have six hundred Tons of Pepper more than the Cargo of the Annual Ship & it rests with the Board to furnish Tonnage for that Quantity.

M^r. Pybus the late Deputy Governour being now here he may be requested to lay before us an Indent of such Ordnance Ammunition & Warlike Stores as are immediately Necessary to be sent by the Vessels now in the Road, but as We make no doubt the Board will think it impossible to send them any Recruits of Men it appears to us, that a very small Addition of Stores will supply them in proportion to the Number of their Men. They may be directed to send us all such shott which they cannot use for want of Guns of the same Calibre. Those are some twenty four, Eighteen & Twelve Ponders.

It is necessary that the Ship Duke touch at Natal that the Chief may have an Opportunity of taking out of her what is immediately necessary for the Subsistence of the Settlement and at the same time the Chief at Natal must be directed not to extend this Priviledge farther than is consistent with the more important Necessities of Fort Marlbro & the Pepper Residencies. We are with Respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient hble servants,

GEORGE PIGOT.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.

FORT ST. GEORGE
AUGUST 10, 1757.

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To JOHN SMITH ESQ^R.

SIR,

Agreeable to your desire we have been on Board the Honble Company's Sloop Marlbro and examined the Stowage of the Arrack which we find to have been well and carefully performed. As Witness Our Hands.,

FORT ST. GEORGE,
1st AUGUST 1757.

GEORGE BAKER.
WILLIAM FLINT.

- 18 Arriv'd the Charlotte Grab, Antoine Biquant from Surat last from Negapatam.
- Receiv'd from Fort St. David General Letter dated 15th. Instant with a Duplicate of one of the 9th. Instant.
- Receiv'd by Peons General Letter from M^r. John Andrews at Maddapollam dated 3^d. Instant.
- 22^d. Sail'd the Honble Company's Sloop, Dragon, Assem Condou for Fort St. David with General Letter dated yesterday.
- 23 Sailed Sloop Speedwell, John Johnston for Bengal.
- 24 Arriv'd Snow St. Ann, Richard Pereira, for Tranquebar.
- 26 Sailed the Honble Companys Ship Duke, Thomas Powney, for the West Coast of Sumatra with General Letters to Tappanooly, Natal, Moco Moco and Fort Marlbro.
- Sent by Pattamars General Letters to Bombay, Tellicherry and Anjengo dated this day.
- 28 Put back the Honble Companys Ship Duke, Thomas Powney being Leaky.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ ^R .	GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.	HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.	JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.	

TUESDAY
THE 30th.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 17th. Instant read & signed.

General Letters read Viz^t.

[General
Letters
read]
[From St.
David]

No. 107 and 108 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. & the other Gentlemen of Council at St. David the first dated the 15th. Instant, enclosing Duplicate of their Consultations and Accounts for June the Original of which with their last dated the 9th. The Cattamaran people being pursued by the French from Pondicherry threw into the sea, the other being the Duplicate referred to, advises that the Tevenduporum Renter had delivered Fifty Garce of Paddy agreeable to their Cowle and desiring to be informed whether the Presidency or they are to be credited for the amount and acquainting us. Bowanee's Ballance being reduced to Nine hundred (900) Pagodas, he has requested an advance which they have not thought it prudent to comply with, till they receive a supply of Cash, their Ballance being but Ten thousand and Fifty one Pagodas (10051) and Forty two thousand five hundred and seventy eight (42578) Rupees.

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N^o. 109 From Mr. John Andrews late Resident at Maddapollam, dated there the 3rd. August, enclosing his accounts and requesting the Ballance which is six hundred and two (602) Pagodas may be paid Messieurs Du Pre' and Alexander. [Maddapollam].

In regard to Mr. Andrews' Letter from Maddapollam requesting that the Ballance of his July account may be paid to his Attorneys AGREED that the said Letter do lye on the Table to be further Considered. Maddapollam Letter to lye on the Table.

The President acquaints the Board that the Hon^{ble} Company's Ship Duke which was dispatch'd for the West Coast the 26th. and put back the 28th. Instant proves so leaky as to render it very hazardous for her to attempt that Passage at this Season, and as it is apprehended that the only defect is the want of Caulking, & sheathing AGREED that the said ship be sent down to Bengal for that purpose, that the Rice and Military Stores (except the Gunpowder) be relanded here, that the Salt be Consigned to the Gentlemen at Bengal to be disposed of there, that they be also acquainted they may detain such part of the Gunpowder as they have immediate Occasion for, but that if their want should not be pressing We had rather the whole were forwarded to Fort Marlbrō where the remains are very small. That we desire they would give directions for refitting the ship with all possible Expedition and when compleated that they will put on board a Cargo of fine Rice and fifteen hundred of the best Gunny Bags for pepper and then give the Commander Orders to proceed to the West Coast of Sumatra calling first at Tappanooly next at Natal, then proceed to Moco Moco and from thence to Fort Marlbrō. Ship Duke put back being leaky. To be sent to Bengal Sundrys to be landed here Consign'd to Bengal & the Genl. there to be wrote to on this subject.

AGREED that the Military Stores, to be relanded from the Duke, be laden on the Marlbrō Sloop and dispatch'd to the West Coast with as much Rice besides as he can take in. Sundrys landed from the Duke to be laden on the Marlbrō Sloop.

The Import Warehousekeeper acquaints the Board that on delivering a Parcel of Broad Cloth that had been sold at Outcry he observed some Pieces damaged by the Insect that breeds in it. Imp^t. WareH^{kr}. that some Cloth is damaged by the Worm.

AGREED that the Board to meet (as soon as may be consistently with the dispatch of other more pressing Affairs) at the Import Warehouse to examine the Cloth remaining unsold. to be survey'd by the Board.

The Storekeeper lays before the Board an Account of four months Impress for the Hon^{ble} Company's Sloop Marlbrō commencing the 25th. Instant amounting to Fifteen hundred and twenty four Rupees, which is order'd to be paid. Account Impress for the Marlbrō Sloop to be paid.

The President as Cash keeper pays in Twenty four thousand fanams (24000) amounting at the rate of thirty six fanams to the Pagoda to six hundred and sixty six Pagodas twenty four fanams (666.24) being the difference of Batty on the Exchange of six thousand Pagodas into fanams this Month at the rate of forty fanamis Pagoda and brought to Account at thirty six fanams $\frac{2}{3}$ Pagoda. Money paid in by the Cash keeper.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in Two thousand seven hundred (2700) Pagodas on his running Account. Import WareH^{kr}.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in Two thousand five hundred (2000) Pagodas on his running Account. Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Land Customer pays in Five hundred and Eighty Pagodas Nineteen fanams and Eleven Cash (580.19.11) for the July Ballance of that Account. Land Customer

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Rents paid in Beetle & Tobacco.	Sunca Vencaty Ramah Beetle and Tobacco Farmer pays in Nine hundred and thirty three Pagodas twelve fanams (933.12) in full for One Month's Rent of that Farm due the 12 th . Instant.
DeveCotah.	Christnah Row Renter of the DeveCotah Country pays in Four thousand six hundred and ten Pagodas (4610) in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 31 st May, when the Cowle expired.
St. Thome.	Guntoor Vencatachillum Renter of St. Thome ⁿ pays in Two thousand and fifty (2050) Pagodas in full for six Months' Rent of that Farm due the 31 st May.
Advances to.	AGREED that the following Advances be made Viz ^t .
The Commissary.	To the Commissary Twenty thousand (20,000) Pagodas and twenty thousand (20000) Rupees for the Charges of the Troops abroad.
Storekeeper.	To the Storekeeper Three thousand Rupees (3000) for the Charges of that Employ.
Paymaster.	To the Paymaster Fifteen thousand Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.
Military Paymaster.	To the Military Paymaster six thousand Pagodas (6000) to pay the Military &c ^t . for next Month.
Military Storekeeper.	To the Military Storekeeper One thousand Pagodas (P. 1000) for the Charges of that Employ.

GEORGE PIGOT.
 STRINGER LAWRENCE.
 HENRY POWNEY.
 ROBERT ORME.
 JOHN SMITH.
 CH^s. BOURCHIER.

SEPTEMBER.

—SEPTEMBER 1757—

1	Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort St. David dated 29 th . August.
2	Sail'd Snow St. Ann Richard Pereira for Bengal.
3	D ^o . Ketch Hyderose Syde Hussein for Pegue.
—	Receiv'd by Peons General Letter from M ^r . John Andrews at Maddapollam dated 23 rd . August.
6	This day at Noon anchored in the Road the Hon ^{ble} Companys Ships Boscawen Captain Benjamin Braund.
	Norfolk .. Pinson Bonham .. } From England bound
	Tavistock .. Benjamin Jenkins .. } from hence to Can-
	Princess Augusta. Thomas Baddison .. } ton Supra Cargos on
	the above Ships Mess ^{rs} . Thomas Thomson, Hillary Torriano, John Mapletoft and William Fead of the Boscawen & Princess Augusta And Mess ^{rs} . Mordicai Walker, Nathaniel Garland, Thomas Sandys and Thomas Smith, of the Norfolk and Tavistock.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ ^r .	GOVERN ^r . PRESIDENT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.	HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.	JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.	

TUESDAY
THE 6th.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1757—

The Packets from the Honble Court of Directors by the Ships Boscawen, Norfolk Tavistock and Princess Augusta are severally open'd and the papers compared with their respective Lists, with which they are found to agree.

Packets of Boscawen Norfolk Tavistock Pss. Augusta open'd & Letters read.

The following Letters read Viz^t.

General Letter from the Honble Court of Directors dated 29th. Decem^r. 1756.

Duplicate D^o. 29th. Decem^r. 1756 relating to the Madeira Ship.

Copy. General Letter to the West Coast. 29th. Decem^r. 1756.

Orders are now sign'd to the Commanders of the said Ships for the delivery of the several Consignments to this Presidency.

Orders sign'd for delivery of their Cargo.

ORDER'D that the said Ships be unloaded with all possible dispatch.

Ships to be unloaded expeditiously.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

This Morning at 8'o Clock Anchored in the Road His Majesty's Ship Triton Captain Edmund Townley from a Cruize to the S^oward.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

FRIDAY
THE 9th.

Captain Townley being introduced acquaints the Board that yesterday morning being at Anchor off Fort S^t. David at day break he descry'd a Squadron of French Ships consisting of ten Sail at Anchor to the Southward, upon which he immediately got under sail as did also the Squadron, and one of them which he judged to be a Frigate of about thirty six Guns gave him chase and came up with him very fast but gave it over a breast of Pondicherry that he judges two of the Ships to be of seventy Guns. Six other large, and two Frigates, and that they all anchor'd in Pondicherry Road, he further acquaints the Board that the Honble Company's Ship Revenge, which was in Company with him, is gone on to Bengal to give these Advices to Admiral Watson.

Advice of a French Squadron of Ten sail arrived at Pondicherry.

As it is not improbable but that some Attempts may be made upon the shipping the Road, especially the four China Ships, which in their present Births are not sufficiently under the protection of the Batterys towards the Sea, it is RESOLV'D that the Treasure on board the said Ships Consigned to the Supra Cargoes at Canton be immediately landed and that the Commanders be order'd to repair on board and bring their ships as near to the shore as may safely be. Letters are accordingly now sign'd to the Supra Cargos to direct the Landing of the said Treasure and Orders to the Commanders to bring in their Ships assigning them their respective Stations.

Treasure on board 4 China Ships in the road to be landed.

Ships to be brought nearer in to be under the Guns.

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20 Chests
Bullion to
be sent to
Bengal &
Triton.

Adjourn'd
to meet the
Secret
Committee.

Captain Townley intending to proceed directly to Bengal to join Admiral Watson AGREED that Twenty Chests of Bullion be sent on his Majesty's Ship Triton for the Service of that Presidency.

The Board then Adjourned in order to meet the Secret Committee to Consider of proper Measure to be taken on this Occasion.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

- 9 Sail'd Ship Isaac Galley Abdul Callac for the Mallabar Coast.
D^o. the Honble Companys Sloop Caddalore George Baker to the Southward.
- D^o. in the Evening His Majestys Ship Triton Captain Edmund Townley for Bengal.
- 10 Arriv'd Sloop Tryall, Samuel Elliot from Fort Marlbro last from Fort St. David with a General Letter from both those Settlements Viz^t. from Marlbro dated the 8th August & from St. David the 8th September.
- 11 Receiv'd by Pattamars General Letter from Bombay dated 5th August.
- 12 . . . by Pattamars D^o. . . . Tellicherry 28 D^o.
- 13 Sail'd Grab Charlotte Anthony Biquant for Bengal.
D^o. Snow Meeramadat Mahomed Nachodah for Tinassaree.
- 15 D^o. Brigantine Experiment John Whiteway for Bengal.
— Sent by Pattamar General Letter to Bombay dated this day.
- 16 Sail'd the Honble Companys Ship Duke for Bengal.
— Receiv'd from Fort St. David General Letter dated 12th Instant.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY
THE 16TH.

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT.
STRING^r. LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of the two last Consultations dated the 6th. and 9th. Instant read and Signed.

General Letters read Viz^t.

General
Letters read
from St-
David.

N^o. 110, 112 & 116 from Alexander Wynch Esq^r. & the Gentlemen in Council at Fort St. David dated the 29th, August, 8th, & 12th, September, the first acknowledging the receipt of our Letters by the Neptune and Dragon, acquainting us that the Long Boats being thoroughly repair'd they had put them under Charge of the Master of the Neptune and dispatch'd him directly to Marlbro as he represented touching at Deve Cotah to be out of his way, for which reason they had sent the Dragon thither with Captain Preston & enclosing an Account of Repairs and Disbursements on the Neptune and Long Boats. The Second by the Tryal Sloop informing Us of that Ship's Arrival the 7th from Fort Marlborough with a Packet for this Presidency and a Letter

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desiring them in case of Danger to open the Packet and take such Measures with it & the Vessel as they should judge proper, that they intended dispatching her hither and had requested Captain Townley to Convoy her past Pondicherry, but that the Appearance of a French Fleet of Ten Sail the next morning obliged them to alter their Measures; The Tryton & Revenge having stood out to Sea and as they apprehend it would not be safe for the Vessel to remain there they had dispatch'd her to Us having Order'd the Master to keep to the Eastward and not to make the Land till he should be near the Lattitude of this Place that they have transmitted the most material Papers at present and shall send the others by the first safe Conveyance adding that M^r. Newton on the first appearing of the Fleet, which they concluded our Squadron, was sent off and is carried to Pondicherry, the last accompanys Copies of the Papers sent by the Tryal and inform Us that they intend keeping the other Papers till they receive Our directions as they conclude the Originals have been receiv'd by the Marlbrō Sloop, that having receiv'd a Protest from Negapatam relating to the Charlotte Grab they send a Copy to Us as they had wrote the Governour & Council there they should do, that M^r. Newton is return'd from Pondicherry upon his Parole (a Copy of which has been transmitted the President) and desire to be inform'd how far it will affect his acting in his Employs and informing Us that they have drawn the three following Bills on Us Vizt.

1 To Walsh & Van Sittart value of Alexander Wynch for	P. 1,500	—	—
1 To Dawsonne Drake value of himself	.. 2,074	—	—
1 To John Call value of Andrew Newton	.. 1,468	15	52
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	PAGODAS ..	5,042	15 52

N^o. 111 From M^r. John Andrews at Maddapollam dated 23^d. August accompanying his Accounts for that Month, which he closed before the expiration of it, as well that they might come by M. Calland as because he intended proceeding to Bengal in a few days, after [sic] M^r. Dolben &c^t. observing that the Money expended on Account Repairs has been for the Preservation of the House and for securing the Bounds requesting that the Ballance of Cash being in his favour Eight hundred and twenty eight Pagodas three fanams and sixty five Cash (828-3-65) may be paid to M^r. Du Pre and acquaints Us he should have been glad to have received the Warehousekeeper's Account that the Books might have been ballanced before he left the Place.

From Maddapollu

N^o. 113 From Randolph Marriott Esq^r. Deputy Governour &c^t. Council of Fort Marlbrō dated the 8th. Ultimo acquainting Us that M^r. Marriott arriving from Natal took the Chair the 10th. July and that M^r. Wyatt was in a few days to proceed to Natal where every thing was in peace at M^r. Mariotts departure, that the Grampus Tender arriving from Batavia in a very leaky Condition the 29th. July Captain Jackson requested Assistance in procuring him a Vessel to bring Advices hither of his distress'd Situation, that in Compliance with his request (A Copy of which they transmit Us) they hired the Tryal Sloop for that purpose on the best terms they were able to obtain, being to pay. One hundred Spanish Dollars per month exclusive of supplying the Vessel with Provisions, and paying the Wages of the Master & Crew, the Owners being to stand to all risque unless she be taken by the Enemy in which case they have agreed to pay them Eight hundred Spanish Dollars besides the Hire that may be then due, enclosing Copies of their several late Advices to which they refer us for an Account of their Situation, & requesting a Reinforcement of Military as they have reason to apprehend none will be sent them by the Storeship & their present Garrison being insufficient to secure them even against the Natives, who being well acquainted with their Weakness & much disgusted at not being supplied with Cloth and Salt may be prompted to Attack them, adding that they have

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only about Fifty effective private in both Companies and are in want of as many as will compleat two full Companies, that having no expectation of being supplied with Rice Salt or Gunpowder from Batavia M^r. Garden having declined complying with their request and intimated that none of those articles were procurable, they therefore rely on having their Indents by the Hartop and Marlbrō fully comply'd with from hence, they conclude with informing us that they are in hope of soon having another Opportunity of writing us and that they have enclosed Copy of the Trayal Sloop's dispatch.

From
Bombay.

N^o. 114 From Richard Bouchier Esq^r. Resident and Governour &c^t. Council of Bombay dated the 5th Ultimo enclosing a Packet for Bengal which they desire may be forwarded by the first Conveyance and acknowledging the receipt of our Letter of the 28 June which accompanied a Packet from Anjengo.

From
Tellicherry.

N^o. 115 From Thomas Hodges Esq^r. Chief &c^t. Factors at Tellicherry dated 28th. Ultimo sent express to advise us of a French Squadron of nine Sail having been upon the Coast for some days and that they passed by their Road to the Southward the 27th in the forenoon, bound as they conclude for this Coast enclosing a Copy of their former Letter dated 1st. Ultimo and informing us that the Remains of Pepper in their Warehouse is three thousand five hundred and nine Candies nine Maunds & fourteen Pounds. (3509-9-14)

From
Negapatam.

N^o. 117 From the Governour & Council at Negapatam dated 9th. Instant, enclosing a Packet of Papers wrote by the Regency at Batavia to Admiral Watson, which they desire may be forwarded to him.

Bills from St.
David to be
paid.

ORDER'D that the Bills of Exchange drawn from Fort St. David as advised in their Letter N^o. 116 be paid.

Maddapollam
Accts. referr'd
to the Com-
mittee of
Accounts.

M^r. Andrew's Accounts mention'd in his Letter N^o. 111 are referr'd to the Committee of Accounts to examine and report.

Tryal Sloop
held over to
the Charge of
Adml.
Watsons
Agent.

ORDER'D that the Tryal Sloop Freightd at Fort Marlbrō to bring Advices to Admiral Watson relating to the Grampus Tender, as mentioned in the Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council N^o. 113 be delivered over to the Charge of Admiral Watson's Agent.

Marlbrō
Sloop to be
dispatched
to Fort
Marlbrō.

AGREED that the Marlbrō Sloop be loaded with as much Rice as she can take in besides the Military Stores landed from the Duke and dispatch'd as soon as possible to Fort Marlbrō.

Letter from
the Mayor's
Court for an
Advance of
Cash—
Granted.

Letter from the Mayor's Court read, as enter'd hereafter, representing an Advance of Seventy Pagodas to defray the Charges of the Corporation, which is Granted.

Store-
keeper's
Account of
Stores
wasted &c^t.
to be wrote
off.

Letter from M^r. John Smith Storekeeper read as enter'd hereafter with a List of Stores decayed worn out by Rust Wast &c^t. from the 1st. May 1756 to Ultimo April 1757 which he requests permission to write off to Proffit & Loss and is granted.

Account Sale
of West Coast
Sugar.

The Storekeeper lays before the Board (as enter'd hereafter) an Account Sale of West Coast Sugar which turns out on an Average upwards of Seventeen Pagodas ꝑ Candy and yield a Proffit on the Invoice of above forty seven ꝑ Cent.

Head money
ꝑ China &
Ships to be
paid.

Letter from the Surgeons of the Boscawen Norfolk Tavistock and Princess Augusta read as enter'd hereafter requesting to be paid the usual Gratuity on the Recruits landed from those Ships respectively which is Granted.

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ORDER'D that the Companys Copper and Broad Cloth be put up at Outcry on Friday the 14th October. Copper & Broad Cloth to be put up at Outcry the 14th Oct^r.

ORDER'D that the Redwood provided for Canton, be Laden on the China Ships. Redwood to be laden on the China Ships.

The Court of Directors in the 81st. Para of their Commands dated 29th. November 1754 having recommended to the Board to consider of M^r. Call's Services and to give him all fitting Encouragement by adding to his Allowances, the Board satisfied of his Abilities and application did in Consultation the 21st. July 1755 Settle his Allowances as Assistant Engineer at Thirty Pagodas 3/ Month as an encouragement to him to persevere in the way he had begun, purposing to add thereto from time to time as his Services should deserve, Upon M^r. Brohier's departure for Bengal M^r. Call was order'd from Fort S^t. David to this Presidency to carry on the Works in which his conduct in every respect is so much to the satisfaction of the Board that they think he well deserves the same Allowances that M^r. Brohier had. And it is therefore Agreed that hence forward his pay as Engineer be Sixty Pagodas 3/ Month exclusive of his Allowances as a Factor on the Civil List. Mr. Call's Allowances as Engineer settled at 60 Pagodas 3/ mo.

The President reads the Cash Account for last Month Ballance remaining compared with the Chest Seventeen thousand five hundred and seventy nine Pagodas thirty four fanams and Sixty two Cash (17579-34-62) which is carried forward. Cash Account for August.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in One thousand Eight hundred Pagodas (1800) on his running Account. Money paid in by the Impt. Ware Ho. Kr.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in Five hundred Pagodas (500) on his running Account. Sea Customer.

Chinna Nella Chittee and Vadamala Pillah Farmers of the Arrack and wine License pay in Six hundred and fifty Pagodas thirty fanams (650-30) in full for One Month's Rent of that Farm due the 12th. Ultimo. Arrack & Wine License

The Vackeel from the King of Tanjore having requested to be supply'd with money to bear his Expences AGREED that Two hundred Pagodas be advanced him on Account of the annual present due to the King of Tanjore for Deve Cotah agreeable to the Saned. Advances To the King of Tanjore's Vackeel.

AGREED that the following Advances be made.

To the Commissary Twenty thousand Rupees (20000) and Twelve thousand Pagodas (12000) for the charges of the Troops abroad, Military Storekr.

To the Military Storekeeper Three thousand five hundred (3500) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ. To the Commissary.

GEORGE FIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

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NAILS Midling Worn out by Rust

	lb.	P.	f.	c.			
16 ^d	33 $\frac{1}{4}$	1	17	35			
23 ^d	137 $\frac{3}{4}$	5	26	30			
24 ^d	208 $\frac{1}{4}$	8	24	30			
30 ^d	135 $\frac{3}{4}$	5	23	30			
40 ^d	89	3	25	40			
Sheathing	119	4	4	60			
		<hr/>			29	13	65

NAILS Large Worn out by Rust

Broad Head	229	1	14	50			
Spike	140 $\frac{1}{4}$	4	22	40			
		<hr/>			6	1	10

TAR & PITCH Waste by Leakage

	Bo.	Gall.						
Tar	8	139	31	24	60			
Pitch	9		1	12	—			
			<hr/>			33	—	60

TIMBER & PLANK Lost at Sea

Deals	20 $\frac{1}{4}$	4	18	—			
Euffirs	16 $\frac{3}{4}$	5	21	—			
Cattamrains	3	31	18	—			
		<hr/>			41	21	—

PROVISIONS Waste by Leakage

Arrack	3239 Gallons				101	27	—
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STATIONARY Lost by Breakage

Penknives	6	1	9	—			
Fountain Glasses	6	—	27	—			
Ink d°.	10	—	10	50			
		<hr/>			2	10	50

PAGODAS

 293 8 70

FORT ST. GEORGE,
THE 30th APRIL 1757.

JOHN SMITH
Store K^r.

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ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HONOURABLE COMPANYS SUGAR AT PUBLICK OUTCRY VIZ^r.

The time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lott or Quantity.				Invoice price.			Price put up at.	Price sold at	Amount of each Lot.	To whom sold.	
		Cannisters	Ca.	M ^d .	lb.	P.	f.	C.					
JULY 30 th . 1757	SUGAR	5	3	1	21	11	19	24	12 $\frac{1}{2}$ Candy	17 22 40 $\frac{1}{2}$ Ca	54 17 70	Mr. Godsalve	
		5	3	7	12					17 d ^o .	57 12 70	Alagapah	
		5	3	—	5					17 4 40 d ^o .	51 19 53	Mr. Godsalve	
		5	2	15	2					17 d ^o .	46 29 36	Alagapah	
		5	3	4	1					17 d ^o .	54 15 50	d ^o .	
		5	3	8	1					17 d ^o .	57 30 2	d ^o .	
		5	3	—	1					17 d ^o .	51 1 18	d ^o .	
		5	3	—	16					17 d ^o .	51 19 48	d ^o .	
		2	—	19	—					17 9 d ^o .	16 13 76	Verapah	
		14	9	13	6					17 9 d ^o .	166 24 8	Mr. Turning	
				<u>56</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>15</u>					<u>608 4 31</u>	

JOHN SMITH
Storek .

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^r. COUNCIL AT FORT S^r. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I humbly request your Honour &c^t. will be pleased to order the usual Gratuity to be paid me as Surgeon of the Boscawen for my Care of Fifty one Recruits landed here from that Ship. I am

FORT S^r. GEORGE,
16 SEPTEMBER 1757.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^t. humble Serv^t.
W. JONES

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^r. COUNCIL AT FORT S^r. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

I humbly request your Honour &c^t. will be pleased to Order the usual Gratuity to be paid me as Surgeon of the Princess Augusta for my Care of Forty four Recruits brought over in that Ship. I am

FORT S^r. GEORGE,
16TH. SEPT^R. 1757.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^t. Serv^t.
ARCH^D. MURRAY.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^r. COUNCIL AT FORT S^r. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I humbly request your Honour &c^t. will be pleas'd to order the usual Gratuity to be paid me as Surgeon of the Tavistock for my care of Forty three Recruits brought over in that Ship. I am

FORT S^r. GEORGE,
16 SEPT^R. 1757.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^t. humble Sarv^t.
JAMES RUTHERFORD.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^r. COUNCIL AT FORT S^r. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

I humbly request your Honour &c^t. will be pleased to order the usual Gratuity to be paid me as Surgeon of the Norfolk for my Care of Forty seven Recruits landed here from that Ship. I am

FORT S^r. GEORGE,
16 SEPTEMBER 1757.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obed^t. humble Serv^t.
STEPHEN PEARCE.

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH

D ^r .						
1	To Ballance brought from last months Account	7047	243250	41	13803	34 4
8	To Sunca Vencaty Ramah Beetle & Tobacco Farmer recd. of him for 1 Months Rent of that Farm due 12 th . Ult ^{mo}	311	22404	--	933	12 --
--	To Sunca Vencaty Ramah Farmer of the Measuring Duty recd. of him for 2 M ^{os} . Rent of that Farm due 12 th . Ultimo	--	9660	--	268	12 --
--	To Chinna Nella Chittee & Vademala Pillah Farmers of the Arrack & Wine License recd. of them in full for one Months Rent of that Farm due the 12 th . Ultimo	--	23430	--	650	30 --
17	To Linga Chittee Farmer of the Ruby Brokerage recd. of him in full for 6 Months Rent of that Farm due the 30 th . of June when the Cowle expired ..	232	18	--	232	18 --
30	To Henry Powney Import Ware II ^o . recd. of him on his running Account	2700	--	--	2700	-- --
--	To Henry Powney Sea Customer recd. of him on his running Account	2500	--	--	2500	-- --

20 By Alexander Dalrymple Accountant General paid the three following Drafts Viz. ACCOUNT the Estate of Joseph Smith

1	To Christopher Macklin	15	--	--
1	To Charles Bouchier Esq ^r . Rent. Gen ^l . & Sca ^r .	5	30	--

ACCOUNT Sundry Persons Unknown 1

To Captain John Mackmath	328	24	70
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30 By John Smith Paymaster advanced him for the Charges of that Employ

-- By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him to pay the Military &c^t. next month ..

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348	54	70	349	18	70
5000	36000	--	15000	--	--
6000	--	--	6000	--	--

O^r.

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— To Henry Powney Land Customer recd. of him for the July Balance of that Account.	393	6751	11	580	19	11
— To Sunca Vencaty Ramah Beetle & Tobacco Farmer recd. of him in full for 1 m ^{os} . Rent of that Farm due the 12 th . Instant ..	311	22404	—	933	12	—
— To Christnah Row Renter of DeveCotah recd. of him in full for six months Rent of that Farm due the 31 st . May when the Cowle expired	4610	—	—	4610	—	—
— To Guntoor Vencatachilum Renter of St. Thomé recd. of him in full for Six Months Rent of that Farm due the 31 st . May when the Cowle expired ..	2050	—	—	2050	—	—
— To Current Pagodas recd. from the Treasury ..	10000	—	—	10000	—	—
— To Batta for the Produce of 600 ⁰ Pagodas exchanged into fanams at 40 fanams Ψ Pagoda & brought to Account here at 36 fanams Ψ Pagoda	—	240000	—	6666	24	—
STAR OR CURRENT PAGODAS ..	30154	567917	52	45929	17	52

ERRORS

-- By Charles Bourchier Military Storekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	1000	—	—	1000	—	—
— By Batta Issued in the Course of this Month to be Exchanged into Fanams as Ψ Contra.	6000	—	—	6000	—	—
	18348	360054	70	28349	18	70
31 By Ballance carried to next Months Account.	11806	207862	62	17579	34	62

30154	567917	52	45929	17	52
30154	567917	52	45929	17	52
30154	567917	52	45929	17	52

STAR OR CURRENT PAGODAS ..

