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PREFACE.

THE consultations and diary of the council of Fort St. George for the calendar year 1683 are contained in a single manuscript volume in a fairly good state of preservation, numbered 8 in the Madras record-room. The book was not closed until the 17th January 1683-4 (1684), but such entries as relate to that year have, in accordance with the plan of the present series, been excluded. Some nominal and other lists which follow the original consultations belong rather to 1683 than to 1684; but as the manuscript of them was not written until December had expired, it has been considered better to regard them as part of the proceedings of the second twelvemonth.

Notes and an index of names and words have again been appended; the index is, to some small extent, a glossary as regards trivial points.

The following abbreviations which have been used may be noted:—

“N. and E., Vol. I, II, or III” for the series of “Notes on and Extracts from the Government records in Fort St. George,” published in 1871 and 1873;

“Madras selections, 4th series,” for the volume containing extracts from the consultations of 1681, published in December 1893;

“Madras consultations, No. I,” for the diary and consultation book of 1682, published this year;

“Hedges,” or “Diary,” for the diary of William Hedges, as edited for the Hakluyt Society by Mr. R. Barlow (chiefly), forming volume LXXIV of their publications.

The quotations from Alexander Hamilton are paged according to the second or London edition of 1744.

The system of transliteration is, as a rule, that adopted in official publications; but, as in “Madras consultations, No. I,” the circumflex has been used for a symbol to denote the long sound of certain English vowels, in preference to the acute accent which so often drops out in printing. In another twenty years such forms as Hoogley may have all but disappeared, but that time-honoured spelling has been preserved; and in some instances old-fashioned methods of rendering the names of other towns have been followed, as identification with factories mentioned in the consultations themselves is rendered easier by doing so.

The historical account of Fort St. George and the settlements dependent on it, from their foundation, to which reference was made in the preface to "Madras selections, 4th series," is still in an inchoate stage; it may eventually be printed as a small volume, separate from those containing yearly consultation and diary books.

I regret to find that I was altogether too sanguine in expecting to be able to send out a volume punctually every four months, and must abandon the idea, at any rate for the present; this, like the last number, is behind time. But it is still hoped that the rate of three a year, though at irregular intervals, will as a rule be preserved.

Some of the notes appended to the consultations may perhaps be regarded as travelling beyond their proper limits; it is difficult to draw the right line in every case, and where matters which do not relate to Fort St. George and its dependencies have been discussed in connection with the casual mention of places beyond the Madras agency, it has been in the attempt to make the notes more complete in themselves.

In spite of all endeavours to avoid mistakes, not a few inaccuracies, mis-writings, and mis-statements due to imperfect knowledge, have crept into previous volumes; for the sake of any who may use the series for reference, it has been thought desirable to correct some of these, and *addenda* and *corrigenda* will be found between the notes and the index.

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INTRODUCTION.

A BRIEF account of such events of the world outside Madras as had any bearing on the politics of Southern India in 1683 may make the following consultations clearer.

Mughal raid on the Concan.—Early in the spring the ¹ Mughal cavalry, under Ranmast Khan and Ruh-ullah Khan, again streamed down the mountain passes into the Concan. In the previous year they had descended, it would seem, to the south of the Malsej ghaut, and had ravaged the lands ² lying north of Panwel. This time the country to the west of Kalyan was the point of attack. The main pass from Junnar was ³ beset with Maratha forts, but farther north the hills sink more gently into the plain, and there unfrequented paths may have afforded opportunities for a silent descent. The country which lay between the foot of the mountains and Kalyan was a great granary of the Marathas, who used, as the saying went, themselves to ⁴ reap the crops sown by the villagers. The soil was not rich, but in all seasonable years would yield a plenteous harvest of tall millet and of chickpea, food for man and horse: a crop would have been cut in ⁵ February, and the stacks were therefore ready for transport to the granaries at ⁶ Kalyan and Dehir when Ranmast Khan came down. The historians of the day give few particulars of the incursion, but the methods pursued by the Mughal horse were uniform. As when Fryer passed through the same tract after a similar raid, the fodder and corn would have been carried off, and the cattle driven along by the side of the troop; the bazaars have been swept clear; the hamlets have been left "reeking" in their ashes; and as the horsemen rode off they would have completed their work by setting fire to any neighbouring woods which the inhabitants of the desolated village might have fled for shelter. It was not the intention of the Mughal leaders to measure themselves with Sambhoji, and, as in 1682, their forces were withdrawn as soon as he took the field. But the incursion was well timed and directed: the country was laid bare to the gates of Kalyan; and the Maratha chief was much crippled at a time when he stood in especial

¹ Grant Duff's History of the Marathas, I, p. 314.

² *Id.*, p. 311.

³ Fryer's New Account, p. 131.

⁴ *Id.*, p. 125.

⁵ Forbes's Oriental Memoirs, I, p. 210.

⁶ Fryer, pp. 124, 126.

⁷ *Id.*, p. 124.

need of means to prosecute his designs against the Portuguese. Since 1681 no revenue had been ⁸ received from the Maratha subahs of the south, as their income was found to be hardly sufficient for their own wants. But now Sambhoji's ministers could no longer refrain from making demands on them, and ⁹ before the year closed, the council at Fort St. George were begged by one of the subahdars to assist him in complying immediately with an urgent call for money to replenish the Maratha treasury, then still more emptied by the expenses of the war with the viceroy of Goa.

War between Sambhoji and the Portuguese.—In the previous year Sambhoji had succeeded in stifling his resentment against the English, but against the Portuguese it still burned hotly. As the ¹⁰ first showers of the summer monsoon were beginning to fall, he sat down to besiege Chaul. He soon found that against the ¹⁰ commanding castle with its strong fortifications his irregular forces, and his clumsy ¹¹ sakers and like pieces of ordnance, were of little avail. His father would in such a case have abandoned the siege and carried the war into the enemy's country. But with Sambhoji temper always rose superior to counsel: he ¹² continued to beleaguer Chaul, leaving his frontier open to the Portuguese. The viceroy remained inactive until the rains had ceased: then he marched into the Concan; his troops showed themselves as ¹³ proficient in predatory warfare as the Marathas themselves, and the country became a desert. Sambhoji now moved against the invading army, and, Maratha-like, ¹⁴ fell upon their rear. The viceroy was no general, and this manœuvre struck terror into him; a fort lay before him, the walls of which were actually breached in ¹⁵ three places, but instead of storming it, 'he fell back on Goa.' Sambhoji pressed hard on the retiring army; but the Portuguese made their way across the backwater before the flood-tide rose, and in attempting to improve their victory, two hundred Marathas, who had ¹⁶ rowed across, were cut to pieces.

⁸ Grant Duff, I, p. 319.

¹⁰ Grant Duff, I, p. 314.

¹⁰ Cf. Pietro della Valle ("... quel monte famoso ... signorregiante il porto, e la città tutta molto vicino, done in cima c'è vn forte Castello." (De' Viaggi, Roman edition of 1663, p. 107).

¹¹ Cf. Fryer, p. 137.

¹³ *Id.*, p. 314.

¹⁵ Orme's Historical fragments, Ed. 1782, p. 176.

⁹ p. 112 *infra*.

¹² Grant Duff, p. 318.

¹⁴ *Id.*, p. 315.

¹⁶ Grant Duff, I, p. 316.

Aurangzeb's march southwards.—While this fruitless campaign was in progress, Aurangzeb completed his plans for the subjugation of the Dekhan, and leaving Delhi marched slowly towards the south. He had already ¹⁷ sent his son, Sultan Mu'azzam, to Aurangabad to control the several Mughal subahs, and he now himself halted at ¹⁸ Burhanpur with a menacing army, the immense numbers and the splendour of which were magnified by popular rumour.

Aurangzeb's relations with the English.—Throughout 1683 there was much anxiety in the Bengal councils in regard to a demand for customs made by Aurangzeb's officers. In the reign of Shah-jahan, and in 1672 ¹⁹ charters had been granted to the English which freed their ships, boats and goods, of all duties. But in 1680 an order addressed to the Mughal officials at Surat either conflicted or seemed to conflict with those charters. The order in question as rendered into English was ambiguous: it imposed a duty on the goods of the Surat factors in combination with a poll-tax on the factors themselves as infidels, but whether the duty was to run elsewhere depended on the construction of two clauses. Certain words might in the ²⁰ English version be connected equally well with what went before them and with what followed, but in the one case the imposition was to be general, in the other it was to be confined to Surat. Which construction was intended, there is nothing to show. But whether there was a departure from the agreement or not, it is certain that the demand took the factors at Hoogley by surprise. Their objections were in part based on principle. They pointed out that no custom was really lost to the Mughal exchequer. For such commodities, they ²¹ said, as they bought in India and exported, the seller paid custom; for such as they imported, it was paid by the buyer; whilst as regarded precious metals brought out from home, there was already a special coinage duty at the mint. They did not care so much about the one and-a-half per cent. on account of the jazia or poll-tax: this they were willing to pay, and they would readily continue to give a benevolence of three thousand rupees a year; but they desired "to have a grant to be custome free; goe on chearfully and quietly with their Merchandize, and Warne their Heads with their Trade." The nawab

¹⁷ Grant Duff, I, p. 325.

¹⁸ *Ibid.*, pp. 319, 329-332.

¹⁹ Cf. extracts in Barlow's footnote to pp. 99-100 of Hedges's Diary.

²⁰ Cf. footnote to Hedges, pp. 100, 101.

²¹ Shāyistā Khān's letter to Aurangzeb's vazīr, in Hedges, p. 101.

of Dacca, Shayista Khan, was, however, by this time ²² old and doting: the comptroller of customs at Hoogley was ²³ powerful and insolent; and Hedges was too ready to place faith in any one who made glib promises of assistance. He negotiated ²⁴ in turn with the nawab, with the nawab's son-in-law, with the nawab's servants, with Aurangzeb's diwan, with the son of the diwan, with the chief writer of the diwan, with the comptroller; and, as might have been supposed, fell between so many stools.

It was expected that in the course of June, when a day which had been named as the last of forbearance arrived, there might be a crisis and necessity to assume the offensive. An ²⁵ application was therefore made to the government of Fort St. George for twenty soldiers with a corporal, to enable the council at Hoogley to "stand up" in their own defence and go aboard their sloops. The times were anxious, and on New Year's day Gryfford and his colleagues had ²⁶ resolved not to disband any of the Portuguese soldiers in their employ. The necessity at Hoogley, however, appeared to be imperative, and the detachment was ²⁷ despatched to the Bay as soon as possible.

Mutiny at Bombay.—The revolt of the Bombay garrison against the company's authority by chance accelerated the removal of the prohibitive dues imposed at Cuddalore and in its neighbourhood by the Maratha officials, but as the rebellion took place in the last week of December, the negotiations so successfully conducted by Captain Keigwin will be noticed in connection with the consultations of the following year.

Interlopers at home.—In 1682 as many as ²⁸ seven interloping vessels bound for India alone had sailed from English ports; and although for a time the court cherished the hope that these ventures would not pay the promoters, it soon became evident that if the contest between the chartered company and their rivals was to continue on the same terms, it would not be the free-traders who would be out of pocket. As one interloper after another anchored in the Thames, the ²⁹ varied and novel

²² Hedges, pp. 133, 141.

²³ *Id.*, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49.

²⁴ p. 1 *infra*.

²⁵ p. 36 *infra*.

²⁶ Cf. Court's letter to Hoogley, 3rd October 1684, in Haki. Soc., Vol. LXXVIII, p. xiv, and O.C., No. 5111 in Vol. LXXV, p. cxv.

²⁷ *Id.*, pp. 33, 133.

²⁸ Hoogley letter to Fort St. George, 27th February 1682-3 (1683), p. 33 *infra*.

²⁹ Haki. Soc., Vol. LXXVIII, p. xii.

goods in her hold were sold at a high profit. The court would gladly have seized the bales; but ³⁰ England was not India, and the law stood in the way. Unless, some ³¹ "trick to confiscate" the cargoes could be found, it was feared that all the endeavours of the company would "vanish into wind."

Sir Josia Child was not unequal to the occasion: he ³² scattered the guineas at home, and privately instructed his brother John to scatter the ³³ rupees in India. At home they were spent to good purpose. The king and the king's council were ³⁴ approached: his majesty was pleased to say that he was fully resolved to suppress the interlopers: the council suggested methods of suppression. One of these methods was ingenious. A complaint ³⁵ would be made to the king in council that an interloper bound to the East Indies was lying in the river: the king's advocate would then arrest the ship, and detain her until her owners gave security that they would not trade in the countries mentioned in the company's patent. No suit would be instituted in the court of admiralty, as it would then be open to the owners to move the king's bench to restrain the civil court as having transgressed the common law; and such a prohibition could hardly be refused. So long, however, as there was no suit, there could, it was held in the king's bench, be no prohibition: the arrest of the ship was not a matter of which they could take cognisance. At this stage the court would begin an ordinary action against the interlopers for wrong done: and while it was pending, the vessel and her goods would lie "at ³⁶ Wrack" in the Thames.

³⁷ Another method was to sue the owners for damages; and a third to institute criminal proceedings on the ground that by an infringement of the charter of the company a misdemeanour punishable by a fine had been committed.

³⁰ Cf. Court's letter to Surat, 20th July 1683, in Haki. Soc., Vol. LXXVIII, p. xiii.

³¹ O.C., No. 5111 in Haki. Soc., Vol. LXXV, p. cxv.

³² *Id.*; also Macaulay's History, Chap. XVIII:—"His bribes, distributed with judicious prodigality, speedily produced a large return."

³³ O.C. No. 5111.

³⁴ Court's letter to Surat, 20th July 1683, in Haki. Soc., Vol. LXXVIII, pp. xii, xiii.

³⁵ *Id.*, also Mr. Albert Gray's notes on pp. xix, xv of same volume.

³⁶ Court's letter to Fort St. George, 31st May 1683.

³⁷ Court's letter to Surat, 20th July 1683.

The first and second of these three methods of suppression were thought to be the most effectual, and in the spring of 1683 the court had resort to them with³⁸ twenty-five interlopers.

In the³⁹ Trinity term of 1683 what has been termed "the great case of monopolies" was brought in the king's bench against Thomas Sandys, owner of the *Expectation*, for trading to Achin, Masulipatam and Porto Novo. For the plaintiffs Holt, afterwards chief justice of the king's bench, was the leading counsel: the solicitor-general, Finch, and the attorney-general, Sir Robert Sawyer, followed on the same side. The defendant was represented by Sir George Treby and Pollexfen, — afterwards counsel for the seven bishops and eventually chief justices, — and by Williams. The case was argued at great length, and was adjourned from term to term: "Mr. Sandys," chief justice Jeffreys⁴⁰ observed, was "in very great haste," but the "zeal and transport of any particular person must not think to oblige" the judges to "go hand over head" in a case of so "great weight and moment." Six terms had run their course, and Charles II was in the last week of his life, when judgment was delivered: Holt's leading argument was based on a dictum by Sir Edward Coke to the effect that infidels were *perpetui inimici*: as the people of India were infidels, it followed that it was in the king's power to prohibit any of his subjects from trading with them unlicensed. Treby⁴¹ retorted that this was "a conceit absurd, monkish, phantastical and phanatical." The contention, however, was admitted by the judges, Walcot, Holloway and Jeffreys, although the decision that the grant to the plaintiffs of the sole trade to the East Indies, exclusive of others, was a good one, and that the action for damages was well brought, was mainly founded on doctrines relating to the law of nations as overriding common law.

It was notorious that Jeffreys was not given to argument. Yet on this occasion his judgment was as erudite as it was prolix: there was, Roger North⁴² thought, "somewhat extraordinary at bottom." Whether some of the guineas scattered about by Sir Josia Child had

³⁸ Court's letter to Surat, 20th July 1683.

³⁹ State Trials, Vol. 7, p. 555. On pages 493 and 497, the Trinity and Michaelmas terms have by accident been transposed. The heading above Jeffreys' judgment shows that the case was entered in the Trinity term, in which Holt's speech must have been delivered.

⁴⁰ State Trials, Vol. 7, p. 528.

⁴¹ State Trials, Vol. 7, p. 502.

⁴² North's Life of Gailford, Ed. 1808, II, p. 109.

reached Jeffreys, or whether other personages, who had benefited by the golden shower, had told the chief justice that he would receive payment in other kind, can only be conjectured. The fact that Jeffreys delivered his judgment in the⁴³ Hilary term of 1685, and that⁴⁴ one month after the expiration of the same term, letters patent conferring a barony upon him issued, may not be a mere coincidence. Tainted or not, the decision was one on which the governor and directors of the court had good reason to congratulate themselves.

Meanwhile, in the course of 1683, the initial steps in a⁴⁵ suit against Thomas Pitt and others interested in the *Crown* had been taken, but for some reason there was a sudden change of tactics: recourse was had to the third method of attacking interlopers, and after the accused had been kept some days in custody by the king's messengers they were⁴⁶ dismissed, each giving security to the amount of forty thousand pounds that he would appear to answer the king's suit when called on to do so.

Interlopers in South India.—On the Coromandel coast the struggle between the company's servants and the free-traders was not less severe than in England, and the Maratha and the Golconda officials were not slow in profiting by it.

On 29th January, a letter was received from the Conimere council⁴⁷ reporting the arrival of an interloping vessel, commanded by captain John Smith, at Porto Novo. Next day, it was determined to write to Willcox, the chief at the factory, "to⁴⁸ use all ways and means imaginable to frustrate the interlopers." In the event of a failure, agent Gyfford and Elihu Yale would, it was said, go down in person to "accommodate" the business with Gopala Pant, the local subahdar. Before this letter can have been despatched, a second communication⁴⁹ acquainted the council with the interlopers' intention to "settle a factory" at Cuddalore, and the⁵⁰ deputation of Ord, formerly a school-master and now one of the factors at Conimere, to treat with the havaldar of Porto Novo, was resolved upon.

The negotiations were advanced by an accident; a⁵¹ scuffle took place between the crew of the *Constantinople* and the diwan's peons:

⁴³ State Trials, Vol. 7, p. 555.

⁴⁴ Burke's Dormant and Extinct Peerage, p. 297.

⁴⁵ Court Book, 22nd June 1683.

⁴⁶ Court's letter to Surat, 20th July 1683.

⁴⁷ Id.

⁴⁸ p. 13 *infra*.

⁴⁹ p. 24 *infra*.

⁵⁰ p. 12 *infra*.

⁵¹ p. 15 *infra*.

one of the peons was killed, and two others were hurt; the adventurers were forced to escape on board, leaving one of their comrades behind them. In the letter from Ord which reported this brawl, hopes of an early and satisfactory settlement of the affair were expressed, but seven weeks elapsed before he could send an ⁵² agreement of the kind desired from Gopala Pant. Meanwhile ⁵³ Smith sailed up the coast to Covelon, twenty miles south of Madras.

Ord had made several promises on behalf of the government of Fort St. George, and amongst these was the re-establishment of a ⁵⁴ factory at Cuddalore. In ⁵⁵ March it had been resolved to take such a step, but April and May passed by without any action, and Gopala Pant ⁵⁶ concluded that the anxiety of the English had died a natural death on the departure of the interloper. He threatened to detain Ord and the native agent in his company until some other factors appeared in accordance with the agreement. Thus driven to carry out their part of the stipulation at once, the council of Fort St. George sent off Davis, already ⁵⁷ nominated as chief of the proposed settlement, to his station ⁵⁸ on 5th June, and a week later the first ⁵⁹ general or public letter was despatched from Cuddalore.

Rumours of the intention of the interlopers to establish trade at one place or another now became the order of the day. ⁶⁰ Virampattanam, Covelon, Armegom, Ramapattanam, Krishnapattanam, and Gangapattanam were in turn named as the chosen site. Fear began to magnify the numbers of the interlopers: "many ⁶¹ French, Dutch, and Interloping ships" had, the council wrote, arrived or were expected on the Coromandel coast. Expedient after expedient for defeating or seeming to defeat captain Alley and his fellows suggested itself. Every native official was ⁶² approached, besought, bribed, threatened: loans were offered, interest was excused: nothing was left untried which might induce support of the company. Polygot ⁶³ declarations against interlopers were set up and circulated. Special rewards and special punishments were devised for any inhabitants of Madras-pattanam who might have any correspondence or dealing with them. Such persons, so the declaration ran, were to be immediately and

disgracefully expelled with all their families and concerns, from the town and its liberties: their houses were to be confiscated and sold for the use of the company: the informers were to receive a third of the profits. To these precise threats, vague warnings were added.

About Covelon the contest with the free-traders was waged hotly. There a small rocky promontory, jutting out into the surf, acted as a natural breakwater, and afforded a ⁶⁴ smooth landing place in the spring and summer months of the year. Captain ⁶⁵ Alley was apparently impressed with the facilities for shipping and unshipping goods offered by the little headland, and made enquiries in regard to the trade in the neighbourhood. On hearing of this, Gyfford ordered the merchants to write to the havaldar of Covelon. The havaldar in replying suggested the establishment of a factory, and Gyfford determined to send an ⁶⁶ Englishman to reside at Covelon, "the better to secure it from the Interloper." Whether this was done or not does not appear; but as Alley and his friends carried it off with a high hand, wherever they went, and as not three months before the agent and council at Conimere had been so hard pressed that they were compelled to ⁶⁷ beg for a vessel to fetch away the goods in their godown, to prevent the free-traders from taking them, the adequacy of Gyfford's device for securing Covelon was questionable.

On 11th July ⁶⁸ word came that the interlopers had been swaggering about the place, abusing the merchants, beating their servants, and speaking scornful words of the company. An ⁶⁹ extraordinary council was summoned, and heroic measures were resolved on. Captain Richardson was ordered to call out twenty soldiers, to march to Covelon, to endeavour to surprise and seize the persons, goods and treasure, of such interlopers as might be found on shore, and to bring them to Fort St. George. But bloodshed was to be carefully avoided, and if the country-people took part with the interlopers, the country-people were not to be affronted. On the second morning, captain Richardson ⁷⁰ returned empty-handed: the heats of the July night on which he set out for Covelon had been broken by rain and storm; the detachment was long on the way, and the news of their coming went before them. The interlopers were either on board when he arrived, or on shore in

⁵² p. 32 *infra*.

⁵³ p. 25 *infra*.

⁵⁴ p. 35 *infra*.

⁵⁵ p. 47 *infra*.

⁵⁶ pp. 34, 81, 78 *infra*.

⁵⁷ p. 34 *infra*.

⁵⁸ p. 36 *infra*.

⁵⁹ *E.g.* pp. 49, 74, 75, 76, 81 *infra*.

⁶⁰ p. 34 *infra*.

⁶¹ pp. 25, 33 *infra*.

⁶² pp. 41, 48, 54 *infra*.

⁶³ pp. 68, 59 *infra*.

⁶⁴ Hamilton's New Account, Vol. I, p. 353.

⁶⁵ p. 49 *infra*.

⁶⁶ *Id.*

⁶⁷ p. 27 *infra*.

⁶⁸ p. 63 *infra*.

⁶⁹ p. 48 *infra*.

⁷⁰ p. 61 *infra*.

such force as to make the result of an encounter dubious; and he thought it best to let them alone.

Two soldiers were, it seems, left behind at Covelon, and about a week afterwards they⁷¹ reported to the captain that Smith, the commander of the interloper, had received news much to his satisfaction, and had hoisted a flag on his house in self-gratulation.

On 15th August captain Smith passed the fort, sailing northward: no doubt with the intention of joining Alley, who in the *Lumley Castle* had been visiting⁷² Pulicat, the neighbourhood of⁷³ Pettipolce, and other places along the coast. They met at Narsapur, and the arrival of their two vessels together at Balasore in the third week in September is⁷⁵ noticed by Hedges.

In August, the chief official at Carera [Karadu], north of Ramapattanam, sent⁷⁶ word that unless the company settled within his charge, he would entertain the interlopers. Promises were easy to make, and Gyfford was rarely slow in making them: it was agreed to say in reply to the message that a factory would be established at Carera "as soon as with o[on]venience."

The mission of Thomas Lucas, fourth in the council of Fort St. George, has next to be noticed. On 3rd July, news⁷⁷ came that captains Alley and Aubeny were at Pulicat, twenty-four miles north of Madras. Simultaneously a⁷⁸ letter from the Dutch at the same place was received, stating that the interlopers intended to settle at four towns in the country over which, in Lingappa's temporary absence, Sanganna was chief. Gyfford called together his colleagues, but night had fallen before they were all assembled in the council room. It was resolved to depute Lucas to Conjeveram [Kanchivaram] to negotiate with Sanganna for a written agreement to prevent the interlopers from settling or trading at any of the places named. Two mornings afterwards Lucas⁷⁹ started long before sunrise, carrying with him a bag with a thousand pagodas in it, to be spent in one way or another in damaging the interlopers.

Lucas appears to have been in advance of his times in suffering from the *scribendi cacoethes*, a failing not then common. In the space of two months he wrote not less than thirty-three letters to Fort St.

⁷¹ p. 68 *infra*.

⁷² Metchlepatam (Masulipatam) consultations, Vol. I, p. 109.

⁷³ Hedges, p. 116.

⁷⁴ *Id.*

⁷⁵ p. 54 *infra*.

⁷⁶ p. 72 *infra*.

⁷⁷ p. 55 *infra*.

⁷⁸ p. 88 *infra*.

⁷⁹ p. 54 *infra*.

George, and there⁸⁰ were occasions when he despatched two and even three on the same day. His success was however by no means commensurate with his activity in reporting progress. On his arrival he heard that⁸¹ several persons, Portuguese and others, in Madras were concerned with the interlopers. Before long⁸² he sent for snuff and pills to propitiate Sanganna, and⁸³ then for as many pieces of eight, cut into halves and quarters, as would make up a hundred pagodas, to be spent apparently in making minute bribes. About the middle of August he⁸⁴ arrived, as he thought, at some definite issue. Sanganna promised to obtain a charter from the sovereign of Golconda to turn away interlopers, provided that a present of six thousand pagodas was forthcoming; and after the Indian fashion Lucas and he⁸⁵ set their signatures to agreement and counterpart.

Meanwhile the council of Fort St. George had been endeavouring to attain their object by negotiations conducted through their native agent at Abu-I-hasan's capital. Their representative, a Brahman who did not, it would seem, possess any special influence at the court of Golconda, ⁸⁶sought admission at the house of Akkanna, the chief minister's brother, but Akkanna would hear nothing unless the path to his good favour was paved with a substantial present. If as much as five tons weight of copper was presented, he would be ready to listen to what the agent had to say on behalf of the company. His answer was reported to the council at Madras, but they were slow in making up their minds; and before long news came that a charter permitting the interlopers to settle in the country of the Golconda Sovereign had been granted. In desperation at this untoward event, Gyfford now⁸⁷ agreed to give the copper, and to add, if it would help, a bag of money as an inducement to Akkanna to befriend the chartered company and to turn away the free-traders. Two days later, a⁸⁸ remittance of five hundred pagodas was made for distribution among influential persons at Golconda. A⁸⁹ piece of fine cloth was sent to Akkanna's uncle; and letters, probably of a complimentary kind, were⁹⁰ addressed to Akkanna, his uncle and the sarkle.

Enough had now been done, even Gyfford began to think, in the way of satisfying the clamorous demands for gratifications; and when

⁸⁰ Cf. pp. 78, 84 *infra*.

⁸¹ p. 69 *infra*.

⁸² p. 74 *infra*.

⁸³ *Id.*

⁸⁴ p. 58 *infra*.

⁸⁵ p. 75 *infra*.

⁸⁶ p. 75 *infra*.

⁸⁷ p. 78 *infra*.

⁸⁸ p. 64 *infra*.

⁸⁹ p. 84 *infra*.

⁹⁰ p. 76 *infra*.

the diwan at Golconda said plainly that if the government at Fort St. George ⁹⁰ expected the dismissal of the interlopers, they should offer as many pagodas to effect that object as the interlopers had offered for their entertainment, it was resolved, after "serious" debate, not to comply with these unreasonable demands or "there would never be an end of their expectations."

On the morning of 12th November a ⁹¹ messenger came down with a charter from Golconda, and ⁹² in the afternoon "at four a Clock the "Agent & Councill (being attended with the factors & Writers, the "Comp^{as} Merchants & Two-Company's of Soldiers) went to the Hon^{ble} "Comp^{as} new Garden to receive the King of Golcondah's Phirmaund. "after which, at the drinking the King of Golcondah's health, there "was fired three Volleys of Small Shott, & 31 great Gunns. . . ."

This ceremony ended, the messenger was invited to come into the fort: Gyfford toasted Madana and his brother, and a last volley resounded. Then the charter, which probably none there could read, was given to the translators.

A week afterwards the ⁹³ translation was brought before the council. The contents of the document were found to be very different from what had been expected. Letters from Lingappa and Sanganna, which had been received on the same day as the charter, threw more light on the subject. The Golconda court had no intention, it seemed, of making general promises about the interlopers: the amount of profit on the trade of the country, as calculated in the diwan's books, was the point to be looked at; and ⁹⁵ Madana said that he would act on no other consideration. There was, by this time no doubt that the interlopers had been granted a charter permitting them to establish factories within Abu-l-hasan's kingdom. That received by Gyfford secured the company, indeed, against competition within a certain area, but this was all: beyond the boundary of Lingappa's government, the interlopers would be free to buy and sell, and to injure the servants of the court. The promise to pay six thousand pagodas to the diwan, and a thousand more to Lingappa and Sanganna as a present, had of course been made on the understanding that the prohibition against interlopers would embrace the whole of the kingdom of Golconda: it was quite another thing to have to disburse such a large sum for such limited

concessions. Moreover, it now became apparent for the first time that Lucas had been hoodwinked, and that the pills and snuff and quarter pieces of eight had been bestowed in vain. In August he had ⁹⁶ written in a vague way that Sanganna was beginning "to fly off from the obligation he had given." But in the following month, when he returned to Madras, he claimed to ⁹⁷ have "defeated" the interlopers. Now as he sat in the council room with his colleagues, ⁹⁸ the whole truth, it would seem, came out. All along Sanganna had promised to procure him a deed which should apply to the whole kingdom, but when the agreement between the two parties was brought up for signature, he suddenly told Lucas that they intended to interpret the charter as relating only to the country of which Lingappa held charge. Lucas remonstrated, on which Sanganna said that he must decide without further reference to Fort St. George: he was resolved, Lucas saw, to "put a period to the business one way or other at that very present." Lucas was forced, or as with a nice sense of discrimination, the consultation of the day words it, said he was forced, to sign. Had he not done so, the interlopers would have been permitted to settle at the very place where the negotiations had been proceeding.

To the agitated and evidently indignant agent and councillors only one thing appeared to be clear: they must use their "utmost endeavours to avoid the payment" of the six thousand pagodas; and a resolution to this effect was passed before they separated.

In a letter ⁹⁹ written on 8th December, Sanganna, on behalf of the diwan, peremptorily demanded payment of the stipulated sum. He had performed, he said, his part of the contract: it was time for the English to perform theirs.

In case the council at Fort St. George might be disposed to procrastinate any longer in fulfilling their obligation, other steps were taken. Lingappa sent an ¹⁰⁰ agent to receive the pagodas; and goods on their way to the English factory were ¹⁰¹ stopped. The time for despatching the ships to England was now approaching: the sales on which an embargo had been placed should already have been stacked in the Madras godown: any further hindrances on the part of Sanganna might be of "very bad consequence," even if he did not go to the length of besieging

⁹⁰ p. 93 *infra*.

⁹⁵ p. 105 *infra*.

⁹¹ p. 101 *infra*.

⁹⁴ p. 102 *infra*.

⁹² p. 102 *infra*.

⁹⁵ p. 105 *infra*.

⁹⁶ p. 75 *infra*.

⁹⁷ p. 116, 122 *infra*.

⁹⁸ p. 85 *infra*.

¹⁰⁰ 120 *infra*.

⁹⁹ pp. 105, 109 *infra*.

¹⁰¹ p. 122 *infra*.

ing the fort. So it was best, Gyfford now thought, to yield. A bad bargain might be made perhaps to appear better if the court of directors could be told that the surrender of some goods belonging to the interlopers had preceded the actual payment of the six thousand pagodas, and that the scanty results of the long negotiations were at any rate secure. A ¹⁰² document was drawn up with this object in view: the signatories engaged to receive the pagodas on Sanganna's behalf, but not to hand them over to him until the goods of the interlopers were surrendered or sold to the government of Fort St. George, or in some way put out of the reach of the owners; they also promised to procure within the next six months an apparently superfluous cowle from Lingappa "for all his country." The main point was thus conceded by Gyfford and his council. The year ended with the document unsigned, but early in January 1684 the sureties, not however without first raising some ¹⁰³ more "scruples," set their ¹⁰⁴ hands and seals to it.

Composition of the Fort St. George council.—William Gyfford continued to preside over the council. His health seems to have been indifferent, as there are ¹⁰⁵ frequent references to attacks of illness which incapacitated him from holding consultations. Before the close of the year a ¹⁰⁶ commission appointing him "President and Governor of all the English East India Company's affairs upon y^e Coast of Choro-mandel and in y^e Bay of Bengala" issued from Leadenhall Street, but as the *Loyal Resolution*, which carried the commission to Fort St. George, did not reach her destination until ¹⁰⁷ 16th June following, this incident belongs rather to 1684.

On 12th February, a ¹⁰⁸ letter from the court, bearing no other signature than that of the governor, Sir Josia Child, was received, in which orders were given for the dismissal of Timothy Wilkes from his place of second in council. No ¹⁰⁹ whispers of unfaithfulness on his part had come to the ears of the directors, and this was much in such times of suspicion. But for some years there had been much anger in the mind of their autocratic chairman in regard to the style of the general or public

letters from Fort St. George. The communications penned in the latter part of Sir William Langhorn's tenure of the agency had ¹¹⁰ been "voluminous in words, and haughty, vaine, and unmanerly expressions," and those from Streynsham Master and his colleagues were considered to be equally indecent and insulting. "Wee must note to you," the directors ¹¹¹ wrote in 1679, "that it is very Strange and monstrous that severally in your particular Letters to us as private persons you Should write with soe much deference and Obsequiousness as wee neither desire nor expect, and yet to the Court in Generall should address yourself in such an affronting and unmerchable Stile, as becomes not any man of breeding to write to his equall. Wee shall conclude this paragraph with telling you that no man living in our Service, whatever he be, shall write to us such kinde of language again with Impunity."

The thought of these communications still rankled in the memory of Sir Josia Child; and when it came to the notice of the court that one of Streynsham Master's colleagues would step into the place of second in council on the ¹¹² dismissal of Bridger, and might therefore in the event of Gyfford's absence from Fort St. George, or of his death, succeed for a time to the agency, their chairman determined to interfere. "We are resolved," he ¹¹³ wrote, "(*ex.mpli gratia*) that noe person who was in y^e fault or misfortune of setting his hand to any of those letters, shall ever arrive at y^e hono^r of being trusted in y^e head of our affayres." Timothy Wilkes was to be dismissed from his seat, but in recognition, seemingly, of his high character, he was to be offered the place of third in council. Wilkes was not ¹¹⁴ content to serve on these terms, and "quitted himself" of the company's service.

On 7th June 1683, Thomas Lucas ¹¹⁵ arrived, and two days afterwards he ¹¹⁶ took his place as fourth in council. He was absent from Madras for about two months on the mission of which an account has been given above; and in the last week in December he ¹¹⁷ received orders to proceed to Madapollam as chief at that factory but with ¹¹⁸ a

¹⁰² pp. 122, 123 *infra*.

¹⁰³ Fort St. George consultations, 3rd January 1683-4 (1684).

¹⁰⁴ *Id.*, 9th January 1683-4 (1684).

¹⁰⁵ Cf. index *infra*.

¹⁰⁶ Fort St. George consultations, 12th June 1684.

¹⁰⁷ Court's letter to Fort St. George, 26th May 1682.

¹⁰⁸ 29th December 1683.

¹⁰⁹ p. 17 *infra*.

¹¹⁰ Court's letter to Fort St. George, 3rd January 1678-9 (1679).

¹¹¹ *Id.*

¹¹² Madras consultations, I, p. 49.

¹¹³ Court's letter to Fort St. George, 26th May 1682.

¹¹⁴ p. 17 *infra*.

¹¹⁵ p. 41 *infra*.

¹¹⁶ *Id.*

¹¹⁷ p. 123 *infra*.

¹¹⁸ *Id.*

¹¹⁹ p. 21 *infra*.

lien on his seat at Fort St. George. Henry Mose held the secretaryship¹¹⁹ until 8th March, when John Stables displaced him.

