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PREFATORY NOTE

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The manuscript volumes have been mended and are in a fair state of preservation. There are a few gaps in the original volumes, especially at the beginning.

EGMORE, }
31st October 1931.

P. MACQUEEN,
Curator, Madras Record Office.

N^o. 1.

TO THE WORS^HIPFUL WILL^M. JENNINGS ESQ^r.
[DEPUTY GOVERN^R.] & C^R. COUNCILL OF [FORT ST.] DAVID.

WORSHIPFULL S^R. & S^{RS}.

[One line lost] fore this come [. . .] Brigantine [. . .] -voices of
[. . .] which you [. . .] charges you [. . .] the Pacquett
[. . .] Commission [. . .] which you [. . .] voice thereto.
[One line lost] have that a [. . .] Hands, but as [. . .] -curity for
the [. . .] 50 Pago^s. of [. . .] -ly be preva [. . .] -ration to
be [. . .] Triffling, [. . .] their Cowls [One line lost] Madrass
[. . .] Wee desire [. . .] the fform [. . .] sett that aff [One
line lost].

W[e w]oud hav [. . .] Bales you [. . .] and then order [. . .]
[. . .] We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
4 JAN^{RY}. 1721.

We have per [. . .] Barlow to [. . .] finding no [. . .]
of air.

N^o. 2

[TO THE WORSHIPFULL WILLIAM JENNINGS ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOR, ETC. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.]

[WORSHIPFULL] S^R. & S^{RS}.

[. . .] wo of yo^{rs}. bearing Date y^e. [. . .] Invoice and Bill of Loading of
[. . .] board the Martha Brigantine who [. . .] tappies advising the
Receipt of y^e. [. . .] Stationary Ware by the s^d. Convey^s [. . .] the
Heathcote from yo^r. Port [. . .] rekeep^{rs}. account as also List of [. . .]
ship Dartmouth and a List of w^t. [. . .] Heathcote together with a Copy of
[. . .] Charges for washing and Packing [. . .]

[. . .] said George Brigantine; Inclosd [. . .] Cash accounts for
last month and [. . .] the late Governo^r. Hastings Du- [. . .] ike
Cootah and Suripah, Late [. . .] prefer'd against y^r. s^d. Kistnah [. . .]
Chief Dubashe of Fort St. David [. . .] Old arrack Farmers which appears
[. . .] lars denyed, We have secured yⁿ. [. . .] value, and shall want
the proofs [. . .] the best manner you can [. . .] to what you say we
hope to have y^e. [. . .] wth. 7 or 800 Bales on board very [. . .]
Departure off from Fort St. David [. . .] comes Invoice and Bill of Loading
[. . .] Board the Elizabeth and Mary [. . .] Pag^s. 30771.1.52
which we wish [. . .] First opportunity let us have your [. . .] nds
[. . .] Our Military Thomas Rogers and [. . .] Thom [. . .]
are now [. . .] yo^r. formal advice [. . .] Elizabeth and [. . .]
can gett ready after the [. . .] lest We should be under a [One line lost]
[. . .] the 12th of Octob^r. that you [. . .] then sent you by a Country
[. . .]

FORT ST. GEORGE
JANU^{RY}. Y^E. 17TH. 1721/2.

Worshi[pful S^r. & S^{rs}.]
Yo^r. affect[ionate friends and servants]

1721 Octob^r. 12 sent by a Country Boat to Fort St. David.

Gunneys	...	...	...	2000 ^{Ps}
Ropes	...	...	...	15 Md.
Twine	...	...	...	5 D ^o .
Wax Cloth	...	...	...	80 ^{Ps} .
Rosewater	...	...	...	2 Chests.
6 Bales Broad Cloth ord ^r red.				
5 Pipes Madera Wine:				

N^o. 3

TO THE WORSHIP^{LL}. WILL^M. JENNINGS ESQ^R.

DEPUTY GOVERN^R. & C^R. COUNCILL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{LL}. S^R. & C^R.

I am ordered by the Hon^{ble}. President and Council to advise you that yo^rs. of the 15th. Insta^t. came to hand 18th. Inclosing Duplicate of yo^rs. by the Lusitania wth. Invoice and Bill of Lading for 740 Bales laden on her, with yo^r. Paymasters accounts, &c. Papers which came out right as th List, who arrived here yesterday in the afternoon on y^e. 17th. the Hon^{ble}. President and Council dispatcht Brigantine Elizath. [Nearly half page lost] Pago^s. for a supply of yo^r. Cash [. . .] & c^r. a Gener^{ll}. Letter inclosing [. . .] with Duplicate overland likewise [. . .] Country Boat named Conee Maliapa [. . .] as th Warehouse^s. List of Demands [. . .] ter with Invoice and Bill of Lading in-[. . .] Hon^{ble}. President and Council will in a [. . .] att large in answer to yo^r. last Letter. I am

[FORT ST. GEORGE
JAN^{RY}. 20, 1721-22].

Worship^{ll}. S^r. & C^r.
Your most Humble Servant

JOSEPH HOUGHTON
Secretary.

N^o. 4

TO M^R. HUMPHREY HOLCOMBE

ATT METCHLAPATAM.

S^R.

We are to note and the Receipt of yo^rs. of the 4th. December and 18 January and observe what you say about the Death of John Cooper; and we shall take an Opportunity to send a Box of Physick and some body down to you.

Wee observe matters are accommodated between yo^r. Nabob and Rajah Opperow, as also the Nabob of Vizagapatam with Ananterauze so it is very likely yo^r. side of the Country will be att Peace.

The Hon^{ble}. Compa^s. Ships Heathcote, Marlborough and Monmouth saild out of this road y^e. 4th. Instant for Europe. We are

Y^r. Loving Friends

N^o. 5

TO ROBERT SYMONDS ESQ^R.

CHEIF OF VIZAGAPATAM.

S.

Yours of the 4th. Janu^{RY}. Receiv'd th Peons the 25 D^o. with yo^r. Duplicate of the 20 Decemb^r. th the Recovery Brigantine and Sloop Dartmouth both which arrived and delivered their Lading in Good Order; the severall books and Papers mentioned in said Letter came also safe to hand.

The Dispute between the Nabob and Raja You say is Concluded, which is well for the Country round you otherwise the Crop of Grain on the Ground had been Spoild.

We observe the necessity of sending You a yearly supply of Cash which wee designe you by the first Conveyance that offers and on Receipt thereof we would have Mr. Faucett proceed to Ingeram as soon as possible being willing an Experiment should be made that our Honou^{ble}. Masters may be Justly Inform'd, what can be done att that place for their advantage.

If on Receipt of this Mr. Symonds's Constitution or affairs should pass him to come up to Madrass and he can meet with a Conveniency for so doing we give him Leave on the 14 Novemb^r. our Honou^{ble}. Masters Ships King George and Dartmouth were blown out of this road and stranded between Covelong and Sadrass, the former Loading for Europe and the Latter few days before arrived from y^e. West Coast with Treasure from Europe.