EXCEPTED
 Ψ GEORGE PIGOT

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- 17 Return'd the Honble Companys Ship Prince Henry Packet Captain Benjamin Reynolds from Covelong.
- 22 Sailed Brigantine Shakendar, Hussain Nachodah for Ballasore.
- 23 Sail'd Ship Stree Vencataishum, Mahomed Shippee for Junkseyloan.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRIDAY
THE 23^d.

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 16th. Instant read & Sign'd.

Letters from
Captain
Mackmath
relating to
the Seizure
of His Ship
& Murder of
the crew at
Junkseylone.

Two Letters from Captain John M'math one of them addressed to the Board the other to the Select Committee read as enter'd hereafter representing that he sail'd from Bengal in October 1755 with a valuable Cargo for the Eastern Trade that after he had been at Salangore and Cudda he went to Junkseylone, a place subject to the King of Siam, where after trading sometime one day when he was on shore the people on Board were treacherously Massacred at the Instigation of the Governour, the Ship and Cargo Seized and he narrowly escaped by the Assistance of a Sloop which fortunately came in that Night. That he computes the Loss sustained by himself and Owners at a moderate rate to amount to One hundred and Sixty thousand One hundred and twelve Current Rupees thirteen Annaes (160112-13) requesting that the Board will procure Redress of these Injuries and submitting whether the readiest means may not be to seize and Confiscate three of the King of Siam's Ships now lying on this Road with their Cargo's.

Resolution
thereon.

After mature deliberation the Board are of Opinion that it is their indispensible Duty by all Justifiable means in their power to vindicate the Honour of the English Nation and are therefore resolved to use their best Endeavours to obtain ample Satisfaction of the King of Siam for the Murder of the Northumberland Crew and the Seizure of that Ship and Cargo by the Governour of Junkseylone, but as it does not appear that the Outrage complained of has ever come to the King's knowledge, the Board are of Opinion that the Seizing his Ships and Effects would be an unjustifiable Measure, before any application made for Redress, it is therefore Agreed that those Ships be suffer'd to depart and that the Nachodahs and also some of the Freighters going on them be Charged with Letters to the King demanding Satisfaction for the Lives of the English Subjects and for the Losses sustained by the Seizure of the beforemention'd Ship and Cargo, and it is further RESOLV'D that if the King of Siam should refuse to give such just satisfaction in such case that his Ships and Effects wherever they be met with be seiz'd and Confiscated to Indemnify the Owners of the Northumberland for their Losses.

Certificate
from the
Accountant
General.

A Certificate read from the Accountant General of the Mayor's Court that George Stratton Esq^r. Sheriff is by Order of the said Court to Pay in Three hundred and Eighty one Pagodas twenty four fanams and Sixteen Cash (384-2-16) Account the Cause Robert Orme &c^t. Trustees to the Estate of Solomon Salomons against Pullyah A Receipt is now signed for the same.

Mr. Moses
requests
leave of
passage for
Prince Henry
Packet
granted.

Letter from Mr. Samuel Moses read as enter'd hereafter, requesting Permission to take his Passage for England on the Prince Henry Packet, which is Granted.

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An Account is now laid before the Board of Sundry Stores and Provisions wanted for the Prince Henry Packet which the Storekeeper is order'd to supply.

Account Stores wanted for the Prince Henry Packet. Account of 6 Mo. salary due 25th. Inst. to be paid.

An Account of Six Months Salary due to the Honble Companys Servants at this Presidency the 25th Instant as enter'd hereafter is now approved and Order'd to be paid amounting to Two thousand two hundred and eighty one Pagodas, twenty seven fanams (2287-27-).

Two Setts of Bills of Exchange are now signed drawn on the Honble Court of Directors at Seven Shillings and eight pence $\frac{3}{4}$ Pagoda payable at Ninety days Sight Viz^r.

Two Setts of Bills drawn on the Court of Directors.

1 Set payable to M ^r . Robert Scott Merchant in London or order value recd of M ^r . Andrew Munro on Account of the Estate of John Moore deceased for Three thousand four hundred and thirty eight Pagodas nine fanams and eight Cash	3438	9	8
1 Sett payable to Henry Douglas Esq ^r . in London or order value recd. of Mess ^{rs} . Nicholas Morse & Samuel Ardley on account of the Estate of John Douglas deceas'd for two hundred and Eighty four Pagodas one fanam and forty four Cash	284	1	44
2 Setts amounting to	P.	3722	10 52

GEORGE PIGOT.
 STRINGER LAWRENCE.
 HENRY POWNEY.
 ROBERT ORME.
 JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.
 PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT S^t. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

I humbly beg leave to lay before you the following true Narrative of the late Pyratyckal Capture of the Northumberland Snow and the Cruel Massacre of the Officers & part of the Crew belonging to her in Junkseyloan Harbour & the more especially at this time when Providence seems to point out the means to obtain Restitution of our plunder'd property, by putting it into their Hearts to send their Ships to the Ports of the Nation they have so inhumanly abused and insulted. Atrocious Villany like theirs I doubt not will sooner or later meet its proper Reward and the Detention of the King of Siam's Ships & Cargos or such a part as your Honour & C^t. shall I think just I humbly hope will be thought the surest and readiest way to make known to the King the Iniquity of his Governours and the means the only means of bringing those vile Miscreants to Condign Punishment.

Be pleased then Sir to know the Northumberland in October 1755 was fitted out of Bengal by the Governour Mess^{rs}. Becher, Collet, Amyatt, Raitt and myself for a Trading Voyage to the Streights of Malacca and Consigned to me The Vessel with what she had on board amounting to One hundred and eighteen thousand Rupees, We went first to Salangore & Cudda and having disposed of two thirds of her Cargo sailed to Junkseyloan (an Island under the Dominion of the King of Siam) where she remained trading with the Governour and other Inhabitants from the beginning of March till the 19th. of April, on which day she was taken and the Officers and others Butcher'd by eight Men

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who went on board in a small Boat with my Note for Goods that the Governour the day before had bought, and at the Head of these was the Governours own principal Servant who had been several times on board on the like occasions. The Officers not suspecting any Villany (as indeed it is the first of the kind that ever was acted in that place) did not hinder as many as pleased to come on board who placing themselves near the Europeans, from whom they expected any Resistance, at a signal given dispatch'd them all in an Instant Viz^t. two Mates, a Gunner, Quarter Master one Helmsman and a Servant. In the Tumult and Confusion this must naturally create almost all the remaining part of the Crew jump'd overboard; among the rest one Helmsman who diving under the bottom of the Vessel, got unseen to the Stern and there hung by the Rudder till Night and in the dark got ashore (the rest were all taken up by Boats and carried on board again) and brought me the melancholly account time enough to put one on my Guard and prevent their first Scheme lay'd for my Destruction, which was shooting me as I was taking my usual walk in the Woods. From that time I kept close house, which I secur'd in the best manner I could, & being well provided with Arms & Ammunition I and my small Family consisting of seven persons resolv'd to defend our selves to the last extremity. My house being next Door to the Governours I had the mortification to see my Bureau, Cloaths Chest, Treasure Chest, Liquors, Ophium and several things carried there, which gave me mortal apprehensions that our Destruction was not far off when the Governour did so openly avow his Villany, and indeed the seeming impossibility of our ever getting off the Island, to give him any future uneasiness I believe made him prolong the Time, till an opportunity should offer to murder us without Risque to his Privados, was our preservation at that Time.

In this wretched Situation we languished ten days when providence sent to our Relief an English Sloop which Anchored in the Road so late in the Evening that it was not known in Town till the Supra Cargo came up himself and hearing my lamentable Story from some of my Friends at landing, immediately sent to me, and we all quitted that infernal place, and fortunately got on board before the Governour (who was then at this Country house) had the News of any Vessels arrival. The Sloop stay'd in the Road twenty four hours afterwards, the Wind being contrary in that Time I receiv'd a Letter from a Man whom I had obliged and made my Friend during my stay on the Island that inform'd me the Governour was foaming with Rage, on hearing my escape vowing the bitterest Revenge against all that he should hereafter find had been any ways assisting in it, that he was under apprehensions we might find out the place he had concealed his Prize and endeavour to recover her, to prevent which he had sent from different parts of the Island in small prows a large reinforcement of Men. We saw her hawl'd up into a little Creek about two or three Leagues distant from the Port he had taken her from, and as it was in the Dusk of the Evening we first descry'd her, we Anchor'd till Morning, designing if it were practicable to cut her out. But by day light the passage appearing intricate, being enviroind with Rocks and not daring to send away the Boat to sound for fear of their small Prows taking her, we gave over the Enterprize & proceeded directly to Cuddah.

I did all I could to see the King of Cudda who was or pretended to be Sick. I apply'd to him by his Secretary and other Officers for assistance to recover my Vessel and offer'd him any part he himself should think reasonable by way of Salvage. He reply'd that the Vessel being at present in the Dominions and in possession of the King of Siam's Officers, he could not without embroiling himself with that Prince attempt anything of that Sort but should they remove her to some other place he would then endeavour to serve me. Words meer Words spoke without meaning, for it was not long after this, that I was fully informed that it was a lay'd design, a Confederacy between him and the Governour of Junkseyloan & that they actually divided the plunder between them, To the Truth of which I have indubitable proof to produce.

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From hence I went to Saulangore where I had four hundred and sixty eight Bahar of Tin due by Bonds. Then also I had lost with the Vessel, but I artfully conceal'd it as long as I could and receiv'd one hundred and fifty five Bahars before that part of my Loss was discovered, but after that there was a general stoppage of payment. And thō afterwards in my Return from Malacca when I touch'd there they renew'd their Bonds for what they call'd their Ballance (which was five or six and thirty Bahar short) I am very certain that it was only fear prompted them to do it, their being at that time three English Vessels in the port. I have therefore in the Estimate of Losses annexed put in that as a desperate Debt which may or may not be recovered as they shall find our principals more or less vigorously resolved to support and maintain that Branch of Trade. For every Malay is a Rogue and will shew it when he can with Impunity.

Honble Sir & Sirs it is from you and you only that I do or can expect Redress. The Injuries complained of were committed by the Governour of Junkseyloan, who is an Officer of the King of Siam. The Prince by all Laws both of Nature & Nations is answerable for the default of his Officers, and the Ships now in Madras Road are the Siamese Kings property came here laden with the Revenue of the two Provinces of Merquy and Junkseyloan and their Returns go up to his Court. I should be very sorry if any thing in this Address could give any Offence and humbly beg that my just Cause may not suffer thro' the insufficiency of the Pleader. The Present time offers an Opportunity which let slip may never happen again nor can I in Justice to my Country which they have in the barbarioustest manner affronted, in Justice to the Gentlemen concerned with me, nor in Justice to myself whom they have ruined, and in me my whole Family forego the Occasion that now offers earnestly to implore your Assistance, so far as Equity, Justice & the Law of Nations will bear me out.

I am with the greatest Respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

FORT ST. GEORGE,
MAY 3^d. 1757.

Your most humble & must Obed^t. serv^t.
JN. MACRMATH.

AN ESTIMATE of the Loss sustain'd by the owners & others concern'd in the Northumberland Snow by the late Pyratykal Capture of the said Snow in Junkseyloan Harbour the 19th April 1756:—

The Vessel with her Furniture &c ^t . valued at	..	20000	—	—
Opium 31 Chests valued as the others were sold at 6 Bahar Tin & Chest is 186 Bahar at 6 ^r maunds & Bahar is 1240 Bengal M ^{ds} . at R ^s . 24 & M ^d.	.. .. .	29760	—	—
Tin on board the Snow at the time of the Capture 2856 Maunds at d ^o.	.. .. .	68544	—	—
Salangore Bonds for 460 Bahars Tin of which only 155 is recovered the remainder is 313 Bahars at 4 ^{md} . 36 Seer & Bahar is Maunds 1553 28 seer at 24	.. .. .	36808	13	—
Plate Furniture Wearing Apparel Liquors Arms &c ^t . belonging to the Commanding Officer & people to the amount of	5000	—	—
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CURRENT RUPEES OF BENGAL	..	160112	13	—

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & C^r. GENTLEMEN OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

It is now a long while since I layed before the Board a Narrative of my late unfortunate Voyage to Eastward & the melancholly Catastrophe of it at Junkseyloan a Port belonging to the King of Siam. And as he then had & still has Ships & Effects in Madras I was in hopes of obtaining by their means a full & adequate satisfaction for the Murders, Roberies and other Grievous Insults of his officers & Subjects. For which purpose I did then humbly purpose & beg that a Sequestration might be made of those Effects here, and detain'd as Security for that Satisfaction (without which Complaints of this kind can never reach the king) and then if he refused it in every other particular a Restitution of property would be certain. This would too have a good Effect in restraining their Violences for the future when they find they must refund, and be a Security to Ships hereafter not only in the Siam ports, but throughout the Streights of Malacca, where every thing of this sort is presently known. And as it is not yet too late thō the season is near at hand for these Ships to leave this Port & with them all hope of Satisfaction. I must earnestly beg your speedy Consideration of this Affair I am not insensible the present Conjuncture must occasion a Multiplicity of extraordinary business and I should be very loth unnecessarily to add to it, but permit me to say the Siamese have now made you Judges in the Cause, by putting it in your Power to compel them to do Justice, an opportunity they may not chose hereafter to give and I hope it will not be suffer'd to slip without taking all the Advantages that it in Justice will allow. For the permitting such enormities to pass with Impunity, will render our future Commerce in those parts so extremely hazardous that it must shortly deprive Us of that valuable branch of Trade & how for that may affect the Reputation and Interest of the Company will quickly appear.

The Justice of the Sequestration proposed is not, nor I believe cannot be controverted by any. And the only objection to the Expediency of it, that has come to any knowledge is That the abrupt seizing the Kings Effects for the Murders and Depredations of his Officers and Subjects may occasion him to send his Ships hereafter to other Ports, which will be a Loss to the Company. The possibility of such an Event can't be denied & to guard against all possible ones is not in human power. But as such a Consequence is improbable; and this Seizure is the only effectual way to obtain satisfaction for our great Losses it would be hard to refuse the doing a just thing for so good a purpose on Account of an improbable conjecture that it will prejudice the Company. And that this is no more I shall now prove. On the suposition that the Seizure is made to produce what is imagined, must be for one of these two reasons The Injustice of the Seizure itself Or the apprehension of an affront given him by thus taking satisfaction without first Complaining and applying to him for Justice, and in this manner choses to express his Resentment. But if it shall appear that neither of these can be the Reason if such an event should hereafter happen it must be from some other Cause and cannot be the Consequence of the Seizure And first for the Justice of it. This depends upon the Truth of the Facts alledged in the Narrative, which this Seizure will bring to his Knowledge if he is yet ignorant of them, when perhaps nothing else could and they must invalidate the Testimoney of half a Province to impeach the Justice of it. This no doubt they would do by Subornation if it could secure to them the possession of their unjust Acquisitions and would have been the case had a previous Complaint been made of these things but that purpose being defeated by the Sequestration, they can no more desown the Justice of it than the Truth of the Facts that occasion'd it. But if there is no injustice in this Seizure then there is no reason for his ordering his Ships elsewhere. And

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now we will proceed to examine if he can have any reasonable Ground for Resentment at the manner of taking satisfaction without previously applying to him for Justice and here if he thinks we have any Right to expect satisfaction, he must own there was a Necessity for taking it while it was in our power for it will appear that any Application to him antecedent to the Seizure was either needless or impossible. And it is to the same purpose whether we suppose the King knows of the cutting off the Northumberland or is ignorant of it. If he knew it, then his not offering satisfaction by his Ships shews that he connives at it & to complain to such a Man were absurd as well as needless. In this case it is evident, there is no Injustice, nor Affront, & a previous Complaint here might have produced what this Seizure may prevent, On the other Supposition that the King is ignorant of this great Villany and which I do believe to be the Truth. This Seizure must not only appear just but necessary from the impossibility of any Complaint, ever reaching him but by the means of it. For it is impossible to believe an Action so barbarous in its Circumstances and so openly committed could be kept a Secret from his Ministers. The Perpetrators could not bribe thousands, and if they knew it and discovered it not to the King can they be other than Accomplices for what else but their partaking in the Spoil could induce them to keep from the Kings knowledge an Action of his Officers so hurtfull to his Reputation the divulging of which if innocent could not affect them. But as applications to the King can only be made by the intervention these Ministers and Letters of Complaint must pass through their Hands whose Interest is to conceal this whole story, the impossibility of this Method's succeeding must be very apparent. And to remove this Impediment and put it out of their power to deceive the King further. This Seizure of his Effects at Madras was pointed out to me by some of the most intelligent Men on the Island, who know the Constitution of their Country well, and that all other methods would prove ineffectual against so powerfull a Combination. That this Seizure could cause a strict Scrutiny to be made into the Action that occasioned it, and as the proofs are so many and clear against the Governour of Junkseyloan he must see that nothing less than a Conspiracy of his Ministers could have concealed from him Facts so publickly notorious, and will bring his Resentment on those on whom it ought to fall, and not on the Authors of the Sequestration. For the necessity as well as the Justice of that Measure must appear to him in the strongest light. But if from the Justice and reasonableness of the Sequestration, it does not seem probable the King's ships should leave this Port so, neither are there any Advantages he can propose to himself by it, after the seizure is made. For here it must be own'd that should this opportunity be neglected, and by any means the King should be inform'd that such a thing was proposed. The thoughts of gaining so much is a great Temptation and the fear of Reprisals hereafter may induce him to do what otherwise he would not have thought of. Good Men very often can't see the Equity of a thing that makes against their own Interest while it is to do yet when irrevocably done they will acquiesce in the Justice of it. But here the Sequestration being just (while Madras continue to be the proper staple for the Siam Commodities, and the Goods proper for the King in Return are the Manufactures of this and the adjacent places) the Execution of it cannot prejudice the Company as the King cannot send his Ships to any other Port without losing a real and great Advantage and no prospect of an Equivalent similar Cases to mine do not frequently happen, nor is it possible they should without destroying all foreign Commerce. But there is one instance that occurs to me where a Ship that had fallen into the hands of Pirates & was afterwards bought from them by the King of Cudda sent over to Fort St. David and a Tender made of her to her original Owners, desiring only a Reimbursement of the Charges the King had been at in

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recovering and sending her over but this Ship was seized and no Reimbursement allowed. This Instance tho it is not in every part parrallel to the Northumberland is sufficient to shew that either the Justice of the Act or the Advantages of our Ports preferable to others or both were sufficient to prevail over the Kings resentment for he continued to send his Ships to our Ports as before.

Having I hope made appear the little probability there is that this Sequestration can affect the Companys Interest I shall now beg leave to shew that if this or some other as effectual method be not taken to secure our Lives & properties from such barbarous Invaders; Our Voyages to the Eastward will be liable to so many extraordinary Risques that the Loss of that Trade is inevitable, whenever the Malays, shall find that they may insult and plunder us with Impunity. For I beg it may be here observed that the Knowledge of the Northumberlands Disasters is not confined to the Port where it happen'd but is notorious throughout the Streights of Malacca and as I have been at most of their places since the accident I know they are acquainted with every particular Circumstance, down to the means we have of redressing ourselves and what the Issue may be excites the Attention of every Malay. They are not ignorant of the power of the English to resent any Outrages done them, whenever they think fit to exert it. And tho there are too many instances of Vessels being cut off to make this a Novelty to them they know too that these Accidents have only happen'd in Places where they have depended on their distance difficulty of Access or Poverty for their Security. But this is not their case at the Grand Marketts where the Bulk of our Cargoes are disposed off their Ports being near at hand and open to our Resentment if they deserve. So that the fear of Reprisals has hitherto kept them within Bounds and still will do so, till some unlucky Incident shall tell them these Fears are needless, which must bring an Increase of danger on those whose Lives & Fortunes, cannot but be sometimes in the Power of these Barbarians. But in the present case where satisfaction can be had without Trouble or Expence if this Enormity shall pass unpunished. I beseech your Honour to consider what future Apprehensions of our Resentment can they have for any Villanies they may hereafter be guilty of, which must to make them feel it be attended with a great deal of both. The Vicinity of their Ports and their defenceless Condition will be no Terror to them while they think we want Resolution or Inclination to punish their misdemeanors. And hereto what other Cause, than the want of one or both they can impute any Lenity shewn to the Siamese (whose late Barbarities they are well acquainted with as well as the easy means in your power to avenge them). I know not. But the Consequences of it, among such an abandoned people are [e]asier to foresee than prevent. It will then be their Interest to attempt every English Vessel over which they think either by Force or Treachery to prevail, and I know them too well to doubt their Inclination when it is in their Power to do it, without fear or Reprisals. And as no Ship then, with any degree of Security can venture among them unless armed & fitted as Vessells of War (an Expence which that Trade tho a benifical one cannot bear) we shall be obliged to relinquish it to others who can with greater Security and consequently greater Advantage carry it on. It cannot be urged here that their necessary wants of Ophium and other things, which we supply them with & they cannot be without, will be any Restraint upon them; while we have a Powerfull Rival in Trade ready to furnish them. A Rival who not long ago formally claimed an exclusive Right to all that Trade which not being able to make good have ever since been endeavouring to bully and frighten us out of it hitherto to no Effect. But as they never fail to improve every Incident to their own Advantage it cannot be doubted they will make the most of this. And as Interest is the most persuasive Argument with a Malay, by it they'll endeavour on all occasions to excite them to desperate Acts against Us, which in the end will more effectually serve their purposes than all their pretended exclusive Rights. But to render their

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Schemes abortive & to retain that Awe & Influence we have on the Malays, which is so necessary to the Security of our Trade with them, nothing will more conduce than this Seizure of the Siam Effects. It will convince them of your Resolution to protect our properties & to punish the Invaders of them. And as they cannot then hope to keep what they shall get by Rapine they will not attempt it, and we shall preserve the quiet possession of that Trade; the Loss of which, must be the loss of a considerable Revenue to the Company and what that is & how it arises I shall now explain.

The Trade that is and has been carried on for some Years by past between Calcutta and the Eastward in Ophium, Bengal peice Goods, Broad Cloth Guns Iron, Lead and sundry other Articles does *communibus Annis* amount to 46000 Rupees the Duties on which paid to the Company is not less than 9000 Rupees. To which we must add the Advantages the Company receives from the Tonnage requisite to carry these Goods to Market, such as Pass, Tonnage, Anchorage, Duties on Provisions and the Stores purchased from their Godowns not less than 6000 Rupees which makes 15'00 Rupees before the vessels sail and as they have now thought fit to lay a Duty of one ꝑ C^t. on all imports supposing at the lowest computation 60 ꝑ C^t. gained on the Invoice that Duty will amount to 7500 Rupees which added to the above 15000 Rupees outward bound makes 22500 Rupees yearly Revenue lost to the Company by the loss of the Eastern Trade, & how much that exceeds the Siam Duties Your honour is the best Judge I shall only observe that this Loss is certain the other I think barely possible.

Having now I hope shewn the necessity and Justice of the Sequestration of the Siamese Effects or so much as shall be thought equivalent to the Loss of the Northumberland and that it is highly improbable it can be prejudicial to the Company. On the contrary that if this or some other effectual method be not taken to Restrain and punish these Robbers and protect our Lives & properties from the like Invasions for the future. The loss of the Eastern Trade is certain & with it the Loss of a certain Revenue to the Company All which is humbly submitted to your Consideration. And I hope it will meet with all the dispatch the Importance of it requires and all the Success the Justice of it deserves. I am with great Respect

FORT ST. GEORGE,
SEPTEMBER 7TH. 1757.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Serv^t.
JOHN MACKMATH.

ACCOUNT SALARY DUE TO THE HON'BLE COMPANYS COVENANT SERVANTS FROM THE 25th MARCH TO THE 25th SEPT^r. 1757.

						M ^s .	D.	Wann ^m .	£.	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	p.	f.	c.
George Esq ^r .	Pigot	President & Governour.				6		£ 200	100	—	—						
		Gratuity ..						100	50	—	—						
Henry Powney.	3 ^d . of the Coast.	2 ^d . of Fort St. George.						100				150	—	—	375	—	—
Charles Bod-dam.	5 of d ^o .	3 ^d . of D ^o .		From the 25 th March to y ^o . 6 Sept ^r . 1758.		5	11	70	31	6	1						
		4 of D ^o .		6 th . to the 26 th .		—	19	50	5	2	9						
Robert Orme ..	4 th . of d ^o .	4 of D ^o .		25 d ^o . to the 6 Sept ^r . 1757.		5	11	50	22	7	2						
	5 of d ^o to 6 Sept ^r .	3 of D ^o .		6 to the 25 th Sept ^r . 1757.		—	19	70	3	13	10						
John Smith ..	8 of d ^o .	5 of D ^o .				6		40				26	1	—	65	4	40
Charles Bour-chier.	9 of D ^o .	6 of D ^o .						40				20	—	—	50	—	—
John Walsh ..		Senior merchant.						40				20	—	—	50	—	—
John Pybus ..		D ^o .		From the 27 th May to the 25 th Sept ^r . 1757.		3	29	40	13	4	5				33	1	70
Henry Van Sittart.		Junior d ^o .				6		30	15	—	—						
		Gratuity as Translator.						30	15	—	—						
Samuel Ardloy.		D ^o .		From the 28 th March to the 28 th April 1757.		1	3	30	2	15	—	30	—	—	75	—	—
		Senior d ^o .		From the 25 th April to the 25 th Sept ^r . 1757.		4	27	40	16	6	8						
									19	1	8				47	25	40

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Edward Ed-
wards.

Junior d°. .. 25th. March to the .. 5 13 30 13 11 8
8 Sept^r. 1757
Senior d°. .. 8th. to the 25th. .. — 17 40 1 17 9
d°.

Gratuity as .. 6 80 40 — —
Assay
Master. 55 9 5 138 24 30

Charles Turner.

Junior Mer- .. 30 15 — — 37 18 —
chant.

Josias Du Pre ..

Factor .. From the 25th. .. 2 15 15 3 2 6
March to 10th.
June 1757.

Junior Mer- From 10 June to .. 3 15 30 8 15 —
chant. the 25th. Sept^r.
1757.

.. Gratuity as Secre- .. 6 100 50 — —
tary.

.. D°. as Clerk of the .. 45 22 10 —
Peace.

James Alexan-
der.

Factor .. F^m. the 25 March .. 2 15 15 3 2 6
to 10th. June
1757. 84 7 6 210 33 60

Junior Mercht. From the 10 June .. 3 15 30 8 15 —
to 25 Sep^r.

.. Gratuity as Sub .. 6 100 50 — —
Accomptant.

.. D°. for keeping the .. 20 10 — —
Co^s. Acco^{ts}. with
the Mayors C^t.

John Smith ..

Factor .. From the 25th. .. 2 15 15 3 2 6
March to the
10th June 1757. 71 17 6 179 24 60

Junior Mercht. From the 10th. .. 3 15 30 8 15 —
June to 25 Sep^r. 11 17 6 29 24 60

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			Month.	Days.	Wann ^m .	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	p.	f.	c.
Daniel Morse ..	Factor ..	From the 25 March to 10 th . June.	2	15	15	3	2	6						
	Junior Merch ^t .	From 10 th . June to 25 Sept ^r .	3	15	30	8	15	—						
		Gratuity for keep ^g . the May ^{rs} . C ^t . Books.	6	20		10	—	—						
						<hr/>			21	17	6	54	24	60
John Call ..	Factor ..				15				7	10	—	18	27	—
George Stratton.	D ^o . ..				15				7	10	—	18	27	—
Philip Francis Greenslate.	D ^o . ..				15				7	10	—	18	27	—
Matthew Clarke.	D ^o . ..				15				7	10	—	18	27	—
Henry Brooke ..	D ^o . ..				15				7	10	—	18	27	—
John Calland ..	D ^o . ..				15				7	10	—	18	27	—
John Whitehill.	Writer ..	From 25 th . March to 12 th . June 1757.	2	17	5	1	1	4						
	Factor ..	From 12 th . June to 25 Sept ^r .	3	13	15	4	5	10						
						<hr/>			5	7	2	13	4	20
Claud Russell ..	Writer ..	From 25 th . March to 12 June 1757.	2	17	5	1	1	4						
	Factor ..	12 June to 25 Sept ^r .	3	13	15	4	5	10						
						<hr/>			5	7	2	13	14	20
John Perceval ..	Writer ..	From the 25 March to 12 June 1757.	2	17	5	1	1	4						
	Factor ..	12 June to 25 Sept ^r .	3	13	15	4	5	10						
						<hr/>			5	7	2	13	14	20

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Thomas Rumbold.	Writer .. From the 25 th . March to 12 June 1757.	2 17 5 1 1 4
	Factor .. From 12 th . June to 25 Sept ^r .	3 13 15 4 5 10
		<hr style="width: 100%;"/> 5 7 2 13 14 20
George Pyne ..	Writer ..	5
Charles Smith ..	D ^o . ..	5
Alexander Dalrymple.	D ^o . ..	5 2 10 —
	.. Gratuity a; Accomp ^t . Gen ^l . of the May ^r . Court.	20 10 — —
		<hr style="width: 100%;"/> 12 10 — 31 0 —
John Davidson.	Writer ..	5
Samuel Jonnson.	D ^o . ..	5
James M ^r . Carmick.	D ^o . ..	5
William Aldersey.	D ^o . ..	5
Robert Dowset.	D ^o . ..	5
John Palmer ..	D ^o . ..	5
Charles Floyer..	D ^o . ..	5
William Barker.	D ^o . ..	5
John Maxwell Stone.	D ^o . ..	5
Archdale Palmer.	D ^o . ..	5
Abraham Browne.	D ^o . ..	5
John Douglas ..	D ^o . ..	5
James Hay ..	D ^o . ..	5
Alexander Leigh.	D ^o . ..	5
John Crawford.	D ^o . ..	5

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	Months.	days.	⌘ Ann ^m .	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.	p.	f.	c.
Henry Parsons.	5		..		2	10	—	6	9	—
Thomas Lane	5		..		2	10	—	6	9	—
Thomas Hamilton.	5		..		2	10	—	6	9	—
James Taylor —	..	..	5		..		2	10	—	6	9	—
The Rev.—												
Mr. Samuel Stavelly.	Chaplains	..	6	100	..		50	—	—	125	—	—
Mr. Robert Palk.	Do.	100	..		50	—	—	125	—	—
Andrew Munro...	Surgeons	..	6	36	..		18	—	—	45	—	—
Robert Turing.	Do.	36	..		18	—	—	45	—	—
							£ 912	14	—	2,281	27	—

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ERRORS EXCEPTED

⌘ ROBERT ORME,
Accomptant.