Factories.—A factory was again opened at¹²⁰ Cuddalore¹²¹ *cum* Porto Novo. The¹²² other settlements existing were those at Madapollam, Masulipatam, Pettipolee, Vizagapatam and Conimere. The staff at Madapollam was the strongest in numbers and consisted of a chief, three factors and as many writers.

Miscellaneous matters—Want of money.—The scarcity of cash throughout the year was a source of much trouble, and the difficulty of carrying on the administration and meeting the calls of the minor factories was heightened by some extraordinary circumstances. In pursuance of the plan of campaign against the interlopers, the court had ordered¹²³ extensive and varied investments to be made. Notice was given to the several settlements, and the merchants bought largely: there was general activity for a time, greater expenditure, and consequently a drain on the treasury of Fort St. George. The calls from other factories could no longer be met without emptying the exchequer. In June it was resolved to borrow¹²⁴ twenty thousand pagodas, at ten per cent. if no better terms could be had. It was felt that unless this was done, there was not only certainty that the success of the investments would be retarded, but also danger that the merchants, disappointed in disposing of their goods, would traffic with the interlopers.

The strain, however, still continued. In ordinary course it should have been counteracted when the ships from England with their supplies of bullion arrived in the Madras roads. But in the autumn of 1682 and in 1683, the money market in London was convulsed. There was an¹²⁵ unparalleled failure of credit, and the company could no longer obtain gold and silver for export to their factories; the proceeds of the March sales had to be appropriated to the discharge of debts; the proprietors of East India stock received no dividends; and it was resolved that¹²⁶ no bullion should be sent to India until all liabilities were paid off. This last decision was indeed modified to some extent, as the *Josia* brought out¹²⁷ some gold. But in 1683 the vessels were long on their way: they met contrary breezes, and there was¹²⁸ much sickness on

¹¹⁹ pp. 33, 34, 35 & 36 *infra*. ¹²¹ p. 103, *infra*.

¹²⁰ pp. 42, 44, 45 *infra*. ¹²² p. 44 *infra*.

¹²³ Court's letter to Fort St. George, 2nd April 1683.

¹²⁷ 101 *infra*.

¹²⁸ p. 99 *infra*.

¹²² pp. 103, 104 *infra*.

¹²⁶ Bruce, II, p. 483.

board. September and the greater part of October passed by without any sign of them: the¹²⁹ wind now blew steadily from the north-east, and all hope of their arrival was abandoned. It was therefore resolved to write to the stations and tell the factors plainly that no more¹³⁰ money could be given to them, and that their investments must be restricted to the amount already supplied.

Against these orders, strong¹³¹ remonstrances were received from every factory. It was represented that in order to keep to the contracts the merchants had borrowed largely, and had far more goods on hand than could be paid for. In one place at least there was great danger that this surplussage of stocks would, if the orders were carried out, fall into the hands of the interlopers.

Gyfford and his colleagues appear to have been moved by this consideration: they now¹³² gave notice that if the merchants at the several factories would deliver goods to the amount of their contracts or even beyond it, interest at nine, or, if that was not attractive enough, at twelve per cent., was to be guaranteed under the seal of the company.

At this juncture it was the misfortune of the agency of Fort St. George to have an extraordinary¹³³ demand made on them. As stated above, the ministers of Sambhoji found it difficult to meet the cost of the war with the Portuguese into which he had obstinately plunged, and were compelled to require the southern subahs to contribute to the exchequer. One of the subahdars could not raise as much as ten thousand pagodas at once, and applied to the chief and council at Conimere for a loan. It was to the interest of the English to stand well with the subahdar, and probably Gyfford would have done himself good by readily complying with the request. But as usual he temporised. The council at Conimere were told to try and¹³⁴ satisfy Vittula Pillai with a small present, and if that would "not do it," to lend him a third of the sum asked and to waive interest.

Sultan Akbar's movements.—Two years before, Sultan Muhammad Akbar, Aurangzeb's fourth son, had risen in an abortive rebellion against his father, and saving himself at the last by a flight to the Maratha camp, had remained there in the capacity of a sagacious and trustworthy adviser of Sambhoji. His capture was to Aurangzeb a matter of some moment, and as there was, it would seem, some expect-

¹²⁹ p. 94 *infra*.

¹³⁰ *Id.*

¹³⁰ p. 94 *Infra*.

¹³² *Id.*

¹³¹ p. 112 *infra*.

¹³⁴ pp. 112, 113 *infra*.

ation that he intended to cross the frontier, possibly on a mission, early in the year, an ¹³⁵ application was made by the havaladar of Poonamallee for the assistance of the council of Fort St. George in securing him. The business might certainly "be of dangerous consequence," and it was Gyfford's great aim in life to avoid responsibility: he replied cautiously that as yet he had received no notice from the diwan.

Danes.—In March the Danish settlement had a dispute with Gopal Pant, the local subahdar, and ¹³⁶ besieged Porto Novo.

Local and domestic affairs.—In June instructions were received from the court, ¹³⁷ anxious to counterbalance the influence of the Dutch company, that a ¹³⁸ bank with a capital of a hundred thousand pounds sterling, giving interest at the rate of six per cent. on deposits for six months or a longer term, should be established.

The consultations of July ¹³⁹ record a complaint of the retail sellers of liquor that they could not afford to pay so much for their licenses, and an abatement of fifty pagodas was allowed.

One of the many ineffectual laws which have been made against usury was promulgated in September, when it was ¹⁴⁰ ordained that no resident of Madras should ask for or take more than nine per cent. yearly, under penalty of forfeiture of the sum or goods on which the interest was claimed.

¹³⁵ p. 14 *infra*.

¹³⁶ p. 48 *infra*.

¹³⁷ p. 27 *infra*.

¹³⁸ p. 67 *infra*.

¹³⁹ Bruce's Annals, II, p. 480.
¹⁴⁰ pp. 82, 83 *infra*.

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October 1894.

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DIARY & CONSULTATION BOOK OF THE AGENT GOVERNOR AND COUNCELL OF FORT ST. GEORGE THEIR PROCEEDINGS & TRANSACTIONS FOR THE AFFAIRS OF THE HONOURABLE ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY IN THE AGENCY OF THE COAST OF CHORMANDELL.

At a Consultation.

Present.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq Agent & Governour.
M^r TIMOTHY WILKES. M^r JOHN BIGHAM.
M^r EELIHU YALE. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday ye

Doctor John Hetfield acquainting the Agent & of the necessity of an able mate to officiate under him (there being one at present) in regard of the number of inhabitants in the place. And Samuel Willmot Chyrurgeon Mate of the Resolution being willing to stay it was thought fit to entertain him at the wages of Pagos five p^{er} month.
There being 26 men of the Lancasters Comp^y (the Ship that was lost in Corangó Bay) that addest themselves to be taken into the Company's service to serve as souldiers in y^e fort and being at as convenient to prevent their rambling up and downe the country and serving the Moores in the [ire] ships. And our was necessitie considered having very few Englishmen it was therefore ordered that the same [sh] be entertain'd full otherwise they can provide for them[selves] to go home by the ships (those that will) and further more in consideration of their Poverty and the great want [t] they are in of Cloths and also the provision that mst be made for Victualls and that possibly many of the [ire] Credits may not reach so far as to be trusted till they receive pay. It is therefore thought fitt and likewise ordered that the Purser doe advance 2 Pagos of the [ire] wages to them to supply their present necessitie a[n]d that Swords be Lent them on acc^t to returne them in good condition (reasonable use for wearing being allow[ed]) otherwise to pay for them out of theire wages. Also [it] was thought fit not to dishband any of the Portug^{ez} Souldiers at present but shall in short time take into Consideration.

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It being accustomed on new Yeares day to Tashe Merchants and to fire 9 Guns at [t] their going out. It was ordered to be done accordingly The Tasheri as followeth.

Broad cloth fine	
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Mudda Verona	" 2½
Allingall Billa	" 2½
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Rampapa	" 2

Broad cloth ordinary	
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The Mulla	" 2

There being the value of 150 Pago in Gold chains sent to Golcondah as a present to Matama to congratulate the marriage of his son it being [accus]tomary to do so and y^e Egib advised that he will not [accept] thereof but requires a Vecep weight the value of 400 pago which he offers to pay for The Agent and Council considering that he is a great minister at Court and may do us many prejudices in our affairs if we should require him to pay for the same Therefore Resolved to send him so much as present and withall to write to the Egib not to give encouragement to any to require presents (of which we feare he may be Guilty for the future and to endeavour to Lesson this if possible.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
TIMO WALKES.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

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Forw^d St. George,

Your Loving friends,

Jany 7th 1683

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

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am to receive nineteen pounds Sterling be it for a greater or Lesser quantitie according to the purport whereof and on no oth Condition will I signe the Bills of Lading for it I not intendi now to make a new agreement — As to the other partticle of the redwood I shall be willing to take it in for ²⁰⁰ 9-10 p Tun being the $\frac{1}{2}$ freight of Groffe goods provided that according contract with your Worp I may have men aboard to saw a split it to which if yo^r Worp and Councell will not condescend am as ready to deliver both the petre and wood as I was willin to request the Lading it on board for the securitie of his Ma^{ty} subject and the Companys concerns therefore desire to know yo Resolution till when none of the Petre or wood shall be stow away but what is already stowed—having no more to trouble y^e with I rest

Srs

Your humble Servant

LOYALL RESOLUTION

Jan^{RY} 3^d 1682.

FRANCIS WILLSHAW

Received a Gen^l from the Cheife &c^a at Conimeero.

Att a Consultation.

Present

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M^r TIM^{OTHY} WILKES. M^r J^N^O BIGRIG.

M^r ELIHU YALE. M^r J^N^O NICKS.

M^r J^N^O LITTLETON.

Cap^t Rich^d Goodlad having 2 Baggs of p^a which he w^{as} to carry to the Bay que whereof was for M^r 12 Charles C^{ox} containing 02 174 being p^a 197 and the other containi^{ng} 02 37 $\frac{1}{2}$: being p^a 41 : $\frac{1}{2}$ for M^r Robert Hedges. But by reas^{on} of the miscarriage of his ship which prevented his going did ther^e fore request to have the said silver sent to the persons afoi^{re} mentioned by the first ship that should be dispatch^t to the P^{ort} which request was agreed to be granted and the said money ta^{ke}n into into the Company[s] Cash.

After a long dispute had with Cap^t Wilshaw about the h^{igh} freight of Groffe goods and having very much endeavoured reduce the rates at length could bring him to comply no otherw^{ise} then for nine pounds p Tun w^h was agreed to.

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The Cap^t of the Ships were directed to signe no bills of g^o for private trade but what shall be inlisted by the Secretary upon sight of the Secretarys firme to the note of particulers they or theire Putters may signe bills of Lading. Cap^t Wilshaw chargeing us with an Acco^t of 20 Squidiers being to this place which was design^d for the Bay p Ship master whom after the Ship was Lost were entertained at Apollam and also 48. Seamen belonging to the Said ship for the Chiefe of Madapollam did agree with the said Cap^t to bring them hither at the rate of 6^d p diem each w^hch with Charges amounts to Pago^t 104 : 32 faⁿ : It is therefore agreed to and s^hould that the Said Charges be paid him according to the Com^{mand} made By the Said Chiefe.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

TIM^{OTHY} WILKES.

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John Bridger being againe sent for before the Governour Councell and likewise acquainted with the Hono^{ble} Companys we or s^rs for his returne to England by these Ships He gave answer in writeing and being ordered to withdraw the same was s^{er}ved and coⁿsidered and then sent for him in againe and s^{er}ved him answer there could be no compliances admitted of contrary to s^{er} positive orders. The answer of M^r Bridger is s^{er} followeth.

To the Lt^y Worp^t William Gyfford Esq^r Agent & Govern^r of St^e George and to his Councell.

Whereas the Hono^{ble} Company in theire Letter have ordered to send me home this Year^e by one of theire ships whereof you have given me due notice which order I am very willing to

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comply with. But for as much as I have a Child at the b
which I cannot in safety carry with me till it be weaned I
therefore to stay one Yeare longer and then I shall not faile
willing to goe home Your concurrence to this my request
and remaine

Your Humble Servant

JOHN BRID

There being two parcels of Pepper of different prices
together amounting to 55 Tunns or thereabouts. It is ordered
the greater parcell being 40 Tunns be Laden aboard Cap^t Will
and the other aboard Cap^t Utber.

The Ballance of the Gen^l Books of Acco^t for the Yeare

Letter Z this day read & past amounting to Pagos 279097. 29

WILLIAM GYFFORD

TIMO WILKES

JOHN BIGRIG

ELIHU YALE

JOHN NICKS

JOHN LITTLETON

HENRY MOSE Sec^y

Received a Gen^l from Pettapallee with there Dyary C
stations Acco^t Curr^t Fort St George Acco^t Cash and Sta
Acco^t for the month of December.

Received a Gen^l from the Cheife & Co^t at Madaj n
Received a Gen^l from Metchlepatam with a Copy of the
and Consultations of M^r Robert Freeman and M^r Richard B
when they were at Cudaloor and Porto Novo which they
may be sent to England.

Att a Consultation

Present

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^rM^r TIMO WILKES M^r Jⁿ BIGRIGM^r ELIHU YALE M^r Jⁿ NICKSM^r Jⁿ LITTLETON

This day the Gen^l Letter to the Honourable Company of
date was read to Paragraph 29 in answer to all there L
received this yeare.

Ordered that 1000 Pagos be paid the washermen being with
little of what is due to them.

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John Davis making his request to the Agent & Councell
be entertain'd in the Hon^{ble} Company's service he wholly re
himself to there dispose which after due consideration
R^l sent him and accordingly was entertain'd, his request in
S^{ing} is as followeth

The R^l Worp^l WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^rAgent & Govern^r & Councell:R^l Worp^l S^r & Co^t

mine of the 11th November acquainted you with my
Questions of proceeding for England humbly requesting the
of you that you would be pleased to permit the Lading
de goods that were att Madapollam on board the Loyall Reso
and for which you were pleased to grant an order of Councell
is delivered to Cap^t Francis Willshaw he then being here,
order to his officers to receive them, on board which they
to do & were all left behind w^{ch} unexpected disappoint
led me not in a condition of proceeding without
the hazard of a winter Voyage w^{ch} thought might be very
nient by reason of my family, Not being willing to remaine
in Employment I humbly tender my service to Serve the
eiv^e Company to my power submitting to Your disposall as
all think convenient intreating that you would bee pleased
re me into your consideration that I may not undeserved[ly]
under the reproch and scandall of those things that have been
ted against me (of which have made mee solemn protestations
y innocence therein that hope may confirm you in the beleifs
f) but stand right in your good opinions which shall ever
my stndy to deserve I am

R^l Worp^l S^r & Co^t

FORT ST. GEORGE Your Most humble & obedient Serv^t
Jan^y 11th 1682.

JOHN DAVIS.

hat the Diamond Merch^{ts} may be encouraged in some
Wee having formerly spoke to them to bring what they
then downe to this place it is resolved to buy some few more
500 wee have already bought but not to exceed in all this Yeare
about 1000 Pagos all wee heare further from the Hon^{ble} Company
at them.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

TIMO WILKES.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

HENRY MOSE Sec^y

12. This day an order was given to Capt Uther to receive board^d David Basew John Street and Richard Marsh to England they paying for their passage.

13. Rec^d 15 M^r fields Letter to the 16 Shawbander of Persia rec^d Braminys Madana and Accanah's Rocca to the Sharlasca the Carlingo Country.

This day the China Merchant fired a gun in token of being fully Laden.

14. This Evening the 17 Pink S[aphir] came into the Road Madapellam.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

M^r TIM^o WILKES. M^r JOHN BIGRIG.

M^r ELIHU YALE. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

After two or three dayes narrow inspection and strict nation of some diamonds brought in by the Merchants at price was concluded upon to be proposed to them thot certaine as yet whether the 8^d Merchants will agree to it.

M^r 18 Clement King Clerk of our Court being about to England was this day ordered to deliver up his Books paper belonging to the said Court, unto M^r Jⁿo Coventry w. appointed Clerk in his Rooms.

This day the Hon^{ble} Company's Letter of this date was and past.

WILLIAM GYFFORD

TIM^o WILKES.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

HENRY MOSE Sec^y.

This morning the Resolution fired a Gun and put out Coulers in token she was fully Laden.

The Nathaniel arrived in the Road this Evening from the Metchlepatam & 1st factorys.

Rec^d a Gen^l from the Cheife and Councell at Metchle. with their Dyary Consultations and Acco^t Cash for the p of November.

Rece^d two Gen^{rs} one from Hugely the other from I so[re].

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

M^r TIM^o WILKES. M^r JOHN BIGRIG.

M^r ELIHU YALE. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

is day the Hon^{ble} Company's Letter of this date was read

Cast. ordered the Warehousekeeper doe Lade 2 Boxes of Musk No 6 and 2nd Bulse of Diamonds N^o L. aboard the Resolution.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

TIM^o WILKES.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

MOSE Sec^y.

ceived a Gen^l from the Cheife & Councell at Metchle.

Att a Consultation Extraord.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

M^r TIM^o WILKES. M^r Jⁿo BIGRIG.

M^r ELIHU YALE. M^r Jⁿo NICKS.

M^r Jⁿo LITTLETON.

is day the Gen^l to the Hon^{ble} Company containing Para- 73 bearing date the 11th, 15th & 18th January was 1, amendments made and Signed to be sent by the Loyall on and China Merchant for England w^{ch} God arrive in

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

TIM^o WILKES.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

MOSE Sec^y.

is day the Resolution & China Merchant rece^d their 2 ch for England.

Thursday the 18.

Friday the 19.

Munday the
22.

Received a Gen^l from the Cheife and Councell at Ma^{da}
No Consultation this day Cap^t Willshaw and Cap^t
going aboard theire Ships to Set saile for England.

23.

This afternoon between two and three a Clock y^e Reso
and China Merchant set Saile haveing a brisk Gale the Wi
North East or North East by East.

Rec^d a Gen^l from the Cheife and Councell at Metchlep^m

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

M^r TIM^o WILKES. M^r JOHN BIGRIG.

M^r ELIHU YALE. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

The Cash Book for the month of December read and past

	fa.	c.
Ballance Resting in Cash ...	Pago ^s 110887	— : 2

The Journall of the Generall Bookes of Acco^{ts} for the m^o
of November this day read and past.

The Warehoukeeper M^r John Bigrig his day Book of A
for Goods received and delivered in the month of December
and past.

The Customer M^r Elihu Yale his ²⁰Books of Acco^{ts} for
month of December read and past as followeth—

	fa.	c.
Sea Custome amount this month. ...	Pago ^s 96	200 : —
Weighers Duty ...	3	73 : 63
Choultréy petty land Customes ...	62	27 : 60
Banksall Paddy Custome ...	1	32 : 72
Measurers Duty ...	11	12 : 42
Register of Slaves and Houses ...	—	102 : —
	173	448 : 37

The Mint Master M^r John Nicks his Books of Acco^{ts}
money Coyn'd in the Mint the month of December read and p
as followeth.

The Hon^{ble} Companys Gold Coyn'd vizt.

3 Parcels No A. B. C. & 22 ²¹Copangs came p Ship Chir
Merchant from the Islands of Maccas producing ²²neat Pago^s 1485

Pay Master M^r John Littleton his Book of expences for
nth of December read and past as followeth.

	fa.	c.
Charges Garrison ...	Pago ^s 554	01 : 0
Charges Generall ...	262	00 : 5
Charges Dyet ...	163	06 : 2
Charges Cattell ...	29	25 : 1
Charges Merchandize ...	65	23 : 3
Acco ^{ts} fortifications ...	122	41 : 5

Pag^s ... 1196 : 32 : 4

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

TIM^o WILKES.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

HENRY

Recy Mose Sec^{ry}.

patam. received a Generall from Madapollam from the Cheife and 23.
sell there.

received a Gen^l from Vizagapatam wth theire Acco^t Cash and
rs Acco^t Currant for the months of November and December
ier wth a Letter from ²⁴M^r Jourden from Madapollam.

received a Letter from Pettipollée from Metchlep^{atam} wth 27.
d from Cap^t Warner to the Agent & a Copie of the
Cap^t Letter to the Cheife & a at Metchlep^m.

received two Generalls one from Conimero the other from 28.

Thipollée.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG.

M^r ELIHU YALE. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

then

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about

the whole Councell being duely summoned.

The Diamond Merchants came to give in their Answer to the

rtis before proposed to them w^{ch} they did agree to and accord-

ly Pago^s 7675 : 25 : 3^a was paid them for Bulae N^o M con-

ing 18 parcels from 7 to 19.

Munday y^e
29.

11.

Rec^d two Gen^ls from Metchlepatam wth a Letter from Mr Jourden and one Gen^l from Madapollam one from Hugely and one from Conimeero also a Letter from Cap^t Warner.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

Mr TIM^o WILKES. Mr JOHN BIGRIG.

Mr ELIHU YALE. Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

The Cash Book for the month of January read & past.

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Ballance resting in Cash Pago^s 138332 : 21 : 2:

Likewise the Cash Book for the month of January and the part of this month to this day was read and past.

fa o

Ballance now resting in Cash Pago^s 121456 : 01 : 2:

The Journall of the Gen^ls Books of Acco^{ts} for the month of December read and past:

The Warehouskeeper Mr John Bigrig his day book of Acco^{ts} for goods received and Delivered in the month of January read and past.

The Customer Mr Elihu Yale his Books of Acco^{ts} for the month of January read and past as followeth.

fa o

Sea Custome amount this month ... Pago^s 41 : 28 : 8

Choultray or Petty land Customes ... 68 : 17 : 60

Weighers Dutys ... 09 : 90

Banksall Paddy Custome ... 1 : 34 : 36

Measurers Duty ... 11 : 12 : 19

Register of Slaves and Houses ... 74 : —

Godownes under the Bazar Curtaine

three months rent ... 19 : 24 : —

Pago^s ... 140 : 200 : 13

There is no Acco^{ts} of the Mint Master by reason there was no Gold Coyn'd in January.

The Pay Master Mr John Littleton his Book of expences for the month of January read and past as fell.

Munday the 12.

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Charges Garrison ... Pago^s : 631 : 28 : —

Charges Generall ... 404 : 17 : 5

Charges Dyet ... 117 : 00 : 6

Charges Cattell ... 33 : 32 : 4

Charges Merchandize ... 93 : 28 : 1

Acco^{ts} fortifications ... 85 : 24 : 1

Pago^s ... 1866 : 23 : 5

This day a Letter from the Hon^{ble} Company was received wherein was a paragraph relateing to Mr Tim^o Wilkes ordering the said Mr Wilkes to be dismissed of his Place of Second in this Factory and withall that the Thirds place should be proffered him which accordingly was done w^{ch} he refused, and made some small scruple of resigning his Seconds place by reason the said Letter was only ³² sign'd by the Governour w^{ch} he apprehended was not usuall, But notwithstanding in humble submission to all the Hon^{ble} Companys orders which he declared had been alwayes punctually observed by him did freely resigne the same, and quitted himself of the Companys service and accordingly Mr John Bigrig took place as second in his room, And Mr Wilkes desiring to have that Clause of the Letter copied out for him, it was granted him, and the Secretary ordered to attest the same.

A Letter to the Cheife and Councell at Conimeer being of this Date read and past.

A Letter from the R^t Worp^l the Governour to ³³ His Excellency Maha Raja read and past.

A Letter to Mr Ord of this Date read and past.

A Letter to the Cheife at ³⁴ Trincumbar read and past.

A Declarations to the Sobadars Avaldars &c of the Severall parts of this Coast to incite them by virtue of the Kings Proclamation to prevent Interlopers trading upon this Coast read and past.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

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HENRY MOSE Sec^{ry}.

Received a Letter from the Cheife and Councell at Mada- pollam.

14.

Received a Letter from M^r Freeman and M^r Browne advising of the Designs of the Interlopers.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

The Letter to the Hon^{ble} Company of this Date read & pas

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

HENRY MOSE Sec^y.

Received a Letter from the Cheife and Councell at Conimeero

Rec^d a Letter from the Cheife and Councell at Conimeero als

a Letter from M^r Ord at ³⁵ Mancur Quoile.

The Williamson fired a Gun in token of her being full laden.

Att a Consultation Extrā.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

The Letter to the Hon^{ble} Company of this Date and also the whole Letter read and past and signed to be sent by the William. son w^{ch} God arrive in safety.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

HENRY MOSE Sec^y.

The Williamson received her dispatch for England & forth with the Cap^t went aboard and set saile at night.

Received a Letter from the Governour and Councell at Pollicat giving assurances not to aid or assist any of the Interlopers.

Received a Letter from M^r Ord at Shelimbrum.

Received a Letter from the Cheife and Councell at Conimero.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Ordered that a proportionable quantity of Europe Goods and silver be sent to the Severall Subordinate ffactorys and that they should take care to sell the silver at the same advance p Cent (being 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ or little less) as wee sould ours for here.

Ordered that M^r Charles fleetwood doe goe along wth the Treasure (being 10000 Pago^s) shipt aboard the friends endeavour Ralph Harwar Master for Vizagapatam and that he is to remaine third of Councell at that place.

This day the Diamond Merchants were treated with for a parcell of Diamonds.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

HENRY MOSE Sec^y.

Rec^d a letter from the Cheife and Councell at Conimero

Rec^d a Letter from M^r Ord at Porto Novo.

Rec^d a Letter from the Cheife & Councell at Metchlepatam.

Rec^d a Letter from M^r Ord at Codaloor.

No Consultation the Governour being indisposed.

Att a Consultation Extrā.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Haveing agreed with the Diamond Merchants for a parcell of Diamonds before treated for there were this day paid them for the

Manday y^e
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Thursday do.

ffryday the
23.

Saturday y^e
17.

same the sum of Pago 7581:20: — : being for Bulse No 0, containing 19 Parcels from 38 to 54.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

HENRY MOSE Secy.

23. Received a letter from Emanuel Texera Pinto at Port Novo.

25. Received a Letter from the Cheife & Councell at Pettipollee.
26. Recd. a Letter from the Cheife and Councell at Conimero.
Munday ye 26. No Consultation the Governour being indisposed and no materiall buisness presenting.

23. Received a Letter from Mr Ord at Shelimbrum.
Received a Letter from the Cheife & Councell at Conimero with a Lr^e of Mr Ords sent to the said Cheife &c there.

March ye 1. Received a Gen^l from the Cheife and Councell at Pettipollee.
Thursday do. No Consultation the Governour being indisposed and no materiall buisness presenting.

2. Received a Generall from the Cheife and Councell at Conimero.

3. Received a Generall from the Cheife and Councell at Conimero.

4. Received a Letter from Mr Jourden at Madapollam.

Received a Generall from the Cheife & Councell at Madapollam

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

A Letter to the Governour and Councell at Pollicat of this Date read and past.

A Letter to Metchlepatam of this Date read & past and sent by 36 Peons thither Pago 15000.

A Letter to Madapollam of this Date read & past and sent by Peons thither Pago 15000.

A Letter to Pettipollee of this Date read and past and sent by Peons thither Pago 10000

Mr Bigrig now being in the Seconds Place intending to keep the Generall Books himself & the Secretarys place being due to

Mr Stables w^{ch} upon his request itt is ordered that he enter upon that buisness next Consultation day and for that reason Henry Mose is to bring up the Consultation Book &c papers to us that they may be delivered to Mr Stables who is now appointed Secretary as above said.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

HENRY MOSE Secy.

Att a Consultation.

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Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Merchants being hindred from coming this morning (as they were appointed) to agree about the prises of the Europe goods (rec^d by the China Merchant) given them last Consultation day, by reason of Some Ceremony's to be performed for Peddevencatadre lately deceased, they are order'd to attend the Agent & Councill, early to morrow morning to conclude the Same, that so the remainder of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} goods may be disposed of, before any ship arrives here out of Europe.

The Governours Cash booke for the moneth of february read & passed the Ballance being P 103875: 11: 2.
The Journall of the Generall Books of Acco^{ts} for the moneth of January read & passed.

The Warehouse day Book of Acc^{ts} for the moneth of february read & passed.

The Customer Mr Elihu Yale his Books of acc^{ts} for the moneth of february read & passed as followeth Viz^t.

Sea & Land Custome of goods imported & exported	...	P 250:	845: 95
Choultry Petty land Custome	...	106:	12: 53
Banksall Paddy Custome	...	3:	03: 85
Weighers duty	...	—:	239: 06
Measurers duty	...	17:	20: 44
Register of Slaves & Houses Sold	...	—:	11[0]: —

410: 14: 01

Thursday 8.

The Merchts hinder'd from coming as appointed. The reason of itt. Order'd to come to morrow morning.

Cash Book for Febr'y read & passed. Genril Booke of Acc^{ts} for Janry read & past. Warehous day Book of acc^{ts} for Februry read & past. The Customers Book of Acc^{ts} for Febr'y read & past.

The Paymas-
ters Book of
Acc^ts for
February
read & past.

The Paymaster Mr John Littleton his Book of Expences f
the moneth of february read & passed as foll^o Viz^t.

Charges Garrison ...	P. 624 :	27 :	1
Charges Generall ...	261 :	[0]5 :	—
Charges Dyett ...	127 :	24 :	[1]
Charges Cattle	36 :	06 :	1
Charges Merchandise ...	67 :	26 :	5
Acc ^t fortifications. Repairs &c. ..	199 :	26 :	4
Paid Veregovia a Braminee who was as a Spy to Maha Raja's Court about Gopall Punditt ...	4 :	18 :	—

P 1321 : 26 : 0

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Att a Consultation Extra^o.

Present :

Friday 9.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

A Chief
Merchant to
be Chosen.

Chena
Vencatadry
[ap]pointed.

The
Merchants
Tasherift.

This morning the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Merch^{as} attending as they
were appointed to make an agreem^t about the remainder of the
Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} goods; upon debate itt was found more con-
venient, first to appoint one as the Comp^{as} Chiefe Merchant in
the Room of Peddevencatadry deceased, so that they are order'd
to come in the Afternoon to make an end of y^e Agreem^t And
for the supplying that place Chena Vencatadry is thought a
fitting person, & appointed to succeed therin, & that Tasherifs b
given to him & to the rest of the principall Merchants, as usuall,
for their encouragment upon this occation Viz^t.

To Chena Vencatadry 3 yards Broad Cl^o fine.

Timmana ... 2½ ditto.

Moodu Verona ... 2½ ditto.

Allingall Pilla ... 2½ ditto.

The rest of the Merchants were also in the Consultation
Chamber, before whom the Ceremony was performed & att their

going out of the ffort 11 great Guns were fired; that the Town Guns fired.
might take notice of y^e honour done them.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Rec^d a Generall from Metchlepatam dated y^e 22th & 26th past, 9.
with Copy of their Consultations & Dyary from the p^{mo} Decem-
ber last to the 26th february with their Acc^t Cash to the ultimo
of last moneth, Also Copy of a discouraging letter from the
Chief &c^a at Metchlepatam to ³⁷ John Perks belonging to the ³⁸ W^m
& John an Interloper at Porto novo to hinder his coming thether.

A Generall
from Metch-
lepatam.
& a discourag-
ing letter
to an Inter-
loper.

Att a Consultation Extrā Afternoon—

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Friday 9.

According to the order in the morning the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} [a]
Merchants gave their attendance, who were discoursed about the
raises of the remaining goods, which wee rec^d. from Mocoa by
the China Merchant, which were damaged according to the
Attestation sent hom^e & some of them improper coulours for this
p^{ace}, soe that we are forced to make an abatement on those that
are not proper for this markett, but for the other Coulours they
are to give as for the last sold them the particulars & prises are as
followeth Viz^t.

Agreement
made with
the Mer-
chants for
Europe Goods.

Broad Cloth fine 29 p^s Viz^t.

2 p^s green att P 55 p p^s

27 p^s Sky, ²⁹ Thea, & other bad coulours att P 40 p p^s

Broad Cloth ordinary 19 p^s Viz^t

8 p^s Red att P 23 p p^s

1 p^s Green att P 23.

4 p^s Green damaged & 6 p^s blew att P 23 p p^s to
abate in proportion to the fine Cl^o as 55 to 40

Cloth Rashes 81 p^s Viz^t.

10 p^s Red att P 18 p p^s

71 p^s Blewa & Blacks att P 18 p p^s to abate in propor-
tion to the fine cloth as 55 to 40

The Parti-
culars &
Prises.

Perpetuan's 178 p^a att P 7 p^a
 Silver 5½ Chests att 40 \$ 15½ for 10 Pag^a.
 Tutenague p^a 2031½ att P 31½ p Catted.
 Lead Pigs 109 att P 10 p Candy
 Corall 4 Gregio 1 Chest att P 90 p Maund.
 Fragments of Corall 1 Chest att P 5 p Maund.

And by reason we do beleve they have a very hard bargain, that the goods cannot be suddenly turned into money, itt Resolved & order'd that they shall have 20000 Pagodas paid them, that so in the meantime they may employ the Weaver which will hinder their furnishing the Interlopers, & help the to carry on the Hon^{ble} Comp^a new Investment the better which will be contracted for the next Consultation day.

A Generall to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a to be sent overland V Surratt of this date read and passed.

A Generall to Surratt of this date read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
 JOHN BIGRIG.
 ELIHU YALE.
 JOHN NICKS.
 JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

10. A Genl from Mr Ord. One of the Duans people killed p the Interlopers. An Interloper Seized. Mr Edwd Littleton arrived att Porto novo.

Recd a Generall from Mr Ralph Ord att Porto novo dated the 7th Instant, wherein he adviseth that the Interlopers had killed one of the Duans Peons & wounded two more, that they were all fled aboard except one Merchant who was seize[d], beside some goods & money which was ashoar was likewise seized that he should end his business very speedily with Gopall Pundity & then would give an acc^t att large That Mr Edwd Littleton was arrived there from the Bay three days before the date of his letter, who he feared would take the Interlopers p[a]rt, havinn taken his lodging with them, though he had offered him v^d accomodation his could afford.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
 Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.
 Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Itt was orderd last Consultation day to make an agreement with the Merchants about a new Investm^t of Callicoes, but the

The Europe Goods order'd to be delivered the Merchants.

P 20000 order'd the Merchants.

A Genl to the Honble Comp^a. A Genl to Surratt.

Goods sould them not being delivered, itt is thought convenient to do that first which the Warehousekeeper is now orderd to doe.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
 JOHN BIGRIG.
 ELIHU YALE.
 JOHN NICKS.
 JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Recd a Generall from Madapollam dated the 16th past. wi This day the Sta Rosa & a Ship belonging to the Spaniards bearrived here from Manilla.

of The Council all mett but no business presented. Cl This day the 42 Annapourne and Trevitore arrived here from & Manilla.

Recd a letter from the Madapollam Merchants to the Right Worp^{ty} the Agent.

Recd a Generall from Conimeer dated the 13th Instant.

Recd a letter from Mr Ralph Ord att Porto novo dated the 11th Instant.

This day a Ship belonging to the 48 Nabob of Bengall came to an Anchor in this Road, she came from 41 Malacca bound for the Bay, the occasion of her touching here was to take in provisions.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
 Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.
 Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

There being a necessity of our 45 settling att Coodaloor, to keep the Merchants employed, itt is order'd that Mr John Davis goe Chief & Mr Ralph Ord to be second, & for the employing the Merchants, Itt is order'd that Pag^a 10000 be Sent along with Mr Davis.

Order'd that Pag^a 2000 be sent to Conimeer ffactory. Order'd that a Country Vessell be sent to Conimeer to bring hither, what goods they have already impaled because the Sloop

A Genl from Madapollam. Two ships from Manilla

Thursday 15. [Council mett] Two Ships [more] from Manilla. A letter from the Madapollam Merch^{ts}.

A Genl from Conimeer. A letter from Mr Ralph Ord.

17. A Ship belonging to the Nabob of Bengall arrived here.

Munday 19.

Mr Davis orderd Chief & Mr Ord second of Coodaloor. P10000 to be sent thither.

P [20]00 to be sent to Conimeer.

A Country Vessel to be sent to Conimeer. The reason why.

Mr Bigrig ordered to take charge of the Mint. A Generall from Madapollam.

is employed to give notice to Gopall Punditts ships that they come not into Porto novo Road to prevent the Interlopers taking them, which they threat[en] to do, & the goods lying in Cajan Godownes which are sub[ect] to fire and not Secured from the Country p[er]ople and the weather.

The Council not being compleat as yet Itt is order'd that Mr John Bigrig take the charge of th[e] mint, as his predecessors have done, till one shall be order'd to fill itt.

A Generall to Madapollam dated the 20th Instant read and passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Secy.

Thursday 22.
Council mett.

Nabobs ships sailed.

A letter from the Pettepollee Mercta.

24.
A letter from Mr Ord.
A Genll from Madapollam

1683 Munday 26.

The Agent being ill no Consul-
[tation.]