On the 4th. Instant saild out of this road our Honou^{ble}. Masters Ships Heathcote Marlborough and Monmouth Laden with Bales for Europe. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
BERRY. 6 1721/2

ST.
Y^{rs}. Friends and Servants
NATH^l: ELWICK
&C^{rs}. COUNCIL.

N^o. 6

TO THE WORSHIP^{full}. WILL^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.

DEPUTY GOVER^r; &C^{rs}. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{full}. S^{rs}. & S^{rs}.

[Our] last was under date of the 17th. Ult^o. Since which our Secretary advised you the 20th Ditto of the receipt of yo^{rs}. of the 15; we are now to acknowledge the Receipt of yours of the 23, 25, 26, 29, 30 Ult^o. and 7 Instant to all which we shall reply.

In y^{ours} of the 23^d. you acknowledge the Receipt of the Secretarys Letter the 20 Inst^d. and advise that the Two Deserters were sent you from Pondicherry as you therein observe it doth appear by yo^{rs}. of the 1st. November, that you then advised of the receipt of those Stores; sent you by boat the 12 October last you also Enclose the state of the Contracts Warehousekeepers and Storekeepers List of Demands as also Complaints against Kistna and Narapa Naigue all which shall be taken care of.

Yo^{rs}. of the 25 adviseth the arrivall of the Elizabth. and Mary with Treasure and Stores upon her, that you had returned her to us with a Loading of Bales.

Yo^{rs}. of the 26 Enclosed Duplicates of the former Letter, the Surgeons List of Demands for Medicines Sadashavarrows and Chootty Chittys your late Beetle and Tobacco Farmers Complaints against the Late Presidents Dubash and Narrapa Naigue for moneys Extorted from them also advising that you had lett this Arrack ffarm to Cootas Surrapah y^e. old Renters for the Accustomed rent of 1450 Pago^s. 3^d añ. with sufficient Security for their Compliance.

In yo^{rs}. of the 29th: you advise that the Eliz. and Mary was Detained by Contrary winds, that you woud the next Day Ship in the Martha a small vessell that lay ready with more Bales you could gett ready for us, you also inform us of [the] complaints against the last President his [Du]bash p[repa]red by Eram Rauze [an]d the rest of the Compa^s. old Merchants &c^r. for a large Sum of Money, and had Inclosed sent [also] vouchers for the same.

Yo^{rs}. of the 30 Inclosed Invoice and Bill of Lading for 54 Bales laden on the Martha and

Yours of the 7 Feb^{ry} Inclosed Invoice and Bill of Lading for 50 Bales Laden on the Charles & Mary all which are safe arrived and in good order.

Another of yo^{rs}. of the 7th. Instant with your Merchants and Cash accounts, for last month as also Sadasheverows s^d. Petition and Complaint against the late President his Dubashe for moneys taken from them now therein Confirm what you before mentioned relating to the Arrack Farm, that you had lett it to y^e. old Renters at 1450 Pago^s. which we approve of and woud have you keep them strictly to there Quarterly Payments and be mind full of the Old Debt.

We observe what you say with respect to the Contract and shall take this most proper Care.

FORT ST. GEORGE

FEBRY^E. 14TH. 172¹/₂.

P.S.

We paid Sunca Rama y^e. 25 Ult^o. Pago^s. 1000 Acco^t. yo^r. Runn^e. Contract for which you must give us due Credit. We are

N. E. &c^a.

Worship^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.
Your Friends and Servants

NATHA^L. ELWICK &c^a

N^o. 7.

TO JOHN HOPE Esq^r.
CHIEF &c^a. FACTORS
ATT SURATT.

S^{rs}.

Upon the alteration of Government here the late President Mr. Hastings, prov'd to be a large Debter to the Honou^{ble}. Company, for security of which he made over sundry Ships, with their Cargoes to y^e. amount of 269^{Pago^s}707. 10. 75 and agreed that no Orders [were tak]en to the Comman^t. or Supra Caargoes of s^d. Ships, but [that] the privy of the Govern^r. & Councill here since which Mr. Hastings Dying Mess^{rs}. Joshua Draper and Thomas Wendy become his Executors & have had the management of his affairs, and have reason to believe have given orders without our Consent, that severall of their Ships as well their Cargoes, should be sold att Suratt, which is directly Contrary to the tenour of the Obligation, that Mr. Hastings Entered into, now what we propose is, that if such Ships are sold you woud Interpose, and see that the remittance is made for the full value that the Company may be no more Imposed on, We believe what we have said to M^r. Wendy the remaining Execu^r. hath been sufficient to make him give, strict orders to the Supra Cargoes and Capt^s. agreable to the Tenour of the Bond & Contradictory to those before privately given. We are Gentlemen

FORT ST. GEORGE

FEBRY Y^E. 24TH. 172¹/₂.

P.S.

The Ships we suspect these orders have been given to are the Richmond, London, Arabian Merch^t. Hastings and Kensington to the Supra Cargoes of each of which Mr. Wendy hath Witt.

N. E. &c^a.

Yo^r. Affectionate Friends and
Serv^s.

NATHA^L. ELWICK &c^a.

N^o. 8.

TO THE HONOUR^{BLE}. SAM^L. FEAKE ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERN^R.
OF FORT WILLIAM & C^R. COUNCILL.

HONOUR^{BLE}. S^R. & S^{RS}.

Our last to You was of the 16 Decemb^r. 1721 since which wee have yo^{rs}. of the 11th. and 28 Ditto; to which we now reply. The former brought us Invoice and Bill of Lading, for part of the Monmouth and Europe Cargoe, laden on board her by you amounting to Pago^s. 189854. 1. 9 and bills of Lading and Invoice for stores designed for this Presidency, amounting to Pago^s. 23062, 5. 9, as also for what you had laden on Board her for the use of S^t. Hellena, amounting to Pagodas [].

Captⁿ. [Ke.]meys when he came here being disappointed of a Parcell of Cowries which the late President M^r. Hastings promised him, was Oblidged to request 600 Bags of Salt Petre to make him Sail Worthy.

We observe the prices of Metals at the 1st. of your Letter and have accordingly sent you 200. 4. 10; our Hon^{ble}. Masters 4 China Ships going directly for Europe, We shall have no Opportunity of sending you any from thence.

In yo^{rs}. of the 28 you mention the Receipt of ours of the 29 October: advising the arrivall of the Heathcote and Marlbro, and the Charges in our Government, with which you seem entirely pleased, We take notice of your pressing instances for our dispatching to you what Treasure we can spare and have accordingly sent you ^{the} Ship Samuel with Candys 200 Redwood Wares and Stores, as ^{the} Invoice and bill of lading inclosed 26 Chests being willing to risque upon one Bottom y^e. Britania being to follow in 6 or 8 days will bring you as much more, and the next Convenience shall Compleat what we formerly promised, which is as near 80 Chests as we can, about half this 1st. Parcell is Coin'd into Rupees, for the Convenience of your Running Cash. We hope you have been able to dispatch the Addison and Stretham agreeable to what you write us.

