

PREFACE.

THE manuscript of the Fort St. George diary and consultations of 1684 is unequally divided between two volumes, numbered 8 and 9 in the Madras record-room, the former containing the entries for the first seventeen days of the year. No. 9 is in a fairly good state of preservation. The writing is clear; but mistakes in spelling abound, especially in the time of secretary Owen.

As in other numbers of this series, the transliteration in the notes and index is generally in accordance with that prescribed by the Indian Government, but a circumflex has been used instead of an acute accent to denote length of sound.

In the case of archipelagic words some confusion might have been caused by the adoption of Crawford's symbol—a circumflex—for the obscure vowel sound, as in the English word 'run.'

The two symbols used in the N. E. D. to denote that sound and the 'continental' sound of a (*ā* and *ā*) have therefore been employed where Crawford has *ā* and *a*.

The following abbreviations have been employed:—

'N. and E., I, II, III' for (the late) Mr. Hudleston's 'Notes on and Extracts from the Government records in Fort St. George' (1871-1873), in three series;

'Madras Selections, 4th Series,' for the volume published in 1893;

'Madras Consultations, I, II,' for the preceding parts of the present series, published this year (1894);

'Hedges' or 'Diary' for the Diary of William Hedges, as edited for the Hakluyt Society (Vol. LXXIV);

'Hamilton' or 'New Account' for Captain Alexander Hamilton's 'New Account of the East Indies'; the quotations are from the London edition of 1744;

'Fryer' for Dr. John Fryer's 'Travels' or 'A New Account of East India and Persia' (1698);

'N. E. D.' for the 'New English Dictionary';

'Skeat' for Professor Skeat's 'Concise Etymological Dictionary' (Ed. of 1887), or at times, for his larger work.

INTRODUCTION.

ON 17th April 1684 the receipt of a ¹ general letter from Surat, "advising that the Officers and Souldiers in Bombay had Seized the Fort, & that the President &c. were gone down to endeavour to reduce it" is recorded in the Fort St. George consultations, and twelve days afterwards a still briefer ² entry alludes to the proclamation against the mutineers. The diary is silent in regard to Aurangzeb's and Sambhoji's movements, and the ³ politics of Golconda and the ⁴ troubles of the English factories in Bengal are barely mentioned: a point significant of the provincial character of the southern settlements of India even in such stirring times. The consultations are, however, by no means destitute of general interest, as references to the countries of the archipelago and eastern seas, the ⁵ history of the English settlements in which was for a time to be linked with that of Fort St. George, and discussions about the best site for fortresses to bring new streams of wealth to the East India house, begin to abound. Moreover, the ⁶ visit of Gyfford to Bengal left Madras for a time in hands ⁷ more capable than his own, and the incidents of the second half of the year are less baldly told in the record.

Negotiations with Sambhoji.—The mutiny of the Bombay garrison placed the government of that city under the control of Captain ⁸ Keigwin, a man of good judgment and strong will, and ⁹ Gary, his representative at the court of the Murathas, conducted the negotiations for the removal of the oppressive taxes demanded by Sambhoji's subahdars in the south of the peninsula, with firmness and tact. His representations on behalf of the council of Fort St. George were ¹⁰ attended with success, and the attempt to levy the imposts was abandoned.

The Mughal army.—Early in the year two Mughal armies descended into the Concan. Sultan Mu'azzam marched ¹¹ past Kalyan and wasted the land from Raigarh to Vingorla. His brother, Sultan 'Azam, at first

¹ p. 34 *infra*.

² p. 38 *infra*.

³ p. 131 *infra*.

⁴ p. 142 *infra*.

⁵ See below.

⁶ See below.

⁷ See below.

⁸ *Of Haki. Soc.* Vol. LXXV, pp. clxviii, *et seqq.*

⁹ *Id.*, p. clxiv, footnote.

¹⁰ Grant Duff, I, p. 324; *Haki. Soc.* Vol. LXXV, p. clxiv, footnote.

¹¹ Grant Duff, I, p. 325.

led his forces against the fortresses which commanded the country bounded on the north by the Tapti river. It is difficult to place much faith in the partial accounts of these campaigns. The victories and the failures of the Mughal leaders are of course coloured by the narrators according as they were Musulmans or Marathas. It seems certain that in the field the troops under Sultan Mu'azzam were triumphant, but that the desolation which they made around them ¹² hampered their own movements: the gram which should have been there to feed their horses was not to be had at any price, and the beasts died by hundreds: the Marathas, although unequal to the task of facing the Mughals in the open, hung about the camp: supplies failed. Still Sambhoji was forced to fall back on Visalgarh, and when he attempted to block the path of the northern army as it marched to join forces with Sultan Mu'azzam, he was ¹³ repulsed. That the action was unimportant, as surmised by Grant Duff, may have been the case, but evidence to the contrary is not wanting. There is no doubt that Sambhoji was there in person, and that for the rest of the year he could do no more than hover round the Mughals. When the summer rains were over Aurangzeb himself ¹⁴ quitted Aurangabad, carrying with him more pomp than surrounded him in his own metropolis, and with a host drawn from every race in his dominions, pre-eminent amongst whom rode the ¹⁵ Cabuli Pathans and the tribes of the region of the five rivers, marched towards Ahmadnagar.

The Bay.—The cabal against William Hedges had in the last few weeks of 1683 succeeded in ¹⁶ effecting his overthrow, and William Gyfford, whose reiterated expressions of loyalty to the court, and of fervent hatred of interlopers, had for a time raised him to an undeserved height in the favour of the directors, was ¹⁷ chosen to take his place, with the designation of president, in the councils of Bengal.

The second at Fort St. George was Elihu Yale, a man far more able than the agent and governor: he conducted the administration under the title of ¹⁸ chief, and although the proceedings of the government were ¹⁹ reported, some time after the event, to the absent president, there are many indications that the more vigorous policy initiated in 1684 was Yale's own.

¹² *Ibid.*, p. 326.

¹³ *Ibid.*, p. 327.

¹⁴ *Ibid.*, p. 329.

¹⁵ *Ibid.* The name of Panjab was at this time extended to Scinde.

¹⁶ *Diary*, pp. 147, 148, 153, 159. ¹⁷ *Commission*, dated 29th December 1683.

¹⁸ p. 84 *infra*.

¹⁹ p. 124 *infra*.

Interlopers.—The contest between the factors and the interlopers was more fitful than in the preceding year. The company's servants were now armed with a²⁰ new charter, the fruit of Sir Josia Child's lavish bribes to king and courtiers. In this his majesty granted to them authority to enter into any ship that might be found, contrary to his royal will and pleasure, in an Indian port, to seize it, and to sell the cargo. A²¹ proclamation previously issued had denounced interlopers, and had professed to give similar powers. The legality of acting either under the charter or under the proclamation was, indeed, questionable. There were²² those who affirmed that an authorisation to lay hands on the property of a free-trader was not worth the paper it was written on until it was confirmed by an act passed by the estates of the realm; and however it might be in the case of the letter²³ patent, there was no question but that the proclamation was Charles's own.²⁴ The 'great case of monopolies' was still under hearing in the King's bench, and although Jeffreys might be safely trusted when the time came to pronounce a judgment in conformity with the desire of the sovereign, there was as yet no judicial utterance. Courts of admiralty, which, it was hoped, might pass righteous decisions in favour of the company, should by now have been established both in Madras and in Bombay, but the judge who was to sit in Madras had not yet been nominated.

It seemed best to the court, however, to run some risks. The council at Fort St. George received orders²⁵ to "proceed against the "Interlopers to the full extent of those authorities granted them by his "Maj^{ty} what ever the consequence be;" and as captain John Smith was at Covelong when the packet containing these instructions was²⁶ brought on shore, and as, by a fortunate accident, two of the²⁷ largest vessels of the company and two²⁸ sloops were in the Madras roads, Gyfford was in a position to act at once. The captains of the *Royal James* and the *Beaufort* were²⁹ shown the new charter, and reminded that there was already a proclamation out against interlopers; then

²⁰ pp. 33, 48 *infra*. The letters patent bore date 9th August 1683.

²¹ p. 49 *infra*.

²² Cf. Dr. St. John's letter of 20th September 1684 in Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXXV, p. clxxx.

²³ Cf. introduction to Madras Cons., No. II.

²⁴ p. 48 *infra*.

²⁵ p. 46 *infra*.

²⁶ Cf. list of ships in Admiral John Nicholson's fleet, in Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXXV, p. lii, footnote.

²⁷ p. 46 *infra*.

²⁸ p. 48 *infra*.

they were directed to make for Covelong, seize on the *Constantinople* merchantman, and bring her to Madras. Captain Smith was however equal to the occasion. As soon as the *Royal James*,²⁹ sailing in front of her larger fellow ship, came in sight, and behind her, it may be, the rest of the little flotilla became visible, he weighed anchor and scudded down the coast before his antagonist. The south-west wind must have been blowing strongly for³⁰ it was the middle of June; and the light vessel of the interloper would be able to carry more sail than the *Royal James* or the *Beaufort*. Sir John Wetwang followed for some twenty miles: then, as the distance between his ship and the *Constantinople* still grew greater, he decided that he "could not effect the designe of seizing on" her, and³¹ abandoned the chase.

The honours of the year seem to have rested on the whole with the interlopers. The high price paid to Lingappa and Sanganna for their friendship and good offices was before long found to have been, for the time, thrown away.³² Late one night in February, a letter was received from Sanganna. The bearer was perhaps aware of the purport of it, as it was at once given to the translators. The document was found to be so important that the very unusual step of calling together the members of council on a³³ Sunday evening was taken. Sanganna's letter was couched in positive terms: he³⁴ said that unless within three days the council agreed to receive, sort, and paid for the bales of cloth which had been provided for the interloper, he would deliver them to captain Smith's men.³⁵ A resolution to give ten thousand pagodas to the company's merchants to enable them to buy the goods was passed, and before the meeting broke up, a letter to Sanganna, to tell him what had been done, was written, read and signed. The merchants started for³⁶ Conjeveram, but the wording of the³⁷ record of 3rd March seems to show that the sensible determination of the council at the extraordinary meeting three weeks before must have been departed from in an important particular. The resolve not to pay leads to the conclusion that the merchants must have set off empty-handed. If they did so, it was characteristic of Gyfford's methods of diplomacy.

Whether because the pagodas for the bales were not forthcoming, or because Sanganna was determined to quarrel with the English, he

²⁹ p. 50 *infra*.

³² pp. 16, 17 *infra*.

³³ *Ibid*.

³⁰ After correction to 'New Style.'

³² p. 16 *infra*.

³⁶ p. 19 *infra*.

³¹ p. 50 *infra*.

³⁴ p. 17 *infra*.

³⁷ pp. 22, 23 *infra*.

³⁸ permitted the interlopers to ship part of the cloth, and flung the merchants into ³⁹ prison.

On 10th March a large ship carrying English colours was ⁴⁰ seen in the offing and the assistant to the customer went off to her. When he came near, he ⁴¹ found that she was the *Lumley Castle* commanded by Alley, the especial *bête noire* of the company. He boarded her, and then returned to the fort. When the council next met, it was ⁴² "thought fitt to dismiss him from his employment," in order that it might be "an example for others to take care" how they did the like. Hiller's punishment lasted for two months : ⁴³ then he was restored to his post, on the ⁴⁴ understanding that he was not to hold it after the arrival of the newly appointed writers then on their way from England.

On 24th March, ⁴⁵ a letter from John Smith, the interloper, was received from Covelong in regard to the payment of certain monies from an estate to a widow whose power of attorney he held : these were in the hands of the chief factor at Cuddalore, who was disposed to think that the claim should be made good in a court of law. For an answer, it was resolved to tell Davis that he might pay the money if he pleased. The company, it was said, would have nothing to do with it. If he scrupled to take that step, the court was "open." As, however, the directors had not in so many words ruled that an interloper might appear in person, Smith was to be told so. And in order that the Fort St. George council might keep the whiteness of their hands, it was thought convenient not to send him any but this indirect reply to his letter.

Factories.—Six subordinate factories were maintained during the year : Madapollam, Metchlepatam, Pettepolee and Vizagapatam in the north, Cuddalore ⁴⁶ *cum* Porto Novo and Conimere in the Maratha country. The ⁴⁷ scale of establishment was the same in four out of the six, and consisted of four members of council and two writers ; at Vizagapatam and Conimere, there were only three of the former class.

Relations with the Golconda agents.—The temporising of the previous year brought forth such fruit as might have been expected ; the bearing of Lingappa and Sanganna became more and more insolent as concession after concession was made, and made reluctantly and with bad grace.

³⁸ p. 22 *infra*.

⁴¹ p. 28 *infra*.

⁴⁴ *Ibid* ; also cf. p. 61.

⁴⁷ pp. 62, 63.

³⁹ pp. 19, 66, 84.

⁴² *Ibid*.

⁴⁵ p. 29 *infra*.

⁴⁰ p. 27 *infra*.

⁴³ p. 40 *infra*.

⁴⁶ p. 65 *infra*.

Before long an acute stage was reached. In ⁴⁸ February Sanganna put the merchants of the company into confinement. In March, the toll gatherers ⁴⁹ beat and abused the villagers who were bringing in firewood and other articles to the fort, and it was rumoured that Madras was to be boycotted: the report was a true one, and no ⁵⁰ provisions could be brought in for more than three weeks. Still the difference was not made up, and the merchants durst not, so they ⁵¹ said, send any European bales up the country until they had an assurance that they would not be molested in their trade. Lingappa was addressed, but did not deign to answer ⁵² Gyfford's letter. The council accordingly ⁵³ resolved that the money intended for Metchlepatam should be divided amongst the other factories if Lingappa and Sanganna did not comply with the reasonable demands made on them, "which," so the consultation ran, "will bring them into great discredit, and be our future advantage, when they once know the want of our trade."

Such was the decision on 7th July, but on 5th August it was ⁵⁴ reversed:—"Notwithstanding our agreem^t not to Invest anything within "Lingapa's Government while he continues his injustice of detaining "our 7000 Pag^o & confining our Merch^{ts} att Conjeveron, It is order'd that "since the Hon^{ble} Comp^y requires a quantity of Moorees & fine Goods, we "continue our Investment in those commodities out of Lingappa's Govern-
"ment as formerly."

With the advent of Elihu Yale, a change in policy began. On the day following that on which he first sat at the head of the council board, a ⁵⁵ letter seemingly of a more peremptory tone was read and passed, and the honesty of the confidential agent at Golconda was discussed. Vira Raghavaiyar, the agent in question, had lately taken upon himself to come down to Fort St. George without leave, and to Yale or some other member of the council appeared to show greater inclination to Lingappa's service than to the company's: he had expended large sums under the pretence of buying interest, and there was nothing to show for them. It was ⁵⁶ resolved to send for him and to examine him more closely.

At the end of August a ⁵⁷ report that Lingappa intended to besiege the town, and had sent peons to intercept any messengers carrying trea-

⁴⁸ p. 19 *infra*.⁵¹ p. 55 *infra*.⁵⁴ p. 84 *infra*.⁵⁷ p. 98 *infra*.⁴⁹ p. 28 *infra*.⁵² p. 66 *infra*.⁵⁵ p. 87 *infra*.⁵⁰ p. 31 *infra*.⁵³ *Ibid*.⁵⁶ *Ibid*.

sure, became current, and on 12th September, Yale ⁵⁸ wrote to Monsieur d'Estremon, surgeon to Abu-l-hasan, to tell him of the affronts offered by Lingappa, Sanganna, and Appaji Pantulu at Pulicat, and to beg him to use his personal influence to remove the grievance. The falsity of these rumours was proved on 15th September by the receipt of a ⁵⁹ letter from Lingappa, ⁶⁰ written in a friendly but evasive style. The recovery of the seven thousand pagodas he gave but little hopes of; it was, he said, impossible to get them from the diwan.

In reply to this communication, a ⁶¹ second letter demanding redress was despatched, and on 2nd October the ⁶² decision that not more than such trade as was absolutely necessary should be begun in the districts subject to Lingappa was placed on record. Some piece-goods for which the directors had more than once written were to be excepted, but the merchants were to stipulate not to traffic in silver, in bales from Europe, or in calicoes, under such penalties as the government of Fort St. George might think fit to lay upon them. To this after some pressure ⁶³ they agreed.

On 3rd November Monsieur d'Estremon wrote to Yale, ⁶⁴ telling him that he would do his best in the matter but that Madana and his brother Akkanna "were still in great favour, & nothing done without their advice and order."

Trade with the archipelago.—The ⁵⁵ gathering troubles in Bengal seemed at this time to threaten the early extinction of Hoogley and the neighbouring factories. The fort of Bombay and the settlement of Surat were not in such danger. But it was a long voyage from Surat to Fort St. George: Ceylon ⁶⁵ had to be rounded, and when a vessel could at last head for the north, baffling winds might still delay her for days before she cast anchor in the roads of Madras. These considerations now induced the court of directors to pay especial attention to the chief Coramandel factory. The necessity for strong fortifications had from time to time been a topic of dispute between the government at Fort St. George and their masters in Leadenhall Street, and proposals for additional bastions and cannon were always most jealously scrutinised and often negatived. But the need for a fort which might bid

⁵⁸ p. 104 *infra*.

⁵⁹ p. 105 *infra*.

⁶⁰ pp. 106, 107 *infra*.

⁶¹ p. 107 *infra*.

⁶² p. 112 *infra*.

⁶³ p. 120 *infra*.

⁶⁴ p. 131 *infra*.

⁶⁵ Hedges *passim*; Hakl. Soc., Vol. LXXV, pp. 1-111.

⁶⁶ Court to Fort St. George, 16th March 1684-85 (1685).

defiance to any Moorish or Maratha force, and under the guns of which trade might steadily increase in despite of external convulsions, was by now clearly recognised. Moreover, visions of far-reaching traffic with the archipelago and with the islands in the sea of China began to present themselves. The company had "a great mind," they ⁶⁷ wrote, to try some experiment which might "bring a new trade" to Fort St. George. If any of the inhabitants of Madras, of whatever race or nationality, could "invent any . . . voyages for Spiee or otherwise," especial encouragement was to be given to them. The possibilities of settlements in numerous places were to be considered, and it was determined to make Fort St. George the centre of control. The ⁶⁸ greatness of Madras with its "many thousands" of inhabitants was impressed on distant sovereigns and factories. In July 1684 ⁶⁹ Tonqueen was placed under Gyfford's government. In March 1684-85 (1685) Achin, Amoy, Tywan and "all other South sea ffactories" were ⁷⁰ declared to be "under the conduct" of the president and council. On the same day the court ⁷¹ insisted on the immediate fortification of their "black Towne of Madrass" at the cost of the inhabitants, whether it displeased or pleased them or anybody else.

The council of Gyfford were also ⁷² bidden to have a regard for the general good of the company as well as for their private profits, and to admit into their ventures English, Portuguese, and natives alike. This "generous liberty and frank encouragement to all" the inhabitants of Madras indifferently would make the place "great & famous in a short time, strong and defensive." And "being become by such Indulgence a Mart for Nations it must consequently flourish and prosper exceedingly That being the means to which God almighty of old "promis'd to make Jerusalem great Viz^t y^t it should be a mart for "nations." If by such self-denial, and by "just and equall administration of good laws to all persons," Madras was brought to be "a center of trade from all places of India wherein" it was not convenient to establish factories, it might, the directors added with a swift descent to the bathos of particularity, give the council of Fort St. George the opportunity to buy for the London market "upon reasonable terms Pepper

⁶⁷ Court to Fort St. George, 19th October 1683.

⁶⁸ Court to Tywan, 2nd July 1684.

⁶⁹ Court to Tonqueen, 2nd July 1684.

⁷⁰ Court to Fort St. George, 16th March 1684-85 (1685).

⁷¹ *Ibid.*

⁷² Court to Fort St. George, 13th February 1684-85 (1685).

"China Pegu, and (it might be in time) Nutmegs Cloves and many "other Commodities."

A factory house ⁷³ had been built at Achin in the second decade of the century. Masulipatam goods were in especial demand there, and could be exchanged for pepper, camphor and benjamin. The Dutch, however, were bent on keeping Sumatra exclusively to themselves, and after a hopeless struggle the English factors were withdrawn. In 1668 one of the Surat council had unsuccessfully attempted to re-establish trade, but the Dutch influence was still too strong, and the attention of the company had to be turned to China stations instead. The old factory house, with godowns and compound, remained standing, and on 3rd March 1684 leave was ⁷⁴ given to Richard Mohun, an ex-servant of the company, to live in it on the condition that he kept it in good repair. In July 1684 the court ⁷⁵ returned to the subject. They were "more than formerly desirous of a ffort and small Territoryes to it, at or near Ateheen," or in some other place where they might have a pepper trade. This new settlement and any others in the archipelago, or, as expressed in their despatch, ⁷⁶ the South Sea factories, were to be under Gyfford's control. Much importance was attached to the venture. Ord and Cawley were to go to Achin in the capacity of ⁷⁷ commissioners and in brave habits. Ten musqueteers in red coats and "other things appertaining thereto" were ⁷⁸ provided "for their better appearance att Court and y^e safety" of the factory. A letter was ⁷⁹ written to the queen commending the commissioners to her, and begging that she would give them audience and credit. Mohun was directed to give up the house to Ord, and informed that the government had appropriated to themselves the trade in calicoes, pepper and benjamin, and would allow no others to deal in those commodities. Another ⁸⁰ letter to the sovereign of Achin was despatched from the East India house under the signature of Asho, the new governor of the company. In it the queen was reminded of an invitation to the servants of the court, many years before, in which special privileges had been promised to settlers at Achin. Failure in the past to make use of that offer was excused. The subtilty of the Dutch in "setting the sonne against the Father" in Bantam, and then gaining for themselves the whole kingdom, was inveighed against,

⁷³ Danvers, pp. 61, 63, 64, of report on I. O. records.

⁷⁴ p. 22 *infra*.

⁷⁵ Court to Fort St. George, 2nd July 1684.

⁷⁶ Cf. p. 21 *infra*.

⁷⁷ p. 75 *infra*.

⁷⁸ p. 91 *infra*.

⁷⁹ p. 101 *infra*.

⁸⁰ Court to the Queen of Achin, 1st October 1684.

and her majesty was told that it would "most certainly" be for her interest if a standing factory was settled at or near her capital. Unless, indeed, she complied with the company's request, and above all allowed their servants to fortify the desired island in the Aohin roads, she might be in danger of faring like "y^e King of Macassar & the 2 Kings of "Bantam & many other Princes in y^e South seas," who for want of foreseeing the stratagems of the Dutch had made shipwreck of themselves.

The establishment of factories in ⁸¹ Siam, and ⁸² at or ⁸³ near Queda or in ⁸⁴ some part of Johore for the enlargement of the "pepper investment," was under contemplation, and the commander of a vessel trading to Pegu ⁸⁵ received instructions to enquire into the state and trade of that country, to ascertain how the king and people stood affected to the English and to their settlement there, and to gather from the ministers what privileges might be expected or could be procured. He was ⁸⁶ charged above all to ascertain what hopes there might be of founding a factory "at Bammoo upon the Confines of Chyna": the old Shan town on the Tapeng which Yule ⁸⁷ seems to have considered the probable site of an English factory of later days, or else that now well-known Bhamo ⁸⁸ on the upper Irrawady whither by ⁸⁹ converging routes Chinese packmen had from the earliest times come in caravans to the ⁹⁰ yearly fair, driving before them across the highlands of Yunnan their little horses or asses with their loads of copper and brass ware, raw silk and rhubarb, tea and musk.

Composition of the Government of Fort St. George.—William Gyfford held the post of agent and governor until 16th June, on which day the commission creating him president in the councils of Coromandel coast, the Bay and Hoogley, ⁹¹ arrived. From this date he described himself as ⁹² 'President and Governor.' The same ⁹³ commission stated that in the event of Gyfford's death or absence from Madras, John Bigrig, the second in council, was to succeed. But on 30th June, Bigrig ⁹⁴ was too ill to be present in the council room, or to take over charge of

⁸¹ p. 34 *infra*.

⁸² Court to Fort St. George 19th October 1683.

⁸³ p. 101 *infra*.

⁸⁴ Court to Fort St. George 19th October 1683.

⁸⁵ p. 101 *infra*.

⁸⁶ p. 102 *infra*.

⁸⁷ Hobson-Jobson, s.v. Bamô, p. 42.

⁸⁸ *Ibid.*

⁸⁹ Cf. *Encyc. Brit.*, 9th edition, s.v. Bhamo.

⁹⁰ Cf. Herr Wirtlich (?) in the *Penny Cyclopaedia*, s.v. Birma, Vol. IV, p. 442 (1835).

⁹¹ p. 52 *infra*.

⁹² *Ibid.*, et seqq.

⁹³ Commission dated 29th Dec. 1683.

⁹⁴ p. 60 *infra*.

⁹⁵ some duties which had been entrusted to him, and on 4th July ⁹⁶ he "departed this life to the great trouble of all that knew him." Elihu Yale then became second in council, and on 8th August he ⁹⁷ assumed the office of "chief" of Fort St. George from Gyfford, about to proceed to Bengal.

On 3rd June, John Gray ⁹⁸ arrived from England, and ⁹⁹ took his seat as sixth in council.

Three days after John Bigrig's death, it was ¹⁰⁰ determined to recall Thomas Lucas as soon as he had concluded a contract with the merchants of Madapollam. He ¹⁰¹ arrived on 13th October, and took his place in council ¹⁰² three days afterwards, but again ¹⁰³ proceeded to Madapollam on the 20th *idem*. He ¹⁰⁴ returned on 27th November and was ¹⁰⁵ present at the consultations held on and after 1st December.

John Stables was secretary until Gyfford's departure. He was deputed to ¹⁰⁶ accompany the president to Bengal, and his ¹⁰⁷ place was taken by Samuel Owen.

Administration of subordinate factories—Vizagapatam.—In the second half of 1683 there were signs that the administration of the recently-created factory of Vizagapatam called for reform. The chief and one of his councillors were at open ¹⁰⁸ enmity, and each charged the other with unfaithfulness to the company. In November Thomas Lucas and a junior servant, whose training as a linen draper was no doubt expected to be of service in an enquiry relating in great part to the quality of certain bales of cloth, had been ¹⁰⁹ deputed to visit Vizagapatam, and to report where the fault lay. It soon appeared that the choice of the factory staff had been unhappy. Even after two months had passed, Lucas and Northey were no nearer the unravelment of the bewildering accounts. Every thing was ¹¹⁰ distracted, and ¹¹¹ trade was declining. Extreme measures were called for, and on ¹¹² 3rd March Lucas wrote to say that he had ¹¹³ suspended both the chief and the senior councillor. By the autumn, the diligence of Browne, a factor who for the time had succeeded to the ¹¹⁴ first place in the settlement,

⁹⁵ pp. 45, 60 *infra*.

⁹⁶ p. 46 *infra*.

¹⁰¹ p. 124 *infra*.

¹⁰⁴ p. 139 *infra*.

¹⁰⁷ *Ibid.*, *et seqq.*

¹¹⁰ pp. 29, 103 *infra*.

¹¹³ p. 29 *infra*.

⁹⁸ p. 64 *infra*.

⁹⁹ p. 47 *infra*.

¹⁰² *Ibid.*

¹⁰⁵ *Ibid.*

¹⁰⁶ Madras cons., II, 104.

¹¹¹ p. 103 *infra*.

¹¹⁴ p. 34 *infra*.

⁹⁷ p. 86 *infra*.

¹⁰⁰ p. 64 *infra*.

¹⁰³ p. 129 *infra*.

¹⁰⁶ p. 83 *infra*.

¹⁰⁹ *Ibid.*

¹¹² p. 28 *infra*.

had made ¹¹⁵ such a "good beginning" in reducing chaos into order that on his request to be permitted to stay there, he was confirmed in the office of chief.

Madapollam.—On completing this enquiry, Lucas proceeded to Madapollam, which had been ¹¹⁶ placed under him in November 1683. Before long troubles arose there also. The council consisted of untried men: ¹¹⁷ three of them had never made an investment: two of them were strangers to the country. The new chief was well-meaning but evidently irresolute. Two years before ¹¹⁸ complaints had been made at the East India house about the quality of some of the Madapollam shipments. The court said that they were both dear and bad, and directed the council at Fort St. George to make some "abatement" on the goods to which exception had been taken. A standard was prescribed, and it was ruled that the bales supplied by the merchants were in every case to be compared with it. If on sortment, any difference was found, a deduction of ¹¹⁹ five per cent. on coarse materials, and of two per cent. on fine materials, was to be made. It was not, however, the first time that an abatement, or in other words a fine, had been necessary, and there was an abiding record of this in a ¹²⁰ memorandum which was entered on every account and invoice. The government ¹²¹ commented on that note of ancient transactions. It seemed, they said, to stand in the way of fresh abatements, and was misleading as well as needless. The proper course was to work out the real price of goods and to set it down. To place a fictitious value on articles, and then to reduce it to their actual worth by successive subtractions could only do harm to the investment, which was "ye life of all." The repetition of the memorandum time after time must raise disputes, and make it difficult to obtain cheaper rates. And it was essential to obtain cheaper rates if the company were still to govern the market in London. Prices had gone down, and it would no longer be profitable to import some kinds of piece goods unless they could be had for less.

The merchants were however not slow in gauging the weakness of Lucas and his colleagues. They ¹²² importuned them persistently, and would not be "satisfyed or give any hopes of bettering the Cloth"

¹¹⁵ p. 103 *infra*.

¹¹⁶ Madras cons., II, p. 103.

¹¹⁷ p. 125 *infra*.

¹¹⁸ Cf. p. 114 *infra*.

¹¹⁹ *Ibid*.

¹²⁰ p. 115 *infra*.

¹²¹ *Ibid*. The letters extracted in the cons. of 6th October 1684 were circular and dated 9th August preceding. Cf. pp. 86 and 100 *infra*.

¹²² pp. 116, 125 *infra*.

until the last abatement was taken off. Before long Lucas gave way and ¹²³ made some half-promise that their request would be granted; and he ¹²⁴ wrote to Fort St. George, to tell the council what he had done. He said that the successive abatements had ¹²⁵ "been a great cause of bringing y^e Cloth" of his factory "into so great disesteem"; and he laid stress on the ¹²⁶ quantity of goods in the merchants' hands.

Such an argument might have moved Gyfford, but Gyfford was now in Bengal. It was ¹²⁷ observed that Lucas's disregard of the positive orders given first by the directors, and then by the council of Fort St. George, was unintelligible. There were standards, and the goods delivered by the merchants should correspond to those standards. When the quality fell below them, the payments should be reduced by the stated percentages. If in the past the examination of the bales had been so superficial that the shortcomings of the articles supplied had at times been overlooked, that was "wholly the Neglects and faults of y^e Persons Intrusted with y^e Sorting and Receiving" the cloth. If the merchants had seen the error of their ways, and intended for the future to supply nothing but what would pass the standard, well and good. But what, it was asked, had that to do with Lucas's proposal to pay at rates far above those ruling for the same goods at other factories? The merchants at Metchlepatam and Pettipolee would of course follow the example set them at Madapollam. The fact that the stocks in the hands of the Madapollam merchants were large ¹²⁸ was all the more reason why it should be "a very undue tyme" to allow higher rates. Lucas was ¹²⁹ about to return to Madras; when he arrived, he might state the reasons, to which Yale and his colleagues were "yett wholly strangers," for making such proposals.

On 16th October Lucas was again ¹³⁰ at the council board, and the question was ¹³¹ "long debated." No ground for receding from the opinions already expressed could be found. Credit would, it was said, be given to Lucas and the rest of the Madapollam factors for good intentions. Their error had proceeded rather from inexperience than evil purpose. The cure for ill-sorted and bad goods was not to pay the merchants higher rates, but to look to the sorting and to insist on proper

¹²³ Cf. p. 126 *infra*.

¹²⁴ Madapollam letter of 20th Sept. 1684, cf. pp. 113, 116 *infra*.

¹²⁵ p. 116 *infra*.

¹²⁶ *Ibid.*

¹²⁷ p. 114.

¹²⁸ p. 116 *infra*.

¹²⁹ p. 114 *infra*.

¹³⁰ p. 124 *infra*.

¹³¹ p. 125 *infra*.

quality. The action of Lucas had already ¹³² raised murmurings among the merchants at other factories on the coast. "Disputes and discontents" at the inequality of the prices paid for goods were imminent, and there was great danger that future as well as present investments would be prejudiced. The contract must be disannulled. Fortunately Lucas, as he now said, had left a loophole of escape. His proposal to return to Madapollam, and to repair himself what he had done, before too great an impression was made, was "most proper," and it would be so ordered.

On 1st December Lucas ¹³³ reported that he had brought the trade at Madapollam into a joint-stock, and that thirty of the chief merchants had engaged for the future to provide cloth which would give the company no more occasion for complaint.

Cuddalore.—At the first consultation after Gyfford's departure, a circular letter was ¹³⁴ addressed to the subordinate factories on the subject of retrenchment of charges, abatements on investments, careful sortment of goods and instant despatch of business. The answer to this from the Cuddalore chief and council ¹³⁵ savoured more of "peremptory Capitulations than any satisfaction to the business" in hand. They had moreover been remiss in observing the orders of the court in regard to correspondence. Two-thirds of a year had passed since any diary or book of account had come from them, although it was a strict rule that these should be forwarded every month to Fort St. George. It was "therefore ordered that a Sharp letter be wrote to reprehend them, for "their neglects," and to warn them unless they reformed their ways the penalties appointed would be inflicted on them.

Stock.—The tonnage sent from England was ¹³⁶ large, and when a comparison was made between it and the stock of the year, there was a great disproportion. In July the goods and money for the investment of the year were reckoned to amount together to not more than two hundred and forty thousand pagodas. Further consignments, or else stock excluded from the original calculations, raised the total to ¹³⁷ three hundred and thirty-four thousand.

Early however in October it was found that there had been a ¹³⁸ misreckoning of some twenty-two and a half per cent., and that

¹³² p. 126 *infra*.

¹³³ p. 139 *infra*.

¹³⁴ p. 86 *infra*.

¹³⁵ p. 100 *infra*.

¹³⁶ p. 65 *infra*.

¹³⁷ p. 111 *infra*.

¹³⁸ *Ibid*.

business had been needlessly hindered, as there was a sum of not much less than ninety-seven thousand pagodas more than had been supposed for division amongst the factories.

The necessity for reducing the number of subordinate settlements on the coast had more than once been the subject of debate, and the error in calculating the stock brought it ¹²⁹ again into prominence. But there were weighty considerations against closing any factory. There would be of a loss of ¹³⁰ influence if Masulipatam or Peddipollee in the north, or Conimere *cum* Porto Novo or Cuddalore in the south, were no longer to be occupied by the company's servants. The interlopers would not fail to step in, and "new and great charges to defeat them" would be needed. It was therefore resolved to maintain all the factories, but to insist on the ¹³¹ need for economy. There must be a general retrenchment of all charges: the fare must be frugal; no more servants than were absolutely necessary should be kept; and the number of peons should be lessened now that there was so little for them to do. Fort St. George ¹³² set the example. One of every two peons was dismissed, and the expenses at table were reduced.

Commission.—The "long and Chargeable ill Custom of Dustore," under which interpreters received a ¹³³ commission on their services, was ¹³⁴ prohibited by the court, who termed it a "wicked Cheat," and it was ordered that for the future the chief interpreter should receive instead a fixed salary of a hundred pagodas a year, and others half that amount, at the cost of the ¹³⁵ merchants.

Judge Advocate.—One of the articles in the royal letters patent ¹³⁶ of 1683 had provided for the establishment of a new court of judicature, consisting of one person learned in the civil laws and two merchants, who should hear and determine all suits and causes. In a postscript to the ¹³⁷ despatch from the directors which gave cover to a copy of the letters, it was explained that arrangements could not be at once made for nominating the person learned in the civil law, and the agent and governor at Fort St. George was appointed judge-advocate in the interim. The despatch ¹³⁸ reached Madras, by way of Surat, on 29th April, and to the mind of Gyfford ¹³⁹ "occasioned the Silencing" of the existing

¹²⁹ p. 65 *infra*.

¹³⁰ *Ibid.*

¹³¹ pp. 86, 114 *infra*.

¹³² p. 88 *infra*.

¹³³ *dastūrī*, customary (commission).

¹³⁴ p. 115 *infra*.

¹³⁵ p. 118 *infra*.

¹³⁶ Dated 9th August 1683.

¹³⁷ Court to Fort St. George, 14th August 1683.

¹³⁸ p. 38 *infra*.

¹³⁹ p. 67 *infra*.

court of judicature. He could not, he said, without precise directions, and acquaintance "with the methods" of the intended procedure, personally supply the place of judge-advocate; and the difficulty was met by inaction. When more than two months had passed, ¹⁵⁰ complaints became loud, and disturbances frequent; and it was "thought "and agreed to be of absolute necessity for the Peace, Justice, Security "and Honour" of the government which in their wisdom had thus needlessly closed the only place where the law was administered, that, to put a stop to the "disquiet & discredit" caused by their proceedings, "the old Court of Judicature be again erected & that causes be heard & "decided there by Jurors as formerly by the Authority of the first "charter, till the Judge Advocate . . . arrive . . ."

Local and domestic incidents—Deaths.—The year seems to have been unhealthy for English residents at Madras. The mintmaster's assistant, Charles Mell, ¹⁵¹ died on 15th February; the second in council, John Bigrig, ¹⁵² on 4th July; and the captains, ¹⁵³ William Dyke and ¹⁵⁴ Sir John Wetwang, of the company's ships *Rochester* and *Royal James*, in the same month and within two days of one another.

Mutiny.—The death of the last-named was followed by a mutiny on board his ship. On the ¹⁵⁵ examination of Sir John Wetwang's papers, instructions by the owners were found, appointing the chief mate, Marriner, to succeed to the command in the event of the captain's death. The government of Fort St. George thought it "convenient to confirm" these, and the fifth member of council¹⁵⁶ went on board the *Royal James* to ratify their orders to the officers and seamen. He ¹⁵⁷ read the instructions, and the document confirming Marriner, aloud. When he had finished, there was a chorus of voices, led by a midshipman, that "they were very sorry for the news." Gray asked the speakers what they meant. They replied that "they reckoned ¹⁵⁸ Cap^t John Wetwang was their commander," and that if they had thought it was ordered otherwise, they would not have taken service on the *Royal James*. Then

¹⁵⁰ *Ibid.*¹⁵¹ p. 19 *infra*.¹⁵² p. 64 *infra*.¹⁵³ p. 68 *infra*.¹⁵⁴ p. 69 *infra*.¹⁵⁵ p. 73 *infra*.¹⁵⁶ p. 78 *infra*.¹⁵⁷ p. 79 *infra*.

¹⁵⁸ Captain John Wetwang is shown as commander of the *Royal James* in a note by Sir Henry Yule [on page lii of *Hakl. Soc.*, Vol. LXXV] which relates to 1686-87. The style of Sir is prefixed in brackets to his name, probably by a natural confusion of the two Wetwangs. He was certainly her captain in May 1687 [*Cons. Stk. Idem*], so Marriner cannot have been long in command.

they went down to the middle deck with sullen curses. One of them took off his cap and waved it above his head: he was followed by many more who shouted "hurra" and "Captain John, Captain John." Marri-ner called again and again to the boatswain to put Arlington in the bilboes: the men round Arlington threatened to throw overboard any one who tried to enforce the orders of the captain: the boatswain pretended to have lost the key. Next day an ¹⁵⁹ officer with a guard of soldiers boarded the *Royal James*, and brought on shore eleven of the ringleaders, who were ¹⁶⁰ dispersed among the other ships.