A letter from ye Pettepollee Mercta.
A Genll from Pettepollee.

27.
A Genll to Mr Ralph Ord.

A letter from our Braminee.

The Council mett but no business to proceed upon & no agreem^t made with the Merchants by reason they have been busy in receiving the goods sould them.

This morning the Nabobs ships sailed out of this road for the Bay of Bengall.

Rec^d a letter from the Pettepollee Merchants to the R^t Worp^l the Agent.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Ralph Ord dated in Porto [n]ovo the 19th Instant.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 13th Instant with Coppy of their Consultations & Dyary, Stewards acc^t & acc^t Cash for last moneth.

The Right Worp^l the Agent being taken ill yesterday morning and continuing so this day, the Council did not meet.

Rec^d a letter from the Pettepollee Merchants to the Right Worp^l the Agent.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dated the 20th Instant with Coppy of their Consultations & Dyary, Stewards acc^t acc^t Cash & acc^t Currant ffort St George for January & February.

A Generall to Mr Ralph Ord dated this day was sent to the Council for their approbation, then Coppi'd fair, signed & Sent forward.

Rec^d a letter from our Braminee Vira Ragavia att Golcondah dated the 13th Instant.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Ralph Ord att Porto novo dated the 24th Instant.

28.
A letter from Mr Ord.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Order'd that the Sallary payable in this place & due to the Hon^{ble} Company's Servants the 25th Insta^t be paid them.

A Generall to Conimeer of this date read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday 29.

Sallary orde'd to be paid.

A Generall to Conimeer.

JOHN STABLES Secy.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 27th Instant wth their acc^t Cash for the moneth of December, January & February.

Rec^d a Generall from Metchlepatam dated y^e 15th Ins^t with an acc^t of what goods were remaining in their Godown the 6th Instant.

A Generall from Conimeer.
A Generall from Metchlepatam.

Att a Consultation Extra^o.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Friday 30.

The whole Council being duly summon'd.

Last night receiving a letter from Conimeer wherein they expresse the danger, the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} goods which are now in their Godown may be in by reason of the troubles therabouts, & their desire to have a ship to fetch them away, Itt is order'd that a Country vessell be forthwith sent them.

The Hon^{ble} Compas goods att Conimeer being in danger.
A Country Vessell order'd to be forthwith sent them.

The news that the Danes are att [di]fference wth Gopall Punditt & have besieged Porto novo & little probability of making an

Portonovo besieged.

Investment in those parts, we thought fitt to come to an agreement with our Merchants, & upon their request itt is orde that they have Forty Thousand Pagodas paid them (instead the Twenty Thousand Pagodas formerly order'd) towards the n Investment proportionably to all Sorts the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} requi in the last years list, which they are to bring in by the latter of August next.

Agreement made with the Merchants here.

WILLIAM GYFFORD
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

This day Mr Edward Littleton arrived here in his Sloop f Porto novo.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 19th past another from Metchlepatam dated the 22th ditto.

Mr Edward Littleton came ashoar.

The Councill mett but no business to proceed upon.

Rec^d two letters from Mr Ralph Ord att Porto novo both the 31th past.

The Councill mett but no business offer'd.

This day a Small vessell arrived here from Acheen.

This being Easter day according to Custome there was Vollies of Small Shott & 25 great Guns fired.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

These following Generalls of this date read & passed To Conimeer.

Metchlepatam.

31.
Mr Edwd Littleton arrived here.
Aprill Pmo
A Generall from Madapollam & Metchlepatam.
Mr Edwd Littleton came ashoar.
Munday 2.
Councill Mett
3.
Two letters from Mr Ralph Ord
Thursday 5.
Councill mett.
6.
A Vessell from Acheen.
8.
Guns fired being Easter day.

Munday 9.

Seaverall Generalls read and passed.

Madapollam.

Pettepollee.

Mr Ralph Ord att Porto novo.

Vizagapatam.

A letter from the Right Worp^l the Agent to y^e Madapolla[m] Merchants & another letter to Terragaree Paupa Chitty & Arunela Coata Kishnama Merchants att Pettepollee were read & passed.

Two letters from the Agent read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

This day the Farewell a Country Vessell arrived here from lae Acheen.

This day the Country Vessell ordered to fetch y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} goods from Conimeer-factory sailed [o]ut of this road for that place.

The Governour accompanied with the Councill, and Seaverall persons of this ffactory, attended by the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Merchants & Poons & went the Circuit of Madras ground as hath been done formerly so there was no Consultation to day.

This day the Sloop Conimeer arrived here wth 75 Bales of Callicoos & 100 Bags Salt petre from Conimeer ffactory.

Rec^d three Generalls from Conimeer dated 9th 11th 12th Instant.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 10th Instant.

Rec^d a Generall from Vizagapatam dated 20th past.

Rec^d a letter from our Braminee Egib att Golcondah.

This evening the Agent was taken ill wth a fitt of the stone.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

The Agent being indisposed there was no businesse discoursed of, only an agreement made with Mr John Callender for a parcell

A Country Vessell from Acheen

11.
The vessell order'd for. Conimeer. Sailed.

Thursday 12.
The Agent & went the Circuit of Madras ground.

13.
Sloop Conimeer arriv'd from Conimeer. Three Generalls from Conimeer

Another recd from d^{to} 14.
A Gen^l from Vizagapatm. A letter from our Egib. The Agent taken ill:

Munday 9.

A Parcell of Sticklack agreed for.

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of Sticklack weying Candy 6: 09^{md} 22^{lb} att Pag^o 13 p Candy is
P 84: 15: 0.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated y^e 13th Instant.

This morning the Chindadre Bernardo Mendes M^r sailed
for Manilla.

The Agents illness still continuing the Counceill did not me
to day.

This morning the Pinke Saphⁱr sailed out of this road for
Macao.

Rec^d a letter from Lingapa to the Right Worp^l y^e Agent.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

A Generall to the Bay of this date read & passed.

Doot^r Heathfield having a Sloop in this road called the Mary
& there being occation for one to go to the Southward, itt is
agreed to give him Three hundred Twenty five Pagodas for her
She having been vallued by Judicious men att Pagodas Three
hundred & ffy.

Wheras there was a parcell of Silk of M^r Edw^d. Littletons in
the hands of M^r Elihu Yale, the Counceill by virtue of a letter
from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a orderd itt to bee continued in his hands
till further order from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a but the goods being
damaged by lying & likely to suffer more by continuing in the
warehouse, as also decaying by age, we do therfore in consideration
thereof & upon M^r Littleton's request permitt the said silk to be
sold, & the proceed to be rec^d by M^r Elihu Yale & to remain in
his posession till the Hon^{ble} Comp^a shall give further order about
itt.

Munday 23.

A Genell to
the Bay.Sloop Mary
bought.

A Parcell of
Silk of M^r
Edw^d Little-
tons in M^r
Yale's hands.

Order'd to be
Sold.

M^r Yale to
receive the
mony.

FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1683

There having been made a Consultation the 16th October last
concerning the Sloop Conimeer, who hath ever since been employ-
ed in the Hon^{ble} Comp^as service & was then vallued att Pag^o 120
but the owners would not accept of itt, so that there being no
probability of getting her att that price, itt is this day order'd to
give them Pag^o 130 for her.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Rec^d a Generall from Suratt dated the 9th of March last.

Rec^d a Generall from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a dated the p^{mo} May
last.

This being St George's day, as hath been formerly used there
was 23 great Gunns & 4 Vollies of small shott fired.

A Gen^l from
Suratt.
A Gen^l from
the Hon^{ble}
Comp^a.
Guns fired
being St
Georges day.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent and Govern^r.M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

The Governours Cash book for the moneth of March read &
assessed the Ballance being ... P 23467: 15: 4.

The Journall of the Generall Books of acc^{ts} for the moneth
of february read & passed.

The Warehouse day book of acc^{ts} for the moneth of March
read & passed.

Thursday 26.

Mr John Bigrig his acc^{ts} of the Mint for the month of march
are read & passed as followeth Viz^t.

Rec^d for Mintage duties upon particular persons Gold coyned
ag^o 655 att 1/2 p Cent is ... P 3: 10: 0.

The Customer M^r John Nicks his book of acc^{ts} for the
moneth of March read & passed Viz^t.

Justome of goods imported & exported.	P 295: 09: 28
Petty land Custome ...	74: 27: 97
Paddy toll att the Banksall ...	2: 22: 25
Measurers duty ...	15: 02: 31

Cash Booke
for March
read & passed.
Generall
Books for
Febry read &
passed.
Warehous
day Book of
Accts for
March read &
passed.
Mr John
Bigrig his
Acct of the
Mint
read and
passed.
The Customer
his Book of
Acct for
March read
& past.

Weighers duty	...	...	...	P	4:27:61
Brokeridge	...	...	...	"	-:07:12
Register Houses & Slaves	...	...	...	"	3:01:31
Quitt Rent	...	...	...	"	5:18:-

P 401:09:85

The Pay Master his Book of Accotts for March read & past.

The Pay Master Mr John Littleton his Book of acc^{ts} for moneth of march read & passed Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	...	...	...	P	649:15:1
Chargés Generall	...	...	...	"	274:24:5
Charges Dyët	...	...	...	"	166:26:0
Charges Cattle	...	...	...	"	34:20:2
Charges Merchandise	...	...	...	"	205:04:4
Acc ^t fortifications, Repairs, &c ^a	...	...	...	"	415:13:-

P 1685:32:-

A letter to our Egib att Gulcondah. P 500 to the Brickmakers & P 50 to the Gunpowder maker.

A letter from the Agent to our Braminee Egib att Golcondah dated the 27th Instant read & passed.

Order'd that the Brickmaker have Pag^o 500 & the Gunpowder maker have Pag^o 50 paid them on acc^t of making Gunpowder & Bricks for the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} accompt.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

A Genl from Conimeer. Mr Edwd Littleton for Bengall. 27. A Generall from Pettepollee.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 24th Instant.

This evening Mr Edw^d Littleton sailed out of this road for Metchlepatam & so to the Bay of Bengall.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dated the 21th Instant with their Consultations & Dyary, Acc^t Cash, Stewards acc^t, & acc^t Currant Fort St George for last moneth.

28. A letter from Mr Ralph Ord. Rec^d a letter from Mr Ralph Ord att Coodaloor dated the 25th Instant, with a Cowl from Gopall Punditt.

29. A Sloop arrived from Bengall. This day Tho. Medowes formerly second Mate of y^e 46 Tywar arrived here in a Sloop of his own from Bengall.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 30.

Order'd that Pag^o 10000 be sent to Conimeer.

A Generall to Coodaloor of this date read & passed.

A letter from the Agent to Gopall Punditt dated this day & another letter to Podula Lingapa dated the 2^d of May were read & passed.

Coppy of a clause of a letter dated in Hugly the 27th of february last from the Agent there to this Agent as followeth Viz^t.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^a in their letter to the Bay by the Lancaster, advise they had orderd 20 Souldiers with a Corporall to be sent on her for Hugly, whether they were sent on her or not I know not, but judge itt very advisable in this juncture, for all good respects, to hav[e] so many men sent us, to be here (if possible) by the first of June next, the 11th ditto being the 4th last day we have allotted to us of forbearance, for not paying of Custome, before which day if we do not procure the Kings Phirman as aforesaid, we are oblidged to pay 5th Cent for all goods imported & Exported this year, besides I fear (in such case) the demand of arrears for two years past, & rather then doe so we were better stand up in our own defence, & go aboard our Sloops, which will soon bring them to reason, & make them consider better of itt, the charge of the Souldiers coming will not be great, & if no ocaation presents, may be soon returned to you, by the first oppertunity, if you should judge convenient to Send me these Twenty men, be pleased to lett one or two of them be discreet, Sober persons, able to Command the rest, Such an Officer being much wanted amongst these the Comp^a sent with me out of England.

According to the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} order there was 20 Souldiers & a Corporall Sent upon the Lancaster for the Bay, but the ship being cast away the Souldiers returned upon the Resolution from Madapollam, & now the Agent writing the necessity of sending them, as p^r the abovesaid clause of his letter, itt is order'd that 18 Souldiers 1 Corporall & 1 49 Rounder 50 goe upon the Sloop Conimeer for Hugly, as soon as possible, the reasons he gives seeming to be of great necessity for securing the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} affair.

P 10000 to Conimeer. A Genl to Coodaloor. A letter to Gopall Punditt and Lingapa.

Coppy of a clause of a letter from the Agent in the Bay.

Souldiers Sent for the Bay.

Their return from Madapollam. More Souldiers order'd p^r Sloop Conimeer.

Mr John
Davis order'd
to prepare
to go to
Coodaloor.

The reasons
why.

Mr John Davis (as p Consultation of the 19th of last moneth) being appointed Chief of Coodaloor ffactory, itt is now order'd that he prepare himself to go thether by the third of next moneth, by reason Gopall Punditt threatens to detain Mr Ord & Teggapa, till he sees some others appear, being jealous that we do not intend to Settle a ffactory there now the Interloper is gone, & there being other Interlopers dayly expected, itt is to be feared that one should arrive before we are settled, that Gopall Punditt w fall from his agreement, we having not performed our promise to him, & so be a greater friend to the Interlopers then ever.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

pmo.
A Generall
from Mada-
pollam.

A Generall
from
Vizagapatam.

A letter
from the
Pettepollee
Merchnts.

2.
The Agent
taken ill.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 14th & 20th pa with their Consultations & Dyary, Acc^t Cash, Purs[ers] acc^t & acc^t Currant ffort St George for last moneth.

Rec^d a Generall from Vizagapatam dated the 14th past with their Consultations, Acc^t Cash, & Pursers a[cc^t] for the moneths of January, February & March.

Rec^d a letter from the Pettepollee old Merchants to the Agent & Council.

The Right Worp^l the Agent taken ill this morning with a fitt of the Stone & wind collick.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday
3.

A Parcell of
Pegu Musk
bought.

A Parcell of ¹ Pegu Musk being offer'd to Sale, itt[is] though fitt to buy the same for the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} account, none of the sort having been bought for them heretofore, besides the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} hav[e] order'd us to encourage that trade, & the buying of this parcell may occasion the bringing of greate[r] quantitie hether, if this parcell is approved of by their Honours.

Take Mas.

The weigh
of itt

The abovesaid Musk weyas Cattce 10: 14: 03 att Pag^o 25
p Cattce amo^{tt} to P 272: 12: []

Upon the delivery of the letter to Lingapa's Braminee which was read last Consultation day, according to Custome itt is order'd that he be Tasheriff with Five Pagodas & Two yards & a half of red Serge.

A Generall to Conimeer dated the 5th Instant read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

[Ta] sherif
given
Lingapa's
[B] ramiee.

[A] Generall
to Conimeer.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Rec^d a letter from Thomas Kirby, Thomas Day, & Peter Day & t Colotnbo who had escaped from ⁵² Zeloan, dated the 15th past to e Agent.

Mr John Davis sett forward for Coodaloor.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dated the pmo Instant with their Consultations & Dyary, Acc^t Cash & Stewards acc^t for last moneth.

5.
[L]etter from
[th]ree men
that
[esc]aped
from
Ze[lo]an
[Mr] Davis
sett out [for]
Coodaloor.
6.
[G]enerall
from
[P]ettepollee.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

A Generall to the Bay of this date read & passed.

These six persons following Viz^t Rob^t Hewet, Lodowick Dut-
on, John Cristian, Jacob Vilott, John Vanskeet, and Pedro
Marten designed part of the 18 Souldiers for the B[ay] desiring
that their wives may receive half their pay he[re,] itt is order'd
that they have the one half paid their wives [as] they desire & the
ther half paid them in the Bay & no m[ore], of which the Agent
Council in the Bay to be advised.

[A] Generall
to the Bay.
Six of the
Souldiers
desires their
pay to be pd
to their wives
here.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

8. The Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} new Sorting Godown being finished the Agent & Councill went thether, & gave the Merchants Beetle & ³⁸ Rack.

9. A Dispatch for the Sloop Conimeer to the Bay with the Souldiers. Mr of the Sloop Conimeer, were sent to the Councill for their approbation, then Coppied fair, Signed, & delivered to them. This afternoon the Sloop Conimeer sailed out of this roa^e with the Souldiers for the Bay of Bengall.

Thursday The Councill mett but no business presented.

10. Chena Vencatadry delivered the Agent a letter directed t. Peddevencatady & Comp^a from Rhampgee Pontulo, and San Vishvanada att Golcondah, Dated the 15th past & 2^d Instant.

11. Rec^d a letter from Mr Ralph Ord att Conimeer dated 9 Instant & a Generall from Conimeer dated the same day.

Munday 14. The Councill mett but no business to proceed upon.

15. Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 12th Instant and another from Madapollam dated the 6th Instant.

The Councill mett but no business offer'd.

Thursday 17. This day the Good Neighbour Cap^t Norgrave arrived here from ⁵ Bombay, being designed for the Bay; & the Sloop belonging to Thomas Medowes sailed hence for Bengall.

18. This-day the Bombay ship that arrived here yesterday Saile from hence for the Bay.

Munday 21. The Councill mett but no business to proceed upon, only letter from the Agent to our Braminee Egib att Golcondah was read and approved of, then Translated into Gentue, Signed & Sent forward.

Trevitore sailed for Syam. This morning the Trevitore a Country Vessell sailed hence for Syam.

22. Rec^d a letter from Clement du Jardin att Vizagapatam dated the 2^d Instant.

A letter from Mr du Jardin A Cowle from the Sharlas-car of the Carling Country. Rec^d a letter from the Sharlas-car of the Carling Country Saide Abdella Cawne to Mr George Ramsden dated in Aprill 1683 which is a Cowle not to permitt y^e Interlopers to trade in his Country.

A Generall from Coodaloor. Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 17th Instant.

Rec^d a letter from Haja Raja & one from Gopall Punditt to the Night Worpth the Agent. The Egib who brought the letters, brought a Tasherif from Haja Raja for the Agent att receipt therof & drinking Haja Raja's health, there was Eleaven great Guns fired.

This-day the Advice Pinke Cap^t Henry Burton arrived here from Suratt.

Rec^d a Generall from Suratt dated the 27th of March last.

Rec^d a Generall from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a dated the 25th March 1682 which came Via Suratt.

Rec^d a Generall from Mr George Ramsden & Mr Charles getwood att ⁵⁵ Cheracoll dated the 5th Instant.

Rec^d a letter from the Pettepollee Merchants dated this Mth.

Rec^d a letter from Clement du Jardin att Vizagapatam dated the 8th Instant.

Att a Consultation

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

The Governours Cash book for the moneth of Aprill read & passed the Ballance being..... P 22503 : 34 : 1 :

The Journall of the Generall Books of Accounts for the moneth of March read & passed.

The Warehouse day Book of acc^{ts} for the moneth of Aprill read & passed.

Mr John Bigrig his acc^{ts} of the Mint for the moneth of Aprill were read & passed as followeth Viz^t.

Rec^d for Mintage duties upon particular persons Gold coyned Pag^e 1780 att 1 p Cent is P 8 : 32 : 3.

The Customer Mr John Nicks his book acc^{ts} for the moneth of Aprill read & passed as followeth Viz^t.

Customs of goods Imported & Exported.	P 477 : 08 : 31
Petty land Customs	62 : 26 : 47
Paddy toll att the Banksoll	2 : 05 : 75
Measurers duty	13 : 25 : 91

A letter from Haja Raja & Gopall Punditt. Guns fired.

Advice Pinke arrived from Suratt.

22. A Genll from Suratt.

A Genll from the Honble Comp^a.

23. A Genll from Cheracoll.

A letter from the Pettepollee Merots.

A letter from Mr Du Jardin.

Thursday 24.

Cash Booke read & past.

Generall Books read & past.

Warehous day Book read & past.

Mr John Bigrig his Acc^{ts} of the Mint read & past.

Customers Acc^{ts} read & past.

Weighers duty P 6:32:23
 Broakeridge " - : 14: 63
 Register of Houses & Slaves &c* " 2: 25: 50

P 585:33:05

Pay masters
 Accotts read
 & past.

The Paymaster Mr John Littleton his Book of Acco^{ts} for the
 month of Aprill read & passed Viz:

Charges Garrison P 611: 03: 4
 Charges Generall " 227: 24: -
 Charges Dyett " 129: 28: 4
 Charges Cattle " 29: 16: 2
 Charges Merchandise " 53: 13: 1
 Acc^{ts} Fortifications, Repairs &c* " 378: 23: 1

P 1430: 01: 0

A Generall to
 Palliacatt.

A Generall to ⁵⁶ Jacob Joris Pitts & Council at Palliacatt dated
 y^e 25th Instant read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
 JOHN BIGRIG.
 ELIHU YALE.
 JOHN NICKS.
 JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

24. Rec^d a letter from Jacob Joris Pitts & Council att Palliacatt
 A letter from dated the p^{mo} June 1683.
 Palliacatt.

25. This day a Ship from Goa arrived here.
 A Ship from Goa.

27. This morning the Agent was taken with a fitt of the Stone
 The Agent & wild Collick.
 taken ill.

Munday 28. The Agents illness still continuing the Council did not meet to
 No Constilla- day.
 tion.

29. This being the King of Englands birthday and hap[py]
 Guns fired restoration, there was 29 Great Gunns & 4 Vollies of Small Shott
 being the fired, as hath been used to be done.
 King of birth day.

A letter from
 Narran.

Rec^d a letter from Dubass ⁵⁷ Narran att Pettepollee.

The Agents illness continuing, no Consultation to day.

Rec^d a letter from the Pettepollee new Merchants.

This night the Advice Pinke sailed out of this road for the Bay
 of Bengall.

Mr John Field arrived here this evening from Madapollam
 having had leave to come up, & brought with him a generall from
 thence dated the 14th past.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 2^d Instant advising
 of the arrivall of the ⁵⁸ London Cap^t John Daniell att Porto novo
 that day.

Rec^d a letter from Cap^t John Daniell dated in Porto novo
 the 2^d Instant.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

A Generall to Coodaloor & another to Cap^t John Dan[i]ell
 both of this day date read & passed.

The Chief & Council att Conimeer advising the great necessity
 they are in for a House, itt is order'd that they provide materials
 that Timbers be sent them in order to the building on.

These following Generalls dated the 5th Instant, to advise of
 the Londons being arrived att Porto novo, were read & passed
 Viz:

To Metchlepatam.

" Madapollam.

" Pettepollee.

" Vizagapatam.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

This day the Country Vessell from Conimeer arrived here with
 160 Bales of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{ys} Callicoos.

Thursday 31.
 No Consulta-
 tion.

A letter from
 the Pettepol-
 lee Merch^{ts}.
 June p^{mo}
 Pink Advice
 sailed.

2. Mr Field
 arrived
 from Mada-
 pollam with a
 Generall.

4. Advice of
 Cap^t Jno
 Daniells
 arrivall.
 A letter from
 him.

Munday 4.

A Genll. to
 Coodaloor &
 Cap^t Daniell
 A House
 wanting att
 Conimeer.

Severall
 Genells read
 & past.

6. Vessell
 arrived from
 Conimeer.

A Generall
from Metchle-
patam &
Conimeer.

Recd a Generall from Metchlepatam dated the 26th past &
another from Conimeer dated the 4th Instant.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

Thursday 7.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Letters read
& past.

A Generall to Coodaloor & a letter from the Agent to Haja Raja both of this day date read and passed.

A letter from the Agent to Gopall Punditt read & passed.

The two Braminees that were sent to Haja Raja, and accompanied Teggapa to Portonovo about the Interlope[rs] having behaved themselves very diligently, & for their encouragement that they may be so hereafter, it is order'd that they have each of them Pag^o 40 & a Tasherif of Two yards & a half of broad Cloth fine, & that the Egib which brought the letters & Tasherif from Haja Raja be Tasherift with Pag^o 15 to 20 in a Gold Chain & Two yards & a half of broad Cloth fine, & the other two persons that came with him, have give[n] them Three Pagodas & a Tasherif of a peece of Sallampors.

Braminees
& a Tasherif.

Teggapa
order'd to go
to Coodaloor

Teggapa having been att the Agreement made with Gopall Punditt, it is order'd that he go immediatly to discourse with him & to assist the Chief & in the keeping him to the performance of Haja Raja's & his Cowle, for the turning the Interlopers away & to encourage him it is order'd that he have a Tasherif of Two yards & a half of broad Cloth fine.

A Dubas
order'd for
Coodaloor.

The Chief & Council att Conimeer having great occasion for an able Dubass, & here being a person named Samsen fitting for that place, it is order'd that he go along with Teggapa, to introduced into the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} business & to remain there, for his encouragement it is order'd that he be Tasherift with yards 2½ of fine broad Cloth.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Recd a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 4th Instant which accompanied the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Packett that came by the London, which was opened & read, wherein were these following Generalls Viz^t dated the 23th August 6th & 26th of September 4th & 27th of October 1682

M^r Thomas Lucas arrived here this evening from Porto novo who had dispatched the Packett from Portonovo the day before he came from thence himselfe.

The Sloop Mary sailed hence this day for Conimeer ffactory with Timbers &c.

7. The Honble Compas Packett p. Ship London reced.

Mr Lucas came hether]

8. [S]loop Mary saild fo[r] Conimeer.

Att a Consultation Extra^o Afternoon.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

The Clause in the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} letter concerning M^r Thomas Lucas was read & he accordingly took his place of fourth in Council here.

Lieutenant James Bett being removed from this place it is order'd that Ensigne Alban Plumtree have the Command of that Company under the title of Ensigne, & to have noe more pay then he had formerly in that office.

Saturday 9.

Mr Lucas took place of fourth in Council here.

Alban Plumtree to take the Command of a Compa.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Recd a Generall from Conimeer dated the 7th Instant.

The Annapurna sailed hence this morning for Achcen & Pegu.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

The Chief & Council att Conimeer advising p their letter dated the 9th Instant, that the Interlopers intend to settle att

Verampatnam, a place neer Pullicherry under the Govern^{ment} of

Triumbackbussara Savage Raja's uncle, which is independant on

Interlopers intend to settle in Triumbackbussara's Government.

Munday 11.

A letter to be writt to him with a Tasheriff

Gopall Punditt, Vittula Pilla or Haja Raja's Government, which being taken into consideration, it is agreed that a letter be writt to him the said Triumbackussera, & a Tasheriff sent him of 5 yards of fine broad Cloth, to engage his friendship to us against the Interlopers.

Capt Daniell orderd for Coodaloor & Conimeer & see hether.

Order'd that a letter be immediatly writt to Cap^t John Daniell to weigh Anchor for Coodaloor & then for Conimeer & there to deliver the Goods & Treasure enorder'd, then immediatly to repair hether, which Said letter to be sent to Mr John Davis Chief & C^o Councill att Coodaloor, to be delivered to the Captain, if they find no absolute necessity for her stay att Porto novo, first advising wth Gopall Punditt about itt, representing the reason & necessity of his coming to Coyne the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Gold into Pagodas, to deliver their Merchants for a Sudden great Investment, but [i]f nothing will satisfie, but the ships stay att Porto novo, then itt is order'd that the Chief & C^o att Coodaloor do hier the best & Securest Sea conveyance they can, for transporting of some part of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Treasure & Goods, to furnish us with Pagodas for our present great occasions.

If Gopall Punditt is willing.

If not

Treasure & Goods to be sent hether. Capt. Daniell [to] unlade att

Order'd that Cap^t John Daniell unload these following goods att Coodaloor & Conimeer Factorys viz^t.

Coodaloor.

Att Coodaloor.

Silver 2 Chests N^o 93 & 103.

Corall 2 Chests N^o 1 & 2.

Brimstone 10 Cask N^o 1 to 10.

Lead 50 Pigs.

Att Conimeer.

Conimeer.

Silver 2 Chests N^o 94 & 104.

Corall 2 Chests N^o 12 & 13.

Brimstone 10 Cask N^o 11 to 20.

Lead 50 Piggs.

A Genll to Coodaloor & two to Capt Daniel.

A Generall to Coodaloor & two Generalls to Cap^t John Daniell. all of this day date read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

THO: LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Generalls from Madapollam.

Rec^d two Generalls from Madapollam dated the 23th & 31th past with Coppies of their Dyary & Consultations, Acc^t Cash & Stewards acc^t for the last moneth.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 9th Instant.

This morning a great Dutch Ship passed by here from Batavia for Palliacatt.

The Spaniards Ship sailed out of this road for Ma[nilla].

A letter from the Agent to Triumbackussera Sewage Raja'[s] uncle was sent to the Councill for their approbation, then transacted into Gentue, signed, & sent forward.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Genll from Conimeer. Great Dutch Ship passed by.

12. A ship for Manilla. A letter to Triumbackussera.

Thursday 14.

Order'd that in case the Commanders of the Ships refuse to assist the Natives against any violence that may be offer'd them by the Interlopers, that they be protested against, & forme wherof is as followeth.

Commanders of Ships to be protested against.

Whereas by virtue of an order from the Hon^{ble} East India Company our Masters, the Agent & Councill att Fort St George have commanded you Cap^t Commander of the Ship

Forme of the Protest.

that if any of the Interlopers offer violence or force to any of the Natives who are Allies and friends to the Said Hon^{ble} Comp^a (as also with whom they trade) to rescue & protect them, & to resist such violence & force, by force of Armes, (your Ship being freighted to Serve the said Hon^{ble} East India Comp^a in Peace & Warfare (according to Charterparty) & you have refused to performe the same, the violence hath been offer'd to the said Natives, to their great damage. Therefore we the Chiefe & Councill of Coodaloor in the name & by the order of the Agent & Councill of Fort St George for Affairs of the Hon^{ble} Comp^a on the Coast of Choromandell do make this our lawfull protest against you the said Cap^t Commander of the ship,

and against all Officers & Seamen of the said Ship, for all Costs Damages, or Detraiments whatsoever that the Said Hon^{ble} East India Company have already or may for the future sustaine thereby in the disturbance or want of their trade, or that the Natives may demand of them, & make stopage of their goods towards their Satisfaction of the damages sustained by the Interlopers for want of your rescuing & protecting them from the said Interlopers, or of what may happen in loosing the Hon^{ble} Comp^a

Cowle, given us by the Natives, in any of y^e places where the said violence was offer'd for want of protection from you the said Cap^t

Commander of the Ship according as you are bound to in Charterparty, or for the damages the Hon^{ble} Comp^a may sustain in their trade, if the Interlopers should thereby gett footing or Settlement in any of their Factory's, which have cost them so much money to obtain Dated the of Anno Dond 1683 & Signed & Protested by:

The Ship Trevicane, belonging to the Merchants att this Place being bound for Manilla, & the Hon^{ble} Comp^a having given their orders for Sending goods thether upon their accoun[t], itt is order'd to send a hundred Bales q^t 150 Corg of Long Cloth by said ship, for which we have now agreed with the Merchants att Page 21 p Corg browne, itt being an ordin^{ry} Sort of Cloth made on purpose for that place, & in case the said ship Trevicane

100 Bales
Callicoes
Ship Trevi-
cane to
Manilla.

By what Ship
the returns
to come.

Little goods
vendible in
Manilla.

The reason
of itt.

The ship
London to
be dispatcht
for Europe.
Great want
of money.

goes from Manilla to Mocoa, as she is designed, then she returnes of the said 100 Bales to be brought hether upon the ship Adventure. We have also enquired of some Spaniards &^a that came from Manilla this year about the disposeure of Europe goods in those parts who informe us that only a small quantity of Europe goods is vendible there, the Natives being too poor to reach [itt] {a}nd others wear Europe Cloths rarely for variety, silks being very cheap & commodious for that hott Climate, & they can gaine nothing upon itt to new Spaine, equivoient to long Cloth &^a. Resolved to dispatch the Ship London for Europe as soon as possible after her arrivall att this place from Porto novo.

The Agent & Councill having considered of their great want of ready money, to employ the Merchants in this new Investment, in their severall factory's on this Coast, & least the want therof should detard & lessen the great & various Investment order'd this year, as also to prevent the Mer [ch^a] engaging with the Interlopers, itt is therefore order'd that money be immediatly taken up att Intrest to y^e amount of Pag^e 20000 not exceeding 10 p Cent, & to give so muc [h] if not procurable att lower rates, till sufficient Gold arrive & be coyned to pay itt, in consideration of the great necessity we are in to supply the Merchants, notwithstanding the Hon^{ble} Comp^a do not order itt, provided itt may be procured, and brought in, within Seaven dayes after this.

Order'd that £ 5000 be sent to Conimeer factory.

These following Generalls were read & passed Viz^t.

To Coodaloor

To Conimeer

P 2000 to be
taken up att
Intrest.

If procurable
in Seaven
dayes.
P 5000 for
Conimeer.
Seaverall
Generalls read
& past.

To Cap^t John Daniell att Porto novo

To Commanders of the ships that may arrive att Porto novo.

To Suratt

To The Hon^{ble} Comp^a to be sent via Suratt.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGNIG.

ELIHU YALE.

THO: LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

This morning Richard Browne arrived here from Metchle & brought with him a Generall dated the 6th Instant.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 10th Instant.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 7th Instant wth Coppy of their Dyary & Consultations, Acc^t Cash & Pursers account for the last moneth, with their Generall Books for the last year.

16.
Mr. Brown
arrived from
Metchlepat.
A Genl from
Coodaloor.
17.
A Generall
from Mada-
pollam
with their
Generall
Books.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGNIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr THOMAS LUCAS. Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 18.

There having been a report represented to us by the Chiefe & Councill att Pettapollae, that two of the new Merch^a which offer'd to Serve the Hon^{ble} Comp^a att Pettapollae Viz^t Kian[a]ma & Juggappa were Servants to the Duan, & the said Merch^a being att this place, they were sent for, & charged with the same, [w]^{ch} they absolutely denied, & for a Confirmation therof they offer to enter into a Bond of Pag^e 10000 Jointly & Severally payable to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a that neither of them two, or any of their Company, are now or shall be hereafter during their Serving the Hon^{ble} Comp^a concerned with the Duan, & that they come to morrow morning to Signe the said Bond.

Two of the
Pettapollae
new Merch^a, re-
ported to be
Servants to the
Duan.
They deny
itt and offer
P 10000
Security.

There being a great Investment in Shirts & Shifts order'd by the Hon^{ble} Comp^a that we may lose no time, itt is agreed that some of the Metchlepatam Sail Cloth, that was taken out of the

Metchlepa-
tam Sail Cloth
to make
Shirts &
Shifts.

Resolution be dyed Blew, itt being thin and propper for that use.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

THO: LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

A Generall
from Pette-
pollee.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dated the 12th Instant with their Consultations & Dyary & Acc^t Cash for last moneth Stewards acc^t for the moneths of Aprill & May, & the Ballance of their Generall Books, with Account Currant fort St. George.

Att a Consultation Extra^o.

Present:

Tuesday 19.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Bond of P
10000 signed.

The Pettepollee Merchants attended as they were appointed yesterday & signed their bond for P 10000.

P 500 to be
paid the
Washermen.

Order'd that the Washermen have Pag^o 500 paid them on account of Washing & Whitening the Hon^{ble} Companys Callicoes to Secure them for our approaching Investment.

Regulation of
the Mint
Braminees.

The Hon^{ble} Company haveing sent us continued complaints upon the Minters in this plate, for their neglects & frauds in the Mint, which notwithstanding our greatest care and industry could never discover any thing of fraud, yet in compliaⁿce to those directions in hopes of better Service, as also by reason of some late disputes & differences amongst the Mint Braminees, it is agreed that new Braminees bee imployed in the Mint with the old ones, upon this other good consideration of one p^{er} Mill ab[^a]atement on y^o Coynage of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} & all other Treasure minted here.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

THO: LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Rec^d a Generall from Ooodaloor dated the 16th Instant with a letter inclosed from M^r Ralph Ord att Porto novo dated the 15 Instant to M^r John Davis att Ooodaloor.

19. A Generall
from Oooda-
loor with a lre
from Mr Ord
to Mr Davis.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday 21.

M^r Robert Freeman Chief att Metchlepatam continuing ill, & goods coming in there dayly, & a report that the Interlopers intend for that place, itt is ordered that M^r Richard Brown returne thither, on Munday next att farthest to take care of the said goods, & to endeavour to prevent the Interlopers trading there.

Mr Brown
order'd to
returne to
Metchlepa-
tam.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} having given order to proch^r a Phir-mund for Coyping of Rupees att this place itt is agreed to send up to Gilleondah to endeavour to procure the same.

A Phir-
mund to be
procured.

Agreed that there be notes put upon the Gates to give a generall invitation to all Merchants, to bring in Musters of all the variety of ^{es} Paintings, or any new sort of Cloth that these parts affoord, in order to the treating with them about an Investment, a Coppy wherof is as followeth.