You will observe we have sent you those Medicines which you write so pressingly about from on board the Heathcote with the keys we have also sent you 8 Pipes of Madera Wine not in full of yo^r. Proportion of the last we received but we Expecting the Drake every Day will then make good the Deficiency and send you yo^r. Proportion of her likewise we desire you will please to Compleat our List of Stores as soon as possible.

The account of the Invoice ^{of} this Ship is Pago^s. 64112. 10. 48 for which you must give us Credit as we have you for the severall Particulars on y^e. Monmouth.

We writte you in our Last, that we woud endeavour to recover what we could of the King Georges Wreck in order to which we sent down a Party of men, under the Command of Lieutenant Sutherland, who marchd to Chiore and attackt the Moors who had the [Place in] Possession, but the Havildars Ho[use in] which y^e. Go[ods] were took Fire and was burned to the Ground, with severall People in itt, but Wee could save nothing of what we looked for either there or att the Dartmouths Wreck and our People sett that Town and another Village on Fire in there march back to revenge y^e. Loss we had sustained, which we hope will have this good Effect, that the Moors will not venture on such an affair again.

The George Brigant^e: saild for the West Coast the 9 Janu^r. from Fort S^t. David with M^r. Hubbard Supravisor; in order to enquire into M^r. Pykes management there and the Three Europe Ships took there departure from this Port the 4th. Ult^o. with a fair wind.

The Guns being very heavy and consequently a Strain to a Ship, likewise a Ware to her Stores and as the Owners propose to Charge the Company no Freight they desire you Honor^{ble}. &c^r. will please to assist her with such materials, as may be proper to hoist them out that they may be att no Expence on said Account.

By this Conveyance we send your Hono^r. &c^r. Marlborough Packett from our Hono^{ble}. Masters, for your Presidency with a List of the Covenantd Servants, by her and the Marlborough and Mr. Joseph Pagett Minister all for yo^r. Place, also Thomas Fenwick who came out on the Cardonnel Writer for y^e. West Coast Our Honou^{ble}. Masters have ordered in the same station att the settlement young Lechmere likewise Mr. John Harris who you permitted in August last to come hither for his health takes this opportunity to return with them. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE

MARCH Y^r. 8th. 172¹/₂.

Hono^{ble}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Your very Humble Servants

NA : ELWICK

&c^r. COUNCILL.

N^o. 9.

TO THE WORSHIPth. [WILL^m.] JENNINGS ESQ^r.

DEPUTY GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST. DAVID &c^r. COUNCILL.

WORSHIPth. S^r. & C^r.

We have two of yo^{rs}. of the 5th. March before us with a Duplicate ꝑ Ramah Sloop, Inclos^{es}. Invoice & Bill of Lading for 216 Bales of Calli^{cs} on the Elizabeth and Mary Brigan^a. & 70 Bales of Callicoos on the Ramah Sloop both which are arrived, and the Bales in good Condition. We observe you inform us of the Death of Ensigne Caudull after a long indisposition Inclosed comes an account of those stores, sent down for the use of the George Brigantine from the Ship Heathcote and the wreck of Ship Dartmouth as charged into the Storekeep^{rs}. Account agreeable to the List of Stores receiv'd from you Dated y^e. 4th. Decem^r. and valued by Mess^{rs} Sanderson Launce and Tindell, Invoice of the 7th. Febr^y, you tell us that your last Contract is Comply'd with, but the Merchants Continue to deliver in Cloth, in order to be provided with Bales, for our next years Tonnage, We woud have you prevail with your merchants to Bring in time Enough for to gett cured by Decemb^r. next 3000 Bales as ꝑ List Enclosed, which with 4736 Bales, remaining to be brought in on Former Contracts here, and what may be sent from Vizagapatam, will be sufficient for the quantity of Tonnage we may reasonable Expect from Europe, or by accident may fall upon us from the West Coast &c^r. We are

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

Your affectionate Friends & Serv^{ts}.

FORT ST. GEORGE

MARCH 9th. 172¹/₂.

P.S.

We must remind you that you strictly keep your Mercha^{ts}. up to Lengths and Breadths & goodness of Cloth.

LIST OF BALES TO BE PROVIDED AT FORT ST. DAVID FOR Y^r. Y^a. 172¹/₂.

56520	Pieces Ordina ^{ry}	Long Cloth is	...	...	...	1854	bales.
7980	 Middling	D ^o .	...	...	...	266	D ^o .
6000	 Fine	D ^o .	...	...	...	150	D ^o .
50000	 Ord :	Sallampores	...	...	...	625	D ^o .
6000	 Middling	D ^o .	...	...	...	75	D ^o .
126500	Pieces make	...	...	...	...	300	Bales.

N^o 10

TO THE HON^{BLE}. SAM^L. FEAKE ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERN^R. OF FORT WILLIAM.

HON^{BLE}. S^R. & S^{RS}.

We write you the 8th. Inst^t. ¶ Samuel Duplicate whereof comes Enclosed, and have now to inform you that We have Shipped on Board the Britannia Cap^t. William Guillim 25 Chests of Treasure, with Buoys and buoy ropes Invoice and Bill of Lading for the same, came also herein Inclosed, We wish them safe to yo^r. Hands, and hope your Sloop will be ready to receive them att Ballasore. We shall debt yo^r. Presidency for the Buoys and buoy ropes ¶ this Ship as well as those Samuel which is all that we have att present material; Excepting that we are Hon^{ble}. S^R. & S^{RS}.

Your very Humble Servants

FORT S^T. GEORGE

NATH^L. ELWICK & C^R. COUNCIL.

MARCH Y^R. 17TH. 172¹/₂.

N^o. 11

TO M^R. HUMPHREY HOLCOMBE
ATT METCHLAPATAM.

S^{RS}.

Yo^{RS}. of the 3^d. Inst^t. receiv'd the 16th. with Your Febry months accounts, observe what you say relating to the Nabob, and if the Compa^r. House or Garden att Madapollum affords him any Diversion we are satisfied and when he writes to us we shall Reply, it looks a little odd that he should keep the Dutch Cheif & C^R. in Custody, because they are People capable of Resentment. We observe what you say relating to the Controversy between the Nabob and Upparow, that the latter is like to have all his Fortifications demolished, which will expose him to his Superiors, but be no Injury to the Inhabitants of his Country. We take notice of what you say as to Due Island and apprehend it upon the best terms we can make to be a far greater Charge yⁿ. our Masters will care to advan[ce] for which and many other Concurring reas[ons] we must let the thoughts of [that] alone at present. Inclosed comes a Letter from the King Siam to his Noquedah which must be carefully delivered, We have remitted you by M^R. Benyon as you desire 300 Pago^s. for your future Expences and are

Your Loving ffrriends

FORT S^T. GEORGE

NATH^L. ELWICK & C^R. COUNCIL.