Piracy.—In April some of the garrison were ¹⁶¹ discovered to be plotting to seize a sloop and turn pirates. The leader of the conspiracy, one Dutton, ¹⁶² pointed out a ketch from Malacca in the Madras roads, and said that the ¹⁶³ governor had given him leave to take it. The matter was to be kept secret until enough men to work the vessel had been collected. Then Gyfford would ¹⁶⁴ wink at it, and grant a pass. The conspirators met the next day in a ¹⁶⁵ small choultry. Dutton read out a paper "wherein was Contayned that they should be true to one another, and to y^e King of England and that they should meddle with "noe Christians." The ¹⁶⁶ ingredients for a bowl of punch were there; ¹⁶⁷ several drank, and Jacobson, the pilot, on whose accession to the plot much turned, was ¹⁶⁸ asked to join them in doing so. He refused, and then made some pertinent enquiries, at the answers to which "he laughed & bid y^e Rest have a care for this was some trick." Some talk about a pass from the governor to clear those present followed, for several of them were beginning to be alarmed. Dutton, however, promised to see to this, and induced all who were there, the pilot alone ¹⁶⁹ excepted, to consent to their names being set down, and to swear on the ¹⁷⁰ point of his sword that they would keep secrecy. Jacobson ¹⁷¹ warned the rest that it was a piece of roguery, and ¹⁷² advised them not to allow Dutton to keep the list. The meeting then broke up on the promise of Dutton to ¹⁷³ obtain a pass. After night had fallen, the conspirators again met, but Dutton and two others were absent. Alarm spread. The soldier to whom the list of names had been given proposed to tear it into bits. Every one took a piece and ¹⁷⁴ chewed it up. Then they

¹⁵⁹ p. 78 *infra*.¹⁶⁰ pp. 157, 162 *infra*.¹⁶¹ p. 157 *infra*.¹⁶² p. 160 *infra*.¹⁶³ p. 157 *infra*.¹⁶⁴ *Ibid.*¹⁶⁵ p. 83 *infra*.¹⁶⁶ pp. 157, 158, 160 *infra*.¹⁶⁷ pp. 157, 160, 162 *infra*.¹⁶⁸ pp. 157, 160, 161 *infra*, but cf.¹⁶⁹ pp. 157, 158, 160, *infra*.¹⁷⁰ p. 158 *infra*.¹⁷¹ p. 32 *infra*.¹⁷² pp. 157, 162 *infra*.¹⁷³ p. 162 *infra*.¹⁷⁴ p. 159 (Johnson's confession).¹⁷⁵ p. 157 *infra*.

dispersed. As some of them were on their way home, they met Dutton, in ¹⁷⁵ disguise it would seem; he pressed them to come back to the shoultry with him, saying that the pass ¹⁷⁶ was in his pocket; but they would not. Next day the pilot was ¹⁷⁷ shown a pass; and another of the party afterwards ¹⁷⁸ affirmed that it had the company's seal on it, and the signatures of the governor and councillors, which had been ¹⁷⁹ forged by Dutton. At this stage, the plot was divulged, and Dutton and others were ¹⁸⁰ put in irons. It was resolved that ¹⁸¹ four of them should ride the wooden horse, and ¹⁸² nine men were allowed to cast lots which should be those four. Dutton was to be ¹⁸³ sent home "to answer for his crime there." ¹⁸⁴ In June however it was considered that expulsion from the town, under penalty of the renewal of the former sentence if he ventured to return, would be a sufficient punishment for him.

Discipline of troops.—¹⁸⁵ Complaints were made in August "of many notorious actions, (and villanous Crimes) committed," as was supposed, by the soldiers, whose quarters were outside the walls, and it was feared that many of the townspeople would, in their terror, leave the place. The purser was accordingly ordered to build sheds within the walls. The tattoo was to be beaten at nine at night, and every soldier was then to repair to his quarters at once under severe penalties.

In September Yale ¹⁸⁶ mustered the men and read the orders of the garrison to them.

Some ¹⁸⁷ days afterwards, it would seem, two of the "new Soldiers" abused and wounded in a drunken fit "severall of y^e Native Inhabitants . . . to y^e endangering of their lives." They were imprisoned and put on a diet of rice and water. On the recovery of their victims, it was ordered that "a Publique severer punnishment be inflicted" on the soldiers "in y^e out Town, for y^e satisfaction of Justice and y^e People, "and y^t part of their pay be stopt for some months to repair y^e Charge "of y^e Peoples cure."

In ¹⁸⁸ November several soldiers "Sold and Pawned their Red Coats for no other reason but to satisfy their drunken appetites," whereby they not only discredited "their Brethren and profession by their Rag-

¹⁷⁵ pp. 158, 161, 162 *infra*.

¹⁷⁶ p. 159 *infra*.

¹⁸¹ p. 36 *infra*.

¹⁸² *Ibid.* The tenth of the party (pp. 157-163) who signed depositions was the pilot.

¹⁸³ p. 47 *infra*.

¹⁸⁶ p. 99 *infra*.

¹⁷⁶ pp. 158, 160 *infra*.

¹⁷⁹ p. 162 *infra*.

¹⁸⁴ pp. 47, 48 *infra*.

¹⁸⁷ p. 110 *infra*.

¹⁷⁷ p. 160 *infra*.

¹⁸⁰ p. 32 *infra*.

¹⁸⁸ p. 89 *infra*.

¹⁸⁹ p. 141 *infra*.

gid habits & appearance" but also incapacitated themselves from doing their duty; and penalties against buyers and sellers were laid down to prevent the disgrace to the English "Nation and Religion."

Charge against members of the government.—On the eve of Gyfford's departure to Bengal, a formal ¹⁸⁹ enquiry was held regarding certain "papers of complaint" against him, Yale and others. A declaration purporting to be signed in Telugu by several washermen, taxing them with injustice and irregularities, had been produced by one van Luhorn, a ¹⁹⁰ turbulent Dutchman who bore some grudge against Gyfford. The ¹⁹¹ washermen were called up, and it was found that they could not write. Internal evidence also proved the spuriousness of the document. Yale easily disposed of the charge launched against him by showing that the acts complained of were judicial, and not done singly or in a corner.

The offence of van Luhorn and a Hindu who had joined with him in attesting the charges was considered such as to call for extraordinary punishment; and sentence was deferred. Their "Villinous Scandalls" ¹⁹² seemed to Gyfford and his colleagues such as could not have suggested themselves to the unaided malice of those who had brought the charge: they were, it was probable, "wholly instigated by unworthy Mr. Master & Cholmley, to recriminate their notorious miscarriages upon "the honest discoverers."

Contributions towards cost of garrison.—Three years previously the chief men of some of the Telugu merchant castes had ¹⁹³ agreed to contribute five hundred pagodas a year towards the charges of the garrison. Their promise had not been fulfilled, and there was now ¹⁹⁴ a combination against any such payment. The exercise of a little firmness was sufficient to break down this. The objectors were told by ¹⁹⁵ Yale that if they disliked or would not obey his orders, they were free to sell their houses and remove elsewhere. The charge must, in short, not be disputed. On this the opposition collapsed, and all agreed to pay with arrears ¹⁹⁶ nine, six, or three, fanams a year according as the house occupied was classed as great, small or little.

Tax.—The ¹⁹⁷ levy of a monthly tax on all inhabitants of Madras, or, if the passive resistance to the impost was found to be insuperable, the collection of a benevolence, which might "possibly . . . have a better

¹⁸⁹ p. 83 *infra*.

¹⁹⁰ Madras cons. I., p. 48.

¹⁹¹ p. 83 *infra*.

¹⁹² p. 84 *infra*.

¹⁹³ Cf. p. 89 *infra*.

¹⁹⁴ p. 96 *infra*.

¹⁹⁵ *Ibid*.

¹⁹⁶ Say, eighteen pence, a shilling, and sixpence. ¹⁹⁷ pp. 88, 89 *infra*.

effect upon their willfull tempers," was also debated; and an attempt was made to raise the income from the customs by ¹⁹⁸ a change in the method of assessment.

Cyclone.—On the ¹⁹⁹ night of 3^d November "arose a very violent " Tempest from y^e N.W. w^{ch} Continued Rounding to y^e Southward for "about : 7 : hours, wth y^e greatest Rage y^t Could be in y^e force of wind." Torrents of ²⁰⁰ rain came with it, and the rivers were in such flood as to be ²⁰¹ impassable by the foot-posts even a week afterwards. In the fort itself ²⁰² "scarcely a frame windore or doar" remained, and "y^e out town" was "most in a ruinous devastation left open to y^e Severity of y^e weather." The centre of the cyclone was north of Madras, and therefore the wind blew off shore and there was "no prejudice" from the sea. The damage done to the town was set down at about twenty thousand pagodas. For forty miles to the west and north the storm raged with equal fury, and at Pulicat the neighbouring river ²⁰³ "drove in upon them."

Encroachment of sea.—On ²⁰⁴ 24th December the sea which had for three or four days before "come up very high," encroaching on Sir William Langhorn's battery, undermined it and broke down part, leaving the rest "in a daingerous Condition."

Murders.—On ²⁰⁵ 2^d April a "Black fellow was . . . indicted for Murther & the Bill found against him." Three days afterwards he was ²⁰⁶ tried and condemned, and on 9th April he was ²⁰⁷ executed.

On 23^d September, a ²⁰⁸ 'Moorish' ship captain and his clerk were murdered in their sleep, and a week later the accused and others supposed to be his accomplices were ²⁰⁹ brought to trial together with a faqir, who had been ²¹⁰ long in confinement on the charge of killing a boy at Ennore. Two of the prisoners were found guilty by a ²¹¹ jury of six Englishmen and six "Moormen of their owne Religion," and on this they "confessed y^e same in Court." Sentence of death was then passed by Yale.

¹⁹⁸ pp. 95, 96 *infra*.

²⁰¹ p. 133 *infra*.

²⁰³ p. 150 *infra*.

²⁰⁷ p. 33 *infra*.

²¹⁰ p. 109 *infra*.

¹⁹⁹ p. 131 *infra*.

²⁰² p. 132 *infra*.

²⁰⁵ p. 32 *infra*.

²⁰⁶ pp. 109, 111 *infra*.

²¹¹ p. 111 *infra*.

²⁰⁰ p. 132 *infra*.

²⁰² *Ibid*.

²⁰⁶ *Ibid*.

²⁰⁹ p. 111 *infra*.

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FORT ST GEORGE JANUARY 16⁸³/₈₄

THE DIARY AND CONSULTATION BOOK OF THE AGENT GOVERNOUR
AND COUNCILL OF FORT ST. GEORGE THEIR PROCEEDINGS AND
TRANSACTIONS FOR AFFAIRES OF THE HONBLE. ENGLISH EAST
INDIA COMPANY IN THE AGENCY OF THE COAST OF CHORO-
MANDELL.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 26th past.

Prmo.
Genll from
Coodaloor.

The Pag^o 3000 order'd for Madapollam Factory, was delive
[red] to Peons y^t were to go along with M^r Lucas.

P 3000 sent to
Madapollam.

This evening M^r Thomas Lucas & his Lady, M^r Benj^a Northey
M^r Nathan¹¹ Gyfford & M^r Gabriell Roberts sett out for Mada-
pollam.

M^r Lucas
&c sett out
for Madapol-
lam.

Att a Consultation Extra^o.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governour.

Wensday 2.

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

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

The Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Merchants were sent for, & as hath bee[n]
accustomed for a new years Gift, they were Tasherift as followeth
viz^t.

The
Merchants
Tasherift.

<i>Fine broad Cloth vizt.</i>	<i>Yards.</i>	<i>Ordinary broad Cloth vizt.</i>	<i>Yards.</i>
Chena Vencatadre ...	3 :—	Pedde Naigue ...	3 :—
Timmana ...	2 : $\frac{1}{2}$	Vincate Puttee ...	2 : $\frac{1}{2}$
Moodu Verona ...	2 : $\frac{1}{2}$	Gunla Rangapa ...	2 :—
Allingall Pilla ...	2 : $\frac{1}{2}$	The Mulla ...	2 :—
Teggapa Chitty ...	2 : $\frac{1}{2}$	Chena Tombe ...	2 :—
Rammapa ...	2 :—		
Narrand ...	2 : $\frac{1}{2}$		
Yards ...	17 : $\frac{1}{2}$	Yards ...	11 : $\frac{1}{2}$

Guns fired. and att their going out of the Fort itt is order'd that Nine great Guns be fired as usuall.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Secy.

2. This afternoon a new sloop belonging to Madapollam arrived here from thence.
Sloop arrived from Madapollam.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Thursday 3.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

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

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

Chena Vencatadre & Sura Appana agreed to signe the Obligation but raised new scruples.

Chena Vencatadre & Sura Appana who had agreed to the signing an Obligation, (a Coppy wherof is enter'd the 29th of last moneth) about the Payment of the Six Thousand Pagodas to the Duan, came this morning & were discoursed about itt but they raised new Scruples, & refused to signe, so, that not being done, Itt is resolved to deferr the paym^t of the money.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Secy.

Generall from Pettepollee.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dated the 22th past with Coppy of their Books of Accounts for this Place, & they advise that another Coppy shall follow very speedily for England.

4. A Fire in the Merchants Godowne.

Last night about Twelve a Clock ther happened a fire in the Merchants old Godown, which was near Three howers before it was put out, in which time itt consumed & damaged 935 p^a to Browne Long Cloth.

Generall from Conimeer.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 31th past wherein they advise that they have Goods Sufficient to lade both the Sloops [vizt] The Mary & the Conimeer, & did not question but to have eno[ugh] to lade the Kent besides.

5. Generall from Coodaloor.

A Generall to Coodaloor of this date was sent to the Council for their approbation, then Coppi'd fair, Signed & Sent forward.

This morning the Ship Welfare Cap^t William Wildey Com^d and [r] arrived here from Bengall, & att Noon the Captaine came ashoar, & brought a Generall dated in Hugley the 17th [o]f last moneth, with Invoyce & Bill of Lading for 2720 Bags Saltpetre consigned to this place, besides which there is 780 Bags more of Saltpetre aboard her for Quintaledge, w^{ch} they have consigned directly to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a and they advise us that itt pleased God very lately to take out of this World their most inveterate enemy¹ Booleund, & that the three Interlopers Alley,² Read & Smith were making great hast to come up to the Coast.

6. Ship Welfare
fro[m] Bengall.
Booleund
dead.
Interlopers
making hast
to the Coast.

Att a Consultation—

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governo^r.

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

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

Munday 7.

The Councill taking Cap^t William Wildeys Charterparty into consideration & finding that his stay in India is no longer then the 20th Instant, att which time he is to go away laden or unladen, therefore we resolve to dispatch him by tha[t] time, to prevent paying dead freight, & knowing itt will bee a great disreputation to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a att this time to send home an empty Ship, besides itt would bee a great hazard in a Winter voyage, he having been in the Country twelve months already, & for the same reasons we resolve to send home the Kent in Company with him, & to endeavour to dispatch the Josia in such due time, as she may save her passage about the Cape, & concerning the George we have little hopes as yett but that she will bee a Winter ship, (she touching att all the Factorys along the Coast) though we shall use our utmost endeavours, to dispatch her with all expedition after her arrivall here.

Cap^t Wil-
deys Charter
party taken
into consid-
eration.
● To be dis-
patcht by the
20th Instant.
The reasons.
The Kent to
be dispatcht
with him &
the Josia to
save her
passage.
The George
it is feared
will be a Win-
ter Ship.

Order'd that letters be wrott to Madapollam, Metchlepatam & Pettepollee Factorys, that if they have any remaines after the George is dispatch't from each place, that they immediatly send itt up hether upon some Country Vessells or Boates hoping itt may be here in time to go home by the Josia or the George.

Goods to bee
sent from the
Northern Fac-
torys in Ves-
sells or Boats.

Three Generalls viz^t To Madapollam, to Metchlepatam & to Pettepollee all of this date read & passed.

Three Genalls
read & past.

¹ &c. See notes on pp. 185 to 190.

The Welfare
to be
unloaded.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper unlade the 2720 Bags of Saltpeetre out of the Welfare, which are consigned to this Place.

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

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

8.
Genl from
Coodaloor.
Genl from
Conimeer.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 4th Instant.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 6th Instant.

Att a Consultation Extra^o.

Present :

Wensday 9.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Governor.

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

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

Chena Vencatadre & Sura Appana agreed to Sign the Obligation. [P] 6000 to be paid them. Sura Appana & the Dithwan that brought the Phirmaund & Tasharift.

This morning Chena Vencatadre & Sura Appana, having further considered upon the Obligation enter'd in this Book the 29th past did now consent to signe the same, upon which [it] is agreed, that for the former reasons in a Consultation dated the 29th of last moneth, the Six Thousand Pagodas be paid them, after they have signed the said Obligation & that three yards of fine Broad Cloth be given to Sura Appana & three yards of Serge, three yards of Ordinary Broad Cloth & five Pagodas to the Dithwan that brought the Phirmaund & five Pagodas amongst the rest that came with him, as hath been accustomed.

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

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Letter from
Ambogee
Puntolo.

Rec^d a letter from Ambogee Puntolo att Conimeer.

[A] Sloop
sailed for
Sumatra.
[P] 8000 paid.

The Sloop belonging to Doct^r Dowglasse in the Bay sailed hence for the Coast of ^s Sumatra.

Chena Vencatadre & Sura Appana having signed the Obligation the Six Thousand Pagodas was paid them this afternoon as agreed upon in the morning.

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 10.

The Governours Cash Book for the moneth of December read & passed the Ballance being ... P 11303 : 17 : 0.

Cash Book for [X] ber read and past. Genl Books for [9] ber read and past.

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

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

Warehouse day Book for X ber read & past.

The Customer M^r John Nicks his Book of Acc^{ts} for the month of December read & passed as followeth viz^t.

Customers Acc^{ts} for Decembr read & past.

Sea & Land Custome of Goods im-

ported & exported ...	...	P 4 : 06 : 62
Petty land Custome ...	...	" 49 : 06 : 10
Paddy Toll att the Banksall ...	...	" - : 32 : 30
Measurers duty ...	...	" 5 : 17 : 52
Weighers duty ...	...	" - : - : -
Broakeridge ...	...	" - : - : -
Register of Houses Slaves &c ^a ...	...	" - : 30 : -
Rent of the Godownes ...	...	" 6 : 13 : -

P 66 : 34 : 4

M^r John Nicks his Acc^t of the Mint for the moneth of 10. Dece[m^r] read & passed as followeth viz^t.

Mr John Nicks his acct of the Mint for X ber read & past.

1 Chest of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Gold N^o

R p the Josia produced Nett ... P 37803 : 13 : []

The Paymaster M^r John Littleton his Book of Accounts for the moneth of December read & passed as followeth Viz^t.

Paymasters Acc^t for Decembr read & past.

Charges Garrison ...	...	P 625 : 12 : 5
Charges Generall ...	...	" 401 : 32 : 5
Charges Dyett ...	...	" 164 : 32 : 5
Charges Cattle ...	...	" 40 : 13 : 1
Charges Merchandise ...	...	" 69 : 26 : 0
Acc ^t Fortifications Repaires &c ^a ...	...	" 254 : 01 : 5

P 1556 : 11 : 3

them, though we have spared them tenn^a Laskars for that purpose, itt appea[r]s to be wholly their faults if she be not laden and dispatched in due time.

[Thi]s Book
to[en]d.

Order'd that this Book do now end, the Coppy therof to be sent home by the Welfare to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a & a new one begun.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

18.
Capt Wildey
fired [a] gun
for full.

This morning Cap^t William Wildey Commander of the Ship Welfare, fired a Gun for a signe that his Ship was full.

Att a Consultation Extra^o.

Present :

Satterday 19.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

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

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

Genl to the
Honble
Compa read
& past.

A Generall to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a dated this day to be sent p the Welfare read & past & the Duplicate to go by y^e Kent.

Capt Wildey
& Capt

Cap^t William Wildey Commander of the Welfare his dispatch for England read & past.

Brennock's
dispatches
for England
read & past.

Cap^t Thomas Brennock Commander of the Kent, his dispatch for England read & past.

Mr John
Littleton's
Master of
Welfare &
Kents men.

—M^r John Littleton reports the Muster of Ship Welfare's men to be 43 Living & of Ship Kents men to be 23 living.

A Bill given
upon the
Honble
Compa.

Rec^d of M^r John Bigrig & M^r Elihu Yale fifteen hundred Pagodas for which a Bill is given upon the Hon^{ble} Comp^a payab[le] to ' M^{rs} Judith & Mary Sayon att Nine Shillings p Pagoda being Six hundred Seaventy five pounds Sterling.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Delivered Cap^t Wildey his dispatch for England with the Packett to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Bag of Particular letters, and Box of Books.

Delivered Cap^t Brennock his dispatch for England wi[th] the Packett to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a & Box of Books.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 16 Instant, wherin they advise of the death of M^r Dearing at Potonovo.

Rec^d Coppy of Coodaloor Generalls to Conimeer and thei[r] answers.

The Agent being ill & no business presenting the Council[ll] did not meet today.

This afternoon Cap^t Wildey & Cap^t Brennock went aboa[r]d and Some time after Sett Sail for England.

Rec^d a Generall from Metchlepatam dated the 11th Instant advising that the George arrived there that day,

Rec^d a letter from Doct^r Grudgfield dated the 12th Instant.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 20th Instant wth a pair of Bookes of Accounts.

Rec^d a Generall, from Vizagapatam dated the 3^d Instant with their Acc^t Cash, Stewards Acc^{ts} & Acc^t Currant for Oct^r & November, also Invoice & Bill of Lading for 318 Bales of Callicoos laden on board the George.

Rec^d a letter from M^r du Jardin att Vizagapatam Dated the 3^d Instant.

Rec^d Coppy of letter from M^r du Jardin to M^r Ramsden dated the 11th Instant.

Att a Consultation Extra^o.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

M^r JOHN BIRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

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

Order'd that the Ship Josia be dispatcht from hence on Tuesday or Wednesday next att farthest, for Conimeer & so to Coodaloor to take in what Bales they have in a readinesse, &

20. Capt Wildeys dispatch for England delivered him. Capt Brennocks dispatch for England delivered him. Genl from Coodaloor.

Coodaloor Genls to Conimeer & their answers. 21. Munday No Consultation. Capt Wildey & Brennock sett Sail for England.

Genl from Metchlep^a George arrived there. Letter from Dr Grudgfield.

22. Genl from Conimeer. Genl from Vizagapatam.

Letter from M^r Jardin.

Letter from M^r Jardin to M^r Ramsden.

Wednesday 23.

Josia to be dispatcht to Conimeer & Coodaloor.

The reason.

Bales to be sent in Boats to her.

Interlopers feared may have goods att Metchlepatam.

12 p Cent to be allowed their Merchants.

the reason

Governour ther to be discourst.

Conimeer & Coodaloor Factory's to be advised of the Josia's coming.

Mr Wilkes requests an allowance for fresh provisions.

to be consider'd of desires an order to be recd aboard the Josia with his Lady.

[& for] two of his family. Orders to be given him.

that the Bales from hence be sent after her, w^{ch} may be the occation of saving her passage, by reason that whilst she is lading there, the Merchants may bring in their Goods here to be Sorted & Baled & Sent to her on Boats, wherby we Shall gaine time in her dispatch, wh[ich] otherwise will endanger her Wintering.

Though we were in hopes that the^s Two Thousand Pagod[as] formerly given att Metchlepatam, might have prevented the Interlopers having any Goods there, yet upon their la[te] advice dated the 11th Instant, that they fear the Interlopers may by one meanes or other, have the overplus of their Good[s] provided, Itt is therefore agreed that a letter be writ to the Chief & Councill there, to allow their Merchants 12p Cent Intrest (If they can be persuaded to part with them soe) to Secure them from the Interlopers, Notwithstanding they must lye by, we having no ship att present to receive them, but that first of all, arguments be used wth that Governour to be as good as his word & prevent any Goods going off from thence.

Order'd that letters be writt to Conimeer & Coodaloor Factory[s] to advise them that the Josia will be dispatcht thether in a few dayes, that they may be in a readinesse against her coming.

Mr Timothy Wilkes now making his request to have an allowance for fresh provissions, for his homeward bound voyage, which he designes upon the Josia, Itt is agreed to be considered of tomorrow, & that in the meane time, the Registers be inquired into, what others have been allowed in this case, & likewise desiring an order for himself & Lady to be received aboard the

Josia, on the Honourable Companys account, and another for

Edward Bangus & Rebecca a Slave wench to Mr Wilkes he to pay for their passage, Itt is agreed that the said orders be given him.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Rec^d a letter from Braminee Accana to Braminee Lingapa.

23.
Letter from
Accana to
Lingapa.

Rec^d a letter from Braminee Ramana att^o Serrepe to the Agent Letter from
dated the 14th Instant. Ramana.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Gover^r.

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

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

Thursday 24.

M^r Timothy Wilkes his request which he made yesterday for Allowance
fresh provissions, being taken into consideration Itt is thought granted Mr
convenient to allow him Sixty Pagodas and ¹⁰a Mum Barrill of fresh provis-
sions.
Bear, there having been a proportionable allowance, formerly
granted to others upon the like occation.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

A Portugez ship from Vizagapatam arrived here.

24.
Ship from
Vizagapatam.

Four Generalls of this date Viz^t To Metchlepatam, To Cooda-
loor, To Conimeer & to M^r William Dixon Master of the Sloop
Mary were sent to the Councill for their approbation, then
Coppied fair, signed & Sent forward.

25.
Four Genlls
read & past.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 22th Instant with
Coppoy of their Dyary & Consultations for England.

26.
Genll from
Coodaloor.

This night about Nine a Clock the George Cap^t Earning
arrived in this road from Metchlepatam, & the Friends Endeavour
Ralph Harwar M^r from the Bay.

George
arrived from
Metchle-
patam.

This morning Cap^t Earning & Doctr Harwar came ashoar.

Doctr Harwar
from ye Bay.

27.
Capt Earning
& Doctr Har-
war came
ashoar.

Rec^d two Gen^{ls} from Metchlepatam dated the 22th Instant
with Invoice of Goods p the George.

TwoGeneralls
from Metch-
lepatam.

Rec^d Coppy of Cap^t Earnings letter to the Chief &c^a Councill
att Metchlepatam dated the 11th Instant, wherin he desire[s] to
be dispatcht to the ffort [&] not to Pettepollee.

Coppy of a
letter from
Capt Earn-
ing.

27. Rec^d a Generall from Vizagapatam dated the $\bar{p}^{mo}$ Instant.
 Genll from
 Vizagapatam.
 Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 10th Instant
 with Invoyce of goods $\bar{p}$ the George, & a List of their remaines.
 Genll from
 Madapollam.
 Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a dated
 the 10th Instant.
 Madapollam
 Genll to the
 Honble Comp^a
 Rec^d a Generall from M^r Thomas Lucas Cheief &c^a Council
 att Madapollam dated the 23th Instant.
 Genll from
 Mr Lucas &c
 att Madapol-
 lam.
 Munday 28.
 The Council
 mett.
 The Council mett but no businesse to proceed upon.
 29.
 Letter from
 Mr Dixon.
 Rec^d a letter from M^r William Dixon Master of Sloop Mary
 dated yesterday.
 Ship from
 Pegu.
 This night a Small Ship from Pegue arrived here.

Att a Consultation Extraõ.

Present :

Wensday.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Gove^r.

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

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

Generalls read
& past.

A Generall to Coodaloor of this date read & past.

A Generall to Conimeer of this date read & past.

Two Generalls to M^r William Dixon Master of Sloop Mary
 read & past.

30.
 Capt Owen's
 dispatch read
 and past.

Cap^t Nathaniell Owen his dispatch for the Southern Factorys,
 & thence for England read & past.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Genll from
 Conimeer.
 Capt Owen's
 dispatch deli-
 vered him.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 27th Instant.

This afternoon about four a Clock Cap^t Owens dispatch was
 delivered him, & he went aboard with M^r Wilkes & his Lady.

31.
 He Sett Sailed.

This morning the Josia Sailed hence for Conimeer.

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 31.

Whereas there hath been many complaints made to the Governour & Council by the Inhabitants of this place, of the great injuries & losses they have sustained by the Dutch their ¹¹ taking of Bantam, Itt is therefore thought convenient, having received their ¹² particular and Generall Petitions, that the latter be sent home to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a a copy wherof is to be entr'd att the end of this Book.

Complaint made by the Inhabitants of this place, their Petition to be sent to the Honble Comps.

Order'd that M^r John Littleton Purser goes aboard the George & muster the Ships company.

Mr Littleton to Muster Ship George's men. Europe goods to be unladed out of the George.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper unlade the Europe goods out of the George which she brought from Matchlepatam.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Pettepollce dated the 24th Instant with Copy of their Books of Acc^{ts} Stewards book of expences & Consultations for last moneth.

31. Genl from Pettepollce with Books.

A Generall to Conimeer of this date was Sent to the Council for their approbation, then Coppied fair, signed, and Sent forward.

Febr^y 2. pmo. Genl to Conimeer.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollce dated the 26th past.

Genl from Pettepollce. Genl from Matchlepatam with Books.

Rec^d a Generall from Matchlepatam dated the 24th past with Copy of their Books of Acc^{ts} Stewards Book of Expences, and Copies of their Letters sent.

Rec^d a Generall from Vizagapatam dated the 27th past, by M^r Fleetwood with two Country Vessells which bring 229 Bales of Calicoes besides ¹³ Farmerick and Europe goods.

2. Genl from Vizagapatam. Goods from thence.

Att a Consultation Extra^o.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Gove^r.

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

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

Saterday 2.

Genl to the
Honble
Compa.
Master of
Ship George's
men.
Vizagapatam
goods order'd
to Conimeer

A Generall to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a of this day date to be Sent by the George & the Duplicate by the Josia read & past.

Mr John Littleton reports the Muster of Ship George's men being 105 living.

for the Josia

Mr Charles Fleetwood arriving here this morning from Vizagapatam, with 229 Bales of Callicoos, Turmerick & Europe goods in two Country Vessells, Itt is order'd that he go aboard this evening, & make the best of his way to Conimeer with the said goods, that the 229 Bales of Callicoos may be laded aboard the Josia, except the Brown Cloth, if there be no occasion for itt, but the Turmerick & Europe goods to be left att the Factory till further order.

Also goods of
this Factory.

Order'd that 100 Bales of Callicoos of this Factory be sent to Conimeer, by a Country Vessell, & that two Englishmen, be sent with them for their Security, to be laded also aboard the Josia, which we hope will fill her, and so save her going to Coodaloor, which will be a great meanes for her to save her passage to England.

Genl to
Conimeer.

A Generall to Conimeer of this date read & past.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

3.
Genl from
Conimeer.
Genl to
Conimeer.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated yesterday.

A Generall to Conimeer of this date was sent to the Council for their approbation, then Coppied fair Signed and Sent forward.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

Munday 4.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Gov^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Two Genls
read & past.

Two Generalls Viz^t to Coodaloor & to Conimeer both of this date read & past.

4.
Capt
Earnings
dispatch for
England read
& past.

Capt Earnings dispatch for England of this date read & past.

Mr John Walker who formerly came out upon the Lancaster, having requested our order, for his return to England upon the George, Itt is agreed that itt be given him.

An order given Mr Walker for his passage to England upon the George.

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

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Att four a Clock this Afternoon Cap^t Earnings dispatch for England was delivered him & the Cap^t went aboard.

Capt Earnings dispatch delivered him.

This evening a Generall to Conimeer of this day date was sent to the Council for their Approbation, then Copied fair, Signed & Sent forward.

Genl to Conimeer.

This morning Cap^t Earning sailed hence for England.

5.
Capt Earning Sailed. Ship from Bengall.

This Evening the Rialta a Country ship arrived here from Bengall.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Conimeer dated the 4th Instant.

6.
Genl from Conimeer. Tyevan tal a.

Rec^d advice from ¹⁴Lampacon in China that ¹⁵the Tartars had taken Tyevan & the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} servants there, were in Prison.

Att a Consultation Extra^o. Afternoon.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Wensday 6.

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

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

A Generall to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a of this day date to be Sent to Conimeer to go by the Josia read & past.

Genl to the Honble Compa.

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

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Rec^d a letter to the Agent from Sangana dated p^{mo} Instant.

Letter from Sangana.

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.

A supply of
money
desired from
Pettepollee
P 1000 to be
Sent to
Pettepollee.

The Chief & Council att Pettepollee having advised us that they had but Pag^o 200 in Cash & desiring a Supply to defray Factory charges, Itt is order'd that Pag^o 1000 be sent them, which is more then we can well Spare, because we have but a small Cash left.

Letter to
Sangana.

A letter from the Agent of this day date to Sangana read & Past.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

8.

Genll to
Pettepollee
with P 1000

A Gen^l to Pettepollee of this day date was sent to the Council for the Approbation, then Copied fair signed and Sent forward with the P 1000 order'd yesterday.

Letter to
Bramine
with Lingapa.

A letter from the Agent to our Bramine that is with Lingapa approved & Sent forward.

9.

Letter from
Sangana.
Genll to
Vizagapatam.

Rec^d a letter from Sangana dated the 8th Instant.

A Gen^l to Vizagapatam of this day date was sent to the Council for their Approbation, then Copied fair, signed and sent forward.

Three Gentus
Letter's recd

Rec^d a letter from the Avaldar of S^t Thomé.

Rec^d a letter from our Braminee with Lingapa.

Rec^d a letter from the Vizagapatam Merchants.

10.

Ship for
Trangambar

This Morning the Portuguez ship that came from Vizagapatam Sailed hence for Trangambar.

Att a Consultation Extra^o in the Evening.

Present :

Sunday 10.

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

Having late last night rec^d a letter from Sangana (which is now translated) wherein he possitively writes us, that except we take the Cloth, which is provided for y^e Interlopers, & send some of our Merch^{ts} to Sort itt, with mony to pay for itt, wthin three dayes, that itt should be delivered to the Interlopers, he having agreed with them, as he did with us (¹³ as exprest in his letter) Itt was thought convenient upon this extraordinary occasion, to call the Councill, to consider about itt, And itt is agreed to pay our Merchants Pag^e 10000 to buy the same, att the usuall rates, to be sorted by our Musters here & that a letter be writt immediately to Sangana to acquaint him what we had done.

A letter from the Agent to Sangana read & past.

Sangana offers us the Cloth provided for the Interlopers.

P 10000 to be paid our merchants to buy itt.

Letter to Sangana.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

The Councill all mett but no business to proceed upon only a letter from the Agent to the Avaldar of S^t Thomé of this day date was read & past.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer dated the 9th Ins^t advising that the 8th they dispatcht the Josia for England.

A Country Vessell from ¹⁷ Raccan arrived in this Road.

Rec^d a letter from Sangana dated the 10th Instant.

Rec^d Coppy of Cap^t John Smiths letter to Sangana dated the 6th Instant which Sangana Sent us.

A letter from the Agent to Sangana was sent to the Councill for their Approbation then translated into Gentue, signed, & Sent forward.

Rec^d a letter from the ¹⁸ Teruffdar of the Carlinga Country & two papers signed by the Merch^{ts} & Inhabitants.

Munday 11.
No Consultation. Letter to the Avaldar of St Thomé.
Genl from Conimeer.
Josia dispatched.
Ship from Raccan.
Letter from Sangana.
Smiths letter to Sangana.

12.
Letter to Sangana.

Letter from Teruffdar of the Carlinga Country.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Cove^r.

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

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

Thursday 14.

The Governours Cash Book for the moneth of Janua^y read & past the Ballance being P 15450 : 21 : 0.

Cash Book for Janry read & past.

Journal of
the Genl
books read &
past.

The Journal of the Generall books of Acc^{ts} for the moneth of December read & past.

Warehousday
Book read &
past.

The Warehousday Book of Acc^{ts} for the moneth of January read & past.

14.
Customers
Book read &
past.

The Customer Mr John Nicks his Book of Acc^{ts} for the moneth of January read & past as followeth Viz^t.

Sea & Land Custome	...	...	P	29 : 28 : 61
Petty land Custome	...	...	"	40 : 07 : 14
Paddy Toll att the Banksall	...	...	"	— : 33 : 26
Measurers duty	...	...	"	8 : 16 : 33
Weighers duty	...	...	"	— : 06 : 40
Broakeridge	...	...	"	— : — : —
Register of Houses, Slaves &c ^a	...	...	"	— : 30 : —

P 75 : 14 : 86

Paymasters
Book read &
past.

The Paymaster Mr John Littleton his Book of Acc^{ts} for the moneth of Jany^{ry} read & past as followeth Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	...	...	P	620 : 19 : —
Charges Generall	...	...	"	288 : 19 : 5
Charges Dyet	...	...	"	128 : 22 : 4
Charges Cattle	...	...	"	36 : 02 : 4
Charges Merchandise	...	...	"	187 : 03 : 5
Acc ^t fortifications, Repairs &c ^a	...	...	"	154 : 18 : 4

P 1410 : 14 : 4

Paddy
Grounds to
be lett.

The Paddy Grounds belonging to y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^a being formerly lett by Agent Master & Council to Patsova Kismoma for P 60 p Anⁿ, who being very much behindhand in his payment of y^e Rent, Itt is agreed that the said Paddy Grounds be lett to sufficient Persons, att the same rate if we can, & that the said Patsova Kismoma, with what shall be found belonging to him be secured, till he hath paid his Arrears.

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

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Rec^d a letter from Lingapa dated this moneth, with his receipt for the Rent of the Town, & a Rocca from him to the Avaldar of Palliacatt. 14. Letter &ca from Lingapa.

Rec^d a letter from our Bramine that is with Lingapa dated this moneth. Letter from our Bramine with Lingapa.

Rec^d a Generall from Metchlepatam dated the 31th past, with Coppy of their Consultation Book, Invoice & Bill of Lading for 117 Bales of Callicoes p a Country vessell. Generall &ca from Metchlepatam.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 4th Instant. Genll from Madapollam.

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

This night about Eight a Clock Mr Charles Mell one of the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Factors departed this life. 15. Mr Mell dyed.

This morning Doct^r Harwar sailed hence for the Bay of Bengall. 16. Doct^r Harwar sailed.

A letter from the Agent to the Tarrufdar of the Carlinga Country was sent to the Council for their approbation, then translated into Gentue, signed and sent forward. Letter to the Tarrufdar of the Carlinga Country.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Conimeer dated the 15th Instant, with Coppy of their Generall to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a p the Josia dated the 6th Instant. 17. Genll from Conimeer.

This afternoon Sloops Mary & Conimeer arrived here from Coodaloor, the former with 120 Bales & the latter with 74 Bales of the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Callicoes. Sloops Mary & Conimeer from Coodaloor.

This night Mr Fleetwood & Mr Stubbs arrived here wth the two Vizagapatam Vessells from Conimeer. Mr Fleetwood & Mr Stubbs from Conimeer.

Rec^d a letter from our Merchants att Conjeveron, which went to buy the Interlopers Cloth of Sangana. 18. Letter from Conjeveron.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Gov^r.

Munday 18.

Mr JOHN BIGGIE. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Having this morning rec^d a letter from our Merch^{ts} att Conjeveron, wherein they express, how ill they were treated by Sangana, It is thought convenient that a letter be immediatly writt to Sangana about itt. Sangana treating our Merchts ill. A letter to him writt to him about itt.

The Sloops
&ca to be
unladed.
The Sloops to
be sent to
Coodaloor.
A letter to
Sangana.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper unlade the Sloops Mary & Conimeer & the two Vizagapatam Vessells, & that the two Sloops, as soon as unladed be sent to Coodaloor to fetch what Goods they have embaled.

A letter from the Agent to Sangana read & past.

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

[JOHN STAB]LES Sec^r.

19.
Letter from
Sangana.
Letter from
Trangambar.

Rec^d a letter from Sangana to the Agent with the Merch^{ts} obligation to Sangana.

A Danes Ship from Trangambar arrived here w^{ch} brought a letter to the Agent, with an Attestation from a Conicoply att Vizagapatam.

Genl from
Coodaloor.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated 14th Instant with In-voyses & Bills of Lading for the Goods p the two Sloops.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

Thursday 21.

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

Three letters
read & past.

Three letters from the Agent of this date Viz^t To Lingapa, To Sangana, To our Bramine with Lingapa read & past.

Genls to
Metchle-
patam & to
Vizagapatam.

Two Generalls of this date Viz^t To Metchlepatam & to Vizagapatam read & past.

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

JOHN STABLES Sec^r.

21.
Genl from
Pettepollee.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Pettepollee dated the 14th Instant with Invoice & Bill of Lading for Goods on a Country Vessell & Stewards Acc^t for December & January.

Genl from
Vizagapatam.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Vizagapatam dated 4th Instant with their Acc^t Curr^t & Acc^t Cash for December & January.

Rec^d a letter from Mr George Ramsden att Vizagapatam dated 5th Instant.

Ship Prospect Sailed this morning for the South Seas.