Masters of
Paintings &ca
to be brought
in.

Wee the Agent & Councill of Fort St George for Affaires of the Hon^{ble} English East India Company do hereby invite all Merchants inhabitants of this Towne of Madraspatam & all others to bring & produce to us all y^e variety of Musters of Paintings & Callicoes whatsoever is made in this Country, & also of any new invented Sorts, that can be made hereabouts or brought hether, & we shall contract with them for large quantities, & deliver them out money for the provision thereof, they giving good Security for their punctuall compliance by the time that shall be agreed upon for the making such Investments as shall be required of them.

A noat sett
upon the
Gates to In-
vite all per-
sons to bring
in Paintings
& other Cal-
licoes.

Also whereas there are many French, Dutch, & Interloping Ships arrived, & expected upon this Coast, these are therfore to forbid & forewarn all the inhabitants under this Government and all others that have any dependance on us or our trade, from having any dealings in Merchandise or to assist or furnish any of them, upon perill of being for ever dismist, & outed from the

Hon^{ble} English East India Comp^{as} Service, & what further penalty we shall think fitt to inflict upon them. Dated in Fort St George the 21st of June 1683.

A Law with reference to ye Natives Sett upon the Gates.

An order For the raising a Banke of money.

Declaration to take in money at Six p cent.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} having sent us a Law, with reference to the Natives, as also an order for the raising of a banke of money to the value of One hundred Thousand pounds [sterg] att six p Cent, itt is order'd that the first be translated in [to] Portuguez, Gentue, Malabar, & Mdores, & proclaimed solemnly by beat of Drum, & afterwards sett upon the Gates, & our declaration for the receiving of what mony's shall be brought in upon the latter to be likewise translated into the abovesaid Languages and also sett upon the Gates a Coppy, wherof is as followeth Viz.

By the Hon^{ble} East India Comp^{as} order we the Agent & Councill of Fort St George, do hereby publicly Declare unto all persons whatsoever, that we will att any time take up & receive what sums of money soever shall be brought to us, att six p Cent p annum Intrest, for Six or Twelve mth time, or any other longer term of years, but not lesse then six moneths, nor to exceed the time we shall agree for, & we shall for the better security of such persons, y^t shall so lett out their money, give our receipt for the same under the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Seal. Dated in Fort St George the 21st of June 1683.

No Gold as yet come from Porto novo.

[nor] money att 10 p cent Intrest brought in.

Ship London is order'd to be dispatcht hether directly from Porto novo.

Avaldar of Covelon's answer to a letter sent him.

Whereas in Consultation of the 11th Instant, itt is order'd y^t the ship London do continue att Porto novo, if there should be any necessity of impeading the Interlopers business & encouraging & securing the Natives, & that if G^{enl} P^{er}mitt should not willingly consent to her coming away that then they should procure the best Sea conveyence they could, & Sent us four Chests of Gold, but [t]he time greatly elapsing, & neither yet appearing, as also in consideration that as yet we can gett no money att our proposed Intrest which was att Ten p Cent, itt is therefore agreed, that if they have not sent away the ship nor dispatcht the Treasure, before the receipt of the letter, which is order'd to be writt to, them immediatly, that then the ship be sent hether directly, & not touch att Coodaloor, & Conimber, but when her goods which are to be unloaded here is dispatcht, that she return to Porto novo & call att the two forementioned places & deliver them the goods ordred in the Consultation of the 11th Instant.

Being informed that Alley intends to settle at Covelon, we order'd our Merchants to write about itt to the Avaldar of that place to prevent his trading there, who therupon sent his servant this day to us, to assure us his friendship, and invite us

to a Settlement, wherupon itt is thought convenient that an Englishman be sent to reside there, the better to secure itt from the Interlopers; our Merchants promising to imploy him in the care of their goods, the Messinger is order'd to be Tasheriff with two yards and a half of perpetuans.

A General to Coodaloor of this date read & passed.

A General to Cap^t John Daniell att Porto novo of this date read & passed.

A General to Cap^t Nathaniell Owen to be left att Coodaloor till he arrives att Porto novo of this day date read and passed.

A letter from the Agent to Maha Raja read & passed.

A letter from the Agent to the Governour of Trangambar read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO^s LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STANLIS Secy

Recd^t A General from Coodaloor dated the 18th Instant.

A General to Coodaloor was sent to the Councill for their approbation, then copied fair & Sent forward.

A letter from the Agent to Ancha Pilla att Chincalapatt, & another to our Braminee Egib Vira Bagayatt att Geloondah, were sent to the Council for their approbation, then translated into Gentue, signed & Sent forward.

Att a Consultation.

Present

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

The Governours Cash book for the moneth of May read & passed the Ballance being Rs 541-51.

The Journall of the Generall Booke of Acc^{ts} for the moneth of Aprill read & passed.

An Englishman to reside att Covelon. The Avaldar's servant Tasheriff.

A Genll to Coodaloor. A General to Cap^t Daniell.

A General to Cap^t Owen.

A letter to Maha Raja. To the Governour of Trangambar.

22. A Genll from Coodaloor.

A Genll to Coodaloor.

23. A letter to Ancha Pilla & another to our Braminee.

Munday 25.

Cash Book for May read & past. Genll Booke for Aprill read & past.

25.
Mr Bigrig
Accott of the
Mint for May
read & past.

Mr John Bigrig his account of the Mint for the month of May read & passed as followeth viz.

Recd for Mintage duties upon particular persons Gold coined
Pag^o 3026 att 1 p Cent. P 15:04:3
Copper Cash 86½ Veece att fan^o 1 p Veece. 2:14:3

P 17:19:-

Warehous
day Book for
May read &
past.
Customers
Book of Acc^{ts}
for May read
& past.

The Warehouse day book of Acc^{ts} for the month of May read & passed.

The Customer Mr John Nicks his Book of Acc^{ts} for y^e month of May read & passed as followeth viz.

Sea & Land Custome for goods imported
& exported P 173:22:60
Petty land Custome 103:01:43
Paddy Toll att the Banksail 3:03:38
Measurers duty 14:02:28
Weighers duty 3:28:31
Brookridge 1:23:34
Register of Houses & Slaves &c 5:22:00

P 304:33:62:-

Paymasters
Book of Acc^{ts}
for May read
& past.

The Paymaster M^r John Littleton his book of Acc^{ts} for the month of May read & passed as followeth viz.

Charges Garrison P 603:20:0
Charges General 262:17:1
Charges Dyett 116:03:0
Charges Cattle 53:28:1
Charges Merchandise 54:04:2
Acc^t Fortifications Repairs &c 446:22:5

P 1530:23:4:-

A General to
Metchle-
patam.

A General to Metchlepatam p M^r Brown read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO: LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

A General from Coodaloor dated the [22]th Instant.
This morning the Ship Trevicane Sailed out of this Road for Manilla.

Recd a General from Coodaloor dated y^e 23th Instant.

Recd a letter from M^r Ralph Ord dated in Shillebrum the 22th & in Porto novo the 23th Instant.

Recd a General from Conimeer dated the 24th Instant.

Att Consultation.

Present

WILLIAM GYFFORD, Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Tuesday 28.

A General to Patterpolls of this date read & passed.

A General to Vizagapatam of this date read & passed.

Order'd that M^r Thomas Lucas for the present, take the care of the Mint, by reason M^r John Nicks is now making up his Custome books, & that M^r Henry Mossee be his assistant.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO: LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

A small Vessel called the Kent arrived here from Bantam in her way to the Bay. M^r Davenant one of the Hon^{ble} Companys factors being aboard her for that place.

This morning a Sloop belonging to Madapollam arrived here from Batavia, the Master reports that he mett with three of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{ys} Ships off of Zelon viz The Herbert, the William & Francis & the Hare bound for the Bay of Bengall.

Recd a General from the Hon^{ble} Comp^{ys} Servants dated in Batavia the 18th of last month.

Recd a General from Coodaloor dated the 25th Instant.

Recd a General from M^r Davis & M^r Ord att Portonovo dated the 17th Instant.

A Genl from
Coodaloor.
28
Trevicane for
Manilla.
A Genl from
Coodaloor.
A letter from
Mr Ord.
A Genl from
Conimeer.

A Genl to
Patterpolls.
To Vizagapa-
tam.
Mr Lucas to
take care of
the Mint.

28
Ship Kent
arrived from
Bantam.

29
Sloop from
Batavia, who
mett three of
the Hon^{ble}
Comp^{ys} ships
off of Zelon.

A Genl from
Batavia.

A Genl from
Coodaloor.
A Genl from
Porto novo.

A letter from M^r Ord. Rec^d a letter from M^r Ord dated in Portonovo the 26th Instant.

A Generall from Conimeer with Seaterall letters. Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 27th Instant, with M^r Miltons letter from Pallicherry; M^r John Willcox letter to M^r Mons^r Deltore dated the 24th Instant, two letters from Ambagee Puntolo, A letter from Parasarama, & Mons^r Deltore's letter to M^r John Willcox dated the 7th July 1683 new stile.

Ship London arrived here. This evening the London Cap^t John Daniell arrived here from Portonovo & the Captains came ashore.

Att a Consultation Extra.

Present

Saturday 30.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Ship London to be unloaded. Order'd that the Warehousekeeper unload the Ship Londons whole Cargo.

A Gen^l to the Bay. A Generall to the Bay of Bengall of this date read & passed.

A Gen^l to Conimeer & another to Coodaloor. A Generall to Coodaloor & another to Conimeer both of this date read & passed.

A letter to be left att Porto novo. A letter to the Captains of the Ships that shall arrive att Porto novo of this date read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

THO: LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Four Chests of Gold landed. This morning four Chests of Gold N^o A.B.C.D. was landed out of the London & N^o A & B weighed off to the Shroffs.

Kent sailed for ye Bay. Ship Kent this morning sailed out of this Road for the Bay.

A Gen^l from Conimeer & a letter from Teggapa. Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 28th Instant, & a letter from Teggapa att Porto novo dated this moneth.

Four Chests of Gold landed. This afternoon the other four Chests of Gold N^o E. F. G. H. was landed from the Ship London.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 29th past.

Att a Consultation.

Present

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

M^r Elihu Yale & M^r Thomas Lucas report the weight of two Chests of Gold by the London weighed out to the Shroffs of the Mint the 30th of last moneth Viz^t.

oz	dwt	gr	oz	dwt	gr
1 Chest N ^o A	poiz 1576	: 00 : 22	which is	1 : 11 : 22	over of what Invoiced.

oz	dwt	gr	oz	dwt	gr
1 Chest N ^o B	poiz 4700	: 60 : 12	which is	2 : 07 : 12	over of what Invoiced.

Memorandum. - Three baggs N^o 1.2.3 which are Invoiced in Chest N^o B were found in Chest N^o A, but finding itt a mistake the weight is added to Chest N^o B as Invoiced, and as itt ought to be if the three bags had not been packt up wrong.

A letter from the Agent to Bundalela Shawhe read & passed.

A Generall to Pettepollee of this date read & passed.

Lucas Luis a Portuguez & an Inhabitant of this Place acquainted the Agent & Council this morning that he had some consignments from Portuguez in England aboard Smith the Interloper, which he desired he might have leave to receive, to secure itt for his friends, which is thought convenient to grant him, upon the consideration of drawing what money possible from the Interlopers, and he to enter into a Bond to the valling of the Consignment that he will not load itt upon any Interloper.

The Pettepollee new Merchants having signed their Bond for Pag^e 10,000 to the Hon^{ble} Comp^y for security that none of their Company doe or shall belong to the Duan for the time they were in their Service, & one third part of the Investment with the old Merchants having been proposed to them, with which they seemed indifferently well satisfied, but did not give their answer that they accepted of itt, att the time itt was offer'd; but when they came to take their leaves they absolutely refused to accept of any

July 3^{mo}
A Gen^l from
Conimeer
Monday 2.

Mr Yale &
Mr Lucas
report the
weight of
two Chests
of Gold.

A mistake in
a Chest of
Gold.

A letter to
Bundalela
Shawhe.
A Gen^l to
Pettepollee.
Lucas Luis
desires leave
to receive
some con-
signments [out
of Smith.
Itt is granted
him.

Shares offer-
ed to the new
Merchants
att Pette-
pollee.

They are dis-
satisfied.

thing under half part of the Investment with the other Merch^{ts} which we judged not reasonable, & therefore we broak quite off with them, upon which they desired their obligation w^{ch} accordingly we delivered to them, but it is agreed to order the Chief & Council att Pettepallee that in case they better consider of itt, that they should be so far^r ffavou^red as to be entertained, upon signing the same Bond, a Coppy whereof is kept here, to be remitted to them, when they shall advise they had agreed with them, & the old Merch^{ts} satisfied therewith.

Desire their
Obligation.
It is deliver
ed to them.
Yet to be
entertained
if they desire
itt.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO^s LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Secy.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 29th past.

A Genl from
Coodaloor.
A Musula
oversett &
Persons
drowned.

This Evening about seven a Clock a Musula coming ashore with two Englishmen Viz^t Abraham Moor & John Crump with two Dubasshes, was oversett in the Surf & all four drowned.

Att a Consultation Extra^o att night.

Present

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.
M^r JOHN BIGG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Tuesday 3.

Interlopers
intending to
Settle att Ar
magon &c.
Mr Lucas &
Chenavencadry
are to go to
Conjeveron.

Upon advices that Alley & Aub^{en} y were att Palliacatt, as also by a letter rec^d from the Dutch there, advising that they intended to settle att Armagon, Ramapatam, Kishnapatam & Gungapatam, which are all under Lingapa's Government, it is therefore thought convenient upon serious consideration to send M^r Thomas Lucas & Chenavencadry to Conjevon to disco^{ur}se with Sangana (who is now Chief in the absence of Lingapa) & to get his Cowle for the present, to hinder their Settling or trading att any of those places, & to oblige him to gett a Cowle from Lingapa for that purpose as soon as possible.

Order^d that a Thousand Pagodas be delivered to M^r Thomas Lucas to dispose of as he shall find occasion in y^e obtaining the turning away the Interlopers from the places aforesaid.

A letter from the Agent to Sangana & Narranapa read and passed.

P 1000 to
to be deliver
ed to Mr
Lucas.
A letter to
Sangana.

A Generall to the Dutch att Palliacatt dated the 4th Instant read & passed. A Generall to Palliacatt.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO^s LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Secy.

Rec^d a Generall from the Dutch att Palliacatt dated the 2nd Instant.

Rec^d a letter from our Braminee Egib Vira Ragavia att Guloondah dated 15th past.

Rec^d a Generall from Suratt dated the 17th of May last.

A letter from
Palliacatt.
A letter from
our Brami
nee.
3. A Genl
from Suratt.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepallee dated the 29th past.

This day the ship Kempthorn Cap^t Benja^y Harry arrived here from Batavia.

Instructions to M^r Thomas Lucas upon his going to Conjeve^ron was sent to the Council f^r their approbation, then Copied fair, Signed, & delivered to him.

This morning att three a Clock M^r Thom^s Lucas sett out for Conjeve^ron.

A Genl from
Pettepallee.
Kempthorn
arrived from
Batavia.
Instructions
to Mr Lucas
upon his
going to
Conjeve^ron.
5. Mr Lucas
sett out.

Att a Consultation.

Present

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday 5.

The Souldiers that came by the Ship London Cap^t John Daniell Commander from England, having made their request, that their pay may commence from their arrival att Porto novo, they having been att great expences lying there, & having neither Clothes nor money upon consideration of the whole it is order^d, that for their incouragement, they are allowed half the moneths pay that they lay att Porto novo, & their pay to commence from the first Instant.

Souldiers of
Ship London
don't request
out their
pay.
Allowed half
ye month
they lay att
Porto novo.

Mr Littleton to Muster Ship London's men.

Order'd that Mr John Littleton Paymaster goe aboard the Ship London & Muster the men.

A Letter to Madaba & Appogee Puntolo read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Secy.

5. A Genll from Batavia. Capt Harry came ashore & ca. A letter from Mr Mountague.

This morning the Purser of the Kempthorn came ashore, and brought the Generall letter dated the 28th May 1683.

Cap^t Benj^r Harry came also a shoar this morning & with him Mr John Stillman & his wife.

Recd a letter from Mr Edw^d Mountague dated in Batavia the 31th of May last.

6. A Genll to Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron was sent to the Council for their approbation then Copied fair, signed and Sent forward.

Att a Consultation Extrao.

Present

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governor.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Kemphorn to be dispatched. Ship London to goe to the Northern factory's.

Order'd that the Kempthorn be dispatcht as soon as possible directly from this Place for England with her lading from hence in consideration she is upon demerage, & that y^e Loⁿ be sent to Madapollam, Metchelepatam & Pettepallee, with proportion of what Europe goods & Treasure [we] have, for those Factory's, as also to bring hether what goods they h^{ave} in a readiness, & orders to be given that she may be sent be [sk] so timely, as to be dispatcht from hence the 15th Sept^r nex [t] being the time limited in Charterparty, & that the goods may be stowed away as they receive them, without ⁷⁸ [rom] lading here att her returne, it is order'd that the Quintaledge agreed upon in Charterparty be loaded upon her here.

Quintaledge to be loaded aboard her.

Mr Elihu Yale & Mr John Nicks report the weight of four Chests of Gold Viz^t N^o C.F.G.H. p Ship London; weighed out this morning to the Shroffs Viz^t.

	oz	dwt		oz	dwt
Chest N ^o C. poiz of what Invoyn [ce] d.	3114	01	over weight	5	02
Chest N ^o F. of what Invoyned.	2932	05	lesse	0	07
Chest N ^o G. of what Invoyned.	2916	06	over weight	4	02
Chest N ^o H. of what Invoyned.	2659	08	over weight	0	08

Mr Elihu Yale Warehousekeeper reports the weight of four baggs of ⁷⁹ Ryalls of Eights out of Chest N^o 103 delivered to the Mint for Alloy weighing 1748: 18 being over Weight 2: 08 of what Invoyned.

Mr John Littleton Paymaster makes his report of the Muster of the Ship London's Company Viz^t 107 men living, 1 dead, 1 drowned and 1 run away att Deal.

Three letters from the Agent were read & passed Viz^t. T[o] Lingapa dated the 6th Instant. To our Braminee Egib Vira Ragavia att Golcondah. And to the ⁸⁰ Seerkell att Golcondah, both these last of this date.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper unlade out of the Kempthorn, those goods which are not to be continued aboard for Eng-land.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Secy.

Recd a letter from Gopall Punditt dated this moneth.

Recd a letter from Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron & a Gen^l from Coodaloor both dated the 7th Instant.

Mr Elihu Yale & Mr John Nicks report the weight of four Chests of Gold.

Mr Elihu Yale reports the weight of four Baggs of Ryalls of Eights.

Mr John Littleton reports the Muster of Ship London's men. Three letters from the Agent.

[K]emphorn to be unloaded.

7. A letter from Gopall Punditt.

8. A letter from Mr Thomas Lucas [& A] Genll from Coodaloor.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.M^r JOHN NICKS.M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 9.

Some persons suspected to be concerned with the Interlopers.

A Declaration to prevent it for the future.

A Declaration.

M^r Thomas Lucas advising in his letter rec^d yesterday that some Portuguez & others in this Town, were suspected to be concerned with the Interlopers, itt is therefore order'd for preventing theirs & others doing so for the future, that this following Declaration be sett upon the Gates in English, Gentu, Moores, & Portuguez Viz^t.

Whereas there are Severall Interloping Ships & people arrived lately upon this Coast to Settle & trade, not only without l[i]c[n]se but contrary to his Royall Majestie the King of Englands Proclamation, as also against the sev[erall] orders of our Hon^{ble} Masters, the Hon^{ble} English East India Company, the owners of this Fort St George, an[d] Town of Madraspatam, which if they should by a[n]y way or mean[s] effect, itt would redound greatly to th[e] dishonour of his Majestie & the prejudice of our Nati[on] & to the very great disappointment & loss of our Hon^{ble} Company, by whose great charge & favour this Town & th[e] Inhabitants therof is & has been long protected in peace & safety, to their persons & estates, on which consideration & by the express orders from the Said Hon^{ble} English East India Company, we the Agent & Councill do hereby forbid all manner of persons Inhabitants of this Towne & the Jurisdictions therof, of whatsoever Nations or Country whether Christians, Gentue's or Moors, of what quali[ty] Rank or Employment soever, not to have any correspondence or dealing with them, either by advice, Assistance or Service, which if any shall be so unfaithf[u]ll, base, & Treacherous to disobey & act contrary to these our just orders, We hereby publish & declare, that all such persons without exception, shall upon due proof of such their Treachery be immediatly & disgracefully expel'd this Towne & liberty's therof, with all their families & Concerns & that their Houses under this Government be confiscated Seized upon & sould for the use & propriety of the Hon^{ble} English East India Company, & their Successors, & for the better discovery of Such Rogueries, we hereby promi[se] one third part of the Sale of the said Houses,

to sue[h] as Shall be so faithfull to give us true i[n]formation & proof therof. Given under our hands in Fort St George the 9th of July 1683.

Order'd that M^r John Littleton Paymaster goe aboard the Kempthorn & Muster the Ship Company.

The Providing of Shirts & Shifts having often been upon consideration, the Councill could not till now, come to an agreement with the Taylors for the prises, which are Viz^t.

Shirts best Sort Superfine Moores	.. att fan ^s 1½ each
Second Sort fine Moores	.. att fan ^s 1¼ each
third Sort fine long Cloth	.. att fan ^s 1 each
fourth Sort long cloth white & blew	att f 2 p 5 Shirts
Shifts best sort Superfine Moores	.. att fan ^s 1½ each
Second Sort fine Moores	.. att fan ^s 1¼ each
third Sort fine long Cloth	.. att fan ^s 1¼ each
fourth Sort ordina ^r y long cloth	.. att fan ^s ½ each

Orderd that the Warehousekeeper deliver out these severall Sorts of Callicoos for making of Shirts & Shifts Viz^t Moores fine & Superfine, Long Cloth ordinary, white & blew, & fine also Sail Cloth blew, & that M^r Henry Alford & M^r ⁸¹ Benj^a Bloom are appointed to see the Shirts & Shifts torne out & delivered to the Taylors, & for the receiving of them back according to the quality & dementions delivered.

Orderd that Pag^o 15000 be delivered to the Hon^{ble} Companys Merchants upon this years new Investment, to be sent to the Severall places where the Interlopers are, to buy up the Cloth, that they may be hinderd of making an Investment, which accordingly was now paid them, & that Pagodas five Thousand more be delivered on the abovesaid account tomorrow.

A Declaration to the Chief Governours & other Officers att Arnagon, ⁸² Enore, & the parts adjacent against the Interlope[rs] dated the 10th Instant read & passed as follow[eth] Viz^t.

That we are commanded by virtue of his Majesty the King of Englands Proclamation & the Hon^{ble} East India Comp^{as} orders to us, to take & Seiz the ships & goods of any of the English nation (other then the said East India Comp^a & their Successors & such as Shall be employed or licensed by them) which they shall find trading in any part of the East Indies within the limitts of their Charter, & also to endeavour what possibly we can to frustrate & defeat them in their designes, & therefore we have thought fit to signif[ie] unto you, that wheras his Highness the

Mr Littleton to Muster Kempthorns men.

Agreement made with the Taylors for making Shirts and Shifts.

Cloth to be deliver'd for making Shirts and Shifts.

Persons appointed to look after them.

P 15000 to be delivered to the Merchants.

P 5000 more to them.

A Declaration against the Interlopers.

A Declara-
tion.

"Allumpenhadid give & grant his gracious Phirmaund to the Hon^{ble} English East India Comp^a & their Servants Loyall Subjects to the King of England (by whose leave & authority we come, hether to trade) therin promising us Severall priveledges & a Secure & peaceable Settlement of our trade in his Country, in confidence of whose gracious Phirmaund we accepted of the same for the settlement of our factorys & People, Wee say therefore we hereby declare that whatever English ship that is or shall arrive in any Port or Place upon this Coast not belonging to the Hon^{ble} English East India Comp^a & shall settle or trade there that itt is against the consent of his Maj^{ty} the King of Englands Proclamation, being out against them, also itt is against the orders of the said Hon^{ble} East India Comp^a & wholly without our licence they being Enemies to the Peace and Trade of our said Hon^{ble} Company, & therefore we do p this writing in the name of our King & Company desire & demand (as itt is our duty) that according to the contents of our Phirmaund from his Highness the Allumpenha, we may not be disturbed in our tradeing by the aforesaid Interlopers or Strangers Ships not belonging to the Hon^{ble} Company as aforesaid & that the Strangers Ships may not be permitted to settle or trade in any part of the King of Golcondah's Country but that on the contrary they may be discouraged from any such unjust proceedings, & that all your Merch^{ts} may bee prohibited to have any dealings with them, by w^{ch} meanes they may be disappointed of their designes in acting any thing contrary to his Maj^{ty} the King of Englands Proclamation, which we have also now with this writing order'd to be delivered unto you & so we bid you farewell & wishing you long life & encrease in wealth & happiness we date these Presents in fort S^t George the 10th day of July 1683.

Three Letters
from the
Agent.

A. letter from the Agent to Apogee Puntolo, to Lingapa & to Sangana all dated the 10th Instant read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

9 A Gen^l
from Metch^p.
P 5000 pd
the Merch^{ts}.

Rec^d a Generall from Metchlepatam dated the 29th past.

Paid the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Merchants P 5000 as order'd yesterday.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron dated the 7th 8th & 9th Instant.

A Generall wrott to Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron was se[nt] to the Councill for their Approbation, then coppied fair, signed & sent forward.

A letter from
Mr Thomas
Lucas.

A Generall to
Mr Thomas
Lucas.

Att a Consultation Extr^a Afternoon.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD. Esq^r Agent & Governour.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Wednesday 11.

Upon receipt of a letter from our People att Covelon which Lienten^t Richardson Shewed to the Agent & Councill wherin they advise that the Interlopers had offerd them great affronts by words & beating their servants & likewise Speaking very dishonourably of the Hon^{ble} Company, itt is thought convenient not to pass itt by, but to endeavour to have satisfaction from them, in order to which itt is agreed that Lienten^t Richardson with twenty Souldiers proceed thether forthwith & observe the following order.

Our People
att Covelon
complain of
the Inter-
lopers.

Lient
Richardson
wth twenty
Souldiers to
proceed
thether.

To Cap^t WILLIAM RICHARDSON.

Wee do hereby order you immediatly to draw out Twenty trusty Souldiers, & forthwith proceed to Covelon & endeavour there to surprise & seiz the Persons, Goods & Treasure of the Interlopers you shall find ashoar, and bring them to the Fort, only take care to avoid bloo[ds]hed & any affront to the Country people, but use all other meanes possible Given under our hands att fort S^t George the 11th of July 1683.

His order to
Surprise the
Interlopers.

A Generall to Metchlepatam of this date read & passed.

Generalls to
Metchle-
patam
Madapollam
Pettepollee.

A Generall to Madapollam said date read & passed.

A Generall to Pettepollee ditto date read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

The Sloop Adventure belonging to Madapollam which came from Bantam sailed out of this road for Madapollam.

Sloop sailed
for Mada-
pollam.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

MR. JOHN BIGRIG. MR. ELIHU YALE.

MR. JOHN NICKS.

MR. JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday 12.

A request that
Dor [G] rug-
field might be
entertained.

The reason.

It is granted

Goods &
Treasure
order'd to be
laden on ye
London.

For Metchle-
patam.

For Madapollam.

For Pette-
pollee.

For Vizaga-
patam.

The Chief & Councill att Madapollam having made itt their request that Doct^r Grudgfield might be entertained att Vizagapatam ffactory, because they are so farr off from thence, that if the Doctor now belonging to both ffactorys should be att Vizagapatam, they mig[ht] be in great danger of their lives, for want of helpe, befo[re] he could come to them, the ffactory's being att a consider[able] distance, which being taken into consideration itt is ord[er'd] that the said Doctor do attend Vizagapatam ffactory allowing him 20 p annum Sallary & no more, & that a[tt] all leasure times he assist in the writing businesse.

Order'd that the following goods & Treasure be laden aboard the Ship London for the following ffactorys Viz^t

For Metchlepatam.

Ryalls of $\frac{3}{4}$ three Chests N^o 10 : 11 : 12 each q^t \$ 4000.
Copper 150 Chst each 1 st Pecull.
Gunpowder 50 Barrells.
Lead 100 Piggs. Tarr 15 Barrells. Pitch 5 Bar[r]ells.
Pagodas 20 Bags each P 1000 is Pag^o 20000.

For Madapollam.

Ryalls of $\frac{3}{4}$ 2 Chests N^o 6 : 7 each q^t \$ 4000.
Copper 150 Chests each q^t 1 Pecull.
Gunpowder 30 Barrells.
Lead 60 Piggs. Tarr 15 Barrells. Pitch 5 Barrells.
Pagodas 20 Baggs each P 1000 is Pag^o 20000.

For Pettepollee.

Ryalls of $\frac{3}{4}$ 2 Chest N^o 18 : 20 each q^t \$ 4000.
Copper 100 Chest each q^t 1 Pecull.
Gunpowder 20 Barrells. Lead 40 Piggs.
Pagodas 10 Bags each P 1000 is Pag^o 10000.

For Vizagapatam.

Pagodas 10 Bags each P 1000 is Pag^o 10000.

md. vs

Order'd that 800 Bags Saltpeetre & Candy 84: 00: 00 Redwood be loaded aboard the Ship London for Quintaledge.

These following Generalls all of this date read & passed Viz^t

To Madapollam.

To Metchlepatam.

To Copdaloore.

To Conimeer.

To Vizagapatam.

A letter from the Agent to Gopall Punditt read & passed. Order'd that Pag^o 10000 be sent to Conimeerffactory overland.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

Quinta-
ledge.

12.
Seaverall
Genells read
& past.

A letter to
Gopal Punditt.
[P] 10000 for
Conimeer.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

This morning Lieut William Richardson returned from 13. Covelon, the night that he marched in having proved Stormy & Rainy, itt was late before he arrived there, so that notice was given of their coming, which hinder'd their surprising the Interlopers as was designed.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron dated y^e 12th Instant.

Rec^d a letter to the Agent from Theamback Boosera.

A Generall to Mr Thomas Lucas was sent to the Councill for their approbation then Coppied fair, signed and sent forward.

A letter from the Agent to our Braminee Egib att Golcondah & another to Chenavencatadry att Conjeveron, were sent to the Councill for their approbation then Transl[ated] into Gentue, signed & Sent forward.

The 10000 Pag^o order'd the 12th Instant for Conimeer ffac[tory] was this day sent p 13 Peons overland.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated y^e 2^d Instant wth their Consultations & dyary & Acc^t Cash for last moerth.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Tho. Lucas att Conjeveron dated 13th Inst[ant].

13.
Lieut
Richardson
returned
from Covelon.

A letter
from
Mr Thomas
Lucas.

A letter to
Theambac
Boosera.

14.
A Genll to
Mr Tho
Lucas.

A letter to
our Braminee
& to Chena
Vencatadre.

P 10000
sent to
Conimeer.

A Genll from
Madapollam.

A letter from
Mr Lucas.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.M^r JOHN NICKS.M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 16.

Mr Littleton reports the Muster of the Kempthorns men. A Genl to Mr Lucas. P 150 to be paid the Taylors. Sangana desires snuff & Pills. P 1000 to be paid the Washermen.

M^r John Littleton Purser makes his report of the Must[er] of the Ship Kempthorn men Viz^t 106 men living, 10 dea[d] & 4 run away att Batavia.

A Generall to M^r Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron read & passed.

Order'd that P 150 be paid the Taylors on acc^t of making Shirts & Shifts for the Hon^{ble} Company's account.

M^r Thomas Lucas advising that Sangana desired a pound of Snuff & 100 of Pills, itt is order'd that they be sent him.

Order'd that P 1000 be paid the Washermen on acc^t of Washing & Whitening the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as}. Gallicoos.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Rec^d two letters from M^r Thomas Lucas att Conjeve[ron] dated the 13th and 15th Instant.

A Deans Ship from Trangambar called the Fortuna laden with Rice for Acheen came to an Anchor in this Road, being very Leaky & dangerous to proceed without unloading the Ship & Stopping the Leaks, which they have desired leave to doe & then to go forward.

A Generall to M^r Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron dated this day was sent to the Councill for their approbation, then coppied fair, signed, & Sent forward.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.M^r JOHN NICKS.M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday 19.

Capt Daniells dispatch for the Northern Factorys.

Cap^t John Daniells dispatch for Metchlepatam, Madapollam, & Pettepollee read & passed.

A Generall to Pettepollee of this date read & passed.

Order'd that the Red-wood Merchants have P 200 paid them on account of providing Red-wood for the Hon^{ble} Company's account.

Order'd that M^r John Littleton Purser pay to the Brick-makers Pag^e 300 on account of making Bricks for the Hon^{ble} Company's account.

A letter from the Agent to Theamback Bussera of this date read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Rec^d a letter from M^r Tho. Lucas att Conjeveron dated 17th Ins^t.

This evening att 5 a Clock Cap^t Daniells dispatch for Metchlepatam, Madapollam, & Pettepollee was delivered to [him].

This day Cap^t John Daniell sailed out of this Road for the Northern Factorys.

A Generall to M^r Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron & ano[ther] to Pettepollee both of this date, were sent to the Counc[ill] for their approbation, then coppied fair signed & sen[t] forward.

Rec^d a letter from M^r Tho. Lucas att Conjeveron dated 19th Ins^t.

Rec^d a letter from the three Jews att Covelon dated this day.

Rec^d a Generall from the Dutch att Palliacatt dated the 30th Instant new Stile.

Att a Consultation Extra^o.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.M^r JOHN NICKS.M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

The two Dutchmen belonging to Palliacatt, one of [them] of Councill & the other a factor which brought the Generall from the Dutch att Palliacatt, brought also with them, the three Englishmen Viz^t Tho. Kirby, Tho. Day & Peter Day which had made their escape from Zeloan, & delivered their account amounting

A Genl to Pettepollee. P 200 to be paid the Redwood Merchants.

Mr Littleton to pay the Brickmakers P 300.

A letter to Theamback Bussera.

A letter from Mr Lucas.

Cap^t Daniells dispatch for the Northern Factorys delivered him 20. Cap^t Daniel sailed. A Genl to Mr Lucas.

A letter from Mr Lucas.

A letter from three Jews. 21 A Genl from the Dutch.

Saturday 21.

[Tw]o of the Dutch arrived herewith [th] three Englishmen from Zeloan. [D]eliver the

Acct [of]
expenses on
[t]hem.
[or]der'd to
be paid.
[A] Generall
to Palliacatt.

to R^l 99 $\frac{1}{10}$ for charges disbursed by them on the English-
men which was perused & itt is order'd that Mr John Littleton
Purser do presently buy 100 R^l to discharge the said account.
A general to the Dutch att Palliacatt was read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Secy.

Rec'd a letter from Israell Juell att Trangambar dated the
19th Instant.

Rec'd a letter from Clement du Jardin att Vizagapatam dated
the 30th past being his narrative against M^r George Ramsden.

Rec'd a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 17th Instant.

Sloop Mary arrived here from Conimeer but brought no goods
with her.

According to Custome there was Several great Gunns fired att
the arrivall of the two Dutchmen, & also att their entertainment.

One of the Gunners crew named John Francis being a litt[le]
forwarder then the rest of his Company, was charging o[n]e of the
Guns by himself, wherein there happened to be som[e] fire left,
which soon took hold of the Cartrouch he wa[s] raming downe, &
blew off his right arme; he is in years [&] loosing much blood itt
is feared that he is in great danger of his life.

Att the departing of the Two Dutchmen before mention[ed]
according to their Custome, they delivered a Protest, beca[use]
they could not find two of their Souldiers here, which [were] run
away from them, there being no such persons in [this] Garrison, as
appeared by the Muster Book which was shew[ed] them, & they
were satisfied therewith, yet being orderd by th[eir] Governour they
could do no otherwise then deliver itt, tho itt signified nothing.
Rec'd a letter from M^r Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron dated 21th
Instant.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

22.
A letter from
M^r Lucas.

Monday 23.

The two
Dutch me[n]
deliver a
Protest.

An Accident
to one of the
Gunners
Crew.

[G]unns
fired for [th]e
two Dutch
men.

[S]loop
Mary from
Conimeer.

[A] Genl
from Cood-
aloor.

[A] Genl
from Cood-
aloor.

[A] Letter
from
[T]rangambar.

21.
[A] Letter
from
[T]rangambar.

Order'd that Pag^o 10000 be sent to Coodaloor factory over-
and & that Pag^o 20000 be paid the Merchants here on acc^t of the
Investment of Callicoos.