MARCH Y^R. 22^D. 172¹/₂.

P.S.

Since Writing the above we are Inform'd y^t. the Nequedah is sailed with his ship for Siam, so that we shall return the Letter by the first opportunity.

N. E. & C^R.

P.S.

Yours of the 12th. Instant accompanying the Vizagapatam Packett we received yesterday which requires no further answer then that by this Sea Conveyance, We return them Peons with those that brought yo^{RS}. of the Third.

N. E. & C^R.

FORT S^T. GEORGE

MARCH 26 : 1722.

N^o. 12

TO THE WORSHIPth. WILL^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVERN^r. & C^r. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^t. DAVID.

WORSHIPth. S^r. & C^r.

We writt you the 9th. Instant, Since which [we] have Recd yours of the 10 & 13, the first Enclosing your Merch[ants] and Cash accounts, Copys of your Consultations and Paymasters accounts to the last Decemb^r. the last was Coverr to an Invoice and bill of Lading for 80 bales of Callicoos Laden on the Charles and Mary which are safe on shore.

On the 14th. Inst^t. we advanced Sunca Rama[h] Pago^s. 1000 on account his running Contract, which must be placed to his account. You must Credit us likewise for Pago^s. 5. 6. 25 for 5. 3. 15 Salt Petre Short Charged wth Elizabeth and Mary att 1 Pago wth Candy.

Att [the] request and recommendation of your Deputy Governor; We Inclose a Commission appointed David Niven Ensign of the 3^d. Company of Foot Souldiers in the Garrison.

We have further to advise you, that by the Elizabeth and Mary Cap^t. Bissell we have sent you 10000 Pago^s. in a Box for which a Bill of Lading comes Inclosed and shall by the Charles and Mary send you the like Sum who will also sail in a Few days. We are

Worshipth. S^r. & C^r.
Your affectionate Friends & Serv^{ts}.

FORT S^t. GEORGE
MARCH Y^r. 2^d. 1722.

N^o. 13

TO THE WORSHIPth. WILL^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVER^r. & C^r. COUNCILL
OF FORT S^t. DAVID.

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

Yours of the 21st. came Just now to hand with Duplicate of one of the 13th. and advising the Receipt of ours of the 9 D^o. and in answer thereto that you had proposed y^c. Contract for 3000 Bales to yo^r. Merchants agreeable to the List sent you, for answer that so great a Quantity of ord Cloth were not to be provided in the time, there being such a Demand for Manilla, Mocha, Atcheen and Malacca, but that with some alterations in the Sortments and a few Battillas to be added to the Contract, would enforce a Compliance Our answer to that is; that y^e. List sent you is agreeable to our Hon Masters Possitive Orders and from which we cannot recede, We wish the Brigant^e: safe to you, tho yet in Sight and are

Worshipth: S^r. & S^{rs}.

MARCH Y^r. 23^d. 17 ²¹/₂₂

Your affectionate Friends and Servants

N^o. 14To RICH^d. SYMONDS Esq^r.&C^r. COUNCIL AT VIZAGAPATAM.S^{rs}.

We have yo^{rs}. of the 2^d. Ult^o. which came to hand the 25th. this is Chiefly to Inform you that by the Gawsehawk Sloop, We have sent you in Gold and Silver as ⌘ Invoice and Bill of Lading Inclosed Pagos 10000 tis the first Conveyance that hath offered, that we car'd to venture such a Value upon, We wish it safe to your hands and recommend a frugality in yo^r. Expences We shall write you over land and are

FORT S^t. GEORGEAPRIL Y^e. 6th. 1722.S^{rs}.

Your Friends and Servants

N^o. 15TO THE HONOR^{BLE}. SAMUEL FEAKE Esq^r.PRESID^t. & GOVER^r. &C^r. COUNCIL OF BENGALL.HON^{BLE}. S^r. &C^r.

We write you the 17 ult^o : duplicate of which comes herewith, since which yours of the 10 of Febr'y with Invoice and Bill of Lading came to hand y^e. 23 Ult^o. ⌘ Gawse Hawke whose Petre is safe a shore, and advising you had also Ship^t on Board the Prosperous 600 Bags more on our Hon^{ble}. Masters Account.

On the 2^d. Instant, arrived the Middlesex Cap^t. Pelly from Benjarr she left the James and Mary behind her the Supra Cargoes being disappointed of a Loading of Pepper for both Ships dispatcht her hither.

We must in a more particular manner press you to supply us with Packing Stuff ⌘ the first conveyance, [we] are apt to believe, Our Hon^{ble}: Masters will disapprove of paying Freight for the same and on y^e. other hand we possibly cannot wait the return of one of their Ships they seldom arriving before the middle of December, but in case one [other] Vessells arrive her [sic] in a few Days from y^e. West Coast, she having been so long of the Ground, must be sent down to you [to] be refitted and may be returned in August or September with a Gen^l: Supply of Wares and Stores as ⌘ List Enclosed.

We shall by the next Ship bound to your Port send you the remainder of the Treasure promised you & hope these 51 Chests by the Samuel and Brittainia are come safe to your hands, and are

FORT S^t. GEORGEAPRIL Y^e. 7th. 1722.Hon^{ble}: S^r &c^r.Your most Hum^{ble}. ServantsN^o. 16TO THE WORSHIP^{LL}. WILLIAM JENNINGS Esq^r.DEPUTY GOVER^r. &C^r. COUNCIL OF FORT S^t. DAVID.WORSHIP^{LL}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

We have yours of the 27th. and 29th. March 10 and 17 April lying before us to which we reply.

Your first is Coverr to Invoice and Bill of Lading for 70 Bales of Callicoos, on board the Rama Sloop which is safe arrived.

In the second you take notice of what we say about the Charge of the Salt Petre and that it should be sett right and further say it came out short of want 7 maund & 5 lb the Storekeeper in answer to that says, that both his and the Warehousek^{rs}. Conicoplys were att the Weighing, the 18 bags of and that they weighed 5. 9. 7 and the Tare att 8 lb $\frac{3}{4}$ double Baggs is 144 so that there is nett Petre 5. 3. 13 agreeable to what is Charged in Bengall, and if it did not hold out that weight it must either have been wett or plundered which we desire may be strictly Enquired into.

Your second Inclosed your Cash and Merchants Accounts for the month of March [as] also an account of Fortifications and Buildings necessary [to] be done our Hono^{ble}. Masters Orders are poss[itive] not to begin any new buildings [for] we can only recommend to you Frugality in y^e. Finishing what you are [at] or have already orders conformable to their Directions, for proceeding upon and waite the arrivall of the next Ships for your further proceedings except in any necessary Part where the Charge will be but small.

Also Enclosed comes a Copy of a Petition delivered you by the disabled men in yo^r. Garrison, Wee sent you down the Paragraph of the Letter by which you may observe it is our Honou^{ble}. Masters Orders and as such We noted them to you and Conform to the same in this Garrison.