Two Gen^{ls} to Coodaloor & One to Conimeer, Mr Dixon's dispatch for Coodaloor & Mr Whedon's Master of Sloop Conimeer his dispatch for Conimeer were Sent to the Councill for their approbation, then Copied fair, signed & delivered to them.

The Danes Ship of Trangambar Sailed for Bengall.

Sloop Mary Sailed this afternoon for Coodaloor.

This evening Sloop Conimeer Sailed for Conimeer.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Conimeer dated the 22th Instant.

A Country Vessell called the Good Hope arrived here from Madapollam, which brings a Gen^l from thence dated the 9th Instant with Invoice of their Europe remains they send us by her.

No business offering the Councill did not Sett.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Coodaloor dated 21th Instant wth Invoice & Bill of Lading of Goods by a Country Vessell.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Pettepollee dated 13th Instant wth Acc^t of 93 Bales of Callicoos they Send us by two Boats.

A Small Sloop belonging to Antonio Fernando arrived here from Malacca.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

From Mr Ramsden.

22.
Ship Prospect Sailed.

23.
Genls to Coodaloor & Conimeer &c approved.

Danes [ship] Sailed.
Sloop Mary Sailed.

24.
Sloop Conimeer sailed.

Genl from Conimeer.
Genl from Madapolla
Munday 25.

No Consultation.
Genl from Coodaloor.

Genl from Pettepollee.

25.
Sloop from Malacca.

Thursday 28.

Genl to the Honble Compa.

Genl to Suratt.
Letter to the Avaldar of Palliacatt.

A Generall to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a to be sent via Suratt of this day date read & past.

A Generall to Suratt of this date read & past.

A letter from the Agent to Appauge Pontolo Avaldar of Palliacatt read & past.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Genl
from Madapollam.
March 2.
Genl from
Pettepollee.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated 18th Instant wth
Copy of their Consultations & Dyary for Decemb & Janua^r
Rec^d a Gen^l from Pettepollee dated 18th past with Copy of
their Consultations & Dyary & Acc^t Cash for last moneth.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Munday 3.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^t Agent & Govern^r.

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

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

Goods to pay
Godown Rent.

In regard the Goods that are imported into this place, are put
into the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Godown att the Sea Side, till they can be
examined, & the Custome paid, Itt is order'd that they have a
weeks time to clear the same, without paying any Warehous-
room, but if they are not taken away in that time, then to be
removed to the Curtain Godownes, if the coming in of other goods
require itt, they are to pay for such goods att the rates hereafter
sett down, Viz^t one fanam p Bale for peece goods, One fanam
p¹⁹ Candy for all dead goods, as Copper, Tynn, Tutanagg &c^a and
two fanams p Candy for gruff goods, as Tobacco, Turmeric,
Hemp &c^a p month, & proportionably for such quantity & time
as they shall continue there.

Mr Mohun
request.

M^r Richard Mohun being att Acheen & desiring leave to be
in the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} ffactory there, Itt is thought fitt to permitt
itt, & accordingly this following writing is order'd to be sent
him.

Granted.

We the Agent & Councill of Fort S^t George do grant leave to
M^r Richard Mohun to reside in the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} ffactory att
Acheen (so farr as the care therof concernes us) before any
other particular person whatsoever, till any of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as}
Servants come thither, & shall have occation to make use therof
in their Affaires, only the said M^r Richard Mohun, is to keep the
ffactory house, the Godownes & Compound in good repair.

Our People
to come from
Covelon.

A Ship belonging to the Merchants of this place, being sent to
Covelon for Rice, & to return in a short time, Itt is thought con-
venient that our people there, take the oppertunity of coming
hither upon her, lest Sangana should hinder them att another
time, if they should continue there any longer.

Sangana
breaking his
agreement.

Sangana having broake his agreement with us & permitted the
Interlopers to Ship off part of their Cloth att Covelon, we now

resolve not to pay the Merchants y^e Pag^o 10000 formerly order'd for the buying therof, but to send itt to our Factorys, as we shall have occation, & att present we do order P 5000 to be sent to Coodaloor for the Portonovo Investment, & P 1000 to Pettepollee for their expences, after which is sent, here will remaine but a very small Cash, which we reserve for the Charges of this Garrison, & supplying the other ffactorys with a little, as there shall be occation; & because there is yet remaining a great summe to make up the Poto novo Investment, to be paid by the latter end of Aprill next, Itt is agreed to take up in the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} name and under their Seal Ten Thousand Pagodas att Nine p Cent Intrest if to be had, till we have a Supply to pay itt off.

P 10000 not to be paid to buy interlopers cloth. P 5000 to be sent to Coodaloor and P 1000 to Pettepollee.

A great summe to be paid att Poto Novo. P 10000 to be taken up att Intrest.

Having lately rec^d a Generall from Madapollam, wherin they desire a Small Supply of money, to bring their Merchants into a joynt Stock, wherby to avoid the vyeings that happen in buying & Selling their goods in the Country, & to Sett the Weavers awork upon a Sort of Cloth, which for lengths, breadths & goodness, they beleive will please the Hon^{ble} Comp^a & they hope will prevent the many complaints which have formerly been of that Factory. Itt is thought fitt to order them to discourse their Merchants about itt, & if they can bring them to such an agreement, upon advice of itt, to send them Pag^o Three Thousand, to enter the Merchants & employ the Weavers.

Proposalls from Madapollam considered of.

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

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

The writing order'd yesterday for Mr Mohun was this day sent him.

4. Mr Mohun's writing sent him.

This day Pag^o 1000 was sent to Pettepollee and Pag^o 5000 to Coodaloor, with two Generalls to advise them of itt.

P 1000 Sent to Pettepollee P 5000 to Coodaloor with two Generalls. 5. Provisions Stopt.

There has been a report for Severall dayes of the stopage of provisions from coming into Town, & to day we have a complaint that the neighbouring Juncaneers have bea[ten] & abused some people that were bringing in of firing &c^a provisions.

Sloop Mary arrived from Coodaloor with 116 Bales of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Callicoes.

Sloop Mary arrived.

Genl from
Coodaloor.

6.
Letters from
Palliacatt.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor p Sloop Mary dated the 27th past, with a Bill of Lading for the Callicoos by her.

Rec^d a letter from the Avaldar of Palliacatt.

Rec^d a letter from the Governour of Palliacatt.

Att a Consultation.

Present ;

Thursday 6.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Gover.

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

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

Sloop Mary
to be unladed.
To be Sent to
Coodaloor.

Provisions to
be sent from
thence.

Letters read
& past.

Pilott of the
Nabobs Ship
escaped from
Palliacatt.

he is found in
Town.

Offers Secu-
rity.

Order'd that the Warehonskeeper unlade Sloop Mary & that she be dispatcht to Coodaloor with all expedition if possible to gain that Port, & if they do not fully lade her with Bales, to send provisions, for a Supply of this Garrison, & also in Boats, till we order the contrary, here being none permitted to be brought into Towne.

These following Letters from the Agent read & past Vizt.

To Lingapa att Serrepe. To Sangana att Conjeveron.

To our Merchants detained by Sangana att Conjeveron.

To Bundalela Shawhe att Carera. To Madana and Accana & our Braminee att Golcondah. To our Braminee with Lingapa.

This morning having rec^d a letter from the Governour of Palliacatt, wherein he adviseth that Mancet de Medeiros Barreto, a Pilott of one of the Nabobs Ships, who had agreed in Bengall to carry the ship to Jaffnepatam, & to return again to Bengall (& had given the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Chief Dubas there, for his Security to perform his agreem^t) had brought the said Ship into Palliacatt road, in his way from ²⁰Jaffnepatam to Bengall, and refusing to return, was escaped from thence to this place, who upon enquiry being found in Towne, was sent for, & made acquainted that he must go to Palliacatt, and make up the businesse there, which he promised to do on Saterdag morning; before which time he may do the same here, as he did att Palliacatt. Itt is therefore thought fitt, to Sett a guard upon him, or that he may give good Security for the performance of his promise, but he desiring not to be confined, he offers to bring Fardinando Tores-hom an Inhabitant of this place to be ingaged for him. Itt is order'd that if the

said Fardinando Tores-hom, will be his Security, that he have his liberty till that time.

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

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

This afternoon Fardinando Tores-hom signed the engagement as agreed upon the morning. The Pilotts Security Signed.

Sloop Conimeer arrived from Coodaloor with 87 Bales of the Hon^{ble} Comp^a which the Warehouskeeper is to unlade. Sloop Conimeer arrived.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated 29th past wth Invoice of the Callicoos by Sloop Mary & Invoice & Bill of Lading of the goods p Sloop Conimeer. Genl from Coodaloor.

A Generall to Coodaloor & Mr Dixons dispatch for that factory both of this day date, were sent to y^e Councill for their approbation, then Coppied fair, Signed and delivered to him. 8.
Genl to Coodaloor & Mr Dixons dispatch.

This morning early Sloop Mary William Dixon Master, sailed for Coodaloor. 9.
Sloop Mary sailed.

This afternoon arrived the Providence Peter Dod Master from Pagu, also the Mammode James Hawkes Master from Pettepollee, who sailed thence the 10th past, but meeting with contrary winds, did not arrive till now. A Sloop from Pegu.
A ship from Pettepollee.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dated the 10th past. Genl from Pettepollee.

Rec^d a letter from Lingapa, Sangana & our Egib with Lingapa. Letters received.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Gover^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Munday 10.

A Generall to Vizagapatam read & past.

Order'd that the Warehouskeeper unlade the Goods p the Mammode James Hawks from Pettepollee. Genl to Vizagapatam.
Ship from Pettepollee to be unladed

Sloop Conimeer to be
dispatcht to
Coodaloor.

Vizagapatam.
Tandell
Tasheriff.

Letters read
and past.

Order'd that the Sloop Conimeer be dispatcht to Coodaloor with all expedition, & if she be not fully laden with Bales, to bring provisions to fill her up.

The ²¹ Tandell that brought the Vizagapatam Vessells hither having been very willing & diligent in going from hence to Conimeer with the goods after the Josia, Itt is agreed to Tasheriff him with yards 2½ of Perpetuanos, to encourage him, if the like occasion should happen hereafter.

Three Letters from the Agent Viz^r to Lingapa. To Sangana, to our Egib with Lingapa read & past.

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

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

10.
Our people
arrived from
Covelon.

Alley Sailed
by from
Durampat.

11. Letters
from Gopall
Pundit
& Sanerojee
Pontolo.

Sloop Conimeers dis-
patch for
Coodaloor.
Letter to
Palliacat.

12.
Sloop Conimeer Sailed.
Mr Fleet-
wood re-
turned for
Vizagapatam.

Ferdinando
Torshome
sent to Pal-
liacat.

Dutchmen
passed by.

The Ship that was sent to Covelon for Rice, arrived here this afternoon, with our People upon her.

This afternoon Interloper Alley in the Lumley Castle sailed by this place from Durampat.

Rec^d a letter from Gopall Pundit & from Sanerojee Pontolo both att Shillemburam.

Sloop Conimeers dispatch to Coodaloor & a letter from the Agent to Govern^r of Palliacat were approved of by the Councill.

Sloop Conimeer sailed this morning for Coodaloor.

Mr Charles Fleetwood in one of the Vizagapatam Vessells sett sail this morning for Vizagapatam.

The Pilott having made his escape from the person that was engaged for him, he was this day sent to Palliacat in his room to answer for those things y^e Pilott ought to have done.

Sen^r Seroyen & another Dutchman from Palliacat passed by to the Southward, to meet their Governo^r who is gone to vissit those Factorys.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Gov^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Thursday 13.

The Govern^r Cash Book for the month of Feb^r read and past
the Ballance being Pag^o 12811 : 03 : 0.

Govern^r
Cash Book
read and past.

The Journall of the Generall Books of Acco^{ts} for the month of
January read & past.

Journall of
the Genll
Books read &
past.

The Warehouseday Book of Accounts for the month of Feb-
ruary read & past.

Warehous
day Booke
read & past.

The Customer Mr John Nicks his Book of Acc^{ts} for the
month of Febru^r read & past as followeth Viz^t.

Customers
Book of
Acc^{ts} read &
past.

Sea & Land Custome	...	...	Pag 283 : 05 : 15
Petty Land Custome	...	...	25 : 24 : 58
Paddy Toll att the Banksall	...	...	1 : 27 : 73
Measurers duty	...	...	14 : 32 : 34
Weighers duty	...	...	2 : 10 : 08
Register houses Slaves &c ^a	...	...	- : 32 : -

P 328 : 24 : 63

Mr John Nicks his Acc^t of the Mint for the month of Feb-
ruary read & past as followeth Viz^t.

Rec^d for Mintage duties upon particulars persons Gold coyned
P 7190 att 1/2 P Cent P 35 : 34 : 0.

Mint Book of
Acc^{ts} read &
past.

The Paymaster Mr John Littleton his Book of Acco^{ts} for the
moneth of February read & past as followeth Viz^t.

Paymasters
Book of
Acco^{ts} read &
past.

Charges Garrison	...	...	P 585 : 16 : -
Charges Generall	...	...	257 : 33 : 3
Charges Dyet	...	...	129 : 12 : 5
Charges Cattle	...	...	24 : 28 : 5
Charges Merchandise	...	...	107 : 19 : 2
Acco ^t fortifications, Repairs &c ^a	...	...	187 : 26 : 4

Pag^{os} 1463 : 29 : [1]

The 10th Instant in the Evening a large Ship appearing
wth English Coulers, & supposed to be designed for this
Port, Mr Jos^b Hiller, who is assistant to the Customer, went

Joseph Hiller
dismist his
employment.

off without leave, but when he came near, & found itt was Alley the Interloper, yet unadvised he went aboard, Itt is therefore thought fitt to dismiss him from his imployment, for the present, that itt may be an example for others to take care how they do the like.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGHIE.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

14.
Genll from
Coodaloor.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 8th Instant.

15.
Genll from
Metchle-
patam.
Monday 17.
No Consul-
tation. Gene-
ralls read &
past.
Ship from
Acheen yt
brought a
boat from
the Ship
Ann.

Rec^d a Generall from Metchlepatam dated the 4th Instant.

The Councill all mett but no business offer'd only five Generalls Viz^t to Madapollam, to Metchlepatam, to Pettepollee, to Coodaloor & to Conimeer read & past.

A Ship belonging to the Portugues arrived from Acheen which brought a noat from the Chief Mate of the Anne Cap^t Leonard Browne Commander, who had been Seaven months out of England, bound for the Bay of Bengall, but was going into Acheen to refresh his men.

18.
Letter to
Palliacat.

A letter from the Agent to the Avaldar of Palliacat was approved by the Councill & sent forward.

19.
Genll
from Mad-
pollam.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 8th Instant with Coppy of their Dyary, Consultations, Acc^t Cash & Pursers Acco^t Currant for the month past.

Genll from
Mr Lucas &
Mr Northey
att Vizagapā.

Rec^d a Generall from Mr Thomas Lucas & Mr Benjamin Northey att Vizagapatam, dated the 3^d Instant.

Sloop Good
fortune from
Coodaloor.

Sloop Good fortune arrived here from Coodaloor & brought a Generall dated 17th Instant, with Invoyce & Bill of Lading for 154 Bales of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Callicoes p said Sloop.

Thursday 20.
No Consulta-
tion. Letters
to Gopall
Pundit &
Sanrogee
Pontolo.
Letter from
Sangana.

The Councill met but no businesse to proceed upon, only two letters from the Agent Viz^t to Gopall Pundit & Sanrogee Pontolo read & past.

Rec^d a letter from Sangana dated 18th Instant.

Pinke Saphir arrived here this afternoon from Lampacoa & brought a letter from on board the Carolina directed to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a.

Pinke Saphir arrived from Lampacoa. Gont to the Honble Comp^a her. Letter from our Brameny. 24. From Interloper Smith.

Rec^d a letter from our Brameny att Golcondah.

Rec^d a letter from Smith the Interloper att Covelon.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Gove^r.

Munday 24.

M^r JOHN BIGHIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.

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

Having rec^d advice from M^r Lucas and M^r Northey att Vizagapatam that there is such confusion in the Acc^{ts} & other affaires att that Factory that they have thought fit to suspend²³ the Chief & second for the present, Itt is therfore agreed that they be order^d to stay there, till they have made up the Acc^{ts} & put the business in good order, and then to return to Madapollam, leaving M^r Brereton and M^r Fleetwood to take care of the Factory till we shall order another Chiefe.

Disorders att Vizagapatam Factory.

The Chief & Councill att Coodaloor, having advised us that there wants Pag^o 29000 to pay the Merchants there, & att Porto Novo, & in regard we have but a very little Cash, & can take up no mony att interest, Itt is agreed they be advised therof, that they may either slacken the Investment, or if the Merchants have or will bring in their Cloth, to allow them 12 p Cent intrest, till we have a supply to pay them.

Mr Brereton and Mr Fleetwood to take care of the Factory. F 29000 wanting att Coodaloor & Porto Novo. Order to slacken the investment, or to allow intrest 12 p Ct.

The Right Worp^d the Agent having rec^d a letter this morning from Smith the Interloper att Covelon, dated y^e 22th Instant, wherein he adviseth that he understands [M^r] Davis att Coodaloor, had mony of Will^m Barrows deceased in his hands, & that he is impowered by a letter of Atturney from his Widdow to receive & desiring that M^r Davis might pay the mony to him. Itt is agreed that M^r Davis be advised that he may pay itt if he pleaseth for that the Hon^{ble} Comp^a will have nothing to do with itt, but if he scruples the payment of itt, till itt be recovered by Law, (as he writes he doth) to lett him know that the Court is open, but we have no order from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a to permit any Interloper, to appear here personally, & the same he may advise M^r Smith of, which may serve for an answer, to Smiths letter to the Agent, itt being thought convenient not to write to him about itt.

Interloper Smith desires Mr Davis may pay him money.

Mr Davis may pay itt if he pleaseth. No Interloper permitted to appear personally in this Court.

Our Brameny
att Golcondah
put into
Prison.

Having rec^d advice from our Brameny Vira Ragavia att Golcondah, that upon the receipt of a letter from Lingapa, his Lord^{sh} Accana one of the Chiefe Ministers of State there, had put him into Prison, where he was kept three dayes, and found no way to be released, but by making his application to Velagandela Vencana, who after much perswasions had used his interest and procured his liberty, for which he desires he may be gratified, Itt is therefore order'd that our Brameny do give him Fifty Pagodas (out of the Money he hath of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} in his hands) for his kindnesse.

His liberty
procured.
The person to
bee gratified
that procured
it.

Letter to
Sangana &
Genll to
Madapollam.

A letter from the Agent to Brameny Sangana att Conjeveron, and a Generall to Madapollam both of this day date read and past.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

1684. 25.
Ship Thomas
from Bengall.
Two Genls
from thence.

Ship Thomas William How Commander arrived here from Bengall, & brought two Generalls from thence dated the 12th & 15th of last month, with Invoyce & Bill of Lading of Packing Stuff p said Ship, also Invoyce of Saltpetre & Factors provissions p Ship George.

26.
Four
Generalls read
& past.

Four Generalls of this date, Viz^t to Coodaloor, to Madapollam, to Metchlepatam & to M^r Lucas & M^r Northey att Vizagapatam, were sent to the Councill for their approbation, then Copied fair, signed & sent forward.

Att a Consultation—

Present :

Thursday 27.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent and Gover^r.

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

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

Letter to our
Brameny.

A letter from the Agent to our Egib Brameny Vira Ragavia att Golcondah read & past.

Salary to be
paid.

Order'd that the Salary pay^a to the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Servants in this place, & due the 25th Instant be paid them.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Sloop Conimeer arrived here, having endeavoured to get to Coodaloor or Conimeer, but y^e Monsoon being hard set in, could not.

Mr Willcox arrived here from Conimeer.

Sloop Mary arrived from Coodaloor & brought a Gen^l from thence dated the 27th Instant, with Invoice & Bill of Lading of Bale Goods & provisions by her, also Copy of their Gen^l to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a p the Josia dated the 5th of febr^y 1684.

28.
Slo p
Conimeer
returned.
Mr Willcox
arrived here.
29.
Sloop Mary
from Cooda-
loor &
brought a
Generall from
thence with
Copy of their
Gen^l to the
Honble
Comp^a p
Josia.
Provisions
come in.
30.
Easter day.

Provisions were this day permitted to brought into Towne.

This being Easter day, according to Custome there was 25 great Guns, & 4 Volles of small Shot fired.

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.

Munday 31.

Brameny Vordapa, having been entertained to attend att Golcondah about the Interlopers business & now se[nt] his acc^t of wages due to him amounting to Pag^o for[t]y nine, Itt is order'd that M^r John Littleton purser do pay the same.

Brameny
Vordapa's
bill to be paid.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Rec^d a letter from Appange Pontolo Avaldar of Palliacat to the Agent dated the 26th Instant.

Ship Adventure arrived here from Manilla.

31.
Letter from
Appangee
Pontolo.
April 2.
Ship Adven-
ture from
Mauilla.

A man
indicted for
Murther.
Thursday 3.
No Consulta-
tion.

A Black fellow was this day indicted for Murther & the Bill found against him.

Letter to
Appagee
Pontolo.
Genll to
Coodaloor.

The Council met but no business presented, only a letter from the Agent to Appage Pontolo & a Gener^l to Coodaloor, both of this date, read & past.

Mr Grudg-
feild from
Metchle-
patam.

M^r James Grudgfeild arrived here this Evening from Metchlepatam.

4.
Moors Ship
from Achcen.
Genll from
Madapollam.
Mr Lucas &
Mr Northeys
return to
their Com-
mission.

A Moors Ship from Achcen arrived this morning.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 24th past.

Rec^d M^r Lucas & M^r Northeys returne to the Commission given them to examine the differences att Vizagapatam dated the 22th past, with their Consultations whilst they were there, also an Acc^t of their expences in the Journey dated the 13th of last month.

Genll from
Coodaloor.
4. Letter from
Lingapa &
from our
Brameny.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Coodaloor dated the 31th past.

Rec^d a letter from Lingapa & another from our Brameny resident with him.

Moors Ship's
Cable brook.
drove to the
Northward.
Two English-
men went
[a]board to
assist them.

The Moors Ship that arrived here this morning, haveing but one rotten Cable aboard, & the Wind blowing fresh this afternoon, her Cable broak, & having no other, for fear of being drove ashore, they set Saile, & stood to the Northward, and two Englishmen Viz^t Henry Whedon and John Younge went aboard to give them their assistance.

5.
Man found
guilty of
Murder.

The man that was indicted for Murder the 2^d Instant was this day tryed for his life, and found guilty, and Sentence past upon him.

Designs to
take a Sloop
out of this
road.

A designe lay'd by Severall Englishmen, of this Garrison, to have taken a Sloop out of this road, & turned Pirats, was discovered, & most of the Conspirators put into Irons.

Ship Mah-
mude for
Achcen.
Small Ship
from Achcen.

The Mahmude James Hawkes Master sailed hence for Poto Novo, being designed for Achcen.

A Small Ship belonging to Bernardo Medan a Portugues Inhabitant of this place, arrived from Achcen.

Letter from
Mr Ramsden.

Rec^d a letter from M^r George Ramsden att Vizagapat[am] dated the 17th past.

Letter from
Appage
Pontolo.

Rec^d a letter from Appage Pontolo Avaldar of Palliacat.

The Councill met but no business to proceed upon onl[y] a letter from the Agent Appauge Pontolo Avaldar of Palliacat read & past.

M^r Jardin arrived here from Vizagapatam.

Rec^d a letter from the Tarrufdar of the Carlinga Country.

This morning the man was Executed, which was try[ed] the 5th Instant.

Ship Annapourna arrived here from Tenasseree.

Munday 7.
No Consultation.

Letter to Appauge Pontolo.
M^r Jardin from Vizagapatam.

Letter from Tarrufdar.

9.
Man executed.

Annapourna from Tenasseree.

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.

Order'd that Five hundred Pagodas be paid M^r John Willcox to carry on their building att Conimeer.

Thursday 10.

P 500 for Conimeer.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Rec^d a letter from Bandalela Shawhee & another from Tarrufdar Vencana.

A Ship belonging to Doct^r Dowglas in Bengall arrived from Acheen.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 8th Instant.

This afternoon about 5 a Clock the Portugues Pilot that had made his escape, was brought hither from Coodaloor, having been found there, in a Portugues Padrees house, & about 11 a Clock att night, said Pilot was sent to Palliacat with a guard.

11.
[Le]tters received.

12.
[S]hip from Acheen.
[G]enl from Coodaloor.
[P]ortugues Pilot brought [fr]om Coodaloor & sent [to] Palliacat.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Pettepollee dated the 3^d Instant with Coppy of their Consultations Dyary, Acco^t Cash, & Stewards Acco^t of Expences, for the months of February & March.

[G]enl from Pettepollee.

Munday 14.

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.

[K]ing of
Syam sends
[go]ods
hither. [Se]a
Custome
2 p Cent.

[N]one to be
demanded
[fo]r said
Goods.

[T]hereasons
why.

Mr Brown
orderd
Chiefe of
Vizagapatam.

The King of Syam, having sent severall goods hither by a Country Vessell, to be disposed of, the Sea Custome wherof being two p Cent, Itt is thought convenient not to demand the same, to oblige him therby, in regard the Hon^{ble} Comp^a have a ²⁴ disigne to settle a ffactory att Syam, & that hitherto they having paid no Custome for their trade there, if wee should take itt here, itt may be an occation of his demanding the same att Syam, of the Hon^{ble} Comp^a for their past and future trade, & many other inconveniencies may happen therby, for that the Moors Governm^t att Metchlepatam, & the Bay having taken Custome from some of his servants, he so highly resents itt, that he hath turned the Moors out of his Government & Country and is building Ships to take satisfaction of them.

The Factory att Vizagapatam, being att present unsettled, by reason of the removall of the Chief. Itt is agreed that M^r Richard Browne being next in Succession, be ordered to go Chief of that place.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

15.
Generall
from Madapollam.

16.
Letter from
Appange
Pontolo.

17.
Generall
from Surat.
A rebellion
att Bombay.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 3^d Instant.Rec^d a letter from Appagee Pontolo Avaldar of Palliacat to the Agent.

Rec^d a Generall from Surat dated the 22th feb^y advising that the Officers & Souldiers in Bombay, had ²⁵ Seized the Fort, & that the President & ²⁶ were gone down to endeavour to reduce itt.

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 17.

Order'd that Pag^o 1000 be paid Mr John Willecox for [P]1000
Conimeer Factory, & Pag^o 1400 to the Washers. for Conimeer.

The Govern^rs Cash Book for the month of March read & [Go]vrs
past the Ballance being P 6021: 03: 0 Cash Book
read & [p]ast.

The Journall of the Generall Books of Acc^{ts} for the Moneth [Jour]nall of
of February read & past. the Genl
Books [re]ad
& past.

The Warehousday Book of Acc^{ts} for the moneth of March [Warehous
day] Book
read & past.

The Customer Mr John Nicks his Book of Accounts for the [Cus]tomers
month of March read & past as followeth Viz^t. Acc^{ts} read
[an]d past.

Sea and Land Custome	...	...	P 179: 24: 68
Petty land Customes	...	...	4: 20: 79
Paddy Toll att the Banksall	...	...	1: 21: 38
Measurers duty	...	...	8: 31: 62
Weighers duty	...	...	4: 11: 39
Register of Houses Slaves & ^{ca}	...	...	-: 08: -

P 199: 10: 77

Mr John Nicks his Acc^t of the Mint for the mon[th] of Mint Acc^t
March read & past as followeth Viz^t. read & past.

Rec^d for Mintage duties upon particular persons Gold coyned
P 2484 att 1 p Cent P 12: 06: 0.

The Paymaster Mr John Littleton his Book of A[cco^{ts}] for Paymasters
the month of March read & past Viz^t. Acc^{ts} read
& past.

Charges Garrison	...	...	Pag ^s 59[8]: 5: []
Charges Generall	...	...	340: 7: []
Charges Dyet	...	...	133: 8: []
Charges Cattle	...	...	039: 31: []
Charges Merchandise	...	...	89: 2: []
Acc ^t ffortifications, Repairs & ^{ca}	...	...	262: 27: []

Pag^s 1463: 9: []

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

18.
Four men rid
the Wooden
horse.

Four of the Conspirators about running away with Sloop out of the road, ²³ Rid the Wooden horse, there we[re] Nine concerned that threw the Dice upon the Drum[s] head, five of which were to escape, their examinati[ons] are entred att the end of this Consultation Booke.

[Let]ter to
Conjeveron.

A letter from the Agent to our Merchants att Conjeveron approved by the Councill & sent forward.

19.
[Let]ter from
our Egib.

Rec^d a letter from our Egib Brameny Vira Ragavia.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Monday 21.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esqr Agent & Govern^r.

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

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

Genll to
Coodaloor.
[L]etters
read & past.

A General to Coodaloor & these following letters from the Agent Viz^t to Appangee Pontolo, to Bundalela Shawhee, to Lingapa, to our Egib with Lingapa, and to Tarrufdar Vencana, all of this date read & past.

[O]ne of the
Sloops att
Ma[d]apollam
to be sent to
the Bay.

The Sloops att Madapollam, order'd for the Bay, being supposed to be finished, according to advice rec^d from thence, & the Chief & Councill there, having recommended a Pilott, Itt is therfore agreed that they be order'd to send the said Pilott down with one of the Sloops, & that care be taken to provide another for the other Sloop.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

23.
St George's
day.
Thursday 24.
No Consulta-
tion.
A letter to
our Egib.
Three Genlls
read & past.
25.
Letter from
Sangana.

This being St Georges day there was 23 Great Guns & 4 Vollies of Small Shot fired as hath been usuall.

The Councill met, but no business offered only a lette[r] from the Agent to our Egib Brameny Vira Ragavia [&] three Generalls Viz^t to Madapollam, to Surat, and to Metchlepatam all of this date read & past.

Rec^d a letter from Brameny Sangana att Conjeveron.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Vizagapatam dated the 10th Instant with their Acc^t Currant as stated by Mr Lucas &c^a also Stewards Acc^{ts} for the four last months, Copy of their Consultations, and Acc^t Cash for the last month, and Copy of a writing left by one of their Merchants that run away.

27.
Genl & ca
from
Vizagapatam.

Rec^d a letter from ²⁷ Domingo de Porto att St Thomá dat[ed] this day.

Letter from
Domingo de
Porto.
Sloop
Swallow from
Coodaloor.
General from
thence.

Sloop Swallow arrived here from Coodaloor, & brought a General dated the 25th Instant, with Bill of Lading for 86 Bales of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Callicoes p her.

Att a Consultation—

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Gov^r.

Munday 28.

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

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

Order'd that Pag^e 100 be paid the Taylors an acco[^t] of making Shirts & Shifts, that Pag^e 400 be sent to Vizagapatam & Pag^e 400 to Coodaloor Factorys.

P 100 to
be paid the
Taylors.
[P] 400 for
Vizagapatam
[P] 400 for
Coodaloor.

Order'd that the Warehouskeeper begin to lade the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} bales of Callicoes aboard the Annapourna for Manilla.

Honble
Compas
goods to be
lad^d on ye
Annapourna
for Manilla.
Sloop
Swallow
to be unladed.
Sloops Mary
& Conimeer
to be sent to
Madapollam.
Doctors Mate
to be sent to
Domingo de
Porto.

Order'd that the Warehouskeeper unlade Sloop Swallow.

Sloops Mary & Conimeer not in a condition to send to the Southward, being out of repair, Itt is therefore agreed that they be dispatcht to Madapollam to be fitted up.

Domingo de Porto att St Thomá, having desired that we would send him the Doctor, he being very much indisposed & wanting help, Itt is order'd that the Doctors Mate bee sent to him, the Doctor himself not being to be spared.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

28.

Letter from
Appange
Pontolo.

29.

Genll &ca
from Surat.

Rec^d a letter from Appangee Pontolo Avaldar of Palliacat.

Rec^d a Generall from Surat, dated the 17th March 1684 wth Coppy of their Generall dated the 22th Febr^y last; and a publick Declaration put forth by the President against the mutineers in Bombay dated the 29th febr^y last.

Genlls &ca
from the
Honble
Comp^a Via
Surat.

Rec^d two Generalls from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Via Surat, one dated the 20th July the other y^e 14th August last, & a letter fro[m] S^r Josia Child to the Agent & Councill dated the 26th July 16 [83] with Coppy of the Kings ²⁵ new Charter to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a and an ²⁹ order of Court for repealing an order of the 29th 8b^r 16[80].

Letter from
St Thomá
Avaldar.
Thursday
May fmo
No Consulta-
tion.

Rec^d a letter from the Avaldar of S^t Thomá.

The Councill met but no businesse, presented only a letter from the Agent to the Avaldar of S^t Thomá read & past.

Letter to
St. Thomá
Avaldar.
A Ship from
Bengall.

A Ship from Bengall arrived here this morning.

2.
Genll from
Madapollam.
Moors Ship
Safe att
Corango.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 21th past, advising that Henry Whedon & John Younge, were arrived there, and that they had left the Moors Ship which was blown out of this road the fourth of last month safe att Corango.

3.
Avaldar of
Palliacat
came hither.
He would
have a ship of
ye Duans
laded for
Mannilla.
The
Governr
answer.
he returns to
Palliacat.
Munday 5.
No Consulta-
tion.

This morning the Avaldar of Palliacat came hither, who pretended to have demands upon one⁸⁰ M^r Brewster a Pilott of this place, for speaking words against the Duans Ship att Acheen, but took no notice of itt when he was here, though Mr Brewster was ready to answer for himself, & after he had been here some time, he told the Governour that there was a Ship of the Duans, that he would have laded from this place for Manilla to which the Govern^r made answer that the Merchants were free, and they might lade upon that Ship, or upon what other they pleased, so he took his leave saying he would come again in the afternoon, but instead of doing so, he returned to Palliacat.

Genll to
Vizagapa
& Letter to
Sangana read
& past.

The Councill met, but no business offered, only a Gener^{ll} to Vizagapatam, & a letter to Brameny Sangana att Conjeveron read & past.

Ship sailed
for Bengall.

A Ship which came from Acheen sailed hence for the Bay of Bengall.

A Generall to Coodaloor was approved by the Council & sent forward with Pag^o 400 order'd the 28th of last mth for said Factory.

A Portugues Ship sailed hence for Trangambar.

7.
Genll to
Coodaloor
with P 400.

Ship for
Trangambar.

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 8.

M^r Henry Whedon who was Master of Sloop Conimeer being now att Madapollam, Itt is order'd that he carry one of the new Sloops into the Bay, and that Ducan Mackentosh take care of Sloop Conimeer to carry her to Madapollam and that he have another Englishman for his assistance.

Mr Whedon
to carry a new
Sloop into the
Bay.
Ducan
Makentosh to
carry Sloop
Conimeer to
Madapollam.
Mr Jardin to
returne to
Vizagapatam.

Order'd that M^r Clement du Jardin returnes to Vizagapatam, to prepare Acc^{ts} with M^r Ramsden, against wee send down another Chief to Settle them.

A Generall to Madapollam, A letter from the Agent to Gopall Pundit, & a Generall to Vizagapatam all of this date read and past.

Generalls read
and past.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

The Pag^o 400 order'd the 28th of last month for Vizagapatam Factory, was this day sent thither p three Peons overland.

This evening M^r Grudgfeild sett out for Coodaloor.

Rec^d a letter from our Egib with Lingapa.

9.
P 400
sent to
Vizagapa.
Mr Grudg-
feild set out.
10.
Letter from
our Egib.

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 12.

Taylor's to be
paid the
Ballance of
their acc^t.

The Taylors having compleated their contract of making Shirts & Shifts, and now brought in their Acc^t, Itt is order'd that the f.

Ballance therof be paid them being P 90 : 11.

Mr Hiller
restored to
his employ-
ment.

M^r Joseph Hiller having been for some time dismiss his employment for going aboard Alley, & now making his humble Petition to be restored, (a Coppy wherof is enter'd next after this Consultation) declaring itt was done for want of consideration, & not out of any desigue to prejudice the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Itt was taken into consideration, and there being a want of one to assist the Customer att the Sea Side, itt is thought convenient to put him into his former imployment, till we shall receive a supply of Servants from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a he having promised to be very carefull and dilligent for the future.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

To the R^t Worpth William Gyfford Esq^r Agent & Govern^r &c^a Worpth Councill of Fort S^t George, Madraspatam.

The Humble petition of Joseph Hiller

Most humbly Sheweth.

That wheras your Petitioner having contrary to the Govern^{mt} of this place & without leave from your Wor^{sh} &c^a gone off on board of Cap^t W^m Alley an Interloper passing by this place, by which great misdemeanner your Petitioner having highly offended your Wor^{sh} &c^a Councill in so much that you have been pleased to dismiss him of his place, you were pleased to intrust him with, in service of the Hon^{ble} English East India Comp^a your Petitioner having not anything to plead in his own behalf, for this his so great folly in breach of this Govern^{mt} wholly relys on the mercy of your Wor^{sh} &c^a Councill to pass itt by itt being his first fault.

Wherefore your humble Petitioner doth most humbly implore your Wor^{sh} &c^a Councils gracious consideration on the part & behalfe of your said Petitioner, in permitting him into his former imploy, in the Hon^{ble} English East India Comp^a Service, where your Petitioner shall make itt his whole Study, to serve faithfully & industriously

Joseph
Hillers
Petitioner

never to offend in the like case, or in any other ways for the future.

And your Petitioner as in duty bound shall for ever pray &c^a.

Sloop Ruby arrived from Coodaloor & brought a Gen^l dated the 10th Instant, with their Acc^t Cash, Teggapa's acc^t of expences, Invoice of Sloop Swallows goods, & Bill of Lading for 134 Bales of Callicoes p Sloop Ruby.

Ship Good Neighbour W^m Norgrave Master arrived from Surat & brought a Generall from thence dated 28th March last with Coppy of their Generall dated 17th ditto, & Coppy of the Kings new Charter to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a.

Rec^d a Generall from the Governour of Trangambar.

12. Sloop Ruby from Coodaloor. Generall from thence. Ship Good Neighbour from Surat. Generall from thence.
13. Letter from Trangambar.

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 15.

Order'd that Pag^o 150 be paid to George Paulin Master of Sloop Ruby as desired in Coodaloor Gen^l dated the 10th Instant.

P 150 to be paid to the Master of Sloop Ruby. Letters read and past.

A Generall to Coodaloor, A letter to our Egib with Lingapa & A letter to the Governo^r of Trangambar read & past.

Order'd that Gunays, Roap & Twine be sent to Porto novo p Sloop Swallow.

Packing stuff to Coodaloor.

Being in dayly expectation of a Ship from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a wherby we may receive fresh advices from their Hon^{rs} which we think convenient for the more expedition to send p Ship Thomas into the Bay, & having advice that there is a quantity of Bales ready att Conimeer, Itt is order'd that the said Ship Thomas be dispatcht thether to fetch them in the meane time.

Ship Thomas to be sent to Conimeer. j.

The Governours Cash Book for the month of Aprill read & past the Ballance being ... P 85[] 8: 19: 0.

Cash Book^l read & past.

The Journall of the Generall Books of Accounts for the month of March read & past.

Journall of the Genll Books read and past.

The Warehouse Book of Acc^{ts} for the month of Aprill read & past.

Warehous day Book read and past.

Customers
Book read
& past.

The Customer Mr John Nicks his Book of Acc^{ts} for the month of Aprill read & past as followeth Viz^t.

Sea & Land Custome	...	...	P	162 : 30 : 44
Petty land Custome	...	...		51 : 23 : 15
Paddy Toll at the Banksall	...	...		1 : 13 : 09
Measurers duty	...	...		9 : 33 : 23
Weighers duty	...	...		8 : 12 : 37
Register of houses, Slaves &c ^a	...	...		2 : 02 : 75

P 236 : 08 : 20

Mint Acct
read & past.

Mr John Nicks his Accto^t of the Mint for the month of April read and past as followeth Viz^t.

Rec^d for Mintage duties of particular persons Gold coyned
Pag^o 10889 att ½ p Cent ... P: 54 : 16 : 0.

Paymasters
Book read
and past.