The Inhabitants of this Town, that keep Publick hous[es]
making a great complaint of their poverty & this late Tax of
Licences for retailing Liquors, & that their Trade being so Small,
they could not pay as they did last year, and itt being offer'd to
farm as formerly, no body would take itt, so that wheras itt yielded
Pag^o 205 p^a annum, itt is order'd that Pag^o 50 be abated in
the whole for this year.

These following Generalls of this date were read & passed.

To Coodaloor.

To Conimeer.

To the Commander of any Ship that may arrive att Porto novo.

To M^r Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron.

To Senōrs Bartholme Rodrigues, Domingoe de Porto & Alvaro
de Fonseca, Interloping Jews att Covelon.

*The Governours Cash Book for the moneth of June read &
passed the Ballance being ... P 1203: 09: 4

The Journall of the Generall Books of accompts for the
moneth of May, read & passed.

The Warehouse Book of Acc^t for the moneth of June read
& passed.

The Customer John Nicks his Book of Acc^t for the mth of
June read & passed as followeth Viz.

Sea & Land Custome of goods imported & exported	...	P 1274: 35: 06 ..
Petty Land Custome	...	" 103: 24: 72 ..
Paddy Toll att the Banksall	...	" 2: 09: 12 ..
Measurers duty	...	" 11: —: 55 ..
Weighers duty	...	" 3: 11: 50 ..
Brokeridge	...	" 7: 10: 60 ..
Register of Slaves; Houses &c	...	" 2: 16: 75 ..
		P 1405: 01: 40:

The Paymaster M^r John Littleton his Boek of Acc^t for the
moneth of June read & passed as followeth Viz.

P 10000
for Coodaloor
P 20000 to be
paid the Mer-
chants.

[P]ublick
House
[ke]pers
complaint.

P 50 to be
abated [on]
their
Licen[ces].

Severall
[ten]s [lead
& past.

Cash Book
for June read
and past.
Genl Books
for May read
& past.

Warehous
day Book for
June read &
past.

Customers
Accts for June
read and past.

23.
Paymaster's
Accts for
June read
& past.

Charges Garrison	...	...	P	544 : 14 : 0 :
Charges Generall	...	...	"	233 : 32 : 0 :
Charges Dyst	...	...	"	95 : 01 : 3 :
Charges Cattle	...	...	"	-47 : 18 : 4 :
Charges Merchandise	...	...	"	58 : 04 : 4 :
Acc ^t Fortifications, Repairs &c	...	...	"	418 : 34 : 2 :
				P 1397 : 33 : 1 :

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

A letter from
Mr Lucas.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Tho. Lucas att Conjeveron dated 22th Instant.

24.
A Gen^l from
Conimeer.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 21th Instant.

P 10000 sent
to Coodaloor
& P 20000
paid the
Merchants.
A Gen^l to
Mr Lucas.
Gen^l to
Coodaloor.

The Pag^e 10000 order'd yesterday for Coodaloor ffactory was sent this day & the P 20000 for the Merchants was likewise paid them.

A Generall to Mr Tho. Lucas att Conjeveron & another to Coodaloor, were Sent to the Councill for their approbation, then coppied fair, Signed & sent forward.

A letter
against Mr
Brereton.

Rec^d a letter from M James Wheeler att Madapollam dated y^d 3^d Instant with an attestation against Mr Brereton dated 28th past.

Interlopers
att Covelon
Sett up their
Flagg.

Lieuten^t Richardson delivers the Govern^r a letter that he rec^d from the two Souldiers which are att Covelon, the contents wherof is that the Interloper Smith had rec^d news much to his Satisfaction, & that he had Sett up his flag upon his house which letter was this evening Sent to Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron, that he might see what the Interloper is a doing.

Rec^d a letter from Bundalela Shawhe dated this moneth.

25.
[A] letter
from
Bundalela
Shawhe.
Letters to
Gulcondah.

A letter from the Agent to Madana & Accana another to our Braminee Egib & another to the Cirkell were sent to the Councill for their approbation, then Translated into Gentue signed & Sent forward.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

A Generall to Conimeer of this date read & passed.

Mr Elihu Yale & Mr John Nicks report the weight of two Chests of Gold Viz^t N^o D & E p Ship London weighed off to the Shroffs this morning Viz^t.

	oz.	DW ^t	oz	DW ^t
Chest N ^o D pz	3445 : 00 :	is over	3 : 06	of what Invoiced.
Chest N ^o E pz	2941 : 07 :	is over	1 : —	of what Invoiced.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

This morning about four a Clock Capt Benj^s Harry [d]epar- [t]ed this life aboard his Ship the Kempthorn in th[is] Road[&] was brought a shoar & buried in the evening, and three Vollies of Small Shott & 20 great Gunns fired att his Interment.

Rec^d a Generall from Mr Tho. Lucas att Conjeveron dated y^e 28th In[s^t].

Given the two Souldiers that are att Covelon an order to write to Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron as often as they should have anything worth his notice concerning the Interloper[s] & to Send Coppies hether.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron dated the 28th Instant, wherein he desires the vallue of Pagods 100 to be sent him in Ryalls of a half p^s & quarter p^s to be disposed of as he shall have occation.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

A Generall to Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron dated this day read & passed.

Th[ur]sday
23.

A Gen^l to
Conimeer.
Mr Yale &
Mr Nicks
report the
weight of two
Chests of
Gold.

27.
Cap Harry
died.

Gunns fired.

A Gen^l from
Mr Lucas.

28.
Souldiers att
Covelon to
write to Mr
Lucas.

29.
A letter from
Mr Thom^s
Lucas
desires
Rayalls :

Munday 30.

A Gen^l to
Mr Lucas.

P 20000 to be
pd the Mer-
chants.

The Interlopers using their endeavours to make an Invest-
ment of Callicoes, itt is order'd that Pag^o 20000 be paid the
Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Merchants to be delivered out to y^e Weavers to
k[e]ep them employed and to prevent their being concerned with
the Interlopers, & to hinder their procuring of Cloth.

Ryalls & be
sent Mr
Lucas.

Order'd that the vallue of 100 Pagodas in Ryalls & halfp^{as}
& quarter p^{as} be sent to Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron as he
desired.

A letter to
Trangambar.

A letter to Axell Juell Governour of Trangambar dated the
31th Instant read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

31.
A Genl from
Pettepollee.

Rec^d A Generall from Pettepollee dated the 21th & 26th
Instant.

From Mr
Lucas.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Tho. Lucas att Conjeveron dated y^e
30th Instant.

August p^{mo}
A Generall
from Suratt
with Genls
from the
Honble Com-
pany.

Rec^d a Generall from Suratt dated the 19th June 1683 which
brings us a Generall from the Hon Comp^{as} dated the 5th July
1682 with Coppy's of two Generalls from them dated the p^{mo} &
26th of May 1682.

A Genl from
Pettepollee
with Severall
other papers.

Rec^d Generall from Pettepollee dated the 27th of last
month which brings us Viz^t.

An Agreement between Hider Cawn Govern^r of Pettepollee
& Mr Samuel Wales for defeating the Interlopers dated the 24th
of last moneth.

Hider Cawns Cowle for defeating the Interlopers.

Pettepollee Merchants Obligation not to trade with any Inter-
lopers.

Pettepollee Merchants contract for p^o 126300 of Severall
Sorts of Callicoes.

[A] letter
from
Apogee
Puntolo.

Rec^d a letter from Apogee Puntolo dated last moneth.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday 2.

A Generall to Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron da[ted] this
day read & passed.

Order'd that Pag^o 500 be paid the Washermen & P 10000 be
sent to Pettepollee ffactory overland, & that y^e Northern Fac-
tory's be supplied as soon as money can be procured.

A Genl to
Mr Lucas.

P 500 to be
paid the
Washermen
& Pag^o 10000
to be sent to
Pettepoll[ee].

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 30th past.

A Genl from
Conimeer.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 21th past wth
the Pursers account for the moneth of June.

A Generall
from
Madapollam.
P 20000 pd
the Merch^{ts}.

Paid the Merchants the P 20000 orderd last Consultation
day.

Rec^d a letter from our Egib Vira Ragavia att Gulcondah
dated the 19th past.

A letter from
our Egib.

Paid the Washermen the P 500 orderd yesterday.

8.
P 500 pd the
Washermen.
Mr Luckin
broak his
legg.

This Evening about Seaven a Clock Mr Grimstone Luckin one
of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} writers, abidentially fell down & broak his
legg.

The Pag^o 10000 order'd last Consultation day for Pettepollee
was this day Sent, with a Generall to advise them of itt w^{ch} was
sent to the Councill for their approbation, then coppied fair,
Signed & Sent forward.

4.
A Generall to
Pettepollee
with Pag^o
10000.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Thomas Lucas dated the 3^d Instant.

A letter from
Mr Lucas.
A Genl from
Coodaloor.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 31th past.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dated the 31th past.

5.
from Pette-
pollee.

This night att nine a Clock dyed John Francois, who formerly
lost his arme by a great Gunn, having taken cold, which con-
tracted his jaws & Sweld his throat that he could receive no suste-
nance.

Gunnars
mate dyed.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.M^r JOHN NICKS.M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Monday 6.

A Genll to
Pettepollee.
To Coodaloor.
A necessity
to Settle att
Carera.

A Generall to Pettepollee dated this day read & passed.

A Generall to Coodaloor dated the 7th Instant read & passed.

Bundalela Shawhe Governour of ⁸⁵ Carera & therabouts having sent us word possitively, that he will entertaine the Interlopers, in case we will not make a Settlement in his Government, we have taken itt into consideration & for that reason as well as because itt is a place, where great quantity of goods may be provided & convenient for a ffactory, itt is agreed that as soon as with o[on]-geniency, we Settle a ffactory att Carera, & that the said Governour be acquainted therewith.

A letter from the Agent to Bundalela Shawhe dated the 7th Instant read & passed.

To Settle att
Carera as
soon as
convenient
to be done.

A letter to
Bundalela
Shawhe.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.Rec^d a Generall from M^r Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron dated the 5th Instant.A Generall to M^r Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron was sent to the Councill for their approbation then Coppied fair, signed & sent forward.Rec^d a Generall from Metchlepatam dated the 15th & 23th past with a list of goods to be provided there this year.Rec^d four letters to the Agent Viz^t from Lingapa dated y^e 25th past Two from our Egib dated y^e 14th & 25th past & the other from the Cirkell dated the 4th past.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.M^r JOHN NICKS.M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday 9.

P 100 to be
paid the
Taylors.

Order'd that the Taylors have Pag^e 100 paid them on acco^t of making Shirts & Shifts for the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} account.Order'd that Pag^e 10000 be sent to Conimeer ffactory over-land.A Generall to M^r Thomas Lucas of this date read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

P 10000 to
be sent to
Conimeer.

A Genll to
Mr Lucas.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.The Pag^e 100 that was this day order'd the Taylors was paid them.Rec^d a Generall from Vizagapatam signed by M^r George Ramsden & M^r Charles Fleetwood dated the 20th past.Rec^d a letter from Vizagapatam signed by M^r George Ramsden dated the 20th past.Rec^d a letter from M^r Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron dated the 8th Instant.Rec^d a letter to the Agent from Gopall Punditt dated the 4th Instant in Portonovo.A Generall to M^r Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron, was sent to the Councill for their approbation, then coppied fair, signed & Sent forward.Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor, & a letter from Teggapa both dated the 7th Instant.This Morning the Ship Welfare Cap^t Wildey Commander arrived here from Persia.This afternoon Cap^t William Wildey came a shoar.Rec^d p Ship Welfare Copy of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Gener[a]ll[s] dated the 6th September & 28th August 1682.Rec^d a letter from ⁸⁶ Sam^l Dannelly dated in ⁸⁷ Gombroon the 18th of June 1683.Rec^d a letter from M^r Clement Du Jardin dated in Vizagapatam the 22th past with Ballance of their Books to the ultm^o last April.Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dated the 5th July 1683 (suppose itt should be the 5th of August 1683) with their Consultat[i]ons & Dyary, Acc^t Cash, & Stewards acc^t for the moneths of June & July.Rec^d a letter from M^r Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron dated the 9th Instant.

9. P 100 pd the
Taylors.

A Generall
from Vizaga-
patam.

A letter rom
Mr Ramsden.

A letter from
Mr Lucas.

A letter from
Gopall
Punditt.

10. A Genll to
Mr Lucas.

A Generall
from Cooda-
lor.

Ship Welfare
arrived from
Persia.

Cap^t Came
a shoar.

A Generall
from the
Hon ble
Compa.

A letter from
Gombroon

A letter from
Mr DuJardin
wth the
Ballance of
their Books.

A Generall
from Pette-
pollee.

A letter from
Mr Lucas.

11: A Genll to Mr Lucas.

A Generall to Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron & another to Conimeer were sent to the Councill for their approbation then coppied fair, signed & Sent forward.

P 10000 sent to Conimeer.

The Pag^o 10000 orderd for Conimeer flactory last Consultation day was this day Sent thether overland p Peons.

Munday 13. Councill mett.

The Councill mett but no businesse to proceed upon.

A letter from Mr Thomas Lucas.

Rec^d a letter this afternoon from Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron dated the 12th Instant.

A Genll to him.

A Generall. to Mr Tho. Lucas was sent to the Councill for their approbation, then coppied fair, signed, & Sent forward.

14. Ship for Acheen.

This morning a Portuguez Ship sailed hence for Acheen & Pegu.

Att a Consultation Extrō.

Present:

Tuesday 14.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

A Genll to Mr Lucas.

A Generall to Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron read & passed.

Accana [desires] 25 Candy of Copper.

A Phirmaund granted the Interlopers.

The Copper to bee offered upon Conditions.

Gopall Punditt desires

P 4000 to be lent him.

P 2000 is thought convenient.

The reasons.

P 2000 to be sent to Coodaloor.

Wee having rec^d letters from our Egib att Gulcondah that Accana would admitt of no address to him unless we send him 25 Candy of Copper, which before we could give answer to, there came a Phirmaund from the King & Co for the Interlopers to settle in his dominions, however itt is thought convenient to make him an offer of the Copper, & more in money in case he will befriend us & turn away y^e Interlopers.

Gopall Punditt having an extraordinary occasion for money hath requested us to lend him 4000 Pagodas upon good Security, which we have well considered of, and itt is thought convenient to lett him have 2000 Pagodas for three moneths upon the security offer'd by him, but for this time to demand no Interest, because we would oblige him thereby to be our friend in respect of the Interlopers, and our new Settlement in his Government att Coodaloor.

Orderd that the 2000 Pagodas abovementioned bee sent to Coodaloor overland.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Rec^d a letter from Chena Vencatadre at Conjeveron dated the 11 Instant.

The Trangambar Ship called the fortuna bound for Acheen, having stopped her leaks, sailed this afternoon out of this Road on her designed voyage.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Thomas Lucas att Conjeveron dated the 14th Instant with his agreem^t wth Sangana & the [duan].

Rec^d a letter from Braminee Sangana which is a Cowl agains[t] the Interlopers.

A Generall to Mr Thomas Lucas att Covelon was sent to the Councill for their approbation, then Coppied fair, Signed & Sent forward.

The Interlopers Ship that lay att Covelon called the Constantinople Merchant John Smith Master sailed by this Road this afternoon.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

A Generall to Coodaloor of this date read & passed.

A letter from the Age^t to Gopall Punditt read & passed.

Mr Thomas Lucas having agreed with Sangana for Pag^o 6000 upon the Procuration of the Kings Phirmaund to turn away the Interlopers, yet we fear we shall not bee able to procure such a generall Phirmaund as we require (because Mr Lucas adviseth that Sangana begins to fly off, from the Obligation he had given,) to turn them away from all places in his Dominions, except we present Accana with the 25 Candy of Copper he desires, therefore that the business may be done effectually, itt is still agree [d] to present him with the said Copper, but if to bee done wthout itt then to offer itt upon the procureing a Phirmaund for the coyning of. Rupees, but our chief Aim is to obtaine the former, & that a letter be writt to our Braminee Egib att Gulcondah about itt.

Order'd that the following sums of money bee sent or remitted by Bill of Exchange to our Egib att Gulcondah Viz^t.

A letter from Chena Vencatadre. Ship belonging to the Danes sailed for Acheen.

15. Mr Lucas agreem^t with Sangana & ca.

A letter from Sangana which is a Cowl.

A Genll to Mr Lucas.

Smith the Interloper sailed by.

Thursday 16.

A Genll to Coodaloor.

A letter to Gopall Punditt.

P 6000 to be paid for A Phirmaund

against the interlopers.

25 Candy of Copper is still to bee offer'd.

[A]bout Coyning of Rupees.

Money to bee sent up to our Egib att Gulcondah.

To the ⁸⁸ Moberdinesses or Officers being the Annuall Sallabad money	P	30 : — : —
To Annuall ⁸⁹ Durbar Charges..	"	15 : — : —
For the Town Rent due the p ^{mo} . June last	"	1200 : — : —
For Passes for Letters in this time of troubles	"	10 : — : —
To be distributed among the great men to engage their friendship against the Inter- lopers	"	500 : — : —
For Peons Batty	"	1 : — : —
in all P		1756 : — : —

How to be
disposed of.

A Tasherif
to Accana's
Uncle.

And that Six yards of fine Cloth be sent to him to be given
to Accana's Uncle to oblige him to be our friend against the
Interlopers.

Itt growing late in the year & none of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{ys} Ships
appearing, which are to go to the Bay, itt is order'd that the fol-
lowing Goods be loaded upon the Welfare Cap^t Will^m Wildey
Commander for Vizagapatam Viz^t.

Silver 3 Chests.
Copper 150 Chests.
Lead 100 Pigs.
Brimstone 5 Cask.
Gunpowder 20 Barrells.
Cloth Rashes 1 Bale.

Goods to
be loaded
aboard the
Welfare
for Vizaga-
patam.

P 26000 to
be sent to
Coodaloor.
To Comply
with their
Contract.

Order'd that Pag^o 26000 be sent to Coodaloor Factory, as they
desire in their letter of the 7th Instant, as soon as wee can get
our Geld coyned, to enable them to comply [with] their Contract
made with the Coodaloor Merchants & to be made with the Porto
novo Merchants, & defray other charges.

Agreed that a letter be writt to Pettapollce that in case they
have not given the Governour the Pag^o 2500 to turn away the
Interlopers, that they do not do itt, except they are sure he will

P 2500 not
to be pd att
Pettapollce.

comply with his obligation, by reason we hope that the Generall
Phirmaund will comprehend all places, and so that money may be
Saved.

to turn away
the Inter-
lopers.
The reason.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

The Pagodas 2000 orderd the 14th Instant for Coodaloor 16.
factory was this day sent overland p Peons. P 2000 sent
to Coodaloor

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 20.

A Generall to Madapollam dated the 17th Instant read & A Genll to
passed. Madapollam.

A Generall to Metchlepatam of this date read & passed.

These following Generalls were read & passed Viz^t.

To Vizagapatam dated the 18th Instant.
To Coodaloor dated the 18th Instant.
To Conimeer dated the 18th Instant.
To the Agent & Council in the Bay of this date.
To Cap^t Wildey att his departure for the Bay of this
date.

To Metchle-
patam.
Seaverall
Genlls read
& past.

A letter from the Agent to Theamback Bussera read & A letter to
passed. Theamback
Bussera.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Rec^d a letter from Cap^t John Daniell att Madapollam dated A letter from
10th Inst. Cap^t Daniell.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 9th Instant with From Mada-
their Consultations & Dyary for last moneth. pollam.

A Genll. from
Metchlepa-
tam to
Madapollam
& ye answer.
Madapollam
Genll to Mr.
Brereton.
Two letters
from Mr
Lucas.

Recd Coppy of Metchlepatam Generall to Madapollam dated the 9th Instant & of Madapollam Generall to Metchlepatam dated the 8th & 9th Instant.

Recd Coppy of Madapollam Generall to Mr Richard Brereton att Corango dated the 8th Instant.

Recd two letters from Mr Thomas Lucas att Covelon both dated the 19th Instant.

Recd a Generall from Metchlepatam dated the 8th Instant.

A Generall
from Metch-
lepatam.
21.
Seaverall
Genlls
approved.

A Generall to Mr Thomas Lucas att Covelon. To Metchlepatam. To Pettepollee & a Postscript to Cap^t Wildey's letter were sent to the Council for their approbation then Copied fair, Signed & Sent forward, Also a letter from the Agent to Sangana was approved, translated into Gentue & Sent forward.

Duplicates
sent overland.

The letters to Metchlepatam & Pettepollee of this date were sent p Cap^t Wildey & duplicates overland.

Welfare
sailed for
Metchle-
patam & ca.
22.

This evening The Welfare Cap^t Wildey sailed out of this Road for Metchlepatam & from thence for Vizagapatam & so designed for the Bay of Bengall.

A letter from
Mr Lucas.
A Genll to
Coodaloor.

Recd a letter from Mr Tho. Lucas att Covelon dated 21th Inst.

A Genll from
Pettepollee.
P 26000
sent to Cooda-
loor.

A Generall to Coodaloor of this date was sent to the Council for their approbation, then Copied fair, Signed, & Sent forward.

Recd a Generall from Pettepollee dated the 14th Instant.

The 26000 Pagodas order'd the 16th Instant for Coodaloor factory was this day sent overland p Beons.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday 23.

A Genll to Mr
Lucas.

A Generall to Mr Thomas Lucas att Covelon read & passed. These following letters from the Agent were read & passed.

Seaverall let-
ters read &
past.

To Anca Pilla Governour of Covelon.

To Braminee Accana one of the Chief Ministers of State in the King of Gulcondah's Country.

To the Cirkell att Gulcondah.

To Vera Gandaty Venkana Uncle to Accana.

To Vira Ragavia our Egib att Gulcondah.

Cash Book
for July read
& past.

The Governours Cash Book for the moneth of July read & passed the Ballance being ... P 14787. 22 : 4.

The Journall of the Generall Books of Acco^{ts} for the moneth of June read & passed.

The Warehouse Book of accounts for the moneth of July read & passed.

Mr Thomas Lucas he acc^t of the Mint for the moneth of July read & passed as followeth Viz^t.

Received for Mintage duties upon particular persons Gold, coyned P 435 att 1/2 p cent. ... P 2: 06 : 0.

The Account of coyning the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Gold Viz^t.

1 Chest N^o B which came p ship London produced ... P 44585 : 06 : -

1 Chest N^o C p ditto produced ... ,, 29969 : 02 : -

1 Chest N^o F p ditto produced ... ,, 27770 : 06 : -

1 Chest N^o G p ditto produced ... ,, 27668 : 29 : -

1 Chest N^o H p ditto produced ... ,, 25252 : 04 : 3

The Customer Mr John Nicks his Book of accounts for the moneth of July read & passed as followeth Viz^t.

Sea & Land Custome of goods imported &

Exported ... P 54 : 09 : -

Petty Land Custome ... ,, 63 : 24 : 08

Paddy Toll att the Banksall ... ,, 2 : 07 : 31

Measurers duty ... ,, 9 : 23 : 46

Wighers duty ... ,, 3 : 13 : 87

Broakeridge ... ,, 1 : 28 : 44

Register of Houses & Slaves ... ,, 1 : 12 : 44

P 136 : 11 : 91

The Paymaster Mr John Littleton his Book of Accounts for the Moneth of July read & passed as followeth Viz^t.

Charges Garrison ... P 598 : 21 : 2

Charges Generall ... ,, 260 : 31 : 3

Charges Dyett ... ,, 100 : 12 : 1

Charges Cattle ... ,, 48 : 28 : 4

Charges Merchandise ... ,, 72 : 31 : 3

Acc^t fortifications Repairs &c^a ... ,, 437 : 23 : 8

P1519 : 04 : 4

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON:

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Genll Books
for June
read & past.
Warehous
Book for July
read & past.
Mr Thoms
Lucas his acc^t
of the Mint
for July read
& past.

Customers
Acc^t for July
read & past.

Paymasters
Acc^t for July
read & past.

24.
A letter from
Mr Lucas.
Genll to Mr
Lucas.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Thoms Lucas att Covelon dated 23th
Inst

A. Generall to Mr Tho. Lucas att. Covelon was sent to the
Councill for their approbation, then Coppied fair, Signed and sent
forward.

25. . .
A letter from
him.
A Genll from
Pettepollee.

Rec^d a letter from M^r Thomas Lucas att Covelon dated the 24th Instant.

Rec^da Generall from Pettepollee dated the 20th Instant.

A Genll to
Mr Lucas.

A Generall to Mr Thomas Lucas att Covelon was sent to the Councill for their approbation, then copied fair, signed & Sent forward.

A Generall
from Made-
pollam.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 15th & 16th Instant with their Dyary & Consultations; Acc^t Cash, for last moneth, with Invoice & Bill of Lading for 171 Bales Callicoes to the ship London.

Metchlepa:
tam Genll to
Madapollam.
Agent taken
ill.

Recd Metchelepatam Generall to Madapolla[m] dated y^e 11th
Instant.

The Agent taken ill with a sort of the Stone & wind Collick.

26.
Genll from
Conimeer.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 23th Instant wth
their Acc^t Cash for the moneths of March, Aprill, May, June &
July.

Mr Gyfford
from Mada-
pollam.

This morning Mr Nathaniell Gyfford arrived here from Madapollam having formerly had leave to come up.

Munday 27
No Consultation.

The Agent still continuing ill there was no Consultation to-day.

Letter from
Mr Lucas.

Rec^d a letter from M^r Tho. Lucas att Covelon dated this day.

28.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 26th Instant.

Genll from
Coodaloor.

Rec^d a letter from Hider Cayn to M^r Sam^l Wales, & his answer.

Letter from
Hider Cawn
M. H. H.

This morning Mr Ralph Ord arrived here from Coodaloor
having had leave to come hether.

to Mr. Wal
Mr. Ord ar
rived from

Rec^d a letter from M^r Tho. Lucas att Covelon dated 28th Instant.

Coodaloor.
29.

This morning Cap^t Barber Commander of Ship Kempthorne fired a Gun in token of being full.

Letter from
Mr Lucas.

This morning a Sloop belonging to the Danes att. Tranganbar arrived here.

Kempthorne fired a Gun for Fall

A Generall to Mr Thomas Lucas att Covelon was sent to the
Councill for their approbation, then Coppied fair, Signed & Sent
forward.

Anti-Consultation

Present

James G. Gordon Esq. Agent for Governor

MEMORAN BIGAIG. M. ELIEN. YABE.

Mr. JOHN N. ...

MR. JOHN L. LEE

[illegible]

31.
Letter from
Mr Lucas.

A Genl to
Coodaloor &
another to
Mr Lucas
approved.

Genl from
Coodaloor.
Two letters
to the Agent.

Septembr.
Danes ship
sailed.

Recd a letter from Mr Thomas Lucas dated Covelon the 30th Instant.

A Generall to Coodaloor and another to Mr Thomas Lucas att Covelon, were sent to the Council for their approbation, then copied fair, also a letter from the Agent to Gopall Punditt, with a form of the Obligation that Gopall Punditt was to Signe for the P 2000 that was to be lent him were also approved, Signed, & translated into Gentue & all the said letters sent forward.

Recd a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 27th Instant.

Recd a letter from Sangana to the Agent no date & another from Anca Pilla Governor of Covelon no date.

This afternoon the Danes Ship Sailed hence for Trangamhar.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.
Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Order'd that the Sloop Mary be dispatcht to Conimeer factory with 200 Chests of Copper, 3 Chests of Silver & a Chest of Corral to be disposed of to the Merchants on acc^t of the third part, of their Investment & to bring back what Bales they have in a readines[s] they wanting there accommodation of Godownes to secure them from the approaching rains.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^a order for the taking of 9 p Cent Instrest & no more promulged in English, Gentue, Mallabar & Portuguez, a Coppy wherof is as followeth.

The Hon^{ble} English East India Comp^a Governours of this Town of Madraspatam having taken into their serious consideration the extraordinary high rate of Interest money, be[en] given & received here, they do hereby constitute & orde[in] that no person living or residing within this Government shall ask or demand or receive directly or indirectly from & after Six moneths from the promulgation of this Law, from any person living or residing within their said Town & Governm^t above the rate of Nine p Cent p Annum for the Interest or Loan of any money or goods, upon the paine or penalty of Extortion, which is the forfeiture of money or goods so lent to the Borrower, besides such

Sloop Mary
order'd for
Conimeer
wth goods.
To bring back
wt Bales in
a readinesse.

Nine p Cent
Intrest to bee
taken & no
more.
The Order.

The Order for
taking Nine p
Cent Intrest.

fine to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a for the offence, as we their Agent & Council shall think fitt, And we are hereby order'd by the said Hon^{ble} East India Comp^a to promulge this Law in such usuall manner as in like cases, & that none of their people under this Government may pretend ignorance thereof, it is likewise recomme[n]ded to our assiduous care to cause this Law to be put in effectuall Execution. We therfore their Agent & Council here in Obedience to their Commands do now publish the abovesaid Law, & resolve to put in Execution the penalty due to the offender therein, Dated in fort St. George y^e 3^d day of Sept^r 1683.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Recd a letter from Bramine Devapa to Allingall Pilla.

Recd a letter from Mr Tho. Lucas att Covelon dated the 3^d Instant.

A great Dutch ship from Batavia passed by here for Palli-
acatt.

Recd a Letter from Mr Tho. Lucas att Covelon dated this day.
This morning a Country ship called the Prospect arrived here from Persia.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

A Generall to Mr Tho. Lucas att Covelon, & another to Conimeer both of this date read & passed.

Mr W^m Dixon Mast^r of Sloop Mary his dispatch for Conimeer read & passed.

A Genl to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a to the 15th Paragraph of this date read & passed.

Mr John Littleton Purser reports the Master of Ship Kempthorns men being 105.

A letter from
a Bramine to
Allingall.

4. Letter from
Mr Lucas.

5. Dutch ship
passed by.

6. Letter from
Mr Lucas.

7. Prospect
arrived from
Persia.

Thursday 6.

Gentls to Mr
Lucas & to
Conimeer.

Sloop Mary's
dispatch for
Conimeer.

A Genl to
the Hon^{ble}
Comp^a.

Mr Littleton
reports the
Master of
Ship Kemp-
thorns men.

Avaldar of
St Thome
Tasherift.

The Avaldar of St Thome coming to acquaint the Agent that he was going to Conjeveron, who being related to Sangana, itt is thought convenient to Tasherif him wth 3 yards fine Cloth, that he might befriend us in the business about the Interlopers, & Stand our friend to Sangana.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Sloop Mary sailed hence this morning for Conimeer.

7.
Sloop Mary
sailed for
Conimeer.
Genll from
Metchlopa-
tam with a
letter from
Doctr Grud-
field.

Rec^d a Genefall from Metchlopatam dated 26th past with Invoice & Bill of Lading for 212 Bales Callicoos p Ship Londo[n].

Rec^d a letter from Doctr Grudfield dated in Met[chp] y^e 28th past.

Letter from
Mr Lucas.

Rec^d a Letter from Mr Tho. Lucas att Covelon dated the 7th Instant.

Two Genlls
to Mr Lucas.

Two Generalls to Mr Tho. Lucas att Covelon were sent to the Council for their approbation both of this date, then coppied fair signed & sent forward.

Two letters
from Mr
Tho Lucas.

Rec^d 2 letters from Mr Tho. Lucas att Covelon dated this day.

9.
Genll to Mr
Lucas.

A Generall to Mr Thomas Lucas att Covelon was sent to the Council for their approbation, then coppied fair, Signed & Sent forward.

Letter from
Mr Lucas.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Thomas Lucas att Covelon dated this day.

A Genll from
Madapoll.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 26th past.

Madapollam
Genll to the
Honble
Comp^a

Rec^d Madapollam Generall to the Honble Company Dated the 14th past to be sent by the Ship London.

Letter from
Mr Brere-
ton to Mr
Wheeler.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Brereton to Mr Wheeler being his [answer] to what he charged him with.

Letter from
Mr Brereton.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Brereton att Madapollam dated the 29th past, with Mr Francis Willcox his acct of the lengths tha[t] [M]^r Brereton order'd him to measure the Cloth by.

This morning about 8 a Clock Mr Thomas Lucas arrived here from Covelon, having defeated the Interlopers.

10.
Mr Lucas
arrived from
Covelon.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD, Esq^r Agent & Governour.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 10.

Mr John Field having had leave from the Agent & Council to come up to this place, before whose return, here arrived the Ship London, which brought a letter from the Governour of the Honble English East India Company wherein itt is order'd that the Said Mr John Field be removed from his Chiefship att Madapollam, and that the reasons should follow, in a Generall letter by the Ship Josia, we have awaited till this time for the [ir] further orders concerning him, but no ship yet arriying, itt is thought convenient in pursuance of the said order to send him downe to Madapollam, to deliver up his charge.

Mr. John
Field to be
displaced.
Order'd to
deliver up his
charge.

Mr Thomas Lucas being arrived here, having thought itt more convenient to come hether to discourse about the four last letters sent him, then to write about them, & having given us a full satisfaction of what we desired, itt is thought convenient that he return to Covelon tomorrow in the evening to discourse with the Interlopers about their concernes, because we have no liberty from the Government, to seiz upon them or send them to us, and to treat with the Governour of Covelon about our Merchants taking off the Cloth provided for the Interlopers, to prevent their lading their goods, or Investing their remaining Treasure, & itt is thought convenient upon the same account to Invite them hether wth their concernes.

Mr Thomas
Lucas to
return to
Covelon.

The reasons.

The Honble Comp^a Chief Merchant Chena Vencatadre & Sara Appia coming hether along with Mr Thomas Lucas itt is thought convenient to Tasherif the former with yards 3½ & the latter with 3 yards of fine Cloth, and an horse to the vallue of Forty Tagodas, for the good service they have done about the Interlopers, and that Seven great Guns be given them, att their going out of the ffort, that the Country may take notice of the Honour done them.

Chena Vencatadre & Sara Appia Tasherift.

Great Guns
fired.

10.
Ge II to the
Honble
Compa
finished.

The Generall letter to the Honble Compa from the 15th Part
graph to the end read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Secy.

Recd a Generall from Conimeer. dated that 8th Instant.

11.
Genll from
Conimeer.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Thursday 13.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esqr Agent & Governr.
Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.
Mr THOMAS LUCAS. Mr JOHN NICKS.
Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Kemphthorn's
dispatch for
England.
P 30 to be
paid the
Gunpowder
maker.

Capt Barber Commander of Ship Kemphthorn his Dispatch for
England read & passed.

Order'd that Pag^e 30 be paid the Gunpowder makers on acc^t
of making Gunpowder for acc^t of the Honble Compa.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Secy.

Delivered Capt Barber his dispatch for England, with the
Packett to the Honble Compa, Bag of Particular letters, & a
small bundle of Books.

13.
Capt
Barber's
dispatch for
England
delivered.

This morning about Six a Clock Capt Barber sailed out of
this Road for England.

Att Six a Clock this Evening Mr John Field sett out hence for
Madapollam.

14.
He sail[ed]
hence.

Mr Field
sett out for
Madapollam.

Recd a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 10th Instant.

15.
Genll from
Coodaloor.

Sloop Mary arrived here from Conimeer with 128 Bales of
Callicoos & 77 Bags of Saltpetre for the Honble Compa's acco^t.

Recd a Generall from Conimeer dated the 14th Instant.

Rec a Generall from Pettepollee dated the 8th Instant with
Invoice & bill of Loading for 180 Bales of Callicoos, they have
loaded aboard Ship London.

Recd a Letter from Mr George Gospright att Batavia dated
the 14th of June 1683.

Recd a Generall from Conimeer dated the 15th Instant.

Recd a letter from Braminee Madana & Accana & another
from our Bramine Egib Vira Ragavia att Golcondah.

Sloop Mary
arriv'd from
Conimeer.
A Genll from
thence.

16.
Genll from
Pettepollee.

Letter from
Mr Geo
Gospright.

17.
Genll from
Conimeer.

Two letters
recd.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esqr Agent & Governr.
Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.
Mr THOMAS LUCAS. Mr JOHN NICKS.
Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 17.

Order'd that Pagodas 400 be paid the Red-wood Merch^{ts} on
acc^t of an Investment to be made in Red-wood.

P 400 to
be paid the
Red-wood
Merchants.

Order'd that 100 Chests of Copper & 80 Pigs of Lead bee
loaded aboard the Sloop Mary for Conimeer ffactory & that she
bring back, what Bales they have in a rea[diness].

17.
Goods order'd
for Conimeer

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Secy.

Recd two Generalls from Pettepollee dated the 6th & 12th
Instant.

This evening att 5 a Clock the Ship London Capt John
Daniell Commander arrived here from the Northern ffactory's.