Your 4 is Covert for Invoice and Bill of Lading for 70 Bales of Callicoes on the Ramah Sloop which is also to come to Hand.

The Presid^t. informs us that he had writt to you to send for the Treasure from on Board the Brigan^e. if any where near you before the full of the Moon, and that he had receiv'd yo^r. answer that it was accordingly sent for of Pondicherry and receiv'd safe by you.

Inclosed is also a Bill of Lading for one Chest of Treasure Consign'd to you Pago^t. 10000 on the Ramah Sloop, who saild this afternoon with a fair wind which we wish safe to your hands and are

Worship^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.

APRILL Y^e. 25th. 1722

Your affectionate Friends and Serv^{ts}.

P.S.

You may permitt M^r. S. Holcombe to come to Fort St. George about his private Buissiness agreeable to his Request.

[N^o. 17]

TO THE HONO^{BLE}. SAMUEL FEAKE ESQ^R.

PRESID^t. & GOVERN^r. & C^R. COUNCIL OF BENGALL.

HON^{BLE}. S^R. & S^{RS}.

Since ours of the 7th. April we are to note the [recei]pt of yo^rs. of the 19th Feby^r $\frac{3}{4}$ Briga^e. Success y^e. 14 [Aprill] as also yours of the 10th. Feby^r $\frac{3}{4}$ Brigan. Prosperous on the 17 April the former Enclosing Invoice & Bill of Lading for 1000 Bags of Petre, on board said Brig^e: which is safe ashore and advising the Prices of Mettles with you in case any of the Hono^{ble}. Compa^s. Ships should come this way.

Your latter Encloseth Invoice and Bill of Lading for 600 Baggs of Salt Petre^r on Briga^e. Prosperous, which is also safe on shore, and advising the dispatch of Ship^s Addison and Stretham, full loaden for Great Britain on the 6th. Feby^r with the amount of there Cargoe.

Inclosed comes Invoice and Bill of Lading for 11 Chests of Treasure on board the Success Briga^s. Cap^t. Richard Pierce and shall send you 20 Chests more & the Brampore Cap^t. Antonio Barnivall who sails in a few days, which with the 26 Chests & Samuel and 25 Chest & the Brittaniam (formerly sent you) makes good what we promised, and we hope will arrive safe with you.

Since our last the Good fellow arrived from the West Coast the 14 Aprill, with 158 Bahar of Pepper and 20 Leagers of Arrack on the Hon^{ble}. Compa^s. account on the George Brigan^{es}. arrivall there with the Supravisor the 7 Febry, he found the Good fellow under her dispatches for Europe, with the said Cargo on Board, he displaced the Comm^r. and sent her hither, We have taken her Cargo on shore and Laden her again with stores, agreeable to their requests and she will sail in a Few days.

We yet expect the Young Derby or Metchlapatam, either of which must come down to the Bay to be refitted.

We are in great want of Packing Stuff and must press you to supply & any Conveyance that offers.

Enclosed comes our Duplicate of our Lists of Wares and Stores wanting as also a second bill of Lading for the Silver formerly sent you & the Brittaniam and are

Hono^{able}: S^s. & S^{ss}.

You^r. affec[tionate] Friends and Serv^{ts}.

NATHAN^L. ELWICK & C^s.

N^o. 18

TO THE WORSP^{LL}. JAM^s. HUBBARD Esq^r.

SUPERVIZOR & C^t. COUNCIL OF THE WEST COAST.

WORSP^{LL}. S^s. & S^{ss}:

The Good fellow arriveing here, y^e. 14th. of April brought us y^r. letter the 24th. of Feb^r: wth: the Accompanying papers as & List of the Packett.

We observe the condition you found the Metchlepatam and young Derby in, and approve of y^r. Dispatching them hither so soon as you can get them in a Condition.

We take notice of your consulting w^a: you came near the West Coast whether you should touch at Moco Moco in your way to Marlbrô and think you did Right in agreeing to call there for Inteligence. We observe upon your Arrival the sev^l: ord^{rs}: you gave M^r. Deane in relation to the Arrack and Ophium Licence w^{ch}: was well done as also your directing them to Pay there Cooleys Buggess & C^s. with nothing but money instead of Cloth & goods and that you supplied their Cash which was exhausted with a Chest of Treasure.

We Observe upon the News you Rec^d: at Moco Moco that M^r. Pyke intended to dispatch the Goodfellow for England with a lading of Arrack & Pep^r. and his Perry Brig^t. to the Mallabar Coast on the Hon^{ble}: Comp^{as}: Acco^t. you forthwith order Cap^t: Crossing [. . .] rest of his way for Marlbrô where when [. . .] arriv'd We remark the methods you were Obliged to take to stop the Goodfellow from proceeding to England, which Wee Approve of as also you putting out Cap^t: Smith and giving the Command of the Ship to Cap^t. Crossing M^r. Pyke in Dispatching the Goodfellow for England is answerable for Breach of the Hon^{ble}: Comp^{as}: Ord^{rs}. as he is also for taking up the Perry Brig^t. w^a: so many Vessells of the Comp^{as}: were at Marlbrô unemployed and his withstanding of you and calling the Hon^{ble}: Companys Brig^t. a Pyratival Vessell evidently makes it Appear his flinging up his subordnacy to us in Contempt of all orders from the Hon^{ble}: Company.

When the Drake comes we shall take Notice of the Cap^t. for his ready Assistance to you in getting possession of Marlbrô: which we are Glad you have effected without bloodshed and approve of y^r. conduct in that Affair. We wou^d have you send for Cap^t. Jedderree and Cap^t. Nangle into Cons: and in our Names Return them thanks for their Dilligence and faithfulness to the Hon^{ble}: Company upon y^r. arrivall and let them know that in our letters to England we shall acquaint y^r. Hon^{ble}: Company of their good behaviour therein.

We Approve of your giving back Cap^t: Loveday & Ensign Rogers their Commissions since they were so truly sencible of their Errors and were so ingenious as acquainting you, how M^r. Pyke had wrongly inform'd them by his alterin[g] a Paragraph of the Hon^{ble}: Companys Letter [*a few words lost*] them believe he could not be superceeded by any Order or Power but the Hon^{ble}: Court of Directors.

We are well satisfied with M^r. Burtons Dilligence when you sent him ashoar, to get possession of the Place and hope he will continue his faithfulness to the Hon^{ble}: Company.

We have perused and consider'd of M^r. Pykes Answer to his charge and agree wth. you that is not all satisfactory but trifling and Evasive and Doubt not but by this time you have been able to Demonstrate to him the severall Facts he is Charg'd with hoping you have been able to convince him of his Errors by if M^r Pyke should prove obstinate and refuse rendring to you a just Acco^t. of his proceedings in the Hon^{ble}: Comp^{as}: affairs durement his Administration at the West Coast of Sumatra, we direct that you send him hither up on the Drake and We do Permit the Supravor to come on the Drake—in Case he has settled the place in quiet & Good Order.

FIRST AS TO SHIPPING.