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR OF

FORT ST. GEORGE &c^t. COUNCIL.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

I desire the favour of your leave to take my Passage for Europe on Board the Prince Henry Pacquet.

I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

FORT ST. GEORGE,
23 SEPT^r. 1757.

Your most Obed^t. & most hble Serv^t.

SAMUEL MOSES.

Sail'd Ship Cajasee Mahomudy Ameen for Tenassaree.	29 th
D ^o . Ship Compton Crote, Meer Saib for d ^o .	30 th
Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort St. David, dated this day.	—

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ ^r .	GOVERN ^r .	PRESIDENT.	FRIDAY THE 30 th
STRINGER LAWRENCE	HENRY POWNEY		
ROBERT ORME	JOHN SMITH		
	CHARLES BOURCHIER		

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 23^d. Instant read and Sign'd.

The President as Cashkeeper pays in Twenty Thousand (20000) fanams amounting at the rate of thirty-six fanams to the Pagoda to Five hundred and fifty-five Pagodas twenty fanams (555—20—) being the difference of Batta on the Exchange of Five thousand Pagodas into fanams this Month that the rate of forty fanams ₹ Pagoda and brought to Account at thirty six fanams ₹ Pagoda. Money paid in by the President for Batta on Exchange of Fanams

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in Two thousand (2,000) Land Customer Pagodas on his running Account. Impt Ware Ho. keeper

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in Five hundred (500) Pagodas on his running Account. Sea Custo-mer.

Henry Powney Land Customer pays in Six hundred and thirty Pagodas one fanam and forty Cash (630-1-40) for the August Ballance of that Account.

The Secretary pays in Thirty (30) Pagodas rec'd from Mr. Samuel Moses for Permission of Passage to England on the Prince Henry Packet. Samuel Moses Passage money

Numboor Vencaty Soubiah Renter of the Poonamallee Country pays in Five thousand Pagodas (5,000) in part of Six months Rent of that Farm due the 30th. June last. Poonamallee Rent in part

Pushponatha Nayenar Renter of Covelong pays in Four thousand Pagodas (4,000) in full for Six months Rent of that Farm due the 31st. July last. Covelong Rent in full

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Interest to St. Mary's Church Stock to be paid AGREED that the Interest on Twelve thousand Pagodas borrowed on Bond of St. Mary's Church Stock the 14th. February last at seven ¾ Cent be paid to this day, being seven Month's and Sixteen days amounting to Five hundred and twenty-seven Pagodas twelve fanams (527—12—)

Advance to the Commissary And that the following Advances be made
To the Commissary Sixty thousand (60,000) Arcot Rupees and Fifteen thousand (15,000) Pagodas for the Charges of the Troops abroad.

Paymaster To the Paymaster Thirteen thousand (13,000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.

Military Paymr. And to the Military Paymaster Six thousand Pagodas (6,000) to pay the Military &c^t. next Month.

Adjourn'd to the Import Warehouse. The Board then Adjourn'd to the Import Warehouse to examine the Broad Cloth reported by the Import Warehousekeeper the 30th. of last Month to be damaged by the Worm.

Cloth examined, damaged to be sold next Friday. Several Bales being open'd and examin'd many of the Peices contain'd in them appear to be damaged in the manner represented by the Import Warehousekeeper but the Board acquit him of any blame as it is unavoidable and as the Cloth is liable to further damage the longer it be kept, it is Order'd that all such Bales on which there appear any signs of damage be open'd and sold at Outcry on Friday the 7th. of next Month.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

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OCT.
1 Sent by Pattamars General Letters to Bombay dated this day.
2 Sail'd the Honble Companys Sloop
Marlbrō Alex^t. Sherrard } For Bencoolen
D^o. Ship Tryall Samuel Elliot }
— D^o. Ship Naganad, Meer Ialee for Tenassaree.
3 Recd from Fort St. David General Letter dated 20th. September.
6 Sail'd Sloop Triton, formerly the St. Leon, Anthony de Lame for Bengal.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

MONDAY
THE 10th

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^t. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT
STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 30th. Ultimo read & Signed.

General Letter read from St. David N^o. 118 General Letter read from Alexander Wynch Esq. and the rest of the Gentlemen of Council at Fort St. David dated the 28th. Ultimo, enclosing an account of Stores and Provisions and Disbursements on account of the Honble Company's Ship Revenge and acquainting Us that their Consultations and Monthly Accounts are ready but that they do not think it prudent to risk them at this time.

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The Board having postpon'd any resolution in regard to the Boscawen, Norfolk, Tavistock and Princess Augusta which arrived from England the 6th of last Month and were intended for China in expectation that the arrival of the Coast and Bay Ships from England and Advices from Bengal might enable them to form a better Judgment in what manner to dispose of them, The President now proposes to the Board to consider of the Measures proper to be taken before the breaking up of the S.W. Monsoon which may be expected the latter end of this Month and offers the following heads as the most material and leading to a proper Resolution.

The dispatch
of the China
ships
consider'd.

Whether it be not too late to attempt the Passage to China.

The
President
offers some
Material
Points to the
consideration
of the Board.

That there are Bales ready in the Warehouse sufficient for more than one Ship's Loading for Europe.

That Advices from Fort Marlbrō say the Surplus Pepper will probably amount to Six hundred Tons by the Month of January.

That no more than Twenty Chests of Treasure have yet been sent to Bengal and by the last Advices their Stock was low.

That no supplies have for above a twelve Month past been sent from hence the Negrais.

That the abovementioned four Ships will enter on Demorage the 4th of January next.

After mature deliberation the Board being of Opinion that it is too late in the Season to attempt with any probability of Success the Passage to Canton, it is RESOLV'D that two of the Ships be sent home that not exceeding two hundred Tons of Bales be put on board each of them here and that they be dispatch'd to the West Coast with Rice and as much salt as can be procur'd for the service of those Settlements, fill up there with pepper and proceed to England.

The Board's
Resolution
in regard to
them Nor-
folk & Tavi-
stock to be
part loaded
& sent to the
West Coast
to fill up.

The Question being then put which two of the said Ships be sent home, the Norfolk and Tavistock are appointed.

RESOLV'D that the other two Ships Boscawen and Princess Augusta be dispatch'd to Bengal, with Twenty Chests of Treasure each and that the Gentlemen there be desired to put as much Salt Petre on board them as can be spared and return one of them directly hither in January or February, and send the other to the Negrais as early as possible with a supply of Cash and Stores for the Service of that Settlement to take in there what Timber and Plank may be ready and return here in January or February so that these two Ships may be ready here to proceed in proper Season to Canton in 1758 and instead of the Norfolk and Tavistock it is intended to appoint two of the expected Coast and Bay Ships when they arrive for China.

Boscawen &
Princess
Augusta to
proceed to
Bengal & to
return in
January or
Febry. with
Salt Peter
one to touch
at Negrais
her return.
The Coast &
Bay ships to
go to China.

Letters are now wrote (as enter'd hereafter) to Mess^{rs}. Thomas Thomson &c^t. Supra Cargos of the Boscawen Princess Augusta and Mess^{rs}. Mordecai Walker &c^t. Supra Cargos of the Norfolk and Tavistock acquainting of the foregoing Resolution.

Letters to
the Supra
Cargos in
Consequence
of the above.

Orders are now sign'd to the Commanders of the Norfolk and Tavistock to deliver the lead and other Consignments to the Supra Cargos in Canton and to hold their Ships in readiness to receive on board Cargos for Europe.

Orders to
the Captains
of the Nor-
folk & Tavi-
stock to land
their China
Consignmts.
& hold their
Ships in
readiness
for Europe.

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Order to
Survey the
Norfolk &
Tavistock.

ORDERD that the Secretary give Notice to Captains Braund, Baddison, Burman and Mackmath to survey the Norfolk and Tavistock and report whether they are in a proper Condition to proceed to Europe.

Letter from
the Mayrs.
Court.

Letter from the Mayor's Court read as enter'd hereafter requesting an Advance of seventy Pagodas (70) to defray their monthly Charges, which is granted.

Two drafts
from the
Accountant
General.

Two Drafts from the Accountant General of the Mayors Court are now presented and Order'd to be paid Viz^t. One in favour of Villah Chittee for Forty six (46) Pagodas account the Cause Vellah Chittee Versus Arratoon Badramy, and

One in favour of Trevengadama Widow of Boangala Kistnma Naigue for Three hundred and eighty one Pagodas twenty four fanams and Sixteen Cash (381-24-16) Account the Cause Robert Orme &c^t. Trustees to the Estate of Salomon Salomons Versus Pullyah.

Cash
Account
read.

The President reads the Cash Account for the last month, Ballance remaining compared with the Chest Six thousand seven hundred and twenty eight Pagodas thirty fanams and thirty eight Cash (6728-30-38) which is carried forward.

Money paid
in for Beetle
& Tobacco
Farm.

Sunca Vencaty Ramah Beetle and Tobacco Farmer pays in Nine hundred and thirty three Pagodas twelve fanams (933-12-) in full for one Month's rent of that Farm due the 12th Ultimo.

Measuring
Duty.

Sunca Vencaty Ramah Farmer of the Measuring Duty pays in Two hundred and sixty eight Pagodas twelve fanams (268-12-) in full for two Month's rent of that Farm due to the 12th. Ultimo.

Arrack &
Wine
Licence.

Chinna Nella Chittee and Vademala Pillah Farmers of the Arrack & Wine Licence pay in Six hundred and fifty Pagodas thirty fanams (650-30-) in full for one Month's Rent of that farm due the 12th. Ultimo.

Chingalaput
Country.

Oppajee Nayenar Renter of the Chingalaput Country pays in Ten thousand (1000) Pagodas in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 31st. July last.

Advance to
Commissary.

AGREED that Thirty thousand Rupees (30000) be advanced the Commissary for the Charges of that Employ.

And Two thousand Pagodas (2000) to the Export Warehousekeeper for the Charges of that Employ.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CHS. BOURCHIER.

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D ^s .		THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH									
1	To Ballance brought from last months Account	11806	207862	62	17579	34	62				
16	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper recd. of him on his running Account	1800			1800	—	—				
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer recd, of him on his running Account	500			500	—	—				
—	To Chinna Nella Chittee and Vademala Pillah recd of them in full for one Months rent of the Arrack & Wine License due the 12 th . Ultimo		23430	—	650	—	—				
23	To Alexander Dalrymple Accountant General of the Mayors Court rec'd. of the Sherif Account the Cause Robert Orme &c ^t . Trustee of Solomon Salomons Versus Pullyah	381		24	16	381	24	16			
To Bills of Exchange rec'd for two Setts of this date drawn on the Court of Directors at 90 day sight & 7/8 Viz ^t .											
1	To Robert Scott or order value of Mr. Andrew Munro Account the Estate of John Moore	£	s	d	P.	P.	T.				
		1317	19	11	3438	2	8				
1	To Henry Douglas or order value of Nicholas Morse & Samuel Ardley Account the Estate of John Douglas deceased	108	17	8	284	1	44				
2	Setts amounting to £	1426	17	7							
					3722	10	52	3722	10	52	
30	To Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper recd. of him of his running Account	2000			2000	—	—				
—	To Henry Powney Sea Customer recd. of him on his running Account	500			500	—	—				
—	To Henry Powney Land Customer recd of him for the August Ballance of that Account	482	5329	40	630	1	40				
—	To Account Current London recd of Mr. Samuel Moses for Permission of Passage to England P ^{ce} . Henry Packet	30			30	—	—				
—	To Numboor Vencaty Seubiah Renter of the Poonamallee Country recd. of him in part of Six months Rent of that Farm due 30 th . June last	5000			5000	—	—				
—	To Pushponatha Nayenar Renter of the Covelong Country recd. of him in part of Six months Rent of that Farm due the 31 st . July when the Cowle expire	4000			4000	—	—				
—	T. Batta for the produce of Pagodas 5000 issued as P ^{ce} Contra & exchanged into Fanams at 40 fanams P ^{ce} Pagoda and brought to Account here at 36 fanams P ^{ce} Pagoda		200000		5555	20	—				
	STAB OF CURRENT PAGODAS ..	30221	436657	10	42350	13	10				

ERRORS EXCEPTED.
G. GEORGE FIGOT.

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PER CONTRA

17	By Fort S ^t . David paid the following Drafts advised in their Letter of the 12 th . Instant N ^o . 116 Viz ^t .					
1	To Walsh & Van Sittart value of Alex ^r . Wynch 1500 — —					
1	To Dawsonne Drake value of himself 2074 — —					
1	To John Call value of Andrew Newton 1468 15 52					
3	Bills amounting to	5042	15 51	5042	15 32	
19	By Charles Bouchier Military Storekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that employ 3500			3500	— —	
20	By Account Presents advanced the King of Tanjore Vackeel on Account of the Annual present for Deve Cotah 200			200	— —	
28	By the Mayors Court advanced for the Charges of that Corporation 70			70	— —	
30	By S ^t . Mary's Church Stock paid the Church Wardens for 7 Months 16 days Interest at 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent on Pagodas 120000 borrowed at Interest as $\frac{1}{2}$ Bond 14 th . Febr ^y . 1757 527 11 —			527	12 —	
..	By John Smith Paymaster advanced him for the Charges of that Employ 4000 324000 —			13000	— —	
—	By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him for the Charges of that Employ 6000 — —			6000	— —	
—	By Account Salary for Six months salary due to the Honble Companys Covenant Servants at this Presidency the 25 th . Instant 2281 27 —			2281	27 —	
--	By Batta Issued in the Course of this month & Exchanged into fanams as $\frac{1}{2}$ Contra 5000 — —			5000	— —	
		26620	324054 52	35621	18 52	
By Ballance carried to next Month		3601	112602 38	6728	30 38	

STATE OF CURRENT PAGODAS .. 30221 436657 10 42350 13 10

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TO MESS^{rs}. THOMAS THOMSON HILLARY TORRIANO,
JOHN MAPLETOFT AND WILLIAM TEAD SUPRA CARGOS
OF THE SHIP BOSCAWEN AND PRINCESS AUGUSTA.

GENTLEMEN,

As the Season is now too far advanced to attempt the Passage to Canton with any probability of Success We purpose to dispatch the Ships Boscawen and Princess Augusta to Bengal to pass the NE Monsoon from whence they are to return in due time to proceed to China in 1758.

We are

GENTLEMEN

Your most Obedient Servants

GEORGE FIGOT.

STRINGER LAWRENCE.

HENRY POWNEY.

ROBERT ORME.

JOHN SMITH.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
10 OCTOBER 1757

TO MESS^{rs}. MORDECAI WALKER, NATHANIEL GARLAND
THOMAS SANDYS AND THOMAS SMITH SUPRA
CARGOS OF THE SHIPS NORFOLK & TAVISTOCK.

GENTLEMEN,

As the Season is now so far advanced as to leave no further hopes of the Arrival of the Coast & Bay Ships in time to land their outward bound, and put on board, a returning Cargo before the breaking up of the S. W. Monsoon and as it is also too late in the Season for the Ships Norfolk & Tavistock Consign'd to you in China to gain the Passage thither We have therefore resolv'd to load & return those two ships to England as soon as possible, and it is our intention to appoint two of the expected Coast & Bay Ships when they arrive to proceed to Canton next Season consign'd to you with the same Stock and on the same terms and conditions as the Norfolk and Tavistock were Consign'd to you by the Court of Directors.

We are

GENTLEMEN

Your most humble Servants

GEORGE FIGOT.

&ct. *Council as above*

FORT ST. GEORGE,
10 OCTR. 1757.

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^t. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

I am order'd by the Honble the Mayors Court to draw upon your Honour &c^t. for the Sum of seventy Pagodas to defray their Monthly Charges & Expences.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most Obed^t. Serv^t.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
5TH. OCTOBER 1757.

DANIEL MORSE

Reg^r.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQR.	GOVERN ^r . PRESIDENT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.	HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.	JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.	

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of Consultation dated yesterday read & Sign'd.

Two Letters
from Mr.
Calland
considerd
in regard to
Cloth lost at
Ingeram
Resolution
thereon.

General Letters from M^r. John Calland N^o. 104 & N^o. 105 read in Consultation the 17th. August and then order'd to lye on the Table to be further Consider'd when M^r. Calland should arrive from the Northward are now again read and consider'd with his Monthly Accounts for May, on which the Board are of Opinion that as M^r. Calland had not any directions to make an Investment they cannot take upon them to subject the Company to the Loss of the Cloth taken by the French at Nellipillee but that the Secretary acquaint M^r. Calland if he will lay before the Board a Memorial with a true state of his Case it shall be referr'd the Court of Directors for their determination. In regard to Charges of Ingeram Settlement for the Month of May so much of that Month's Account is referr'd to the Committee of Accounts to examine & report.

Letter from
Captain
Benjamin
Jenkins.

Letter from Captain Benjamin Jenkins of the Ship Tavistock read, as enter'd hereafter, representing that he has received Orders to hold his Ship in readiness to receive on board a Cargo for Europe that as the Ship must be shifted and Caulked and the Rigging new fitted it will not be possible to be ready to take in Goods in less than fourteen days and further that as the Ship ran ashore in going from the Thames to the Downs, where she lay beating three hours and has since proved very leaky he does not think it safe for her to proceed to Europe without having her Bottom examined, requesting therefore to be Order'd to some fit place for that purpose.

To lye on
the Table.

ORDER'D that the said Letter do lye on the Table to be considered after the Ship shall have been survey'd and reported.

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Letter from Captain Pinson Bonham of the Norfolk read as enter'd here- after acknowledging the receipt of Orders to hold his Ship in readiness to receive on board a Cargo for Europe and representing the Condition of his Ship and the danger of Shifting her at this time which will take up at least Twelve or Fourteen days, that he has given directions to set about those preparations and that he shall want at least One hundred and Sixty Tons of dead Weight if no Salt Petre be sent on board requesting that he may be order'd some place of safety till the Monsoon be over.

Letter from
Captain
Bonham.

ORDER'D that the Secretary acquaint Captain Bonham that We have no Salt Petre or other Dead weight to send on Board unless he will take Redwood at half Freight in which case he may have as much as he shall have occasion for.

Order
thereon.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME,
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 11TH. 1757.

I have receiv'd a Letter from your Secretary of yesterdays date ordering one to hold the Ship Tavistock under my Command in readiness to receive a Cargo for Europe. I therefore beg leave to acquaint you that the Ship must be shifted having on board Eighty Tons of Redwood on Account of the Company the greatest part of which must come on shore besides Lead & other Stores for China, that the Ship must be Caulked & Rigging all new fitted & as the Monsoon is expected to break every day, the wet Weather will prevent the latter & the gales of Wind generally attending the former render it [I] think too hazardous to attempt which cannot be possibly done to be ready to take in Goods for Europe in less than fourteen days. I am further to acquaint you that in coming from the River Thames, the Ship run on shore going into the Downs on the South break head where she lay beating three hours & tho then she did not make any Water yet when she come to be on her Passage for India, we were obliged if it blew the least fresh to keep one Pump going & more as the Weather was more or less moderate.

I therefore humbly beg you'll take the Condition of the Ship into your Consideration & order her to some Place where her bottom may be look'd into without which I don't think it safe for her to proceed for Europe.

I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most Obedient Servant,

BENJ : JENKINS.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

I have rec'd a Letter from your Secretary of yesterdays date, requiring me to hold my Ship in readiness to receive on Board a Cargo for Europe. I must beg leave to acquaint your Honours of the present situation of my Ship & the great risque that the shifting of her will be attended with at this Season of the Year when we may daily expect the Monsoon to break upon us which if it does during the shifting of her, in all human probability she must inevitably founder, not having a sufficient weight on her bottom to make her fit for putting to Sea and carrying Sail, in case her Cables should part, which it is

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impossible to have during her shifting and of which fact I should be glad you would be pleased further to be inform'd by any one of the Gentlemen in this place, that are Conversant in Sea Affairs.

I must beg leave further to observe, that we have now on board Lead and a great many other Goods for China our Water all full & Seventy Two Tons of Redwood, so that our Hold is almost full, the greatest part of all these must be landed before we can take in Goods for Europe, the Ship must be Caulk'd and our lower Rigging overhauled neither of which can be done during the Rains And I believe I may venture to say, let us begin as soon as possible it will be 12 or 14 days before we shall be able or ready to take in Goods that will be about the Twenty fourth of October which is most dangerous time, & I dare say will be the first Instance of a Ships being shifted in this Road at that Season of the Year ever since the Hon^{ble} Company had this Settlement.

In consequence of your Letter I have given orders for the Ship to be caulked, which is the only thing I can do to forward us at present, till I receive your further orders for Landing the China Goods and some of the Redwood to give us Room. We shall want at least 160 Tons of Dead weight if we are to have not Salt Petre of which as I understand there is none on the Coast should be glad you would please to let me know what dead weight we are to receive on board in lieu of it, that we may prepare for it accordingly.

I hope your Honours will take this Affair into your serious Consideration, & order us to some place of safety till the Monsoon is over, as I dare venture to say it wont make a months difference, if any to the Company whether we load home from this place now or in January & the one will be attended at the greatest risque imaginable, the other with none at all I hope you will not take it amiss my writing this, as I took upon it to be my Duty on behalf of my Owners to let you know the risque I apprehend, in Shifting the Ship at this Season of the Year had the Ship got half her Cargo in at this present time I should not look upon the risque to be half so much, tho' you Gentlemen are very sensible of the risque of a Monsoon, even when the Ships are fully laden by the many fatal Instances of it I might name.

I am

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient humble Servant.

PINSON BONHAM.

FORT ST. GEORGE
OCTOBER 11TH 1757.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.

STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.

ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 11th Instant read and Sign'd.

Letter from Captains Benjamin Braund, Thomas Baddison, Edward Burman and John Mackmath read, as enter'd hereafter, being the report of their Survey of the Ships Norfolk and Tavistock, giving it as their Opinion that the Norfolk is in a proper Condition to proceed to England, and that as

THURS-
DAY 13th

Report
survey of
the Norfolk
and Tavi-
stock.

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far as they could see of the Tavistock she appear'd to be so likewise, but the Commander and Officers have reported to them that the said Ship had been twice on shore and what damages she may have received they cannot judge, that it is also further reported to them that the said Ship has sprung a Leak since her Arrival here which being discover'd about five feet under Water in the Starboard bow has been stopt in the best manner they could but upon the whole it is their opinion as well as that of the Companys and Ships Carpenters that it is by no means sufficient for the Ships proceeding on her Voyage to Europe WHEREFORE it is RESOLVED to Protest on behalf of the Company against the Owners and Commander of the said Ship Tavistock for all Losses and Damages by Demorage or otherwise which the Company may sustain by reason of the inability of the said Ship to return to Europe.

The Tavistock unfit to proceed.

Resolved to protest.

A Protest drawn conformable to the foregoing Resolution being now produced read, dated and Signed Order'd that the Secretary deliver it to Captain Jenkins and that it be enter'd after these Minutes.

Protest Signed to be dated by the Secretary.

ORDER'D that the Lead consign'd to the Supra Cargos in China by the Norfolk be landed and that the Warehousekeeper send Goods on board that Ship for Europe as soon as she is ready to receive them.

The Question being then put whether one and which of the two Ships Boscawen and Princess Augusta be appointed to proceed to Europe in the room of the Tavistock.

RESOLV'D that the Princess Augusta Captain Baddison be loaded and return'd to Europe in the same manner as was intended by the Tavistock.

Princess Augusta to be sent home in the room of the Tavistock.

An order is accordingly now Sign'd and sent him to hold his Ship in readiness to receive on board a Cargo for Europe.

Order to Captain Baddison to hold his Ship in readiness.

And the Secretary is Order'd to give Notice to Captain Bonham, Jenkins, Burman and Mackmath to Survey the said Ship and report whether she is in a proper condition to receive on board a Cargo for Europe.

Notice to Survey the Princess Augusta.

Letters are now wrote and Sign'd (as enter'd hereafter) to Mess^{rs}. Thomas Thomson, &c^t. Supra Cargos of the Boscawen and Princess Augusta and Mess^{rs}. Mordecai Walker, &c^t. Supra Cargos of the Norfolk and Tavistock acquainting them of the alteration made in the disposition of those Ships.

Letters to the Supra Cargos.

Letter from Mr. John Calland read being wrote in Consequence of the Resolution of Consultation the 11th. Instant signified to him by the Secretary and contains a Justification of his Conduct in making an Investment at Ingeram in order that the same may be transmitted to the Honble Court of Directors. ORDER'D that the said Letter be enter'd hereafter and that it be referr'd accordingly to out Honble Masters for their directions.

Letter from Mr. Calland to be referr'd.

The Import Warehousekeeper lays before the Board an Account of damages and deficiencies in the Consignments by the Boscawen, Norfolk, Tavistock & Princess Augusta, which have been paid for by the Commanders.

Impr. Ware H.Kr. account deficiencies the 4 ships.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME
JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. & C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T.} G^{EORGE}.

HONBLE SIR & SIR^s.

Agreeable to your request signified to us by M^r. Secretary Dupre we have visited the Ships Norfolk and Tavistock the former of which we find in every other respect in a proper state and condition for receiving on board the Honble Companys Cargo for Europe but the usual necessary repairs such as Caulking and watering the Gun deck & c^t.

As to the Tavistock what we could see ourselves she appear'd to be in good order and condition, but she has been reported by the Captain & Officers to us to have been twice on ground and what damages she may have receiv'd by being on Shoar We cannot by any means be Judges of. We are also further inform'd by them that since their Arrival in Madras road, they have Sprung a leak which caused her to make from 21 Inches Water at 7 in the morning to 4 foot at Noon, which leak they found to be in the Starboard Bow about 5 foot under Water which they have since stopt in the best manner they were capable of but it is the opinion of the Companys Carpenter as well as the Ships that it is by no means sufficient for the Ships proceeding on her Voyage to Europe and we also Concur with them in that opinion. We are

HONBLE SIR & SIR^s

Your most hble Serv^{ts}.

FORT S^{T.} G^{EORGE},
11th. OCTOBER 1757.

BENJ^m. BRAUND.
THOMAS BADDISON.
EDW^p. BURMAN.
JN^o. MACKMATH.

TO CAPTAIN BENJAMIN JENKINS
OF THE SHIP TAVISTOCK.

WHEREAS by a certain Charterparty Indented of Affreightment made the third day of September in the Year of Our Lord 1756 Between Joseph Jackson and Nicholas Crisp of London Merchants part Owners of the Good Ship Tavistock and you Captain Benjamin Jenkins Master of the said Ship of the one part And the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies of the other part they the said part Owners and you the said Master have granted and letter and the said Company have hired and taken the said Ship to Freight for a Voyage with her to be made as therein is expressed and it is therein amongst other things Covenanted on the part of the said part Owners and you the said Master that the said Ship shall not only before her departure from Gravesend Outwards but also at the time and times of her departure from Port to Port abroad and also at her last departure from the East Indies be strong and tight.

AND WHEREAS We the President and Council of Fort S^t. George intending to have loaded and dispatched the said Ship Tavistock to England did by writing under the hand of our Secretary bearing date the 10th. Instant give you Captain Benjamin Jenkins Notice to hold your said Ship in readiness to receive on board a Cargo for Europe and in order to be duely Certified whether the said Ship was strong and tight according to the above recited Covenant and in a fit Condition to proceed to Europe We did the same day appoint Captains Benjamin Braund, Thomas Baddison Edward Burman and John Mackmath attended by the Companys Carpenter to go on board and survey the said Ship and report to Us in writing whether she was in a proper Condition to proceed for Europe or not in Consequence whereof the said Captain Benjamin Braund,

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Thomas Baddison, Edward Burman and John Mackmath have by writing under their hands bearing date the 11th Instant reported that having visited the said Ship Tavistock they are of Opinion upon the Representations made to them by yourself and your Officers that the said Ship is not in a proper Condition to proceed to Europe by reason of the damage she has sustained in running twice a ground and by a Leak Sprung since her Arrival at this Port which has not been sufficiently repair'd all which is also further Certified to Us by your Letter bearing date the 11th Instant.

WHEREFORE We the President and Council aforesaid for and on behalf of the said United Company do hereby Protest against you Captain Benjamin Jenkins Master of the said Ship Tavistock as also against the Charterparty Men and Owners of the said Ship and all others whom it may concern for all Losses detriment and damage by demorage or otherwise howsoever which the said United Company may now or at any time hereafter sustain by reason of said Ships not being strong and tight and therefore unfit to proceed to England conformable to the Covenant herein before recited IN WITNESS whereof We have hereunto set our hands in Fort S^t. George the 13th. October 1757.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRING^B. LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

TO MESS^{RS}. THOMAS THOMSON, HILLARY TORRIANO,
JOHN MAPLELOFT AND WILLIAM TEAD
SUPRA CARGOS OF THE SHIP BOSCAWEN
AND PRINCESS AUGUSTA.

GENTLEMEN,

We acquainted you by our Letter of the 10th Instant that We purposed to send the Boscawen and Princess Augusta to Bengal to pass the N. E. Monsoon and to return here in time to proceed to China in 1758 it was our intention at that time to have dispatch'd the Norfolk and Tavistock to England but the Tavistock having been since found unfit to proceed to Europe We have been obliged to alter our Measures and intend to return the Princess Augusta to England and in her stead We purpose to appoint one of the expected Coast and Bay Ships when they arrive to proceed to Canton in 1758 Consign'd to you with the same Stock and on the same Conditions as the Princess Augusta was Consign'd to you by the Court of Directors.

We are

GENTLEMEN

Your most hble Servants
GEORGE PIGOT & C^T. COUNCIL.

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TO MESS^{RS}. MORDECAI WALKER, NATHANIEL GARLAND
 THOMAS SANDYS AND THOMAS SMITH
 SUPRA CARGOS OF THE SHIP NORFOLK AND TAVISTOCK.