19.
Two Genlls
from Pette-
pollee.

Capt Daniell
arrived from
the Northern
Factory's.

Warehous
day Book for
August read
& past.

Mr Thomas
Lucas his acct
of the Mint
for August
read & past.

Customers
Accts for
August read
& past.

27.
Paymasters
Accts for
August read
& past.

Mr Ord sett
out for
Coodaloor.

The Warehous day Book of Acct^s for the moneth of August^t read & passed.

Mr Thomas Lucas his acct of the Mint for the moneth of August read & passed as followeth Viz^t.

1 Chest N^o A of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Gold which came by the London produced nett P 11798 : 12 : 1

The Customer Mr John Nicks his Book of acct^s for the moneth of August read & passed as followeth Viz^t.

Sea & Land Custome of goods	...	...	P 18 : 12 : 23
Imported & Exported	...	...	65 : 18 : 33
Petty land Custome	...	...	2 : 02 : 52
Paddy Toll of the Banksall	...	...	9 : 17 : 89
Measurers Duty	...	...	- : 11 : 55
Weighers Duty	...	...	3 : 17 : 88
Broakeridge	...	...	2 : 14 : 75
Register of Houses, Slaves &c ^s	...	...	

P 101 : 23 : 90

The Paymaster Mr John Littleton his Booke of account^s for the moneth of August read & Passed Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	...	...	P 612 : 30 : 2
Charges Generall	...	...	295 : 10 : 2
Charges Dyet	...	...	102 : 33 : 1
Charges Cattle	...	...	29 : 25 : 4
Charges Merchandise	...	...	80 : 31 : 1
Acc ^t fortifications, Repairs &c ^a	...	...	258 : 08 : 0

P 1379 : 30 : 4

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

This morning at 5 a Clock Mr Ralph Ord sett out hence for Coodaloor.

Rec^d a letter from Bramine Sangana att Conjeveron.

29.
Letter from
Sangana.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday
October pmo.

Order'd that the Sallary payable in this Place and due to the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Servants the 29th of [last] moneth be paid them.

Sallary
order'd to be
paid.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

This evening Sloop Mary arrived in this Road from Conimeer with 127 Bales of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Cloth.

pmo
Sloop Mary
arriv'd from
Conimeer.
Genl from
Conimeer.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 29th past.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 30th past & another from Coodaloor dated the 23th past.

2.
Another from
thence & from
Coodaloor.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday 4.

Order'd that Mr John Littleton goes aboard the London & Muster the men as soon as he fires a Gun for being full.

Mr Littleton
to Muster
Ship Londons
men.

Order'd that Sloop Mary be layd up in Enor River for her Security till the 3rd Monsoon be over.

Sloop Mary
to be layd up
in Enor
River.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

5. Prospect
Sailed or
Acheen.
Ship London
fired a Gun
for full.
6.
Mr Thomas
Clarke dyed.
Order to
[ear] ry the
Sloop Mary
into Enor
River appro-
ved.

This morning the Prospect Sailed out of this Road for Acheen.

Ship London Cap^t John Daniell Comander fired a Gun for a Signe that she was full.

This evening Mr Thomas Clarke who have Served the Hon^{ble} Comp^a many years departed this life.

Mr William Dixons order to carry the Sloop Mary into Enor River, was sent to the Councill for their approbation then Coppied fair, Signed & delivered to him.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Munday 8.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr THOMAS LUCAS. Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Mr Littleton
reports ye
muster of
Ship Londons
men.

Mr John Littleton Reports the muster of Ship Londons men being 107.

A Genll to
the Honble
Compa read
& past & Cap^t
Daniells dis-
patch for
England also.

A Generall to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a dated this day read & passed
Cap^t John Daniell commander of the Ship London his Dispatch
for England read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

THO: LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

8.
Ship Sailed
for Goa.

The Goa Ship that arrived here the 25th of May last, sailed this morning out of this road for Goa.

9.
Capt Daniells
dispatch for
England deli-
vered him.
He Sett Sail.

This morning delivered Cap^t John Daniell Commander of the Ship London his dispatch for London, also the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Packett & bag of particular letters.

This afternoon att one of the Clock Cap^t Daniell sailed out of this Road for England.

Genll from
Pettepollee.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dated the p^{mo} Instant with their Dyary & Consultations & acc^t Cash for the month of September.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr THOMAS LUCAS. Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday 11.

A Generall to Suratt dated this day read & passed.

A Generall to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a dated this day read & passed.

A Generall to the Bay of this date read & passed.

Having rec^d letters from our Egib att Golcondah, acquainting us that the Duan is Treating with the Interlopers (notwithstanding we have made a firm agreement wth Lingapa & Sangana, to whom the Duan has alwayes referr'd us) & that the Interlopers do offer great summs of money for their Entertainment, which our Egib writes us the Duan sayes we must pay, if we expect that they should be dismist. Upon serious consideration we have resolved not to comply with their unreasonable demands especially having concluded already with the abovesaid persons, for if we should, there would never be an end of their expectations.

Genll to
Suratt.
Genll to the
Honble
Compa.
Genll to the
Bay.
Duan treating
with the
Interlopers.
They offer
great summs
of mony.

resolved not
to comply
with their
demands.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

THO: LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr THOMAS LUCAS. Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 15.

Order'd that Pag^o 1000 be paid the Washermen on acc^t of Washing & Whitening Callicoos on the Hon^{ble} Comp^a acc^t and Pag^o 200 to the Taylors an acc^t of making Shirts & Shifts on said ac^t.

P 1000 to be
paid the
Washermen.
P 200 to the
Taylors

Goods to be
disposed of
for the Man-
illa Invest-
ment.

Orderd that the remaining Goods & Silver in the Godown, be disposed of to the Merchants for to make provision for the Manilla Investment as order'd by the Hon^{ble} Company.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

THO: LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

16.
Genll from
Pottopollee.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dated the 8th Instant with the Stewards acc^t for the last moneth.

Generall from
Vizagapatam
with Severall
other papers.

Rec^d a Generall from Vizagapatam dated the 21th past, with a letter from M^r Clement du Jardin dated the 25th past, Acc^t of Cash for the moneths of July & August with Consultations & Dyary & Pursers acc^t for those moneths. Copy of M^r Clement du Jardins⁹¹ Cattapa to the Sier^r Lascar, & the Sier Lascar's Cowl for the Town of Vizagapatam given to M^r Jardin, which M^r George Ramsden refused to accept of Saying 'twas not authentick, & Copy of the Cowle required by M^r Ramsden.

18.
Letter from
the Vizaga-
patam Merct^s

Rec^d a letter from the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Merchants att Vizagapatam dated the 20th past.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

Thursday 18.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r THOMAS LUCAS, M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

N[o] hopes of
any [o]f the
Hon^{ble}
Comp^{as} ships.
[R]esolved to
part with no
more money.

The Monsoon being now changed, & no hopes of the arrivall of any of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Ships itt is resolved to part with no more money till we hear news, & have a Supply from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a not knowing what occasion we may have, to defray the Charges of this Garrison, and all the Subordinate ffactory's, to comply with our Obligation to Sangana for the phyment of the Pag^o 6000 in case they do procure a Generall Phirmaund & to buy the Interlopers goods att Covelon in case there bee occasion for itt, & for these reasons itt is agreed to write to all the ffactorys under this Agency, & order them to make noe larger Investments then they have money already given out, we not being able to Supply them with any more.

The Reasons.

Orders to the
Subordinate
Factorys.

A Generall to Coodaloor-dated the 19th Instant read and Genll to Coodaloor.
passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

THO: LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 7th Instant with their Dyary & Consultation, Acc^t Cash, and Stewards expences for last moneth.

The Agent taken ill with a fitt of the stone & wind Collick.

The Agents illness continuing no Consultation.

20.
Genll from
Madapollam.

21.
Agent taken
ill.
Munday 22)
Thursday.)
25.
No consul-
tation.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 29.

The Governours Cash Book for the moneth of Septemb^r read & passed the Ballance being ... P 551 : 22 : 4

The Journall of the Generall Books of acc^{ts} for the moneth of August read & passed.

The Warehous day Book of Acc^{ts} for the moneth of Septem^r read & passed.

M^r Thomas Lucas his acc^t of the Mint for the moneth of September read & passed as followeth Viz^t.

Rec^d for Mintage duties upon particular persons Gold coyned Pag^o 4845 att 1/2 p Cent. ... P 24 : 08 : 0

The Account of Coyning the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Gold Viz^t.

1 Chest N^o D^o w^{ch} came p the

London produced

P 31182 : 35 : 0

1 Chest N^o E^o w^{ch} came p the

London produced

P 26606 : 24 : 0

Cash Book for
7ber read &
past.

[Ge]nll Books
for 7ber
[r]ead & past.
29.

[W]arehous
day Book
[for] 7ber
read & past.

[d]r Thomas
Lucas [h]is
Acct of the
Mint [f]or
7ber read &
past.

Customers
Accont for
7ber read &
past.

The Customer Mr John Nicks his Book of Acc^{ts} for the month of September read & passed as followeth Viz^t.

Sea & Land Custome	...	...	P 131 : 13 : 50
Petty Land Custome	...	...	„ 60 : 05 : 44
Measurers duty	...	...	„ 8 : 15 : 10
Weighers duty	...	...	„ 4 : 20 : 74
Paddy Toll att the Banksall	...	...	„ 2 : 05 : 28
Broakeridge	...	...	„ 3 : 33 : 52
Register of Houses, Slaves & ^{ca} .	...	...	„ 1 : 04 : 38

P 215 : 26 : 71

[P]aymasters
Accont [f]or 7
ber read &
[p]ast

The Paymaster Mr John Littleton his Book of Account for the month of September read & passed Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	...	...	P 600 : 30 : 4
Charges Generall	...	...	„ 402 : 21 : 3
Charges Dyet	...	...	„ 105 : 21 : 0
Charges Cattle	...	...	„ 28 : 10 : 5
Charges Merchandise	...	...	„ 64 : 32 : 5
Acc ^t fortifications, Repairs & ^{ca}	...	...	„ 252 : 02 : 4

P 1454 : 1[4] : 3

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Rec^d a Generall from Metchlepatam dated the 14th Instant with Coppy of their Books of Acc^{ts} concluded y^e 30th Aprill last.

Rec^d a letter from Mr Geo. Ramsden dated the 30th past.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 21th past.

This morning att 10 a Clock the Ship Josia Cap^t Nathan^[11] Owen Commander arrived here from England & a little time after the Purser came a shoar & brought wth him t^{he} Bag of Particular letters.

81.
Genll from
Metchlepa-
tam.
Letter from
Mr Rams-
den.
November
pmo. Genll
from
Coodaloor.
Capt Owen
arrived from
England.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday
Pmo.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper unload the Ship Josia with all expedition for fear of bad weather wh^{ich} usually happens att this time of the year.

Josia to be
unloaded.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Att Two of the Clock this afternoon Cap^t Owen came a Shoar & brought with him the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Packett.

Capt Owen
came ashoar.

Att a Consultation afternoon—

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday
Pmo.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} packett p Ship Josia was opened w^{ch} brought us two Generalls dated the 2^d & 4th of Aprill last which were read in Councill, also Coppies of their Hon^{rs} Generalls p Ship London Dated the 20 Septemb^r 4th & 27th of October 1682.

Honble
Compas
[p]a cket
Josia [op]ened
& read.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

This afternoon all the Passengers that were aboard the Josia came ashoar.

Passengers
aboard the
Josia came
ashoar.

2. Letter from
St Thome.
4. Genl from
ye Bay with
Haggerston's
examination.
Letter from
St Thome.

Rec^d a letter from Domingo de Porto & Company att S^t Thome.

Rec^d a Generall from the Bay dated the 25th of August last with the Copy of M^r Haggerston's examination.

Rec^d a letter from Domingo de Porto and Company att S^t Thome.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

Munday 5.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Mr. Littleton
to Muster
Ship Josia's
men.

Order'd that M^r John Littleton Paymaster goes abo[ard] the Josia, & Musters the Ships Company.

Acct of Re-
maines to be
disposed of.

An Acct of Remaines in the Warehouse which are to be disposed of as followeth Viz^t.

To the Mer-
chants.

To the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Merchants here Viz^t.

Corall ... 6 Chests

Silver ... 3 Chests

Perpetuanos ... 3 Packs

Cloth Rashes ... 5 Packs

Brimstone ... 30 Cask

Copper ... 200 Chests

To Conimeer
Factory.

To be sent to Conimeer factory Viz^t.

Silver ... 1 Chest

Perpetuanos ... 1 Pack

Cloth Rashes ... 1 Pack

Brimstone ... 15 Cask

Copper ... 80 Chests

To Coodaloor
Factory.

To be sent to Coodaloor factory Viz^t.

Silver ... 1½ Chest

Perpetuanos ... 2 Packs

Cloth Rashes ... 2 Packs

Brimstone ... 15 Cask

Copper ... 100 Chests

Brimstone
remaining.

& that 5 Cask of Brimstone will remain for use of the Fort.

Upon receipt of a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 21th past it is order'd that Pag^o 10000 be sent them on account of their Agreement made with the Portonovo Merchants. [P]10000 to be sent [t]o Coodaloor.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Merchants being sent for, were called up into the Consultation Chamber and the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} letter to them was read, upon which they promised that they would do the best they could, to obtain the future favours promised therein, & that the Inhabitants might take notice of the Honour done them, and to encourage them in their businesse, Itt is order'd that there be Nine great Guns fired att their going out of the fort. Honble Compas letter [t]o the Merchants read. Their promise. Guns fired.

Having used all possible expedition for the unlading the Josia, designing to send her to the Northern factory's, for what goods might be in a readiness there for England in order to which we sent for Cap^t Owen to know the condition of his Ship, & whether he could possibly reach Madapollam or Metchlepatam, to which he hath given in answer under his hand, that most of his men were sickly by reason of a tedious voyage, & that the Wind & Current were so sett to the Southward that it was impossible to fetch those Ports, without great danger of being driven so much to Leaward of this place as might hazard his Seasonable return to England, Whereupon itt is order'd that a Country Vessell be provided in those Parts, to bring up the Goods from the Severall Factory's, we having no advice by the late letters received from Bengall, of any ship intended to be sent us hether from thence. Josia de- signed to be sent to the Northern Factorys. He is dis- coursed about itt. Capt Owen's answer given in writing. A Country Vessell to be sent to fetch the Goods. The reason.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

THO: LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

RIGHT WOR^{sh} WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r.
Governour &^{as} Council.

In order to your Wor^{sh} desire that I Should give my opinion of voyaging downe to Madapollam, Coast of Gingerlee &^{as} Itt is my opinion that the Winds being sett in Strong Northerly and the Current setting Southerly, should we be put to Leeward of this Port, itt would be difficult & tedious in getting up againe att this time of the year, besides many of our men sick. How- ever if your Wor^{sh} will please to try the experiment of itt, by sending our Ship, I am ready to your commands, & Shall performe Capt Owen's opinion of voyaging to the North- ern Fac- torys.

the utmost of m[y] endeavours to recover what Port you will consign me un[to].

Your Worp^s Humble Servant
NATHAN^{LL} OWEN.

Novemb^r y^e 5th 1683.

5. An entertainment.
According to Custome this evening the Governour invited the Councill & some others of the Inhabitants to a Supper att the ffort, & afterwards they were entertained with a Bonfire, Great Guns & fireworks as hath been formerly used to be done.

Genll from Pettepollee.
Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dated the 26th past.

6. Genll from Conimeer.
Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 31th past which gives an acc^t of a Violent Storm that happened there the 23th last mth.

7. [L]etter from St Thome.
Rec^d a letter from Domingo de Porto & Comp^a att St Thome dated this day.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

Thursday 8.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Letter from St Thome.

A Generall to Domingo de Porto & Comp^a att St Thome read. & passed.

Mr Littleton reports the Muster of Ship [J]osia's men. Allingall's son Tasheriff.

Mr John Littleton Purser makes report of the ship Josia's Comp^a 119 Men living, 1 Run away in the Downes, 1 Dead in the voyage.

Allingall Pilla (one of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Merchants) his son being lately married itt is thought fitt to Tasheriff him with 2 1/2 yards of fine Cloth for his encouragement.

The Merchants discoursed about the Europe Goods, they desire to see them. Permitted to do.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Merchants were treated with this morning about the prizes of the Goods remaining in the Godown, but they desired to have itt referred till munday next, before they conclude, being desirous to see all the goods, which they are permitted to do in the mean time.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO: LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Rec^d a Generall from Vizagapatam dated the 13th past 8. Genll from Vizagapatam
with Coppy of their Consultations & Dyary & Acc^t Cash for the moneth of September last.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 27th past. 9. Genll from Coodaloor.

Rec^d a letter from Haja Raja & another from Gopall Punditt. Two letters read.

Rec^d a letter from Domingo de Porto & Comp^a att St Thome. Letter from St Thome.

A Generall to Coodaloor dated this day was sent to the Council[ll] for their approbation, then Coppied fair, signed, & sent forward, as also the Pag^o. 10000 ordered last Consultation for that factory was sent along with itt by 13 Peons overland. 10. Genll to Coodaloor. P^o 10000 sent thether.

Att a Consultation—

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 12.

A Generall to Domingo de Porto & Comp^a att St Thome of this date read & Passed. Genll to St Thome.

M^r Elihu Yale & M^r John Nicks report the weight of one Chest of Gold N^o R by the Josia weighed out to y^e Shroffs of the Mint the 9th Instant poiz. oz. 4133; 19 which is 14 more then Invoiced. dwt. dwt. weight of one Chest of Gold.

M^r ⁹⁸ William Proby before he was entertained in the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Service, having been imployed a year & a half under the Secretary for want of other assistance, in which time he was very dilligent, therefore itt is thought convenient to gratify him with Twenty five Pagodas for his paines. Mr William Proby gratified with the reason of itt.

The Agent & Councill being acquainted that a Phirmaund was come downe from the King of Golcondah, itt is therefore thought convenient that itt be received with the accustomed Ceremony by the Agent & Councill &c. made some down from the King. To be received.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Merchants were again discoursed about the prices of the goods remaining, which was given them last Consultation day, but after a tedious debate they could not be brought The Merchants again discoursed.

Desires further consideration.

to an agreement, so desired a little further time to consider about itt.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO: LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

12. Commission &c^a delivered.

Delivered to M^r. John Nicks & M^r Richard Elliott &c^a Commissioners, the Commission, Instructions & Interrogatories to be enquired into concerning Affaires relating to M^r Master & M^r Cholmley &c^a which came by the Josia.

The Agent &c^a went to receive the Phirmaund.

The afternoon att four a Clock the Agent & Council (being attended with the ffactors & Writers, the Comp^{as} Merchants & Two Company's of Soldiers) went to the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} new Garden to receive the King of Golcondah's Phirmaund after which, att the drinking the King of Golcondah's health, there was fired three Vollies of Small Shott, & 31 great Gunns; when the Ceremony was ended y^e Messenger that brought the Phirmaund attended upon the Agent to the ffort, where att drinking a health to Madana & Accana the Chief Ministers of State, there was one Volley m[ore] of Small Shott fired & so the Messenger was dismissed for the present.

Guns fired.

A Volley of Small Shott fired.

12. Letter from Lingapa.
Letter from Sangana.

Rec^d a letter from Lingapa dated the 30th past.

Rec^d a letter from Sangana att Conjeveron dated the 8th Insta^t.

13. Letter from Lingapa.

Rec^d a letter from Lingapa dated last moneth.

Att a Consultation—

Present:

Thursday 15.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Factors & Writers Sent out.
Disposed of

The Hon^{ble} Comp^a having sent out severall ffactors, & writers for a Supply of this Place & the Subordinate ffactorys, Itt is thought convenient upon due consideration to make a new Settlement & dispose of them as followeth Viz^t

(1) Att Fort S^t George—

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. 2^d
M^r ELIHU YALE. 3^d
M^r JOHN NICKS. 4th
M^r JOHN LITTLETON. 5th
JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

M^r HENRY ALFORD Assistant to the Warehouskeeper.

⁹⁴ M^r CHARLES MELL Assistant to the Mintmaster.

M^r JOHN BEAVIS under the Agent.

M^r SAMUELL OWEN under the Secre^{ry}.

M^r GRIMSTONE LUCKIN under the Warehouskeeper.

M^r WILLIAM PROBY under the Second.

M^r THOMAS STUBS under the Warehouskeeper.

M^r FRANCIS CHARLTON under the Secre^{ry}.

Att Fort S.
George.

(2) Att Madapollam—

M^r THOMAS LUCAS Chief tho now one of the Council here is by the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} orders to be sent Chief, there being occasion for itt.

[Att]t Mada-
pollam.

M^r JAMES WHEELER. 2^d

⁹⁵ M^r BENJA NORTHEY. 3^d

M^r NATHAN^{LL} GYFFORD 4th

JOHN TILLOTSON } Writers.
FRAN. WILLCOX }
GABR^{LL}. ROBERTS }

(3) Att Metohlepatam—

M^r ROBERT FREEMAN. Chief

M^r RICH^d BROWNE. 2^d

M^r RICH^d GRESHAM. 3^d

ZOUCH TROUGHTON. Writer

Att Metohle-
patam.

(4) Att Pettepolles—

M^r SAMUELL WALES. Chief

M^r TIMOTHY HARRIS. 2^d

M^r WILLIAM SHALES. 3^d

M^r JOHN GODDARD. 4th

Att Pette-
polles.

(5) Att Vizagapatam—

M^r GEORG RAMSDEN. Chief

M^r RICH^d BERRETON. 2^d

M^r CHAR. FLEETWOOD. 3^d

Att Visaga-
patam.

(6) Att Coodaloor & Portonovo—

M^r JOHN DAVIS. Chief

Att Cooda-
loor & Porto-
novo.

M^r HENRY MOSE. 2^d
 M^r RALPH ORD. 3^d
 M^r RALPH INGRAM. 4th
 ROB^t DEARING. Writer.

Att Coni-
 meer.

(7) Att Conimeer—

M^r JOHN WILLCOX. Chief
 M^r RICH^d MILTON. 2^d
 M^r BENJ^a BLOOM. 3^d

Differences
 att Vizaga-
 patam.
 Mr Lucas &
 Mr Northey
 to goe
 thether &
 examine itt.
 Mr du
 Jardin to be
 sent for to
 the Fort.
 The reasons.

There being att present great differences between M^r George Ramsden & M^r Clement du Jardin att Vizagapatam, they accusing one another of wrongs done the Hon^{ble} Comp^a M^r Tho. Lucas & M^r Benj^a Northey will be appointed to go thether to examine that business, of which if they can clear themselves M^r Ramsden to remain Chief there, however we have thought convenient to send for M^r Jardin to the fort, & place him her- after wher ther's odcation, because we fear there will still remain such animosities between them, that the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Affaires will be very much prejudiced there, but both of them or either of them, if they be found guilty, of what they are accused, shall be dismiss the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Service, & we shall Send Some [othe]r Chief ther.

John Oneal
 to be placed.

John Oneal shall be placed when he returns from his voyage (he being att present gone for Syam) & then all the ffactors &c that are now with us will be disposed of, in their respective places, as we Judge most convenient.

Mr Trough-
 ton hath
 leave to
 come up to
 the Fort.
 Or Mr Will-
 cox.

That if M^r Zouch Troughton is still desirous to come up to the ffort, that itt be granted him, & that M^r John Tillotson goe to Metchlepatam, & be provisionall Purser otherwise that if M^r Troughton desires to continue att Metchlepatam, then, M^r Francis Willcox come up to the ffort.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
 JOHN BIGRIG.
 ELIHU YALE.
 THO : LUCAS.
 JOHN NICKS.
 JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

17.
 Two letters
 read.

Rec^d a letter from Braminee Vordapa & Viragavia our Egib att Goleondah dated the 10th past.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
 M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
 M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
 M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 19.

The Phirmaund from the King & Letters from Lingapa & Sangana which we lately rec^d being translated, were this day re[a]d & after serious consideration, we found not answerable to the agreement that was made by M^r Lucas, & to our directions & expectations, so that att present itt is resolved not to part with the Pag^e 6000 till we have argued the case with Lingapa & Sangana & that the Interlopers are utterly disapointed of loading any goods upon their Ships expected out of the Bay, they having left Severall people upon this Coast to provide against their returne, and besides Madana's resolutions are, that he will act upon no other consideration then the Duans Proffitt as to the trade in the Coun- try, & therefore will make the best of itt, and wee are advised from our Braminee att Goleondah (which appears accordingly not- withstanding our best endeavours) they are already granted a Phirmaund, to build a ffort and settle att Durampatt, also the settlement att Armagon & Covelon is to be considered of since their designes therin we doubt, is to invade our Priviledges & Phirmaund by exacting Customes from us, which Settlement if we should deny (& which wee cannot well performe for want of money) they will tax us with breach of agreement, & give us much trouble therin so that for these reasons we resolve to do our utmost endeavours to avoid the payment of the Pag^e 6000 as abovesaid, though we fear they will trouble us much about itt, in regard there was an agreement signed unto to pay itt, whenever we rec^d the Phirmaund, which they will interpret only for Lingapa's Coun- try, as Sangana told M^r Lucas just att last, after he had all along promised to procure itt for the whole Kingdome of Gol- condah, So that M^r Lucas finding himself in this necessity, he say's he was forced to Signe (though our orders were for no less then all the Kings Do[mi]nions) or else the Interlopers would have been permitted to Settle att Covelon &c neither had he time he say's to stay for our answer, so resolv'd was Sangana to put a period to the business one way or other att that very pre- sent, & therby designing to bring us into a Snare as he hath done

Phirmaund
 &c Trans-
 lated.
 Was read and
 considered
 of.
 P 6000 not
 to be paid.
 The reasons.

Settlemt att
 Armagon &
 Covelon to
 be con-
 sidered of.
 The reasons
 Payment of
 the P 6000
 to be avoided.

Mr Lucas
 forced to
 signe.
 The reasons
 he gives or
 so doing.

by his authority, & to his great proffitt, which itt seems our people that were treating with him could not remedy.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO: LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 15th Instant.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 19th Instant.

20.
Genl from
Coodaloor.
22.
Gen from
Conimeer.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday
22.

Gold Chain
& Meddall to
be melted
downe. [M^r]
Yale and M^r
Nicks report
the weight
of itt.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^a having order'd the melting down the Gold Chain & Medall which they formerly sent hether to be given to Verona, (who was deceased before itt arrived) was broak & weyed off to the Shroffs of the Mint the 20th Instant. by M^r Elihu Yale & M^r John Nicks, who report the weight to be
dwt.
oz 25 : 06 which is to be coyned into Pagodas.

Itt was thought convenient to Send for M^r John Bridger to remind him of the Hon^{ble} Comp^a orders & his own late promise to return to England, to which he desired time till to-morrow, when he will give his answer in writing, itt is also order'd that M^r Elihu Yale having mony of M^r Bridgers in his hands, draw up his acc^t & pay in the Ballance into the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Cash according to their order.

M^r Bridger
reminded of
the Honble
Compas
orders.
He will give
his answer
to-morrow.
M^r Yale to
pay in the
Ballance of
M^r Bridgers
acct.
Commis-
sioners desire
leave for
M^r Wales
to come up.
He is permit-
ted.

The Commissioners appointed to enquire into affaires depend- ing between S^r Josia Child &c & Streynsham Master Esq^r &c having desired that M^r Samuell Wales one of the Commissioners might be permitted to come up to the ffort in order to the Execu- tion of the said Commission, itt is therefore thought fitt to per- mitt him to come up, if hee pleaseth, to be here by the time the Commissioners appoint for their setting.

A letter to M^r Samuell Wales to give him leave to come up lated this day read & passed.

The Governours Cash Book for the moneth of October read & passed the Ballance being ... P 19902: 16: —

The Journall of the Generall Books of accounts for the moneth of September read & passed.

The Warehouse day Book of acc^t for the moneth of October read & passed.

The Customer M^r John Nicks his Booke of accounts for the moneth of October read and passed as followeth Viz^t.

Sea & Land Custome	...	...	P 395: 33: 92
Petty Land Custome	...	...	96: 05: 75
Padd[y] Toll Att the Banksall	...	...	1: 18: 54
Measurers duty	...	...	5: 31: 19
Weighers duty	...	...	7: 30: 61
Broakeridge	...	...	13: 37: 55
Register of Houses & Slaves &c ^a	...	...	P 1: 14: 25.
Curtain Godown Rents	20: —: —	...	21: 14: 25

P 542: 26: 31

The Paymaster M^r John Littleton his Book of Acc^t for the moneth of October read & passed as followeth Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	...	...	P 614: 35: 0
Charges Generall	...	...	291: 24: 0
Charges Dyet	...	...	148: 13: 1
Charges Cattle	...	...	53: 17: 2
Charges Merchandise	...	...	220: 18: 5
Acc ^t fortifications Repairs &c ^a	...	...	171: 18: 1

P 1500: 18: 3

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO: LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

A letter to
M Samll
Wales.
Cash Book
for 8ber read
& past.
Genll Books
for 7ber read
& past.
Warehous
day Book for
8ber read &
past.
Customer
Acc^t for 8ber
read & past.

Paymasters
Acc^t for 8ber
read & past.

Friday 23.

Att a Consultation Extra^d.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

[Agre]ment
made with the
Merch^{ts} for
Europe goods
Particulars
& prises.

This morning we came to an Agreement with the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Merchants for the following Goods & prises undermentioned, which the Warehousekeeper is order'd to deliver them, for the amount wherof they are to bring in Callicoes by the fourteenth day of february next Viz^t.

Corall Gregio ... 9 Chests att Pag^o 100 p Maund.
Silver Chests ... 3 att 16 Dollars p 10^o Pagodas.
Perpetuanos ... 3 Packs att Pag^o 7¹/₂ p p^r.
Cloth Rashes ... 5 Bales att P 18¹/₂ p p^r.
Brimstone ... 30 Cask att P 13 p Candy.
Copper ... 316 Chests att P 60 p Candy.

P 5000 to be
pd them with
the reasons
for itt.
Mr Bridger
gives his
answer in.

And in regard they have taken off such a considerable quantity of Europe goods att this time, while there is so much remaining upon their hands of what they formerly bought, which they know not yet how to dispose, itt is thought fitt for their encouragement to deliver them P 5000 more in money being all we can spare att present.

M^r John Bridger according to our order yesterday brought in his answer in writing a Coppy wherof is as followeth.

Mr Yale pays
in the Bal-
lance of Mr
Bridger acctt.

According to yesterdays order of Councill M^r Elihu Yale brought in M^r John Bridgers acct & the Ballance being Pag^o 1458 : 21 : 3 was by him accordingly paid into the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} cash as p the order hereunder.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE:

THO : LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.To the Right Worp^l William Gyfford Esq^r.Agent & Governour &c^a Councill of Fort St^e George.

Being s[ent] for by you yesterday & then minded of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} orders & my prob^{mi}se last year, to go for England this year, to which I answer, that I did believe all my Children

Mr John
Bridgers
answer.

would have been in a capacity to undergo the voyage but I am not only of the opinion but others also, that their tender years, some of them att least, may well plead a longe time before they can go, of this M^r Timothy Wilkes, who now Intends for England (& well acquainted with my Family) can Satisfie any body there, that shall bee so curious as to enquire of him, I am resolved God willi[n]g in one year more to answer your expectation in this point till then I crave your permission & Subscribe

R^t Worp^l &c^a

Your humble Servant,

JOHN BRIDGER.

Fort St^e George Nov^r 23th 1683.M^r ELIHU YALE.

By order of the Hon^{ble} English East India Company you are to pay to us, into their Cash, what moneys you have of M^r John Bridgers in your Custody, with an account therof for which you shall have the Governours receipt.

Mr Yale's
order.

Dated in fort St^e George the 23 November 1683.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

THO : LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Coppy of the Governours receipt to M^r Elihu Yale for the aforesaid money.

[Governours
receipt to
Mr Yale.

Rec^d of M^r Elihu Yale p order of the Hon^{ble} English East India Company, into th[e]ir Cash the Summe of Pagodas One Thousand four, hundred fifty Eight, Fanams, Twenty one & three Cash for acct of M^r John Bridger of Fort St^e George Merchant, I say rec^d the said Summe of One Thousand four hundred fifty Eight Pagodas Twenty one Fanams & three Cash In Fort St^e George the 23th of November 1683.

p me WILLIAM GYFFORD.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r,M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 26.

Seaveralls
lres read &
past.

These following letters from the Agent read & passed.

To Braminee Sangana.
To Braminee Lingapa.
To Madana & Accana.
To our Egib Viraragavia.
To Gopall Punditt.
To Haja Raja.

Tasherif to
be sent to
Lingapa.

Order'd that a peece of fine Scarlett Serge be sent to Lingapa by the Braminee that carrys the letter to him & about Pag^o 4 in knives & Spectacles to be given to Severall Off[icers] that are about him.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Thursday 22.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

A Standard
bought for
Coodaloor
Factory.

The Chief &c^a att Coodaloor adviseng that they have occasion for a Standard for that ffactory, the Purser being order'd to buy one, who now acquaints the Councill of a fitting one, the price being 60 Pag^o which is order'd to be paid for itt.

P 200 to be
paid the
Taylors.

The Taylors delivered their acc^t of making Shirts & Shifts itt is order'd that 200 Pag^o be paid them thereon, there being more mony due to them.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

*Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 8.

A Generall to Coodaloor of this date read & passed.

A Generall to Vizagapatam dated this day read & passed.

A Generall to Metchlepatam of this date read & passed.

Three Gene-
ralls read &
past.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

A Sloop from Madapollam Th^o Bowrey Master arrived here. Sloop Conimeer arrived here this afternoon from the Bay with 18th Souldiers.

4. Sloop from
Madap.
Sloop.
Conimeer
from the Bay.
A Generll
from the
Bay.

Rec^d a Generall from the Bay dated the 16th past wth Invoice & bill of loading for 200 Bags Saltpeetre p Sloop Conimeer, whereip they advise that the Golden fleece & George arrived there the 20th Octo^r last & that they intended to send the Kent, Welfare & George to this place with more Peetre.

They intend
to send us
three ships.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Conimeer dated the 2^d Instant & a letter from Amboge Pontolo to the Agent.

5. A Genll
from Coni-
meer.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday 6.

Agreed that a letter be writt to Vizagapatam to order the Chief & Councill there to send us up by the George 200 Candy of [the] Ebony or Red Wood if to be procured, or as much of [t]hat quantity as they can gett.

Ebbony &
Red wood
order'd from
Vizaga-
patam.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper traverse the 200 Bags Saltpeet[re] from Sloop Conimeer aboard the Josia & that as soon as

Peetre from
Sloop Coni-
meer to Ye
Josia.

The Sloop to be sent to the South-ern Fac-torys. To remain att Coodaloor.

Mr Lucas to prepare for Madapollam.

Factors for Coodaloor & Conimeer to get ready.

More goods in the Sub-ordinate Factorys then we can satisfie them for att present. Three Ships expected from the Bay. If the Mer-chants will advance above what they have recd money & Goods for. Nine to twelve p Cent Intrest to be allowed them. The reasons.

Vittulla Pille's want of mony.

Desires a Loan of P 3000. Which is considered of.

itt can be taken out of the Sloop, she be dispatcht to Conimeer & Coodaloor ffactory's, with the goods order'd for them the 5th of last moneth, which the Warehouskeeper is order'd to lade upon her, & the Sloop to remaine att Coodaloor till further order, after she hath delivered the Goods.

Orderd that Mr Thomas Lucas prepare to go to Madapollam in 15 dayes, before which time he saith he cannot be ready to leave this place.

Order'd that the ffactors for the Southward gett ready to depart by Munday next.

Being advised from all our ffactory's that the Merchants have taken up money att Intrest, to comply wth their Contracts, & so have more goods then we att present are able to satisfie them for, & likewise receiving late unexpected advice from Bengall dated the 16th past of their designe to send us three Ships Viz^t the Kent, Welfare & the George, amounting to about 1000 Tonns, which we are unable to comply with, the Josia being to be dispatcht first, itt is therefore thought absolutely necessary to give order to all the ffactory's that if their Merchants will deliver in goods to the Amount of their Contract, or for so much as they shall advance above the amount of mony & goods they have recd, that the Severall Chiefs & Councils doe in the Hon^{ble} Comp^{ys} name & under their Seal ingage to allow them Intrest att 9 p Cent or rather then fail 12 p Cent p annum upon this extraordinary occasion, till the money shall be paid, whereby we may in probability lade their Hon^{rs} Ships, which otherwise we have no hopes to do, & disapoint the Interlopers of those overplds goods which they advise us from Metchlepatam, are in great danger of falling into the Interlopers hands.