The Paymaster Mr John Littleton his Book of Acc^{ts} for the month of Aprill read & past as followeth Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	...	...	P	601 : 34 : x
Charges Generall	...	...		264 : 17 : 2
Charges Diett	...	...		136 : 15 : 3
Charges Cattle	...	...		31 : 13 : 2
Charges Merchandise	...	...		64 : 20 : 5
Acc ^t Fortifications, Repaires &c ^a	...	...		395 : 03 : 0

Pag^a 1393 : 30 : 0

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Ship Good Neighbour sailed hence for Bengall.

15.

Ship for
Bengall.

16.

Genl from
Metchle-
patam.

Genl from
Ballasore.

Two Genls
from the

Honble
Compa^y the
Ann.

Box with
Commissions.

Rec^d a Generall from Metchlepatam, dated the 7th Instant which brought us a Gen^l from Ballasore dated the 3^d of last month, with two Gen^{ls} from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a which they rec^d from aboard the Ann, dated the 6th & 13th June last past, with Coppy of the Anns Charterparty, & a box with Commissions to examine Witnesses touching M^r Master & M^r Cholmley.

The box with the Commissions delivered the Commissioners.

The Com-
missions
delivered.

A Dutch ship & Sloop passed by for Palliacat from st Co[lu]mbo.

17. Dutch Ship
passed by.
Letter from
our Egib.

Rec^d a letter from our Egib with Lingapa.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Madapollam dated the 8th Ins^t with Coppy
of their Consultations, & Dyary & Acc^t Cash for March & Aprill.
The Councill met but no businesse offered.

18. Genl from
Madapollam.
19. Munday
No Consulta-
tion.

M^r How acquaints the Agent & Councill that he could by no
meanes get his Lascars to go to the Southward, they having agreed
in Bengall to go no further then this place.

Mr How's
Lascars.

M^r Dixon & M^r Mackintosh their dispatches for Madapollam
also a Generall to Madapollam, were approved, signed and deli-
vered to them.

20. Dispatches
for two
Sloops & a
Genl to
Madapollam.
Genl from
Coodaloor.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated y^e 17th Instant with
Invoyce of goods p Sloop Ruby.

This night Sloops Mary & Conimeer sailed hence for Mada-
pollam.

Sloops sailed
for Mada-
polla.

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.

o
Thursday.
22.

Orderd the P 300 be sent to Coodaloor & P 500 to Mada-
pollam.

Pago
orderd
to be sent.
Letters read
and past.

A Gen^l to Coodaloor, & a letter to our Egib with Lingapa
read and past.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

The P 300 order'd this morning for Coodaloor was sent
p Peons.

22.
P 300 sent to
Coodaloor.
23.

Rec^d a letter from Bundalela shawhee with Coppy of a letter
from him to Tarrufdar Vencana.

24.
Gentle
letters
read.

Munday 26.
No Consulta-
tion.
Three Ganlls
read & past.

Rec^d a letter from Lingapa, from our Braminee wth Ling p
& from Braminee Vira Ragavia with him also att present.

The Councill met & no business presented only three Gener
Viz^t to Metchlepatam, to Madapollam, & to Vizagapatam res
& past.

Sloop Ruby
to Coodaloor.
27.

Sloop
Swallow also.
28.

Letter to
Lingapa.
P 500 sent to
Madapollam
Bengali Sloop
Sailed.

Sloop Ruby sailed hence for Coodaloor.

Sloop Swallow sailed hence for Coodaloor.

A letter to Lingapa was approved, signed & sent forward.

Pag^o 500 sent to Madapollam p Peons overland.

Bengall Sloop Sailed hence for the Bay.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Thursday 29.

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

Four letters
read & past.

Four letters from the Agent Viz^t to Braminees Ramana,
Vira Ragavia both with Lingapa, to Bundalela Shawhee
Tarrufdar Vencana read & past.

Dollars
formerly
deposited
by Capt
Goodlad
in the Honble
Compas Cash
to be sent
to the Bay
p Ship
Thomas.

Capt Richard Goodlad having formerly deposited in the
Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Cash, (as p Consultation dated 5th Jan^{ry} 1688,
two Bags of p^s of $\frac{3}{4}$ which he was to carry into the Bay, or
wherof was for M^r Charles Cross q^t 197 p^s pz oz. 171 & the
dwt.

other for M^r Rob^t Hedges q^t p^s 41 $\frac{3}{4}$ pz oz. 37 : 08 $\frac{1}{2}$ which I
requested the Agent in writing to send downe in one of the
Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Chests to the R^t Worp^d William Hedges Esq^r
Agent in the Bay, for Acc^t of the aforesaid persons, (2^d Copy where
follows this Consultation) Itt is therefore agreed that the said
two bags of p^s $\frac{3}{4}$ be sent to the Bay p the Ship Thom^s
William How Master, she being the first Ship belonging to the
Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} bound from this place thether since the receipt
said mony, & to be consigned as desired by the said Cap^t Goodlad

P 500 to be
paid the
Washmen.

Order'd the Pag^o 500 be paid the Washmen.

The Merchants having not yet wholly compleated their last years contract, & having many goods by them which the Warehouskeeper refused, being short of the Musters then agreed upon, the said Cloth being now befor[e] us, 'tis thought the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} intrest^d to take them upon proportionable abatements, Viz^t A sort of fine Neckel^o q^t 18 in a p^a to be Sorted & received upon a third & fourth sort, to differ in price as the first & second numbers do, also a parcell of Beteelaes not so good as our Musters to be rec^d altogether att Page 27 p Corge which wee esteem a considerable abatment and very cheap.

Calicoes to be recd of the Merchts upon abatment.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^a in their Generall dated 14th August 1683 having order'd M^r John Bigrig to continue Godownkeeper, (besides having the charge of the Books as second) in pursuance of the said order, M^r Yale is hereby order'd to deliver up the remaines & charge of the Godown to M^r Bigrig, att the end of the next month, in which time we hope the Merchants may comply with the last years contract, which being so near a conclusion, & the rest of the business having past through M^r Yales hands, it is thought convenient that itt be finished by him.

Mr Bigrig to take the charge of the Godown the end of June next.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

This being y^e Kings birthday there was 29 great Guns & four vollies of small shot fired as accustomed.

Rec^d a letter from Gopall Pandit dated this month.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 28th Instant.

Rec^d a letter from the Governour of Trangambar.

Rec^d a Packet p Ship Trevitore from Syam, which was brought thether from Tywan, & was directed to the Agent which was opened & contained Viz^t Tywan Journall and Leidger, Coppy of their Acc^t given in to Sego, Coppy of Sego's Petition to the Emperour in their name, Generall letter, Coppy of their Consultations, & Coppy of their order to Solomon Loyd.

29.
The Kings birthday.
30.
Letter from Gopall Pandit.
Genl from Coodaloor.
Letter from Trangambar.
Packet from Tywan.
The contents of the packet.

This day M^r Freeman & M^r Field arrived here y^e former from Metchlepatam & the latter from Madapollam.

30.
Mr Freeman & M^r Field arriv'd.
31.
Letter to Trangambar.

A Letter from the Agent to the Governour of Trangambar, approved, signed & sent forward.

Letter from
Trangambar.

Rec^d a letter from the Governour of Trangambar.

June pmo
Ship from
Goa.

This evening arrived in this Road a Ship from Goa.

Munday 2.
No Consulta-
tion.

The Councill met but noe business presented.

Ships
Rochester &
Beaufort
from
England.

This day att noon Ships Rochester & Beaufort with the Charles & Rochester Sloops come to an anchor in this Road from England.

The Com-
manders came
ashoar &
brought two
Packets from
the Honble
Compa.

This afternoon Cap^t Dyke & Cap^t Nicholson came ashoa[r] & brought with them two Packets from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a directed to the Agent & M^r John Bigrig, & was order'd to be opened by them only, which was done accordingly.

Ship Roches-
ter &
Beaufort to
be unladed.

This afternoon the Councill met & the Warehousekeeper was order'd to unlade the Treasure & Goods out of the Rochester & Beaufort with all expedition.

3.
Letter to
Appauge
Pontolo.
Letter to
Trangambar.

A letter from the Agent to Appauge Pontolo Avaldar of Palliacatt, & another to the Governour of Trangambar approved, signed & Sent forward.

3.
Ship Royall
James
arrived from
England.
Packet from
the Honble
Compa.

Ship Royall James, ³³ S^r John Wetwang Commander, arriv'd here this afternoon, & the Parser come ashoar, & brought with him a Packet from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a directed to the Agent & M^r John Bigrig, & order'd to be opened by them only, w^{ch} was done accordingly.

Treasure
&c^a brought
ashoar.

This day the Gold & Silver p the Rochester & Beaufort & the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} servants M^r Gray & M^r Fownes, as also the Souldiers came ashoar.

Genll from
Coodaloor.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated 31th past.

M^r Gray of
Councill here.

M^r ³⁴ John Gray being order'd by the Hon^{ble} Comp^a to be one of Councill here, he was acquainted therewith.

M^r John
Wetwang
&c^a came
ashoar.

This morning S^r John Wetwang came ashoar, & with him M^r ³⁵ Thomas Child one of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} factors.

Royall James
to be unladed.

The Councill met this morning & the Warehousekeeper was order'd to unlade the Treasure p the Royall James.

Treasure
&c^a brought
ashoar.

This afternoon the Treasure & Souldiers p the Royall James came ashoar.

FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1684:

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

MR JOHN BIGRIG. MR ELIHU YALE.

MR JOHN NICKS. MR JOHN LITTLETON.

MR JOHN GRAY.

Thursday 5.

A Generall to Coodaloor dated the 2^d & 5th Instant & a letter from the Agent to Gopall Pundit read & past.

Genll to
Coodaloor.
Letter to
Gopall
Pundit.
Report of
the weight
of one Chest
of Gold.

Mr Elihu Yale & Mr John Littleto[n] report the weight of one Chest of Gold N^o C p Ship Beaufort weighed off to the Shroffs

oz. dwt. gr.

of the Mint yesterday pz 3,276 : 11 : 11 which is over oz 1 : 00 : 11 of what invoiceed.

Order'd that Mr John Gray goes aboard the Royall James Rochester, Beaufort & two Sloops and Muster y^e men aboard them.

Ship Compa
to be
Muster'd.

The Iascars aboard the Ship Thomas having refused to go to the Southward & the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Ships from England being arrived, Itt is agreed that she be dispatcht to the Bay but in her way to touch att Metchlepatam, & Vizagapatam to carry Mr Richard Browne from the former being order'd Chief of the latter & to carry from hence Treasure for the Northern ffactorys, which the Warehousekeeper is order'd to lade on her as followeth Viz^t.

Ship Thomas
to be dis-
patcht to the
Northern
ffactorys,
with Treas-
ure.

To be left att Metchlepatam 19 Chests of Silver Viz^t:

For Madapolam Factory ... 5 Chests.

For Metchlepatam ... 10 d^{to}.

For Pettepollee ... 4 d^{to}.

To Vizagapatam Factory 3 Chests.

The Officers & Souldiers, which came by the Royall James, Rochester & Beaufort, being in a poor condition and Strangers att this place, It is agreed that they have two months pay advanced to provide them with necessaries & provissions.

Two months
pay to be
advanced
to the new
Souldiers.

Edward Dutton who was the ring leader of those who intended to have run away with a Sloop out of this Road, having been kept a long time in Irons, to be sent home by the first Ship, to answer for his crime there, having now delivered in his Petition, (Coppay wherof is entred next after this Consultation) Itt is thought fit to turn him out of Towne, without further punish-

Edward
Dutton to
bee turn'd
out of
Towne.

ment, but if he shall returne then itt is agreed, that he be sent to England without fail.

Sr John
Wetwang
& Capt
Nicholson to
be dispatcht
to Covelon
to seiz
Smith the
Interloper.

Having rec^d orders from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a to proceed against the Interlopers to the full extent of those authorities granted them by his Maj^{ty} what ever the consequence be, & Smith the Interloper in the Constantinople Merch^t being still at Cove- lon, Itt is agreed that S^r John Wetwang in the Royall James, & Cap^t John Nicholson in the Beaufort, with the two Sloops Charles & Rochester, bee ordered to proceed thether, and seiz upon him & bring him into this Road, (Copp^y of which orders are enterd next after this Consultation) & that the said Commanders have a sight given them of his Maj^{ties} new & second Charter granted to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a.

Their orders
read &
past.

S^r John Wetwangs & Cap^t Nicholson's orders to proceed for Covelon dated the Sixth Instant were read & past.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGGIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Edwd Dut-
tons Petition.

To the R^t Wor^{sh} W^m Gyfford, Esq^r Agent for Affaires of the Hon^{ble} English East India Comp^a on the Coast of Chromandell &c^a & Govern^r of Fort St George.

The humble Supplication of Edw^d Dutton

Humbly Sheweth.

That wheras your Humble suppl^t being seduced & enticed by the instigation of some evill designed persons, to attempt a crime contrary to the Rules of honesty and obedience, for which your Wor^{sh} hath been pleased to committ him a Prisoner, not without desert, of which crime he is most sencibly toucht, how highly & deservedly he has incurr'd your Wor^{sh}s displeasure, of whom he hath received many undeserved favours, doth humbly acknowledge his great fault, & the deserving of what punishment your Wor^{sh} may please to inflict upon him, & humbly throws himself att your Wor^{sh}s feet, begging & imploring your Wor^{sh}s pardon, for this great offence, & a releasm^t from his heavy Iron bonds, & Imprisonm^t which hath, & will dayly impair his health, & bring him to a very low & feeble condition, he not only begs this for his owne sake, but for his fathers, who was a faithfull

Serv^t to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a, & for the sake of his relations in England.

So hoping your Wor^{ps} clemency & mercy may extend to your poor & humble suppl^t to a pardon of his fault & releasm^t from Prison.

He shall ever pray as in duty bound &c^a.

To S^r JOHN WETWANG Com^{mander}
of Ship Royall James.

S^r John
Wetwangs
order to
proceed to
Covelon.

His Maj^{ty} the King of England our Sovereigne Lord, having granted the Hon^{ble} English East India Comp^a full power & authority to enter into any Ship or vessell & to make seizure of the same, that shall be found in these Parts of the East Indies, contrary to his Royall will & pleasure, & you having likewise rec^d a Commission from his said Maj^{ty} & orders from the Hon^{ble} East India Comp^a to impower you to do the same, we therfore the Agent & Councill of Fort St. George for the said Hon^{ble} East India Comp^a do by their order (there being now an Interlopers ship the Constantinople Merch^t John Smith Mast^r att Covelon) require you immediatly to repair aboard your Ship, weigh Anchor, & set sail for that Port of Covelon, & there seiz upon the said Interlopers Ship & bring her into this Road of Madras, according to the Authority, granted the Hon^{ble} East India Comp^a by his Maj^{ty} in his new & second Charter, which we have now given you a sight of, which refers also to the former besides you very well know, his Maj^{ties} Proclamation is out against all Interlopers Cap^t Nicholson in the Beaufort is to accompany you, & follow your orders, & you may take along with you the Sloops Charles & Rochester, whose Commanders are also to follow your orders & the Souldiers aboard you are to obey your Commands as formerly, Dated in Fort S^t George the sixth day of June 1684.

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

To Cap^t JOHN NICHOLSON,
Commander of Ship Beaufort.

Capt Nicholson's order to proceed to Covelon.

His Maj^{ty} the King of England our Sovereigne Lord having granted the Hon^{ble} English East India Comp^a full power & authority to enter into any ship or vessell, & to make seizure of the same that shall be found in these Parts of the East Indies, contrary to his Royall will and pleasure, & you having likewise a Commission from his said Maj^{ty} & orders from the Hon^{ble} East India Comp^a to impower you to do the same, we therefore the Agent and Councill of Fort St^e George for the said Hon^{ble} East India Comp^a do by their order (there being now an Interlopers ship the Constantinople Merchant John Smith Master att Covelon) require you immediatly to repair aboard yo^r Ship, weigh Anchor, & set Saile for that Port of Covelon & there seiz upon the said Interlopers ship, & bring her into this Road of Madras, according to the Authority granted the Hon^{ble} East India Comp^a by his Maj^{ty} in his new & second Charter, which we have now given you a sight of, which refers also to the former, besides you very well know his Maj^{ties} Proclamation is out against all Interlopers, you are to accompany S^r John Wetwang in the Royall James, whose orders you are to follow & the souldiers aboard you are to obey your commands as formerly, Dated in Fort St^e George the 6th of June 1684.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

6. Sr John Wetwang & Capt Nicholson's orders delivered.

Delivered S^r John Wetwang & Cap^t Nicholson their orders to Seiz the Interloper Smith att Covelon, & they went aboard.

7. Royall James & Rochester sailed for Covelon. Generall from Surat.

This morning early the Royall James & Rochester with the two Sloops sailed out of this Road for Covelon.

8. Sr John Wetwang & Capt Nicholson returned.

Rec^d a Generall from Surat dated the 25th Aprill last.

S^r John Wetwang & Cap^t John Nicholson with the two Sloops arrived here this evening from Covelon, the former having chast the Interloper as farr as Sadraspatam, but he having weighed as soon as S^r John was in sight, could not effect the designe of seizing on him.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Munday 9.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.M^r JOHN GRAY.

M^r John Gray reports the Master of the 3 Ships & 2 Sloops
Comp^a Viz^t the Royall James 150 men living 1 dead, Ship
Rochester 159 men living 7 dead, ship Beaufort 159 men living
8 dead, Sloop Charles 7 men living & Sloop Rochester 11 men
living.

Ships Compas
Master'd.

Henry Prince master of Sloop Charles & Robert Waters
mast^r of Sloop Rochester being desirous to serve the Hon^{ble}
Comp^a in this Country. Itt is order'd that they be continued
Masters of said Sloops, as they came out of England.

Masters for
Sloop Charles
& Rochester
entertained.

Four Generalls viz^t to Vizagapatam, to Metchlepatam, to
Pettepollee & to Madapollam read & past.

Four
Generalls
read & past.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Agent & Govern^r.

Thursday 12.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.M^r JOHN GRAY.

A Generall to Bengall & M^r Hows dispatch for that place
read and past and delivered to him.

Genll to
Bengall &
Mr Hows
dispatch.

S^r John Wetwangs son Samuell being recommended to us
by S^r Josia Child to be taken into the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} service in
the degree of a Factor, Itt is order'd that he be entertained we

Sr John
Wetwangs
son Samuell
entertained.

having occasion for people to be sent to the Subordinate
ffactorys.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIG.
ELIHU^e YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

12.
Mr How
sailed for
Bengall.

This evening⁸⁰ M^r How set sail for Bengall.

14.
Genll from
Pettepolleo.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepolleo dated the 6th Instant wth
Copp^y of their Consultations, & Dyary, Acc^t Cash, & Stewards
Acc^{ts} for the months of Aprill & May.

16. Loyall
Resolution
arrived.
Packet from
the Honble
Compa.

This morning arrived the Loyall Resolution Cap^t fran Will-
shaw Commander, & his son came ashoar & brought with him,
the⁸⁷ Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Packet.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Munday 16.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r ⁸⁸ President & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r JOHN ELIHU YALE.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

Packet
opened.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Packett was opened & perused.

Resolutions
goods to be
unladed.
One Chest of
Gold to be
unlade.
the reasons.
500 Pigs of
Lead to be
continued
aboard the
Resolution.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper unlade the goods out of
the Resolution, and wheras there is Treasure aboard which is
order'd by the Hon^{ble} Comp^a to be sent in to the Bay, among
which there is one Chest of Gold, wherupon there would be a
certain loss if sent thether, Itt is therfore order'd that the same
be taken ashoar here, because we shall want stock to compleat
the lading of the Ships from this place, & altho our Merchants
here, & our severall ffactorys could dispose of the 1000 pigs of
Lead, yet upon Cap^t Willshaws request to have 500 pigs con-
tinued aboard to make his Ship fitting to go into the Bay, Itt
is order'd that they be continued aboard.

P 300 to be
pd Brick-
makers.

Order'd that Pag^o 300 be paid the Brickmakers.

Order'd that the Sloops Charles & Rochester be dispatcht to the Southern Factorys, & that the Warehouskeeper lade the following goods & Treasure upon them Viz^t upon the former for Portonovo 1 Bale of Scarlet Cloth, 10 Bales of Broad Cloth, 20 Pigs of Lead, 3 Cask of Allum, for Coodaloor, 8 Chests Silver, 2 Bales of Scarlet Cloth, 20 Bales broad Cloth, 50 Pigs of Lead, 3 Cask of Allum, & upon the latter for Conimeer 5 Chests of Silver 2 Bales Scarlet Cloth 30 Bales broad Cloth 70 Piggs of Lead & 5 Cask of Allum.

Sloops
Charles &
Rochester to
be sent to the
Southern
factorys with
Goods &c.

Order'd that the following goods be sent to the Northern Factorys, Viz^t.

Goods order'd
for the
Northern
factorys.

For Madapollam, Viz^t

0 Chests of Silver.
2 Bales of Scarlet Cloth.
20 Bales broad Cloth.
60 Pigs of Lead.
14 Cask of Allum.

For Metchlepatam, Viz^t

00 chests of Silver.
3 Bales of Scarlet Cloth.
20 Bales broad Cloth.
100 Pigs of Lead.
14 Cask of Allum.

For Pettepollee, Viz^t

0 Chests of Silver.
1 Bale of Scarlet Clo.
8 Bales broad Cloth.
5 Cask of Allum.

For Vizagapatam, Viz^t

0 Chests of Silver.
1 Bale of Scarlet Cloth.
5 Bales of broad Cloth.
1 Cask of Allum.

Mr Elihu Yale & Mr John Littleton report the weight of two Chests of Gold p the Royall James weighed off to the Shroffs of the Mint the 14th Instant Viz^t.

Report of the
weight of
two chests
of Gold.

oz. dwt. gr.

oz. dwt. gr.

No. A pz 3362 : 18 : 12 which is 0 : 08 : 12 over of the Invoice.

No. B. pz 3360 : 05 :—which is 1 : 05 less then the Invoice.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
JOHN BIGRIC.
ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

This evening the Annapourna sailed hence for Manilla.

16.
Annapourna
for Manilla.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Servants by the Resolution came ashoar.

Honble
Compas
servants
came ashoar.

Letter from
Tarrdr
Vencana.
Capt Will-
shaw came
ashoar.

Rec^d a letter from Tarrufdar Vencana.

This morning Cap^t Willshaw came ashoar.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

Thursday 19.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Govern^r.

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

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

Resolutions
men to be
Muster'd.
The Merchts
discours'd
about Europe
goods.

Who are to
attend the
President
into the Bay.

Generall to
Surat.
China goods
offering to
Sale
order'd to be
bought.

Orderd that M^r John Gray go aboard the Resolution & Muster the Ships Company.

The Merchants were sent for & discours'd about the Europe goods, but they desired till too morrow morning to consider together about itt, & then they would give their answer.

The President being order'd by the Hon^{ble} Comp^a to go downe into the Bay to settle Affaires there, Itt is thought convenient that he take with him one of the Councill, the Secretary one Factor & a Writer with such other attendants as is necessary.

A Generall to Surat of this date read & past.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^a having orderd us to procure what China goods we could, & the Merchants of this place having a considerable quantity of severall sorts, as Silks, Musk, Tea, ³⁹ Rubarb, Bowles, Teacups &c^a Itt is therefore thought convenient & order'd that the same be bought of them att the following prises for their Acc^t to be laden on the Royall James hoping she may be att home by the March sale, & this we the rather do because their Hon^{rs} Ship the Carolina, which they sent to China last year was disappointed of a trade there, & the Hon^{ble} Comp^a advising us that their Callicoes sould low the last year the particulars as followeth.

The prises of
the Severall
Sorts.

Musk att Pag^o 37 p Cattie

Raw Silk att Pag^o 55 p M^d.

Tea att Pag^o 90 p Pecull.

³⁹ Rubarb att P 45 p Pecull.

Bowles Cou^d att P 2 p

Coog.

Bowles Smaller att P 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ p

Corg.

Teacups att P 14 p mil.

⁴⁰ Pelongs att P 6 p p^a.

⁴¹ Damasks att P 8 p p^a.

Collerd Silks att P 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ p p^a.

Gold & Silver Stuffs att P

30 p p^a.

Silk Stockings att f 18 p p^a.

⁴² Flowers att P 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ p box.

⁴³ Gelongs Red att P 4 p p ^s .	Sattins att P 7 p p ^s .
Coulard Raw Silk att P 50	Striped Silks att P 3 p p ^s .
p m ^d .	Silver Stuffs att P 16 p p ^s .
Gelongs white att P 3 p p ^s .	flowerd ⁴⁴ Taffaties att P 6½ p p ^s .
Black Sattins att P 8 p p ^s .	⁴⁵ Gold flowerd Loes att P 7½ p p ^s .
Flower'd Sattins att P 10	
p p ^s .	

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

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Att a Consultation Extr^o.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Presid^t & Govern^r.
M^r JOHN BIGRIG. M^r ELIHU YALE.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

Friday 20.

The Merchants having been discoursed yesterday morning about the Europe goods & having desired till this morning to consider about itt, they came & gave in their answer, that since the difference between Lingapa and us was not made up, they durst not venture to send anything up the Country, & desired to be excused making any agreement till that was accommodated which being taken into consideration, Itt is agreed that a letter be writ to Lingapa to acquaint him therewith, and to desire him to set our Merchants att liberty to accomodate the difference between us, & to give our Merchants his Cowle that they should not be molested in their trade, in any kind whatsoever, which if he refused to do, that we must make our Investment in other places.

The Merchants reasons why make no agreement about the Europe goods.

a letter to be writ to Lingapa about it.

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

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

21.
Genll from
Suratt.

Rec^d a Generall from Surat dated the 10th May 1684.

Gentle
letters read.

Rec^d a letter from Sangana & Narranapa att Conjeveron from Braminee Vira Ragavia att present with Lingapa, from our Braminee resident with Lingapa, & a letter from Braminee Vira Ragavia & our Braminee with Lingapa.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Munday 23.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Govern^r.

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

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

Cash Book
read & past.

The Presidents Cash Book for the month of May read & past the Ballance being P.

Journall of
the Generall
Books read
and past.

The Journall of the Generall Books of Acc^{ts} for the month of Aprill read & past.

Warehou-
day Book
read and past.

The Warehouday Book of Acc^{ts} for the month of May read & past.

Customers
Book read
and past.

The Customer M^r John Nicks his Book of Accounts for the month of May read & past as followeth Viz^t.

Sea & Land Custome	...	...	P 238 : 31 : 33
Petty land Custome	...	...	53 : 05 : 31
Paddy Toll att the Banksall	...	...	2 : 30 : 44
Measurers duty	...	...	11 : 28 : 15
Weighers duty	...	...	4 : 08 : 01
Register of Slaves Houses &c ^a	...	...	2 : 26 : 75

P ... 313 : 23 : 30

Mint Acct
read & past.

M^r John Nicks his Acc^t of the Mint for the month of May read and past as followeth Viz^t.

Rec^d for Mintage duties of particular persons Gold coyned Pag^o 1342 att ½ p Cent P 6 : 26 : 0

Paymasters
Book read
and past.

The Paymaster M^r John Littleton his Book of Acco^{ts} for the month of May read & past as followeth Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	...	...	...	P 608:15:0
Charges General	...	...	...	286:21:—
Charges Dyet	...	...	...	137:15:[4]
Charges Cattle	...	...	...	30:01:1
Charges Merchandise	...	...	...	69:20:5
Acc ^t Fortifications, Repaires &c ^a	...	...	...	349:22:4

Pag^s ... 1476:24:2

Mr John Willcox Chief of Conimeer acquainting us, that he could dispose of more Europe goods, then was allotted for that Factory, Itt is therefore order'd that the Warehousekeeper lade aboard the Sloop Rochester, so many Bales more as she can carry of those goods which were designed to have been disposed off to our Merchants here.

Mr Willcox desires more Europe goods for Conimeer ffactory. Order'd to be laded aboard Sloop Rochester. Genls & letters read & past. Report of the Muster of Ship Resolutions-men.

Generalls to Surat & to Pettepollee, Letter to Lingapa to our Braminee with him & to Tarrufdar Vencana read & past.

Mr John Gray reports the Muster of the Ship Resolutions men being 124 living 6 dead.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Mr Henry Mose arrived here & brought a Gen^l from Coodaloor dated the 20th Instant with Copy of a Paragraph of Mr Ords letter to Mr Davis.

23. Mr Mose arrived & brought a Gen^l from Coodaloor. 24. Gen^l to Coodaloor & Severll Letter read and past.

A Genera^l to Coodaloor, A Letter to Braminee Sangana & Narranapa att Conjeverom to our Braminee resident with Lingapa to Braminee Vira Ragavia att present with him, & to both of them approved, Signed & sent forward.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Govern^r.

Mr JOHN BIGRIG. Mr ELIHU YALE.

Mr JOHN NICKS. Mr JOHN LITTLETON.

Mr JOHN GRAY.

Thursday 26.

Letters read
and past.

A Ruff calcula-
tion of this
years Stock.

25 Chests of
Silver to be
taken out of
the Resolu-
tion.

Unexpected
Ships laden
from fort St
George.

The silver
abovesaid to
be unladen.
Englishmen
to be taken
out of the
Rochester and
Beaufort.

How to be
disposed of.

A Letter to Sangana & Narranapa & another to our Merchants detained at Conjeveron read & past.

Having made a ruff calculation of what Stock wee shall have for this years Investment which as yet wee know of, except a further supply comes by the Defence, & find itt to bee (in respect to the severall Factorys we are to supply) but very little in proportion to what we Invested in each of them the last year, which being taken into consideration & beleiving there may bee a stock in the Bay, and if not, that they can better take up mony att Intrest there then here, Itt is agreed upon & thought convenient to take out of the Resolution 25 Chests of Silver, which the Hon^{ble} Comp^a had order'd to go into the Bay, supposing we had Stock enough here, according to their Letters, & their computation of Stock dated the p^{mo} November 1683 but we having laden Six Ships whose Corgoes amo^t to about Pag^o 568000 four of which Ships came accidentally to us Viz^t the Kempthorn from Bantam, the Wellfare, Kent, & George from the Bay with little mony or goods besides the remaines now by us, ready for S^r John Wetwangs lading & dispatch, which reasons confirm us in the aforesaid order.

Orderd that the Warehouskeeper unlade 25 Chests of Silver out of the Loyall Resolution.

Having occation for Englishmen to goe in the Sloops Charles & Rochester, for security of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} concernes, Itt is agreed that the following orders be given to Cap^t Dyke & Cap^t Nicholson Viz^t that the former dismiss & send ashoar four of his Ships Comp^a for use of the Sloop Rochester & that the latter dismiss & send ashoar five of his Ships Company, four of which to go aboard Sloop Charles, & the other knowing how to beat a Drum to be for the use of the Garrison, there being occation for Drummers.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Capt Dykes
order.

To Cap^t W^m DYKE Commander
of Ship Rochester.

By order from the Hon^{ble} English East India Comp^a we are authorised to take ashoar from your Ships Company so many men

within the supernumerary number of four for every hundred Tonn, as their Service requires here, by which authority, we hereby order you to dismiss and send ashore the following persons Viz^t Robert Waters, Jenkin Watkins, Thomas Shephard, William Coulson, & these shall be your discharge, Dated in Fort S^t George the Twenty Sixth day of June One Thousand Six hundred Eighty four.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

To Cap^t JOHN NICHOLSON Commander
of Ship Beaufort.

Capt Nicholson's order.

By order from the Hon^{ble} English East India Comp^a we are authorised to take ashore from your Ships Company, so many men, within the supernumerary number of four for every hundred Ton, as their service requires here, by which authority we hereby order you to dismiss & send ashore the following persons Viz^t Henry Prince, Edward Hunt, James Cable, Thomas Harper, & John Simmonds, & these shall be your discharge. Dated in Fort S^t George the Twenty Sixth day of June, One Thousand Six hundred Eighty four.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

JOHN BIGRIG.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

About Eight a Clock this night Cap^t Goldsbrough in the Bengall Merchant came to an Anchor in this Road from the⁴⁶ Maldivaes.

26.
Bengall
Merchant
arrived.

This morning Cap^t Goldsbrough came ashore & delivered his Charterparty Sealed up in a blank cover.

27.
the Cap^t
came ashore.
Genl to
Goodaloor
&c.

Generall to Goodaloor and M^r Henry Prince his dispatch thither approved signed & delivered to him.

Sloop Charles sailed this morning early for Goodaloor.

28.
Sloop Charles
sailed.

28. Genll to Coni-meer & M^r Waters dispatch to that place approved and delivered to him.

29. Sloop Rochester sailed. This morning early Sloop Rochester sailed hence for Coni-meer.

30. Rec^d a Generall from Ballasore dated 7th of May which brought a Generall from Hugly dated the 29th Aprill last with a Generall from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a dated 31th May 1683 rec^d p the Ann.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Munday 30.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Govern^r.

M^r ELIHU YALE.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

Mr Bigrig ill of a Flux.

M^r John Bigrig ill of a ⁴⁷ flux.

Mr Yale to continue the charge of the Godown.

This being the time agreed upon for M^r Bigrig to receive the charge of the Godown, who being now very ill of a Flux, Itt is orderd that M^r Yale continue the charge thereof, till itt shall please God he recover.

Report of two Chests Gold.

M^r Yale & M^r Littleton report the weight of two Chests of Gold weighed to the Shroffs of the Mint this day.

oz. dwt. dwt.

N^o D p the Rochester pz 3366 : 03 : w^{ch} is 8 over of the Invoice.

N^o E p the Beaufort pz 3518 : 07 : w^{ch} is 11 over of the Invoice.

Honble Compas letter to the Merchts read to them. their promise.

The Clause of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} letter relating to the Merchts Chinna Vencatadry & Allingall, according to their Hon^{rs} orders was read to them, who exprests their great joy and thanks for the ⁴⁸ Hon^r done them, promising the continuance of their good services by all the wayes they are capable of.

Mr Gray to Muster the Bengall Merchts men.

Order'd that Mr John Gray go aboard the Bengall Merchant and Muster the Ships Company.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Rec^d a Generall from Madapollam dated the 19th past.

July 2.
Genl from
Madapa.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dated the 25th past with an Account of goods their Merch^{ts} had ready provided in the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} old ffactory & the Townes adjacent.

Genl from
Pettepollee.

The Mammode James Hawkes Master arrived from Porto Novo.

Ship from
Portonovo.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Govern^r.

Thursday 3.

M^r ELIHU YALE.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

M^r John Bigrig very ill of a Flux.

M^r John Gray reports the Muster of Ship Bengall Merchants men being 115 living.

Report of the
Muster of
Bengall
Merchts men.

Ordered that Pag^o 1000 be paid M^r Willcox to be sent to Conimeer to supply that ffactory for the present & that Pag^o 23767 : 30 : 5 be paid for the China goods brought the 19th of last month.

P 1000 for
Conimeer.
China goods
to be pd for.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^a having sent us out a supply of Factors and writers, some being arrived & others expected by the Defence, Itt is order'd that the Factorys be settled as followeth.

Factors &
writers sent
out.

AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r Presi-
dent.

M^r JOHN BIGRIG 2^d.

M^r ELIHU YALE 3^d.

M^r JOHN NICKS 4th.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON 5th.

M^r JOHN GRAY 6th.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

M^r HENRY ALFORD Assis^t in
the Godown.

Factorys
settled.

M^r WILLIAM CAWLEY.

M^r NAT HIG- } Assis^ts to the
GISON. } Customer to

M^r SAML^L } attend the
WETWANG. } Custom house

to receive the mony for Ware-
hous-rooms till some other
occcation offers.

M ^r THO CHILD Asst. to the Mintmast ^r .	M ^r JOHN ^r HILL { to be sent
M ^r JOSUA CHARLTON Ass ^t to the Purser.	M ^r ^{so} JOHN { abroad upon PITTS. { occasion.

WRITERS.

M JOHN GOD- DARD. }	} to be sent abroad upon occasion.	M ^r ZOUGH TROUGHTON Steward.
M ^r NATI GYF- FORD. }		M ^r W ^m PROBY under the Second.
M ^r CHAR FLEETWOOD. }		M ^r THO STUBS under y ^e Ware- houskeep.
M ^r JOHN BEAVIS under the Presid ^t .		M ^r CHENEY.
M ^r SAM ^{ll} OWEN under the Secret ^{ry} .		M ^r JOHN BUTTERFIELD under y ^e Sec ^{ry} .
		M ^r JOHN ROSE.
		M ^r CHARLES FOSTER.

ATT MADAPOLLAM.

M ^r THOMAS LUCAS Chief.	M ^r FRANC ^s WILL- COX	} writers.
M ^r RICHARD BRERETON 2 ^d	M ^r GAB. RO-	
M ^r BENJ ^a NORTHEY 3 ^d	BERTS	
M ^r CARLES FOWNES 4 th		

ATT METCHLEPATAM.

M ^r ROBERT FREEMAN Chief.	M ^r WILLIAM PHILLIPS 4 th	} writers.
M ^r ⁵¹ JAMES WHEELER 2 ^d	M ^r JOHN TILLOTSON.	
M ^r WILLIAM SHALES 3 ^d	M ^r ROBERT BELLAMY.	

ATT PETTEPOLLEE.

M ^r SAMUELL WALES Chief.	M ^r CARR 4 th	} writers.
M ^r TIMOTHY HARRIS 2 ^d	M ^r ROB ^t WRIGHT.	
M ^r RICH ^d GERSHAM 3 ^d	M ^r GEO. WINGFIELD.	

ATT VIZAGAPATAM.

M ^r RICHARD BROWN Chief.	M ^r FRANCIS CHARL- TON.	} writers.
M ^r CLEMENT DU JARDIN 2 ^d	M ^r EDW ^d HILL.	
M ^r SAMUELL SWINNOCK 3 ^d		

ATT COODALOOR.

M ^r JOHN DAVIS Chief.	} writers.
M ^r HENRY MOSE 2 ^d	
M ^r RALPH ORD 3 ^d	
	M ^r RALPH INGRAM 4 th
	M ^r GRIMST ⁿ LUCKIN.
	M ^r JEREMY BONNEEL.

ATT CONIMEER.

M ^r JOHN WILLCOX Chief.	} writers.
M ^r RICHARD MILLTON 2 ^d	
M ^r BENJA BLOOM 3 ^d	
	M ^r JOHN PRICE.
	M ^r EDW ^d KING.

M^r Ramsden to be sent for up to the Fort, till we are better satisfied concerning his Accounts and mannagment of affaire[s] att Vizagapatam, Also M^r John Field to remaine att the ffort, att the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} allowances & to be employed as occation offers, till we shall know their future pleasure concerning him, which we doubt not will be in his favour, from the consideration of hi[s] many yeares faithfull service, & his low condition, as also that their Hon^{rs} will be rightly informed of the charge against him, which our examination finds was severer then there was occation for the fault was wholly M^r Tho. Heaths, the Supracargo, & not his as appears by his Instructions & Letters to Persia.

Mr Ramsden
to be sent for
to fort.
Mr Field to
remaine att
the fort.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

Rec^d a letter from Tarrufdar Vencana.

A Portuguese Ship arrived from Trangambar.

This Afternoon Teggapa Chitty the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Chief Dubass departed this life.

Rec^d a letter from M^r Ralph Ord att Porto Novo.

3.
[L]etter from
Tarrufdar.
[sh]ip from
Trangambar.
Teggapa
dyed.

4.
Letter from
Mr Ord.

Att a Consultation Ext^r.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Govern^r.

M^r ELIHU YALE.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

M^r John Bigrig Extra^o ill of a Flux.

Friday 4.

Freight procurable at Porto Novo. Rochester to be sent thither. P 2000 for Coodaloor. P 1000 to be layd out in Rice for the Rochester.

Upon advices from Portonovo that there was no doubt of procuring a freight for one of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Ships att Portonovo for Acheen, It is therefore orderd that the Ship Rochester Cap^t William Dyke Commander, be dispatcht thither, and that Pag^o Two Thousand be sent to Coodaloor Factory, half of which to be sent to M^r Ralph Ord att Portonovo to be layd out in Rice, where it is cheapest to be bought upon the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} account, to help fill up the Ship, and the other half to be for the defraying the charges of the Factorys att Coodaloor and Portonovo.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

4. Mr Bigrig dyed. Letters from Conjeveron.

This afternoon about four a Clock Mr John Bigrig departed this life to the great trouble of all that knew him.