GENTLEMEN,

By our Letter of the 10th Instant We acquainted you of our Resolution to dispatch the Norfolk and Tavistock to England. Upon a survey since taken of the Tavistock it appears that she is not in a fit Condition to proceed to Europe wherefore We have on behalf of the Company protested against the Owners and Commanders to indemnify the Company from all damages by demorage or otherwise thereby leaving the Commander at his discretion to proceed with the said Ship where ever he shall think proper to repair the damages. We are

GENTLEMEN

Your most humble Serv^{ts}.
 GEORGE PIGOT & C^t. COUNCIL.

TO THE HON^{'BLE} GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.
 PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF
 FORT S^t. GEORGE.

HON^{'BLE} SIR & SIRs,

M^r Secretary DuPré having inform'd me of your Resolution with regard to the Cloth that was taken by the French in Nellipillee Amounting to three thousand four hundred and eleven Pagodas, twenty three fanams and thirty two Cash (3411-23-32) I think it incumbent on me in justification of my Conduct, to lay before You the sole Motives that induced me to make that Provision by which I hope to Vindicate myself in such a manner as well to You as my Hon^{'ble} Employers, as to have the Money which I am now obliged to Pay (though to my Ruin) re-embursed.

It has never been Customary at our Northern Settlements to wait for Orders, from the Presidency to begin their Investments, but as soon as one Cargo was dispatch'd another was provided, for if that method was to be followed of waiting for Orders and Money two thirds of the Cloth would not have been got, which has been, by reason of the time, that must necessarily, in such Case be lost.

It was the beginning of April (if I remember right) before I offer'd to take a Peice of Cloth in, on the Company's Account notwithstanding both Bander-malanka and Vizagapatam were persuing their Investments and had been doing so from the time of their last dispatches; neither should I have done it then, had I not receiv'd Your Honour & C^t. directions for making the Abate-ments in the different Sortments for the ensuing Investment looking upon that, to be sufficient not imagining after the Prices were fixed further Orders necessary, especially as the Season was far Advanced. The Country round me, was in a perfect State of Tranquillity several Months had elapsed since the Declaration of War & no Hostilities had been committed M^r. Bussy with his whole Force had been for sometime to the Northward of Vizagapatam, consequently it was reasonable to think if the French did Attack our Settlements that that would be the first, as not only being the nearest to them, but of much more Consequence than either of the rest, in which case I should have had sufficient time to have got every thing off. The Merchants had made several Complaints to me, of its being very hard that the Merchants of the other Factories should be carrying on their business & they not theirs, especially when they had Cloth laying in their Godowns which they had

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provided before February expecting the Investment to go on, as usual and at last desir'd if I did not chuse to take it in, that I would give them leave to carry it to the French or Dutch, for they could not think of sustaining, such a Loss, as would inevitably accrue if it laid much longer. As I was very certain letting these Merchants carry their Cloth to the French and Dutch would have been extreamly prejudicial to the Companys interest (possibly the loss of them) I thought it adviseable to take it in especially as there was not the least appearance of that which afterwards happen'd, not doubting in the least, but the same would have been approved of though had I receiv'd Your Honour &c^{ts}. Letter of the 28th May in time which Ordered me to apply to the Gentlemen of Vizagapatam for what was sufficient to defray the Expences of the Settlement only. I should have Acted otherwise, but the Place was delivered to the French the 11th of May & I did not receive that Letter till the middle of June.

I have already acquainted your Honour &c^t. it was not in my Power to save more than what I did, the Place being surrounded by the time I knew of their motion & before, I knew the Occasion having not heard of the taking of Chandernagore till after the Place was Surrender'd I shall only add one thing more which is had the Cloth not been Chopp'd with the Companys Chop I might have got it all off, the Commanding Officer telling me after he was in the Place in the presence of two or three which I can bring to Witness that what private Property I had was still my own if I had two or three hundred Peices of Superfine Cloth, I was very welcome to take it away adding He was not come to distress me so that it will be doubly hard upon me to sustain the loss. These are my reasons for what I have done & which with pleasure I submit to my Honble Masters & your Consideration and if it makes appear that I have Acted with a good Intent I don't the least doubt of being re-embursed & am with the most profound Respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obed^t. hum^{ble}. Ser^t.

JOHN CALLAND.

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ACCOUNT OF GOODS DEFICIENT AND DAMAGED ꝑ SHIPS BOSCAWEN,
PRINCESS AUGUSTA, TAVISTOCK & NORFOLK.
ꝑ SHIP BOSCAWEN.

	Plates.	θ. qr. lb,						
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⌘ SHIP PRINCESS AUGUSTA.

BROAD CLOTH Fine Scarlet Damaged being rub'd against the Beams of the Ship	1 P ^s .	£ 6 16 6
BROAD CLOTH ORDINARY Emerald Green d ^o .	1	3 7 —
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1ST. OCTOBER 1757.

⌘ SHIP TAVISTOCK.

	plates	θ. qr. lb.			
COPPER Fine- wanting.	9 Pz.	1 1 7 @	£ 121 — —	⌘ Ton	£ 8 9 8
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FORT ST. GEORGE,
3RD. OCTOBER 1757.

⌘ SHIP NORFOLK.

	plates.	θ. qr. lb.			
COPPER Fine wanting.	15 PZ.	1 — 24 @	£ 121 — —	⌘ Ton	£ 7 7 —
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HENRY POWNEY,
Imp^t. W. H^o. K^r.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. PRESIDENT.
 STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.
 ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

FRIDAY
 THE 14TH

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated Yesterday read & Sign'd.

Letter from Captains Pinson Bonham, Benjamin Jenkins and Edward Burman read, as enter'd hereafter, being the Report of their Survey of Ship Princess Augusta giving it as their Opinion that the said Ship is in a proper Condition to proceed to Europe.

Report
 Survey of
 the Princess
 Augusta.

Orderd that the Lead on board that Ship Consign'd to the Supra, Cargos in China be landed and that the Warehousekeeper send Goods on board for Europe as soon as the Ship is ready to receive them.

Lead to be
 landed from
 that Ship &
 Europe
 Goods sent
 on board.
 Letter from
 Captn,
 Jenkins.
 That he in-
 tends for
 Bombay.
 Requests the
 Lead &
 Redwood
 may be left
 on board
 without sub-
 jecting the
 Company to
 demorage.
 Granted.

Letter from Captain Benjamin Jenkins of the Tavistock dated yesterday read, as enter'd hereafter, acknowledging the Receipt of the Protest then Sign'd and order'd to be deliver'd him and acquainting Us that he intends to proceed to Bombay to refit and requesting that the Lead and Redwood on board the said Ship belonging to the Company may be left on board, promising that the Company shall not on that Account be liable to any demorage or other Charges.

AGREED that the Lead and Iron be left on board on those Conditions:

AGREED instead of the Forty Chests of Treasure order'd in Consultation the 10th. Instant to be sent to Bengal on the Boscawen and Princess Augusta only Twenty Chests be sent on the Boscawen.

20 Chests
 Treasure to
 be sent to
 Bengal
 y^e Boscawen.

GEORGE PIGOT.
 STRINGER LAWRENCE.
 HENRY POWNEY.
 ROBERT ORME.
 JOHN SMITH.
 CHA^S. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HON^{BLE} GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^T. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRs,

Agreeable to your desire signified to Us by M^R. Secretary Du Pre' we have visited the Ship Princess Augusta and find her in a proper Condition to receive Goods on board for Europe on the Hon^{BLE} Company's Account except the usual Caulking of her Gun Deck and upper Works. We are.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRs,

Your most humble and Obed^t. servants

PINSON BONHAM.
 BENJ^M. JENKINS.
 EDW^P. BURMAN.

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 THE 14TH. OF OCTOBER 1757.

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^t: COUNCIL AT FORT S^r. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

I have rec'd by the hands of your Secretary a Paper bearing date this day sign'd by your Honour &c^t. Council purporting a Protest to indemnify the Company from all Losses they may sustain by reason that the Ship Tavistock is not strong and tight and in a fit Condition to proceed to Europe. As the defects cannot be reapi'r'd here I purpose to proceed to Bombay to refit the Ship and request that your Honour & c^t. will be pleased to let the Honble Companys Lead and Redwood now on board the said Ship remain there as it will take much time to land the Articles and take Ballast on Board in the room and I do hereby on behalf of myself and the Owners of the said Ship promise that the said Company shall not be liable to the Payment of any demorage or other Charges whatsoever by reason of the said Lead and Redwood so remaining on board the said Ship.

I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your Most Humble Servant

BENJ^r. JENKINS.

FORT S^r. GEORGE,

THE 13TH OCTOBER 1757.

- Rec'd by Pattamar General Letter from Tellicherry dated 20th. Ultimo.
 Rec'd by Sloop Watson General Letters from Bengal 11th. August.
 12th. Sep^r.
 27th. D^o.
- 17 Arrived His Majesty's Ship Triton Captain Edmund Townly for Bengal.
 18 Rec'd by Sloop Syrian from Bengal the following General Letters.
 General Letter from Bengal dated 16th. August 1757.
 D^o. from Admiral Watson dated M d^o. 1757.
 D^o. from Negrais 30th. March 1757.
 D^o. from Vizagapatam 3 & 18 May & 12 June 1757.
 D^o. from M^r. Perceval late Chief of Vizagapatam dated 8th. August 1757.
- 18 Sail'd His Majesty's Sloop Triton Captain Edmund Townley for Bengal.
 19 Arriv'd His Majesty's Ship Queenborough Captain George Ligge from England.
- Rec'd from Fort S^t. David General Letter dated [11th. October 1757.]

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THURS-
 DAY
 THE 20TH

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT.
 STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.
 ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

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The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 14th. Instant read & Sign'd.
General Letters read Viz^t.

General
Letters
read from
Tellicherry.

N^o. 119 From Thomas Hodges Esq^r. Chief & c^t. Factors at Tellicherry dated 20th. September advising that eleven Ships were seen off Caliquilone the 30th. August standing to the Southward & 12 Ships off Goa the 26th. of the same month supposed to be different squadrons of the Enemy and that a small French Vessell from Mauritius to Patta put into Goa about the same time.

N^o. 120, 121, 122, 123 From Roger Drake Esq^r. Presid^t. & Gov^r. & c^t. Council of Bengal date the 11th. & 16th. August 12th. & 27th. September advising that they have disposed of the Arcot Snow for Current Rupees One thousand six hundred (1600) which they shall credit this Presidency for and debt us for Captain Bibb's Bill of Disbursements and Wages amounting to One thousand two hundred and ninety eight Arcot Rupees (1298), that the Copper by the Protector turn'd out Eighteen Maunds thirty five seer and four pound short weight promising that should any of their Country Ships proceed to the Coast of Africa they shall endeavour to contract for Slaves but are apprehensive the French War will deter their Ships from making that Voyage enclosing several Letters from Vizagapatam and one from M^r. Newton at the Negrais who having detain'd the Fort William as a Guardship without making any Agreement with the Commander. The Owners have applied to them that the matter may be adjusted, desiring to know what We think proper to allow them monthly for her detention that they may pay the Freight for the time she is kept there, advising that the President has transmitted M^r. Orme 2 Bill on M^r. Pigot for Two thousand Arcot Rupees 2000, & has inform'd them M^r. Pybus has desir'd M^r. Pigot to pay to his Order Seven thousand two hundred and five Rupees four Annaes (7205-4-0) which they desire may be receiv'd into the Company's Cash here, informing us of the fortunate Resolution in that Province, enclosing a Copy of the Treaty and desiring that as they had already received Thirty two Lack of Rupees (32) and were soon to have sixteen Lack more no money or Bullion may be sent them till they desired it as they have purchased a Parcel of Red-wood taken at Chandernagore that none may be sent down unless upon the Companys Ships informing that the difference with the Soubah had prevented lading the Marlbrō and shall therefore be obliged to send her hither to be filled up for Europe, that they intend likewise sending in January one of this years Ships to be fill'd up here enclosing first Bills of Exchange on the Council of Pondicherry for Thirty five thousand (35000) Rupees advanced the late Directore & Council of Chandernagore, that they intend giving Account Current London Credit for the whole of last Years Consignments and debting this Presidency for what part was detain'd as they judge the method We have pursued to be improper & irregular, desiring that the Iron Work for Gun Carriages may be sent down to them immediately as they were wrote for home expressly for their Use, Adding that they have put Eight hundred (800) Bags of Salt Petre on board the Sloop which bring this Letter and desire she may be immediately return'd to them being one of the Pilot Sloops. The Second dated 16th. August informing that Mess^{rs}. Amyatt and Fullerton had paid the Duty on one Chest Coral ☉ Delawar mark'd W.B. N^o. 1 altho they declar'd to have paid it here, desiring to be inform'd if they have so, that it may be repaid them likewise advising of Admiral Watson's Death. The third dated 12th. September advising that they had put on board the Marlbrō Four thousand (4000) Bags of Salt Petre consign'd to us, with Two hundred and ten (210) Bales of Vizagapatam Cloth & some packing stuff and that the rest of the Cargo is for Europe, that about Twenty five French Gentlemen take their Passage on her for whom they desire Us to procure Conveyances to Pondicherry. That they have laden a Proportion of S^t. Helena Stores on the Marlbrō, desiring that none

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of the Madeira intended for them may be stop this Year and informing Us that any quantity of Ours may be dispos'd of to advantage there that they have rec'd from the Nabob a Quantity of Gold and Jewels promising to send the former hither in January if wanted and desiring that Public Notice may be given of the Weight and value of the other, that if any Persons be inclined to purchase they may Commission their Attornies in Bengal, That should we draw on them the Bills may be made payable in Current Rupees and informing Us that they intend us One thousand five hundred or Two thousand bags of Salt Petre by the Restitution. The last is dated the 27th. September advising of having alter'd their Measures in regard to the Marlbro upon hearing a French Squadron's being on the Coast and that they now intend dispatching her directly home early in the Season, that they have freighted two Sloops to bring Advices of their Situation the Mermaid having lost her Passage but that they have not sent any Salt Petre on them lest it should fall into the Enemy's hands, desiring our Sentiments in regard to the Destination of this Year's Shipping & to be inform'd what Quantity of Tonnage can be provided for here & on the West Coast, that the Masters of the Sloops are to be at Liberty to proceed whither they think proper on delivering the Packets.

Admiral
Watson.

N^o. 124 From Admiral Watson at Calcutta dated 11th. August expressing his Dissatisfaction at the Revenge's being detain'd on this Coast.

Negrals.

N^o. 125 From Lieutenant Thomas Newton at the Negrals dated 30th. March advising of his having purchased a Cargo of Rice on the Companys Account as there was a Prospect of a Famine in Pegue, that the Burmahs are much dissatisfied on not being supplied with Gunpowder as they want it, that he is well inform'd the King had not even open'd the Letters sent him as they were not accompanied with considerable Presents which he had expected from the Company & had let drop some Expressions intimating that when he had reduced Pegue he would dislodge the English from Negrals, that the Peguers had lately endeavour'd to accommodate matters with the Burmahs by offering his Daughter in marriage to the King of Ava & had made him many Presents amongst which were the Pallankeen and some Cannon he had receiv'd from Us, that the King of Ava would not hearken to any terms but was determin'd to reduce the Capital which the Peguers continue resolutely to defend, that he was apprehensive the Burmahs would soon visit him as they were in want of Ammunition, which he is unable to supply them with as his Stock is not only low but what he has fit for nothing but Salutes, that he cannot answer for the Consequences of a Denial promising however to defend the Settlement to the utmost of his Power, that the George being unable to keep the Sea much longer he had thought it expedient to send her to Vizagapatam to be repair'd and as a Guard Ship was absolutely necessary had detained the Fort William a Country Ship belonging to Bengal, from whence she had come with Stores for the use of the Negrals, of Three hundred Tons Burthen, mounting Twelve Carriage and four Swivell Guns with Musketts &c^t. in proportion and mann'd with Sixty or Seventy hands & as her Captain had protested against this Step he has transmitted all the Papers which pass'd between them on the subject, Complaining of sickness which has raged there altho the Weather had been extremely fine ever since October whence he is at a Loss to account for it, that the Improvements go on very slowly for want of Hands as well as Tools of all kinds that he had lately clear'd away the Trees for a considerable distance round all the Fort to make room for a Circulation of Air which he hopes will have a good Effect and that the Barracks for the Soldiers were in great forwardness, enclosing his Indents (which he requests may be complied with as soon as possible) & the General Return.

Vizaga-
patam.

N^o. 125, 127 & 128 From William Perceval Esq^r. when Chief &c^t. Council of Vizagapatam dated 3^d. & 18th. May & 12th. June, the first desiring a supply of Copper as they were in want of Dubbs, enclosing the Storekeeper's Note for

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Seven hundred Rupees two annaes and four pice (700-2-4) for Stores supply'd the West Coast Long Boats, which had been omitted to be charg'd in the former Account, their Monthly Papers for March and an Indent for Stores which they desire may be immediately complied with. The second acquainting us they had been prevented dispatching the above by a Letter from M^r. Calland copy of which they enclose, That they recd a Letter from M^r. Andrews the 9th. with the Bales mention'd in his Letter Likewise enclosed, having sent on board what Bales they had on hand with their Broad Cloth they dispatch'd M^r. Andrew's Sloop with the Sea Horse to Bengal, the rest of this Letter relates to the Troubles they were surrounded with and the Measures they took. The third acknowledging the Consignment of Protector and Arcot and acquainting Us of having sent Sixty seven Bales of Cloth to Bengal by the latter, that they do not think it prudent to contract for the Sloop of Fifty Tons for the West Coast in their present critical Situation, and that M^r. Best having been indisposed requests Permission to come up to the Presidency in September or October.

N^o. 129 From William Perceval Esq^r. at Calcutta dated 8th. August giving some Account of the Loss of the Settlement late under his Charge and enclosing a full Narrative of that Event which he intends transmitting to the Company from Bengal. Mr. Perceval.

N^o. 130 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the Gentlemen in Council at S^t. David desiring an immediate supply of Cash and advising of a Bill drawn by them in favor of M^r. John Call for One thousand five hundred (1500) Pagodas, desiring likewise to be supplied as soon as possible with the Medicines Civil and Military Stores, indented for and informing Us that the Arrack Casks being represented to be worm eaten they had directed the Storekeeper to purchase new ones and draw off the Arrack into them, filling up the Casks to ascertain the Leakage which he had done & found it to be Sixty one Gallons which they desire Permission to write off to Profit & Loss, transmitting their Accounts of Profit & Loss which they wait our Approbation of, that their Books may be clos'd.

ORDER'D that the Twenty Chests of Treasure laden on the Boscawen and Consign'd to the Gentlemen at Bengal be landed again as they desire that We will not send them any supplies untill they advise us further. 20 Chests laden on the Boscawen to be landed.

A Letter to the President & Council of Bengal in Answer to those lately receiv'd and abstracted in the former part of these Minutes is now read approved dated this day and sign'd as also sailing Orders to Captain Benjamin Braund of the Boscawen for Bengal. Letter to Bengal Sign'd & a dispatch to Capt. Braund.

ORDER'D that the Bill of Exchange drawn from Fort S^t. David for Fifteen hundred (1500) Pagodas in favor of M^r. John Call be paid and that a Letter be wrote to the Gentlemen there directing them to draw on Us whenever they have an opportunity as the risque of the Enemy will be saved and We cannot always Command proper Conveyances, that We are now at a loss for one to send them the Medicines and Stores they write for, but that We shall supply them as soon as We are able, That We approve of the Journal Entrys of Profit & Loss they sent Us, and that they may write off the Leakage of Arrack, That as Colonel Clive still continues at Bengal the Deputy Governour's appointments may be paid to M^r. Wynch with all Arrears. Letter to be wrote to St. David.

AGREED that the Bills of Exchange for Thirty five thousand (35000) Arcot Rupees remitted from Bengal drawn by the late Council of Chandernagore upon the Superior Council at Pondicherry be sent to Pondicherry for Acceptance, and that a General Letter be wrote acquainting them that We shall endorse the Second's to the Council at Fort S^t. David, to whom We desire they will forward the firsts and pay the amount when due. Bills on Pondicherry to be sent for Acceptance & the 2^d. to be Endors'd to the Council at St. David.

— FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1757 —

Letter to
Fort Marlbro
to advise of
the two
Sloops
intended to
fill up there.

ORDER'D that a short Letter be prepared to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort Marlbro to go by the Watson Sloop, acquainting them that we shall send two ships to fill up there with Pepper that they will sail about the 10th. of next Month and call at the Northern Residencies to take in their Pepper, and that as a Ship may probably be sent from Bengal to take in what may remain of their Surplus after the said two Ships are fill'd up they must reserve the same.

Mess^{rs}.
Walsh and
Van Sittart
of 3 Chests
of Treasure
by them
deposited,
Granted.

Letter from Mess^{rs}. Walsh and Van Sittart read, as enter'd hereafter, requesting that the three Seal'd Chests of Treasure the Board permitted them to lodge in the Company's Treasury the 3^d. of May last may now be deliver'd back to them having receiv'd directions from their Correspondents for the disposal of the Money.

ORDER'D that the said three Chests be deliver'd accordingly.

Admirals
Table money
to be paid
Mr. Morse.

The President acquaints the Board that M^r. Morse, Admiral Watson's Agent here, has applied for Payment of the five Pagodas a day allow'd by the Company for the Admirals Table, from the last payment on the 30th. of April to the 16th. August being the day of the Admirals death. ORDER'D that it be paid accordingly.

Report from
the Select
Committee
of a Bill
recd. for
Tripty
Rents,

The President reports from the Select Committee that they have received a Bill on Goael Terwaudy payable the 30th. October for Pagodas Fifteen thousand (15000) and Rupees Eight thousand five hundred (8500) on Account of the Tripty Revenue in part of the first or September Kist of the Year of Phasely 1167.

to be paid
in the
Treasury.

ORDER'D that the same be received into the Treasury.

Advance to
the Export
Ware Ho. Kr.

AGREED that Seven thousand (7000) Pagodas be advanced the Export Warehousekeeper to pay for Redwood purchased for China and for the Fortifications.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^r. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

Mess^{rs}. Manningham & Frankland having remitted to the Proprietors in England by Bill on the Company from Bengal the Moneys contain'd in the three Seal'd Chests which you were pleas'd to permit us to lodge in the Companys Treasury in compliance with our Request of the 3^d. May last, we now take the Liberty to desire your Orders that the said three Chests may be deliver'd to us as we have receiv'd the Directions of Mess^{rs}. Manningham and Frankland for the disposal of the Money. We are with the greatest Respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most Obedient humble Servants
WALSH & VANSITTART.

FORT S^r. GEORGE,
17 OCTOBER 1757.

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D ^o . No. 10		12045 15 10	Do. No. 10
R B No. 18		7011 9 10	R B No. 18

WALSH & VAN SITTART

Sail'd Ship Boscawen Benjamin Braund for Bengal with General Letter dated 16 th . & 20 th . In ^t . to the President & Council.	21
D ^o . Ship Tavistock, Benjamin Jenkins for Bombay with General Letter to the President & Council there dated 19 th . Instant.	—
D ^o . Sloop Syrian Charles Price for Negrais.	
Sent by Peons General Letter to the Governour & Superior Council of Pondicherry with two Bills for Acceptance.	22
Sail'd His Majesty's Ship Queenborough George Legg for Bengal.	23
Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort S ^t . David dated this day.	24
Rec'd from Fort S ^t . David General Letter dated 17 th . Instant	—
D ^o . D ^o . D ^o . 21 d ^o .	27
Sail'd Sloop Watson Christopher Oliphant for the West Coast with a General Letter to the Deputy Governour &c Council dated yesterday.	—
Rec'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort S ^t . David dated 25 th . Instant.	31

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERNOUR PRESIDENT.
 STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.
 ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

MONDAY
 THE 31ST.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 20th. Instant read & Sign'd.

General Letters read Viz^t.

N^o. 131, N^o. 132, N^o. 133 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the rest of the Gentlemen of Council at Fort S^t. David the first dated the 17th. Instant advising that they have drawn on Us for Five thousand Six hundred and eight (5608) Pagodas in favor of Captain Edmund Maskelyne. The Second dated the 21st. Instant advising that they have drawn on Us for One thousand One hundred and three Pagodas twelve fanams (1103-12) in favor of Charles Boddam Esq^r. and the third dated the 25th. Instant acquainting Us that agreeable to our directions M^r. Newton wrote to M^r. De Leyrit to know how far his Parole affected his acting in his Civil Employs and that he has rec'd for Answer (Copy of which they enclose) that he cannot act in any shape, that they have therefore appointed M^r. Norris to Act as Military Paymaster & M^r. Fairfield as Tevenepatam Customer, That M^r. Norris having been for a long time indisposed requests leave to repair to the Presidency for a Change of Air.

Letters from
 St. David.

The President acquaints the Board that the two abovemention'd Bills drawn from Fort S^t. David have been paid on presentation, which the Board approve.

Bills from
 St. David
 paid.

AGREED that M^r. Norris at Fort S^t. David be permitted to come up to the Presidency for the recovery of his Health, agreeable to his Request.

Mr. Norris
 permitted to
 repair to the
 Presidency

— FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1757 —

Medicines & Stores for St. David & Deve Gotah to be sent by Country Boats.

ORDER'D that the Medicines & Stores for Fort St. David and Deve Cotah be sent on two Country Boats now lying in the Road and that the Syrangas be order'd to pass Pondicherry in the Night.

Mr. Issac desires permission of Passage.

Letter from Mr. Ephraim Isaac read, as enter'd hereafter, requesting permission to take his Passage for Europe on the Princess Augusta to carry a Servant with him, which is granted.

6 Iron Guns del'd at Bengal from the Orixia to be paid for here & Bengal advised

Mr. Orme on behalf of the Owners of the Orixia produces to the Board a receipt Sign'd by Captain Robert Barker of the Train of Artillery at Bengal for Six six Pounder Iron Guns delivered to him out of that Ship for the Company's Service and Mr. Orme further represents that the said Guns were last year by permission of the Board purchased of the Company & the value paid to the Military Storekeeper, & therefore requests on behalf of the Owners that they may be re-paid for the same at the same rate they were purchased, which is Order'd accordingly, That Bengal Presidency be debted for the amount & that the Gentlemen there be advised thereof.

Old unserviceable Guns to be sent home freight free by the Norfolk & Princess Augusta.

There being some old unserviceable Guns in Garrison & the Ships Norfolk & Princess Augusta being in want of dead weight, ORDER'D that as many of them as the Commanders are desirous of taking freight free be sent on board.

Account Sales of Broad Cloth & Copper.

The Import Warehousekeeper lays before the Board the following Account Sales which are Order'd to be enter'd hereafter Viz^t.

Account Sale of damaged Woollen Goods sold 7th. Instant.

D^o. of 320 Bales of Broad Cloth sold 14 d^o.

D^o. of 1050 Candy of Copper 14 d^o.

Rental General & Scavenger's Accounts & Rolls pass'd & Sign'd

Charles Bouchier Esq^r. Rental General and Scavenger delivers in as enter'd hereafter the Accounts of that Revenue & Assessment for twelve months ending 31st. August 1755, the Ballance remaining due is fourteen hundred and fourteen Pagodas thirty five fanams and thirty five Cash (1414-35-35) on the Rental General's Account & Carried forward.

The Bad debts which are allowed to be wrote off in the foregoing Accounts are as follows.

On Account of Quit Rent	.. ..	Pag ^s .	33	29	—
On Account of Scavenger's Duty	.. ..		6	31	—
		Pag ^s .	40	24	—

He also lays before the Board the Rent Rolls for the Year ending 31 August 1756 which are now Sign'd.

The Amount of Quit Rent	.. ..	Pag ^s .	1591	1	—
The Amount of Scavenger's Duty	.. ..		779	34	—
		Pag ^s .	2370	35	—

Accountant Generals Books Ballanced to this day signed.

The 30th. April and 31st. October being the days agreed on by the President & Council and the Mayors Court for Ballancing the several Books, kept on the part of the Company, the Accountant General, and by the Register of the Mayors Court, the said three several sets of Books Ballanced to this day are now laid before the Board, and being found to agree are sign'd as also an Account to be laid before the Mayor's Court of the Ballances remaining as Deposits with the Company amounting together to Seventeen thousand three hundred and twenty two Pagodas One fanam and forty Cash (17322 1 40).

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Draft of a General Letter to the Hon^{ble} Court of Directors to go by the Ships now under dispatch is read and approved.

Draft General Letter to England read & approved.

Eight setts of Bills of Exchange are now sign'd drawn on the Hon^{ble} Court of Directors payable at Ninety days sight at seven shillings and eight Pence $\frac{8}{100}$.

Pagoda Viz^t.

setts.	To whom payable.	£.	s.	d.	P.	f.	c.
1	To Thomas Richard Benyon Esq ^r . value rec ^d of George Pigot Esq ^r	958	6	8	2500	—	—
1	To Alexander Black Esq ^r . value rec ^d . of d ^o	714	2	—	1862	31	16
1	To Thomas Godfrey Esq ^r . value rec ^d . of George Pigot & Robert Orme Esq ^{rs} . in full return for a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd DG N ^o . 12 imported Ψ Ship Walpole Anno 1756	537	4	8	1401	17	31
1	To Thomas Godfrey Esq ^r . value rec ^d . of George Pigot and Robert Orme Esq ^{rs} . in full return for a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd DG. N ^o . 13 imported Ψ Ship Boscawen Anno 1757	363	10	1	948	9	49
1	To Thomas Saunders Esq ^r . value rec ^d . of George Pigot Esq ^r . and M ^r . Josias du Pre	4361	9	9	11377	28	67
1	To Mess ^{rs} . Cornelius Goodwin & Heron Powney value rec ^d of M ^{rs} . Mary Powney.	3000	—	—	7826	3	10
1	To Mess ^{rs} . Cornelius Goodwin & Heron Powney value rec ^d . of Henry Powney Esq ^r . ..	1000	—	—	2608	25	3
1	To Thomas Saunders Esq ^r . value received of Lieutenant Arthur Nelson	500	—	—	1304	12	41
8 Setts amounting to.		£ 11434	13	2	29829	19	51

amounting together to twenty nine thousand, Eight hundred and twenty nine Pagodas, Nineteen fanams and fifty one Cash, which Sum is now receiv'd into the Company's Cash.

The President, as Cash keeper pays in twenty-four thousand fanams (24000) amounting at the rate of thirty six fanams to the Pagoda to six hundred and sixty six Pagodas twenty four fanams (666-24-) being the difference of Batta on the Exchange of Six thousand Pagodas into fanams this Month at the rate of forty fanams $\frac{4}{100}$ Pagoda and brought to Account at thirty six fanams $\frac{4}{100}$ Pagoda.