Wheras the Chief & Council att Conimeer have advised us in their's of the 2^d Instant; that their Sobadar Vittula Pille had intimated to them, that Sombagoe had sent downe an order to him, that he should furnish him with Pag^o 10000, which summe the Sobadar was not presently able to gett up, but had desired us to assist him, with the Loan of Pag^o 3000, which we have seriously considered of, and in regard of his many good Services in our settlement & turning the Interlopers away from Pullicherry and other places in his Government, as soon as requested of him, itt is agreed that a letter be writt to the Chief & Council att Conimeer, to order them to endeavour if possible to satisfie him with a small present, in regard of our great want of money, but if that will

not doe itt is order'd that Pag^o 1000 be sent to the Chief & Council att Conimeer to be lent him, for this once, (& not for the future,) upon the Security of the Town & Customes which he offers, or upon better if procurable & to take noe Intrest, which may oblige him, to stand our friend and turn away the Interlop[er]s, if any should come the[ther] att their return from the Bay as he had done before.

The Saltpeetre having layn a long time in the Godown the bags are grown very rotten, & though the Warehouskeep hath taken care to have them mended, yet they will not hold carrying aboard Ship, Itt is therefore order'd that what bags is to be shipt on the Josia be new cased over wth Gunny to prevent the loss of the Petre.

These following Generalls dated the 7th Instant read & passed.

To Pettepollee
To Metchlepatam
To Vizagapatam

A letter To Ambogee Puntolo read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

THO: LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Rec^d a letter from Conacopilla Domagor & Yencate Petty from Covelon to Mr Thomas Lucas dated this moneth.

A Generall to Conimeer of this date was Sent to the Council for their approbation, then coppied fair, signed & sent forward the 8th Instant with the Pag^o 1000 order'd last Consultation day for that ffactory to be sent Vittulapille.

Rec^d a letter from Sangana to the Agent dated y^e 2^d Instant.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent and Governour.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr THOMAS LUCAS. Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

A letter from the Agent to Sangana read & passed.

P 1000 order'd to be sent to Conimeer to be lent him. The reasons.

Saltpeetre to be new cased over.

Seaverall Genells read & past.

Letter to Ambogee Puntolo.

6. Letter from Covelon to Mr Lucas.

7. Genll to Conimeer. P 1000 sent thether.

8th. Letter from Sangana.

Munday 10.

Letter to Sangana.

Cash Book
for 9 ber
read & past.
Genll Books
for 8 ber read
& past.

Warehous
day Book for
Novemr read
& past.
Mr Tho Lu-
cas his Acc^t
of the Mint
for Nover
read & past.

Customers
Accts for
Nover read
& past.

The Governours Cash book for the moneth of November read & passed the ballance being ... P 5020 : 15 : 3.

The Journall of the Generall Books of Acc^{ts} for the moth of October read & passed.

The Warehousday Book of Acc^{ts} for the moneth of November read & passed.

Mr Thomas Lucas his acc^t of the Mint for the moneth of November read as passed as followeth Viz^t.

Rec^d for Mintage duties upon particular per-
sons Gold Coynded Pag^e 1764 att 1/2 P 8 : 29 : 0
Cent.

The Customer Mr John Nicks his book of Acc^{ts} for the moth of November read & passed Viz^t.

Sea & Land Custome for goods imported
& exported P 45 : 39 : 75
Paddy Toll att the Banksall 3 : 13 : 50
Measurers duty 2 : 25 : 50
Weighers duty - : - : -
Broakeridge - : 36 : -
Register of Houses, Slaves, &c^a 57 : 33 : 83
Petty Land Custome
P 111 : 31 : 57

Paymasters
Accts for
Novemr read
& past.

The Paymaster Mr John Littleton his book of acc[ounts] for the moneth of November read & passed Viz^t.

Charges Garrison P 59[8] : 20 : 5
Charges Generall 269 : 20 : 2
Charges Dyet 153 : 00 : 2
Charges Cattle 34 : 32 : 0
Charges Merchandise 55 : 33 : 0
Acc^t fortifications repairs &c^a 107 : 06 : 1
P 1219 : 04 : 4

Goods which
were to be
sent to Coo-
daloore &
Conimeer p
Sloop Coni-
meer.
Order'd to
bee sent p
Sloop Mary.
The reasons.

Whereas the Goods appointed for Coodaloore & Conimeer ffactory's were orderd the last Consultation day to be laden upon the Sloop Conimeer; the Monsoon being over, & the Sloop Mary being expected tomorrow out of Enor river, itt is thought convenient & agreed that the Warehouskeeper do lade the same aboard of her, she being the bigger, and better Vessell of the two, and the goods

amounting to a considerable summe, as also the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Servants for those ffactorys are to go upon her thether.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO: LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

A Sloop belonging to Mr Duglas in the Bay arrived here from the Bay.

This morning the Kent Cap^t Thomas Brenock arrived here from the Bay of Bengall.

Rec^d a Generall from Hugly dated the 23th of last month with Invoice & Bill of Ladeing for 1950 Bags Saltpetre, the Kent, wherein they advise us that the Welfare will follow in 20 dayes att farthest.

Rec^d a Generall from Mr Sam^l Wales att Pettepolllee dated the 4th Instant, wherein he excuseth himself from coming up to the Fort, because the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} businesse require his presenq & attendance.

Sloop Mary arrived in this road out of Enor river.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent and Govern^r.
Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.
Mr THOMAS LUCAS. Mr JOHN NICKS.
Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Order'd that the Goods appointed for Conimeer ffactory be laden upon the Sloop Mary & the others for Coodaloore upon Sloop Conimeer, & that if there be no goods in a readinesse att Coodaloore, she come to Conimeer & lade there, & both Sloops to be dispatcht hether with goods for the Josia and Kent, being agreed to be for the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Intrest, & the convenience & safety of both Ships that they be dispatcht together for England, if goods can possibly be procured by the 20th of January to arrive in time for the September sale.

Order'd that Pag^e 10000 be sent to Coodaloore & Pag^e 5000 to Conimeer ffactory's overland & that Pag^e 5000 be paid the

Mr Dowglass
Sloop from
the Bay.
[Kent] [arri-
ved here from
the Bay.
Generall
from Hugly.

12.
Genll from
Mr Samll
Wales.
Excuseth his
coming up.
Sloop Mary
from Enor
River.

Thursday 13.

Sloop Mary
& Conimeer
order'd to
the Southern
Factory's.
To bring
their Goods
hether.
Josia & Kent
to be dispat-
cht together.

P 10000 for
Coodaloore.
P 5000 for
Conimeer.

P 5000 to the Merchts. The Merchts. to Credit the Honble Compa with P 10000 for this Shipping. Saltpetre by the Kent disposed of. Capt Brennock requires Tons 40 for Quintaledge.

Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Merchants here, upon the consideration that they have promised to Credit the Hon^{ble} Comp^a with goods to the amount of Pag^o 10000 more then the Stock delivered them, to be brought in by the fine of January to prevent the dead freight of their Hon^{rs} Ships.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper traverse 400 Bags of Saltpetre from the Kent to the Josia to be laid upon their, Old, Damp Peetre, to prevent damaging the Bale goods, & that 950 Bags be brought ashoar, & the remaining 600 Bags to be continued aboard her for Quinteladge, Cap^t Brennock requiring 40 Tons to make her sailworthy & that the freight of her Quintaledge be referred to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a her Charterparty mentioning nothing of itt.

Mr Henry Whedon entertained master of Sloop Mary.

Wee having occasion for a Master for Sloop Conimeer itt is agreed to Mr Henry Whedon having formerly been Mate of a Ship, be entertained.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

To the Right Worpth William Gyfford Esq^r
Agent & Governour & Co^a Council.
May itt Please your Worpth & Co^a.

Capt Brennock request for Quintaledge.

I find by our Charterparty that the quantity of Quinteladge which we should carry is not mentioned, therefore desire you would please to supply the Ship with Forty Tonns of Saltpetre which is necessary to make her capable of proceeding her voyage for England.

Right Worpth Sr & Co^a.

Dec^r 13th 1683.

Your most humble Sev^t.

Thomas Brennock.

14.
Letter from Sangana.

Rec^d a letter from Sangana dated the 9th Instant.

15.
Generall to Coodaloor & Conimeer with P 15000.

A Generall to Coodaloor & another to Conimeer. of this date were Sent to the Councill for their approbation, then copy fair, signed & Sent forward with P 10000 for the former & P 5000 for the latter ffactory overland.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dated the 7th Instant with their Consultations & Dyary and Acc^t Cash for the two last moneths, & Coppy of their Consultation Book & Dyary for England.

Genell from Pettepollee.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 11th Instant.

Generll from Coodaloor.

Att a Consultation—

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 17.

Two Generalls to Coodaloor both of this date read & passed.

A Generall to Conimeer of this date read & passed.

A Generall to Metchlepatam dated this day read & passed.

A Generall to Pettepollee of this date read & passed.

Four Generalls read & past. Genll to Pettepollee

A Dispatch to M^r William Dixon Master of the Sloop Ma[ry] for Conimeer read & passed.

Sloop Mary dispatch for Conimeer.

A Dispatch to M^r Henry Whedon Master of the Sloop Conimeer for Coodaloor read and passed.

Sloop Conimeer dispatch for Coodaloor

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Sloops Mary & Conimeer sailed out this road this Evening for Coodaloor & Conimeer with the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Servants that were order'd for those ffactory's.

Sloops Mary & Conimeer Sailed.

Rec^d a letter from our Braminee Egib att Golcondah.

18.
Letter from our Egib.

Att a Consultation—

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday 20.

The whole Councill being duly summoned.

The Genll. Books having been kept open are now order'd to be closed.

A Parcell of Law Books to be bought.

Capt Owen desires more Quintaledge then order'd in Charter party. It is order'd him.

20. Two Generalls read & past. Two letters read & past.

Capt Owen's desire for Quintaledge.

The Generall Books of this Place, that should have been Ballanced the 30th of Aprill last, having been kept open for the Pettepollee & Vizagapatam Books of Aco^{ts} till this time, which are not yet come, though they have been often writt for, itt is order'd that M^r John Bigrig doe now close the said Generall Books.

There being a parcell of Law Books to be disposed of, which is thought may be very usefull & necessary for the Court, the amount wherof is P 22: 08: 0 itt is order'd that M^r John Littleton do pay the said money for them.

Capt Nathaniell Owen Commander of the Ship Josia having acquainted the Agent & Council that the Quintaledge in Charter party being but 96 Tonns was not sufficient to Secure the ship & Goods; And now delivering his request in writing that he might have 154 Tons more loaded upon him, to make his Ship Sail worthy, itt is therefore order'd that the Warchouskeeper. do lade the 154 Tons he desires.

A Generall to the Bay & another to Coodaloor both of this date read & passed.

A letter from the Agent to our Braminee Egib & another to the Cirkell both dated this day read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO: LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

To the Right Wor^{sh} William Gyfford Esq^r

Agent & Governour & C^a Council.

May itt please your Wor^{sh} & C^a.

I find by our Charterparty that the Hon^{ble} Comp^a are not oblinded to lade any more Quinteladge goods then 96 Tonns, & seeing you will be pleased to be strickt to that Article, I must declare that we shall be wanting of 154 Tons more, then the said 96 Tons aforementioned, to make the Ship Josia capable of proceeding her voyage, and therefore desire you would please to supply her wth that quantity, without which I think neither the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Estate or our Ship to be secure, which is what needful att present^{ly} from

Madras 20th Dec^r 1683.

Right Wor^{sh} Sir & C^a.

Your most humble Serv^t.

Nathan^l Owen.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 17th Instant.

20. Letter from Coodaloor.

Att a Consultation—

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 24.

Order'd that M^r John Littleton do pay unto the Brick makers 300 Pag^o on acc^t of making Bricks & that. 600 Pag^o be p^d the Washermen on acc^t of Washing & Whitening Callicoes both for the Hon^{ble} Comp^a account.

P 300 to be paid the Brickmakers. P 600 to be paid the Washermen. Two horses order'd to be bought.

There being ocaation for horses for the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Sec^{ry} & att present a good opportunity offering to be furnished therewith, itt is resolved to buy two Persia Horses att the rate of Pag^o 310 for both that being the lowest price.

Order'd that Pag^o 3000 be sent to Madapollam ffactory overland, along with M^r Thomas Lucas.

P 3000 to be sent to Madapollam. Genll to Mr Lucas & C^a att Madapollam. Commission to Mr Lucas & Mr Northey.

A Generall to M^r Thomas Lucas Chief & C^a Council att Madapollam read & passed.

Commission & Instructions to M^r Thomas Lucas & M^r Benja Northey for their proceedings in examination of the differences att Vizagapatam read & passed.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO: LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

According to Agreement in Consultation this day the 310 Pag^o were paid for the two Persian Horses order'd to be bought.

24. P 310 paid for the Horses.

This day the Agent made a Generall Invitation for all the English of noate both men & women, as hath been annually observed.

26. An Invitation

Rec^d a Generall from Metchlepatam dated the 18th Instant.

Rec^d a letter from Doct^r Grudgfield dated the 20th Instant.

Genll. from Metchlepatam. Letter from Doct^r Grudgfield.

Genll from
Madapollam.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 14th Instant with
Copp^y of their Consultations & Dyary, Acc^t Cash & Ste^w[w^d]
Acc^t for the last moneth.

Genll from
Coodaloor.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 20th Instant.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Thursday 27.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

A letter to
be writt to
Lingapa to
prevent his
building a
Banksall near
the Towne.

There being a Banksall building near the Town, by Lingapa[s]
order, wherin he designes to put his Rent Paddy, & sell itt att
his own gates to our Inhabitants, which will be very prejudiciall
to this place, Itt is thought fitt, that a letter be writt to him, to
endeavour to prevent itt, & intimate the inconveniences that may
follow upon itt, & that in case he will not put a Stop to itt, we
can however furnish our Selves with grain, from other parts by our
Shipping, & likewise if wee see cause, dispose of our Treasure in
other places, w^{ch} so much enriches his Country, & would prove
much more to his prejudice then this will advantage him.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

THO : LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Generall from
Pettepollee.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dated the 20th Instant with
their Stewards Acc^t for October & November, & Copp^y of two
Consultations dated the 18th & 20th Instant.

Att a Consultation Extra^o.

Present :

Friday 28.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

A dispute
with Sura Ap-
pana about
the payment
of the P 6000.

The Councill had a long dispute with Sura Appana who is
Security for the Pag^o 6000 (& order'd by Lingapa to receive itt)
for the Cowle against the Interlopers, but we could not agree

about the Payment of itt, so a further discourse about itt, is refer'd
till to morrow morning.

Doctor Grudgfield att Metchlepatam having again requested
to Serve the Hon^{ble} Comp^a as a Chirurgion att the usuall Sallary
for those of his profession, Viz^t Thirty Pounds p^r Anⁿ, and we
having occation for one in the Southern Factory's; Itt is now
thought fitt to entertaine him att that rate, and to order him if he
continues in the same mind to come up upon the George, and his
Sallary to commence from his arrivall here.

Doctr Gr
[udg] field
to be enter-
tain'd.

Four Generalls all of this date Viz^t To Coodaloor To
Metchlepatam, To M^r Tho. Lucas Chief &^{ca} Councill att Mada-
pollam & To Pettepollee were read & passed.

Four Gene-
ralls re[a]d
& past.

Two letters from the Agent Viz^t One to Lingapa & the
other to our Egib Braminee, resident with him were read &
passed.

Two letters
from the
Agent.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

THO : LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Att a Consultation Extra^o.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Saturday 29.

There being a parcell of Ground called the Dear Yard belong-
ing to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a, which ther's little or no occation for,
& can well be Spared, we having as good conveniencies for the
Cattle elsewhere, Itt is thought fitt to dispose of the same att a
Publick Sale on Munday next att four a Clock in the Afternoon,
and that Bills be now put up att the Gate to give notice therof.

The Deer
Yard to be
sold.

This morning Chena Vencatadre, & Sura Appana, were sent
for again, & discoursed about the 6000 Pag^o & att l[e]ngth we came
to this agreement, to deposite the said Pag^o 6000 in their hands
upon the signing the Obligation hereafter enter'd next to this
Consultation, which we the rather consent to, having so good

P 6000 agreed
to be deposit-
ed [in] Chena
Vencatadre
and Sura
Appana's
hands

The reasons. Security for the performance of those conditions wch are all we can possibly procure under our present circumstances, the agreement being already made with Sangana by our people, & considering Mr Lucas, Chena Vencatadre, & Sura Appana, are oblidge for the payment of the m[on]ey which will very much concerne the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} reputation for the future upon any occasion, if this agreement be not performed, besides we have since our Consultation of the 19th November last, about this business, rec^d a letter from Sangana, positively demanding itt in the Duans behalfe, reckoning that he hath already complied on his part, & we hear they begin to Stop our good[s] for the nonperformance of the aforesaid agreement, which if they should proceed in att thistime while the ships are near dispatching & the Goods in the Country, itt might be of very bad consequence, & yet worse, if they should bring any force to beseige us, which they usually do upon such occasions, for itt would much increase their demands.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Coppy of an Obligation to be given by Chena Vencatadre & Sura Appana Viz^t.

Coppy of the Obligation to be signed by Chena Vencatadre and Sura Appana.

Whereas we Chena Vencatadre & Sura Appana have rec^d of the Governour & Councill for the Hon^{ble} English East India Com[p^a] att Fort St George, the summe of Six Thousand Pagodas which p Agreement was to be paid to the Duan, upon conditions therein mentioned, & more one Thousand Pagodas which is t[o] be given to Lingapa & Sangana, as a ⁹⁶ Piscash, for their defeating the Interlopers in all parts of Lingapa's Cou[n]t[r]y which said summs are only deposited in our [h]ands, and we hereby promise, & engage our Selves our Heires, Executors & Administrators that the said seaven Thousand Pagodas abovementioned shall not, be paid till all the Callicoos or other Bale Goods that were or shall be provided by the Interlopers att Covelon or therabouts, be either delivered to the said Governour & Councill or sold to them att such prises as they shall be found worth, according to our Musters here or else that they shall be lock't and Seal'd up in some Godowne and that the said Governour & Councill, may

then send whom they please, to watch them, & secure them from the Interlopers, & we do further ingage that none of the abovementioned Goods, shall upon pretence of the said Governour & Councils not Settling a Factory att Covelon & Armagon, or either of those Places, or for any other reason be shipt aboard their Ships, or any other Ship, Vessell or Boat, to be conveyed to them, during the space of Six moneths time, we also further ingage to procure a Cowle in due form from Lingapa for all his Country, for the turning away the Interlopers from thence, both now & att any other time, & we do yet further agree, that if the said Governour & Councill shall hereafter make itt appeare, that the abovementioned Cloth or any part thereof, is Shipt aboard any Interloper within Six moneths or that a Cowl from Lingapa is not procured as aforesaid that then we will pay back the abovementioned Summe of 7000 Pag^o deposited in our hands, to the said Govern^r & Councill. In Wittness wherof we sett our hands and Seales this 29th day of Dec^r 1683.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 31.

There being no Fine & Ordinary Broad Cloth in the Godown to Tasherif the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Merchants, as hath been used on New Years day, Itt is therefore order'd that the Warehousekeeper do buy so much as there shall bee occasion for.

Cloth to be bought for Tasherifs.

A Generall to M^r Robert Freeman and M^r Richa^d Browne att Metchlepatam read & passed.

Genll to M^r Robt Freeman and M^r Browne.

M^r Tho. Lucas being appointed Chief for Madapolam Factory & now dispatcht thether; according to his desire, we hereby declare that he thorby looses not his Precedence in this Councill, but according to the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} orders is to be next M^r Yale, and when he shall return hether is to take place accordingly.

A declaration about M^r Lucas precedence in this Councill.

A letter from the Agent to Sangana read & passed.

Letter to Sangana.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

NOTES.

¹ [page 1]. *Corango Bay* [Kōrangi, *pop.* Coringa].—The town is in the Godavari district of modern days. The Carling or Carlingo country elsewhere mentioned [pp. 8, 36], may be regarded as equivalent to what is now called the 'Northern Circars.' "The Telugu coast of the Bay of Bengal, "or, to express it otherwise in general terms, . . . that coast which extends "from the Kistna to the Muhānadi," writes Sir Henry Yule, was from the earliest times known by the name of Kalinga, and Koringa is supposed to be a corruption of that word [cf. Hobson-Jobson, s.v., Kling, p. 372].

² [page 2]. *Allingall Pilla*.—An autograph signature of this person in the Fort St. George records shows that his actual name was Ālangādan.

³ [page 2]. *The Mulla* [Hind. mullā].—cf. N. and E., Vol. III, p. 12, where there is the following extract:—"The old Mulla [*Mahomedan lawyer or Judge*] having been discharged for misconduct another by name "Cozzee [*Kāzi*] Mahmud entertained on a salary of 5 Pagodas per mensem, his duties consisting of the business of writing letters, &c. in "Persian besides teaching the Persian language to such of the Company's "servants as shall desire to learn it." The explanation between brackets is of course wrong. Mulla does mean one learned in the law, but in the extracted passage it was plainly used in the extended and equally common sense of school-master. No doubt the mulla was able to make himself useful in many matters not strictly belonging to his duties as above described.

⁴ [page 2]. *Musk*.—The remark in the consultations of 3^d May, 1683, shows that the court of directors were anxious at this time to encourage the trade in musk. Ten years before, Cochin-China was the place from which that article was chiefly brought to the Indian factories [Fryer's 'New Account,' p. 188], and it may be supposed that Pegu, from of old famous for it, was now beginning to enter into the competition. "Here," wrote Alvaro Velho of Pegu in 1498, "is all the musk in the world." [Hobson-Jobson, p. 525].

⁵ [page 2]. *ca*.—An abbreviation of cattē [Malayan katī]. A hundred cattēes went to the pecull [pikul]. cf. note 84 *infra*.

[page 2]. *ta*.—An abbreviation of *taho* [Malayan *tāhil*]. The sixteenth part of a *cattie* [kati, cf. preceding note]. The word *tael* is supposed to have its origin in the Hindustani *tola*, having passed through the Malayan form [cf. Hobson-Jobson, p. 675]. Yule does not refer to such forms as *tahs* [page 34 of this volume], *taies* [plural in Fryer's 'New Account', p. 210, *as Machawo*], *taye* [John Saris in Purchas, as quoted in Hobson-Jobson on the same page, 675], *tayes* [Jean Mocquet, *ibid.*], or *tay* and *tays* [Phillip's translation of Linschoten, Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXX, p. 149]. These possibly come through the medium of the Portuguese, in which the final *l* of the singular *tael* is changed into *s* in the plural. Such a form as *tays* might easily suggest a singular wanting the final *s*, and from such a singular French and English plurals of the ordinary type would in turn be fashioned.

[page 2]. *ma*.—An abbreviation of *mace* or *mas* [Malayan *mās*]. In China ten *mas* went to the *tael*, but here the rate will probably have been sixteen. The weight with which they weigh (at Malacca) . . . musk . . . consists of *cates*, which contain 20 *tael*, each *tael* sixteen *mases*, each *mas* 20 "*Cumdurys*" [A. Nunes in 1554, as quoted on p. 405 of Hobson-Jobson]. Again Linschoten [Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXX, p. 149] writes, "So likewise a *Tael* of Malacca is 16 *Mases*."

[page 2]. *cand*.—An abbreviation of *candareen* [Malayan *kandūri*], cf. Hobson-Jobson, s.v., p. 119. The number of *candareens* to the *mas* may here be taken at 20 as in the quotation from Nunes—not at 10 as in Fryer.

[page 2]. *fa*.—An abbreviation of *fanams*. The note (112) on page 72 of Madras Selections, 4th Series, must be read subject to the remarks in note 20 *infra*.

[page 3]. *Redwood or calliaturewood*.—In their despatch of 8th February 1681, the court wrote as follows:—"And we do further order that you make the like provision of 300 tons Reddwood for our next yeares shipping. The Dutch call this Reddwood by the name of Calliature wood, and we do p the Nathaniell and Williamson send a pattern thereof which came from India. We are informed it costs about 2½ Pags. p Candy, they are usually in pieces of about 3 yards long but you may have it sawed into pieces of about 2 foot more or less as the Commanders shall desire for conveniency, it being to be ground to powder here and used in dying" [Court's despatch, 8th February, 1681]. The word *calliature* would thus appear to have been borrowed directly from the Dutch who would have taken it in turn from Telugu merchants. The identification of trees by Dravidian names is however at all times difficult, and the statement in Madras Cons., No. I, p. 111 (note 52) that the Telugu *galijēru* is the original must be read with reserve. At present,

galijēru is applied to a kind (*Trianthema decandrum*) of hogweed, but according to what is believed to be trustworthy information certain classes of merchants in the Northern Circars still use it for redwood. No word corresponding to *calliature* is to be found in such Dutch dictionaries as have been consulted.

[page 3]. *Groffe*.—[Dutch *grof*]. Bulky goods.

[page 4]. *Charles Cross*.—Hedges generally adds an *e* to the name. *Cr ss* was at this time the third in council at Dacca, and used to correspond frequently with Hedges [Diary *passim*]. In September 1684, all the letters addressed to Cross by the latter were demanded by Gyfford and his council, who hoped to find in them matters damaging to the writer. However, as Hedges triumphantly remarks, they could only form the opinion that "there lay a greater Juggle (as they were pleased to terme it) or mystery designed" in the correspondence "than they were able to apprehend" [Diary, p. 185]. In a short biographical note by Sir Henry Yule, it is stated that Cross arrived as a writer in 1678, and was admitted as a factor in 1687 [Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXXV, p. cxx].

[page 6]. *Mr Robert Freeman and Mr Richard Browne*.—These names may be found associated many years afterwards (1707) in a letter from governor Thomas Pitt to Sir Sireynsham Master, in which Pitt describes Freeman and Brown as "Sharppers" [Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXXV, p. cclii], using the word, it would seem, in a half or wholly complimentary sense.

[page 8]. *David Basow*.—The "very ancient man" mentioned in the consultations of 21st December 1682. [Madras cons., No. 1, p. 97].

[page 8]. *Mr Joild*.—cf. Madras Selections, 4th Series, p. 25. He was at this time chief at Madapollam, but was removed from that office in September 1683 under orders from the court of directors [page 95 of the present volume].

[page 8]. *Shawbander*.—[Pers. *shāh-i-bandar*]. Harbour-master. The official here mentioned was probably the *shah-i-bandar* of Gombroon [cf. note 87 *infra*] who farmed the "Emperor's Customs", paying for them at the time of Fryer's visit a sum equivalent to more than seventy-three thousand pounds sterling [New Account, p. 222].

[page 8]. *Pink*.—[Du. *pink*, Old Du. *espincke* from *espe* (aspens) + *ing*]. The name *pink* was in the first instance applied to a fishing boat, and then to the larger vessel described in the following extract from Jal's *Glossaire Nautique* in Littre [s.v. *pinque*]: "Navire à fond plat, assez large,

"du port de deux à trois cents tonneaux, ayant trois mâts à voiles latines, une poupe qui se prolonge par deux ailes, qui réunissent quelque planches ou une plate-forme à claire-voie, et, à l'avant, un long bec composé, comme celui de la tartane, d'un éperon appuyé par deux cuisses latérales, qui se fixent aux joues." For the etymology as given above, see Skeat [s.v. pink (4)].

¹⁸ [page 8]. *Clement King*.—cf. N. and E., Vol. III, p. 21, and Madras Selections, 4th Series, pp. 21 and 42. His successor, John Coventry, figures in the procession through the "Gentoo town" on 13th August, 1685, in honour of the proclamation of James II [Talboys Wheeler's *Madras in the olden time*, Ed. 1882, pp. 71, 75]. "on horseback, bare headed and with his sword drawn" carrying "the Proclamation (which he read at the Fort Gate, the Sea Gate, and the Choultry Gate) in his hand open."

¹⁹ [page 2]. *Bolsa*.—[Port. bolsa. Low Lat. bursa]. cf. the *New English dictionary*, s.v., one of the quotations in which runs as follows:—"small parcels dilled bulses neatly secured in muslin and sealed by the merchants."

²⁰ [page 10]. *Books of Acco^t*.—The monthly returns are drawn up in a very confusing way. For instance, Yale here and on page 16 takes 100 cash to the fanam and omits to convert the fanams into pagodas, while on page 21 a rate of about 31 cash to the fanam is adopted and the fanams are converted (for the purposes of the total only) at 36 to the pagoda. When Nicks began to keep the Customer's books, there was some improvement in the method of record, and there were at any rate no omissions to convert fanams into pagodas. But still there seems to have been very little system. Conversions are made at different rates for the separate items, and there are similar variations in the totals; errors of calculation, perhaps to be ascribed at times to the secretary, are also of frequent occurrence. As regards rates, Nicks invariably takes 36 fanams to the pagoda. On page 32, the cash are converted at 100 to the fanam, and there is a small error of addition in the column of fanams. On page 38 a rate of about 63 cash to the fanam is adopted, and on page 50, where there are obvious errors in the addition, a similar rate would appear to have been taken. On page 67, the figures in the column of cash are again, although but slightly, erroneous: the rate of 72 or 73 cash to the fanam has been adopted. On page 79, it is obvious that if the correctness of the entries under pagodas and fanams is assumed—and considering the comparative importance of pagodas and fanams, it is reasonable to assume it—some rate above 65 must have been followed. So again on page 79 the figure 91 is an impossibility. On page 96, the addition in the case of the pagodas is clearly wrong; the cash seem to have been reckoned at 75 to the fanam, and the total of pagodas should be 211

—not 215. On page 107, the figures 9 and 6 have, it is suspected, been written instead of 0 in the details in the cash column, the nominal rate of 100 to the fanam having again been followed as in Yale's time; as thus altered, the total works out correctly. Lastly on page 114, the rate is about 47. The paymaster's accounts are very different; there are no errors whatever and the rates are uniform—namely, 6 cash to the fanam and 36 fanams to the pagodas. Certain entries in the mintage accounts, and in the returns of the Governor's cash chest [e.g., on pages 37, 50, 95], show that in their case also similar rates were adopted. In 1673 the accounts of Fort St. George were according to Fryer kept at 32 fanams to a pagoda and 6 cash to a fanam. [New Account, page 208]. Again in N. and E., Vol. III, page 23, there is a schedule of choultry rates, in which it is stated that 32 fanams were to be taken to the pagoda and 64 cash to the fanam, "as hath allways been accustomed." It seems plain that effect was not given to this resolve, as in the case of the very items of account (the petty land customs and the weigher's duty) to which it especially applied, there are instances in this volume [pages 38, 114] where the figures 32 and 33 are to be found in the column of fanams: a proof that the higher rate (36) was adopted in converting these details as well as in converting the totals. Cash of different values were coined [cf. table in Ovington] at not less than four different places, and apparently Pulicat and other rates were adopted in some of the accounts of Fort St. George.

²¹ [page 10]. *Copangs*.—[Jap. kobang]. A Japanese coin. To the quotations in Hobson-Jobson, s.v., pp. 374 and 815, the following from Hamilton may be added:—

"The Japanese are strict Observers of moral Rules, and particularly in Commerce, in so much, that a Merchant of Reputation, in his Payments puts up 5, 10, or any decimal Number of *Cupangs*, which is a broad, oblong, thin Piece of Gold (of twenty Shillings Value there) into a Silk Bag, and putting his Seal on the Bag, passes current for what the Seal mentions, for several Generations, without so much as once looking what is in the Bag; and Gold is so plentiful and cheap, that a *Cupang* of twenty Shillings in Japon, passes current at *Batavia* for thirty-two Shillings, and when the Lion is stamp'd on it by the Company, it passes for forty Shillings *Sterl.*" [A. Hamilton's *New Account*, Ed. 1744, Vol. II, p. 304].

²² [page 10]. *Neat*.—cf. Skeat, s.v., neat (2) and net, the present form of the word.

²³ [page 11]. *Paymaster*.—Otherwise purser, cf. Madras Selections, 4th Series, p. 71, note 96.

²⁴ [page 11]. *Mr Jourden*.—The surname of this individual is by turns spelt as above, as Jourdin, and as du Jardin. His Christian name enables

him to be identified with the Clement Jordan of N. and E., Vol. II, p. 20; a "free man" who was called on to give an account of the circumstances attending the murder of one John Smith, sometime chief at Dacca. It is not improbable that some connection may be traced between him and the Chardin family of which Sir John Chardin, the famous traveller, was a member, but the evidence is at present inconclusive.

²⁵ [page 12]. *John Smith*.—This interloper's name is associated with Captain William Alley's in some instructions under the King's name given on 2^d December 1679, to the various factories in India [Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXXV, p. cii]. Smith arrived in the Balasore road on 19th September 1683, and in October Hedges wrote indignantly that "Capt. Alley, Capt. Smith, and that Gang" were frequently visited to the "shame" of the servants of the court and "the Company's discredit" by every considerable person in Hoogley except himself, "who never yett saw one of them." [Diary, pp. 116 and 130].

²⁶ [page 13]. *Hossambugue*.—Husām—or perhaps Hasan—Beg, the diwan's tarafdār or divisional officer [Fort St. George O. Rs., 1583 of 1681-2 (1682)].

²⁷ [page 14]. *The Mogulla son Ekbar*.—Muhammad Akbar was the fourth son of Aurangzeb, and according to common report in the year 1680 his father then wished him to succeed. "The Emperor," writes Fryer, "being returned to Court, makes much of his youngest Son, whom all give out he intends to raise to the Throne after his Death, whose Name is 'Sultan Ekbar; but at present being wholly bent on the Ruin and Extirpation of the Gentiles, he forbears to nominate him as yet'" [Fryer's New Account, p. 416]. If this was so, Muhammad Akbar soon threw away his chances, for in 1681, he joined himself with the Jodhpur Rajputs in rebellion against his father. Before their plans were ripe, Aurangzeb became privy to them, and Muhammad Akbar only saved himself by a hurried flight to the Maratha dominions. He was "hotly pursued," and the strictest orders were given to "all the imperial officers of the districts in his route to intercept him." [Grant Duff's History of the Mahrattas, Ed. 1826, Vol. I, p. 307]. The communication from Makhdum Khan which is mentioned in the text perhaps points to a rumour that Sultan Akbar had left Sambhoji's court for a time on some mission. The prince remained with Sambhoji for several years, and his advice and intelligence are said to have been of much service to the Maratha sovereign. In 1688, when Bijapur had fallen before Aurangzeb, Sultan Akbar found that he had "nothing to hope and much to fear by remaining longer in India," and sailed for Persia where he spent the remaining eighteen years of his life [*id.* p. 351].

²⁸ [page 14]. *Mr Mason*.—Captain John Mason, who afterwards in the same vessel, carrying 50 guns and 150 seamen, hoisted his flag as the vice-

admiral of the large squadron despatched to India in 1686 to make the Mughal governors "sensible" of the power of the company. [Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXXV, p. li].

²⁹ [page 14]. *Europe*.—cf. Hobson-Jobson, s.v., pp. 262, 798, for instances of the use of this horrible adjective. Sir Henry Yule hoped that the phrase was "becoming obsolescent," but it seems to have still much vitality.

³⁰ [page 14]. *Tutenague*.—[Pers. tūtia + nāk]. cf. Hobson-Jobson, s.v. Tootnague, p. 710. The ending is probably Persian as well as the beginning of the word, and if so, is equivalent to the English suffix 'ful.' Here the meaning is most likely to be zinc, but tutenague was also applied to the 'white copper' of China, an alloy of copper, zinc and nickel.

³¹ [page 15]. *Mr. Ord*.—"Mr. Ralph Orde sent for School-master at £50 per annum salary, to teach all the children English gratis, and to read, write, and cipher, and similarly the children of Portuguese, Gentoo &c, who will send their children, and likewise to instruct them in the "principles of the Protestant religion" [Extract dated 12th December 1677, in N. and E., Vol. I, p. 22]. Ord also farmed certain customs in partnership with King [cf. note 18 *supra* and Madras Selections, 4th Series, p. 21]. He resigned his appointment as schoolmaster on August 21st 1682, but was probationally re-admitted into the service of the company "in their Mercantile affairs" in the following month [Madras consultations, No. I, pp. 63, 74]. In 1684 [Court's letter to Fort St. George, 16th March 1684] the court sent an armament "designed originally for the recovery by force "of the factory at Bantam" [F. C. Danvers' Report on I.O. records, Vol. I, part I, p. 64] to Achin instead, and Ord with another Englishman of the name of Cawley accompanied it "as an Embassy to the queen with instructions to obtain, if possible, one of the old Portuguese forts at the mouth of the river, with the view of fixing an Agent there," and of erecting a town like Madras under the protection of the fort. Failing in this, Ord & Cawley, on the invitation of the chiefs of Bencoolen, began to "build a fortified warehouse on ground allotted to them at that place. This situation not proving advantageous, they removed the site two or three miles, and "erected a new factory," which was at first called Fort Marlborough and afterwards York Fort and Fort Marlborough by turns [*id.* p. 65 *et seqq.*] Ord appears to have been a versatile and able man.