Rec^d a letter from Sangana and Narranapa & another from our Merch^{ts} detained at Conjeveron.

5. Gen^{ll} from Metchlepa.

Rec^d a Gen^{ll} from Metchp no date with Coppy of the Ballance of their Books letter Z & Coppy of their Acc^t Curr^t ffort St George.

Ship Emoy Merot arrived. Honble Compas Packet. Mr Bigrig buried.

Ship Amoy Merch^t Cap^t Rob^t Bibey arrived here this morning from ⁵² S^t Helena, & the Cap^t came ashore & delivered the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Packet & two letters from them to ⁵³ S^r Tho. Grantham.

This afternoon M^r John Bigrig was buried & after the Inter-[m^t] there was three vollies of Small Shot and 80 great Guns fired.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

Manday 7.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Govern^r.

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

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

Alteration made in the Settlement of the Factorys.

Since M^r Bigrigs death we find it necessary to make the following alteration, Viz^t M^r Thomas Lucas to come to the ffort to take his place in Councill when he hath finisht the contract with the Madapollam Merchants for this years Investment, M^r Richard Browne when he hath settled the Acc^t att Vizagap^a.

to go to Pettepollee to be Chief there, Mr Samuell Wales to bee Chief of Madapollam & Mr James Wheeler to go to be Chief att Vizagapatam, when Mr Browne is come away, & in regard of the great business that will be upon Mr Yale in the Presidents absence, we order Mr Lucas to carry on the Generall Books after his arrivall, till the President shall return from the Bay, & that Mr Yale oversees the Warehous business and continue his care therein.

Finding our this years Stock very disproportionable to the large tonnage sent us, It has been often our consideration & debate to retrench the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} charge by reducing some of their Factorys, particularly Portonovo, Coodaloor, Metchlepatam and Pettepollee, but the weighty consideration of losing our Interest in those Parts, which the Interlopers (should any arrive) would make great advantage of, to the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} prejudice & put them to new and great charges to defeat them, It is therefore agreed that we continue all our ffactorys & devide our present Stock amongst them as follows & to Supply them in proportion to what we shall hereafter receive by Ship Defence and others.

Consideration of reducing the ffactorys.

All the ffactorys to be continued.

Fort ..	...	...	...	...	Pag ^o 80000
Madapollam	...	...	...	...	30000
Metchlepatam	...	...	...	...	30000
Pettepollee	...	...	...	...	20000
Vizagapatam	...	...	...	...	15000
Coodaloor	...	...	...	...	35000
Conimeer ...	...	...	...	...	30000
					P 240000

Stock devided.

and this is all the Stock we have att present for this years Investment in goods and money.

Order'd that the Bengall Merchant be dispatcht to Metc[h]-epatam with the goods formerly order'd, & what Pagodas are in a readiness with some Silver for the Northern ffactorys Vizt.

Bengall Merch to be dispatcht to Metchlp.

For Metchlepatam	...	...	Pag ^o 10000	\$ 1500
Madapollam	...	...	10000	„ 1000
Pettepollee	...	...	8000	„ 500
Vizagapatam	...	...	5000	„ —
				P 33000 \$ 3000

The money designed for this place to be sent to the other factories, if Lingapa will not agree.

Notwithstanding the former disposall of our Stock we having rec^d no answer to our letter to Lingapa for repaying of [f] Page 7000 and releasing our Merchants so unjustly detained & severly treated by Sangana & having now an opportunity to Invest that, and more in other Factorys, It is agreed that the Pag^e 80000 intended for this place, be devided amongst the other factories if Lingapa & Sangana do not comply with our reasonable demands, which will bring them into great discredit, & be our future advantage, when they once know the want of our trade.

Rochesters goods to be consigned to two factors.

Itt being order'd that the Ship Rochester do proceed as soon as possible to Portonovo, to get a freight for Acheen as advised us, & to compleat her lading with Rice for the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} acco^t. It is agreed that the same be consigned to two of their factors to be sent on the Ship, with Instructions also to treat with the Queen &^a of Acheen, about a settlement there and procuring of Pepper &^a.

Godown room to be cleared.

Being formerly in want of Godown room, for our Saltpetre, were forced to hire severall, which are now ordered to be cleared off and Satisfied.

Report of Emoy Merchant.

M^r John Gray Purser reports the Muster of Ship Emoy Merchants men, being Sixty Eight living, two dead and three run away.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

7. Adventure sailed for Vizagapatnam.

This day a Country Ship called the Adventure Sailed hence for Vizagapatnam.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Govern^r.

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

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

Thursday 10.

Emoy Merchant to be dispatcht to the West Coast of Sumatra &c. A Cargo to be laden on her

In pursuance to the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} orders It is agreed that the Emoy Merchant be dispatcht for the West Coast of Sumatra & if she cant procure Pepper, then to go to Burneo or the nd Mallsia Coast, & that a Cargo of goods to the vullue of Pag^e 12000 & two Chests of Silver be laden upon her, & consigned to one of the Hon^{ble} Comp^a factors, The Capitaine, a Writer & a Portuguez Merchant Inhabitant of this place, the

ablest & most experienced we can, that Instructions be accordingly provided for their proceedings in this voyage, & that the Captaine be advised therof to get his Ship in a readinesse.

to whom
consigned.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^a having advised us in their Generall dated the 14th of August 1683 that a ⁶⁵ Judge Advocate should soon be sent hither for the hearing & determining of all suites and causes under this Government, with the Assistance of two Merchants, & also sent us Copy of his Maj^{ties} second & new Charter ordering the said proceedings, which occasioned the Silencing our former Court of Judicature, & has given great dissatisfaction to the creating many disturbances & complain[ts] for Justice, to the disquiet & discredit of our Government, and tho the Hon^{ble} Comp^a have in that Generall appointed their President to supply the place of Judge Advocate, till he shall arrive, yet having no directions for those proceedings & being unacquainted with the methods therof, It is thought and agreed to be of absolute necessity for the Peace, Justice, Security and Honour of this Government that the old Court of Judicature be again erected & that causes be heard & decided there by Jurors as formerly by the Authority of the first charter, till the Judge Advocate shall arrive, or we prohibited further therein.

Judge
Advocate to
come out.

Former Court
of Judicature
Silenced.
Complaints
for Justice.

former Court
of Judicature
to be erected.

Order'd that the Commissioners from the Court of Chancery do proceed upon their Interrogatories in the Suit depending between the Hon^{ble} Comp^a and Streyasham Master and Nath^l Cholmley, whilst some of the Witnesses are now present upon the place.

Commis-
sioners to
proceed
upon the
Interroga-
tories.

The Curtain Wall next the Bulworke & St Thomas his Point being almost finished which compleats the Sea Wall, Itt is orderd that two Small Watch houses, large enough for four Guns, be next built at the out parts of the Towne, next the River Side and Bridge, which will be greatly for the Safe guard of the Towne, and security of the Customes, some of which we doubt has been lost that way.

Sea Wall
almost
compleat.
two Watch
houses to be
built
att what
place & the
reasons for
itt.

Orderd that Pag^o Ten Thousand be sent to Coodaloor & Pag^o Ten Thousand to Conimeer.

P 10000 to
Coodaloor &
P 10000 to
Conimeer.
Cash Book
read & past.

The Presidents Cash Book for the moneth of June read and past the Ballance being P 48 : 08 : 0.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

10. Capt Wm
Dyke dyed.

This afternoon about one of the Clock Cap^t William Dyke
Commander of Ship Rochester departed this life.

Genll from
Coodaloor.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 7th Instant.

11.
Letter from
Domingo de
Porto.

Rec^d a letter from Domingo de Porto & Comp^a att S^t Thomá
dated the 10th Instant.

Capt Dyke
buried.

This morning Cap^t Dyke was buried, and after the Inter-
[m^t] there was three vollies of Small Shot & 20 great Guns fired.

Sloop Royll
James arrived
from England.

Sloop Royall James Jonathan Unkettle Master arrived here
from England.

Att a Consultation Extra^o.

Present :

Satterday 12.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Govern^r.

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

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

Capt Dykes
paper Exam-
ined.

Cap^t Dykes papers having been examined & no orders found
who should succeed in the Command of this Ship in case of his
mortality, It is therefore thought convenient for the quiet of
the Ship & security of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} concerns, itt being
according to their Rules and orders, that M^r John Bramwell the
Chief Mate do succeed in the command of Ship Rochester, and
that the same be signified to the Officers and Seamen under the
hands of the President & Councill w^{ch} M^r John Gray is to read
unto them aboard said Ship, Coppy wherof is enter'd next after
this Consultation.

Mr John
Bramwell
to be Com-
mander of
Ship
Rochester.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

TO THE OFFICERS & SEAMEN.

BELONGING TO SHIP ROCHESTER.

The order for
his being
Commander.

Your Commander Cap^t William Dyke being now deceased, itt
is necessary you should know who is to Succeed in the command
of the said Ship, therefore for as much as the Hon^{ble} East India
Comp^a are concerned in the lading therof, as well here in India,
as home for England, wee the President and Councill of all their
Affaires upon the Coast of Chormandell and in the Bay of Ben-

gall do hereby (for the better security of their Estate that shall hereafter be laden upon said Ship) appoint Mr John Brumwell formerly Chiefe Mate, to be your Commander, to whom we require you to yeild obedience in all respects as you ought to have done to your former Commander Cap^t W^m Dyke if he were now living and so likewise we appoint that in case of the mortallity of this your present Commander (which God forbid) that the next Mate shall succeed in the command of the said Ship & so successively one after another upon the like occasion of mortallity of any of the former, & so advising and commanding you to live peaceably one with another, we date these Presents in ffort S^t George the 12th day of July 1684.

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

This afternoon a Servant from Harja Raja arrived here and brought a letter from him, with a Tasherif to the President, att the receipt wherof & drinking Harja Raja's health, there was Eleaven great Guns fired, the same person brought a letter from Gopall Pandit & another from Sangrogee Pontolo.

12.
Letter from
Harja and Tash-
erif for the
President.
Guns fired.

This evening about Six a Clock Sr John Wetwang dyed aboard his Ship the Royall James in this Road.

Sr John Wet-
wang dyed.

This morning Sr John Wetwang was brought ashoar, and buried in the afternoon, after whose Interment there was three vollies of Small Shot & 30 great Guns fired.

13.
Sr John Wet-
wang buried.

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

Genll from
Coodaloor.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Gover^r.
M^r ELIHU YALE. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

Munday 14.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^a having order'd in their Generall dated the 20th of July 1683 that the Dustore upon their Investment in this place & att all other their fiactorys on this Coast and the Bay, be brought into the Generall Books, & a particular acc^t under that head, be kept therof, & that all their Chief Dubasses, Braminees &^{ca} have a yearly Sallary paid them, suitable to the Credit,

Dustore not
allowed to the
Dubasses
& Brami-
nees.

A certain Salary allowed them.

Charge & Trouble of their employments, & in consideration that this is the superiour Factory and greatest businesse, It is agreed that the Chief Dubasses wages be Pag^o 150 p^o Annum, the second Dubass Pag^o 100 as Interpreter of Letters &c^a in place of Mr Thomas Clark deceased, & the Chowtry Braminee Pag^o 80 p^o Annum, & in all the Subordinate Factorys the Chief Dubass to have Pag^o 100 p^o Annum, & the Braminee Pag^o 50 p^o Annum, in lieu of the Dustore & all other perquisites they formerly rec^d upon contracts or otherways in the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Trade.

Report of one Chest Gold.

Mr Yale and Mr Littleton make their Report of the weight of
oz. dwt. gr.

Chest of Gold N^o F p Ship Resolution pz 3771 : 15 : 00 : which is dwt.

10 : more then the Invoice.

Stewards Extraordinary expences.

The Steward bringing in an Acc^t of Charges Extraordinary expended by the President att the Generall table for the two past years, from July 1682 to July 1684 amounting to Pag^o 1074 : 33 : 0 as p the following particulars Viz^t.

Canary 9 Chests 1 hamper	q ^t Gall ^{as} 345 $\frac{3}{4}$	att P 1 $\frac{1}{4}$	
p Gall	...	...	P 432 : 06 :
Clarret 2 Chests 2 hampers	q ^t Gall ^{as} 127 $\frac{1}{4}$	att P 1	
p Gall	...	...	P 127 : 18 :
White wine 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Chests	q ^t Gall ^{as} 49 $\frac{1}{4}$	att P 1	
p Gall	...	...	49 : 09 :
Syder	Gall ^{as} 17 $\frac{1}{2}$	att P 1 p Gall	17 : 18 :
Serash wine 5 Chests	att P 10 p Chest	P	50 : — :
Mum 14 Barrill	att P 10 p Barrill	...	140 : — :
Beer 6 Butts 1 Puncheon	at P 20 p		
But	...	...	130 : — :
Rose water 6 Chests & 60 Bottles	...	...	66 : — :
Sherry 1 But	...	...	40 : — :
Butter 1 firkin	...	...	4 : — :
Cheeses 4	...	...	5 : — :
Neats tongues 12	...	...	4 : 18 :
Gammons of Bacon 2	...	...	3 : — :
Sauces 6 Pottle bottles	...	...	6 : — :

P 1074 : 33 :

order'd to be paid.

besides Severall Chests of wyne spent upon the Presidents particular Account, It is order'd that a Bill be given for the pay-

m^t of the said Summe to the President, Also that the Purser provide for the Presidents voyage to Bengall, and provissions for the Generall Table, as p List, the Hon^{ble} Comp^a having sent out no such necessaries by these Ships.

Provisions for the Presidents voyage to Bengall &c.

The Merchants according to order bringing their Severall Masters of Paintings, we rec^d their list of Prises, to consider of them till next Consultation day, when we shall conclude their quantities and prises.

Masters of Paintings brought in. Prises to be consider'd of.

Generall to Coodaloor & another to Conimeer read & past.

Genls to Coodaloor & Conimeer.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

Pag^o 10000 sent p Peons to Coodaloor also P 10000 to Conimeer.

14. Pags sent to Coodaloor & Conimeer.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Govern^r.

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

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

Thurs^d 17.

Order'd that Pag^o 10000 be sent to Coodaloor Factory to enable them to clear the Debt with their Merchants & that Pag^o 150 be paid the Redwood Merchants.

P 10000 to be sent to Coodaloor. P 150 to be paid the Redwood Merchants.

Here being a want of able, good Penmen to carry on the Hon^{ble} Comp^a business, It is agreed to keep M^r Henry Mose here for the present, & that M^r Ingram be order'd to carry on y^e Books of Acc^{ts} att Coodaloor, till we can spare M^r Mose to return thither.

A want of able penmen Mr Mose to be kept here for the present.

Gopall Pundit having advised us of his great want of mony & desired us to lend him Pag^o 3000 upon good Security & the Customes att Coodaloor, Itt was taken into consideration & fearing if we should not oblige him, he might hinder the Ship Rochesters lading att Portonovo, obstruct the carrying on of our business, & many other inconveniences follow, It is therfore

Gopall Pundit wants mony. taken into consideration.

P 1500 or
P 1000 to be
lent him.

order'd that M^r Davis &c^a Councill may lend him Pag^o 1500 upon the said Security, if he hath cleared his former debt, however to lend him Pag^o 1000 tho that be not done.

Generalls
read & past.

Generalls to Coodaloor, to Domingo de Porto att St Thomá and to Conimeer read and past.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

18.
Letter from
St Thomá.

Rec^d a letter from Bartholme Rodrigues & Comp^a att St. Thomá dated this day.

19.
Sloop
Rochester
from Coni-
meer.
Letter from
Palliacatt.
Letter to
Palliacatt

Sloop Rochester arrived from Conimeer & brought a Gener^{ll} from thence dated the 18th Instant with Bill of Lading for 86 Bales of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Callicoes by her.

Rec^d a letter from the Governour of Palliacatt.

A letter to the Governour of Palliacatt approved signed and sent forward.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Monday 21.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Govern^r.

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

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

P 150 to be
paid the
Redwood
Merchants.
Teggapa's
brother
to be
Chief Dubass
Narrant to
be Inter-
preter.
To whom
the Emoy
Merchts
Cargo is to be
consigned.

Order'd that Pag^o 150 be paid the Redwood Merchants on account of the Investment.

Teggapa the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Chief Dutas being dead, It is orderd that his brother succeed him in that imploy, being a fitting person for itt, and that Dubas Narrant be his assistant and Interpreter of letter.

The Emoy Merchants Cargo being providing for her voyage to ⁵⁶Sillibar &c^a according to the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} order, after severall considerations 'tis resolved that M^r Clement du Jardin, Capt Robert Bibey, M^r John Goddard & Francisco de Britto, an antient experienced Merchant, and Inhabitant of this place, be joynd together in Commission, for the mannagment of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} affaires and cargo in this present voyage, according to Instructions to be given them.

Mr Unkettle Master of Sloop Royall James being desirous to return to England, and recommending his Chief Mate to be an experienced, honest man, It is order'd that he be Master of Said Sloop.

Mate of the Royall James Sloop to be Master.

Mr Thomas Ivat the King of Syams ffactor, here having requested the Councill to permit him to lade some concerne belonging to the Said King, for Metchlepatam, on the Bengall Merchant, It is thought requisite to grant itt, that we may oblidge said King therby, and Mr Yale is appointed to give an order to the Captain to receive them freight free.

Goods belonging to ye King Syam, permitted to be laden on the Bengall Merch for Metchlepatam. Capt James Marriner to be Commander of Ship Royall James.

S^r John Wetwangs papers being examined there was found the Owners Instructions, wherin they appoint Capt^{as} James Marriner to Succeed in Command of Ship Roy^{ll} James in case of his mortallity; however it is thought convenient to confirm the same, and that itt be drawn up in writing under the President & Councils hands, which Mr Gray is to read to the Officers and Seamen aboard said Ship, Coppy wherof follows this Consultation.

The Merchants were again discoursed about the prises of their Paintings, but could not come to an agreement with them, their prises being higher then they are worth.

the Merchts not agreed wth about their paintings. Washermen being out of Employment, desir^{ed} money to be lent them or to have their liberty. Liberty granted them. Capt Bramwells dispatch.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Washermen being out of Employment by reason we have not as yet made an agreement with our Merchants, no answer being returned from Lingapa to our letter writ him, and making their request that we would either lend them money, or permit them to Shift for themselves, which being taken into consideration, It is thought better to let them have their liberty then to trust them with any money.

Capt^t Bramwells dispatch for Coodaloor read and past and delivered to him.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

TO THE OFFICKES AND SEAMEN,
BELONGING TO SHIP ROYAL^{ll} JAMES
IN THE ROAD OF MADRAS.

The Confirmation of the Owners of the Royall James their Order for Capt Marriner to bee Commander of Said Ship.

For as much as your Commander S^r John Wetwang is now deceased and finding in your Owners Instructions that in such case Cap^t James Marriner should succeed in the Command of

Said Ship and Men, & the other Mates in order according to the Custome used and appointed by the Hon^{ble} English East India Comp^a & that they require all persons on board the aforesaid Ship to give him due obedience accordingly and for as much also that the said Hon^{ble} East India Comp^a are concerned in the lading your said Ship Roy^{ll} James for England Wee the President & Council for all their Affaires upon the Coast of Chormandell and in the Bay of Bengall do hereby declare that we do well approve of the same, and confirme your said Owners Instructions in all respects, & so advising and commanding you to live peaceable one with another, we date these presents in Fort St George Madraspatnam the 22th day of July 1684.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

Pag^o 10000 sent to Coodaloor p Peons.

21.
P 1000 sent
to Coodaloor.

Mr Willcox
& co set out
for Conimeer
Letter from
Pettepollee.

This evening Mr Willcox sett out for Conimeer & with him Mr Price and Mr King writers appointed for that ffactory.

Rec^d a letter from Timothy Harris att Pettepollee to the President dated the 13th Instant, with Copy of Acc^t Curr^t Fort St George & Ballance of their Books letter B.

This morning the Rochester sailed for Portonovo.

22.
Rochester
sailed
for Porto
novo.

Letter from
Gopall
Pundit.

Rec^d a letter from Gopall Pundit requesting again the Loan of Pag^o 3000.

23.
Henry &
Wm from
Persia.
Quedah
Mercht
from Persia.

The Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Ship Henry & William Cap^t Charles Hayward arrived here from Persia, also a ^{56A} Country Ship called the Quedah Merchant William Hilder Commander from said place.

23.
Generall
from Pette-
pollee.

Rec^d a Generall from Pettepollee dsted the 15th Instant with Copy of their Consultations, Dyary, Acc^t Cash & Stewards acc^{ts} for the last month, also Copy of a Cowle formerly given by ⁵⁷ Hydra Cawne.

Generall
from Coni-
meer.

Rec^d a Gen^{ll} from Conimeer dated the 20th Instant with Invoice of goods by the Rochester Sloop.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 19th Instant.

Genl from
Coodaloor.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Gover^r.

Thursday 24.

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

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

After much dispute we this day concluded with our Merchants about the prises of their Paintings for the Emoy Merchants Cargo, according to Musters now delivered Viz^t.

Prises of
Paintings
agreed for.

⁵⁸ Gobars flowerd both sides of 6 Coveds long & 2½ broad att Pag^o 23 p Corg.

Ditto Second Sort att Pag^o 20 p Corg.

⁵⁹ Gomitters of 5½ coveds att Pag^o 15½ p Corg.

⁶⁰ Tappies both sides flowerd of 6 Coveds att Pag^o 11 p Corg.

p Ditto Second Sort one side painted wider of 6 Cov^{ds} att P 10 Corg.

Ditto third Sort of 5 Coveds att Pag^o 5½ p Corg.

Tappie Serrass of 9 Coveds att Pag^o 20 p Corg.

Muttaphoons of 16 Coveds at Pag^o 7¼ p Corg.

and in consideration they can provide no more then to about the amount of Pag^o 3000 in them 'tis hereby agreed that Pag^o 2000 be invested att Portonovo in ordinary Paintings & that the Cargo be compleated here in ordinary long Cloth & Sallampores white & blew, also Moorees & Beteelaes proper for those Markets & that Pago 5000 be advanced to our Merchants on this contract, & having encouragm^t from Coodaloor & Portonovo that some freight may be procured there for the Emoy Merchant, 'tis order'd she proceed thither after she has taken in what goods & freight provided from this place.

Pago 2000 to
be invested
in Paintings
att Cooda-
loor.
Emoy
Merchts
cargo to be
compleated
here.
Emoy
Mercht to go
to Coodaloor
& Porto
novo.

'Tis also agreed that M^r Ord & M^r Cawley be joyned in Commission for mannagment of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} affaires att Acheen, according to Instructions to be given them, & for the more expeditious dispatch 'tis order'd that after they have laden what Rice they can timely provide for the Rochester, they compleat her lading with freight Rice, from any person that will lade.

M^r Ord &
M^r Cawley
to be joyned
in Commis-
sion for
Acheen.
Rice to be
laden on the
Rochester
upon freight.

China ware
to be packet
with fine
Rice.

Generalls
& Capt
Goldbroughs
dispatch
read & past.
Leave grant-
ed Mr Yard
to go to
Syam.

A Chirur-
geons Mate
to be enter-
tained.

Two horses
to be taken
out of the
Henry &
Wm.

To prevent damage to the China Ware, 'tis order'd that the Bowles be packt up in Chests, with fine Rice, which we think will be more convenient and profitabte then Chaff.

Generalls to Coodaloor, to Metchlepatam, to Madapollam, to Pettepollee, to Vizagapatam & Cap^t Goldbroughs dispatch to Metchlepatam read and past.

M^r Humphry Yard making his request that he might have leave to go to Syam, here being at present no Employ^mt for him, promising that he will assist in any thing that offers in the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} affaires there, & promote their Interest to his power, which was taken into consideration, & It is agreed that he be permitted to go.

The Garrison being greatly increased by the late supply of Factors & Souldiers, & therfore in want of more assistance to the Chirurgeon, there being but one Mate, & he to attend the President to the Bay, 'tis therfore order'd that an able Chirur-geons Mate be taken out of the Ships for that Service.

The Henry & William touching here in her passage to Bengall with Horses for the Bay, & there being great occation for some here, 'tis order'd that two of the lowest prises bee taken ashoar & their am^t of Cost & Charges be deducted from the Invoice & that our Books do Credit Acc^t Currant London for the same.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.
ELIHU YALK.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

24.
Geall from
Gombroon to
the Bay.

The Henry & William brought a Gen^l from Gombroon for the Agent in the Bay dated the 7th of last month, which the President thought convenient to open, wherin they give an acc^t of a Villinous action committed by five Englishmen aboard an Arrab Vessell, in killing 25 of the Seamen that were Arrabs and running away with the Vessell.

25.
Capt Golds
broughs
dispatch
delivered to
him.

Delivered Cap^t Goldsbrough his dispatch for Metchlepatam.

26.
Pinke Saphir
Sailed.

Pinke Saphir Sayled for Portonovo.

Letters to Sangana to Gopall Pundit to Harje Raja to Letters &ca approved.
Sancrogee Pontolo, Generall to Coodaloor and M^r Waters dis-
patch to Conimeer, approved signed and sent forward.

This morning Ship Mammode Sailed for Metchlepatam.

Mammodee
sailed for
Metchle-
patam.
Genuine
letters recd.

Rec^d a letter from Lingapa & another from our two Brami-
nees with him.

This night the Bengall Merch^t sailed for Metchlepatam.

Bengall
Mercht
sailed.
27.
Sloop
Rochester
sailed.

Sloop Rochester sailed for Conimeer.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Govern^r.

M^r ELAHU YALE. M^r JOHN NICKS.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

Munday 28.

The Customer M^r John Nicks his Book of Acco^{ts} for the Customers
month of June read and past as followeth Vist^t. Book read
and past.

Sea and Land Custome ...	...	P 654: 26: 33
Petty land Custome ...	...	58: 33: 72
Paddy Toll att the Banksall ...	...	4: 06: 34
Measurers duty ...	...	14: 19: 39
Weighers duty ...	...	5: 24: 65
Register of Houses, Slaves & ^{ca} ...	...	— 34: —

P 739: 03: 68

The Warehouse day Book of Accounts for the month of June
read and past.

Warehouse
day Book and
past.
Seamen to be
taken out of
Ship Royall
James.
also the
Chirurgeons
Mate.

There being occasion for Englishmen to Sail the Sloop Royall
James It is agreed that an order be given Cap^t Marriner to
dismiss and send ashoar the following persons for said Sloops use
Viz^t Samuell Rickson to be Master, John Richardson to be Mate,
John Clarke to be Boatswaine, Thomas Boswell, Ralph Langley,
Robert Smith, and Robert More also John Plummer the Chirur-
geons Mate, for use of this place, as agreed upon last Consultation
day, they being all willing and disirous to serve here, Coppy of
which order is enter'd next after this Consultation.

Stores to be
bought.

The Engineer acquainting us that there is severall Stores wanting, of which Sorts the Hon^{ble} Comp^a have sent out none this year, It is therefore order'd that Mr John Gray Purser buy such as are absolutly necessary.

Orders in
Settling the
Lieuts during
the Presids
being in the
Bay.

Notwithstanding Liev^t James Bet from his long standing & great experience in the Military affaires of this Towne and Country was intended to have the Command & inspection over all the affaires of the Souldiery, yet Since Liev^{ts} Richardson & Lesley are hereby order'd to attend the President to the Bay with two Companies one of Souldiers & one of Seamen (if there be occation) & therby being in want of one Liev^t for Liev^t Lesley's Company, 'tis hereby order'd that Liev^t Bet do take the Command of the first Company Liev^t Child of the second & Liev^t Landey of the third, till the President returns from the Bay, & then to be in the place appointed.

Madm
Oneals pas-
sage to the
Bay granted.

Madam Oneal desiring a passage upon the Resolution to Bengall, 'tis thought requisite in consideration of her husbands long Services & her loss of him here, to grant itt free.

Acct of a
Mutiny
aboard Ship
Royall James.

Mr John Gray having been aboard the Royall James to confirme Capt James Marriner Commander of said Ship according to their Owners Instructions, he found the Ship in great disorder & the men dissatisfied with it an acco^t wheof he delivers in att large, upon which Liev^t Lesley was order'd to go aboard with a Guard of Souldiers & fetch some of the Chiefest of them ashoar, who gives in his report how mutinous they were when he was aboard, however hee brought Eleaven of them ashoar, besides Capt Marriners letter wherin he desires that none of those men might be sent aboard againe (Coppys of all being enter'd next this Consultation) which being taken into consideration, It is order'd that none of those persons be sent aboard said Ship again but to be dispersed among the other Ships for Security of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} concernes, to prevent any ill designe of them, & to keep the Ship in peace & quietness.

Eleaven men
brought
ashoar.

to be disperst
among the
other Ships.

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

JOHN STABLES Sec^{ry}.

To Cap^t James Marriner.

Commander of Ship Royⁿ James.

Capt Marri-
ners order.

By order from the Hon^{ble} English East India Comp^a we are authorized to take ashoar from your Ships Company, soe many

men within the Supernumeray number of four for every hundred
tonns, as their Service requires here, by which authority we
hereby order you to dismis and send ashoar, the following persons
Viz^t Symuell Rickson, John Richardson, John Plummer, John
Clarke, Thomas Boswell, Ralph Langley, Robert Smith, & Robert
Moore & these Shall be your discharge, Dated in Fort St George
the 28th July 1684.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

Wee the Under Subscribers hereof being on board the Ship
Royall James, in the Road of Fort St George, Madraspatam, upon
the 24th Instant, when one of us Viz^t John Gray was order'd to
go on board the said Ship by the Hon^{ble} the President &^{ca} Councill,
to confirm by their signed order to the whole Ships Company that
Election of a Commander (Viz^t of Captⁿ James Marriner) the
Owners of said Ship constituted in England, in case of the death
of the late Commander Sr John Wetwang K^t who deceased
the 12th Instant, & having seen & heard most of the passages
during our stay, do declare, That after the Owners will in their
Instructions & the President &^{ca} Councills confirmation therof
was read in the audience of all aboard, One of the Midshipmen,
Martin Arlington, with severall others called out they were very
sorry for the news, & being demanded why, said, they reckoned
Cap^t John Wetwang was their Commander, & would not have
come out the voyage, if they had thought it was otherwise order'd,
& then went downe to the Waste with the rest of the Seamen
reviling & muttering against their Commander, with most
opprobrious lannage, & when there one of them called out
aloud shaking his Cap, Captⁿ John ! Captⁿ John ! which was re-
peated by many more, with three hurra's, & shaking of their Caps,
upon which Cap^t Marriner commanded the aforesaid Arlington
should be put in the ⁶² Bilboes, but he disdainfully answer'd he
should not put him in the Bilboes, & severall others threatned
to throw them over board, if he proceeded with his intention,
The Boatswain likewise seemed to be of the Faction, for
being commanded to put this man in the ⁶² Bilboes as aforesaid,
he pretended to have lost the Key, & so notwithstanding
the Captⁿs possitive command, many times reiterated, the

Mr Littleton,
Mr Gray and
Mr Alford's
declaration.

Offender was not punished, but walked up & down the Deck swaggering, & saying that though he should be Commander here in Port, yet he knew who should be Commander att Sea with many other contumacious & contemptuous words tending to a down right Mutiny, & therefore we judge it very inconvenient for the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} intrest that any of their effects should be laden on board said Ship, till a regulation be made & the Offenders brought to condigne punishment, These being the heads of our declaration we witness the same with our hands in Fort St George Madraspatam this 25th July 1684.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

HENRY ALFORD.

Capt Lesleys
declaration.

Whereas upon the 25th Instant I the Subscriber hereof with two files of my Musqueteers, were ordered by the Hon^{ble} the President & C^a Councill, to go on board the Royall James & bring a shoar six persons nominated in their foresaid order, to answer for some misdemeanors, committed by them on board said Ship, accordingly I went, & coming aboard desired them to comply with said order, but they obstinately refusing, the present Commander Cap^t Marriner commanded the rest of his men to assist me, & to that effect went himself down upon the Deck, where he was immediatly seized upon by the aforesaid persons & some others in such a violent manner, that had I not, with great threatening of firing at them, got them to desist, I dont know what the consequence might have been, however they continued to enveigh bitterly against their Commander, & would not acknowledge him so to be, att last I brought them & their accomplices along with me, to the number of Eleaven, & committed them to safe custody, to the truth of this my report I can lawfully give my oath, witnessing itt with my hand in Fort St George the 25th July 1684.

JAMES LESLIE.

Seamen
brought from
the Royall
James,

The names of the men brought from aboard the Royall James by Liev^t Leslie.

EDWARD FAIRER. DUNCAN MACGANE.

MARTIN ERINGTON. WILLIAM BRUCE.

WILLIAM RAND. JOHN WEYMOUTH.

WILLIAM BELL. JOHN WARD.

THOMAS PAGE. ALLEXANDER HUNTER.

THOMAS RUSSELL.

SIR,

My humble Service to your Hon^r Sir according to your order I have sent the men ashoar, which yesterday did^m make a mutiny in the Ship & today they denied to come ashoar, & laid hands on me because I told them they must go ashoar, & said that their Comp^y was ashoar, Sir I hope your Hon^r will take care that none of them shall come aboard here any more for if they do, itt will be dangerous, soe my humble service to your Hon^r I rest your Serv^t to command.

Captn
Marriners
letter.

From aboard the Royall
James July 25, 1684.

JAMES MARRINER.

Rec^d a Generall from Coodaloor dated the 22th Instant.

28.
Genll from
Coodaloor.

Rec^d a letter from M^r Gresham att Metchlepatam, dated the 17th Instant.

29.
Letter from
Metchlepa.

Rec^d a letter from Gopall Pundit.

30.
Letter from
GopallPundit.
Surat Ships
Sailed.

About midnight past sailed out of this Road the Henry and W^m and the Quedah Merchant for the Bay of Bengall.

This evening rec^d another letter from Gopall Pundit.

Letter from
GopallPundit.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Gover.

Thursday 31.

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

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

A Generall to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a dated this day to be sent by the Royall James read & past.

Genll to the
Honble
Compa.

Order'd that one of the Sloops do attend the Ship Emoy Merchant Cap^t Robert Bibey in her intended voyage to Sillibar &c^a & that Sloop James do attend the President into the Bay.

Sloop to
attend Ship
Emoy Mer-
chant. Sloop
to attend the
Presidt.

Orderd that Pag^o 50 be paid the Salt Merchants to provide Salt for Quintaledge for the Emoy Merchant on the Hon^{ble} Companies account.

P 50 to be
paid for Salt.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

31.
Genl from
Coodaloor.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Coodaloor dated the 26th Ins^t giving an
Acco^t of Gopall Pundits entering the Factory with his Elephant,
&c^a & their fears of what may follow this unhandsome action.

August 2.
Sloop
Rochester
arrived.

Rec^d a Generall from Conimeer p Sloop Rochester dated p^{mo}
Ins^t with Invoice & Bill of Lading of Goods by her.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Munday 4.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Govern^r.

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

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

Honble
Compas Gold
coyned.

M^r John Nicks his Account of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Gold coyned
in the month of february last read and past.

1 Chest of Gold N^o R p the Josia produced

net P 37803 : 13 : 8

Gold Chain & Medall produced net ... 238 : 23 :—

Capt Bibeya
dispatch.

Cap^t Robert Bibeya dispatch for Ennor read and past.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

5.
Emoy
Merchtsailed.

This morning the Emoy Merchant sailed for Ennor.

Att a Consultation Extra^o.

Present :

Tuesday 5.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Gove^r.

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

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

Presidents
advice to
Mr Yale.

The Presidents advice to M^r Elihu Yale Chief for the Mannug-
ment of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} affaires on the Coast of Chormandell,
during his absence in Bengall, according to the present posture
of Affaires, was delivered to him, Coppy wherof is enter'd in the
Coppay Book of Letters sent.

Cash Book
read & past.

The Presidents Cash Book for the month of July read and
past the ballance remaining in Cash being P 2595 : 03 : was
delivered into the charge of M^r Elihu Yale.

The Secretary being order'd to attend the President into the Bay, It is agreed that M^r Samu[e]ll Owen be provisionall Secretary till his returne.

Provisionall Secretary.

The Seamen belonging to the Royall James, that had made the disturbance aboard, having desired to be heard, were this day called for, & the crime plainly proved against them, upon which it is thought convenient to confirm our Consultation of the 28th of last month that they be dispersed among the other ships, only Cap^t Marriner desiring that Edward Fairer might be permitted to go aboard again, engaging that he shall make no disturbance, It is agreed that his desire be granted him.

The mutiners belonging to the Royall James sent for.

It being desired & thought fitting to proceed upon Examination of the papers of complaint against the President M^r Yale, Chinna Vencatadry Allingall &c^a exhibited and signed by Thomas Van Luhorn, Cheeca Serrapa &c^a taxing them with Severall injustices & irregularities, who were accordingly sent for to peruse their severall papers, & bring proof of their accusations. The first examined was a pretended declaration signed by Severall Washermen, who according to the names mention'd there, were called for, & the papers read and explained to them, & after questioned concerning it, who singly protested their Ignorance therof and that on the contrary they would ever acknowledge itt a great piece of Justice and Charity to them, to confirme the truth wherof, they voluntary Swear according to their Ceremonies, that their hands was counterfeited to that paper, & that they never saw it before, which appears to be true by comparing their severall marks, as also being well known that none of them could ever write Gentue, nor is it probable that they should make a complaint, which if true would cause them to repay the mony. The next paper of complaint was that against M^r Yale, who produced the severall people mentioned therein, who proved a great part therof to be false & that the rest he justly executed as Choultry Justice, by the approbation & order of the then Agent & Councill, nor did he act any thing singly as to that, being joined with M^r John Bigrig then Chief Justice of the Choultry. The Complaint against Pedda Vencatadry &c^a was next, & upon examination many things were found taken only upon false & erroneous reports, & others which they engage to prove, but there being no time for further enquires before the Presidents departure, 'tis appointed to be afterwards examined by the Chief &c^a and that in the meane time Thomas Van Luhorn and Cheeca Serrapa, be secured till a suitable punishment be considered of,

Severall papers exhibited by Van Luhorn & Serrape enquired into.

for their Villinous Scandalls, which (from their unhandsome carriage whilst here) we have great reason to beleive were wholly instigated by unworthy Mr Master & Cholmley, to recriminate their notorious miscarriages upon the honest discoverers.

Dollars which
deposited in
Court & after-
wards deli-
vered to the
Presidt.

Whereas there was deposited in Court the 7th December 1681 a bag of Dollars &c^a by Ellewin Ninapa, which were sealed but the contents unknown, & were afterwards delivered by Clement King Clark of the Court upon his going to England the 18th of January 16⁸²/₈₃ to the President, which being now delivered to Mr Elihu Yale, the seal was compared with the seal in the Court Register, & found the same, which being opened, contained 290

oz. dwt.

Dollars, 4 Copangs, & 14. 01. of dust Gold, likewise one Bond for P 200 signed by Thomas Van Luborn, & Verema the Widdow of Cassa Verona, was delivered to the said Mr Yale.

Commission
Officers sent
for up.

The Commission Officers were sent for up, & told them, that Mr Elihu Yale was to be Chief during the absence of the President and that they must give him the same respect, and obedience, as they ought to do to the President.

Mr Constable
permitted to
stay here.

Though Mr Constable one of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} writers, was order'd to go into the Bay, yet upon his request to stay here It is agreed that he be permitted so to do.

Investment
of Moorees
&c^a is made
out of
Lingapa's
Country.

Notwithstanding our agreem^t not to Invest anything within Lingapa's Government whilst he continues his injustice of detaining our 7000 Pag^o & confining our Merch^{ts} att Conjeveron, It is order'd that since the Hon^{ble} Comp^a requires a quantity of Moorees & fine Goods, we continue our Investment in those commodities out of Lingapa's Government as formerly.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICES.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

6.
Sloop Charles
arrived from
Coodaloor.

Sloop Charles arrived here from Coodaloor & brought a Generall dated the 4th Instant, with Invoice & Bill of Lading for goods by her.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

Thursday 7.

WILLIAM GYFFORD Esq^r President & Govern^r.

M^r ELIHU YALE. M^r JOHN NICES.

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

Teggapa's brother being entertained the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Chief Dubas, It is agreed that he be Tasherift with three yards of fine Scarlet Cloth, to encourage him in his business. Chief Dubas Tasherift.