Batta on Exchange of Pagodas paid in.

Henry Powney Import Warehouse-keeper pays in Twelve thousand five hundred (12500) Pagodas on his running Account.

Money paid in by Impt. Ware H^oK^r.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in Twelve hundred (1200) Pagodas on his running Account.

Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Land Customer pays in Five hundred and three Pagodas and four Cash (503-4) for the September Ballance of that Account.

Land Customer.

The Secretary pays in for M^r. Ephraim Isaac thirty (30) Pagodas for his Permission of Passage to England on the Princess Augusta.

Passage Money.

Numboor Vencaty Soubiah Renter of the Poonamallee Country pays in Five thousand (5000) Pagodas in further part of Six Months Rent of that Farm due the 30th. June.

Poonamallee Rent.

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- Advance to **AGREED** that the following Advances be made.
- Commissary To the Commissary Three thousand (3000) Pagodas and twenty thousand (20000) Rupees for the Charges of the Troops abroad.
- [Paymaster.] To the Paymaster Twelve thousand Pagodas (12,000) for the Charges of that Employ.
- Military Paym^t. To the Military Paymaster Six thousand Pagodas (6000) to pay the Military &c^t. next Month.
- Military Storek^r. To the Military Storekeeper Two thousand five hundred Pagodas (2500) for the Charges of that Employ.

GEORGE FIGOT.
 STRINGER LAWRENCE.
 HENRY POWNEY.
 ROBERT ORME.
 JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HONBLE COMPANY'S BROAD CLOTH BY PUBLICK OUTCRY ON THE USUAL TERMS VIZ^T.

The time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of each Lot.	To whom Sold.
14 th October 1757.	Broad Cloth Aurora.	4 Bales.	Pag ^s . 411 19 40	Pag ^s . 474 — —	....	Pagodas 501	Ayetomby Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	501	Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	502	Cautoo Permall Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	502	Vence Verah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	503	Pegue Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	503	Moota Comrapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	503	Oppah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	503	Ceuroomba Chittec.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	503	Soubiah.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	503	Nagooty Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	503	Arnagady Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Bussovapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Arnagady Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	D ^o .
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	D ^o .
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	515	Bussovapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	515	D ^o .
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	515	D ^o .
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	Mutah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	Mutah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	Paupah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	Sheilly Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	Paupah Chittee.
	D ^o .	5 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	D ^o .
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	Tondavah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o	509	Tomby Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o	509	Suncaramah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o	508	Soobiah.

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ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HONBLE COMPANY'S BROAD CLOTH BY PUBLICK OUTCRY ON THE USUAL TERMS VIZ^t—cont.

The time of sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at	Amount of each Lot.	To whom Sold.
14 th . October 1757.	Broad Cloth Aurora.	4 Bales.	Pag ^s . 411 19 40	Pag ^s . 474 — —	....	Pagodas 508	Soobiah.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Cullaṽah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	D ^o .
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Chungarah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	503	Paupah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	Vedogee Vencoo Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	Paupah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Tomby Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	509	Tetah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	509	Moota Comrapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	509	Comback Narrain.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	509	D ^o .
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Coopah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Goopy Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	509	Polingola Phittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	509	Combaik Narrain.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	509	D ^o .
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Arnagady Chitty.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Oppah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Moota Comrapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	D ^o .
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Arnagady Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	D ^o .
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Ramalinga Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Chungarah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	D ^o .
	D ^o .	4 d ^o	508	Pegue Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o	508	Paupah Chittee.
	D ^o .	4 d ^o	508	Bussovapah Chittee

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14 th 1757.	October	Broad Cloth	4 Bales.	Pag ^s . 411 19 40	Pagodas 474 — —	Pagodas	508	Bussovapah Chittee.
		Aurora.	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	D ^o .
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	D ^o .
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Arnagady Chittee.
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	D ^o .
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Nagooty Chittee.
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Cautoo Peruma Chittee.
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	Paupah Chittee.
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	509	Car dayah Chittee.
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	509	D ^o .
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	509	Moota Comrapah Chittee.
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	508	D ^o .
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	509	Tomby Chittee.
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	Appah Chittee.
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	D ^o .
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	D ^o .
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	D ^o .
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	510	Arnagady Chittee.
		D ^o .	4 d ^o.	....	....	....	511	Goopy Chittee.
		D ^o .	4 d ^o	511	Poolingola Chittee.	
		D ^o .	4 d ^o	512	Moota Comrapah Chittee.	
			<u>320 Bales.</u>				<u>Pag^s. 40651</u>		

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14TH. OCT^R. 1757.

HENRY POWNEY
Imp^t. WareH^oK^r.

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ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HON'BLE COMPANYS WORM EATEN BROAD CLOTH &C^r. BY PUBLICK
OUTORY AT THE MONTHS TRUST VIZ^r.

The time of Sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Quantity.	Price sold at.	Amo ^t . of each lot.	To whom sold.
17 th October.	Broad Cloth Aurora ..	4 P ^s .	18 18 —	74 — —	Narrain Chittee.
	D ^o .	2	16 27 —	33 18 —	Aurnagah Chittee.
	D ^o . Ord ^y . Green ..	3	14 18 —	43 18 —	Narrain.
	D ^o .	3	14 4 40	42 13 40	Paupah Chittee.
	D ^o .	3	14 — —	42 — —	D ^o .
	D ^o .	2	14 9 —	28 18 —	Gullavah Chittee.
	D ^o .	2	13 27 —	27 18 —	Tondavah Chittee.
	D ^o .	1	..	11 31 40	Gullavah Chittee.
	D ^o . Yellow ..	1	..	14 18 —	Narrain Chittee.
	Perpets Fine Scarlet ..	5	..	33 27 —	Ramanapah.
	D ^o .	5	..	29 — —	Iavah Chittee.
	D ^o .	5	..	30 9 —	Ramanapah.
	D ^o .	3	..	19 9 —	Chungaran Chittee.
	D ^o . Broad ..	5	..	51 — —	Cato Permal Chittee.
	D ^o .	2	..	21 13 40	Vencatachilum.
	D ^o .	5	..	42 — —	Iavan Chittee.
	D ^o .	5	..	42 22 40	Nogarah.
	D ^o .	4	..	34 13 40	Armuga Chittee.
	D ^o . Ordinary Red.	3	..	13 18 —	Comrapah Chittee.
	D ^o . Yellow ..	1	..	5 22 40	Narrain Chittee.
	Blood Cloth Aurora	3	..	22 18 —	Comrapah Chittee.
	Broad Red.				
	D ^o .	5	..	34 27 —	Golla Singanah.
	D ^o .	2	..	12 18 —	Narrain.
	D ^o .	5	..	27 — —	Comrapah.
	D ^o .	5	..	31 22 40	Comback Nauain.
	D ^o . Green ..	5	..	45 — —	Cundapah.
	D ^o .	5	..	44 27 —	Paupah.
	D ^o .	3	..	27 9 —	Itam Chittee.
	D ^o .	3	..	26 18 —	Verdam Chittee.
	D ^o .	4	..	30 — —	Comrapah Chittee.
	Shawls ..	3	..	5 9 —	M ^r . Smith.
	Flannels Culjeed	2	..	9 18 —	Caushee.
	Carpets	1	..	3 9 —	M ^r . Smith.
	D ^o .	1	..	3 18 —	M ^r . Drake.
	D ^o .	1	..	4 4 40	Tombe Chittee.
	D ^o .	1	..	3 — —	M ^r . Smith.
	D ^o .	1	..	4 18 —	Verah Chittee.
	D ^o .	1	..	4 9 —	D ^o .
	D ^o .	1	..	4 4 40	Nellapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	1	..	2 31 40	Aurnagree Chittee.
	D ^o .	1	..	3 13 40	Nellapah Chittee.
	D ^o .	1	..	5 8 —	Arunagree Chittee.
	D ^o .	1	..	3 — —	Vadamalepah.
	D ^o .	1	..	2 22 40	Verah Chittee.
	D ^o .	1	..	2 18 —	Raganadah.
	D ^o .	1	..	4 — —	Verah Chittee.
	Camblets ..	Yds. 8	17 ³ / ₄ Y ^d .	3 28 —	Audeapah.
	D ^o .	8	16	3 20 —	Vencatachilum.
	D ^o .	8	18	4 — —	Moota Chittee.
	D ^o .	8	18	4 — —	Ninapah.
	D ^o .	8	18	4 — —	Soubiah.
	D ^o .	8	17	3 28 —	M ^r . Drake.
	D ^o .	8	18	4 — —	Caushee.
	D ^o .	8	17	3 28 —	M ^r . Drake.
	D ^o .	8	17	3 28 —	Velidum.
	D ^o .	8	17	3 28 —	Caushee.

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The time of Sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Quantity.	Price sold at.	Amo ^t of each lot.	To whom sold.
	Camblets	Yds. 8	16 ₨	3 20 —	Sobiah.
	D ^o	8	16	3 20 —	Narrain.
	D ^o	8	17	3 28 —	Culavah Chittee.
	D ^o	8	16	3 20 —	Moota.
	D ^o	8	16	2 20 —	Juggapah.
	D ^o	8	17	3 28 —	Vaydee.
	D ^o	8	16	3 20 —	Calavah Chittee.
	D ^o	8	16	3 20 —	Subramoney Chittee
	D ^o	8	17	3 28 —	Golla Singana.
	D ^o	8	16	5 20 —	Tondavah Chittee.
	D ^o	8	17	3 28 —	Subramoney Chittee
	D ^o	8	17	3 28 —	Rangapah Chittee.
	D ^o	8	17	3 28 —	Tomba Chittee.
	D ^o	8	17	3 28 —	Ragah Chittee.
				Pagodas 199 10 —	

FORT ST. GEORGE,
7TH OCTOBER 1757.

ERRORS EXCEPTED
 HENRY POWNEY
Imp^t. WareH^o.K^r.

ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HONBLE COMPANY'S COPPER BY PUBLICK OUTCRY ON THE USUAL TERMS VIZ^T.

The Time of Sale.	N ^o .	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of each lot.	To whom sold.
14 th October 1757.	1	Copper Fine.	5 Candy ..	Pag ^s . 68 12 60	Pag ^s . 79 — —	Pag ^s . 92 $\frac{3}{4}$ Candy.	463 27 —	Jogee Doss.
	2	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$ d ^o .	463 27 —	Do.
	3	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$ d ^o .	463 27 —	Vedogee Vencoo Chit'y.
	4	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$ d ^o .	463 27 —	Do.
	5	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	92 $\frac{1}{2}$ d ^o .	463 27 —	Gundavedee Com- rapah.
	6	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	92 $\frac{1}{4}$ d ^o .	461 9 —	Jogee Doss.
	7	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	92 $\frac{1}{4}$ d ^o .	461 9 —	Gundavedee Com- rapah.
	8	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	91 $\frac{1}{2}$ d ^o .	457 18 —	Tomby Chittee.
	9	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$ d ^o .	458 27 —	Gundaveddee Com- rapah.
	10	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	90 $\frac{1}{4}$ d ^o .	451 9 —	Vedogee Vencoo Chittee.
	11	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	90 $\frac{1}{4}$ d ^o .	451 9 —	Bussovapah Chit- tee.
	12	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$ d ^o .	453 27 —	Coonja Chittee.
	13	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$ d ^o .	453 27 —	Palliapah Chittee.
	14	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$ d ^o .	453 27 —	Gundaveddee Com- rapah.
	15	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$ d ^o .	453 27 —	Coonja Chittee.
	16	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$ d ^o .	453 27 —	Comback Narrain.
	17	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$ d ^o .	453 27 —	Suncaramah Chit- tee.
	18	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$ d ^o .	453 27 —	Mootiah.
	19	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	90 $\frac{1}{2}$ d ^o .	452 18 —	Combock Narrain.
	20	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	90 $\frac{1}{2}$ d ^o .	452 18 —	Trillapah Tomby Chittee.
	21	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$ d ^o .	453 27 —	Mootiah.
	22	....	5 d ^o. ..	....	....	90 $\frac{1}{2}$ d ^o .	452 18 —	Condayah Chittee.
	23	5 d ^o	90 $\frac{3}{4}$ d ^o .	453 27 —	Tinanuru Gruapah.
	24	5 d ^o	90 $\frac{3}{4}$ d ^o .	453 27 —	Gundavedee Com- rapah.

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26	5	d°	90 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	452	18	—	Chocapan Chittee.
27	5	d°	90 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	Vence Veran Chit- tee.
28	5	d°	90 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	452	18	—	Servanah Pillah.
29	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	452	18	—	Comback Narrain.
30	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	452	18	—	Coonja Chittee.
31	....	5	d°	..	....	....	99 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	452	18	—	Ballasee Moota Chittee.
32	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	452	18	—	Narrain.
33	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	452	18	—	D°.
34	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	Comback Narrain.
35	....	5	d°	..	....	....	93 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	452	18	—	Narrain.
36	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	452	18	—	D°.
37	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	452	18	—	Cullavah Chittee.
38	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	Shevan Chittee.
39	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	Tondava Chittee.
40	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	Palliapah Chittee.
41	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{1}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	Gopall Chittee.
42	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	Mcotiah.
43	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	Vence Veran Chit- tee.
44	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	Nagonah Chittee.
45	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	Jogee Doss.
46	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	Vence Verah Chit- tee.
47	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	Sersachelum.
48	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	Bussovapah Chit- tee.
49	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	D°.
50	....	5	d°	..	....	....	90 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	453	27	—	D°.
51	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91	d°	455	—	—	Gundaveddee Com- raph.
52	5	d°	91	d°	455	—	—	Arnagady Chittee.
53	5	d°	91 $\frac{1}{4}$	d°	456	9	—	Gopall Chittee.
54	5	d°	91 $\frac{1}{4}$	d°	456	9	—	Vence Veran Chit- tee.

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The Time of Sale.	No.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of each lct.	To whom sold.
14 th . October 1757.	55	Copper Fina.	5 Candy ..	Pag ^s . 68 12 60	Pag ^s . 79 — —	Pag ^s . 91 ³ / ₄ —Candy.	456 9 —	Mootiah.
	56	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	Cullavan Chittee.
	57	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	Jogeedos.
	58	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	Arnagady Chittee.
	59	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ³ / ₄ d ^o .	458 27 —	Ayetomby Chittee.
	60	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	Arnagady Chittee.
	61	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	Cullavah Chittee.
	62	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	D ^o .
	63	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	D ^o .
	64	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	Arnagady Chittee.
	65	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	Venee Verah Chittee.
	66	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	Mootah.
	67	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	D ^o .
	68	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	D ^o .
	69	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	D ^o .
	70	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	Chungarah Chittee.
	71	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	D ^o .
	72	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	Paupah Chittee.
	73	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	D ^o .
	74	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	Pegue Tagapah Chittee.
	75	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	Sunca Ramah Chittee.
	76	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	458 27 —	Comback Narrain.
	77	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ³ / ₄ d ^o .	457 18 —	Vedogee Vencoo Chitty.
	78	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	Moota Comrapah Chittee.
	79	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂ d ^o .	457 18 —	D ^o .
	80	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ³ / ₄ d ^o .	458 27 —	Arnachilum.
	81	....	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ³ / ₄ d ^o .	458 27 —	Sunca Ramah Chittee.

82	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Comback Narrain.
83	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Copert Narrain.
84	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Bussovappah Chit- tee.
85	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	D°.
86	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Numshevah Chit- tee.
87	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	457	18	—	Cundapah Chittee.
88	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	457	18	—	D°.
89	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	457	18	—	Pegue Tagapan Chittee.
90	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	457	18	—	Moota Maroo.
91	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Vencatashe Chit- tee,
92	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Arnachilee Chittee.
93	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Tonja Chittee.
94	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	457	18	—	Tondava Chittee.
95	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	457	18	—	Arnagada Chittee.
96	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	457	18	—	D°.
97	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{1}{2}$	d°	457	18	—	Paupa Chittee.
98	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Suncaramah Chit- tee.
99	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Ballaser Moota Chittee.
100	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Vencatashoe Chit- tee.
101	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Chocapah.
102	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Tagapah Chittee.
103	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Arnagady Chittee.
104	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	17	—	D°.
105	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Sheally Chittee.
106	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	D°.
107	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Nagooty Chittee.
108	....	5	d°	..	....	....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	D°.
109	5	d°	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	17	—	Tetah Chittee.
110	5	d°	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	D°.
111	5	d°	91 $\frac{3}{4}$	d°	458	27	—	Arnagady Chittee.

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14 th Oct ^r . 1757.	112	Copper Coarsc.	5 Candy. Pag ^s . 66 12 46	Pag ^s . 77 — —	Pag ^s . 92 ³ / ₄	Candy. Pag ^s . 460 — —	..	Chedumbara Chittee.	
	113	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	92	460 — —	..	Comback Narrain.
	114	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	92	460 — —	..	Arnagady Chittee.
	115	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	92	460 — —	..	Soobiah.
			- 575 Candy.				— — — 52510 — —		
	116	..	5 d ^o .	Pag ^s . 66 12 46	Pag ^s . 77 — —	92 ¹ / ₂	462 18 —	..	Shevah Chittee.
	117	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	92 ¹ / ₂	461 9 —	..	Palliappah Chittee.
	119	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	92 ¹ / ₂	461 9 —	..	Sunca Ramah Chittee.
	119	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ³ / ₄	458 27 —	..	Gopall Chit'ee.
	120	..	5 Candy.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂	457 18 —	..	Numshevah Chit- tee.
	121	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂	457 18 —	..	Ramalinga Chittee.
	122	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂	457 18 —	..	D ^o .
	123	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂	457 18 —	..	Trillapan Tombay Chitty.
	124	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂	457 18 —	..	Chedumbarah Chittee.
	125	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂	457 18 —	..	D ^o .
	126	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂	457 18 —	..	Sunca Ramah Chittee.
	127	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂	457 18 —	..	Arnagady Chittee.
	128	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂	457 18 —	..	D ^o .
	129	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂	457 18 —	..	D ^o .
	130	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂	457 18 —	..	D ^o .
	131	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂	457 18 —	..	D ^o .
	132	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ¹ / ₂	457 18 —	..	D ^o .
	133	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ³ / ₄	457 18 —	..	D ^o .
	134	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ³ / ₄	457 18 —	..	D ^o .
	135	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ³ / ₄	458 27 —	..	Jogeedoss.
	136	..	5 d ^o.	....	....	91 ³ / ₄	458 27 —	..	Palliappah Chittee.

14 Oct. 1757.	137	Copper Coarse.	5 Candy.	Pag ^s . 66 12 46	Pag ^s . 77 — —	Pag ^s . 91 $\frac{3}{4}$	Candy.	Pag ^s . 458 27 —	52510 — —	Tanja Chittee.
	138	..	5	.....	.....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$		458 27 —	..	D ^o .
	139	..	5	.....	.....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$		458 27 —	..	Chocapah Chittee.
	140	..	5	.....	.....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$		458 27 —	..	Mootapoolah.
	141	..	5	.....	.....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$		458 27 —	..	D ^o .
	142	..	5	.....	.....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$		458 27 —	..	Pegue Tagapah Chittee.
	143	..	5	.....	.....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$		458 27 —	..	D ^o .
	144	..	5	.....	.....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$		458 27 —	..	D ^o .
	145	..	5	.....	.....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$		458 27 —	..	Chungarah Chittee.
	146	..	5	.....	.....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$		458 27 —	..	D ^o .
	147	..	5	.....	.....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$		458 27 —	..	D ^o .
	148	..	5	.....	.....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$		458 27 —	..	Arnagady Chittee.
	149	..	5	.....	.....	91 $\frac{3}{4}$		458 27 —	..	D ^o .
	150	..	5	.....	.....	92		460 — —	..	Arnachilee Chittee.
	151	..	5	.....	.....	92		460 — —	..	Palliapah Chittee.
	152	..	5	.....	.....	92		460 — —	..	Bussavapah Chit- tee.
	153	..	5	.....	.....	92		460 — —	..	D ^o .
	154	..	5	.....	.....	92		460 — —	..	D ^o .
	155	..	5	.....	.....	92		460 — —	..	D ^o .
	156	..	5	.....	.....	92		460 — —	..	D ^o .
	157	..	5	.....	.....	92		460 — —	..	Arnagady Chittee.
	158	..	5	.....	.....	92		460 — —	..	D ^o .
	159	..	5	.....	.....	92		460 — —	..	D ^o .
	160	..	5	.....	.....	92		460 — —	..	D ^o .
	161	..	5	.....	.....	92 $\frac{1}{4}$		461 9 —	..	Jogee Doss.
	162	..	5	.....	.....	92		460 — —	..	Caushee.
	163	..	5	.....	.....	92		460 — —	..	D ^o .
	164	..	5	.....	.....	92 $\frac{1}{4}$		461 9 —	..	Arnagady Chittec.
	165	..	5	.....	.....	92 $\frac{1}{4}$		461 9 —	..	Venee Verah Chittee.
	166	..	5	.....	.....	92 $\frac{1}{4}$		461 9 —	..	Arnagady Chittec.
	167	..	5	92 $\frac{1}{4}$		461 9 —	..	D ^o .
	168	..	5	92 $\frac{1}{2}$		462 18 —	..	Jogee Doss.
	169	..	5	92 $\frac{1}{2}$		462 18 —	..	Chedumbarah Chittee.

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				Pag ^s .	66 12 46	Pag ^s .	77 — —	Pag ^s .	92 $\frac{3}{4}$ P ^y Candy.	Pag ^s .	463 27 —	52,510 — —		
14 th Oct ^r . 1757	170	Copper Coarse.	5 Candy.	Pag ^s .	66 12 46	Pag ^s .	77 — —	Pag ^s .	92 $\frac{3}{4}$ P ^y Candy.	Pag ^s .	463 27 —	52,510 — —	Venee Chittee.	Verah
	171	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	Chendumbarah Chittee.	
	172	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	Nummalah Chittee	
	173	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	Venee Chittee.	Verah
	174	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	D ^o .	
	175	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	D ^o .	
	176	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	D ^o .	
	177	..	5	....	....	....	....	93		465 — —	..	..	Comback Narrain.	
	178	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	Jogee Doss.	
	179	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	Paupah Chittee.	
	180	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	D ^o .	
	181	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	D ^o .	
	182	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	D ^o .	
	183	..	5	....	....	....	....	93		465 — —	..	..	Comback Narrain.	
	184	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	Jogee Doss.	
	185	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	D ^o .	
	186	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	Comback Narrain.	
	187	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	D ^o .	
	188	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	Jogee Doss.	
	189	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	Palliapah Chittee.	
	190	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	Naganah Chittee.	
	191	..	5	....	....	....	....	92 $\frac{3}{4}$		463 27 —	..	..	Soobiah.	
	192	..	5	....	....	....	....	93		465 — —	..	..	Arnagady Chittee.	
	193	..	5	....	....	....	....	93 $\frac{1}{2}$		467 18 —	..	..	D ^o .	
	194	..	5	....	....	....	....	93 $\frac{1}{2}$		467 18 —	..	..	D ^o .	
	195	..	5	....	....	....	....	93 $\frac{1}{2}$		467 18 —	..	..	D ^o .	
	196	..	5	93 $\frac{1}{2}$		467 18 —	D ^o .	
	197	..	5	93 $\frac{1}{2}$		468 27 —	Comback Narrain.	
	198	..	5	93 $\frac{3}{4}$		468 27 —	D ^o .	
	199	..	5	93 $\frac{3}{4}$		468 27 —	D ^o .	

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14 th Oct ^r .	200	..	5	Pag ^r . 77	93 ¹ / ₂	467 18 —	..	Sunca	Ramah
1757.	201	..	5	93 ¹ / ₂	467 18 —	..	Chittee.	
	202	..	5	....	....	93 ¹ / ₂	467 18 —	..	Arnagady	Chittee.
	203	..	5	....	....	93 ¹ / ₂	467 18 —	..	D ^o .	
	204	..	5	....	....	93 ¹ / ₂	467 18 —	..	D ^o .	
	205	..	5	....	....	93 ¹ / ₂	467 18 —	..	D ^o .	
	206	..	5	....	....	93 ¹ / ₂	467 18 —	..	D ^o .	
	207	..	5	....	....	93 ¹ / ₂	467 18 —	..	D ^o .	
	208	..	5	....	....	93 ¹ / ₂	467 18 —	..	D ^o .	
	209	..	5	....	....	93 ¹ / ₂	467 18 —	..	D ^o .	
	210	..	5	....	....	93 ¹ / ₂	467 18 —	43,887 18 —	L ^o .	
			<u>475</u>					<u>96,397 18 —</u>		

FORT ST. GEORGE,
14TH. OCTOBER 1757.

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

PAGODAS .. 96,397 18 —

⌘ HENRY POWNEY
Imp^t. Warehousekeeper.

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^t. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

I beg the favour of your permission for me and my Servant to take a passage on board the Princess Augusta for England. I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most humble servant

EPHRAIM ISAAC.

FORT S^t. GEORGE,
THE 24 OCTOBER 1757.

—NOVEMBER 1757—

NOVEM-
BER.

3.

Arriv'd the Honble Company's Sloop Cuddalore, George Baker from the Southward.

4

Sent by Tappies General Letter to Fort S^t. David dated this day.

6

Sail'd Sloop Palmoush, Gungaloo for Porto Novo.

7

Receiv'd from Fort S^t. David General Letter dated the 1st Instant.

AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*MONDAY
THE 7thGEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY,
ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated 31st Ultimo read & Sign'd.General
Letter read
from Fort
St. David.N^o. 134 General Letter read from Alexander Wynch Esq^r. & the rest of the Gentlemen of Council at Fort S^t. David dated the 1st Instant acknowledging the receipt of Our letter of the 24th Ultimo and acquainting Us that they will take all Opportunitys to draw on Us; that they have receiv'd the Bills on the Council at Pondicherry, & shall credit Us for the Amount when paid, that agreeable to Our Orders they shall pay M^r. Wynch all the Arrears of the Deputy Governours Appointment, but as Colonel Clive's Attorney has been paid to the 1st September, they desire Our directions in case he should continue to demand them, Enclosing their Account of Quick Stock to the 30 September last.Letter from
the Supra
Cargos of
the Norfolk
wth. Account
deficiency by
that Ship.Letter from M^r. Mordecai Walker & c^t. Supra Cargos of the Norfolk read, enclosing an Account of Deficiencies in the Stores consigned to them in Canton, & desiring that Captain Bonham may be called upon to make good the same. ORDER'D that the Storekeeper adjust the said Account with Captain Bonham as usual.Mr. Starke
desires
permission
of passage
to
Norfolk.Letter from Richard Starke Esq^r. read as enter'd hereafter signifying his Intentions of returning to Europe & desiring an Order to Captain Bonham to receive him & his necessaries on board the Norfolk. Whereupon the Accountant acquaints the Board that M^r. Starke stands a Debtor on the Companys Books in Eight hundred and five Pagodas, two fanams & twenty four Cash (805-2-24) being a Ballance on Account of a Contract for Redwood made in or about the Year 1750. Reference being had to the Minutes of Consultations it appears that the 5th of November 1753 the Export Warehousekeeper represented to the Board that a Parcel of Redwood provided on Account of the said

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Contract was so bad that he thought it should not be receiv'd and the Board thereupon Order'd that it should be rejected and that the Contractors should deliver in the like Quantity of Good Redwood or immediately pay in the Ballance of their Account; neither of which having yet been done ORDER'D that the Secretary write to M^r. Starke to acquaint him it is the Companys Order that all persons do settle their Accounts with the Company before they leave India, that therefore they are obliged to call upon him to pay in the said Ballance of Eight hundred and five Pagodas, two fanams and twenty four Cash (805-2-24).

Letter from Captain Benjamin Reynolds of the Prince Henry Packet read as enter'd hereafter requesting an Advance of Eleven hundred Pagodas for the Expences of the said Ship, ORDER'D that the Storekeeper supply Captain Reynolds with what may be necessary for the disbursements of the said Ship and take his receipts for the same.

Captain Reynolds of the Prince Henry desires an Advance. Granted.

Letter from Lieutenant Arthur Nelson read as enter'd hereafter requesting leave to resign the Service by reason of his having been superseded, and permission, to take his passage to England on the Prince Henry Packet requesting also a Certificate of his Behaviour which is Granted.

Lieutenant Nelson resigns his Commission & desires permission of Passage & a Certificate. Granted.

Letter from the Mayors Court read as enter'd hereafter requesting an Advance of seventy Pagodas for the Charges of that Court & Corporation, which is Granted.

Letter from the Mayors Court for an Advance Granted.

The President report from the Select Committee that the Tripoty Renter has sent in Bills on Gocul Terwady payable the 22^d. November for Ten thousand Pagodas (10,000) in further part of the first or September Kist of the present Year of Phasely 1167.

Bills on account of Tripoty rent.

ORDER'D that the amount of the said bills be receiv'd into the Treasury when due.

Sixteen Setts of Bills of Exchange are now Sign'd drawn on the Hon'ble Court of Directors payable at ninety days sight at Seven Shillings and eight pence ₹ Pagoda Viz^t.

Bills on the Company Sign'd.