We approve of y^r. Sending the Young Derby to Sillebar to be Repaired and y^r. agreeing wth. the Carpenter of the Drake for the Sum of 250 £^s. We believe it the cheapest way of going to work, Provided a watchful Eye to be kept upon him, to see [it] Effectually Done.

You did well in Getting the Hon^{ble}: Comp^{as}: out of the Carang considering the Dangerousness of the Harbour, which we have been Acquainted with from all hands and direct that hereafter none of the Companys Vessells be brought in there.

We Approve of y^r. design in getting the Perry Brig^t: out of the Carrang to lay along side the Drake to put on board the Drake the Lead & Iron of the Hon^{ble}: Companys which M^r. Pyke very unwarrantably ship'd on the Perry without weighing. We are sorry you are so straightned, thrô the Carelessness of M^r. Pyke for Tombongams and hope by this time you have found a means to secure as many as are necessary for our Occasions.

We now Return the Goodfellow to you wth. a loading of wares and stores as near to y^r. Indents as were able to Compley as £ Invoice bill of Loading which comes herewith you'll also Receive our Storek^{rs}. acco^{ts}. of Impress advanced the Ships Company and We hope by the next Vessell you dispatch to us to Receive the Goodfellow's Invoice from England the Copy of the Hon^{ble}: Comp^{as}: Letter £ the Goodfellow and all other Pap^{rs}: and Acco^{ts}: relating to her for want where of we are in the Dark, as to her prime Cost and Charge, of outset and Disbursements since her Arrivall upon the West Coast except that of Cap^t. Smiths Referr'd to us by [*a few words lost*].

SECONDLY CONCERNING GOOD^s. SENT FROM ENGLAND AND MADRASS.

We observe the supply of money and Madera Wine you have rec^d: by the Drake and doubt not y^r. recommending of y^r. Silver to the Hon^{ble}: Comp^t. by y^r. frugality thereof as well as in all other Experiences of the Place.

We observe the scarcity of live provisions with you which can only be remided by your Industrious care in giving encouragement: to y^e. Chinese and y^r. own Slaves to procure some of every kind for a breed.

3 HEAD.

We are pleas'd to observe that you are in hopes to get 400 Bahar of pep^r: from Moco Moco by Sep^r. besides 225 Bahar which you had in y^r. Godowns when the Goodfellow came away and we hope y^r. utmost Endeavours will be to encrease the

Pep^r Plantations y^t. the Hon^{ble}. Company may have annually a good Quantity from the West Coast for without which you know the Settlements upon Sumatra will be a heavy and dead Charge to our Hon^{ble}. Masters: We are amazed that M^r. Pyke should give encouragem^t. for the Making of white Pep^r: und^r: a Notion that it cou'd not be Detrimental to the Hon^{ble}: Comp^a: because they buy [. . .] black and can look upon it no better than a Jesuitical turn to procure pep^r. for his private trade and advantage. We positively forbid any being made hereafter und^r: Penalty of Dismission from y^e. Service any Persons that shall be found Guilty of Encourageing the making thereof.

4TH. HEAD.

Since sevⁿ: of the Chinese have left M[ar]lbrô and others were ab^t: to leave the place wee doubt not but that you have put a stop thereto by y^r. good usage w^{ch}. will also encourage more to come and Settle with you they are an active stirring people always upon some Improvem^t. and can turn their hands to any employ so that you cannot have too many of them you know the temper of the Mallays and doubt not but you will take care to keep y^m. easy.

We are glad to observe you have no reason to suspect but that the Mallays ab^t: you are entirely in the Comp^a. interest. Especially the two Pangarans Munko Rajah and Soongey Katam it much regards the Hon^{ble}. Comp^a. Interest that they be kept their friends and upon any Little Jarrs you must find means for a Reconciliation without any Delay the Mallays being so prone to Jealousie and revenge. We remark the Villanous part Transacted by Sultan Blenhiem Colonel of the Buggesse in the Hon^{ble}. Comp^a. Pay & since he has plaid false [. . .] no more to be trusted, We are glad to hear yo[. . .] recover those Buggessee w^{ch}. had the Con[...].

We are greatly suprizd to find that after such vast sum^s of money have been exhausted in building at Marlbrô that you should be in so bad a Condition as not to find dry Lodgings for y^r. selves on y^r. Arrival nor any Lodgings habitable for y^e. Military nor conveniences for y^r. stores &c^a. We have perus'd y^e. Acco^t. you gave us of the condition you found the severall buildings and at this distance can only ord^r. that you go about such as are only absolutly necessary for Lodgings for y^r. selves and Millitary proper ware and storehouses and such Fortifications which may be actually necessary for y^r. defence all which wee recomend to be done strong and Durable as possible that there may be some end put to buildings on the West Coast which have been so Vastly Expensive, more that any other Settlem^t. and you cannot Recommend y^r. selves to the Hon^{ble}. Comp^a. or us in a great^r. Degree then by y^r. frugallity and speedy conclusion thereof and as a small help to you we have ballasted the Goodfellow wth. Bricks to carry on Fort Marlbrô let Care be taken in y^r. landing that a[s few] be broke as possible.

By the next conveyance in P^suance to y^r. Promise we shall expect a Thôrow Plan of your buildings explaining what is finish'd w^t. to be finish'd [&] what to be Erected with as near a Calculate [. . .] Charge as possible of what is to be done.

6TH. HEAD.

We Approve of y^r. continueing to Leivtenant Cartwright at Moco Moco his Commission for the Reasons you mention being always willing to give encouragem^t. to deserving Men & P^ticularly to such as have hazarded themselves in the Hon^{ble}. Comp^a. Service as you say M^r. Cartwright has done We Remark y^r. Compliance with our ord^s. in reducing the three Companys into two and we wou'd never have more unless it be found absolutely necessary to make a third which is not to be continued longer then needs Require it.

By the next conveyance We shall Expect the Compliance of y^r. Promise in relation to the lessening the Expence in Gunners Mates Ensigns &c^a. that y^r. Journal Parcels and other acco^s. are Read monthly in co^{ns}: and that you give us an acco^t. of the Particular sum^s advanced Persons that came upon the Young Derby and Metchlepatam as also a list of your Slaves how employ'd and their Annual charge.

Since our Hon^{ble}. Masters have not disapprov'd of the Allowance of Dietmony & to y^r. Liev^{ts}. We suppose they Approve thereof & in such case it would be but Reasonable to pay them their Arrears of Dietmoney and allowances.

We take [*a few words lost*] have put up y^r. Arrack and Ophium Licence [*a few words lost*] it Let at 10 ₧^s 8/5 more then formerly we hope you will not be unmindefull when Opportunity presents of the other revenues we recommend to you.

We observe the Care taken by you to recover the Over charge by M^r. Chatelier of P^s. 8/8 232—2—80 and P^s. 8/8 178 : 3 : 20 in his Batavia Voyage and hope before this Arrives wth. you the said two su^ms will by Cap^t. Loveday [be p^d. into y^e.] Hon^{ble}. Comp^{as}. Cash.