Harja Raja's servant who lately came from him with a Tasherift for the President, being to return, It is order'd that he be Tasherift with yards 2½ of broad Cloth ordinary 1 Gold Chain to the vallue of Pag^o 10 and in mony Pag^o 10 also two Peons that came with him to have each Pag^o 3 and 1 p^e of Sallampores. Harja Raja's servant & Peons Tasherift.

Ships Resolution and Beaufort and Sloop James their dispatch for the Bay of Bengall read and past. Ships dispatches for the Bay of Bengall.

WILLIAM GYFFORD.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

JOHN STABLES Sec^y.

THUS FAR TRANSACTED BY WILLIAM GYFFORD ESQ^r PRESIDENT IN FORT ST^e GEORGE & C^a COUNCELL.

DIARY AND CONSULTATIONS CONTINU'D BY ELIHU YALE
CHIEFE & COUNCELL IN FORT ST GEORGE FOR ACCO^t OF THE
HON^{ble} ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY COMENCING THE : 8th :
OF AUGUST : 1684.

8.
His Honors
departure for
ye Bay of
Bengall.

The Hon^{ble} William Gyfford President intending aboard in
y^e Evening he in order thereto deliver'd up the charge of the
fort &c^a to Elihu Yale appointed by the Hon^{ble} Company to be
Chiefe of their affaires on this Coast in his absence, after which
went to Chirch and from thence was conduct^d by y^e Principle
English, Portuguez &c^a through a Guard of three Companies of
Souldiers to the Sea side, where after kind farewells took boat &
was saluted by the Fort with : 31 : peices of Ordnance, w^{ch} upon
his embarking upon Ship Resolution was Returned by all y^e Ships
in the Road, who continued their Salutations till late att night,
and next morning early accompanied with y^e Beaufort and Sloop
James wth a fresh gale Sailed for Bengall where y^e Allmighty
send them a Safe arrivall with health Success and a happy
Returne.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Munday 11.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

Honoble
Compas
Covenant
Servants sent
for. Orders
read to them.
They advised
to observe
them.

Takeing first into consideration y^e good and quiet Govern-
ment of y^e place both as to Civill & Millitary, itt was thought
necessary and agreed y^t the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Covenant Servants
should be called & y^e orders of y^e : 28th : October : 1678 : read to
them as also y^e : 70 : Paragraph in y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Gen^l t[o]
th[is] place of y^e : 19th : October : 1683 : and they advised to a
strict observance thereof.

Letters to be
wrote to
Subordinate
ffactories.

Agreed y^t Letters be written to all Subordinate ffactories
advicing them to y^e Retrenshm^t of their Charges, abatem^{ts} upon
their Investm^{ts}, a carefull Sortm^t of their Goodes, and a Sudden
dispatch of their business, That a letter be also wrot[e] to Gopall
Punditt to pswade him to reason and a sivill deportm^t to our
People.

Genll to
Codaloor.
Lr^d to
Gopall
Punditt.

A Gen^l to Codaloor Read and Past.

The Worpe^l Chiefes letter to Gopall Punditt read & past.

Haveing notice of Senôr Lumbert Hemsick Chief of Sadraspatam his comeing to give y^e Chief a vissi[t] the Councell adjourned deferring their other proceedings till another day y^e Chiefe intending to discource him about ladeing on y^e Hono^{ble} Comp^{as} Shipp^s for Europe and other things pertinent to our business to w^{ch} purpose was welcomed wth: 13: P^s of ordnance. 1000: Pags
 Orderd y^t. y^e Chief pay Pag^s: 1000: to M^r Gray to defray Charges Garrison. pd Mr Gray.

ELIHU YALE.
 JOHN NICKS.
 JOHN LITTLETON.
 JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

A letter to Lingapa treating about y^e: 7000: Pag^s and y^e confinement of our Merch^{ts}, argueing the in Justice of itt, and pressing him to reason, read and Past. 12. Letter to Lingapa.

Another to our Brameny Vira Ragavia lately resid^t att Golcondah and came thence without y^e Presidents &c^{as} leave, and appearing more inclined to Lingapas then our service, 'tis ordered that he be againe sent for and examined about his late great charges without any service done the Hono^{ble} Company. Letter to our Brameny Egib Vira Ragavia.

An order from y^e Worp^l Cheife &^{ca} Councell to Cap^t James Marriner to deliver two of his Supernumerous men, for y^e Hono^{ble} Comp^{as} use, to be employed on their Sloopes. 13. Order to Capt James Marriner.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Vizagapatam dated: 8th: July. Letter from Vizagapatam.

Rec^d two Gen^{ls} from Pettipolee dated y^e: 3^d: and: 5th: Instant wth a Coppy of their Consultation of the: 4th: ditto by M^r John Goddard who this day arrived here according to order. Lett^{rs} from Pettipolee. Mr Goddard arrived.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.
 M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.
 M^r JOHN GRAY.

Thursday 14.

The Hono^{ble} Comp^a haveing ordered us to make an Investment in Cotton thread Stockings w^{ch} y^e President &c^a endeavoured before he left y^e place but could not bring them to any reasonable tearm they being Poor ^{as} Scrupulous People, w^{ch} since haveing prosecuted with some difficulty we have brought them

A Contract
for : 200 :
dozen pair
Stockins.

to y^e following agreement Viz^t To provide us : 200 : dozen pair
Stockings by the fine December next, according to the Musters
now given, sealed with y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Seal an[d] theires Viz^t.

No : 1 : att : 8½ : Fa : p Pair.

No : 2 : att : 7

No : 3 : att : 5½

wch Mr
Stubbs is
ordered to
look after.
100 : Pags deli-
vered him for
that purpose.
No Gloves to
be had.

which we order Thomas Stubbs assistant to the Warehous
to receive, and sort them according to y^e above Musters, and
to deliver them monys as there shall be occation, for which 'tis
agreed y^t : 100 : Pag^s be now paid him, but as for y^e Gloves there
is none of them will undertake, not^e being accustomed to make
them.

The Merch^t
discorst
[a]bout
Cotton
yarne [a]nd
Indico and
their
[a]nswer.

Wee have also discoursed our Merch^{ts} about y^e Provisson of
Cotten Yarne and Indico, w^{ch} they desire to Suspend their
answer too till they know our success with Lingapa being un-
willing to trade longer in his Country then they may be secured
in their Persons and Estates.

The Retren-
shmt of
Charges Con-
sidered on.
The Subordi-
nate ffactories
directed to
frugality.
Fort Peones
to be lessened
to : 100.

In persuance of y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} orders in their Gen^l of y^e
: 19th : Octo^r : 1683 : we have considered allways to retrensh our
Charges suteable to our present condition and circumstances, as
we have also directed y^e severall Subordinate ffactories and first
we have given orders for y^e reduceing our table and our Serv^{ts}
to be noe more then absolutely necessary and our Peones w^{ch} are
att present : 198 : to be lessened to : 100 : w^{ch} we hope with
carefull employing them may be sufficient for our present busi-
ness, with y^e assistance of y^e Pethanagues Talliers, who is
obliged to guard y^e towne in consideration of y^e Customes he
receives and if there should be occation for more Peones we
thinke itt better to entertaine y^e Washermen & beaters in y^e
Service, haveing noe other employment for them att present
which will be a meanes to keep them and their famulies here, to
returne to their trade of washing when our occations require.

Washers &c^a
to be enter-
tained for
Peons if occa-
tion requirs.

Severall
ways to
improve yo
town
revenues.
A small tax
to be levied.

Wee have also consulted severall ways for y^e improving y^e
Revenues of this towne and contributeing to y^e charge of walls
&c^a necessarie buildings for y^e conveniency and security of the
Inhabitants, upon w^{ch} we have agreed to propose y^e leavying
of ⁶⁴ a Small tax amongst them to be paid monthly, w^{ch} if they
so oppose as formerly, that we can't be Successfull therein, then
to offerr itt as a voluntary contribution to all y^e Inhabitants in
this Towne, both English, Portugues, Moors, & Jentues, w^{ch}

possibly may have a better effect upon their willfull tempers, but first to press and receive y^e : 500 : Pag^e p Annum w^{ch} was : 3 : Years past promised by y^e Severall casts of y^e Jentues, towards the charges of y^e Garrison.

The 500 : P p
As formerly
promised to
be recd first.

Itt is also agreed for y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Interest and proffitt to y^e towne y^t : 4 : low Rainges of small Shoppes (or Stalls) be built in y^e Buzar, near the Northermost Curtaine, to be lett att a monthly rent, to y^e Chittees, and ⁶⁵Committees, which will be of great conveniency to them, Commodious to the Towne, and Profittable to y^e Comp^a; beleiveing y^t [a]years tyme will fully repay y^e charge of their building, besides there being materials unfit for other buildings, which otherways would decay and come to noething.

Shops to be
built in the
Buzsar.

for ye
Honoble
Compas
advantage.

There haveing been severall complain[ts] from y^e Inhabitants of the towne of many notorious actions, (and villanous Crimes)

Complaints
by the In-
habitants of
outrages
committed.

committed as is Supposed by our new Souldiers, who we could never yett by our strictest watches & enquiries detect nor prevent w^{ch} doth so terrifie the People that without some further course be taken to secure them many of them will leave y^e towne, itt is therefore thought fitt (and agreed) to be absolutely necessary, and the Purser accordingly ordered to build convenient sheads for their Lodgings, within y^e walled towne to w^{ch} with an officer they are nightly to repair by : 9 : of y^e Clock presently after y^e ⁶⁶beating the Tattoo, upon penality of such severer punishment as we shall hereafter appoynt.

Supposed by
the new Sol-
diers but
can't find
them out.

The Inhabi-
tants[th]
reaten to
leave [th]e
towne.
The Soldiers
to lodg within
ye walls.

A Vessill belonging to M^r James Wheeler of Madapollam arrived into this Road from Batavia, with news of y^e Death of ⁶⁷Gen^l Spillman, & Heerburt y^e Second, y^e : 21st : January last, and y^t Mounseer Camphous is now Gen^l, That S^r Thomas Grant-ham Ship was gone to Surratt and y^e Chyna Merchant with Agent English did remaine there, but noe letters from either, upon enquiry of Thomas Bowry Master of s^d Vessill he acquainted us he had brought a quantity of Burneo Pepper w^{ch} is order'd to be bought for y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Accot and sent them home on Ship Royall James if procureable att a reasonable price.

A Vessill
from Batavia
arrived.

News.

Pepper
brought upon
her.
Ordered to be
bought for ye
Honoble
Compas
accot.

Gen^l to Conimeer Read and Past.

Gen^l to
Conimeer.

Gen^l to Metchlepatam Read and past.

Gen^l to
Metchlepa.

Customers
Booke Read
and Past.

The Customer M^r John Nicks his booke of acco^{ts} for the month of July Read and past as followeth Viz^t.

	Pa :	fa :	Ca :
Sea and Land Custome	188 :	02 :	5 [] :
Petty Land Custome	74 :	29 :	45 :
Paddy tole att y ^e Banksall	3 :	26 :	80 :
Measurers duty	16 :	06 :	0 [] :
Weighers duty	5 :	22 :	4 [] :
Curten Goedowne Rents	7 :	28 :	[] :
Register of Houses, Slaves &c	1 :	06 :	[] :
	297 :	15 :	5 [] :

ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GREY.

SAMUELL OWEN Sec^y.

Att a Consultation Extraordin^y.

Present :

Saturday 16.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r CHIEFE.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETONⁿ.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

Sloop Rochester to be dispatched for Codaloor with y^e Honble Compas Servts. att her returne to touch at Conimeer. [At] her returne hither [to] be fitted for Suma[t]ria. Letter to Codaloor.

Ordered y^t y^e Sloop Rochester be dispatcht for Coo[da]lloor wth M^r Cawly &c^a the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Servan[ts] and to bring away what bales shall be in a readyness att y^t ffactory in her returne to touch att Conimeer to unlade there: 20: Peices of Timbers to car[ry] on y^e building of their ffactory and to bring awa[y] w^t bales they shall have in Readyness and att her returne hither y^t she be fitted for her Voyage to the West Coast of Sumatria with the Amoy Merch^t. That a Gen^l Letter be wrote to Codaloor to advice them to hasten the Rochesters dispatch for Acheen and Provide w^t freight they can for the Amoy Merch^t which will be suddenly sent to them.

Itt was also agreed y^t for y^e reputation of y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} affaires in Acheen M^r Ord and M^r Cawly should provide them habitts suteable to their imploy for w^{ch} wee think tt reasonable

to order M^r Davis & Co to pay M^r Ord : 50 : Pag^a and M^r Cawly : 25 : Pag^a towards that charge and for their better appearance att Court and y^e Safety of that ffactory 'tis ordered that ten Red Coats ten Musketts and other things appertaineing thereto, for ten Souldiers to be taken a Shoar out of the Rochesters Ships Comp^a, and to y^t Purpose an order to be wrote to y^e Cap^t to spare them, and what elce they shall have occation for there, That according to a former order of Councell Ketty Vincataputty be sent to Codaloor to be Chief Dubass of y^t ffactory att Sallary : 100 : Pag^a p^a annum of w^{ch} he was accordingly advised and caution'd to receive nothing from y^e Merch^{ts} upon any consideration whatever nor to intermeddle with their trade.

[50] Pages to
b[e] [paid]
Mr [Or] d
& 25 : Mr
[Cawly] to
[pr]ovide
credittable
[h]abitts.
[R]ed Coats
& Co for : 10 :
[Sou]ldiers
to be taken
[ou]t of ye
Rochester.
Capt to be
order'd to
[sq]are ym
wt necessary.
Chief Dubass
sent [to] Co-
daloor fac-
tory.
Genll to Coni-
meer.
Lre to ye
Goverr of
Tringambar.

Gen^l to Conimeer Read and Past.

Letter from the Chiefe to y^e Governour of Tringambar Chiefly to cover a letter to that Governour from Batavia, desireing him to impart his news from thence.

ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

ELIHU YALE Esq^r O[h]iefe.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

18.

Ordered that Sloop Charles be dispatched for Metchlep^a with Eight Brass ^{as}Rantackoes whic[h] we are advised will sell well there, as also : forty great piggs of Lead, with : Pag^a : 6000 : to be lan[d]ed there for Madapollam ffactory to compleat their proportion of our stock being : 30000 : Pa[g^a] also : 2000 : Pag^a to Pettipolee to make up the Pa[g^a] : 20000 : allotted them, after the delivery of w^{ch} y^t she be dispatched to Vizagap^a wth : 2000 : Pag^a to compleat y^e : 15000 : Pag^a ordered them, from whence they are to dispatch her to this place as soon as possible with what bales they hav[e] in a Readyness, otherwise with Ebony, Redwood, Turmerick, or any other goodes to lye here for Ship Rochester att her returne from Acheen, being itt will be inconvenient for her att that season to fall so low as Vizagapatam.

Sloop Charles
to be dis-
patched to
the Northern
factories
with goods
& treasure.

To bring bale
goods from
Vizagapam or
any other
goods
procureable
there.

Mr Ivatt
&ca ye king
of Syam's
Servts pas-
sage granted
on ye Sloop
Charles.
His Black
Servts
Fishcashed.
The : 500 :
Pa: p
ann: for-
merly: pro-
mist by ye
Merchits,
demanded.
They desire
tyme to con-
sider of itt.
No preterge
shall excuse
ye payment.

No contract
'till Lingapas
answer.

Form of a
Tickett.

Mr Bowry
treated sever-
all tymes
about his
Pepper.
20 Pag^a
Candy offer-
r'd.
but would not
sell itt under
y^e Bengall
price.
not thought
covenant to
give soe much
Reason why.
The Presidt
advised of itt.

Mr Thomas Ivatt y^e King of Syams ffact^r here, with other of
y^e Kings Servants makeing itt the[ir] request to have passage on
our Sloop for Metchlepatam 'tis thought fitt to grant itt, thereby
to oblige his Majesty, and y^t y^e Kings black Serv^{ts} returned
now to Syam have a Small Fishcash y^t may speak our respects
to y^e King their Master, w^{ch} we are advised will be well resented.

The Chiefe Merch^{ts} were sent for to min[d] them of theirs
and y^e heads of y^e Casts promise i[n] february : 1681 : to pay :
500 : Pag^a p annum to the Hono^{ble} Comp^a, towards y^e Charge of

y^e Garrison, w^{ch} they desired tyme to consider of, and in a
few days they would returne answer, w^{ch} if not agr[ee]able to y^e
former promis, 'tis resolved that itt be not excused notwithstand-
ing any spetion[s] pretence of their fear of Lingapa or others y^t
they be ordered to pay y^e money.

Debating the business of provission of Goodes here 'tis agreed
y^t we make no contract wth our Merch^{ts} till wee receive answer
t[o] a letter sent to Lingapa dated the : 12 : Instant.

In advises last year from y^e Accountant-Generall, recom-
mended to our notice by y^e Hon^{ble} Company he therein advises an
alteration of our ticketts in our bales and y^t they be signed by
him that is appoynted to see them Embaled, w^{ch} accordingly
is now ordered and the forme of y^e tickett to be as follows.

In this Bale was packed : 30 : p^s of Long cloth white each
containing browne : 72 : Coveds long and : 2½ : Coveds broad
Marked and Numbred as p. mergin, Sorted by A : B : and
C : D : and measured and Embaled by

E : F :

Whereas in Consultation of : y^e : 14th Insta[nt] itt was there
agreed and ordered to treat wth Mr Bowrey about his Pepper
brought from Burneo which he accordingly was severall tymes
disc[our]sed about and tho we adventured to offerr : 20 : Pag^a
p Candy w^{ch} was much more then y^e Hono^{ble} Comp^a allowed and
ordered itt to be bought att, and mo[re] then itt's usuall price here,
Yett notwithstanding he would not be pswaded to accept therof
nor any thing less then the supposed prices in Bengall whither he is
bound which he ca[lu]culated to be : 23 : Pag^a p Candy, a price not
kno[wn] here, w^{ch} we could by noe meanes give as well i[n] consider-
ation of itt's dearness as also a future example to others y^t shall
bring itt here, tho[we] are of opinion itt would be very convenient
for and acceptable to y^e Hono^{ble} Comp^a by y^e Royall James, but

however we have advised y^e President therof to whom M^r Bowrey hath promised to make an offerr.

Orderd y^t y^e Chiefe pay M^r John Gray : 1,000 : Pag^d to [P] 1000: defray Charges Garrison.

Genⁿ to Madapollam Read and Past.

Genⁿ to Pettipolee Read and past.

Gennerall to Vizagapatam Read and Past.

pd Mr Gray.
Genll to Madapoll.
Genll to Pettipolee.
Genll to Vizagapam.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Thomas Huston late of Fort St. George Armourer maketh oath y^t in y^e year : 1682 : he being then in y^e Hono^{ble} Comp^{as} service there was a larg Ingott of Gold which being broken was of different finenesses as appeared by its various Colours one part whereof was delivered by the then Agent and Councell to M^r Richard Brereton and my selfe to cutt a peice therof to send to the Hono^{ble} Comp^a which was done accordingly by me.

20.
Thomas Hustons Oath about an Ingott of Gold.

JURAT CORAM ME.

ELIHU YALE.

THOMAS HUSTON.

M^r Thomas Ivatt y^e King of Syams factour & y^e rest of y^e Kings Black Servants Embarked this day on board Sloop Charles to take their Passage for Metchlep^a and att their departure from y^e Shoar there was : 7 : Peices of Ordnance fired in Hono^r to their Master The King of Syam.

20.
Mr Thomas Ivatt Sett Sail for Metchlepam on Sloop Charles. Guns fired at his departure.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

Thursday 21.

Part of y^e Chief and Councells Genⁿ letter to the Hono^{ble} Comp^a read and past and ordered to be Coppyed.

Part of a Genll to the Honble Compa Read & Past.

Parsers
acco^t for ye
month of
June Read
& Past.

Mr John Gray Purser his Acco^t for y^e mon[th] of June Read
and past as followeth Viz^t.

	Pags.	Pa.	Ca.
Charges Garrison	986	: 27	: 30
Charges Gennerall	357	: 21	: 65
Charges Dyett	190	: 19	: 82
Charges Cattell	6[7]	: 05	: 30
Charges Merchantdize	97	: 23	: 60
Acco ^t Fortifications & Repairs	202	: 22	: 00

Pag^{os} 1902 : 12 : []

The Honble
Companies
Merchts
sent for to
bring a Mus-
ter of Ging-
hams for the
Amoy.

The Merch^{ts} were sent for to bring a Muster of ^{oo} Gingham
proper for y^e Amoy Merch^{ts} Voyage to Sumatra, but y^e
Prices being extraordinary high [we] could not come to an
agreement.

The heads of
the Casts sent
for to be put
in mynd of
their Pro-
mise.

The severall heads of y^e Casts of y^e towne Inhabita[nts] were
also sent for to mind them of their promise[d] supply towards y^e
Charges of y^e Garrison who sent us word this not being a good
day they desired we would excuse their comeing till to morrow.

The Chief
Portugues
sent for.

The Chief Portugues in Towne were also sent for about y^e
same business but most of them being from home 'tis deferr'd till
they returne.

ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

23
Genl from
Madapo.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Madapoll : dated : 11th : Instant.

Att a Consultation.

Present :

Munday 25.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

Part of ye
Genl to ye
Honble
Compe Read.

Part of the Chief and Councells Gen^l letter to the Hon^{ble}
Comp^a read and past & ordered to be Copied.

Ordered y^t y^e Purser deliver : Pag^t : 200 : to y^e Brickmakers for procuring of bricks for y^e severall works now in hand.

200 : P : to be delivered ye Brickmakers.

The Hon^{ble} Company having often recomended and ordered us to Study and consult all ways for y^e improvem^t of the Revenues of this towne w^{ch} accordingly has often been our consideration, and debate and y^t we may so do it as not to disoblige y^e Inhabitants either to complaine or leave y^e Towne w^{ch} y^e Avoid^r at St. Thomay takes all opportunities to encourage their coming thither and so much y^t they have by Proclamation released half y^e Customes for : 3 : years to all y^t will settle or trade there, w^{ch} cource hath drawn many of y^e Portugues and Natives to them, w^{ch} makes it[t] no convenient tyme for alterations, however [we] thank y^e Customes may be advanced incensibly upon them, by dividing y^e land from y^e Sea Custome, w^{ch} formerly were p^d together upon the importation of goods w^{ch} amo^{ts} to near : 5½ : p Cent besides y^e Peddanagues &c^a dutys, and appeared so great y^t discouraged Merch^{ts} from coming to y^e Port, wherefore we do order for y^e future y^t y^e Customes be p^d severally Viz^t : 3 : p Cent for Sea Custome or goods imported and exported by Sea and three p Cent land Custome on goods brought into or carried out of Towne, besides y^e usuall dutys to the Peddanague Towne Conacopy and ⁷⁰Pagoda whe[re]by the Hon^{ble} Comp^a will gaine : 1¼ : p Cent w^{ch} according to late Calculation of y^e Customes will amo^t to about Pag^t : 1200 : p Annum and will grea[t]ly encourage y^e importation of goods to its encrease, tho y^e other : 3 : p Cent will fall upon the price of y^e goods, yett y^t will not be so much considered as y^e Paying so great a Custome upon landing their goods, and so att once will give contentm^t and profit, to w^{ch} purpose and y^t all may be informed therof 'tis ordered that the following Order be published and affixed upon the Custome House and the Severall gates of the Towne Viz^t.

Towne Revenues taken into consideration.

To ALL WHOME THESE PRESENTS MAY CONCER[N] That where-as y^e Sea and land Customes were formerly paid together upon y^e Importation of goods 'tis now ordered by the Worp^l Chiefe &c^a Councill y^t they be p^d Separately for y^e Satisfaction of Merch^{ts}, and encouragem^t of trade to this Port, y^t is, all goods imported by Sea to pay noe more to y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^a then : Three p Cent Custom upon y^e Just Vallue therof, besides y^e usuall duty to y^e Peddanague &c^a, w^{ch} is for all Christians ¾ & for Jentues and Moors ½ : p Cent, and y^e same for exportation by Sea, Likewise y^e Land or Choultry Custome to be : Three p Cent in or out of towne with y^e other usuall small dutys thereon to the

The order about ye Customes affixed on the Gates of ye Towne.

Peddanague &c^a y^t is half a fanam p Pag^s for Christians and three quarters for others, Callicoos and Gram only excepted w^{ch} are to pay as formerly established, besides: 2: fa: p Bale to the Officers and Conacopy to y^e Custome hous, and whosoever shall demand more, do it contrary to order and unjustly, and therefore all Persons so agreaved, upon complaint therof shall have due Satisfaction made them, and y^e offenders Receive their Just reward, Given under our Hands this: 25th: day of August: 1684.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

The Chiefs of y^e severall Casts Inhabitants of this Town were sent for to Conclude upon their Yearly Supplys towards y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} great Charge of Souldiers and buildings to defend and Secure them, their famulys, and Estates from the dainger and oppression of y^e Country Government which too often happened in other parts which with other considerations y^t they were not only safe at y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Charge but also lived upon and were enriched by their trade which was duly [presst] to them as also their promise and obligation two Years past for their contribution, to which they pleaded y^t some of them had lived near forty years here free from any such impositions, and that they had constantly paid y^e due Customes of y^e Place, w^{ch} they Supposed was in consideration of all Charges of y^e Garrison & their residing here, also their present great poverty and want of trade, made them incapable for any such contribution with many other evations to excuse themselves for v^t small and Reasonable charge, w^{ch} we told them we order'd and expected from them, and therefore must not be disputed if they intended to be protected under our govern^t and Charge, and y^t if they disliked or would not obey our Laws they had y^e liberty to Sell their Houses & remove where they pleased, which was warmly presst to y^e Chiefest, who with much pswation bro[ke] y^e Combination, and y^e Rest easily followed to consent to pay Annually as follows, to Comence from y^e Year 1682: Viz: for every Great House: Nine fanams for every Small House Six fanams and every little Round house Three fanams.

The Heads of the casts discoursed about their contribution.

With much pswations are brought to it.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

This day the Sloop Rochester arrived from Conimeer & brought their Gen^l of the 25th Instant.

26.
Sloop
Rochester
arrived &
brought a
Gen^l from
Conimeer.

Att a Consultation.

Present:

ELIJAH YALE Esq^r Chiefe.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

Thursday 28.

The Chief &c^a att Conimeer desiring a further Supply of money
on y^e Investm^t 'tis ordered that Pag^s: 10000: be sent
them overland by: 14: Peones to compleat their allotted Invest-
m^t also y^e two looking Glasses and Sandall wood they desire
for Vittulapelly be provided and sent them.

Pa: 10000:
ordered
Overland to
Conimeer.
As also
Glasses and
Sandall wood.

Ordered that M^r John Gray Paymaster doe goe aboard and
Muster y^e Royal James's men & give his report therof in order
to her being disp[ar]ched y^e: 30th: Instant for England.

Mr Gray
ordered to
Muster ye
James's Ship
Company.

Ordered y^e: 50: Pag^s be paid to Mattamara for provision of
Redwood.

Pa: 50: pd
for Redwood.

The Gennerall letter to the Hon^{ble} Company Read past and
Signed.

Genll lre
to ye Honble
Compa read
and signed.

The Secretary is orderd to gett in a Readyness the severall
Papers for the Packett.

Gennerall to Conimeer Read and Past.

Genll to
Conimeer.

Gennerall to y^e Worpth S^r John Blackmore, Governour &c^a
Councell att S^t Hellena Read Past and Signed.

Genll to S^t
Hellena.

M^r John Gray Pay Master according to order went on Board
Ship Royall James to Muster the Ships Company and Gives his
Report that there are Living: 136: Deceased: 4: Discharged:
16: Runaway: 2:

Mr Gray
gives his
report of ye
Royall
James's
Company.

ELIJAH YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Received a letter from Gopall Panditt, Sanerogee Pontulo &
Yadava Pontulo dated y^e: 19th: Instant.

Letter from
Gopall
Pandit &c^a.

TO CAPT JAMES MARRINER,

COMAND^r OF Y^e ROYALL JAMES.29.
Order to
Capt
Marriner.

We hereby desire and order you to send ashoar for ye Hon^{ble}
Comp^{as} Service, the following psons. Vizt M^r. Samuel Wett-
wang, Peter Enoff, George Lawson, and John Elmes.

Your Loving friends.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

At a Consultation, Extraordinary.

Present:

Saturday 30.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.M^r JOHN GRAY.

The : 10000 :
Pags order'd
overland to
Conimeer
now ordord
on y^e Sloop,
as also Pa :
10000 : to
Codaloor.
Sloop Recd
her dispatch.

Wheras 't was ordered in Consultation of y^e : 28th : Inst y^e
Pag^a : 10000 : should be sent Overland p Peones to Conimeer
we now think it more safe and Convenient to be sent upon Sloop
Rochester also Pag^a : 10000 : to Codaloor, ordered that y^e Chief
&c^a of Codaloor do Returne y^e Sloop hither immediately with
what goods they have in a Readyness that she may accompany
the Amoy Merchant, so she Rec^d her Dispatch accordingly, there
being a report y^t Lingapa intends to beseige y^e town and hath
sent Peones to intercept our People therfore, 'twas thought
convenient to dispatch the Sloop wth the Treasure, and not run the
hazard of sending it Overland.

Royall James
dispat.

Ship Royall James Received her Dispatch for England with a
Cargo amounting to Pag^a : 167768 : 21 : 1.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.FORT ST GEORGE: 30th: AUGst: 1684.

Order to
Capt Ma^r.
Isor.

TO CAPT JAMES MARRINER.

COMAND^r OF SHIP ROYALL JAMES.

You are desired by the Worpⁿ Elihu Yale Esq^r Chiefe &c^a
Councell of ffort S^t George to disCharg one of your Carpentours

mates in exchaing for one of the Amoy Merch^{ts} Seamen if you can conveniently spare him, he having by Accident lost one, and therefore will be much in want of one for his Voyage to Sumatra &c^a.

By order of the Chief and Councell.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Codaloor dated the: 26th: Instant.

Genl from
Codaloor.

At a Consultation.

Present:

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chief.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

Munday
Sept ye: 1.

Severall letters, Rec^d from the Subordinate factories pused and ordered to be answered.

Letters Recd
pused.

Being busily employed in providing the Amoy Merchants Cargo the Chief and Councell had not tyme to treat of other business.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Ship Royall James sayled for England.

Royal James
Sayled.

The Chief Mustered the Souldiers who many of y^m being Strangers here and great Complaints of their disorderly lives and deportment amongst y^e Natives it was thought fitt y^t the orders of the Garrison should be read to them, that they might not pretend Ignorance of their dutys w^{ch} was strictly encharged to them by the Cheife, as also the Officers to be carefull of their severall Charges and duly punnish offenders.

2.
[Th]e Cheif
Mustered the
[s]ouldiers.
The Orders of
ye Garrison
Read to them.

The Peones were also Mustered of whom many were discharged and no more then absolutely necessary continued in the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} service.

The Peones
Muster'd and
Some dis-
charg'd.

A Portuguez Vessill Allexander Heart Master [say]led for Acheen laden with Salt and Rice.

A Portugese
vessill
Sayled for
Acheen. 3.

At a Consultation.

Present.

Thursday 4.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chief.M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.M^r JOHN GRAY.Pd : 500 :
pd Mr Gray.The Chiefs
Cash Book
Read and
Past.Genl from
Codaloor p
used.A Sharp l^{tr}
to be wrot
them.Leave
granted
Mr Davis &
Mr Ord to
come to the
fort.Joan Coroon
entertained
for to write
Portugues
letters.Genl from
Madapoll
pused

Ordered that : Pag^s : 500 : be p^d M^r John Gray Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

The Chiefs Cash booke for the month of August read and past and the Chest examined wherin was found according to Ballance Pag^s : 44664 : 23 : 3.

Upon pusall of a Gen^l letter to us from M^r John Davis Chief & Co^a Councill at Codaloor in answer to o^{rs} of the : 9th : Past, wherin we modestly advised them of y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} orders, and ours, for the better regulating their affairs, & Retrensh^{mt} of their charges whose answer therto is, more of peramptory Capatulations then any sattisfaction to the business we wrote them about, they also having been very Remiss in their observance of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} strict orders for their monthly corresponden[ce] with us, having Rec^d neither Consultation Dyary nor Acco^{ts} this : Eight months, from that ffactory 'tis therefore ordered that a Sharp letter be wrote to reprehend them, for their neglects, which if they continue that the penaltys appoynted be inflicted on them.

M^r Davis and M^r Ord having made their Request to come to y^e fort upon some earnest business, it is thought fitt to grant them liberty provided the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} affairs be first settled, and that it be no prejudice to them.

M^r Clarke being deceased and there being great want of a Portuguez writer for our Corresponden[ce] with the European Governours of these parts, 'tis thought convenient that Joan Coroon now a Souldier upon the 22^d Corps du Guard being very fitt- ing for y^e employ^{mt} be discharged his duty and allowed : 120 : fa : p menoem.

Having Rec^d a Gen^l letter from Madapollam advising of y^e arrivall of the Treasure and Goods sent y^m and also that their Merchants have Pag^s : 40000 : in goods ready provided upon last years Contract, w^{ch} by their importunity to the Cheif & Co^a there, they propose to us to releas the : five p Cent abatem^t lately made there which we cannot by any means allow of, but rather

press them to more, and a Good Sortment and that a Gen^l letter be wrote them accordingly. Chynavincatadry the Chief Merchant was sent for to mind him of the payment of the Pag^t: 7000: due by his Bill to the Hon^{ble} Company who desiring our further forbearance till we received an answer to o^r letter from Lingapa, it was thought convenient to allow therof.

ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Order'd to be answered.
Chynavincatadry minded of ye paym^t of the : Page 7000 :
Desires' forbearance till Lingapas answer.

At a Consultation Extraordn[ary]

Present :

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chief.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r Jⁿ LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

Saturday 6.

Commissions and Instructions to M^r Ralph Ord and M^r William Cawly from the Chief and Councell for their Voyage on Ship Rochester to Acheen for y^e disposall of their Cargo and treating with the Queen and Court about the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Settlem^t there according to their directions and orders in their severall letters concerning it, or at y^e Island ⁷³ Pallaedda near ⁷⁴ Quedah if thought more convenient & profittable, then to write or go to y^t King to treat about it.

Commissions and Instructions to Mr Ord & Cawly Read and Past and entered in folio : 296 : of the lrs sent.

A letter also to the Queen of Acheen to recomend the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} desires by their Servants M^r Ord and M^r Cawly, and give them audience and Credit and be graciously pleased to grant our Requests, Hon^r our People, and Encourage our trade.

Letter to ye Queen of Acheen.

Also a letter to M^r Richard Mohun at Acheen to resigne up the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} ffactory there to M^r Ord and M^r Cawly, acquainting him that they have appropriated y^e trade of y^e Callicoes, Pepper, and ⁷⁵ Benjamin to themselves, & prohibiting all others from it.

Letter to Mr Mohun.

A Dispatch to Cap^t John Brumwell to sail for Acheen when laden, to follow M^r Ords and M^r Cawlys orders, and to spare then w^t men for Soldiers or other necessarys they shall have occation for.

Capt Brumwells Dispatch.

Instructions to M^r Peter Dod bound for Pegu to enquire into the state and trade of that Country and how the King and People stands effected to us and our Settlem^t in those parts, and to inform himself from the Minnisters of State what p[riv]iledges

Instructions to Mr Peter Dod, entered in folio : 306 : of the letters Sent.

we may expect or can procure, pticularly what hopes there may be of a Settle^mt at ⁷⁰Bamboo upon the Confines of Chyna, and the trade and advantages therof, allowing him what necessary Charges he shall be at to be well advised therin, All w^{ch} papers were Read and past and ordered to be wrote fair for Signing.

The Merchants treated about ye Provision of Indico.

The Merchants were also treated with about provision of Indico and Cotten Yarne, w^{ch} they promised to bring Musters of on Monday next, and the lowest price and w^t quantitys they can provide by December next.

ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Genll from
Codaloor.

Rec^d a Gen^l from Codaloor dated the : 2^d : Instant.

At a Consultation.

Present :

Munday 8.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chief.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

Muster of
Indico and
Cotten Yarn
brought as
also a Muster
of Paddy.

The Merchants brought a Muster of Indico and Cotten Yarn but the Chief and Councell deferr'd discoursing them about it till another tyme.

There was also a Muster of Paddy brought but the price could not be agreed upon, so 't was thought fitt to order the Sellers to bring it another tym[e] hoping to bring them to better terms.

Genll to
Codaloor.
Pags. 1000:
pd Mr
Gray.

Generall to Codaloor Read and Past.

Ordered that : 1000 : Pag^s be paid M^r John Gray Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

At a Consultation.

Present :

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chief.

Thursday 11.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

M^r Richard Browne having made it his Request to be continued Chief of Vizagap^a, promising his great care for the Settlement of the late disorders and distractions of that factory, both in Acco^{ts} and trade; which he hath already made a good beginning in and doubt not of as good a Conclusion, as also of well managing the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} affairs for the future being a very able fitting p^{son} for y^e Charge as also being Senior to M^r Wheeler, we think it but reason and his due that he has the Choyce & accordingly conceit and order him to Continue Chief of Vizagap^a and that M^r Wheeler be Chief of Pettipolee.

M^r Richard Browne Continued Chief of Vizagap^a-tam.

M^r Wheeler Chief of Pettipolee.

Being also advised of the deceas of M^r Richard Gresham late third of Metchlepatam and apoynted Second of Pettipolee, we therefore order M^r W^m Shales to be Second of Pettipolee and M^r Swynock to Supply his place of Warehouskeeper at Metchlepatam.

M^r Shales orderd : 2d : of Pettipolee and M^r Swynock 3d : of Metchlepatam. Pages : 50 : p^a M^r Jardin & ca for fresh Provisions.

Ordered that M^r John Gray do pay to M^r Clem^t du Jardin, M^r John Goddard & c^a Pag^e : 50 : to provide them with fresh Provisions and Liquors for their Voyage on the Amoy Merch^t to Sumatra & c^a.

Cap^t Robert Bybee desiring Satisfaction for the Passage of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Servants on his Ship, but we have no orders from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a nor example therein, 'tis thought fitt that it be referr'd to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a and y^e owners of the Ship to agree therupon, and that the Cap^t be advised therof.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Sloop Rochester arrived from Coda-loor wth their Gen^l of y^e : 9th instant and bill of lading for: 81; Ba: Callicoos as p Invoice Ba: Callicoos am^o to Pag^s: 6317: 32: 1: wth are order'd to be unladen. from Coda-loor.

At a Consultation Extra^r.

Present:

Fryday 12.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Cheife.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

Letter to
Mour Estreem-
mon.

Letter from the Chief to Mour^t Estremon Chyrurgeon to the King of Golcondah Read and past it being to desire his kind endeavours to procure a Phirma^t from the King for the Coyn-ing Rupees, as also another for Vizagapatam, and to accq^t him of y^e Injurs offered us by Lingapa, Saiguna, and the Governour of Pollyacatt Appangee Pontolo, and to desire him to use his utmost endeavours to redress those greivances, and in consideration he might do us this and further kindnesses 'twas thought fitt and accordingly order'd that a present be made him to the amo^t of about: Pag^s: 100.

Genl to
Vizagapam.

Gennerall to Vizagapatam Read and Past.

ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

13.
Letters to
Bundalela
Shawhe &
Tar: Vencana.

Letter from the Chief to Bundalela Shawhe and Tarrutder Vencana approved by y^e Councell & forwarded.

Ship Burneo Merchant Thom^s Bowry Master arrived here from Vizagapatam he being designed for the Bay but could not proceed thither by Reason of the Monsoons changing.

Letters and Instructions for Pegu delivered M^r Dod.

The Councell mett but no business presented only the Chief Read the Warehous acco^t for the Month of July w^{ch} was passed in Councell.

Munday 15.
Warehous
acco^t Rd
& past.

Ship Pros-
peros Sailed.

Ship Prosperous M^r Peter Dod Master Sailed for Pegu.

Genl from
Conimeer.

Rec^d a Gennerall from Conimeer with their Consultations for the month of August and part of Sep^t dated the: 13th Instant,

there also accompanied lfs from Vittulapelly and Amboge Pontulo to the Cheif to desire the Continuance of friendp^e: dated the 9th [Ins^t].