1	To John Calcraft Esq ^r . value recd. of John Alderman Esq ^r .	400	—	—	1043	17	17
1	To D ^o . value of d ^o .	100	—	—	260	31	24
1	To Mess ^{rs} . Aaron Franks & David Salomons value recd. of M ^r . Nicholas Morse	640	3	4	1670	—	—
1	To Peter & Joseph Godfrey Esq ^{rs} . or order value recd. of Robert Orme Esq ^r .	2000	—	—	5257	14	7
1	To Robert Wood Esq ^r . or order value recd. of D ^o .	181	8	11	473	12	—
1	To Richard Walpole Esq ^r . or order value recd. of D ^o .	21	17	9	57	3	25
1	To John Warde Esq ^r . or order value recd. of John Smith Esq ^r .	100	—	—	260	38	24
1	To Lieutenant Robert Bannatyne or order value receiv'd of M ^r . Claud Russell	40	—	—	104	12	41
1	To Lieutenant Robert Bannatyne or order value receiv'd of M ^r . Claud Russell	30	—	—	78	9	31
1	To M ^{rs} . Hannan Dawson or order value receiv'd of M ^r . Richard Dawson	20	—	—	52	6	20
1	To D ^r . Matthias Smallet M ^r . Thomas M ^o . Duel and M ^r . George Robinson value receiv'd of M ^r . John Call on account the Estate of Captain William Lin deced.	800	—	—	2086	34	34
1	To Mess ^{rs} . Abraham & Jacob Franco or order receiv'd of M ^r . Salomon Franco in part return for a Chest of Coral marked FF N ^o . 1 improved ₹ Wager Anno 1748	652	19	10	1703	16	64

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1	To Mess ^{rs} . Abraham & Jacob Franco or order value receiv'd of M ^r . Salamon Franco in full return for a Chest of Coral marked MR N ^o . 5 imported Ψ Stretham Anno 1749	891	19	9	2092	5	30	
1	To Mess ^{rs} . Joseph and David Franco or order value recd of M ^r . Salamon Franco in full return for a Chest of Coral marked IFD N ^o . 1 imported Chesterfield Anno 1756	297	17	10	766	24	12	
1	To Mess ^{rs} . Joseph & David Franco or order value rec'd of M ^r . Salamon Franco in full return for a Chest of Coral marked IFD N ^o . 55 imported Ψ Boscawen Anno 1757	759	4	3	1980	20	8	
1	To Mess ^{rs} . Moiseh & Raphael Franco or order value received of M ^r . Salamon Franco ..	550	—	1	1434	28	11	
16	Setts amounting to	£	7395	11	9	19282	14	58

Sixteen Setts amounting to Nineteen thousand two hundred and Eighty two Pagodas fourteen Fanams and fifty eight Cash, which is now receiv'd into the Companys Cash.

Order to
Captns.
Bonham
Baddison to
receive on
board
Officers and
Private Men
of Colonel
Aldercron's
Regiment.
Cash
Account
read.

The Secretary is directed to give an Order to Captain Bonham of the Norfolk and another to Captain Baddison of the Princess Augusta to receive on board as many of the Officers & Private men of Colonel Aldercron's Regiment as they can accommodate with a Passage to England.

The President reads the Cash Account for last month Ballance remaining compared with the Chest Twenty Six thousand five hundred and sixty one Pagodas twenty fanams & three Cash (26561—20—3) which is carried forward.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. & C^r. COUNCIL

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

Accompanying this is an Invoice of the Stores short deliver'd from the Norfolk Captain Pinson Bonham which was landed here by Your Honour & c^t. Orders and which We request you'l have made good to Us with the Customary Advance on such deficiencies as the same must again be Invested by Us before our proceeding to China and if We don't receive it the Honble Company will be at at double expence in the room of a single one, his Bill of Lading is likewise enclosed which we persuade ourselves you'l not deliver up or part with till this is adjusted. We are with Respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs
Your most obed^t. & devoted Servants

MOR : WALKER.
NATHL. GARLAND.
THOS. SANDYS.

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^t. COUNCIL OF FORT S^t. GEORGE

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

My Affairs requiring my Presence in Europe I request Your Honour &c^t. will be pleased to give Captain Bonham an Order to receive me and my Necessaries on board the Norfolk. I am with respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most Obedient hble. Ser^t.

RICHARD STARKE.

FORT S^t. GEORGE,
17th. NOVEM^r. 1757.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^t. COUNCIL OF FORT S^t. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

I would give you as little trouble as possible but am willing to settle the Honble Companys Ship Prince Henry Packet's Account's of Expences from the time of our arrival here to the present time the Amount of which will be about Eleven hundred Pagodas as near as I can Conjecture should be glad to know if I shall draw for that Sum for the Payment of the same or otherwise leave it to your Honour's that which is most suitable to you will be most agreeable to me shall be Accountable to the Honble Company for all Sums Drawn in my Account of Expences.

I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most Obed^t. humble Servant

BENJ^a. REYNOLDS.

FORT S^t. GEORGE,
6th. NOVEMBER 1757.

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH

						PER CONTRA	
D ^s .							
1	To Balance brought from last Month's Account.	3601	112602	38	6728	30	38
10	To Sunca Vencata Ramah Beetle & Tobacco Farmer received of him in full for one Month's Rent of that Farm due the 12 th . Ultimo ..	311	22404	—	933	12	—
—	To Sunca Vencaty Ramah Farmer of the Measuring Duty received of him in full for two Months Rent of that Farm due the 12 th . Ultimo ..	—	9660	—	268	12	—
—	To Chinna Nella Chittee and Vadamala Pillah Farmers of the Arrack & Wine Licence recd. of them in full for one Month's Rent of that Farm due the 12 th . Ultimo ..	—	23430	—	650	30	—
—	To Oppajee Nayenar Renter of the Chingleput Country recd. of him in part of Six Months Rent of that Farm due the 31st July	10000	—	—	10000	—	—
10	By Alexander Dalrymple Accountant General paid his two following Drafts Viz ^t . ..						
1	To Tre-vengadama Widow of Boangala kistnama Naigue Account the Cause Robert Orme &c ^t . Trustees of Salomon Salomons <i>vers.</i> Pullyah ..				381	24	26
1	To Vellah Chittee Account the Cause Vellah Chittee <i>vers^t.</i> Arratoon Badramy				46	—	—
					427	24	16
					427	24	16

31	To Bills of Exchange for 8 Setts of this date drawn on the Honble Court of Directors at 7 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ Pagoda at 90 days Sight Viz ^t .								
	To whom Payable	£.	s.	d.	p.	f.	c.		
1	To Richard Benyon Esq ^r . value received of George Pigot Esq ^r .	958	6	8	2500	—	—		
1	To Alexandar Black Esq ^r . value recd. of George Pigot Esq ^r .	714	2	—	1862	31	16		
1	To Thomas Godfrey Esq ^r . value recd. of George Pigot Esq ^r . & Robert Orme Esq ^r . in full return for a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd DG. N ^o . 12 imported $\frac{1}{2}$ • Ship Walpole A ^o . 1750.	537	4	8	1401	17	31		

12	By Robert Orme Export Warehousekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	2000	—	—	2000	—	—		
20	By Fort St. David paid a Bill of Exchange drawn by the Council there in favour of Mr. John Call for ..	1500	—	—	1500	—	—		
26	By Robert Orme Export Warehousekeeper advanced him to pay for Redwood purchased for China & the Fortifications.	7000	—	—	7000	—	—		
—	By His Majesty's Squadron paid Nicholas Morse Esq ^r . Agent for the late Admiral Watson, the Company's Allowance of five Pagodas a day for the Admirals Table from 1 st . May to 16 August (the day the Admiral died) both inclusive being 108 days	540	—	—	540	—	—		
27	By Fort St. David paid a Bill of Exchange drawn by the Council there in favour of Captain Edmund Maskelyne for ..	5608	—	—	5608	—	—		

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANY'S CASH—cont.

D^r.

1 To Thomas Godfrey Esq^r. value received of George Pigot & Robert Orme Esq^{rs}. in full return for a Chest of Coral Beads mark'd DG. N^o. 13 imported Ψ Ship Boscawen A^o. 1757 .. 363 10 1 048 9 49

1 To Thomas Saunders Esq^r. value recd. of George Pigot Esq^r. & M^r. Josias Du Pre. .. 4361 9 9 11377 28 67

PER CONTRA—cont.

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29 By Fort St. David paid a Bill of Exchange drawn by the Council there in favour of Charles Boddam Esq^r. 1103 12 — 1103 12 —

31 By the Mayors Court advanced to defray the Charges of that Court & Corporation. 70 — — 70 — —

— By Robert Orme Commissary advanced him for the Charges of the Troops abroad. 3000 — — 3000 — —

— By John Smith Paymaster advanced him for the Charges of the Employ 3000 324000 — 12000 — —

— By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him for the Charges of that Employ .. 6000 — — 6000 — —

— By Charles Bouchier Military Storekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ 2500 — — 2500 — —

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1	To Mess ^{rs} . Cornelius Goodwin & Heron Powney value recd. of Henry Powney.	3000	—	—	7826	3	10		
1	To Mess ^{rs} . Cornelius Goodwin & Heron Powney value recd. of Henry Powney Esq ^r .	1000	—	—	2608	25	3		
1	To Thomas Saunders Esq ^r . value recd. of Lieutenant Arthur Nelson	500	—	—	1340	12	41		
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3	Setts amount- ing to	£ 11434	13	2	29826	127	57	29829	19 51
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—	To Account Current London recd. of Mr. Ebhram Isaac for Permission of Passage to England in the Princess Augusta	30	—	—	30	—
—	To Henry Powney Import Warehouse- keeper re.d. of him on his running Account	12500	—	—	12500	—

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Dr.

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— To Henry Powney Sea Customer recd. of him on his running Account	1200	..	1200	—	—
— To Henry Powney Land Customer recd. of him for the September Ballance of that Account	366	4932	4	503	— —
— To Numboor Vencaty Soubiah Renter of the Poonamallee Country received of him in further part of six Months Rent of that Farm due 30 th . June	5000	..	4000	—	—
— To Batta for the produce of Pagodas 6000 issued as ⌘ Contra and Exchanged into Fanams at 40 fanams ⌘ Pagoda and brought to Account here at 36 fanams ⌘ Pagoda .. ..	..	240000	—	6666	24 —
STAR OR CURRENT PAGODAS	62834	413156	19	74310	20 19

.. By Batta issued in the Course of this Month to be exchanged into fanams as ⌘ Contra	6000	..	6000	—	—
	38748	324036	16	47749	— 16
.. By Ballance carried to next Month's Account	24086	89120	3	26561	20 3
STAR OR CURR^t. PAG^s.	62834	413156	19	74310	20 9

ERRORS EXCEPTED
⌘ GEORGE PIGOT

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

Having been superseded in the Honble Companys Service by Mess^{rs}. Thomas Rumbold and Richard Smith and as my character has never been called in Question since I have had the Honour to serve them I must beg you'l Permit me to resign my Commission and proceed to Europe in the Prince Henry Packet & at the same time to favour me with a Certificate of my Good Behaviour and an Order to the Captain to receive me and my Necessarys on Board and hope you'l consider the great expense I have been at in going to Bengal and coming here.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most Obedient Servant

ARTHUR NELSON.

FORT ST. GEORGE,

NOVEMBER THE 7TH. 1757.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

I am order'd by the Honble the Mayors Court to draw upon your Honour & c^t. for the Sum of Seventy Pagodas to defray their Monthly Charges and Expences.

I am with Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most Obedient Servant

DANIEL MORSE

Regr.

FORT ST. GEORGE,

7TH. NOVEMBER 1757.

Reciv'd by Pattamars General Letter from Bombay dated 28th September.

AT A CONSULTATION

SATURDAY
THE 12TH.

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.

GOVERN^R. PRESIDENT.

STRINGER LAWRENCE

HENRY POWNEY.

ROBERT ORME

JOHN SMITH.

CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of the last Consultation dated the 7 Instant read and Sign'd.

N^o. 135 From Richard Bouchier Esq^r. President & Governour & c^t. Council at Bombay dated the 28 September acquainting Us that their last was the 5 August to cover a Packet for Bengal and that they have since receiv'd ours of the 7th. with two Packets from S^t. Helena and Anjengo. That they have purchas'd some Madagascar Slaves from a Vessell lately arriv'd there and intend sending them to Us by first opportunity. That none of the Europe Ships are yet arriv'd there but they learn by the abovemention'd Ship

General
Letter from
B. bay.

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which touch'd at Johanna that two Ships suppos'd to be under English Colours put into Mohilla the 1st. August. That the Gentlemen at Tellicherry advise them under the 1st. September that two Ships appear'd off that Port on the 25th. August under Portugueze Colours but from their sending a Sick Officer ashore at Mahi as well as from other circumstances they make no doubt they were French as likewise seven others which Join'd them from the Northward on the 27th. when they all stood to the Southward from whence they imagine they proceeded for Pondichery.

A Protest from Mr. Thomas Supra Cargo of the Princess Augusta.

The President lays before the Board a Paper deliver'd him some days ago by M^r. Daniel Morse Notary Publick purporting a Protest on behalf of M^r. Thomes Thomson Supra Cargo of the Boscawen & Princess Augusta for that whereas the Company have Agreed to allow him a Commission as Supra Cargo of the last mentioned & a concern in her Cargo but the said Ship being by Us the President & Council sent back to England without performing the Voyage according to his Agreement with the Company he therefore reserves to himself the right of suing for and recovering from the Company all Losses and damages he may thereof sustain. Order'd that the said Protest be enter'd hereafter.

An Indemnification given to Col. Adlercron for the pay of the Men he makes over to the Artillery.

The President reports from the Select Committee that the said Committee had applied to Colonel Adlercron to make over to the Detachment of Artillery under the Command of Captain William Hislop such of the Men of his Regiment as had refused to enlist in the Company's Service but were willing to enter into the said Detachment which he consented to do upon Condition that an Indemnification be given him for the pay of the Men he shall so make over in case it should happen that the Royal Regiment of Artillery (of which the abovemention'd Detachment is part) should be fully Recruited in England as has been signified to Captain Hislop as in that case there will be no provision for the Pay of the Men added to the detachment here. An Indemnification being accordingly now laid before the Board is approv'd as enter'd hereafter.

Cuddalore to proceed to St. David with Treasure &c. & from thence to the Eastward.

The Ballance of Cash being low at Fort S^t. David AGREED that half a Lack of Rupees and Thirty thousand Pagodas be sent thither on the Cuddalore Sloop with what Stores remain to be sent of their Indents. And as it may be of Consequence to have early Intelligence from the Eastward as well as to communicate to any of the Outward bound shipping should any be met with there advices for their coming on the Coast it is AGREED that the Cuddalore Sloop proceed from Fort S^t. David to Acheen from thence to Fort Marlbro from thence thro' the Streights of Malacca calling at Batavia Malacca and Acheen and back to this Port.

Advance to the Storekeeper.

AGREED that Two thousand (2000) Pagodas and three thousand (3000) Rupees be advanced the Storekeeper for the Charges of that Employ.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

KNOW ALL MEN by these Presents that on the Second day of November Anno Domini 1757. Before me Daniel Morse Notary Publick for the Town & Corporation of Madraspatnam on the Coast of Choromandel in the East Indies, by lawfull authority Sworn and admitted Personally appear'd Thomson Merchant, who did declare that WHEREAS by a certain Indenture bearing date on or about the seventeenth day of November in the Year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred and fifty six, THE UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES did engage and Agree with him the said THOMAS THOMSON, late of London Merchant

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but now residing at Fort St. George in the East Indies to serve them the said Company as a Supra Cargo, of, and for the Ship BOSCAWEN, BENJAMIN BRAUND COMMANDER as also for the Ship PRINCESS AUGUSTA, THOMAS BADDISON COMMANDER both the said Ships being then bound out from England, on a Voyage to China and from thence back to England, as in the said Indenture is expressed. AND the said United Company did as is apparent by the said Indenture Covenant, and Agree to allow him a certain Reward, or Commission, as Supra Cargo of the said two ships, and did as a further Reward or Encouragement, also covenant & agree to allow him, the said Thomas Thomson to be concern'd or interested with them, the said United Company for a certain Sum of Money, in the Stock of cash of the said Ships, for their respective Voyages the which said sum, or sums of money, were for the said purpose by him the said Thomas Thomson in England, paid into the said United Companys Treasury. AND by the said Indenture the said Thomas Thomson did agree and oblige himself to Serve the said United Company as their Supra Cargoe of & for the two beforementioned Ships on their said respective Voyages, on the Terms & Conditions in the said Indenture expressed, as by the said Indenture reference being thereunto had, will more fully appear. AND He the said Thomas Thomson did, conformable to a Covenant in the said Indenture and pursuant to an Order from the Court of Directors for affairs of the said United Company Embark on board the ship Boscawen, and did on board the said Ship Boscawen, and in the Company with the ship Princess Augusta, sail from England, for Madras where the said two Ships arrived on or about the sixth day of September last past. And He the said Thomas Thomson was willing & ready to have proceeded with the two said ships for China, but the President and Council of Fort St. George being of opinion, that the Season was too far advanced to attempt the Passage to China, with any probability of success It was by them AGREED and RESOLV'D that the said two Ships should go to Bengal, there to pass the North East Monsoon, and to return to Madras in due time to Proceed to China next Season, but the President and Council of Fort Saint George having since alter'd their resolution have for the service benefit and advantage of the beforemention'd United Company, ordered the Ship Princess Augusta, to be loaded for England, & the said Ship is now taking in a Loading, and is, by Order from the President & Council to proceed with the same for England and not to go to China and instead of the said Ship Princess Augusta the President & Council of Fort Saint George have promised to the Supra Cargoes of the Ships Boscawen and Princess Augusta to give to them another Ship to proceed to China next season with the same Stock and on the same conditions as the Ship Princess Augusta was Consign'd to them, by the Court of Directors of the United East India Company, but as by such an alteration of the Voyage of the Ship Princess Augusta, & giving another ship in her stead, & by so changing or transferring the Interest or concern of him the said Thomas Thomson in the Stock of the Ship Princess Augusta to any other ship, He, the said Thomas Thomson may and shall be a great sufferer—provided the Ship Princess Augusta shall arrive in England, in safety and any accident, or misfortune shall happen to the ship given instead of the Ship Princess Augusta And as the alteration of the Voyage of the Ship Princess Augusta is contrary to the tenour of the beforemention'd Indenture and was resolved on, and order'd not only without the consent of him the said Thomas Thomson, but, contrary to & against a representation made by him, the said Thomas Thomson to the President & some of the Gentlemen of Council at Fort St. George.

FOR ALL WHICH REASONS and CONSIDERATIONS, the said Thomas Thomson doth by these Presents by me the said Daniel Morse Notary Publick as aforesaid PROTEST against the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies also against the President & Council of Fort Saint George & all others whom it may Concern, for all Losses Damages, Costs & Charges whatsoever which shall or may accrue or happen to him, the said Thomas Thomson, by means reason, or on account of the alteration of the voyage of

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the Ship Princess Augusta or by means, reason, or on account of the Changing, or Transferring the Interest or concern of him the said Thomas Thomson, in the Stock of the Ship Princess Augusta, to any other Ship and the said Thomas Thomson doth hereby reserve and preserve unto himself a right by all lawfull ways and means whatsoever, to sue for & recover of and from the said United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies & from the said President & Council of Fort S^t. George and all others whom it may Concern all such Losses, Damages, Costs and Charges that shall or may accrue or happen to him the said Thomas Thomson by means reason or account aforesaid. **THUS DONE AND PASS'D** in my Office at Fort Saint George this Second day of November ANNO DOMINI 1757. IN FAITH and TESTIMONY whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand usual Seal in presence of the Undermentioned Witnesses

DANIEL MORSE L.S. O
Not^y. Pub^k. 1757.

WITNESSES.

MANOEL LEAL
JOHN PIELLOW

WHEREAS John Adlercron Esq^r. Colonel of His Majesty's 39th. Regiment of Foot now in India and Commander in Chief of the Land Forces in India having receiv'd His Majestys Orders to Return to England with such part of the said Regiment as shall not voluntarily enlist in the Service of the United East India Company intends shortly to Embark on his return to England AND WHEREAS many Men of the said Regiment have actually refused to engage in the Service of said Company but are willing to serve in the Detachment of His Majesty's Royal Regiment of Artillery under the Command of Captain William Hislop but as the said Captain William Hislop has receiv'd Orders not to enlist any Men into the said Detachment it being His Majesty's Intention that the said Regiment be fully Recruited in England, it may so happen that a Provision will be wanting for the Pay and Subsistence of such of the Men of the said 39th. Regiment as may so engage in the said Detachment of Artillery notwithstanding which the said Colonel John Adlercron hath at the particular Instance and Request of us the President & Council of Fort S^t. George consented and Agreed to make over to the said Detachment all such of the Men of the said 39th. Regiment as having refused to enlist the said Company's Service shall be desirous of engaging in the said Detachment provided that We the Resident & Council do indemnify him from all Charges that he may be lyable to on Account of the Pay and Subsistence of such Men as shall be by him so made over as aforesaid. IN WITNESS whereof We have hereunto set our Hands in Fort S^t. George the 12th. day of November 1757.

GEORGE FIGOT.
STRING^r. LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

TUESDAY
THE 15TH.

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE FIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 12th. Instant read & Sign'd.

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The President acquaints the Board that Captains Bonham and Baddison have applied to have the Bills of Loading for the Consignments to the Supra Cargos in China which have been landed here deliver'd up that the Supra Cargoes of the Norfolk have accordingly deliver'd theirs, but that M^r. Thomson Chief Supra Cargo of the Princess Augusta declines giving up the Bill of Loading for that Ship as the particulars have not been deliver'd according to the Consignment, Viz^t. to the Supra Cargos in Canton. AGREED that a Letter be wrote to M^r. Thomson &c^t. Supra Cargos of the Princess Augusta desiring them to deliver the said Bill of Loading to Us that it may be endorsed and given up to Captain Baddison the Articles of that Consignment having been deliver'd to Us or otherwise accounted for, a Letter is accordingly now wrote and Sign'd as entered hereafter.

Supra Cargos of the Princess Augusta wrote to for Bills of Loading of the ship for China

The following are now sign'd Viz^t. General Letter to the Hon^{ble} Court of Directors to go by the Norfolk, Princess Augusta and Prince Henry Packet dated this day.

General Letter to England and other Papers.

Import Warehouse	}	Indents for 1759.
Storehouse		
Military Storehouse		
Engineers		

A Sett of Books of Deposites on Account of the Suitors in the Mayors Ballanced to the 31st. October 1757.

GEORGE PIGOT.
 STRINGER LAWRENCE.
 HENRY POWNEY.
 ROBERT ORME.
 JOHN SMITH.
 CH^s. BOURCHIER.

TO MESS^{rs}. THOMAS THOMSON HILLARY TORRIANO
 JOHN MAPLETOFT AND WILLIAM TEAD

GENTLEMEN,

We acquainted you the 13th. Ultimo that we found it necessary to return the Princess Augusta from hence to England in order thereto all the Consignments to you at Canton have been landed and are in our Charge or otherwise Accounted for, the Bill of Loading for which now in your Possession, We are to desire you will deliver to Us, that it may be endorsed and given up to the Commander of the said Ship. We are

GENTLEMEN

Your most humble Servants

GEORGE PIGOT.
 STRINGER LAWRENCE.
 HENRY POWNEY.
 ROBERT ORME.
 JOHN SMITH.
 CH^s. BOURCHIER.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
 15 NOVEMBER 1757.

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AT A CONSULTATION

*Present*SATURDAY
THE 19TH.

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. PRESIDENT.
 STRING^R. LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.
 ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 15th. Instant read and Sign'd.

Letter from the Mayors Court dated the 9th. Instant read representing that the Seat of M^r. John Walsh as one of the Aldermen and Judges of the Mayors Court is become Vacant by an Absence of upwards of twelve months, containing also a Representation on the Subject of proper person to be elected.

AGREED that with respect to the Representation on the Subject of electing proper persons the said Letter do lye on the Table to be consider'd after the departure of the Ships now under dispatch and in regard to the Vacancy Signified by the said Letter M^r. Charles Turner of Madras Merchant being propos'd as a proper person to supply the same is unanimously elected and Chosen to be an Alderman of the said Court ORDER'D that the Secretary give the usual Notice.

Mr. Charles
Turner
Merchant is
elected an
Alderman.

Report
Survey of
the Norfolk
& Princess
Augusta.

Letter from M^r. John Smith Paymaster and Lieutenant John Eley of the Train read as enter'd hereafter accompanying Musters of the Crews of the Norfolk and Princess Augusta and a return of their Ammunition & Warlike Stores giving it as their opinion that the said Ships are in a fit Condition to proceed for Europe. Ordered that the said Report be enter'd hereafter and that the Lists and Returns be forwarded to England.

The following are now Sign'd.

Papers
signed.

General Letter to the Deputy Governour & Co.
at Fort Marlbrō.
 D^o. to the Resident at Moco Moco
 D^o. to the Governour & Council at S^t. Helena.
 Sailing Orders to Captain Pinson Bonham of the
Norfolk.
 D^o. to Captain Thomas Baddison of the Princess
Augusta.

All dated this day.

ORDER'D that the said Dispatches be deliver'd to the Captains without delay.

The following are also now Sign'd.

General Letter to Alexander Wynch Esq^r.
&c^t. Council at Fort St. David.
 D^o. to the Deputy Governour & Council at Fort
Marlbrō to go by the Cuddalore Sloop.
 Sailing Orders to Captain George Baker of the
Cuddalore Sloop.

Dated this day.

GEORGE PIGOT.
 STRINGER LAWRENCE.
 HENRY POWNEY.
 ROBERT ORME.
 JOHN SMITH.
 CH^s. BOURCHIER.

—FORT ST. GEORGE, NOVEMBER 1757—

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r,
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^r. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^t. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Conformable to your Orders of the 16th. Instant signified to Us by M^r. Secretary Du Pré We have surveyed the Norfolk and Princess Augusta, Muster'd their Ships Companies & Examined their Artillery Stores which we find according to the Lists annexed & believe them both in a fit Condition to proceed for Europe. We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient hum^{ble}. Ser^t.

FORT S^t. GEORGE,
THE 18th NOVEMBER 1757.

JOHN SMITH.
JN^o. ELEY.

Sail'd Snow Overbeck, Robert Holford for Surat.	19
D ^o . the Honble Companys Ship Nerfolk Captain Pinson Bonham.	20
D ^o . D ^o . Princess Augusta Cap ^t . Thomas Baddison both for Fort Marlbrō and England.	—
D ^o . the Honble Companys Sloop Cuddalore George Baker for Fort S ^t . David and thence to the Eastward.	—
D ^o . the Honble Companys Ship Prince Henry Packet Captain Benjamin Reynolds for England.	21

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

WEDNES-
DAY 23
NOVEM^r.

The book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

Letter from the Mayors Court dated the 9th. Instant read in Consultation the 9th. Instant and there Order'd to lye on the Table for further Consideration in regard to that part thereof which contains a Representation on the subject of Electing fit persons to be Aldermen of the Court & Corporation, is now again read and the Draught of an Answer thereto to be sign'd by the Secretary is now also settled and both Letter and Answer Order'd to be enter'd hereafter.

Letter from
the Mayors
Court read
and
Answered.

The President acquaints the Board that Cheppermall Chittee the Son of Linga Chittee one of the Company's Merchts. lately deceas'd is desirous of being admitted to succeed his said Father as a Companys Merchant and will take upon him to discharge his Father's Ballance. The Board think him a very proper person to be employ'd in the Investment having Conducted his Father's business in his Life time and Inherited his Fortune at his Death, he is accordingly called before the Board and acquainted that in Consideration of his Father's Services and of the Confidence the Board have of his Attachment to the Company they have Resolv'd to receive him as a Company's Merchant in the room of his Father in which Employ he promises to exert himself and desires an Advance of Twenty thousand (20000) Pagodas which is order'd to be Issued to him out of the Treasury.

Cheppermall
Chittee Son
of Linga
Chittee
admitted a
Companys
Merchant &
an Advance
given him.

Mootemar Chittee one of the Company's Merchants also desires an advance of Twenty thousand (2000) Pagodas on Account of the Investment, which is order'd to be Issued to him out of the Treasury.

Advance to
Mootemar
Chittee
Account the
Investment.

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One Yrs. Interest to Father Severini & Mrs. Medeiros to be paid. Order'd that Eighteen hundred Rupees (AR. 1800) be paid to Father Severini and Mrs. Medeiros for One year's Interest due the 20th. Instant at 6 $\frac{3}{4}$ Cent on A.R.^s. 30000 deposited in the Company's Cash on Bond dated 20^t November 1752.

Advance to the Commissary. AGREED that Sixteen thousand (16000) Pagodas be advanced th Commissary for the Charges of that Employ.

GEORGE PIGOT.
 STRINGER LAWRENCE.
 HENRY POWNEY.
 ROBERT ORME.
 JOHN SMITH.
 CH^s. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.
 PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^t. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

The Seat of M^r. John Walsh, as one of the Aldermen and a Judge of the Honble the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam being become vacant by an absence of upwards of twelve months I am directed by the Court to acquaint you thereof that another may be Elected on his stead.

And I am order'd upon this occasion to add that the Mayor and Aldermen as a Corporation, and especially as the Kings Court of record think it a duty which they owe to the welfare of these Settlements, and to themselves, to put you in mind that in the same Clause of the Royal Charter, which grants you the privilege of Electing the Aldermen His Majesty has been graciously pleas'd to direct that every vacancy shall be filled up with a Fit Person out "of the Principal Inhabitants of the Town of Madraspatnam". And altho. the Court are humbly of opinion, that these words of the Charter are so plain, and intelligible, that his Majesty's Gracious Intention, can never be misunderstood; Yet as they also consider that the Attention which your Honour &c^t. are obliged to give, to so many other Important Duties may sometimes occasion this very necessary direction in the Charter, to be less attended to, than the Publick Welfare does require; your regard for that Welfare makes it obvious, that by referring to that direction no Umbrage can be given, For as the functions which are Executed by the Mayor and Aldermen both as a Corporation and as his Majesty's Court of Record given the daily Opportunities of knowing by Experience how necessary it is to pay as strict a regard to this part of his Majestys Orders as the Numbers and also the Quality (or Rank) of Fit Persons will admit so it naturally becomes a duty upon them to represent the same to those whom His Majesty has been pleas'd to vest with the Election of the Aldermen And that this Representation, is at once, both reasonable to be made, and very necessary to be attended to, it is sufficient to suggest, that the Authority with which the Mayor and Alderman are vested Especially as a Court of Record, does greatly subject the decision of all Controversies in matters of Property to their judgment; and that many controversies are often brought before them of considerable moment to his Majesty's subjects, to Strangers who live under the Protection of his Majesty's Flag, and to others, who have dealings with both, cannot but be well known to You. Nor is it improper to take notice also, of that authority, which his Majesty has been further pleased to Grant to the Mayors Court of exercising the sole Jurisdiction, as his Majesty's Ordinary, in Granting Probates of Wills and Letters of Administration (for the care of the Estates of Deceased Persons) and for finally determining in those Settlements all Disputes and Controversies which relate thereto and to the Establishing, or Annulling of Wills which makes it still more necessary, that such Persons as are held in the best

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estimation for their Experience and Knowledge should be Elected as Aldermen And as by the Nomination which his Majesty has been pleas'd to make in the Charter of the first Members of the present Court the most proper Precedent for future Elections, seem to be pointed out; the Court beg leave to take notice that thereby the five Senior Servants of the Company next under the Council and five Merchants of this place, who were not in the Companys Service (of which last, the Mayor was one) were appointed the Members of the Corporation. I am with respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient Servant

*Sign'd by order of the Mayors Court*DAN^t. MORSE.FORT S^t. GEORGE,
NOV^r. 9 1757.