7^{THLY}. TOUCHING ACCOUNTS.

When the Supravizor returns if no [t] before we hope to have Coppys of y^r. Acco^{ts}. regulated and kept in the mann^r. ours are here either brought up from M^r. Pykes Acco^{ts}. or if that is Impracticable through his Irregularity from a True Acco^t. of w^t. remains and that the Supravizor before he dep^s. the West Coast will settle such a method for Acco^{ts}. being regularly kept at the West Coast for y^e. future as his Experience in our Acco^{ts}. here shall Direct him. We shall by the next conveyance expect coppys of y^r. Coⁿs : letters and all other Usual Papers & for Writting Assistance We hope you will shortly have a supply from England.

We Rec^d. the Pep^r. &c^a. design'd by M^r. Pyke to England ₧ Ship Good-fellow.

The Acco^t. of Expen [*a few words lost*] low delivered you by Cap^t. [. . .]—to us Cap^t. Smith has deli^{vered} us] desireing Paym^t. of the Ballance We cou^d wish you had examin'd into the said Acco^t. and given us y^r. Remarks thereupon for we find severall Articles therein which seems to us Extravagant and to which we know not what to say Particularly to the articles of Expences ashoar to himself and Purser amounting to Doll^s. [*lacuna*]. We dont find the Cap^t. Potters Instructions any mention that his and Purses Expences ashoar should be allow'd them in y^r. next let us know if M^r. Pyke and his Council allow'd of y^e. said charge and whither the Cap^ts. of the ships Addision and Dartmouth had any allowance of Diet money at the West Coast.

We send you by this ship Archibald Elliot to be one of y^e. Surgeons upon y^e. West Coast & you are to give him y^e. Usual pay and Allowances he has had nothing advanced him here.

An Indent of the Goodfellow^s. Stores & a list of Impress money advanc'd comes inclos'd her Invoice amo^{ts}. to Pag^s. 5162. 19. 35 in w^{ch}. you'l observe a ch^t. of Fan^s. for paym^t. of workmen We wish you health & the ship safe arrival to you and are

FORT ST. GEORGE
[. . .] 1722.

Worsp^{ll}. St. & S^{rs}.
Y . friends & Serv^{ts}.

NATH^{LL}. ELWICK.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
GEORGE DRAKE.

P.S.

[. . .]d you by this ship Jn^e. Jones [...] Military who we believe may [. . .] serviceable to you then us.

N^o. 19

TO THE HON^{ble}. SAMUEL FRAKE Esq^r.
PRESID^t. & GOVER^r. &c^a. COUNCIL OF BENGALL.
HON^{ble}. S^r. AND S^{rs}.

The foregoing is Duplicate of our last by the Success Brigantine Richard Pearce Commander by whom we sent you all Chests of Treasure.

We now send you by this Ship Brampore 20 Chests more, as ₧ Invoice and Bill of Loading Inclosed amounting to Pago^t. 45840. 26. 26.

Likewise Inclosed comes the Success Brigant^{ss}. Invoice and second Bill of Loading as also Dupli^{te}. Invoices of the Treasure &c^r. sent you by Ships Samuel and Brittainia, all which wishing may arrive safe with you. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
MAY 19th. 1722.

Hon^{ble}. S^r. and S^{rs}.
Y^r. affectionate Friends and Serv^{ts}.
NATHA^L. ELWICK & C^R.

No. 20

HONOR^{BLE}. S^R. AND S^{RS}.

The former is Duplicate of our last by Ship Brampore Antonio Barnevall Comm^{er}. who saild hence the 22^d. Inst^d. This is Chiefly to Inclose Duplicate Invoices of Treasure &c^r. & Ship Brampore with second Bill of Loading by the latter and to advise you that Cap^t. Pelley Commander of Ship Middlesex, has had his Boat [run] away with two days past by five of his [. . .], and having had no Intelligence of them Wee Judge they have made the best of there way for Bengall having a draught Compass and Sails &c^r. necessities for a Voyage, if your Honor. &c^r. should meet with them we dont doubt but you'l make that Example of them y^r. Crime Deserves. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
MAY. 28th. 1722.

Hon^{ble}. S^r. and S^{rs}.
Your affectionate Friends and Servants.
NATHA^L. ELWICK & C^R.

No. 21

TO MESS^{RS}. THO^S. FAUCETT AND JOHN BIVNT
ATT VIZAGAPATAM.

S^{RS}.

Yours of the 17th. ult^o. & Mr. Symonds we Receiv'd the 19 Instant advising the receipt of the Three Chests of Treasure from on Board the Gosshawke.

By him we reed yo^r. Consultations Cash Accounts and Paymast^{rs} acco^{ts}. as & List and take notice of his delivering up the Treasure, Books &c^r. to Mr. Thomas Faucett, the two merchants we have ordered hither the 6 Febyr as also arrived.

Cap^t. Pelly Command^r. our Hon^{ble}. Mast^{rs}. Ship Middlesex had his Boat two Days ago run away with by five of his men, they having sails and everything necessary for a small voyage, tis likely they may call in att yo^r. settlement (or if any where near you) use your best Endeavours to secure them, advising us Immediately thereof. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
MAY 28th. 1722.

S^{rs}.
Your Friends and Servants.
NATHA^L. ELWICK & C^R. COUNCILL.

The Presidt. hath ordered me [. . .] ind [of] yo^r.
Generall Books to forward them with. all ex^pedition possible.

I am
S^r. Yo^r. very H[umble servant].
[JOHN] H[OUGH]TON
Secretary.

No. 22

To M^r. HUMPHREY HOLCOMBE
AT METCHLAPATAM.

S^r.

Having none of yours to answer this is Particularly to acquaint you that Capt. Pelly Command^r. of the Middlesex [Com]^{ps}. Ship, having his Boat run away wth. by five of his People two days ago part of whom we have had no Intelligence as yet; We ther[e]fore order [you] to make all Enquiry possible, and if they should come ashore att your residence (or near you) use your utmost Endeavours to secure them, or should you hear they are gone further forward these Peons directly after them advising us immediately thereof. We are

FORT S^r. GEORGE

May 28th. 1722.

Your Loving Friends and Servants

NATHA^l. ELWICK & C^r. COUNCIL.

No. 24

To THE WORSHIP^{ll}. WILL^m. JENNINGS Esq^r.
DEPUTY GOVERN^r. OF FORT S^r. DAVID & C^r. COUNCIL.

WORSHIP^{ll}. S^r. AND S^{rs}.