Rec^d a letter from Lingapa dated the: 1st: Instant.

Rec^d a letter from our Bramenys Nelloor Ramana and Vira Ragavia.

Letters from Vittulapelly & Amboge Pontulo.
Letter from Lingapa.
Letter from or Bramenys.

At a Consultation, Extraor^y.

Present :

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chief.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

Wensday: 17.

M^r Clement du Jardin, Cap^t Robert Bybee &c^a were sent for and their Instructions for their proceedings to Sillabar &c^a Read and delivered them.

Instructions Read to Mr Jardin &c.

Ordered: 14: Cask bread, 6: Cask flower and: 8: Cask pees and: 14: Cheeses be sent on board the Shipp Amoy Merch^t to be spent in her Voyage to Sillabar &c^a part of which they are to send on board Sloop Rochester to be spent by them and y^e Cap^t to be Accountable as p this following order Viz^t.

Provisions ordered aboard Ship Amoy.

To Cap^t Robert Bybee
Comand^r of Ship Amoy
Merchant.

Letter to Capt Bybee.

The Hon^{ble} Company having putt a[board] your Ship: twelve Supernumerary men upon their pay and Charge as you enform us for whom having occation to man their Sloop Rochester to accompany Your Ship in her Voyage to Sumatra &c^a we therfore hereby order you to put aboard her y^e sd: 12: men to Sail her in y^e Voyage, and as you are oblig'd to and p^d for it, to lay in for them Sufficient good provissions for their whole Voyage at y^e Sole Charge and expence of y^e Owners, having only putt aboard y^e Sloop: 10: Cask Biskett: 6: hh^{ds} Pees: 4: hh^{ds}: Flower &: 1[0] Cheeses for which you are to allow y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^a their cost in England, also for four Cask Biskett two Cask flower two hh^{ds} Pees and four Cheeses for y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Servants aboard your Ship Amoy Merch^t: you receive and consideration of them for their passages.

Your Loving friend[s].

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

Gentl to
Coodaloor.

Letter to
Const.
faulcon.

Gennerrall to Coodaloor to advice of y^e Amoy Merch^t proceed-
ing to them to take in the: Two Thousand Pag^e in paintings
formerly ordered to be provided at y^e ffactory, Also a lre from the
Chiefe to "Consta[^t] ffalcon to desire his kind assistance to the
Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Servants and concernes on Ship Amoy Merch^t in
case she should proceed for Syam bo[th] of this date Read and
Past.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Thursday 18.

Mr Jardin
&ca went
aboard ye
Amoy.

The Councell mett but no business presented only the Dis-
patching Ship Amoy Merch^t and Sloop Rochester for Sumatra &c^a.
The Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} ffactours and Cap^t Bybee went on board
about three of the Clock in the afternoon.

FORT ST GEORGE: 18TH SEPT: 1884.

An order to
Capt Bybee.

To Cap^t Robert Bybee Com^{an}^r
of Ship Amoy Merchant.

You are to Receive on board yo^r Ship Amoy Merchant the
following Merchants Viz^t: Wordia and Assana with each one
his Servant for passage on your Ship in her Voyage to Sumatra
&c^a and Return hither, and be curious to them to encourage their
future lading on our Shippis.
By order of the Chief and Councell.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

19.
Ship Amoy
Sailed.
21.
Gentl from
Pettipolee.

Ship Amoy Merch^t and Sloop Rochester Sailed for Porto
Novo.

Rec^d a Gennerrall from Pettipolee wch Copy of their Merchants
Contract, and their Dyary Consultations. Acco^t Currant, and
Stewarts Acco^t, for the Months of July and August.

At a Consultation

Present:

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

Munday 22.

Having lately Rec^d a letter from Podala Lingap[a] in answer
to ours of the: 12th: August where in he flatters us with his usuall
friendly expressions but gives but little hopes of Recovering the

Pag^s: 7000: still alledging y^e impossibility of getting it from y^e Divan, and notwithstanding their People broak their Contract yett we were obliged to Stand to ours, with severall Such unreasonable Arguments, that makes the business very doubtfull not only denying us satisfaction but also demands the Kings Annuall Rent of: 1200: Pa[g^s] for this Town to be spedily sent him up, w^{ch} having seriously considered and debated y^e many ill consequences that may Succeed from the denyall therof, as y^e Kings displeasure w^{ch} Lingapa would make this an ocation to agrivate possibly to the forfeiture of our Phirmaund, or bringing down his Army upon us, to prevent w^{ch} or any other unjus[t] cause of Complaint against us, we do think it conv[e]nient and accordingly argee that the Twelve Hundred Pag^s for y^e town Rent be now sent to Lingapa according to the Kings former order as also a lre to him to demand our rights from him as we pay ours to the King and once more to argue his unreasonable Conclutions.

The Town
Rent to be
sent Lingapah.
Also a letter.

The Merch^{ts} being treated with about Cotten Yarn and Indico the lowest prices we could bring them to was Pag^s: 55: p Candy for Cotten Yarn according to the Musters sent us by the Hon^{ble} Comp^a and for y^e Indico Pa: 55: the head sort: 40: the Second & 27: the thurd, p Candy, which greatly exceeding the Prices the Hon^{ble} Comp^a mention in Severall of their Gennerrall letters, we can't come to any concolution therin, but for the present order M^r Willcox &c^a to Contract with their Merchants for fifty Candys of each sort, it being more plentiful[1] and Something cheaper in those parts.

The Merchts
treated about
Cotten Yarn
and Indico.
Stand on
high Prices.

The Painters being sent for to Contract with them about Painting the Curtains enordered by the Hon^{ble} Comp^a they told us their Musters were not Ready, but would gett them finished by next Consultation day when we shall Contract for the quantity Required.

M^r Willcox
&c^a ordered
to provide
some.

The Painters
sent for about
the Curtains.

M^r John Nicks Customer his Acco^t for the m[on]th of August Read and Past Vint.

Customers
acco^t for
August Read
& Past.

			Pa:	Fa:	Ca:
Sea and Land Custome	...	...	167:	17:	58
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Register of houses, Slaves &c ^a	...	...	-:	25:	-

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Paymasters
Accot for July
Read and
Past.

M^r John Gray Paymaster his Acco^t for the Month of July
Read and Past Viz^t:

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				558	04	35
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Letter to
Yittulapelly.
Lrd to
Amboge
Pontulo.
Letter to or
Brameny
residt with
Lingapa.
Genll to
Conimeer.

A letter from the Chiefe to Vittulapelly Sobadar of y^e Chingo Country in answer to his Curtious letter to the Chiefe, as also one to Amboge Pontulo his Deputy, acknowledging past kindnesses and desiring a further continuance of y^r friendship also one to y^e Bameny Resident with Lingapah ordering their immediate repair to y^e ffort and a Gennerall to Conimeer Read and Past.

ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

23.
Genlls ap-
proved & sent
forward.

Genneralls to Metchlepatam, Madapollam, and Pettipolee sent to y^e Councell for their pusal, Approved, wrote fair, Signed and sent forward.

24.
Genll from
Codaloor.

Received a Gennerall from Codaloor da : 18th Insta^t.

At a Consultation.

Present :

Thursday 25.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chief.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

The Merchts
treated with
about Cotten
Yarn and
Indico.

Commig into a further treaty with our Merch^{ts} about Cotten Yarn and ⁷⁸fig Indico, and having pused their severall Musters, one of which we find agrees with that sent us out by the Hon^{ble}

Company frō England which having severall tymes discoursed about the P^{re} of, the Merchants give us now their finall Resolve, that they c^{an} not afford the Cotten Yarn for less then Pag^a : 48 : p Candy, which so much exceeding the Hon^{ble} Companys price of : 5^d : p £, we desist from buying any therof, but have com[e] to an agreement for : 30 : Candys of Indico to be delivered by the last of December at : P : 21½ p Ca[ndy] according to Musters now Received.

30 : Candys of Indico agreed for at : 21½ Pa : p Candy. Mr Willcox & Co order'd to provide y^e quantity of Cotten Yarn.

And M^r John Willcox advicing us from Conimeer y^t their Merch^{ts} offered to provide, 50 : Candy of Cotten Yarn according to y^e English Musters att : Pag^a : 35 p Candy and : 50 : Candys of Indico at Pa : 25 : p Can : it is therefore ordered y^t he provide y^e quantitys & bring y^e Merch^{ts} to as much cheaper rates as he can possibly pswade them to, but of y^e Musters of Indico sent from Cudaloor Vallued at : 20 : Pag^a p Candy being very cource and not according to o^r Musters our Merch^{ts} offering to provide y^e same here for : 16 : Pag^a p Candy 'tis ordered that none therof be provided.

Ordered that Pag^a : 200 be paid for Paddy being Cheap.

P : 200 : to be pd for Paddy.

The Painters having at last finnishd and now brought us their Severall patterns for Curtains of various Colours and works 'tis ordered that Cloth be delivered them by the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Merch^{ts} for : One Hundred Setts of Curtains according to y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} orders to be delivered by the last of December at y^e following Prices Viz^t Pag^a : 6½ p Suite.

Cloth to be deliv'd the Painters for to make Curtains.

The 23^d Instant there happening a most Execrable Murder Committed upon a Moorman and his Connacopy by his Servant who taking y^e advantage of their Sleeping, kill'd two and wounded severall others y^e wittnesses wherof belonging to a Ship in y^e Road Suddenly bound for Arracan y^e Relations of y^e Murdered are importunate to have them tryed before y^e departure of y^e Said Ship, w^{ch} tho we are at present very full of business wee think it convenient for their Sattisfaction and to terrify others from such horred crimes y^t they be brought to a tryall on Saturday next as also that Moorman in Prison that Murdered a Boy some tyme before the Presidents departure.

A Murder committed on a Moorman and his Connacopy.

Severall Boats of Redwood being brought to y^e Town it is ordered it be bought for Acco^t of y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^a.

The Murderer to be [brong]ht to his tryall. Redwood to be bought for the Honble Compa.

Mr Bowry to
be treated
wth about
his Pepper.
P: 17: p
Candy to be
offer'd.

Two Soul-
diers committ
outrages in
their drink.

Order'd to be
punished
Publicly
and Severely.

500: Barrills
of Gunpowder
by the
Kempthorn
not Invoiced.

Order'd that
they be
vallued att
£ 3: 10 p
Baril.

Thomas Bowry and his vessell lossing his Voyage to Bengall, hath return'd to this Port wth y^e Pepper formerly denyed us, w^{ch} is agreed to be treated about and y^e Pag^a: 17: p Candy be offered for it, as also a peill of Pepper we have notice of to y^e Southward if it can be had att y^a said price.

Two of our new Soldiers having in their drunken fitts, abused and wounded severall of y^e Native Inhabitants of this Town to y^e endaingering of their lives, for w^{ch} they were imprisoned and Confined to rice, and Water, y^e Severall People now being recovered of their wounds and hurts, 'tis ordered y^t a Publique seveer punishment be inflicted upon them in y^e out Town, for y^e Sattisfaction of Justice and y^e People, and y^t part of their pay be stopt for some months to repair y^e Charge of y^e Peoples cur[e].

Ordered y^t: 500: Barrills Gunpowder Rec^d from Batavia by Ship Kempthorn their price not Invoiced but said to be sent by his Majesty y^e King of England to y^e Young King of Bantam who Refusing them they were sent hither, and are ordered to be entered in y^e Gen^ll Acco^{ts} and brought to y^e Credit of Acco^t Currant London at: £: 3: 10:—p Barrill and a p^ticular Acco^t Kept of their dispose.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

27.
Genl from
Metchlepa.

Received a Gennerall from Metchlep^a dated y^e 10th insta^t with their Acco^t Cash for the Month of August and Sept^r, Coppy of y^e Merchants Contract for this years Investment, the Merch^{ts} Acco^{ts} and Copy of a letter to the President.

At a Consultation.

Present:

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

Munday 29.

The Painters
sent for to
be agreed
with.
Extravagant
in their
demands.

This day the Painters were called in order^d to make an Agreement with them and to deliver y^e Cloth, for: 100: Setts of Curtains as p last Consultation, but we found them so very extravagant in their demands, above: 50: p Cent more then formerly used to be given y^m for such work y^t as yett we have

come to no Conclusion, but having offered them w^t Reasonable prices we thought fitt, they desired to have: two or three days tyme to consider of it.

The Chiefs Warehous Acco^{ts} for the month of Augst Read and Past.

Ordered that Pag^s: 1000: be p^d M^r John Gray Purser to defray Charges Garrison.

Warehous
Acco^{ts} Read
and Past.
Pa: 1000:
to be p^d Mr
Gray to
defray
Charges.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

The 7th fluckeer that Killed y^e Boy att Ennore wth severall others that 'twas thought were accessarys in y^e Murder as also the Moorman that killed y^e 30 Noceda and 31 Cranees were brought to their tryalls, the fluckeer and Moorman were by a Jury of Six English and Six Moormen of their owne Religion found Guilty of y^e Murder they were indited for, who confessed y^e same in Court, and accordingly Rec^d the Sentance of Death, from the Chief, as usuall on Such Virdits Viz^t: to be Severally hanged at y^e Place of execution till they were dead.

30.
Severall
Moormen
brought to
tryall.
Two found
Guilty.
Condemned.

At a Consultation.

Present:

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

October,
Thursday 2.

The Chiefs Acco^t of Cash for the Month of Septem^r Read and Past and y^e Cash chest examined, wherin was found according to Ballance Pag^s: 58904: 23: 3.

The Chiefs
Acco^{ts} Cash
Read and
Past.

Upon Re-examination of y^e Invoyses, and y^e Stock sent us this Year, we do find there was a very considerable error in y^e former calculation therof, makeing it no more then: Pag^s: 334361: which appears to be Pag^s: 430964: 33: 2: y^e difference

An error in
ye calcula-
tion of
ye years
Stock.

Pag^s
about: 96,000 which tho it happens very well to Supply ours and y^e factorys present occations for Investm^{ts}, all places greatly complaining of y^e Small stocks sent them yett it hath been some delay to our business having sent them little more then what was then enordered, and now we do think Convenient

The over
plus to be
divided
among ye
fa[ctorys.]

Complaints
to Court
against
Lingapah.
No trade to
be Com-
menced in
his Country.

The Merchts
to be treated
wth about an
Investment.

but ye Goods
to be pro-
vided out of
Lingapas
Government.

Salary
ordered to
be paid.

and hereby [order] y^t y^o Said overplus be as soon as Possible divided amongst y^o severall ffactorys, and tho notwithstanding we have not as yett made any conelusion with Lingapa nor Received any Redress for y^o Pag^s: 7000; nor our Merchants that are wrongfully detained and imprisoned by him, which we think still convenient to press him to, and dispute with him about, having also sent our Complaints to Court therin, do still think it y^o Hon^r and Interest of y^o Hon^{ble} Comp^a not to commence any trade in his Country till we receive an answer to our late letter to Court or Sattisfaction from Lingapa, w^{ch} we hope his sence of their great loss and Prejudice by our Cessation of trd^[e] will be a great motive to induce him to give his Redress therin, we allready hearing of great Complaints and dissatisfactions amongst them, but y^o Hon^{ble} Comp^a having in their severall letters order'd the provission of Morees in this place, we think it necessary and do agree y^t our Merch^{ts} be sent for and treated with, and y^t mony and Goods be delivered them for y^o Proviision of such goods enordered by the Hon^{ble} Comp^a as is usually provided by y^m out of Lingapas Government, and y^t they shall oblige themselves not to make any trade in Lingapas Country, neither in Silver, Europe Goods, nor Callicoes, upon such penaltys as shall be thought fitt (by the Councell) to be laid upon them, and in regard y^o Season grows very late y^t no tyme be lost in making y^o Investment, which is to be ended by y^o fine of January next, who were sent for and discoursed accordingly, for w^{ch} they desired some considerations for their answers.

Salary being due to the Hon^{ble} Companys Covenant Servants the Twenty Ninth past mō 'tis ordered that a Calculation be made therof and it be paid accordingly.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

3.
The men
condemned
for Murder
executed.

Genll from
Madapoll.

This day the Men Condemned for Murther were executed confessing the Murthers they Suffered for.

Received a Gen^l from Madapollam with their Consultations for y^o Months of June, July, August & September, and Acco^t of Cash for y^o Month of April, June, July, August and September.

A Country Vessell Named y^e Trivetore arrived from Vizagap^a 4. as also y^e Sloop James from y^e Bay who attended y^e President thither, and brought a Gen^l from Ballasore dated the: 9th: ultimo &: 80: Ba: broad cloth as p Invoice amounting to Rupees: 39809: 10: 3: wherof many were Damaged before laden as p their letter, to y^e Chiefe and Councell, as also a letter from the Presid^t dated y^e: 22th: August: 1684.

Trivetore arrived fro Vizagapa and Sloop James from Bengall.

At a Consultation.

Present;

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

Munday 6.

M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r Jⁿ LITTLETON.

M^r JOHN GRAY.

The Chiefe &c^a att Ballasore by order of y^e President haveing dispatched to us Sloop James who arrived the: 4th: Instant with: 20: Bales Broadcloth fine and: 60: Bales Broadcloth ordinary many of which were damified before laden on y^e Sloop and some since, by Reason of bad weather in her passage hither, and having already by us near: 60: Bales of that sort of Goods of this years stock, of w^{ch} Metchlepatam &c^a Northern ffactorys give us but little hopes of their disposing of them (or any other Europe Goods) w^t we lately sent them being most of it undisposed of, they writing us their Merch^{ts} will not be fswaded to Receive them in part of their Contract, by reason of y^e Charge and troubles they meet with from y^e Severall Governments where they send [y^m] for Sale, and our troubles here being not yet conclud[ed] will impeed our vending so great a quantity, it is therefore thought necessary and accordingly [orde]red that: 20: Bales of Broadcloth Ordinary and: Eight Bales of fine y^t Came from bengall be sent to Codaloor, and: Six Bales Broadcloth fine and: 20: d^e ordinary to Conimeer on Sloop James, also: 3: Chests Corral to Codaloor and two to Conimeer, as also: 5: Chests Silver to each ffactory, to be tymely invested for Lading y^e Ships and that she be dispatched as soon as possibly thither and after she hath discharged her goods, to be putt into Codaloor or Porto Novo River to Ride out the Moonsoones and be Repaired, after w^{ch} she is to Return and bring us their Goods to be Ready here for Lading the Ships.

Part of ye Broadcloth recd from Bengall with Corall and Silver to be sent to Codaloor and Conimeer. Sloop James to be put into Codaloor River & repaired.

The: 3^d: Instant having Received a Gen^l from the Chiefe and Councell of Madapollam dated the: 20th: Sep^t (with their

Lre from
Madapoll
advicing of
their taking
off abate-
ments,

Disallow'd
of by the
Chist &
Councell.

Paragraphs
of severall
Letters here
incerted.

Consultations, Dyary and Acco^t of Cash for y^e Months of June, July, August and September) advicing us that instead of following the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} and our orders in making an abatem^t upon the Goods y^t have been so greatly Complained of, both for their badness and dearness, and therefore, thought convenient (Saying they have no other means to Remeedy it) but by taking off y^e abatement of : 5: p Cent upon Cource goods and : 2: upon fine, made by the Agent and Councell in May: 1682: with great difficulty and Charg w^{ch} we not understanding their Reasons for, being upon y^e same Musters as now contracted upon, which y^e Merchants were before obliged to deliver their goods by, or to abate proportionably for y^e difference, which if was not so observed was wholly the Neglects & faults of y^e Persons Intrusted with y^e Sorting and Receiving it, but Supposing those errors will be now Reformed, & more care taken of the Goods, we can't apprehend the Reason or necessity for taking off the afores^d abatem^t being also opisite to our Hon^{ble} Masters orders and at those rates will much exceed the prices of the same goods at Metchlep^a and Pettipolce, which if we should allow of would soon follow y^e example, therefore we must and do hereby disallow therof, but being advised of M^r Lucas's setting out for this place 'tis agreed y^t we deferr answering y^r letter till his arrivall and y^t we first hear his better reasons for taking off the afores^d abatem^t, and what advantage he proposes therin, which we are yett wholly strainers to, and for our vication that we have not omitted our dutys to advice them of y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} orders, nor what others form our Selves is necessary for their direction and Mannagment of their affairs, its therefore ordered y^t y^e following Parragraphs of our severall letters to them be here incerted, for y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Satisfaction Viz^t.

"And since tis now our Charg and care to direct their affairs
"on this Coast we must advice you with the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as}
"orders to us and all subordinate factories on this Coast, which
"we order and expect as punctuall a Compliance with as is in yo^r
"powers and Consistant with the Honour, Interest, & Security of
"their affairs.

"The first is a Gen^l Retrenshmt^t of all yo^r: Charges w^{ch}
"otherwyse will fall very hard on y^e Small Investm^t you are
"likely to make this Year, and in that first your table, in which
"you must be as frugall as possible, next Your Servants which
"must be no more then absolutely necessary, you must also
"lessen your Peones since there is so little business for them.

" The next is your Investment which is y^e life of all, wherein
 " y^e main considerations are y^e goodness and Cheapness of your
 " Cloth, both which are greatly complained of from your fac-
 " tory, and therefore require your greatest care and dilligence to
 " redeem its reputation which we hope is allready effected by
 " your late Chiefe, being of equall weight without your care of y^e
 " first y^e other is fictitious therefore being Joyned y^e Service will
 " be just & acceptable, and y^e trath is considering the few buyers
 " and want of mony your Merch^{ts} may we[ll] afford an abate-
 " ment or att least an amendm^t of their goods, but to introduce
 " this you must first race out y^t unnecessary memorandum of the
 " old abatem^t in your Acco^{ts} with y^e Merchants and Invoyses,
 " which seems only to prevent new ownes, and calculate your
 " goods to their reall prices, for whilst y^t is so often Repeated to
 " them their thoughts of it will raise disputes and make it very
 " difficult to fall lower, but you must press them to it with your
 " best arguments, Our Hon^{ble} Masters advicing us goods are so
 " fallen in England that if we buy not cheaper there is no
 " advantage by them, by w^{ch} you se y^e necessity of yo^r best
 " endeavours which if successfull shall be duly represented in
 " your favour, to y^e better effecting of w^{ch} we limitt you to no pti-
 " cular Merch^{ts}, but such as are honest fitt, and Responcable,
 " therefore if you find any amongst them y^t are troublesome
 " and obstinate you may chainge them for better. The Hon^{ble}
 " Company write us not to provide more then 3 : the quantity of
 " ordinary white Long cloth and Sallampores provided formerly
 " being very low in England, and we would have you encrease
 " in other Goods, according to y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} list now sent
 " you.

" Another weighty affair y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^a Charge y^e amend-
 " ment of, is y^t long and Chargable ill Custom of Dustore which
 " we cannot give in better terms then their owne Viz^t.

" And to y^e intent y^t we may for ever be freed from y^t
 " wicked Cheat of Dustory in all places Subordinate to your
 " Agency as well as in y^e Bay, we do for y^e future wholly forbid
 " y^e allowance of any such duty to any Chiefe dubbass or Interpreter
 " but that in liew therof you doe allow him a convenient Sallary,
 " as we are informed you do att y^e ffort, and this we recomend
 " to yo^r present reformation in all places where you have hot
 " done it allready, and that you Suffer no such ill Custome under
 " any other name or pretence whatsoever.

" By which you se their ill opinion of it, and their Resolute
 " Commands to have it Reformed, w^{ch} we hereby expressly order

"you to doe, Charging y^e Merchants as often as you make up
 "Acco^{ts} with them and put it to a p^ticular Acco^t in your books
 "under y^e head of Dustore (to be cleared off by Acco^t new irrec-
 "tions and Reparations) and in lieu of this and all other p^r-
 "quisites we do order: 100 : Pag^a p^r annum to your Chiefe
 "Dubass and: 50 : Pa : a year to yo^r Brameny which we think a
 "very sufficient creditable maintainance, and you must strictly
 "prevent any other allowance to them from yo^r Merch^{ts} or
 "having any shair with them in trade which will Redound us
 "much to our Hon^{ble} Mast^r prejudice."

The above is what wrote to Madapollam to wth this following is their Answer Viz^t.

"The Merchants press hard and will not be satisfiye^d or give
 "any hopes of bettering the Cloth till y^e last abatement be taken
 "off which was made by the Dubass and Brameny without their
 "consent or knowledge and for which they bear a p^rpetuall grudg
 "to them but we shall not easily condiscend unto them or if we
 "doe it shall be conditionally y^t you approve therof, and if by the
 "Judgm^t of them who Received their Cloth they shall deserve it,
 "for we do most since[r]ly assure you that these abatem^{ts} one
 "upon the other have been a great cause of bringing y^e Cloth of
 "this ffactory into so great disesteem."

In answer to which it was agreed that this following should be writt Viz^t.

"We observe what you write about y^e quantitys of goods the
 "Merchants have by them and their quallitys too, which consi-
 "deration makes it a very undue tyme and unfitt goods to
 "advance our prices upon, whatever we may doe for y^e future,
 "to encourage y^e [m] to make better goods, the former being much
 "complained of by our Hon^{ble} Masters even to grea[t] suspi-
 "tion of unjust dealings in that ffactory, as you will find plainly
 "in their Letters, and whatever pretences was therein we well
 "know, the y^e last abatement was proposed here by the Bra-
 "meny & Dubass, yett 'twas concluded there by a Contract
 "'twixt the Councell and Merchants by the Old Masters without
 "any exception, and therefore was apparently their faults y^e
 "Received the Goods, without proportionable abatements for
 "their badness, but we doub[t] not those errors are and will be
 "abolished by the Integrity and care of the late Chiefe and
 "Councell, but this Year we cannot allow of lessening any
 "abatement upon y^e goods already provided, but Rather to
 "mynd you of a very carefull Sortiment. Nor will your stock

"reach to more being yett but Pag^s 30000 : w^{ch} we hope will
 "be suddenly encreaced by y^e Shipping we dayly expect, tho
 "in y^e mean tyme you may encreace itt as farr as you can upon
 "y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Credit, which in this necessity will be of
 "great service for y^e lading their Shippes, the tyme wasting a pace
 "for a Seasonable provision for them, therefore pray give your
 "Merch^{ts} all possible encouragm^t thereto."

The Merchants were again called for and treated wth about
 their Contract according to y^e list of goods the Hon^{ble} Company
 Require from this Place formerly delivered them, and gave in
 their list of w^t of those goods they could provide out of Lingapas
 Government.

The Merch^{ts}
 treated about
 a Contract.

Also a list was given them of what Silver and Goods they were
 to Receive upon this Contract, to be brought in and concluded by
 the fine of January next.

List of
 Europ^a goods
 and Silver do-
 liver'd them.

An Abatem^t of two p Cent was also formerly and now prest
 to them, acquainting them with the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} orders and
 expectations therein, the price of their goods being so fallen in
 England y^t if not bought Cheaper here there would be no pro-
 fit by them, which would discourage the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} future
 trade nither, and so consequently would be of greater loss to them
 then a present abatement, which would be recompenced by the
 encrease of our Investment, w^{ch} with many other Reasons and
 arguments was importunately urged to them, with assurances
 that our Hon^{ble} Masters would acknowledge their good Services by
 some Signal favour to them, besides what they should Receive att
 present from ourselves, they were also mynded of their promised
 Supplying y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^a with a considerable am^t in goods,
 when there should be 'ccasion, which we told them was now and
 would be a very acceptable Kindness to them, by reason the
 stock yett arrived was too small for y^e Tonnage we were to
 provide for, To which they replyed they should do their utmost
 endeavours to serve y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^a in that or any thing elce in
 their powers, but as to an abatem^t they could not now comply
 with any, they being no[w] att greater charge in providing their
 goods then e[ven] by the unusuall and unreasonable exactions
 of the Government, and tho the Southern flactorys had made
 abatem^{ts} upon some of our goods, yett those Merchants were much
 greater gainers then they considering y^e many more Jungeans they
 paid in bringing their goods hither, and y^e Custom paid the Hon-
 [ble] Company here, as also y^e great quantitys of Severa[ll] sorts
 of goods they yearly took off from y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^a by which

An abatem^t
 of two p Cent
 pres^t.

Mynded of
 their pro-
 mised supply-
 ing the Hon-
 ble Compa
 with goods
 [in] tyme of
 necessity.

They can't be
 brought to an
 abatement

Their reasons.

they were sometyms great loosers and often long out of their mony, which other ffactorys were greatly excused from, besides that, since att present they being obliged not to trade in Lingapas Government, they must of necessity be att y^e Charg of Boaf[ts] to transport their goods hither, which would be a very considerable one to them, and for the quantitys and sorts of goods they were to provide for and Receive from the Hon^{ble} Comp^a they desired tyme to consider of till y^e Morning, and then would attend us wth their utmost resolves, upon w^{ch} reminding them of o^r foregoing desires as also of o^r ill circumstances with Lingapa, and y^e lateness of the season which Required their greatest care and expediti[on] we there wth dismissed them.

Desire tyme
for farther
Consideration
before they
conclude,
Dismissed.

ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

At a Consultation Extraordinary.

Present :

Tuesday 7.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

The Merchts
again [so] ut
for. [Ab]atmt
pres^t very
[ha]rd. Read
as before.

The Merchants were sent for again and treated with about y^e Investment, and an abatem^t of two p Cent pres^t very hard to them by the Chiefe and Councell, but they pleaded as they did before, the great Charges they should be at in providing the Goods out of Lingapas Government and y^e small tyme they had for it, but promised when things should be better accomodated y^t they might trade more freely, they would do their uttmos to serve y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^a in that nature, and for y^e present they would give order and take great care that y^e Cloth should rather exceed then fall short of y^e Musters, wherupon y^e Chiefe and Councell seing they could not by all their pswations bring them to make an abatem^t, and the tyme elapsing for y^e seasonable provission of goods, Required a list of what goods they would undertake to provide out of Lingapas Govern^t, to be ready embaled by the first January next which the Merchants delivered, and is as followeth Viz^t.

[B]ut promise their
[C]loth shall exceed
[ra]ther then fall
[s]hort of the Muster.
The Merchts deliver a list of goods they will undertake,

				Peices.
Long cloth Ordinary	...	...	...	10000
Ditto Brown	...	...	...	5000
Ditto Blew	...	...	...	8000
Sallampores Ordinary	...	...	...	10000
Ditto fine	...	...	...	2000
Percolles fine	...	...	...	4000
Superfine Mores	...	...	...	2000
Ditto Ordinary	...	...	...	15000
Ordinary N ^o : 3 : 4.	...	...	...	2000
Neckcloths : 16 : in a Peice	...	...	...	6000
Ditto : 12 : in a Peice	...	...	...	2000
Ditto Single	...	400.0-0...	1	
Bettealees : 50 : Coveds	...	...	...	5000
Ditto : 40 : Coveds	...	...	...	8000
⁶² Demetys	...	...	...	500
⁶³ Dyapers	...	...	...	500
Cotten Yarne	...	Candy :	100	
⁶⁴ Romalls Courge	...	...	16	
Ginghams 1½ y ^d broad : 20 y ^{ds} Long	...	...	200	
Ditto 1 :	...	15½	...	200
Indico	...	...	Candys : 30	
Curtains	...	...	Setts : 100	9

Gen^l to Codaloor of this date Read and Past.

ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Sloop Charles from Vizagap^a arrived in this Road & brought their Gen^l dated : 25th : Ultimo with their Invoice and Bill of Lading for fifty bales Calicoes of severall sortes as p Invoice amounting to P : 2612 : 4 as also y^e Ball^o of their Accots and transcrip of the Consultations, Acco^t Cash, and Stewarts Acco^{ts} for the Months of July, and August, as also News of the Defences passing that place, and sending their boat to ⁶⁵ Collingap^a : 15 : leagues distance from thence with Eight of the Ships Comp^a for fresh Provisions but was forced towards y^e Bay by a Suddain gust, and left y^e boat and men there, who coming to Vizagap^a y^e Chiefe and Councell order'd : 4 : of them up hither on y^e Sloop Charles, who acquainted the Chiefe they Sailed from England

Sloop Charles
arriv'd from
Vizagapatam.

News of y^e
Defence.

y^e 14th March ⁶⁶ only touched att S^t Jago, had a healthy good passage left all things well aboard, and arrived on this Coast y^e tenth September.

[S]loop
Charles to be
[un]laden.

[G]o[n]n from
Codaloor.

Sloop Charles is ordered to be unladen by y^e first opportunity.

[G]enl frō
Mr Jardin.
[&c]a

Rec^d a Gennerall from Codaloor dated y^e: 3^d Instant advicing y^e Dispatch of y^e Rochester the: 29th ultimo wth 285: bales freight goods besides Rice, and the Amoy Merch^t the: 30th ditto wth the goods formerly ordered to be provided there, and what freight procurable being to y^e amo^t of Pa: 1300: as also a Gen^l from M^r Jardin &c^a from Porto Novo dated y^e 30th Ultimo advicing of their Dispatch.

At a Consultation Extraordinary.

Present:

[W]ensday 8.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

[The Merch^t
treat[ed]
[a]bout
Europe goods.
Agreed with.

The Merchants were again sent for and treated wth about the Europe Goods and Silver, and after much debate p^aswation, and intreaty, they were prevailed with to take off all our goods to a very small matter which were refused some for being damaged, and others not vendible in this Country, notwithstanding we hope to clear y^e goe-downes in a Short tyme, by some means or other, tho y^e: Eighty bales sent us from y^e Bay by Sloop James, are in a very bad Condition most damaged and many quite Rotten from their Goedowne, the Prices are as followeth Viz^t.

Prices here
[in]serted.

Pag^r: Pa: Ca:

Broadcloth fine Ba: 7: 1st P^a: 42: at Pag^r 55

p 1st: Peice 3210: " "

Broadcloth Ord^r Ba: 50: 1st P^a: 300: at Pag^r

: 24 p 1st Peice 7200: " "

Cloth rashes Ba: 3: P^a 30: at 18: p Peice ... 540: " "

Se^rges fine Ba: at 600:

Perpetnaoes ... 4 ... P^a 80: at 7 1/2

Lead: 160:)

Great. { Can M^a lb } att: 10: Pa: p } 1107: 19: []

ditto. 28 { 110: 15: 2. } Can. }

-Small. }

Quicksilver: 2: Chests att Pag^r 10 1/2: p ma. 277: 22: []

Vermillion: 2: Tubbs att Pag^r: 11 p maund. 397: 11: []

Ma. lb.
Candys: 16 11
Cardys: 30 5-

	ca.	ma.	lb	
Tynn : 20 : Bar ^{lls} Poz	18 :	5 :	6	
at Pa : 45 : p Candy	...	...	...	596 : 28 : []
Allom : 15 : Cask Pz	19 : 8 :	24 att	Pa : 27 :	
p Candy		...	...	525 : 03 : []
	ma.	lb		
Corrall : 4 : Chests Poyz.	44 : 22 at :	86 P :	p	
M ^d	...	...	...	3859 : 24 : []
Ditto Boxes	...	...	...	
		dwt.		
Silver 15 : chests Poz.	Ounces 52703 :	17 at		
dollw ^t				
16 : p : 10 Pagodes	...	...	...	37395 : 06 : []
				54809 : 08 : []

Wee Chinna Vincatadry and Company do hereby [ac]know-
ledge that we have Rec^d the aboves^d goods a[mount]ing to Pag^a
fifty four Thous^d Eight Hun^d & Nine : Eight fa : w^{ch} said S[umme]
we do oblige ourselves, our Heirs, Excecutours, Ad[mi]nistratours
or assignes to make good unto y^e Wo[rp^{ll}] Elihu Yale Esq^r Chiefe
&c^a Councellor to their Suc[c]essours for Acco^t of y^e Hon^{ble} English
East In[dia] Comp^a by the One and Thirtieth day of January
next ensuing y^e date hereof in such Sort of Callicoes as they shall
order, and none of y^es^d Callicoes are to be provided in Lingapas
Govern^t withou[t] leave from the Chiefe &c^a upon forfeiture of Ten
Thous[and] Pag^a and paine of such other penaltys as they sha[ll]
think fitt to Inflict upon us in Wittness wher[of] we have
hereunto sett our hands and Seales th[is] Eighth day of October
One Thousand S[ix] Hundred Eighty four,

Gennerrall to M^r Ord and Cawly Read and Past.

ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN^e Sec^r.

At a Consultation.

Present :

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

Thursday 9.

The Merchts
Sign'd their
Contract.

This day the Merchants were sent for and Signed their Contract for an Investm^t of: 120720: Peices of severall sorts of Callicoes and other Commoditys w^{ch} is to be compleated and ended by the fine January next Viz^t:

The Mer-
chants obli-
gation.

Wee Chynavincatadry and Comp^a do hereby oblige ourSelves our Heirs &c^a to the Worpⁿ Chiefe &c^a Councell of Fort S^t George or their Successours to bring in y^e underwritten sortes of Callicoes and other good[s] now contracted for for the Acco^t of the Hon^{ble} Com[p^a] by the one and Thirtieth day of January next upon failure wherof we do engage to pay: five: p Cent to y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^a, and likewise not to make any manner of trade in Lingapas Govern^t without leave from y^e Worpⁿ Chiefe &c^a Councell upon forfeiture of Tenn Thousand Pag^s and such other penaltys as they shall Pleas to order, provided that if our goods should be stopt^d by any differences that may arise they do assist in the clearing of them as has been usually practised.

The Sorts and
prices of
goods con-
tracted for.

The Particular sorts and Prices of goods are as follow[eth]

				Peeces.
Long cloth ordinary att :	:	Pag ^s p Courg	...	10000
Ditto Browne at	...	...	...	5000
Ditto Blew at	...	...	...	8000
Sallampores Ord ^y at	...	...	...	10000
Ditto 0 fine at	...	...	...	2000
Percollas fine at	...	...	...	4000
Morees Superfine at	...	...	...	2000
Ditto Ordinarye at	...	...	...	15000
Ditto No. 3 : 4 at	...	...	...	2000
Neckcloths : 16 : in a p ^a at	...	...	...	6000
Ditto : 12 : in a Peese : att	...	...	...	2000
Ditto Single Neckcloths at	...	...	...	40000
Bettealees : 50 : Coveds at	...	...	...	5000
Ditto : 40 : Coveds at	...	...	...	8000
Dimetys ... at	...	...	...	500
Dyapers ... at	...	...	...	500
Ginghams : 1½ y ^d Broad : 20 : y ^{ds} long at	...	...	...	200
Ditto 1 ... broad : 15½ long at	...	...	...	200
Romalls : Corg : 16 at	...	...	...	320
Cotten Yarn Candys : 100 :				
Indico 30				
Curtains : 100 : Setts : at Pa : 6 : ½ : Painting.				

Paymasters
Accot Read
and Past.

M^r John Gray Paymster his Account for the month of August Read and Past, Viz^t.

Charges Garrison	...	...	...	812 : 08 : 30
Charges Generall	...	575 : 01 : 70		
Sloops Expence	...	114 : 10 : 20		
				689 : 12 : 10
Charges Dyett	...	...	...	244 : 27 : 20
Charges Cattle	...	...	...	42 : 25 : 40
Charges Merchantdize	...	...	...	155 : 35 : 10
Acco ^t fortifications Repairs &c ^a	...	...	...	92 : 32 : 35
Error in Charges of Garrison now allowed				2 : 00 : 00
Pag ^r ...				2039 : 32 : 65

Generall to the Hon^{ble} Comp^a of this date Read & Past.

Gentl to ye
Honble
Compa.
Gentl to Codr
& Conimeer.
Sloops dis-
patches.

Generalls to Codaloor and Conimeer Read and Past.

Sloop Charle's Dispatch for Enore River there to ride out
y^e Monsoon and be repaired where she is defective as also Sloop
James Dispatch for Conimee[r] and Codaloor, Read past and
delivered them.

ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Sloop James Sailed for Conimeer and Codaloor.

10.
Sloop James
Sailed.
Gentl to
Surat.

Generall to Surrat pused by the Councell approved Signed
and sent forward.

A Country Vessell named y^e Trivetore Sailed hence for
Acheen laden with Rice.

12.
Trivetore
Sailed. -
Recd a l^{tr}o
from Tarruf-
der Vencana.

Rec^d a letter from Tarrufder Vencana to the Worp^[H] Chiefe
dated the fourth instant Requiring money for our Settlement at
Carera as the Interlopers pd.