TO THE MAYORS COURT AT MADRAS PATNAM

GENTLEMEN,

I am order'd by the President, & Council to acknowledge the Receipt of your Letter dated the 9th. Instant and to acquaint you that they did the 19th. Instant elect M^r. Charles Turner of Fort S^t. George Merchant to be an Alderman of the Mayors Court in the place and stead of M^r. John Walsh whose Seat as an Alderman is become vacant by Absence.

I am order'd further to say in Answer to your causeless representation in regard to the Election of fit persons to be Aldermen that had you been as studious in reading the Charter to learn the proper Duty of the Mayors Court as you have been forward in pointing out to the President & Council what should be their Conduct you would have found that they are not in any Degree subjected to your Admonition in their Choice of the Members of the Court; that Representation is therefore a Work of Supererogation and as such requires no Answer; I am however order'd by the President & Council to say that their Attention to the Public Welfare will always lead them in their Choice of the Aldermen to such Persons as they shall think more inclined to the Love of Justice, Peace and Concord than of strife and Animosity; and that they will be carefull never to appoint any person of an inferior Character to those who already compose the Court.

I am
GENTLEMENFORT S^t. GEORGE,
24 NOVEM^r. 1757.Your most Obed^t. hble. Serv^t.
JOS DU PRE'*Sec^{ry}.*

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERN^r. PRESIDENT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY
ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

WEDNES-
DAY THE
30TH

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.
The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 23^d. Instant read & Signed.

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Letter from Mr. Bouchier Powder Contractor representing Advance in Cooley hire want of Salt Petre.	Letter from Mr. Bouchier Contractor for making of Gunpowder dated the 24 th . Instant read, as enter'd hereafter, representing that since his Contract the price of Cooley on the Fortifications having been raised has obliged him to do the same to those employed in the Powder Mill, the difference of which in the Cost of the Powder he computes at more than a Pagoda & a quarter $\frac{3}{4}$ Candy since the first of March last which he submits to the Board, representing further that for want of Salt Petre (none being procurable) the Powder Mill will be entirely at a Stand the end of this Month and that the Monthly Charge of the Mill is about two hundred and fifty Pagodas $\frac{3}{4}$ Month submitting to the Board to give such directions thereon as they shall think fit, but observing that if the Cooleys employ'd in that Branch should not be kept in pay the Powder Works may be retarded for want of them when supply of Salt Petre arrive.
Allowance made for the advance of Cooley.	The Board sensible of the increased Charge of making Powder since the Contract occasion'd by the Advance of Cooley hire Agree to allow the Contractor an Addition of One Pagoda, and a Quarter $\frac{3}{4}$ Candy from the first of March last and as Salt Petre may be expected from Bengal in a Months time AGREED that the Charge of Servants Cooleys &c ^t . belonging to the Mill be defray'd by the Company untill the Mill can be again set to Work and in the mean time that they be employ'd in drying the Powder in Store, remarking such as may require it and other usefull Services in the Garrison.
Charges of the mill to be paid by the Co.	
Report of Tripotty money remitted in by Bill.	The President reports from the Select Committee that the Tripoty Renter has sent in Bills on Gocul Terwaudy for five thousand (5000) Pagodas and Eight thousand and Seventy eight Rupees and seven Eightys (8078 $\frac{7}{8}$) for the September or first Kist of the Tripoty Rents for the present Year of Phasely 1167. ORDER'd that the amount be received into the Treasury.
Batta on Pagodas Exchanged paid in.	The President as Cash Keeper pays in Twenty four thousand fanams (24,000) amounting at the rate of thirty six fanams to six hundred and Sixty Six Pagodas Twenty four fanams being the difference of Batta on the Exchange of six thousand Pagodas into fanams this month at the rate of forty fanams $\frac{3}{4}$ Pagoda and brought to Account at the rate of thirty six fanams $\frac{3}{4}$ Pagoda.
Money paid in by the In.pt., Ware H ^e . Kr.	Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in Twenty one thousand two hundred Pagodas (21200) on his running Account.
Sea Customer.	Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in Two thousand (2000) Pagodas on his running Account.
Land Customer.	Henry Powney Land Customer pays in Five hundred and Twenty one Pagodas and Twenty nine Cash (521-29) for the October Ballance of that Account.
Passage Money	The Secretary pays in Sixty Pagodas (60) by him receiv'd of Mess ^{rs} . Richard and John Starke for their Permission of Passage to England on the Norfolk.
Rent of 7 Magans.	Mahomud Ayar Cawn Renter of the Seven Magans of the Tripossore Country pays in Nine thousand five hundred Pagodas (9500) in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due 31 st . July last.
Do. of Egmore &c ^t .	Vencaty Ramah Renter of Egmore &c ^t . Villages received of him Fifteen hundred and fifty Pagodas (1550) in full for one Years Rent of that Farm due the 31 st . August last.
Advances to the Commissary	AGREED that the following Advances be made. To the Commissary Thirty thousand Rupees (30000) for the Charges of the Troops abroad.
Paymaster	To the Paymaster Thirteen thousand (13000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ.

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To the Military Paymaster Seven thousand (7000) Pagodas for the Charges of that employ.

Military
Paymr. &
M. Storekee-
per

To the Military Storekeeper Two thousand five hundred Pagodas (2500) for the Charges of that Employ.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^t. COUNCIL OF FORT S^t. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

To the great want of Cooleys for Expediting the Fortifications having render'd it necessary to raise their hire as an inducement to them to resort here, which has reduced Me to the necessity of doing the same to those employ'd in the Powder Mill to prevent their leaving that Service as they could obtain more on the Company's Works than they at first receiv'd from me. And being an Act of your Honour &c^t. and not in my Power to Guard against which by continuing much longer than was expected has been attended with a very Considerable Additional to the Expencc of making the Powder unthought of at the time the Contract was first undertaken I am induc'd to hope it will appear to your Honour &c^t. that some Consideration should be allowed me for the same, As I can Assure you the difference has amounted to more than 1.1/4 Pagodas ꝑ Candy since the first of March last.

Our Disappointment in receiving no supply of Salt Petre from Bengal this Year has oblig'd Us to expend not only all that the Honble Company had in Store, but upwards of Fifty Candies more that I procur'd in the place, but as all y^e. means I have tried to obtain a further supply have proved ineffectual I am necessitated to represent to your Honour &c^t. that at the End of this month the Powder Mill will be Entirely at a stand for the want of it. The monthly Charge thereof being about 250 Pagodas in feeding the Bullock & and paying the People. Your Honour &c^t. will therefore be pleas'd to give Orders for defraying, as you judge proper. At the same time I must beg leave to observe, the Absolute necessity I think there is for retaining in the Service the Cooleys tho' then unemploy'd in that Branch, That We may not be retarded by having them to seek for when We are furnish'd with Petre to begin to work again.

I am

With great Respect

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

FORT S^t. GEORGE,
24 NOV^r. 1757.

Your most Obed^t. hble Serv^t.

Chⁿ: BOURCHIER.

Receiv'd by Peons General Letter from the Governor &c Council 5
Negapatam.

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AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT Esq^r. GOVERNOR PRESIDENT.
 STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.
 ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

TUESDAY
 THE 6TH

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 30th. Ultimo read & Sign'd.

Letter from
 Negapatam
 about their
 factory
 House at
 Tegenepatm
 And they
 chuse on[e]
 in lieu at
 Cuddalore

N^o. 136 General Letter from the Governour and Council at Negapatam dated 21st. Ultimo read acquainting Us that they have receiv'd the Approbation of their Superiors at Batavia to chuse M^r. Kiernander's new House in Cuddalore for a Factory in the room of their Company's Factory House which was pull'd down last year and in lieu of which we promised to build them another; that they therefore desire we will give directions accordingly that their Resident M^r. Trembly may remove into the said House and that the same may hence forward be held as their Company's Factory House.

The Presi-
 dent reports
 the Select
 Committees
 Transactions
 in that
 Affair

The President acquaints the Board that the Dutch Factory House at Tegenepatam being thought too near the Works at Fort S^t. David was by order of the Select Committee demolish'd last year that the Committee wrote to the Gentlemen at Negapatam their reasons for so doing and promised to provide them another Factory House, in consequence of which they have now address'd the above Letter to the Board.

St. David to
 be wrote to
 for a Plan
 and Estimate
 of Kiernan-
 der House
 in Cuddalore

AGREED that the Gentlemen at Fort S^t. David be directed to treat with M^r. Keirnander for the Purchase of the said House and acquaint Us what Consideration he requires and that they cause a Plan and Estimate thereof to be made and transmit Us the same.

Letter from
 the Court of
 Requests
 reporting
 their Annual
 Election

Letter from the Court of Requests dated 1st. Ins^t read acquainting the Board that agreeable to the Charter they met that day for the Election of New Members when those who had served two Years were removed and others were elected in their Room whose Names are mentioned in the said Letter which is Order'd to be enter'd hereafter.

Mayor &
 Aldermen
 present two
 of their
 Members of
 whom
 Mr. Samuel
 Ardley is
 chosen
 Mayor for
 the ensuing
 year.

This being the first Tuesday in December when by the Charter the Mayor and Aldermen are to Elect two of their Body and present them to the President and Council who are to chuse one of them to be Mayor for the ensuing year. The Mayor and Aldermen having signified by a Message that they are ready to make such Presentation they are introduced and Andrew Ross Esq^r. the present Mayor acquaints the Board that the Mayor and Aldermen have chosen Mess^{rs}. Samuel Ardley and Charles Turner two of the Aldermen who are now presented accordingly. The Mayor and Aldermen then withdrew and the Board proceeding immediately to the Election of one of the Gentlemen presented, M^r. Samuel Ardley is Unanimously chosen to be Mayor of Madraspatnam &c^t. for the year ensuing.

Mr. Edward
 Edwards
 Chosen
 Sheriff.

This being also the day appointed by the Charter for the Election of a new Sheriff M^r. Edward Edwards is now unanimously Elected to be Sheriff for the year ensuing.

Mr. George
 Pyne
 appointed
 Coroner.

M^r. George Stratton having serv'd the Office of Coroner one Year, M^r. George Pyne is now appointed to succeed him, and as that Office is attended with trouble and Expence without the least Advantage, AGREED that Five Pagodas $\frac{2}{3}$ month be allowed the Coroner for Pallankeen hire Occasionally, Peons and other Incident Charges.

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ORDER'D that the Secretary give the usual Notice to the Mayor's Court and Sherif Elect.

AGREED that one Year's Interest due the 3^d. Instant to M^{rs}. Madeiros on Twenty thousand Pagodas at eight ½C^t. by Bond dated 3^d. December 1754 be paid, being Sixteen hundred (1600) Pagodas.

One Years
Interest to
Mrs.
Madeiros to
be paid.

The President reads the Cash Account for last Month Ballance remaining compared with the Chest Twenty nine thousand seven hundred and sixty Pagodas twenty nine fanams and ten Cash (26760-29-10) which is carried forward.

Cash account
for Novem-
ber read.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in Five thousand (5000) Pagodas on his running Account.

Import
Ware
Ho. Kr.
pays in
money.
Rents paid
in Viz^t.

Sunca Vencaty Ramah Beetle & Tobacco Farmer pays in Nine hundred and thirty three Pagodas twelve fanams (933-12-0) in full for one Month's Rent of that Farm due the 12th. Instant.

Beetle and
Tobacco

Sunca Vencaty Ramah Farmer of the Measuring Duty pays in Two hundred and Sixty eight Pagodas twelve fanams (268-12-) in full for two Month's Rent of that Farm due the 12th. Ultimo.

Measuring
Duty.

Vencaty Ramah Renter of Trivitore &c^t. Villages pays in Two thousand two hundred and twenty Pagodas (2220) in full for one Year's Rent of that Farm due the 31st. August last.

Trivitore
&c^t. Villages

Vencaty Ramah Renter of Egmore &c^t. Villages pays in One thousand Six hundred Pagodas (1600) in full for One Year's Rent of that Farm due the 31st. August last.

Egmore
&c^t.
Villages

Oppajee Nayenar Renter of Chingalaput pays in four thousand two hundred and fifty Pagodas (4250) which with ten thousand Pagodas paid in the 10th. October is in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 12th. July last.

Chingalput.

AGREED that Twenty thousand Pagodas (20000) be Advanced the Commissary for the Charges of the Troops abroad.

Advance to
the Commis-
sary.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH.

Dr.				PER CONTRA.				Cr.
1	To Ballance brought from last Months account	24086	89120-3—	26561	20	3		
7	To Sunca Vencaty Ramah Beetle and Tobacco Farmer received of him for One month's Rent due the 12 th . Ultimo.	311	22404 —	933	12	—		
-	To Chinna Nella Chittee and Vademala Pillah Farmers of the Arrack & Wine License receiv'd of them in full for one Months Rent of that Farm due the 12 th . Ultimo .. .. .	..	23420 —	650	30	—		
-	To Numboor Vencaty Soubiah Farmer of the Town Brokerage recd. of him for 6 Months Rent of that Farm due the 12 September	14405	— —	1405	—	—		
-	To Bills of Exchange for 16 Setts of this date drawn on the Honble Court of Directors at 7/8 P Pagoda at 90 days sight Viz ^t .							
Setts.	£. s. d. p. f. c.							
1	To John Calcrafts Esqf. value recd. of John Adlercron Esqf.	400	— —	1043	17	17		
1	To do. value of do. .. .	100	— —	260	31	24		
1	To Mess ^{rs} Aaron Franks & David Salomons value recd. of Mr. Nicholas Morse .. .	640	3 4	1670	—	—		
12	By John Smith Storekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ			2000	—	—	2000	— —
19	By Fort St. David sent thither by the Cuddalore Sloop			30000	—	—	30000	— —

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1	To Peter and Joseph God- frey Esq ^{rs} . or order value received of Robert Orme Esq ^r .	..2000	— —	5217	14	7
1	To Robert Wood Esq ^r . or order value re- ceiv'd of Robert Orme Esq ^r .	.. 181	8 11	473	12	—
1	To Richard Walpole Esq ^r . or order value receiv'd of Robert Orme Esq ^r .	.. 21	17 9	57	3	25
1	To John Warde Esq ^r . or order value re- ceived of John Smith Esq ^r .	.. 100	— —	260	31	24
1	To Lieutenant Robert Bannatyne or order value received of Mr. Claud Russell	.. 40	— —	104	12	41
1	To d ^o . d ^o . value of d ^o .	30	— —	78	9	31

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—*cont.*

D ^s .	f.	s.	d.	p.	f.	c.
Setts.						
1 To M ^{rs} . Hannah Dawson or order value recd. of M ^r . Richard Dawson ..	20	—	—	52	6	20
1 To D ^r . Matthias Smallet M ^r . Thomas and M ^r . George Robinson value recd. of M ^r . John Call on Account of the Estate of Captain William Lin ..	800	—	—	2086	34	34
1 To Mess ^{rs} . Abraham and Jacob Franco or order value received of M ^r . Salamon Franco						

PER CONTRA—*cont.*

	70	—	—	70	—	—
30 By the Mayors Court advanced for the Charges of that Court & Corporation ..						

CR.

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	in part return for a Chest of Coral mark'd F F N ^o . 1 im- ported P Wager	Anno 1748.	652	19	10	1703	16	64
1	To Mess ^{rs} . Abraham & Jacob Franco or order value recd. of M ^r . Salamon Franco in full return for a Chest of Coral mark'd M R N ^o . 5 im- ported P Stretham	Anno 1749.	801	19	9	2092	5	30
1	To Mess ^{rs} . Joseph and David Franco or order value recd. of M ^r . Salamon Franco in full return for a Chest							

THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—cont.

Dr.

Setts.	£.	s.	d.	p.	f.	c.
of Coral mark'd I F D N ^o . 1 im- ported Ψ Chesterfield Anno 1756.	297	17	10	776	24	12
1 To Mess ^{rs} . Joseph and David Franco or order value recd. of Mr. Salam ^a . Franco in full return for a Chest of Coral mark'd I F D N ^o . 55 imported Ψ Boscawen Anno 1757.	759	4	3	1980	20	8
1 To Mess ^{rs} . Moiseh & Raphael Franco or order value recd. of Mess ^{rs} . Salamon Franco ..	550	—	1	1434	28	41

PER CONTRA—cont.

Cr.

-- By John Smith Pay- master advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	3000	360000	—	13000	—	—
-- By John Smith Military Paymaster advanced him for the Charges of that employ	7000	—	—	7000	—	—
-- By Charles Bouchier Military Storekeeper advanced him for the Charges of that Employ	2500	—	—	2500	—	—
-- By Batta Issued in the Course of this Month to be Exchanged into Fanams	6000	—	—	6000	—	—
30 By Ballance carried to next month's Account.	28750	36389	10	29760	29	10
Carried Over..	79320	396389	10	90330	29	10

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16	Setts amount- ing to ..	£. 7395 11 9	..	19275	266 58	19282 14 58		
30	To Henry Powney Imp ^t . W. H. K ^r . recd. of him on his running Acco ^t	21050	5400 —	21200 — —		
—	To Henry Powney Sea Custo- mer recd. of him on his running Account ..	..	..	1700	10800 —	2000 — —		
—	To Henry Powney Land Cus- tomer recd. of him for the October Ballance of that Account ..	..	..	383	4968 29	521 — 29		
—	To Account Current London rec'd for Permission of Passage to England of Mess ^{rs} . Richard & John Starke of Norfolk .. .. .	..	..	60	— —	60 — —		
—	To Mahomud Ay Cawn Renter of the Seven Magans of the Tripssore Country rec'd of him in full for 6 Months Rent of that Farm due 31 st July last	9500	— —	9500 — —		

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THE HONBLE UNITED COMPANYS CASH—cont.

DR.	
	PER CONTRA—cont.
	C ^R .
	Brought Over .. 79320 396389 10 90330 29 10
- To Vencaty Ramah Renter of Egmore &c. Villages recd. of him in full for one Years Rent of that Farm due 31 st . August last	1550 — — 1550 — —
- To Batta for the produce of 6000 Pagodas issued as Ψ Contra and Exchanged at 40 fanams Ψ Pagoda & brought to Account here at 36 fanams Ψ Pagoda	— 240000 — 6666 24 —
	<u>79320 396389 10 90330 29 10</u>
	ERRORS

STAR OR CURR ^t . PAGODAS ..	<u>79320 396389 10 90330 29 10</u>
EXCEPTED	
Ψ GEORGE PIGOT.	

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TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.
 PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &C^T.
 COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

I am order'd by the Commissioners of the Court of Requests to acquaint you that agreeable to the Tenour of His Majesty's Charter, they met this day being the first, Thursday in December, when those who had serv'd two years were removed viz^t. Mess^{rs}. George Pyne, John Davidson, Alexander Dalrymple, John Palmer, Thomas Kelsall, John Maxwell Stone, Archdale Palmer, Edward Burman, Thomas Savage, John Spratt, Francis Taylor and Hamilton Parkinson And in their room the following were duely elected by Ballot Viz^t. Mess^{rs}. William Aldersey, Abraham Browne, Peter Downs, Peter Marriette, William Roberts, Walton Stevens, Robert Githing and John Peling. I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRs
 Your most Obed^t. Humble Serv^t.
 GEORGE STRATTON.
Clerk.

FORT ST.
 GEORGE THE
 1ST DECEM-
 BER 1757.

Receiv'd from Fort St. David General Letter dated 1 st . Instant.	9
Sent by Tappies General Letter dated this day.	12
Receiv'd from Fort St. David General Letter dated 7 th Instant.	7
Arrived Betsy Schooner William Dogan from Bengal.	14
D ^o . Ship Sally Richard Finley D ^o .	15
Receiv'd from Fort St. David General Letter dated 9 th Instant.	16

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R. GOVERN^R. PRESIDENT.
 STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.
 ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
 CHARLES BOURCHIER.

TUESDAY
 THE 20TH.

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.
 The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 6th Instant read and sign'd.
 General Letters read Viz^t.

N^o. 137, 138 and 139 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the rest of the Gentlemen of Council at Fort St. David the first dated the 1st. Instant acknowledging the Receipt of our Letters of the 4th. & 19 Ultimo with the Stores of Cuddalore Sloop & Country Boats, and acquainting Us that they have not heard anything from Pondicherry relating to the Payment of the thirty five thousand Rupees on which they desire our directions. The Second dated the 7th. Instant with a List of Men reported incapable of doing duty and acquainting Us that they have ordered such of them as are Englishmen to be put on the Pension List but that Major Polier has inform'd them the Swiss are to remain at full Pay till their time expires, Enclosing an Indent for sundries. The third dated the 9th. Instant advising that they have drawn on Us for One thousand six hundred and ten Pagodas Nineteen fanams in favour of Robert Orme Esq^r.

General
 Letters read
 from St.
 David.

The President acquaintes the Board that the Select Committee have given Orders from the Select Committee directions to the Gentlemen at Fort St. David in relation to the Invalids mentioned in their Letter of the 7th. Instant.

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- St. David to be wrote to. AGREED to write to the Gentlemen at Fort S^t. David that We would have them address the Gentlemen at Pondicherry and acquaint them that they are possess'd of the Second Bills and that We have advised them that We wrote to the Gentlemen at Pondicherry the 22^d. October, enclosing to them the firsts for Acceptance and desiring them to pay the amount when due to the Council at Fort S^t. David.
- Bill from St. David to be paid. ORDER'D that the Bill of Exchange drawn from Fort S^t. David, as advised in their Letter of the 9th. Instant be paid.
- Letter from the Mayors Court. Letter from the Mayors Court dated the 13th. Instant read being their Reply to the Letter wrote them the 24th. Ultimo. ORDER'D that the said Letter be enter'd after these Minutes.
- Report from the Committee of Accots. on Mr. Callands Accounts. Orders thereon. Report from the Committee of Accounts on the Accounts of M^r. John Calland late Provisional Resident at Ingeram read as enter'd hereafter, and such part of the said Accounts as certain the Monthly charges of the Settlement being passed an Account thereof is Order'd to be stated by the Accountant and the amount paid to M^r. Calland but in regard to the Cloth Shipp'd off by M^r. Calland for Vizagapatam and which was dispatched from thence to Bengal, it is Agreed to write to the Gentlemen at Bengal to send Us a particular Account of what Cloth they have receiv'd of that Consignment on the receipt of which the amount thereof is also ordered to be paid to M^r. Calland.
- Letter from the Surgeons about Hospital Repairs. Letter from Mess^{rs}. Robert Turing and James Wilson Surgeons read as enter'd hereafter, representing what Repairs, additions and alterations are proper to be made to the Hospital to render it commodious and fit for the purpose for which they submit to the Board.
- Order thereon. As it is thought necessary that the Hospital should be pulled down and the rising Ground on which it stands removed to enlarge the Esplanade, It is ordered that no other Repairs or alterations be made than such as are absolutely necessary for the present accommodation of the Patients.
- Indent for Hospital Cloathing for 1758 to be provided by the Paymaster. An Indent from the Surgeons for Hospital Clothing for the year 1758 being presented to the Board the Paymaster is Order'd to provide the same.
- Mr. John Smith resigns his seat as an Alderman. Letter from M^r. John Smith one of the Aldermen of the Mayor's Court read, requesting for the reasons therein given, permission to resign his Seat as an Alderman & enclosing his Resignation under his hand and seal in due form. The Board accept of the same and Order that the said Letter and Resignation be enter'd hereafter.
- Mr. James Bouchier to return from Deve Cotah. Mr. Robert Sloper appointed Chief Mr. George Dawson appointed of Council at St. David. The President acquaints the Board that M^r. James Bouchier Chief of Deve Cotah having for sometime past been in a declining State of Health is desirous of returning to the Presidency which is granted And M^r. Robert Sloper now at Fort S^t. David is appointed to Succeed him as Chief of Deve Cotah and M^r. George Dawson now at Fort S^t. David is appointed to succeed M^r. Sloper in the Council there.
- Money paid in by the Impt. Ware Ho. Keeper. Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in Nine thousand Pagodas (9000) on his running Account.
- SeaCustomer Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in Two thousand (2000) Pagodas on his running Account.
- Rents of Paddy Fields Poombavay Vellapah Farmer of the Paddy Fields and Salt Pans pays in Four hundred and Fifty seven Pagodas Eighteen fanams (457-18) in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 12 Instant.

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Chinna Nella Chittee and Vademala Pillah Farmers of the Arrack Wine License pay in Six hundred and fifty Pagodas thirty fanams (650-30) in full for one Month's Rent of that Farm due the 12th. Ultimo. Arrack & Wine.

AGREED that thirty thousand (30,000) Arcot Rupees be advanced the Commissary for the Charges of the Troops abroad. Advances to the Commissary.

That fifteen hundred (1,500) Pagodas be advanced the Paymaster for the Charges of that Employ. Paymaster &

And Fifteen hundred (1,500) Pagodas to the Military Storekeeper for the Charges of that Employ. Military Paym^r.

This being the day appointed by the Charter for the Mayor and Sheriff annually elected to enter on their Respective Offices, and a Message being now brought that they are ready to take the Oaths, they are introduced with the other Members and Office[rs] of the Mayor's Court and the Oaths of Allegiance and Office are first Administered by the President to Samuel Ardley Esq^r. who was chosen Mayor the 6th. Instant and then to Edward Edwards Esq^r. who was the same day elected Sherif, both for the Year ensueing. The new Mayor & Sherif Sworn.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

The Mayors Court finding the Answer which you have ordered your Secretary to make to their Letter of the 9th. Ultimo to be convey'd in a very improper stile, they find themselves under a necessity to Say in reply thereto. That this Court were very sensible no directions are contain'd in the Royal Charter from which they can Claim any right of Admonition over your Honour & c^t. relating to your Choice of the Members of the Court, and there is no Expression in their Letter which can furnish the most distant surmize that they imagine the President & Council are in any way subject to their Admonition, Nevertheless they did and do still conceive, it cannot be justly imagined to be too forward in them, to recommend a consideration of such Rules as are Prescribed by that Charter and a strict adherence to be paid thereto, whenever they have reason to think that the same have been in any measure deviated from.

The Court were of opinion that their intention would be Answered by making their Representation in general terms, & so avoided the mentioning any particular Circumstance, which might be thought to convey with it the least reflection. This was the motive which induced them to pursue the method already taken, but since you have been pleased to impute their conduct in that respect to Forwardness, and to look upon their Representation, tho' delivered in a decent and respectfull manner as causeless, and at the same time to stile it an Admonition, they are put under the necessity of mentioning the subject particularly.

The two last Vacancies of Aldermen were filled up with young Gentlemen, out of the Writers in the Company's service; & altho. the first of these had but a few days to serve as a Writer when he was Elected, the other had nine Months to serve. It was the Opinion of the Court that this Choice did not correspond with that part of the Charter, which directs that vacancies shall be

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filled up with "Fit Persons out of the Principal Inhabitants". And they thought themselves the better supported in this opinion as they knew it was not the want of other Persons of riper Years, more Experience in Life and more within the natural meaning of the Words "Principal Inhabitants" which made such a choice necessary. But still they would not have it understood, that any reflection is meant upon either of these two Gentlemen, who were Elected, nor that the mention which it is now become necessary to make of their being chosen, into the Offices of Magistracy & Judges of his Majesty's Court of Record, shall prejudice them in any respect whatsoever, When they were Elected no Objection was made to them, and the Court thought fit best to remain silent upon the subject, till the next Vacancy should give them an opportunity of representing, how necessary it was to give all possible attention to the Rules laid down in the Charter for the Election of the Aldermen.

Notwithstanding the reception the Representation from this Court has met with, they do hope that the intended Effect has not, nor will be entirely lost, Altho. you are pleas'd to condemn it & to drop Sarcastick Inuendoes, which are as unmeritted, as they are improper and of course revert upon yourselves. The Court therefore Content themselves with saying that angry & reproachfull Expressions are highly unbecoming from and all Invectives unfit to be used by, one Publick Body addressing another And hoping that this will have the desired effect. It would be very improper in them even to Border upon the same Error, by using the Stile, which you have Assumed in your Letter. I am

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Your most Obed^t. Servant

Sign'd by order of the Mayors Court

DANIEL MORSE

Reg^t.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
DECEM^B. 13TH 1757.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs,

Conformable to the Order of Consultation of the 10th. October We now present our Report & opinion of M^r. Callands Accounts of Disbursements at Ingeram.

M^r. Westcott left Ingeram 12th. February and left with M^r. Calland Pagodas 339-10-6 M^r. Callands Disbursements for that month amount to Pagodas 823-17-37 under the usual Heads on which We are to make the following Remarks.

Account Boats Pagodas 45. The Cost of two on the Rivers of Cohinara and Ingeram to facilitate the Passage of Peons. This is a new Charge, it does not appear that Application was made to the Presidency to authorize it, it is submitted whether allowable, Charges Diet. M^r. Calland takes the Allowance of the Chief P. 16-31-16 on M^r. Westcotts Absence his Allowance before was 11 Pagodas ̄ month, it is submitted which of the two he should be allowed.

Charges General. . . . M^r. Calland Charges 5 Pagodas ̄ month reading divine Service, this Service stood at Vizagapatam at 10 Rupees ̄ month & stands at DeveCotah at Pa. 4 ̄ Month.

The Disbursements made by M^r. Calland in the month of March amount to 813-2-16 Less by 10-15-15 than in February. M^r. Calland charges for his Allowances as Resident & for divine Service as above.

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The Monthly Accounts of Ingeram for April never arrived here. Mr. Calland says they were intercepted, Some Judgment of them may notwithstanding be formed. At the close of March the Company owe Mr. Calland Pagodas 112-21-72. At the beginning of May Pagodas 738-9-69. Mr. Calland says that to the best of his Remembrance not more than 30 Pagodas were that month brought to the Companys Credit. If so, the Disbursements for April would not amount to more than 600 Pagodas, for the preceeding Month they amounted as has been said to more than 800.