³² [page 17]. *Sign'd by the Governor*.—The letter from the court [quoted in part in Madras Selections, 4th Series, p. 63, note 10] bears Sir Josias Child's signature alone. The opportunity is taken of correcting the double typographical error (not noticed until now) which in the note above mentioned has transformed Sir Josias into Mr Joseph Child.

³² [page 17]. *His Excellency Maha Raja*.—Here, and on pages 22 and 49, Sambhoji is apparently spoken of. "*Sambu Gi*," writes Fryer, "who after punishing his Opposers, was before the time fit for Expedition in the Low Countries, proclaimed *Maw Raja*, or the lawful Heir to his Father's Conquests" ['*New Account*,' p. 416]. There is, however, room for confusion between "*Maharaja*," as Sambhoji is now and again briefly styled, and "*Haja Raja*" [cf. index]. The initial letters H and M might easily be transposed by miswriting, and at times, as the extract on page 114 of Talboys Wheeler's '*Madras in the Olden time*' [Ed. 1882], relating to the death of Sambhoji, will show, the Maratha sovereign was called '*Haja Raja*'. In the present volume there seems to be no instance of such confusion. Hariji Raja resided at Gingee [Chenji], having succeeded to the government of the Carnatic on the death of Ragonath Pant [cf. Grant Duff's '*History of the Mahrattas*,' Ed. 1826, Vol. I, pp. 309, 310]. Gopaladaji Pant was in charge of Porto Novo and the neighbourhood, and the government of Fort St. George had for some time kept a spy about him, to obtain information regarding Sambhoji [cf. *Madras Consultations*, No. I, p. 87, and p. 220 of this volume]. [This is allowed to stand as written, but there are several difficulties which will be discussed in a note connected with the consultations of 1685.]

³⁴ [page 17]. *Trincumbar*.—[Tarangambādi]. The spelling Trangambar prevails in the records of this time. The Danish settlement was established there in 1616, and survived, with an interruption of seven years (1807-14) during which the English occupied the place, until 1845, when Tranquebar was finally purchased for the East India Company. Writing of the place as he knew it about the end of the seventeenth century, Hamilton describes it as having a strong fort, "the Sea washing one half of its Walls," but adds that the colony was "miserably poor," and that in 1684 the Danes were "so distressed with Poverty, that they pawned three Bastions of their Fort to the *Dutch*, for Money to buy Provisions." Alluding to a later period, he proceeds to say "they drive an inconsiderable Trade either to or from *Europe*, or in *India*, for what they have to live by, is the Hire that they freight their Ships for to *Atcheen*, *Malacca* and *Johore*, and sometimes, but rarely, to *Persia*, by which they keep up the Name of a Company, but resemble one no more than that of the *Mississipi* does in *France*" ['*New Account*,' pp. 351, 352].

³⁵ [page 18]. *Mancur Quoila*.—Apparently a miswriting for Mannarkoil [Mannarkōvil], in the Ambasamudram taluq of the modern Tinnevely district, or, it may be, the Tanjore Mannarkoil.

³⁶ [page 20]. *Peona*.—[Port. peão]. A footman, and then by extension an armed messenger, an orderly [cf. Hobson-Jobson, s.v., p. 528].

³⁷ [page 23]. *John Perks*.—"In ye Evening, Mr Perks, Supracargoe of ye *William & John*; Capt. Read, Commander; and ye Chyrurgion, Mr Waldo, arrived in Hughly—Interlopers". So Hedges writes on 16th June, 1683 [Diary, p. 94]. Again, in an autograph endorsement, bearing date 25th August 1683, on a despatch from the Hoogley council regarding Haggerston [cf. note 92 *infra*—"We are inform'd Mr Haggerston has gott Mr Perkes to write away with all speed to Ballasore to convey all his money, Jewells, and effects whatsoever. Be nimble upon your receipt of this and seize with all speed." [Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXXV, p. cxc].

³⁸ [page 23]. *William and John*.—This interloping vessel is several times mentioned by Hedges [Diary, pp. 77, 94, 132], and in or about 1680 she carried Thomas Pitt, for many years the "huffing and swaggering" [Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXXVIII, p. xvii] interloper and then for eleven years (1698-1709) the energetic and able governor of Fort St. George—Chatham's grandfather—home from the 'Bay' [*id.* p. x]. On the present occasion, the interloping venture appears to have been successful as the court [*id.* p. xiv] when sending a printed list of the cargo of the *William and John* to the council at Hoogley complained bitterly that the interlopers, though on the spot "but for a short time and as it were by stealth", brought home "more in proportion of . . . new desireable goods by far" than their own ships.

³⁹ [page 23]. *Thea*.—Apparently the Tamil word chāya, the name of the dye root *Hedyotis umbellata*, and here by an extension of meaning applied to the colour. The goods came from Macao, but if such a term as thea was at the time current in South India, the application of it to any red cloth would not be unnatural. As chāya was noted [cf. extracts in Hobson-Jobson, s.v., choya, p. 166] for its lasting qualities, the badness of the dye would on the present occasion have been peculiar to the shipment.

⁴⁰ [page 24]. *att \$*.—For want of type the manuscript symbol has not been exactly reproduced. Here and elsewhere, in the consultations of later years, it stands for pieces of eight.

⁴¹ [page 24]. *Gregio*.—Perhaps a corruption of the Portuguese egregio, of good quality, as distinguished from the broken coral for which there was some sale [cf. extract from the consultations of 5th May, 1681, *Madras Selections*, 4th Series, p. 19].

⁴² [page 25]. *Annapourna*.—Annapurni is a name of the deity Parvati, and the name of this vessel was presumably taken from it.

⁴³ [page 25]. *Nobob of Bengall*.—Shâyista Khân, regarding whom see Hedges's Diary [Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXXIV] *passim*.

⁴⁴ [page 25]. *Malacca*.—cf. Hobson-Jobson, s.v., p. 415, for a note on the etymology of the name.

⁴⁵ [page 25]. *settling at Cuddalore*.—cf. Madras Consultations, No. I, pp. 67, 77, 78, for references to the desertion of the factory established at Cuddalore in 1682. In an undated pamphlet printed at the Madras Government press, entitled "Acquisitions of territory by the British in India," the year 1683 is entered as that in which "business commenced," and the settlements of 1682 and 1683 are treated as one and the same. Obviously, however, there was no connection except that of sequence in time between the two. The constitution of the councils was different, and the abandonment of the factory established in 1682 was complete.

⁴⁶ [page 32]. *Tywan*.—A frigate [N. and E., Vol. II, p. 10], that is to say, a light vessel auxiliary to a man of war. She will have been named after the factory of Tywan.

⁴⁷ [page 33]. *letter . . . in Hugly . . . from the Agent there*.—William Hedges was agent at Hoogley, but on 27th February 1683, he was at Balasore [Diary, p. 66], having left Hoogley on the evening of 22^d January [p. 63]. The terms of the letter are noticeable as it seems to show much apprehension of a failure to obtain a farmân from Aurangzeb by June 1683. In his diary for 6th January, or only a fortnight before he left Hoogley, Hedges expressed himself confidently on that point, observing that there was "no great doubt to be made" of their procuring the charter in question, and proceeded to calculate the consequent profits to the Company and to "bless God" for his "great success . . . beyond all men's expectations," in the business [Diary, p. 62]. Entries of subsequent date, up to 27th February, are silent as regards any fears on the subject. It may therefore be supposed that the letter in the text was actually penned by the next in council, John Beard. Beard had accompanied Hedges in his voyage from England, and would thus be in a position to speak about the quality of the company of soldiers sent out from home.

⁴⁸ [page 33]. *last day . . . of forbearance*.—cf. Hedges's Diary, page 48, where there is the following entry:—"November 11 (1682).— . . . This evening y^e King's Duan granted an order (by his son's mediation) to "give us a Perwâna for passing our goods 7 Months from this day, upon "our Entrys, without Payment of Custome." Owing to intrigues this parwâna or order, which was regarded by Hedges as merely anticipatory of a farmân from Aurangzeb granting freedom of trade, was not actually signed until a month later [Diary, p. 55], but the time of grace was counted as running from the earlier date. The figure 5½ in the text has been written

by a clerical error for 3½. The duty complained of was made up of 1½ per cent. on account of poll tax [jazia], and 2 per cent. on account of custom, and the dispute seems to have arisen, as Mr. Barlow shows in his foot-note to pages 99–101 of Hedges's Diary, from an ambiguity in the translation of a farmân in 1680. June 11th, 1683, arrived with the question still unsettled, and Hedges, who came out to find this one of the first matters to which his attention had to be given, left India without having been able to advance it [cf. Diary, *passim*].

⁴⁹ [page 33]. *Rounder*.—In a footnote to page 32 of N. and E., Vol. III, it is stated that rounders were also called 'Gentlemen of the Round,' and that it was their duty to go round and inspect the sentinels. The authority for the assertions is not given, but the identification is probably correct. Between the lance-corporal and the private soldier there came in those days the 'Gentleman of Companies' and the 'Gentleman of Arms'. The latter, a keeper in charge of the regimental ammunition and arms, for the preservation, repair, and marking of which he was responsible, is mentioned from time to time in the consultations [cf. N. and E., Vol. III, p. 32, and Madras Selections, 4th series, p. 40]; the former appears to be the same as the rounder or 'Gentleman of the Round'. He was practically "a lance-corporal on probation". The soldier so selected for trial for promotion acted "as file leader," was placed as sentry "over posts of trust or responsibility", and "occasionally drilled a squad consisting of his own file" [cf. Col. Walton's 'History of the British Army', extracts from which in support of the previous statements have courteously been supplied by Col. Harold Malet].

⁵⁰ [page 33]. *goe upon the Sloop Conumeer*.—The following extracts from Hedges will complete the story:—"Late at night" (on 29th May 1683) "came into y^e Factory (at Hoogley) a Sergeant and 2 Souldiers, who "came from Fort St. George on a small vessel of y^e Hon^{ble} Company's "called y^e Conumeer, who ran aground in the River Ganges. They advise "that 3 of their Comrades went ashore for fresh water about Piplely, but "came not off again, and are not yet heard of: y^e rest of them intended to "leave the Sloop, and come overland to Hugly.

"May 30.—Ordered Mr Francis Davenport to goe and find out y^e "Sloop Conumeer, and Pilote her up to Hooghly.

"June 4.—The Sloop Conumeer, on board of whom the Souldiers came "from Madrass, being found out by Mr Davenport, her Pilote, arrived "before y^e factory.

"June 5.—Received a Gen^l from Ballasore dated y^e 28th ult^o advising the three Souldiers reported to have gone ashore at Piplely for "fresh Water &c were put ashore at Point Palmeras, and arrived in their "factory" [Diary, p. 92].

⁵¹ [page 34]. *Pegu*.—From the Malayan *Paigá* through the Portuguese form, the spelling of which agrees with the English. Here and elsewhere applied to the kingdom. As regards the musk, cf. note 4 *supra*.

⁵² [page 35]. *Zeloan*.—This spelling of Ceylon was favoured by Hamilton, and lasted until near the close of last century [cf. Hobson-Jobson, s.v., Ceylon, p. 139].

⁵³ [page 36]. *Rack*.—[Malayalam *adakka*]. Areca-nut [Hind. *supâri*] which with pân, betel leaf; makes "the Courteous Entertainment or "Farewel at all Friendly Interviews" [Fryer's 'New Account,' p. 188].

⁵⁴ [page 36]. *Bombay*.—One of two islands now united on which Bombay stands was in 1430 or about that year, and afterwards, called Mumba. From this the variant forms Mombaim and Bombaim sprang. As the other island bore the name Mahim, the termination of Mombaim may perhaps have been added by Europeans on analogy. The change from the older Bombaim to the modern Bombay was in progress at the time of Fryer's visit. Jean de Thévenot seven years before (1666) had written the name Bambahye [cf. quotation on page 77 of Hobson-Jobson]. Fryer adheres to Bombaim in his text, his table of principal matters and his table of contents, but in his index explanatory he gives both forms, and in his map (which may have been drawn or touched up at a later date than that of the text of his letters) Bombay alone. In 1676 Tavernier speaks of the "famous Port of Bombeye" [cf. quotation from the English translation on page 78 of Hobson-Jobson]. In the following year the older form appears in the inscription on the obverse of the rupee then struck [Hobson-Jobson, p. 586, s.v. Rupee], and also in the letter addressed in Latin by Charles II to the Viceroy de Mendoza Furtado [*id.* p. 78]. By the date of the consultations in the present volume, the modern form seems to have been generally in use.

At one time the name of Bombay was supposed to be taken from the Portuguese bombahia, or 'good bay'. "The grammar of the alleged etymon," writes Sir Henry Yule, "is bad, and the history is no better" [Hobson-Jobson, p. 77]. The fact, however, that Fryer and the English factors of 1673 were wrong in their theory about the etymology of the word does not affect the fact that they believed or professed to believe in that etymon; and there can, it is thought, be no doubt that their belief was the cause of the victory of the form Bombay over that of Bombaim. The first, indeed, was nearer to the original, but this was merely a coincidence. The form with the final *in* was evidently firmly established, and but for the erroneous notion about the derivation would probably have survived to this day. As Fryer puts it, there seems to be a little play on the English word 'boon' which is lost sight of in the quotation as curtailed on page 78 of Hobson-Jobson:—

⁶⁰ [page 41]. *Pullicherry*.—Phulcheri is a Tamil variant of Puduch-chêri [cf. Hobson-Jobson, s.v. Pondicherry, pp. 546, 845]. The French settlement there was founded by François Martin in 1674. The Dutch besieged it in 1693, when the French, being—according to Hamilton ['New Account,' ed. 1744, Vol. I, p. 356]—"very scarce in Men, Magazines and Money . . . were forced to capitulate, and surrender on pretty honourable Terms." The treaty of Ryswick (September, 1697) restored it to the French.

⁶¹ [page 41]. *Triumbackussera*.—[Tryambaka Vyâsa Râo] This individual is not mentioned in Grant Duff's 'History of the Mahrattas'. Shâh-jî had not, it would seem, more than one brother, and he was called Sharif-jî, the Persian halves of his and Shâh-jî's names being borrowed, as the story goes, from the sacred name of a holy man (judging from the prefixed Shâh one of the mushâikh) to whose prayers the accomplishment of the parents' desire to have heirs to the house was gratefully ascribed. It is improbable that Sharif-jî was ever known by any other designation, and, if the statement in the text correctly describes the relationship, the individual named must have been maternal uncle to Sivâjî and a member of Dîpa Bai's family. In this case, however, the house-name of Nimbalkûr might have been expected to appear. In N. and E., Vol. I, p. 27, there is an extract from a consultation, dated 1st August 1673, in which orders were given to present a sum of money to certain persons among whom were "Trimback Bussora the More's general" and "Bussora's Bramminney, whom he kept . . . to inform him of what passed." The camp of the 'Moors'—that is to say of the troops of the Golconda dynasty—was then pitched near St. Thomé.

⁶² [page 43]. *Batavia*.—Previously Jâkatra. It is stated in Sir George Birdwood's Report on the miscellaneous I.O. records [1890, p. 211] that there was an English factory there about 1617, but this cannot easily be reconciled with the narrative of events as given on pages 27-29 of Mr F. C. Danvers's 'Report on I.O. records', 1887, Vol. I, part I. The fortress of Jâkatra was surrendered to the English and Javanese on 22nd January 1618-19 (1619), and although the former do not appear to have kept possession of it for long, they founded a factory at the port and took the title of president and council [Danvers, p. 29]. In October 1624 they retired to the Charles islands, but returned to Batavia in May 1625. Again, in January 1627-28 (1628), they quitted it for Bantam. For a short time Batavia was made a place of refuge [cf. note 68 *infra*] by the agent and council of Bantam when expelled from that settlement; and then three quarters of a century passed before, in 1758, the English once more established a factory there [Danvers, pp. 38, 74].

⁶³ [page 44]. *new Spaine*.—An obscure passage. Apparently 'new Spaine' was the name given to some fabric imported from Europe which was unsuccessful in competing with the native silks in the Manilas.

⁶⁴ [page 45]. *Stylis*.—An obsolescent word for chemise or under clothing in general.

⁶⁵ [page 47]. *Pintado*.—Here used in the sense of hand-painted calicoes with a pattern. The word is similarly employed in N. and E., Vol. II, p. 33: "a Factory . . . where they dye much blew cloth, having above 200 jars set in the ground for that work; also they make many of their 'best paintings' there." In the same way the Portuguese applied the term *pintado* to any cloth with a spotted or other device, cf. quotation from John Evelyn in Hobson-Jobson, s.v. *pintado*, p. 549; also cf. articles on Calamander Wood, p. 110, and *Quartz*, p. 155, of the same volume.

⁶⁶ [page 48]. *Covelon*.—Kovalam, *p. a.* Covelong. Lies about twenty miles to the south of Madras. There was an Ostend factory at Covelon at the time of Hamilton's visit, 1691. Flou who writes:—"there is nothing remarkable there, but a Point of Rocks that runs about half a Mile into the Sea, and those make a smooth Landing place in the Southwest Monsoons." New Account, Edin. 1714, Vol. I, p. 308.

⁶⁷ [page 49]. *Chinglepoot*.—[Chingalpattu, pop. Chingleput]. A district (that surrounding Madras) and a town both bear the name; the reference here is probably to the town. Chingleput was at this time a place of some political importance.

⁶⁸ [page 51]. *Bantam*.—The ancient factory at this place, to which Fort St. George was subordinated between 1612 and 1652, was seized by the Dutch in August of the year of the consultations. The agent and council took inventories of the warehoused stores, and retired for a time to Batavia. But having been warned to leave that also, they sailed with their money and goods to Surat. F. C. Danvers' Report on I.O. records, 1887, Vol. I, part I, p. 36.

⁶⁹ [page 51]. *Mr. Davenant*.—Nicholas Davenant was at first appointed to be third of council at Madras [Hodges's Diary, page 105], but on his way there he was recalled to take the place of fourth of council at Cassimbazar [Qâsimbâzar] and to assist Mr. Chernock in the 'Taffety Warehouse' [cf. *id.* p. 116]. According to a minute by John Beards, Davenant was "bred a Mercer" and was "an ingenious, sober man" (*ibid.*).

⁷⁰ [page 52]. *Monsr. Deltore*.—Pierre Deltore was "second for affairs of the Royal Company of France at Merchilpatam" in 1674 [cf. N. and E., Vol. I, p. 30].

⁷¹ [page 52]. *Shroffs*.—[Ar. sarraf]. Money changers.

⁷² [page 54]. *Mussula*.—[Ar. mausûl]. The surf-boat of the Coromandel coast: cf. Hobson-Jobson, pp. 461, 828. The derivation of the word is doubtful; one suggestion, adopted above, connects mussula with the past participle from the Arabic root signifying joining—in allusion to the coir-twine which fastens together the ribs of the boat.

⁷³ [page 54]. *Aubeny*.—An interloper who passed by Madras on or before 29th June, 1683, sailing northwards in a vessel the name of which was wanting of undecipherable in the manuscript of Hedge's diary [Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXXIV, p. 104]: the *Experiment*, bound for Masulipatam.

⁷⁴ [page 54]. *Armagon*.—[Ārumukam]. The site of an old English factory to the north of Madras, founded in February 1626, and abandoned in favour of the settlement at Fort St. George in 1641. In N. and E., Vol. II (p. 27), there is a description of the factory house by Streynsham Master:—"the walls two Storeys high of one part of it, and a round Bulwark built single by itself." In Surat letter to the court, 29th December 1640—F.O. Records, O.O. No. 1764—it was called an "old ruinous building". Armagon was hastily abandoned at the last, Andrew Cogan on the *Eagle* bringing away whatever belonged to the factors [*ibid.*], even before the foundations of Fort St. George were laid. Armagon is said to have received its name after one Ārumukam Mudali, who gave the English some assistance in 1625; derivations of the kind, even when supported by family documents, are, however, to be suspected, and in the present case there is no trustworthy evidence. Streynsham Master observed in his official diary that "the true name" of the place was "Dūraspatam" [N. and E., Vol. II, p. 27.] In the consultations of 19th November [p. 105 *supra*] reference is made to the desire of the interlopers to found settlements at Durampatt and also at Armegon. The former has not as yet been satisfactorily identified.

⁷⁵ [page 54]. *Ramapatam*.—[Rāmapattanam]. "Midway between Madras and Metchlepatam" [N. and E., Vol. II, p. 28]. The English and the Dutch in turns possessed and abandoned small houses at this place. When Master visited it, the Dutch had again built themselves a mud house with a roof of thatch, serving "to receive iron and saltpetre, which they buy in those parts, the former much abounding . . . ; out of iron-stone under the sand which covers the ground about the Towne, and store of wood nigh to make it into Bars" [*ibid.*].

⁷⁶ [page 54]. *Kishnapatam*.—[Krishnāpattanam] Krishnapattanam was the next halting stage to Armagon in Master's progress [cf. preceding note] northwards. At the time Hamilton knew it—about 1700—it had "a Bar of 15 Foot Water" [New Account, ed. 1744, Vol. I, pp. 372, 373].

⁷⁷ [page 54]. *Gungapatam*.—[Gangapattanam] —Between Krishnapattanam and Ramapattanam [preceding notes].

[page 56]. *Romding*.—cf. Skeat, s.v. Here equivalent to stowing [room + age].

[page 57]. *Ryalls of eight*.—Elsewhere the improper fraction 2, possibly standing for some equation of weight, is affixed to the word ryalls. In a note (111) to Madras Selections, 4th series, doubts were expressed as to the correctness of the identification of these pieces of eight (reals) with dollars and Spanish piastres. The piastra was an Italian coin corresponding to the Spanish pieza de á ocho, and dollars were of course Dutch and German pieces of money, but if the looseness of the language (for which excellent authority might be pleaded) is put aside, the note on page 59 of N. and E., Vol. II, is right. There were two main sources of supply: Portugal and England. Writing of the year 1583 Linschoten refers [Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXX, ch. III, p. 10] to the Portuguese practice of sending out "lightly laden ships," carrying only, it might be, "certaine pipes of wine and oyle, and some small quantitie of Marchandize," and proceeds to say "other things have they not in, but balast, and victuals for the company, for that the most and greatest ware that is commonly sent into India, are rials of eight, because the principall Factors for pepper doe every yere send a great quantitie of mony, therewith to buy pepper, as also divers particular Merchants, as being the least ware that men can carry into India: for that in these rials of eight they gaine at the very least forty per cento." In his footnote to this passage Burnell observed:—"The most remarkable fact about the coins taken to India is that the Portuguese imported only those of silver (reals); and it was in this way that silver came to take the place of gold in the East." Although at the time of these consultations Portugal had for many years ceased to dominate the trade of the Indian peninsula, the vast quantities of silver which she had imported must still have flooded the markets; and it was at first considered probable that much of this was of Lisbon coinage. A communication from Mr. Robert Chalmers of the Treasury office, and author of the 'History of Currency in the British Colonies,' has removed this belief. Mr. Chalmers regards it as certain that the Spanish pieces of eight intended for transport to the East merely passed through Portugal, whether those for home use were coined at the Lisbon mint, or not. The pieza de á ocho was the form in which new silver reached European countries: it was an international coin, well known in India, where weight of fine contents was the measure of silver; and recoinage would have been useless. The company's exports of coined silver to their factories were also confined to Spanish pieces, which, besides passing current in all places, were, it seems, more easily converted into rupees than ingots [cf. the remarks to this effect in the memorandum of Streynsham Master's journey to the Bay, N. and E., Vol. II, p. 47].

[page 57]. *Serkhel*.—[Mar. serkhel].—The Maratha word, borrowed from sarkhail [Pers. sar + Ar. khail], a head of a troop and, by extension, the commander of a division, denoted a title of rank, conferred by the

peahwa. As adopted into Tamil, in the form sarkil, it became equivalent to a minister or manager with less extensive powers than a diwan would possess.

⁸¹ [page 59]. *Benja Bloom*.—Afterwards agent at Bencoolen, in which capacity he was "very importunate" with the court in 1689 for a large supply of "Cofferyes" from Madagascar for the garrison there. [Extract from Court book, 13th January 1670-71 (1671), in part IV (O), Slaves and Slave purchase, of Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXXV, p. xcclvi].

⁸² [page 59]. *Ennore*.—[Yonnard, *pp.* Ennore]. Known to Tamils by the name of Kattivakkam, and situated some twelve miles to the north of Madras. The Kortalarayar river debouches there, and forms a backwater. An unladen or lightly laden sloop of the seventeenth century was at times able to cross the bar and lie in the river [cf. Talboys Wheeler's *Madras in the Olden time*, Ed. 1882, pp. 77, 78, and also p. 21 *supra*].

⁸³ [page 60]. *Allumpenna*.—[Am'alam + Pers. panah]. Asylum of the world: a title equivalent to the better known Jahan-panah. The Allumpenna of the text was the sovereign of Golconda.

⁸⁴ [page 62]. *Pedull*.—[Malayan pilul]. A man's load, and then, by extension a hundred kat weight, or about 133 lbs. [cf. note 5 *supra*].

⁸⁵ [page 72]. *Karadu*.—[Karadu]. North of Ramapattanam [cf. note 73 *supra*], and a seaport: "the best towne," in Streynsham Master's opinion, which he passed on his way northwards from Madras [N. and E., Vol. II, p. 28].

⁸⁶ [page 73]. *Sam Darnelly*.—Chief in Persia. Hedges alludes to his death some time before September 1685 [Diary, p. 210].

⁸⁷ [page 75]. *Gombroon*.—[Gambūn]. An English factory was established at Bandar 'Abbasi, about 1622, "the Sea washing the very Sand afore its Doors." Fryer visited it in 1677, and describes the house of the English factors—"formerly a Caravan Seraw, and built after the best manner, "with upper and lower Piazza's, five atop, with a stately Portal," bearing "St. George his Banner at one Corner, as do the Dutch and French their "Flags, between whose Porticoes it is seated [New Account, page 222]. Shah Abbas, after the capture of Ormus [Hormuz] in 1622, granted to the English, "in Consideration of the English Blood and Treasure spent in his service, that they should have for ever half the revenue from customs, that their agent should have "Session in his Divan or Council," and that an officer of theirs should "always be permitted to sitt in his Burdwar or Custome house." [Commission to Sir Thomas Grantham, Kt., dated

26th or 27th July 1683, extracted in Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXXV, p. cxliii]. This agreement was from an early date ignored, and Grantham's mission (which seems to have proved fruitless) was to demand a round sum in satisfaction of all arrears [cf. pp. cxliii, cxlvii, and footnotes to pp. cxli and cxlvii].

⁸⁸ [page 76]. *Mahordnys*.—In N. and E., Vol. I, p. 53, the same word is to be found. It was resolved to conciliate the "Mahordnys Sandapa at Golconda." No explanation of this corruption at present suggests itself.

⁸⁹ [page 76]. *Darbar*.—[Pers. darbār]—Levee.

⁹⁰ [page 91]. *Monsoon*.—Du monsoon, Ar. mausim]. Here and on page 101 applied not to the periodical wind nor to the season at which that wind blows, but to the spell of storm, high seas and floods of rain, which marks the change from one to another monsoon, and which on the Coromandel coast lasts from about the middle of October to the middle of December. High authorities, notably Burnell, have stigmatised this use of the word as "incorrect"; but it does not seem to differ from any other legitimate extension of the sense of accepted English words. As Whately said, it is absurd to insist that sycophant shall for ever mean a fig-showery; and just as in Arabic mausim was at first used for season, and then, by a natural transfer of meaning, for the periodical winds which characterise the season, so its derivatives in European languages were employed to describe, firstly, the periodical winds, secondly, the season of which the limits were to some extent defined by the prevalence of those winds, and thirdly the chief features of the establishment of the season and the winds. From the primary and secondary senses, other extensions of meaning may be traced in English; and the quotations in Holson-Jobson (s.v. pp. 111, 442), and the third definition in Littré's dictionary (s.v. mousson), afford similar instances in Portuguese, Italian and French.

⁹¹ [page 94]. *Cattapa*.—[Tel. katapa]. The counterpart of an agreement

⁹² [page 98]. *Haggerston's examination*.—Thomas Haggerston was in the service of the president of Surat, and ran away "with a considerable quantity of Gold and Pearle, to ye amount of above 50,000 Rupees, intrusted to him at Bussera and Cong, to bring to Surat, to save Freight and Customs." Hedges, hearing that Haggerston had arrived at Balasore, gave orders that he should be seized [Diary, pp. 96, 97]. Haggerston was brought in custody to Hoogley: "One day up, another downe wheel," as he wrote on 24th August in a letter dated from [Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXXV, p. xcvi]; but in the earlier part of the escript over the factory wall—Hoogley letter of 17th November 1691. Next year he wrote a . . .

[Diary, p. 162] to Hedges, whom in an "account current" he made out to be his debtor to the amount of Rupees 197,998-0-8. At another time his claim was set down at "three Lakh of Rupees" [Hoogley letter of 22^d April 1684, O.C. 5142]. The faujdar of Balasore sent Haggerston to the nawab at Dacca. There the rogue put himself in favour with those in power, and asserted, whether falsely or not does not appear, that the nawab promised to do him justice and to bring either Hedges or agent Beard before him [Diary, p. 172]. It is probable that there was no real collusion between Haggerston and the enemies of Hedges who then sat in the council of the Bay and Hoogley, but Gyfford, the successor of Hedges, or perhaps rather those who moved Gyfford, did not lose the opportunity of making capital out of Haggerston's charges. On 21st November, 1684, one John Pownsett arrived at Hoogley from Dacca, on an errand, as the report ran, of complaint against Hedges [Diary, p. 165]. No particulars were afforded to Hedges, but he heard from Douglas [Diary, p. 164] that there was some plot, in which Haggerston was mixed up, to stop his intended voyage to Persia. Gyfford used persistent endeavour to prevent him from taking that route, and the impression on the mind of Hedges was that "the Storm would fall" on him, if the nawab took any active steps in Haggerston's favour. He therefore resolved on embarking at once, going on board the ship twenty miles below Hoogley, "being well assured this wicked design" of stopping him proceeded from his own nation, who should, he said, have protected him with all their power. "the seizing of Haggerston's estate, which he ran away with all from Surat, being done meerly at y^e request of y^e two Presidents of Surat and Fort St. George, for y^e Nation's Honour and Service of y^e Comp^y," as agent Beard and others had "signed to every paper" and acted jointly with him in the affair [Diary, p. 178]. Just as Hedges was out of sight [Diary, p. 174], news came that a horseman had arrived at the gate of the factory, "verily believed" to have been sent by the faujdar of Dacca about Haggerston's business. Yule was naturally surprised [Hak. Soc., Vol. LXXV, pp. cxciv, cccii], to find Haggerston "apparently in rehabilitated respectability" in 1690. It seems that in 1687 Haggerston signed a declaration "acquitting" the company of further demands on his part and that orders were then sent to all servants of the court to treat him "as civilly and respectfully" as before his "quarrel" with the Bengal council [Madras Public Sundries, Vol. III, pp. 67, 68, 15th November 1687].

[page 191] William Proby: "The Court having received a satisfying character of the abilities and good qualifications of Mr William Proby, who had served the Comp^y severall years at Fort St. George, were pleased, by the Ballot, to elect him to be a Factor, and made one of the Council there, and to take his passage on the *Loyall Cook*" [Court Minutes, 31st January 1700-01 (1701)]. Proby, however, actually sailed in the *Susanna* two months afterwards, and in other employ than that of the Old Company, he gave up their service to take office under the New (English) Com-

pany:—"Upon serious consideration of y^e Complaint for want of help in our business, we have chosen Mr Wm Proby to be second in Council, that is next to the President, & to succeed him when he thinks fit to return. He has lived many years on the coast of Chormandel and appears to be an understanding and deserving Person, who wee hope will do us good service." New Company's letter to Surat, 24th March, 1701, to [1701]. Proby wrote from Point de Galle on 10th December, 1701, to report his arrival at that place [O.C. 7795]; and took his seat as second in Council at Surat on 12th March 1701-02 (1702), [O.C. 7881]. He served there for nine or ten years, under Sir Nicholas Walter, Bendall, and Aislable, Hak. Soc., Vol. LXXV, pp. cxxix, cxli, cxlviii; and joined with the last named in putting Waite in confinement towards the end of 1708 [ibid. p. cxlix]. His uncle invited him to return to England "as Heir to his great Estate," and in 1710, in a conversation with Samuel Annesley, William Proby announced his intention of shortly disengaging himself "to wait upon him" [ibid. p. clii].

[page 193] Charles Mell: "Finding Mr Charles Mell" the court wrote, "to be versed in essaying of gold, we would have him employ'd in the Affairs of our Mint and have sent severall materials and the necessaryes proper for y^e service and that afterwards he be employ'd as a Factor in such Affairs as you shall find him capable." Court's despatch, 2^d April 1683. Mell's death is recorded in the Fort St. George diary of 15th February, 1684.

[page 193] Ben^y Northey: "We have had a fair character of Mr Northey who was bred a Linnen Draper, and being well skilled in all sorts of cloth, we judge he will be very serviceable to us, and on that Acct^y do appoint him to be one of Council at Metchhepatam or Medapollam." Court's despatch, 2^d April 1683.

[page 122] *Pesash* (Pers. pesh-kash): Here used in the sense of a present.

ADDENDA AND CORRIGENDA.

MADRAS SELECTIONS, THE SERIES.

In No. 5.

¹ page 62. The name (abridged) of Gungu (Gung) and (large) were not inserted here, but referred to in the next paragraph.

² page 63. "Mr. Joseph" should of course be "Sir Joseph" (James Childwick, Bt., Esq.).

³ page 64. The notes on papers and evidence of the case are given in the text, and a full place name Madras is given in the Preface. Madras was a name well known to the court, and it is not likely that Mr. Joseph would have been ignorant of it. But the word "Fort" was used in the text to explain the case name. The word "Fort" was only a general name for the place, and the word "Fort" was used in the text to explain the case name. The word "Fort" was only a general name for the place, and the word "Fort" was used in the text to explain the case name.

⁴ page 64. The words between brackets are wrong. "Madras" was a word, while "Fort" was a name, and the word "Fort" was used in the text to explain the case name. The word "Fort" was only a general name for the place, and the word "Fort" was used in the text to explain the case name.

⁵ page 69. The note correctly describes the present practice. But it was the same in the middle of the 18th century, as shown by Ovington's remarks on pages 249, 250 of his "Voyage to Sumatra" in 1689.

⁶ page 69. Delete "the Fort". The Christian or White town, was inside the outworks, but distinct from the Fort proper.

⁷ page 71. Delete "and at times dispersed".

⁸ and ⁹ page 72. The difficulty remains unsolved, but the explanation suggested is now desired.

¹⁰ page 73. The note is incorrect in so far as it relates to "tola," which apparently is only used in the Fort St. George records in its proper meaning of an Indian weight. The Madras word "tola" (supposed by Yule to have been originally borrowed from Tamil) is common enough in the local institutions in the sense of a gold coin.

ge 73]. The word "synall" is still a mystery. Mr. F. Adams writing in *Notes and Queries* has suggested the possibility of a mis-writing for "small", a technical term used in a similar connection, but the calligraphy of the MS., the repetition of the word on several occasions, and the context, seem on the whole to tell against this theory, although it is supported by apposite quotations [cf. *Notes and Queries*, 8th S., VI, No. 132, p. 17.]

In Index:—

Bengale Merchant.—The indexing should probably be under (*Bengala*), *Bengall*, the word '*Merchant*' being not part of the name but descriptive of the kind of vessel.

Civaji.—The cross-reference should of course be to *Shiraji*, on page 80.

MADRAS CONSULTATIONS No. I.

In the Introduction:—

p.v. 'Abul Husain.' Elsewhere called 'Aba Husain.' The evidence favours 'Abul Hasan.' Mr. Lane-Poole uses the last name, and in future it will be employed in this series.

p. vii. In the fifth line "them" should have been written "to Bencoolen."

In Notes:—

"and" [pages 105 and 107]. Fryer visited Madras in 1673, not 1672.

"[page 105]. Serash wine stands for wine of Shiraz. Instances of its importation at the time were not known, and another corruption was suspected, although the juxtaposition of rosewater in the passage should have removed doubt. The dates of 1684 however prove the practice of shipping "Serash wine" from Persia very shortly after the date of these consultations. Seven years later, Ovington, writing of Surat, says "... plenty of generous Sherash Wine, and Arak Panch, is serv'd round the Table."

In Index:—

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