At a Consultation.

Present :

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

Munday 13.

We being indebted to the Washermen about Pag^r 60[0] upon
last years Contract, w^{ch} they desiring to be satisfied, and making
their further request to us to Supply them with more money to

Pa: 800: to
be pd ye
Washermen.

Genll to
Hugly.

Genll to
Ballasore.

Genll to ye
President.

buy wood and othe[r] necessarys for washing w^{ch} this is the season for, and being greatly indebted in y^e town to Severall Merch^{ts} they were forced to borrow of, we upon consideration therof have thought fitt and accordingly agre[ed] to pay them Pag^a: 800: on acco^t of our debt, to provide them necessary and to keep them in Town for our occasions.

Generall to y^e Presid^t &^a Councell at Hugly to advice them of occurances since his Hon^{rs} departure a[] so a Generall to⁶⁷ M^r ffitshughs Chief &^a Councell att Ballasore being to acknowledge the Receipt of the Broad cloth p Sloop James & advice them of its dammage, as also a Gen^l to the President to advice h[im] of y^e error in y^e Calculation of this Years stock, all o[f] this date Read and Past in Councell.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Mr Lucas
arrived from
Madapoll
& brought a
Genll from
thence.

M^r Thomas Lucas arrived here from Madapollam and brought their Generall of y^e: 30th: Sep^t wth their Consultations for part of y^e Month of Sep^t as also severall Masters of Indico and a Muster of Cotten Yarn, w^{ch} are found to come out much dearer then in these parts, and its therefore thought fitt to forbid the Provision therof in those parts, he also brough[t] a Muster of Dyapers from Pettipolee.

At a Consultation.

Present:

Thursday 16.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

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

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

Customers
Accots Read
and Past.

M^r Thomas Lucas taking his place in Councell M^r John Nicks Customer Read his Acco^{ts} for the Month of Sep^t which was past Viz^t:

			Pag.	fa.	Ca.
Sea and Land Custome	...	..	415	12	97
Petty land Customes	...	...	115	33	97
Paddy tole at y ^e Banksall	...	...	2	26	62
Measurers duty	...	...	18	25	53
Weighers duty	...	...	3	18	51
Register of houses & slaves	...	...	-	28	-

Pag^a 552 : 2 : 60

M^r John Gray Paymaster Read his Acco^{ts} for the m^o of Sep- Paymasters
tember w^{ch} was Past Viz^t: Acco^{ts} Read
and Past.

	Paga.	fa.	Ca.
Charges Garrison	705	06	25
Charges Gehnerall ... 201 : 12 : 5			
Sloops Expence ... 14 : 30 : 10			
	216	06	15
Charges Dyett	108	08	13
Charges Outle	47	04	50
Charges Merchantdize	88	10	40
Acco ^t fortifications Repairs &c ^a ...	291	32	65
	Pag ^a	1546	32 : 48

Gen^l to Metchlep^a Read and Past againe Recoomending the Gen^l to
Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} orders to them and blaming their little observance Metchlepa.
of our last.

After which the Chiefe &c^a entred upon the discourse of the
Chiefe &c^a of Madapollain taking off y^e late abatements of : 5 :
p Cent. on y^e Cource goods and : 2 : per Cent. on y^e fine, upon y^e
old Musters w^{ch} having long debated this Councell could not find
y^e least reason to Recceed from their former opinion and orders
therin, and tho we do beleive y^t they intended well, and that this
error proceeded Raither from unexperience, then will, three of y^t
Councell never having made an Investm^t there & two of them
wholly strangers to y^e Country were prevailed with therto, by
the importunate but accustomed Complaints of y^e Merchants,
and too easy a beleife of their fair promises, w^{ch} we know they
have little Regard to when it opposes their Interest, our Contracts
being wholly to be governed by the Masters of which those that
sort and Receive y^e Cloth are Judges of y^e difference, and their
proportionable value from the Musters, according to y^e Numbers
agreed upon, which if Strictly and faithfully observed itt would
soon discourage them from bringing in short, Narrow or bad
Cloth, w^{ch} would either be rejected or brought to such low numbers
that they would gett less by them then finer Cloth, and being
so bough[t] cheap is of equall advantage to y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^a
who chiefly complain of the ill sortm^t and dearness of their
goods, w^{ch} we doe not understand can be rectified by taking off
abatements so much as by a Carefull sortment, and also very un-
fitting att this tyme when our Hon^{ble} Masters so much and often

The Councell
enter d upon
ye discourse
of ye Chief
&c^a of Mada-
poll taking
of the
abatements
about wch ye
following is
their Result.

Recomend and press the buying goods Cheaper from a Just reason y^t their prices are so fallen in England that there can be noe proffitt by them, from this and y^e Prementioned Reasons, as also y^e ill consequences it will produce in our other fiactorys at Metchlep^a (where y^e Merch^{ts} have lately abated 2 : p Cent, as also at Pettipolee : 5 : p Cent more then the Madapollam Merchants upon the very same sorts of fine goods) should we allow therof by raising such disputes and discontents by the inequality of y^e prices as is allready murmured amongst them, y^t would greatly endainger y^e prejudicing not only our present but future Investments, 'tis therefore now further agreed that the said Contract be disannulled, being as M^r Lucas now informs us not made absolutely but Conditionally upon our approbation, who also offering himselfe to goe upon this business 'tis accordingly ordered as most proper for him, y^t he do Returne to Madapollam wth our Dubass Narran to attend him as soon as possible (before it has made to great an impression) to recall their late promised agreement and Resettle the Contract upon the Old abatement that is : 5 : p Cent on y^e Cource goods and two p Cent on fine, to take off : 10000 : Pag^a in Europe goods of the next y^t Shall arrive (having disposed here all but what are damaged) and to pay : 6 : p Cent for what monys shall be advanced to them as p their Contract : 1682 : and to encourage the Merchants to this 'tis ordered y^t Pag^a : 5600 : in Cash and three Chests Silver be sent thither by Peones with M^r Thomas Lucas to be invested there if they consent and agree as afores^d, otherwyse to be sent to Pettipolee, there being y^e greatest abatement tho upon some former Considerations think it not convenient at present to dissolve that fiactory, or disannull the present constitution of a joynt stock, Rather then w^{ch} (if it is not otherways to be avoyded) we do hereby impower M^r Lucas & c^a to grant : 2 : p Cent more upon the Price of the Cource goods if they will engage to better their cloth, but this we desire and hope may be excused too, & an exact sortment recommended which will be as near a way to mend their cloth, for the reasons aforesaid and that after this Settle^m w^{ch} we hope will be neither tedious nor troublesome, we order M^r Thomas Lucas to deliver up the charge of the fiactory to M^r Sam^l Wales & c^a Councell with his best advice for managment of the Hon^{ble} Comp^{ys} affairs there, after w^{ch} to Return to his appoynted place in this Councell.

'Tis also thought convenient and further ordered y^t by this opportunity of M^r Lucas care Pag^a : 2000 : in cash and three chests Silver be sent to Pettipolee fiactory to be Invested according to

Gold and
Silver to be
sent to
Pettipolee.

our list sent them by the ultimo Decen ber for this Shipping and to prevent the encreacing clamours of those Mercha^{ts} and to oblige them to care and expedition 'tis agreed] y^t y^e Gold Chaines provided and promised them upon their late abatem^t (and some lying by us for that use) be delivered to M^r Lucas for M^r Wales Chiefe of Pettipolee if there to give them otherwyse that himsele or M^r Wheeler y^e appoynted Chiefe of that fiactory to dispose them as designed to the severall Chiefe Merchants making them sensible that y^e Honour and charge is to incite their best Services.

Also gold chains for their Mercha^{ts}

And since we cannot expect so suddain an opportunity for transport of our stock by Sea (so soon as their occations and the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} will Require it) being a daingerous season for stormes, 'tis order'd that Pag^a: 2000: in Cash and three Chests Silver be sent to encrease the Metchlepatam investment and Pag^a: 2000: and :1: Chest Silver to Vizagapa^m and that Lifetenent Lasly with: Tenn foot Soldie[rs] well Armed do accompany M^r Lucas for y^e Security of our treasure from the dainger of Lingapa with whom we are at difference.

Gold and Silver order'd overland by M^r Lucas to Metchlepatam & Vizagapam.

The Musters of Indico brought from Madapollam by M^r Lucas were examined and found of a differrent sort from y^t ordered to be provided by the Hon^{ble} Comp^a and at very high prices, from :60: to: 120: Pag^a p Candy, wheras we have provided here according to y^e Musters sent us at: 21: $\frac{1}{4}$: P: p Candy, also their Cotten Yarn their Merchants demand Pag^a: 50: p Candy. Our Merchants have agreed to provide for: Pa: 33: p Candy, 'tis therefore ordered that no provision of either of those Commoditys be made there.

No Cotten Yarne nor Indico to be provided at Madapollam.

Ordered that Pag^a: 200: be p^d M^r Lucas to defray the Charg of his Journy. to Madapollam.

Pag: 200: to defray ye charg of M^r Lucas his journie.

M^r Thomas Lucas making it his Request that his necessarys might be brought up on the Sloop Mary 'tis accordingly ordered that y^e following order be wrote to y^e Master for that purpose Viz^t:

M^r Lucas his necessarys to be brought up on the Sloop Mary. An order to the Master for that purpose.

FORT ST. GEORGE: 16TH: OCTOBER: 1684.

To M^r WILLIAM DIXON,

Master of Sloop Mary.

You are to Receive on board yo^r Sloop Mary for Madrass what

goods belonging to M^r Thomas Lucas he shall order to be laden freight free as also his Servants.

ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

By order of y^e Chiefe and Councell.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Mr Ivatt
arrived.

M^r Thomas Ivatt the King of Syams ffactour arrived here from Metchlepatam.

Genll from
Pettipolee.

Received a Gen^l from Pettipolee dated the : 7th : Octo^r : 1684 : with their Dyary, Consultations acco^t Cash and Stewarts Acco^{ts} for the month of Sep^r.

At a Consultation Extraordin^y.

Present :

Saturday 18.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

A boat from
Cocheen with
Pepper.
Her Cargo to
bee bought for
ye Honble
Coma pat P :
18 : p Gañ.

A Bont arriving here from Cocheen with a lading of Pepper and having severall tymes treated wth y^e Merch^{ts} a [bout] it, whose first price was : 25 : Pag^s p Candy but by degrees with much pswation and difficulty were brought to P : 18 : p Ca : at wth price 'tis ordered y^t the whole Cargo be bought for y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} acco^t, and to be bagg'd up to be sent by the first Ship for England.

Genll to
Madapoll.

Letter to Madapollam to advise them y^t y^e Chiefe and Councell could not agree to their taking off the abatements upon y^e same Musters and worse Contract.

Genll to
Pettipolee.

Letter to Pettipolee with Pag^s : 9345 : 10 : in Pag^s and Silver (as p Invoice) sent wth M^r Lucas Overland as also : 17 : Chains for their Merchants Dubass and Brameny hoping therby to bring y^e Merch^{ts} to some abatem^t upon y^e prices of their goods, or to settle their present troubles and Clamours about taking off the abatem^t as at Madapollam.

Genll to
Vizagapatam.

Letter to Vizagapatam to advise them of Pa : 4222 : 8 in Pag^s and Silver sent to Madapollam for them which is to be Remitted

them from thence by the first conveyance that offers, all these letters of y^e date Read and Past.

ELIHU YALE.
THO: LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Secy.

At a Consultation.

Present :

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

Munday 20.

The Chiefe Read the Warehous Acco^t for the Month of Sep^r which was past in Councell.

Warehous
Acco^t Read
and Past.

Ordered that Pag^s : 200 : be Paid M^r John Gray Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

P : 200 :
ordered Mr
Gray.

The treasure &c^a being preparing to accompany M^r Lucas the Councell had not tyme to treat about other business.

The Councell
adjoyned.

ELIHU YALE.
THO: LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Secy.

M^r Lucas this day proceeded on his Journy towards Madapollam with the treasure ordered for y^e Northern ffactorys as p Consultation of y^e 16th : Instant with Livetenant James Lasly and : Tenn : Souldiers to Guard it besides : : Peones that carried the Gold and Cooleys the Silver.

Mr Lucas
proceeded on
his Journy to
Madapollam.

Received a Gen^l from Conimeer wth Coppy of the Memorials of the Chiefs Journy to Chingee the Chiefe import of w^{ch} is that they will not hear of our flortifying in those Parts, and y^t : 10000 : Pa : would not purchase that liberty but had hopes of turning out Gopall Punditt, as also Transcrip up of their Consultation of the : 16th Instant.

Genl fro
Conimeer.

Received letters from Harja Raja, Gopall Punditt, and Sanrogee Pontulo, desiring the Chiefe to provide th[ree] Ellaphants and some Europe toys for ^{ss} his Excellenoy.

Letters from
Harja Raja
&c^a.

At a Consultation.

Present:

Thursday 23.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.M^r JOHN GRAY.P: 300:
order'd to be
pd for
Curtains.

Ordered that: Pag^s: 300: be paid Chynavincatadry &c^a for Painters towards the provision of: 100: Setts Painted Curtains agreed for in our late Contract according to the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} order and dementions.

Genll to
Comineer.

Generall to Comineer in answer to theirs of the: 18th: Currant read and past, requiring them to hasten in their Investm^t and to encrease it as much upon the Hon^{ble} Companys credit as Possible.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.25.
A Dutch
Shipp Passed
by.

This day a Dutch Ship past by which is very unuasual it being a Standing order from Batavia y^t all Shipp are to be dispatched from this Coast by the: 8th: October whither laden or empty.

Monday 27.
The Councell
mett.

The Councell mett but no business presenting for Consultation were dismissed to their Severall businesses.

General
from Vizagn-
patam.

Received a General from Vizagap^a dated: 3^d: Instant advising of M^r Wheelers and M^r Swynocks Repairing to their Charges.

28.
The Dedica-
tion of the
Church.

This day being y^e 6th dedication of y^e Church y^e Chief Inhabitants of the town were invited to a dinner at y^e fort and: 25: P^a of ordnance fired to his Majesty's health and: 15: to y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Prosperity as accustomed.

At a Consultation.

Present:

Thursday 30.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.M^r JOHN GRAY.

The Chiefe Read y^e Journall of y^e Generall Books of Acco^{ts} for y^e Months of July, August, and Sep^r: 1683: which was Past in Councell.

The Journall of ye Genll Books Read and Past.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

A letter from y^e Chiefe to Tarruffer Vancana to advice him how much more advantageous our Settlem^t would be then y^e Interlopers, sent to y^e Councell approved & forwarded by Dubass Jango to discourse with him further about our Settlement.

November 1st.
Letter from the Chief to Tarruffer Vancana.

At a Consultation.

Present:

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

Monday 3.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

The Chiefe Acco^t of Cash for y^e month of October, Read and Past, and Chest examined by y^e Councell wherin was found according to Ball^o Pag^e: 21732: 8: 4:

Cash Acco^t for Octobr Read & Past.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Received a Letter from Monsieur D'Estremon to the Chiefe, advising that he would do the utmost with the Great men for the obtaining our desires but y^e Maana and Accana were still in great favour, & nothing done without their advice and order.

Letter Recd from Mo^r D'Estremon.

The^{se} Maquas or Boatmen y^e Ordinary Astralogers for weather did from their observations last month prognosticate great Rains and Stormes would happen this, in these parts which proved too true, for on y^e: 3^d: Instant about Eight at night arose^d a very violent Tempest from y^e N.W. w^{ch} Continued Rounding to y^e Southward for about: 7: hours, wth y^e greatest Rage y^e Could be in y^e force of wind, as appeared by its Rainous effects, in so short a tyme, Killing Severall and blowing downe many howses, walls, & Trees, & levelling most of y^e adjacent Gardins with

An Acco^t of a Dreadfull Storm yt Happned here.

the Common Sand, nor was theree any buildings in Town able to Support it Selfe against it, but being Sensible of its power and danger trembled or fell with weakness, and none not so much as our ffort and walls escaped without great loss and Prejudice severall parts being broak down and searcly a frame windore or doar left us, all shattered and disperced abo^t y^e town, and y^e out town most in a ruinous devastation left open to y^e Severity of y^e weather and drowning Raines, also severall ⁹² Parras and other larg boats in our River broak and blown beyond Recovery, and : 14 : of our Masula boats dashed to peices and their fragments lost, but by good Providence had no Ship in y^e Road w^{ch} undoubtedly would have had y^e Same. Our poor washermen also were great Sufferers, besides y^e loss of their houses furnaces and necessarys for their trade, much of their Cloth was blowne away, buried in y^e Sand or torne & damaged, and most certainly had it not pleased the Allmighty to have cheekt and silenced y^e winds, a few more houres of such vehemency would have layd all in distruction and desolation, for which mercy wee prays his name, and begg from storms and Tempests Libera nos Domine the damage to y^e town by this Storme is Calculated by y^e workmen who Surveyed it y^t it will cost near P: 20000: and much tyme to repair it, our Neighbours for about : 40 : miles to y^e West and Northward are in as bad a Condition which we doubt will detagd our Investment the Weavours houses and lomes being broak, Pollyacatt also much worse by its low scituation and great River near it, which drove in upon them and had y^e winds been eastward or Northerly we had been in great dsanger of y^e Sea, but we have Rec^d no prejudice therby.

Received a Generall from Codaloor dated y^e : 31st : past wth Copy of their Dyary, Consultations, and Acco^t Cash from y^e : 5th : May : 1683 : to y^e : 31st : October : 1684.

This being Gunpowder treason day y^e Chiefest of the Inhabitants as it hath been Customary, were invited to Supper, after, w^{ch} they were entertained wth a Bonetier, fireworks and Great Gunns.

At a Consultation.

Present :

ELIAS YALE Esq^r Chiefe.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

Thursday 6.

5.
Genll fr^m
Codaloor.

Gunpowdr
Treason ye
Chief Inhabi-
tants invited
to a Supper.

The Washermen and Boatmen having suffered great damage by the late storme, y^e first by loosing their furnises and other necessarys for y^e boyling and Curing Cloth and y^e latter loosing 14: of their boats being broak and blown away, they came to us with Sorrowfull complaints of their great losses, and said they could not serve in their employments without a Supply to furnish them with materialls for their business which we considering y^e truth of and our great ocaation for y^m in our approaching business for y^e Curing our goods & Shiping them off, to enable them therto 'tis hereby ordered y^e Pag^s : 300 : be paid to y^e Washermen and : 100 : to y^e boatmen to be accounted for in this Years Service.

The washermen and Boatmen Receiv- ing great damage by the storme desire mony may be advanced to y^m. P : 300 : to be advanced to y^e Washermen and : 100 : to the Boatmen.

Generall to Codaloor of this date Read and Past.

Genl to Codaloor.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Secy.

Humphry Harris and James Morgain two Sentinall[s] of this Garrison Ran away from thir Colours and Severall Peones by order of y^e Chiefe were sent in quest of them to bring them back.

Two Souldiers Ran from their Colours.

The ¹⁰ Pattamars that went to Codaloor by reason of the deepness of the Rivers were forced to Return and this day arrived here.

9. Pattamars Could not pass y^e Rivers to Codaloor.

At a Consultation.

Present :

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

Monday 10.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

The Merchants desiring a further Supply of mony to Carry on y^e Investment, 'tis ordered that Pa : 6000 : be paid them.

Pa : 6000 : paid y^e Merchants.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Secy.

Received a Generall from Metchlepatam dated the : 24th : ultimo with their Acco^t Cash for Sep^r & October.

Generall from Metchlepatam.

At a Consultation.

Present: 1

Thursday 13.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.M^r JOHN GRAY.P: 500:
ordered
Mr John
Gray.Ordered that Pag^s: 500: be paid M^r John Gray Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.Generall from
Pettipolee.Received a Gen^l from Pettipolee with their dyary Consultations, Acco^t Cash, Acco^t Currant ffort S^t George, and Stewarts Acco^t for the month of October.

At a Consultation.

Present:

Monday 17.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.M^r JOHN GRAY.Part of ye
Journall of
ye Generall
books Read
& Past.The Chiefe Read the Journall of y^e Gen^l books for y^e Month of May: 1684 which was past in Councell.Customers
Accot Read
& Past.M^r John Nicks Customer Read his Acco^t for the month of October: 1684: w^{ch} was past in Councell.

	Pa.	fa.	Ca.
Sea and Land Custome	327	23	68
Petty Land Custome	56	12	97
Paddy tole at y ^e Banks	2	25	—
Measurers duty	10	23	87
Weighers duty	8	32	15
Register of Houses and Slaves	2	10	12
Licences to utter Liquors by Retailo ...	126	33	87

Pag^s ... 535: 17: 56Paymaster
Acot Read
& Past.M^r John Gray Paymaster Read his Acco^t for y^e the Month of October which was Past in Councell viz^t.

	Pag ^a	fa.	Ca.
Charges Garrison ...	799	29	15
Charges General ...	211	15	25
Charges Dyet ...	168	26	73
Charges Cattle ...	19	24	—
Charges Merchantdice ...	51	08	33
Charges on Sloops ...	166	32	60
Acco ^t fortifications Repairs &c ^a ...	193	22	25
Pag ^a ...	1611	14	71

A letter from y^e Chiefe to Harja Raja to advice him y^e he had procured 3 Ellaphants for him which hope may prove to his Sattisfaction, as also a letter to Gopall Punditt and Sanerogee Pontulo, to advice Gopall Punditt y^e Ellaphants were agreed for at Pa: 1100: and Sanerogee Pontulo to Send their cost if the p^r is approved of in: 20: days tyme, according to our agreement here Read and Past.

Letters from the Chief to Harja Raja &c^a Read & Past.

Ordered that Pag^a: 500: be p^d M^r John Gray Purser to defray Charges Garrison.

Pa: 500: ordered ye Paymaster.

ELIHU YALE.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

At a Consultation.

Present:

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.
M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.
M^r JOHN GRAY.

Thursday 20.

M^r John Littleton Mintmaster his Mint Booke to y^e p^m Nov-ember was Read & Past, y^e produce of each Chest of y^e Mon^{ble} Comp^a Gold is as followeth Viz^t:

The Mint masts^r Acco Read & Past

	Pag ^a	fa
Chest N ^o A p Royal James Produced Pag ^a	31900	17½
N ^o B p ditto ...	31872	17:—
Chest N ^o C p Rochester ...	31119	33:
N ^o D p ditto ...	31970	19½
Chest N ^o E p Beaufort ...	33928	34½
	160801	13½

Received for Mintage dutys of p^{ar}ticular p^{er}sons Gold Coined in
 y^e Mo: of August P: 8842: at: $\frac{1}{2}$: p Cent ... 41: 0: 1.
 In y^e Mo: of Septem^r P: ... 6237: at: $\frac{1}{2}$: p Cent ... 31: 0: 7.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

23.
 The Senti-
 nalls y^t Ran
 away brought
 back.

The two Sentinalls y^t Ran from their Colours the Sixth In-
 stant were Retaken by the Peones sent after them, brought back
 and Received their Punnishm^t according to y^e Rules of y^e Garri-
 son which was Read to them.

At a Consultation.

Present:

Monday 24.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.M^r JOHN NICKS. M^r JOHN LITTLETON.M^r JOHN GRAY.

The Metchle-
 pam Merchis
 will not take
 less then: 12: p
 Cent Interest.

Having Rec^d a Generall from Metchlepatam dated the: 8th:
 Nove^r wherein they advice us that they cannot bring their
 Merchants to lower then: 12: p Cent Interest for what goods they
 bring in more then paid for, and at that rate they will Credit y^e
 Hon^{ble} Comp^a in y^e Amout of Pag^a: 30000: to be brought in by
 the Ultimo December next, and having Seariously debated both
 the highth of y^e Interest, and our owne present great occation by
 the disproportion of our stock to our Tonnage, it is agreed for
 the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Interest y^t their offerr be accepted upon the
 afores^d Condition, if they cannot pswade y^m to less & more
 Reasonable tearmes, they also advicing us that they can't provide
 Romalls according to y^e Musters sent us out under: Pag^a: 30:
 p Courge, which so greatly exceeding y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^a price
 mentioned and expectations, that 'tis thought convenient to
 more then: 1000: p^{er}ce be provided for an experiment of best
 procurable Cheaper, notwithstanding each p^e Containe^r of
 Handkerchiefs, w^{ch} is: 4: more then usually they Cont^{ain}ed. The
 Sappan wood they write us likewise being not procurable
 4: Pag^a a Candy which we judge to be very great p^{ro}fit.

Thought
 convenient to
 allow it ym.

But Peice:
 1000:
 Romalls to be
 provided.

Resolved to ord^r no more to be provided then : 25 : Candys for But : 25 :
a tryall if it Cant be had Cheaper. Candys of
Sappan wood.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Received a Generall from Vizagapatam advicing of Ship Syam Genll frō :
Merchant falling in there. Vizagapa.

Rec^d A Generall from Metchlep^a they theirin desiring a Supply Genll frō :
of Paper and y^e Governour and Councells orders how to treat an Metchlepa.
Embassadour y^t Came from Golcondah which they feared would
give them a Vissitt.

Rec^d a letter from Tarrufdar Vencana much to y^e Same pur- Letters frō :
pose as he wrote before, as also one from Jango to enforme they Tarrufdar
Require mony for our Settlement. Vencana &
Jango.

At a Consultation Extraordinary.

Present :

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

Tuesday 25.

Last night having Received advices from Vizagapa^m of Safe Advice from
arrivall of y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Ship y^e Syam Merch^t but y^t their Vizagapa
whole Ships Company were by a tedious Voyage greatly incomed of y^e Syam
dated and Sick and having endeavoured what possible for obtain Merchis
ing their passage to y^e Bay, were driven back by the winds Arrivall.
and Currants, y^t they had landed their treasure a Shoar Viz^t :
1 : Chest gold and two Chests Silver, and had dispatched the
Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Packett overland to y^e President and Councell in
y^e Bay, and Since there is no possibility of Reaching the Bay
this Monsoon or till february or March next and we having
severall Chests of Silver by us, which our Merch^t refuse to take
off, and which we Cannot convert into Pag^a so soon as our occa-
tions Require it, and there being great loss upon Gold in y^e Bay,
at least : 10 : p Cent of w^t it bears here, we therefore think it
Convenient and for y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Interest, and agree, that
y^e Ship and treasure be ordered up hither, and that their
Gold be Chainged into Silver which will be more Serviceable Ordered
and Profittable in y^e Bay, whither she shall be dispatched see hither.

Soon as y^e weather can p^rmitt, and y^t letters be immediately dispatched to y^e Chiefe and Councell of Vizagap^a and also to M^r Griffith and y^e Cap^t to y^t purpose and that they lade what Bales they have in Readyness upon her to be sent hither.

With y^e Vizagap^a Packett last night we Rec^d from Metchlepatam came M^r Brereton's affadavitt Relating to y^e Ingott of Gold N^o: 35: Sent Home Anno 1681: In his Verbis,

Mr Brereton's
affadavitt
about an
Ingott of
Gold.

"Whereas in y^e year: 1681: there was a peice of an Ingott of

"Gold Return'd from fort S^t George to England for a Muster
"belonging to y^e Hon^{ble} English East India Company this is to
"Certifie that the said Peice was taken off before me and after y^t
"never melted downe nor out of my Sight or Custody till it
"was by me delivered to y^e Right Worp^l William Gyfford Esq^r
"Agent & C^a Councell in y^e Consultation Roome, and afterwards
"saw s^d peice Sealed up and Marked and also entered in y^e
"Invoice for England of y^e s^d Mark and N^o as y^e Ingott from
"whence it was taken and Invoiceed out of England."
Madapollam, Oct^r y^e: 31st: 1684.

JURATT CORAM ME.

(Signed). RICHARD BRERETON.

ROBERT FREEMAN.

Generall
Letter Read
and Past,

Letters to Vizagapatam, Metchlepatam, M^r Griffith & the
Commander of y^e Syam Merchant Read and Past.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

26.
Genl to
Pettipolee.

Generall to Pettipolee p^rused by the Councell approved Signed
and forwarded.

At a Consultation.

Present:

Thursday 27.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

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

M^r JOHN GRAY.

Warehous
Accot Read
and Past.

The Chiefe Read y^e Warehous Account for the Month of
October which was Past in Councell.

Ordered that Pag^s: 1000: be paid M^r John Gray Paymaster to defray Charges of Garrison &c^a.

P: 1000: to be paid Mr John Gray.

ELIHU YALE.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Secy.

M^r Thomas Lucas arrived here from Madapollam wth Livetenant Lasly, and brought a Generall from thence dated y^e: 17th: Instant, with their Consultations for Part of October and November: 1684: and Acco^t Cash for ditto Months, y^e Chiefe and Councell ordering y^e Souldiers y^t Guarded y^e treasure thither to Returne on Sloop Mary he also brought a Generall from Pettipolee advicing that they had given y^e Chaines to y^e Merchants Dubass, and Brumeny.

Mr Thos Lucas arrived Genll frō Madapol.

Genll frō Pettipolee.

A Boat arrived here from Madapollam laden with Oyle seeds, and brought news that they saw a great Ship att Anchor as they passed Carera with English Colours but did not Speak with them, as also a letter from M^r Lucas to y^e Worp^l Chiefe dated: 17th: November: 1684.

A boat arrived & brought news. 29. Lr^s from Mr Lucas.

Received a letter from Senh^r Domingos de Porto from S^t Thoma dated y^e same day.

Letter from Senhr Domingos da Porto.

At a Consultation.

Present:

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

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

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

December Monday pmo.

The Chiefe Read his Acco^t of Cash for y^e month of November which was past and y^e Cash Chest examined wherein was found According to Ballance Pag^s: 4258: 8: 1:

Accot Cash Read & Past.

M^r Lucas being Returned from his Journey having Safely ddd y^e treasure to y^e Severall factorys 'twas sent, and Settled the Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} affairs & Merchants at Madapollam according to our orders and great Satisfaction, having wth great Difficulty brought the trade into a joynt stock consisting of Seaventy Shairs amongst Thirty of y^e most Responsible and ablest Merch^{ts} of those parts, who have engaged that they will provide such good Cloth for y^e future that the Hon^{ble} Company shall have no more occation to Complaine of them or their goods, which we hope y^e care and

Mr Lucas being Returned from Madapollam.

is ordered
to take
Charge of the
Warehouse.

Narran for
his good
Service Tash-
ereift.

dilligence of y^e Chiefe &c^a there will se accordingly p^roceeded, 'tis
therefore ordered that he do Receive and take Charge of y^e Ware-
house Remaines from y^e Chiefe as also to sort y^e Cloth from
y^e Merch^{ts} & M^r Lucas Recomending to us y^e good Service of o^r
Dubass Narran in y^t business whose dilligence and Influence
amongst those obstinate Merchants was very instrumentall to
Reduce y^m to their present Settlement, 'tis thought convenient to
gratify him with three yards of Scarlett for his encouragment.

ELIHU YALE.

THO: LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

2.
Letter to
Senhr
Domingos
de Porto.

Letter from y^e Chiefe to Senhr Domingos de Porto in answer
to his of y^e: 30: Past.

3.
Genll from
Codaloor.
Dutch Chief
arriv'd.

Received a Generall from Codaloor dated the : 29th: Novem^r
with their Generall books of Acco^{ts}.

Senhr Hemsinck y^e Dutch Chiefe at Sadrasspatam wth some
others arrived here from Pollyacatt.

At a Consultation.

Present :

Thursday 4.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

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

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

The Chief
and Councell
of Codaloor
Contract with
their Merchts
different
from ye list
sent ym.

Having formerly sent our orders to Codaloor factory with a
list of goods in proportion to what the Hon^{ble} Comp^a Require to
be Provided on this Coast which y^e Chiefe &c^a advice us they
endeavoured w^t they could to oblige their Merchants too, but
could by noe meanes pswade them to it, and therupon con-
tracted with them differently from y^e list sent them, wherein they
have greatly exceeded in fine goods therein Required, which being
now to late in y^e year to Relinquish without great prejudice to
ye Hon^{ble} Comp^a affairs, they having also engaged y^e Merchants
to bring in much more goods then our present stock will pay
for to be at Interest till we shall have a supply, their goods also
to be brought in by the: 20th: January, w^{ch} being a Seasonable

ty me for y^e lading our Ships, and a good encrease to them, we think it Convenient to Confirm y^e afores^d Contract, but y^t they be advised, to exchange much of their fine goods for cource if possible, and to keep y^e Merchants to y^e: 2: p Cent abatem^t (according to their promise) formerly advised us.

However
Confirmed for
some
Reasons.

The Revenues of y^e Towne Brookeridge having for some years past much declined to y^e discouragm^t of Merchants and y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} loss 'tis therefore orderd that Alley Cawne, Cizeirjoan, Gandapuddy Yencatapatty, Tallachitty, Arracawla Veragoo, Cassa, & Wallawoaw Chitty be appoynted to y^e Charge therof, and that a Cowle accordingly be given them, & that noe other be pmitted to make bargains or Contracts but them only, for w^{ch} they are to take no more then: one p Cent of y^e Seller one halfe wherof is duly to be paid Monthly to y^e Chiefe Justice for y^e Hon^{ble} Companys Account.

Certain men
orderd to be
Broakers.

Having Complaints made to us that Severall Souldiers lately Sold and Pawned their Red Coats for no other reason but to satisfy their drunken appetites which is a disgrace both to our Nation and Religeon besides their incapacitateing themselves from doing their dutys, and disgracing their fellow Souldiers, to prevent w^{ch} for y^e future 'tis thought fitt and accordingly agreed that this following Order be sett up att y^e ffort and Towne gates Viz^t:

Complaints
yt Souldrs
Sell & Pawn
their Coats.

Whereas severall Idle debauched Souldiers have of late sould and Pawned their Coats for halfe their worth for noe other Reasons yⁿ y^e Satisfying their beastly drunken appetites, whereby they not only discredit their Brethren and profess[i]on by their Raggid habbitts & appearance but also incapacitate themselves from doing y^r dutys leaving not Sufficent cloaths to defend themselves from y^e extremetyes of weather or Scarcely to cover their Nakedness, to prevent w^{ch} y^e Worp^l Gover^r & C^a Councill do hereby strictly forbid all Souldiers from Selling their Red Coats dureing y^e tyme they bear Armes in y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} Service in y^e ffort of St^t George, and y^t whosoever shall trespass against y^e ord^r shall Suffer: 1: m^{oe} Imprisonm^t for y^e same & any other punish- m^t as shall be thought fitt, & y^e buyer whither Sould^r or any other Inhabitant, to forfeit y^e money he gave for y^e same & y^e Coat so bought to Return to y^e Hon^{ble} Comp^{as} as also any sorts of Armes sold by Souldiers, 'tis also hereby orderd y^t all Souldiers in y^e Garrison und^r Liveten^{ts} & Ensignes shall mount their Guards in Red Coats upon forfeiture of: 1: fa for every default, to be

An order to
forbid itt.

deducted from y^r ⁹⁵ Musheer for y^e use of y^e Poor, Given under our hand this: 4th: Decem^r: 1684.

ELIHU YALE.

THO: LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Secy.

5.
The Chiefe
treated ye
Dutch.

The Chiefe entertained the Dutch wth a Supper att y^e ffort and from his discourses with Senh^r Hemsinck is in hopes of Procuring a Considerable Summe of money from him att Interest.

At a Consultation.

Present:

Monday 8.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

Mr THOMAS LUCAS. Mr JOHN NICKS.

Mr JOHN LITTLETON. Mr JOHN GRAY.

Sloop Wm
arrived with
Lfs &
Peeter from
y^e Presi-
dent.
4 ship
Intended for
the Coast.
Our
Merchts
order'd to
provide: 40:
or 50000:
Pa: in
goods more.
Letters to be
wrote to ye
ffactorys.

The Sloop William arrived this Morning wth letters from y^e President and a lading of Salt peter, advicing us of y^e troubles and disappoyntm^{ts} in y^e Bay and that they intended four Ships Suddainly to be laden from y^e Coast, and giving us also some hopes of a Supply of money, wherenpon our Merch^{ts} were sent for, but y^e Chiefe of them only being in towne they were acquainted with our intentions of encreacing our Investm^t here, and ordered to provide more goods to y^e amo^t of forty or fifty thousand Pag^{ts} to be in Readyness by the fine of January next, but y^e Rest of the Comp^a not being in towne they promised to attend us in a day or two and discource further about itt.

Ordered y^t letters be wrote to y^e severall ffactorys to acquaint them y^t four English Shippes were Suddainly intended from y^e Bay to be laden on y^e Coast, and therefore that they not only hasten their Investm^t but increace it what they can and to encourage their Merch^{ts} thereto they may assure them of a further Supply of money in a short tyme, and that they be Remynded to provide money (upon interest they Can) or goods upon Credit to provide y^e great Tonnage wee are to expect.

Ordered y^t Mr Thomas Lucas Warehousekeeper do land y^e Peeter from Sloop William and She proceed for Codaloor to bring w^t goods we have in a Readyness, for furthering y^e dispatch of y^e first Ship y^t shall arrive here, and also y^t y^e Sloop James do come out of y^t River and be laden with goods to Returne with Sloop William.

Peeter to be
unladen from
ye Sloop and
She to go to
Codaloor.
Sloop James
ordered out
of Codaloor
River.

Ordered y^t M^r John Gray Paymaster deliver Pag^s : 200 : to y^e P : 200 : to be pd ye Brickmakers for y^e Provision of Bricks it being now a Season-able tyme for y^e Provision thereof. Brickmakers.

ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^r.

This day y^e Dutch proceed d for Sadrasspatam and at their departure 15 Peices of ornançe re fired. The Dutch proceeded fo[r] Sadrasspatam.

At a Consultation Extraord^r.

Present :

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.
M^r THOMAS LUCAS. M^r JOHN NICKS.
M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

Tuesday 9.

Generalls to Metchlepatam, Madapollam and Pettipolee to order them to gett what goods procurable on y^e Honb^{le} Comp^{as} Creditte and hasten their Investment w^t possibly they Can, advicing them y^t the President would be speedily with them on the Resolution to take in what goods they had embaled Read and Past, also a Generall to the Presid^t to advice him y^t y^e Ship Rochester was ordered to Madapollam, Metchlep^a and Pettipollee to Cleare those ffactory Goods and then to Come hither for her lading and other occurances Since his departure. Genls to Metchlepa, Madapollam and Pettipolee.

ELIHU YALE.
THO : LUCAS.
JOHN NICKS.
JOHN LITTLETON.
JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^r.

Received a Generall from Codaloor dated y^e : 5th : Xber 1684 : Genll frō Codaloor. with their Consultations Dyary and Acco^t Cash for y^e month of November.

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FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1684:

At a Consultation Extraordinary.

Present :

Wenesday :
10.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

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

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

Genls to
Codaloor &
Conimeer.

Generalls to Codaloor and Conimeer to advice them to hasten their Investment and procure what more goods they Could on y^e Hon^{ble} Companys Credit Read and Past.

ELIHU YALE.

THO : LUCAS.

JOHN NICKS.

JOHN LITTLETON.

JOHN GRAY.

SAMUEL OWEN Sec^y.

Lr^s fr^m
Gopall
Panditt.

Received a lre from Gopall Panditt to y^e Chiefe to desire him to exchaing y^e hee Ellaphant for a she and pswade y^e Merch^t to tarry till he sent down mony for them.

At a Consultation.

Present :

Thursday 11.

ELIHU YALE Esq^r Chiefe.

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

M^r JOHN LITTLETON. M^r JOHN GRAY.

Customers
Accot Read
and Past.

M^r John Nicks Customer Read his Accot^s for y^e Month of November w^{ch} was past in Councell Viz^t.

	Pa :	fa :	Ca :
Sea and Land Custome	99 :	31 :	05
Petty Land Custome	53 :	16 :	48
Paddy tole at y ^e Banksall	1 :	03 :	62
Measurers Duty	6 :	29 :	29
Weighers Duty	3 :	11 :	73
Register of Houses and Slaves	1 :	02 :	25
Godowne Rente	14 :	17 :	—
	180 :	04 :	12

Paymasters
Acc^t Read
and Past.

M^r John Gray Paymaster Read his Accounts for the month of November w^{ch} was past in Councell Viz^t.

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