Altho. the French possess'd themselves of Nellipillee the 11th. May the Pay of all Persons, who are paid by the Month appears to have been made for the whole month. This may be worthy of some Consideration.

The Resolution of Council to refer to the Court of Directors the Charges made by Mr. Calland for Cloth purchased without Orders and not with the Company's Money will occasion the great Deduction from his demand on the Company exhibited in his Account Current dated 15 July & will stand thus

CLOTH purchased	..	..	..	..	Pag ^s .	5710	30	48
CHARGES MERCHDZE for washing &c ^t.	..			..		128	1	17
GOODS for PACKING	..	..	..	..		84	—	—
					PAGODAS	5922	31	65

We must under this Article remark that as soon as Information can be had from Bengal of the Arrival here of that part of the Cloth which Mr. Calland Shipp'd off to Vizagapatam It appears reasonable that Mr. Calland should be immediately reimbursed in that amount. After your Resolutions on the above Remarks It will become very easy to make out Mr. Callands Account Current in the Accountants Office the Ballance of which may immediately be paid him.

We are
 HOÑBLE SIR & SIRs,
 Your most humble Servants
 GEORGE PIGOT.
 ROBERT ORME.
 JOHN SMITH.
 JAMES ALEXANDER.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
 13th. DECEM^R. 1757.

TO THE HOÑBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^R.
 PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^F. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE.
 HOÑBLE SIR & SIRs,

Whereas the Honble Companys Hospital of this Garrison on a Survey appears to be in want of Repair and too small, We think it a Duty Incumbent on us to make a Report of the same, and to submit to your Consideration what we think is most necessary to be done for the better Accommodation of the Sick and Wounded.

In the first place We are humbly of Opinion that the Hospital should be made capable of Lodging Two hundred or Two hundred and fifty Men; and that there should be *salivating* Rooms fitted up for Thirty at least not more than five or Ten in a Room. Likewise that a Place be filled up for the reception of two or three hundred Seamen against the Arrival of the Fleet.

Secondly that the Floors of the several Wards should be raised a Foot at least above the Level of the Court Yard.

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Thirdly that the Windows (which are now partly shut up with Earth and partly open) should be laid entirely open in such a warm climate and properly fitted up with Window frames Rattan Windows and Shutters for the Convenience of admitting Sun and Air or excluding either as there may be Occasion.

Fourthly that there be a room fitted up for Operations with Tables and Chairs for that purpose and a Chest to keep Instruments, and Bandages in ready prepar'd.

Fifthly that there be a room fitted up for a Shop with shelves and a shop board.

Sixthly that two Rooms and a Cook Room &c^t. be filled up for the Assistants.

In the last Place that the Filing be repai'd where Defective and the surrounding Wall.

To the above We beg leave to add That the Medicine Godown in Town is in much disorder, for want of Chests, Drawers and shelves and that we are humbly of Opinion it should be furnished with such to Arrainge the Medicines on according to the Year of their Receipt that every Article may be readily come at And that a List be taken of the whole as soon as possible with the quantities of each as near as can be guess'd. The Year of their Receipt to be marked in the Margin. A Copy to be kept by each of the Surgeons and none to be Issued out neither for the Hospital Private Use or out Garrisons, but by their Joint Order.

The same Rules to be observed with respect to Instruments and Utensils. All which is humbly submitted.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most hble & Obed^t. Serv^{ts}.

ROBERT TURING.

JAMES WILSON.

FORT S^t. GEORGE,
20 DECEMBER 1757.

TO THE HONBLE GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^t. COUNCIL OF FORT S^t. GEORGE.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS,

The Majority of the Mayor and Aldermen not having thought fit to elect me as One of the Two Aldermen to be presented to the President & Council for the Office of Mayor for the ensueing Year altho I was the Senior Alderman under the Chair, & according to the usual Custom in this and other Corporations I ought not to be passed over. I therefore request your Honour &c^t. will grant me permission to Resign my Seat as an Alderman, as I am concious to myself that I have not merited such a slight for my constant Attendance & my best endeavours to do my Duty to the utmost of my Power, ever since the Reestablishment of the Court. I herewith present you my Resignation under my hand and Seal. I am with the greatest Respect.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most Obedient & most hble Servant.

JOHN SMITH.

FORT S^t. GEORGE,
DECEMBER 1757.

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I JOHN SMITH one of the Aldermen of the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam for Divers good Causes and Considerations me hereunto moving Do by these Presents Resign, Surrender and yield up my said Place & Office of an Alderman of the said Court and all Rights, Powers and Privileges thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining, unto George Pigot Esq^r. President & Governour of Fort S^t. George & the Council thereof and to the President & Council for the time being. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal, in Fort S^t. George the 19th. day of December in the Thirty first Year of the Reign of Our Sovereign Lord George the Second by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith &c^t. and in the Year of Our Lord.

JOHN SMITH

L.S.

WITNESS

J. L. SMITH.
W^m. ALDERSEY.

Sent by Tappies General Letters to Fort S^t. David & DeveCotah dated 22
22 Ins^t.

Receiv'd by Tappies General Letter from Fort S^t. David dated 20th. 25
Instant.

„ by Pattamars General Letter from Bombay dated 13th. November. 30
D^o. D^o. from Tellicherry dated 12th. December.

AT A CONSULTATION

Presen

GEORGE PIGOT ESQ^r. GOVERNOR PRESIDENT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE. HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME. JOHN SMITH.
CHARLES BOURCHIER.

SATURDAY
THE 31ST

The Book of Standing Orders lying on the Table.

The Minutes of last Consultation dated the 20th. Instant read & Sign'd.

General Letters read Viz^t.

N^o. 140 From Alexander Wynch Esq^r. and the rest of the Gentlemen of Council at Fort S^t. David dated the 20th. Instant acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 12th. and acquainting Us that they will send us the plan of M^r. Kiernander's House & Ground as soon as the Engineer has compleated it, and acquaint Us at the same time with M^r. Kiernander's terms. That they have drawn on Us in favor of John Smith Esq^r. for Two thousand Pagodas, and that their Merchants are importunate for an advance, out they do not chuse to comply with their Request untill they receive our directions.

General
Letters
from Fort
St. David.

N^o. 141 From Richard Bouchier Esq^r. President & Governour &c^t. Council at Bombay dated 13th. November acknowledging the Receipt of our Letters of the 26th. August, 15th. September & 1st. Ultimo with the Europe and other Packets, and acquainting Us that they have purchased Fifty Slaves out of a Foreign Vessel and intend sending them to S^t. Helena agreeable to our Information, Congratulating Us on the arrival of the Boscawen, Norfolk, Tavistock and Princess Augusta and acquainting Us that by a Letter received overland from M^r. Secretary James of the 10th. May the four Ships for that Presidency were then in the Downes but they hope to obviate the Inconveniences of their late Arrival should the Gentlemen at Bengal send them any Salt Petre having Order'd so much Pepper to be brought from Tellicherry as will enable them to return three Ships directly home. Enclosing a Packet to be forwarded to the President & Council at Bengal.

From
Bombay.

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Tellicherry.

N^o. 142 From Thomas Hodges Esq^r. Chief &c^t. Factors at Tellicherry dated 12th. Instant acknowledging the Receipt of our Letter of the 26th. August and acquainting Us that a French ship arrived at Mahe from Pondicherry the 19th. November called the Bristol taken from Us last War mounting 26 Guns and carrying 120 Men of whom 40 Europeans, and brought 60 Recruits from Mahé with three Officers and after taking in some Pepper sail'd the 11th. Instant to the Northward; That by advices from Anjengo dated 26th. November they are inform'd of the Arrival of Ships Latham Hawke, York & Lord Anson, that they left the Lizard the 5th. June and in their Passage took a French Bomb Vessel carrying 22 Men returning from Pondicherry to the Islands with Advices, which were sunk before they took her. Enclosing a Packet receiv'd from Bombay and acquainting Us that another Packet for us mention'd to them in a Duplicate letter from Bombay of the 13th. November is not yet come to hand.

Bill drawn from St. David to be paid.

ORDER'D that the Bill of Exchange drawn from Fort St. David for Two thousand Pagodas in favour of M^r. John Smith, as advised in their Letter N^o. 140 be paid.

St. David to make advance to their Merchants &c^t.

AGREED to write to the Gentlemen at Fort St. David in Answer to their Letter N^o. 140 that We would have them make Advances to their Merchants in the usual manner and to acquaint them that if they chuse it they may receive the money here.

Ballance due to Mr. Calland as Acco. Curt. to be paid.

Pursuant to an order of Consultation the 20th. Instant an Account is now laid before the Board, stated by the Accountant in the manner then directed, of M^r. Callands Receipts and Disbursements at Ingeram exclusive of the Cloth purchased by him Ballance in his favour One thousand three hundred and Ninety two Pagodas thirteen fanams and sixty one Cash (1392-13-61) ORDER'D that the same be paid him and that the Account be enterd hereafter.

Account Sale of Broad Cloth.

The Import Warehousekeeper lays before the Board (as enter'd hereafter) an Account Sale of Forty eight Bales of Broad Cloth sold the 23^d. Instant at near twenty two ₹ Cent advance on the Invoice Price.

Batta on Pagodas paid in.

The President as Cash Keeper pays in Forty thousand fanams (40,000) amounting at the rate of thirty six fanams to the Pagoda to One thousand One hundred and eleven Pagodas four fanams being the difference of Batta on the Exchange of ten thousand Pagodas into fanams this Month at the rate of Forty fanams ₹ Pagoda and brought to Account at the rate of thirty six fanams ₹ Pagoda.

Money paid in by the Imp^t. Ware Ho. Kr.

Henry Powney Import Warehousekeeper pays in Two thousand Pagodas (2000) on his running Account.

Sea Customer.

Henry Powney Sea Customer pays in Two thousand Pagodas (2000) on his running Account.

Land Customer.

Henry Powney Land Customer pays in Three hundred and three Pagodas twenty three fanams and fifty five Cash (303-23-55) for the November Ballance of that Account.

Renter of Mannamangalum.

Mahomed Ayer Cawn Renter of Mannamangalum pays in Six thousand five hundred Pagodas (6500) in full for six Months Rent of that Farm due the 31st. July last when the Cowle expired.

Beetle & Tobacco.

Sunca Vencaty Ramah Beetle and Tobacco Farmer pays in Nine hundred and thirty three Pagodas twelve fanams (933-12-) in full for One Months Rent of that Farm due the 12th. Instant.

6 Mos. Pension to the Widow & Brother of the Poonamallee Killedar to be paid.

ORDER'D that six months of the Pension of One thousand Pagodas ₹ Annum settled on the Widow & Brother of the late Killedar of Poonamallee due the 1st. January be paid them.

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AGREED that the following Advances be made Viz^t.

To the Commissary Thirty thousand (30000) Rupees for the Charges of the Troops abroad. Advances to
the
Commissary

To the Paymaster Sixteen thousand (16000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ. Paymaster

To the Military Paymaster Six thousand (6000) Pagodas for the Charges of that Employ. Military
Paym^r.

AND to Cheppermall Chittee and Servannah Chittee Twenty thousand Pagodas (20,000) on account of the Investment. Chepper-
maul Chittee
& Servannah
Chittee
Account the
Investmt.

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
HENRY POWNEY.
ROBERT ORME.
JOHN SMITH.
CH^s. BOURCHIER.

FORT ST. GEORGE 31st DECEMBER 1757.

THE HON'BLE COMPANY. THEIR ACCOUNT WITH JOHN CALLAND.

DR. 1757	
Febry. 28 th .	To Sundry Disbursements on the Honble Company's Acco ^t . as per his General Account for this Month 823 17 31
March 31	To Ditto 813 2 16
April 30	To Ditto. As it appears in the following manner (The Acc ^t . for this month being lost). The Company owe M ^r . Calland by the close of the March Account Pagodas 112-21-72 and at the beginning of May 1738-9-69 so that in the month of April M ^r . Calland must have expended more than any Receipts which he may have made in that Month and which he computes at about 30 Pagodas 625 23 77
May 30	To Disbursements as per his General Account deduct for the following 6576 35 77 Cloth purchased. 5710 30 48

		CR.
1757		
Febry. 28 th .	By Cash received as per General Account	1463 1 78
March 31	By D ^o . D ^o	60 31 77
		1523 33 75

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1757-19A

Charges	128	1	17			
Washing						
&c ^t .						
Goods for	84	—	—			
packing.	<hr/>			5922	31	65
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					654	4 12
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PAGODAS	2916	11 56
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FORT ST. GEORGE,
31ST. DECEMBER 1757.

ROBERT ORME,
Accomp^t.

ERRORS EXCEPTED.

JOHN CALLAND.

By Ballance now to be						
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ACCOUNT SALE OF THE HONBLE COMPANY'S BROAD CLOTH BY PUBLICK OUTCRY ON THE USUAL TERMS VIZ.

The time of Sale.	Quality of the Goods.	Lot or Quantity.	Invoice Price.	Price put up at.	Price sold at.	Amount of each Lot.	To whom sold.
23 ^d . December 1757.	Broad Cloth } Aurora. Ord ^y . Em ^d . Green. Blue. D ^o . ..	4 Bales.	P. 369 12 —	P. 425 — —	..	Pag ^a . 452 — —	Narrain.
	D ^o . ..	4	..	..	..	454 — —	Numshevah Chit-tee.
	D ^o . ..	4	..	..	..	452 — —	Tagapah Chittee.
	D ^o . ..	4	..	..	..	451 — —	Numshevah Chit-tee.
	D ^o . ..	4	..	..	..	451 — —	Bussovapah Chit-tee.
	D ^o . ..	4	..	..	..	449 — —	Pettum Tombee Chittee.
	D ^o . ..	4	..	..	..	449 — —	Numshevah Chit-tee.
	D ^o . ..	4	..	..	..	449 — —	Bussovapah Chit-tee.
	D ^o . ..	4	448 — —	Pettum Tombee Chittee.
	D ^o . ..	4	446 — —	Arnagady Chittee.
	D ^o . ..	4	448 — —	Aurava Pillah.
	D ^o . ..	4	449 — —	Ditto.
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Imp^t. Ware H^o. K^r.

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LIST OF INHABITANTS, COMPANYS SERVANTS NOT UNDER COVENANT, FREE MERCHANTS AND OTHERS AT FORT ST. GEORGE ANNO 1757.

Mon.	Time of Arrival.	Ships they came out on.	Whether with or without the Companys Licence.	Married Women.	Widow.
Nicholas Morse ..	29 th . July 1753	Elizabeth ..	Free Merchant	Jane Morse ..	Hannah Greenhaugh.
George Mackay ..	August 1738	Duke of Cumberland.	D ^o	Frances Boddam ..	Mary Powney.
Andrew Ross ..	17 June 1752	Colchester ..	D ^o	Ann Bouchier ..	Phabe Graham.
William Roberts..	6 July 1750	Lena	D ^o	Martha Pybus ..	Antonia de Madeiros.
John Worthington Turner.	7 July 1754	York	D ^o . Gone to Manilha	Emelia Vansittart ..	Phillis Hopkins.
Francis Barnowall.	7 August 1754	Norfolk	D ^o	Mary Smith ..	Ann Walton.
Peter Mariette ..	7 July 1754	York	D ^o	Mary Stone ..	Mary Munro.
Walton Steevens..	9 May 1756	Delawar	D ^o	Mary French ..	Mary Northleigh].
Solomon Salomons.	29 July 1739	Grantham ..	D ^o	Ann Innes ..	[Ann Dednan].
Solomon Franco ..	30 September 1743	Princess of Wales to Bbay.	D ^o	Rachael Beaver.	
[Joseph Moses] ..	1 July 1755	Eastcourt ..	D ^o	Emelia Smith.	
[Samuel De Castro].	4 July 1749	Britannia ..	D ^o	Frances Rumbold.	
David [Lopes Fernandes].					
Daniel DeCosta ..	6 Septem ^r . 1757	Boscawen ..	D ^o	Mary Turing.	
Edward Burman..	14 July 1736	Grantham ..	With the Companys Licence	Elizabeth Lamb.	
Peter Downes ..	5 October 1750	Benjamin to Bengal.	D ^o	Sarah Mackay.	
Thomas Savage ..	24 Sept ^r . 1740	Durrington ..	Without the Companys Licence	Leonora Jackson.	
George Smith ..	15 May 1754	S ^t . George ..	D ^o . in China ..	....
William Ormston.	1750 ..	Prince Edward.	D ^o . at Sea ..	....
Thomas Powney..	12 June 1750	Hardwicke ..	With the Companys Licence, Commander of the Companys Ship Duke at Bengal.	

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LIST OF INHABITANTS, ETC.—cont.

Men.	Time of Arrival.	Ships they came out.	Whether with or without the Companys Licence.	Unmarried women.	Children,
George Baker ..	1748	Porto Bello sloop.	Came out Chief mate now Master of the Compys. Sloop Cuddalore.	Honorio Sommer-ville.	..
Matthew Lynch ..	1749	Via Manilha ..	Without the Companys Licence gone to Manilha.	Ann Sommerville ..	Henry Vansittart.
Robert Jackson ..	.. ..	..	Without the Companys Licence at sea ..	Elizabeth Morse ..	Arthur Vansittart.
Francis Taylor ..	1747	Tryal Sloop to Bengal.	Master of that Vessel-gone to Manilha ..	{ Frances } de la Mettrie	{ John Pyous.
John de Morgan ..	11 July 1710 ..	Bouvery ..	In the Military	Jane de Morgan ..	Joyn Thomas Beaver.
Peter Eckman ..	August 1706 ..	Phoenix ..	Do	Sarah Hopkins ..	William Smith.
John Standard ..	31 st . December 1716.	Sarum ..	By Governour Boones Permission ..	..	Mary Boddam.
John Spratt ..	1748	Winchelsea ..	Surgeon of that Ship when stranded ..	..	Anne Pyous.
Hamilton Parkin-son.	.. ..	..	Do. at Sea ..	..	Margaret Aurora Munro.
John Line ..	8 July 1752 ..	Admiral Vernon.	Without the Companys Licence now Companys Carpenter.	..	Grace Mary Demare.
Christopher Macklin.	16 April 1746 ..	Princess Mary ..	Taken Prisoner by the French now head Bricklayer.	..	Ann Jane Beaver.
Samuel Troutback.	14 Nov ^r . 1719 ..	King George ..	Shipwreck'd near Sadras & remain'd in India.	..	Mary Turing.
Hendrick Smith ..	7 July 1741 ..	Cæsar ..	In the Military .. ..	..	..
Ralph Taylor ..	12 June 1750 ..	Hardwicke ..	With the Companys Licence .. ..	..	..
John de Ross ..	.. ..	..	Without the Company's Licence employ'd in the Powder Works.	..	..
James Jones ..	.. ..	..	....	..	..
Barnard Henry
The Reverend	{ Mr. Fabritius } { Mr. Breithaupt }	Danish Missionaries.			

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LIST OF THE HONBLE COMPANY'S COVENANT SERVANTS OF CHOROMANDEL ANNO 1757.

Persons Names.	Time of Arrival.	Commence- ment of Rank.	Station at Arrival.	Salary at Arrival.	Present Station.	Present Establish- ment.	Present Appoint- ment.	Salary.	Gratuity.	Age.
George Pigot Esq ^r .	26 July 1737 ..	..	Writer ..	£ 5	Governour ..	Fort S ^t . George.	President of the Council, Cash Keeper & Mint Master.	£ 200	100	38
Robert Clive ..	1756 ..	..	D ^y . Governour.	100	2 ^d of Council ..	Fort S ^t . David.	Deputy Gov ^r ., at present Comman- der of the Troops at Bengal.	100	..	33
Henry Powney..	7 August 1736..	..	Writer ..	5	3 of D ^o . ..	Fort S ^t . George.	Import Ware H ^o .K ^r . Sea Customer & Land Customer.	70	..	40
Robert Orme ..	12 September 1754.	..	7 th . of Coun- cil.	40	4 of D ^o . ..	D ^o . ..	Exp ^t . Ware H ^o .K ^r . Accomp ^t . & Com- missary to keep the Acc ^t s. with the Nabob.	50	..	31
Charles Boddam.	13 March 1737..	..	Writer. ..	5	5 of D ^o . ..	D ^o. ..	..	40	..	40
Alexander Wynch.	15 August 1740.	..	D ^o . Enter- taind.	5	6 of D ^o . ..	Fort S ^t . David..	Cash Keeper & Accountant.	40	..	36
William Perce- val.	18 January 1745 /6.	..	Factor d ^o .	15	7 of D ^o. ..	..	Prisoner on Parole at Bengal.	40	..	52
John Smith ..	15 August 1740.	..	Writer ..	5	8 of D ^o . ..	Fort S ^t . George.	Paymaster. Military Paymaster & Storekeeper.	40	..	33
Charles Bouch- ier.	30 December 1741.	..	D ^o . ..	5	9 of D ^o . ..	D ^o . ..	Military Storek ^r ., Rental General & Seavinger.	40	..	29
Edward Croke..	18 Janry. 1708..	..	E ^t	Fort S ^t . David.	Superannuated	200	25

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Persons names.	Time of Arrival.	Commence- ment of Rank.	Station at Arrival.	Salary at Arrival.	Present Station.	Present Establishment.	Present Appointment.	Salary.	Gratuity.	Age.
John Walsh ..	20 June 1743 ..	20 June 1743.	Writer ..	£ 5	Sen ^r . Merch ^t . ..	Fort S ^t . George.	Upper Searcher of the Sea Gate, at present Paym ^r . on the Bengal Expedi- tion.	40	..	31
John Andrews ..	d ^o . d ^o . ..		D ^o . Enter ^d .	5	D ^o. ..	..	Prisoner on Parole at Bengal.	40	..	43
John Pybus ..	28 d ^o . d ^o . ..		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o. ..	..	.....	40	..	30
Hugh Norris ..	1 December 1744.	1 Decem ^r . 1744.	D ^o . ..	5	D ^o . ..	Fort S ^t . David..	Paymaster, Export & Imp ^t . Ware- H ^o K ^r .	40	..	29
Henry Vansit- tart.	5 Novem ^r . 1746.	8 October 1746.	D ^o . ..	5	D ^o . ..	Fort S ^t . George.	Secretary to the Select Committee, Transl- ator and under Search ^r . of the Sea Gate.	40	30	25
Richard Fair- field.	8 October 1746.		..	D ^o . ..	5	D ^o . ..	Fort S ^t . David..	Secretary, Storek ^r . & & Military Storek ^r .	40	..	27
Samuel Ardley.	28 Septem ^r . 1753	28 April 1749.	Factor ..	15	D ^o . ..	Fort S ^t . George.	Under the Land Customer & Register of the Choultry.	40	..	31
Robert Sloper ..	8 d ^o . 1749 ..	8 Sept ^r . 1749.	D ^o . Enter ^d .	15	D ^o . ..	Fort S ^t . David..	Sea & Land Customer of Cuddalore.	40	..	54
Edward Edw- ards.	d ^o . d ^o . ..		D ^o .	15	D ^o . ..	Fort S ^t . George.	Assay Master.	40	80	32
Charles Turner.	14 February 1747.	8 Oct ^r . 1746..	Writer ..	£ 5	Sen ^r . Merchant.	Fort S ^t . George.	.....	40	—	25
Thomas Heath.	8 June 1742 ..	8 June 174 ..	D ^o . ..	5	Jun ^r . d ^o .	..	Prisoner on Parole at Bengal.	30	—	29

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Josias Du Pre'. 10 June 1752 ..	} 10 June 1752.	Factor ..	15	D°.	..	Fort St. George.	Secretary Solicitor Clerk of the Peace & Clerk of the Appeals.	30	145	36
James Alexan- der. 8 July 1752 ..		D°.	15	D°.	..	D°.	Sub Accomptant & Bookk ^r . of Depo- sites from the Mayors Court.	30	120	27
John Smith .. 10 Aug ^t . d° ..		D°.	15	D°.	..	D°.	Under Paymaster ..	30	—	48
John Lewin Smith. 10 d° d° ..		D°.	15	D°.	..	D°.	Prisoner on Parole at Fort St. George.	30	—	31
Andrew New- ton. 17 June d° ..		D°.	15	D°.	..	Fort St. David..	Ditto at Fort St. David.	30	—	29
Daniel Morse .. 28 July d° ..	D°.	15	D°.	..	Fort St. George.	Register of the Mayors Court.	30	20	23	
John Call	1 Janry 1751.	Writer Ent ^d .	5	Factor	..	D°.	Assistant Engineer ..	15	144	25
George Stratton. 17 June 1751 ..	} 27 th May 1751.	D°.	5	D°.	..	D°.	Register of the Sea Gate & Clerk to the Court of Requests.	15	£19- s. 4	23
Philip Francis Greenslate. 27 May d° ..		D°.	5	D°.	..	D°.	.....	15	—	24
George Dawson. 11 July d° ..		D°.	5	D°.	..	Fort St. David..	Under the Pay- master.	15	—	[23]
[Marmaduke Best.] 7 July d° ..		..	..	..	..	..	Prisoner on Parole at Fort St. George.	15	—	[24]
Mathew Clarke. D° d° ..		D°.	5	D°.	..	Fort St. George.	Clerk to the Commit- tee of Treasury.	15	—	23
James Bour- chier. 12 June 1751 ..	} 12 June 1751.	Writer Enter'd.	5	D°.	..	Deve Cotah ..	Chief	15		25
Henry Brooke.. 9 August 1751.		D°.	5	D°.	At Puliacat by order of the Secret Com- mittee.	15		29
John Carey .. D° d°		D°.	5	D°.	Under the Accompt- ant.	15		21

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John Calland ..	7 July 1751 ..	12 June 1751.	Writer	5	Factor ..	Fort St. David..	Prisoner on Parole at	15		22
Thomas Maun- sell.	9 August d°.		D° ..	5	D° ..	..	Commissary to the	15		23
Richard Brickenden.	12 June 1752 ..	..	D° ..	5	D° ..	Fort St. George.	Assistant	15		24
Claud Russell ..	17 d° d° ..		D° ..	5	D° ..	Deve Cotah ..	.....	15		24
George Dolben.	12 June 1752 ..	12 June 1752.	D° ..	5	D° ..	Fort St. George.	Prisoner on Parole at	15		24
John Perceval..	3 August D°.		D° ..	5	D° ..	..	Lieutenant	15		22
Thomas Rumbold.	12 June D°.	D° ..	5	D° ..	..	Captain	15		22	
George Pyne ..	24 July 1753 ..	4 th May 1753.	D° ..	5	Writer ..	Fort St. George.	Under the Secretary.	5		25
Charles Smith.	11 July D° ..		D° ..	5	D° ..	D° ..	D°	5		22
Alexander Dalrymple.	11 May D° ..		D° ..	5	D° ..	D° ..	Under the Assay M ^r .	5	20	20
							Deputy Secretary Account ^t . General of the May ^{rs} . Court & Clerk to the Committee of Acc ^{ts} .			
John Davidson.	9 June D° ..	4 th May 1753.	D° ..	5	D° ..	D° ..	Under the Secretary to the Select Committee.	5		23
Samuel Johnson.	8 D° 1754 ..		D° ..	5	D° ..	D° ..	D°	5		20
James Carmick.	15 August D°.	8 June 1754.	D° ..	5	D° ..	D° ..	Under the Accompt- ant.	5		32
William Aldersy.	8 June D° ..		D° ..	5	D° ..	D° ..	Under the Secretary to the Select Committee.	5		24
Robert Dowsett.	7 July D° ..		D° ..	5	D° ..	D° ..	D°	5		22

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John Palmer ..	9 June 1755 ..		D ^o . Entert ^d	5	D ^o	D ^o .	Under the Secretary.	5	—	28	
Thomas Kelsall.	9 D ^o . D ^o . ..		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	Fort S ^t . David.	Under the Accompt- ant.	5	—	21	
Charles Floyer.	D ^o . D ^o . ..		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	Fort S ^t . George.	Under the Secretary to the Select Committee.	5	—	20	
William Barker.	D ^o . D ^o . ..	} 9 June 1755.	D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	D ^o .	Under the Accompt- ant.	5	—	19	
Edward Raddon.	D ^o . D ^o . ..		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	Fort S ^t . David.	Under the Accompt- ant.	5	—	21	
Richard Cooke.	D ^o . D ^o . ..		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	D ^o .	Under the Secretary.	5	—	21	
John Maxwell	D ^o . D ^o . ..		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	Fort S ^t . George.	Under the Store- keeper.	5	—	23	
Stone.											
Archdale Palmer.	D ^o . D ^o . ..		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	D ^o .	Under the Accompt- ant.	5	—	24	
Abraham Browne.	9 June 1755 ..		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	D ^o .	Under the Export Ware H ^o K ^r .	5	—	22	
John Douglas ..	10 August d ^o . 10 August 1755.		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	D ^o .	Under the Secretary to the Select Com- mittee.	5	—	20	
James Hay ..	D ^o . 1756 ..	} 5 July 1756.	D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	D ^o .	Under the Export Ware H ^o K ^r .	5	—	22	
Alexander Leigh.	D ^o . D ^o . ..		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	D ^o .	[Under the Engineer].	5	—	20	
John Crawford.	D ^o . D ^o . ..		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	D ^o .	[Under the Import Ware H ^o . K ^r].	5	—	19	
Henry Parsons..	D ^o . D ^o . ..		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	D ^o .	[Under the Secretary to the Select Com- mittee].	5	—	18	
Thomas Lane ..	D ^o . D ^o . ..		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	D ^o .	Do. ..	5	—	19	
Thomas Hamilton.	5 July D ^o . ..		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	D ^o .	[Under the Secre- tary].	5	—	18	
William Steven- son.	10 August 1756.		D ^o . ..	5	D ^o	Fort S ^t . David..	Under the [Accompt- ant].	5	—	19	

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James Taylor ..	10 Aug ^t .	1756	Writer	£ 5	Writer	Fort S ^t . George.	Under the [Accompt- ant].	5	—	19	
Rich ^d . Fitzpa- trick.	Do.	D ^o .	D ^o .	5	D ^o .	Fort S ^t . David..	..	5	—	21	
Thomas Amph- lett.	5 July	..	D ^o .	5	D ^o .	D ^o .	Under the Deputy Gouverneur.	5	—	21	
The Reverend { M ^r . Samuel Stavely M ^r . Robert Palk }			Chaplains.		{ M ^r . Robert Turing M ^r . James Wilson }			Surgeons.			

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