Yours of the 27 and 30 Ultimo, 10 and 22^d. present lies before us; the first advising the Receipt of the Treasure from on Board the Elizabeth and Mary, and that you had loaded 240 Bales of Callicoes; on board her, and returnd her to us, also Invoice and Bill of Lading for said Callicoes came Enclosed, and desiring 5 Bolts of Bengall Canvas for Tarpaulins, your second enclosed Invoice and Bill of Lading for 40 Bales of Callicoes on board the Charles and Mary which are safe on Shore, your 3^d. is answer to ours of the 25 [. . .] relating to the Difference in the Weight of the 18 Bags [of Salt] Petre, which you observe to be in the Difference in the Tare whereas in Bengall when the Bags where Dry, the Tare was 8^{lb}. ½ double Bagg, but find that now you come to turn out the Petre and Tare, the baggs they Weigh 18^{lb}. ½ Bagg, they having suck'd in so much moisture from the Petre, which is so much loss to the Honou^{ble}. Company, and must be wrote of to Proffit and Loss, except the Powder maker can save any of it by soaking the Baggs in Water and so gett out the Weight.

Your last adviseth the Receipt of the 10000 Pago^r. from on Board the Ramah Sloop, and that you had drawn a Bill on us payable to Amadasharom Nana T[awker] 3500 Pago^r. value of Comrapha Chittee which was duly paid.

We now dispatch the Honou^{ble}. Compa^s. Ship Middlesex to you, with what wares and Stores you wrote for as far as we could spare. Packing stuff is very short with us, and none to be bought in Town, so soon as we can supply ourselves shall send you the Quantity you wrote for.

On perusall of our Hon^{ble}. Masters Letter ½ Monmouth Paragraph 50, in answer to yo^{rs}. ½ Dawson paragⁿ. 5 we find they are pleased with what you say y^t. all your Buildings would be Compleated in 18 or 20 months time, and that being long since Expired, We cannot think they will approve of our Continuing, so great an Expenche without their further orders, for which reasons we have not sent you those Timbers you wrote for but think it most proper you stop your proceedings. By this Conveyance comes also I Chest of Treasure q^t. Pago^r. 30000 which we wish safe to your hands; Bill of Loading and Invoice for this, with Wares and Stores comes Enclosed amounting to Pago^r. 30694. 31. 10. We must press you to make all dispatch possible in the cure of Cloth, that whatsoever Tonnage should be ordered us, may be returnd them this season.

We hope your Books are kept up and we shall send you our Account Curr^t. to Compare as soon as y^e accomp^t. can get it drawn out. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE,
MAY 29 1722.

Worship^l. S^r. & c^r.
Your Loving [frien]ds and Serv^{ts}.
NATHA^l. ELWICK & C^a.

No. 25

TO CAP^t. JOHN PELLY
COMM^d. OF SHIP MIDDLESEX

S^a.

On Receipt hereof you are to repair on Board your Ship, and make the best of your way to Fort St David, where when you arrive you are to deliver our Packett Chest of Treasure with Wares and Stores (herewith given you) to the Dep^{uty} Governour & c^t. Councill, whose orders you are to follow for your further Proceedings, Dated in Fort St. George this 30th. May 17[22].

NATHAN^l. ELWICK & C^a.

FORT ST. GEORGE.

No. 26

TO THE HON^{OR}BLE. WILL^m. PHIPPS Esq^r.
PRESID^t. AND GOVER^r. & c^a. COUNCILL OF BOMBAY.

HON^{OR}BLE. S^a. AND S^{rs}.

We have yours of the 2^d. and 7 Feby & 13 April before us and shall reply to them severally.

We Congratulate the Hono^{ble}. Will^m. Phipps Esq^r. on his succession to the Government.

In yours of the 2^d. you are pleas'd to note y^e. arrivall of the men of Warr, under the Command of Commadore Mathews, and their disappointment in missing the Pirates.

You have also acquainted us with your proceedings against Angria, in Conjunction with the Viceroy of Goa, and the assistance the Men of Warr gave you, with y^e. hopes you had of destroying him, but missing the design you had formed against Allebagg; so discouraged your allies that they would not be prevailed upon to make another attempt.

You advice us that the Shoram had recd. Damage from before Culabby; and that she was refitting att Suratt, but we since hear she is upon a Cruize off, We observe the Departure of the London for Europe, with the late Governour Boon upon her, the 25 Janu^{ry}. in Company [with th]e Grantham and Greenwich; for Tellicherry all which we wish safe to our Hono^{ble}. Masters.

In answer to yours of the 7 we have Enquired of M^r. George Tullie, M^{rs}. Gyffords Attorney what value he might have of hers in his hands Who reply'd nothing of value, for which reason we dispatch't a Pattamarr to the Bay of Bengall with Copy of yo^r. Letters and pressing them to gett what security possible from the Widow on the Hon^{ble}. : Compa^s. account.

Yours of the 13 April you advise the arrival of the Stanhope, 25 Feby the Dawson 9th. March and the King George the 29 a sickly ship, and observe how you have dispos'd of them Which we think cannot miss of our Hon^{ble}. Masters approbation.

We observe the trouble you have had wth. the Portuguese with respect to Mahim River, but y^t. you have surmounted those difficulties, by removing the Padree Governadore, also the advantage your Grabs had over those of Angrias, but that they had gott clear by the Calmness of y^e : Wheather, and that your steady resolution to prosecute him will oblige him to sue for Peace.

We hope by the Boone from Persia to have a more favourable account of the Devastations made there by the Rebels, and that the Country is not in so bad a Condition, as hath been reported, and wish your Agent may recover those priviledges in Trade, that they have so lately depriv'd us off.

On the 2^d: Aprill arrived here the Middlesex Cap^t. John Pelly from Borneo she being one of the Ships sent thither for a Freight of Pepper; and finding it Impracticable, that both shou'd gett their Loading, they agreed that the other Ship called the James and Mary shoud stay and dispatch't the Middlesex for Madrass; We have sent her to Fort S^t. David to take in her Loading and shall dispatch her for Europe the latter end of August.

We are in dayly Expectation of news from Europe so soon as a Ship arrives, shall forward directly what relates to yo^r. Pres^{id}encies aⁿd what we have further valuable your Information.

Inclosed comes a Packett from S^t. Uellena for your Presidency from thence ¶ Drake but to our hands ¶ Goodfellow, not else to advise you, but that We are

Hon^{ble}. S^r. and S^{rs}.
Your very Hum^{le}. Servants.

N^o. 27

To JOHN HOPE Esq^r.
CHIEF &C^a. FACTORS ATT SURATT.
S^{rs}.

Yours of the 29 Janu^{ry}: 14 April came duly to hand, and yours of the 4 May we yesterday recd ¶ Chest[er] enclosing 2 bills, amounting to Pago^s. 15241. 1 being the produc[e] of Rupees 45778. 12 paid into the Hon^{ble}. Comp^s. Cash with y^e. ¶ Mess^{rs}. Clark and Mackmath Supra Cargoes of Ship Richmond. We are S^{rs}. your

FORT S^t. GEORGE
JUNE 1st. 7th. 1722. Affectionate Friends and Servants.

N^o. 28

GENTLEMEN

The foregoing is Duplicate of our last ¶ Pattamarr the 7 since which yours of the 11 May came to hand the 15 Instant, Inclosing to bills of Exchange for your remittance made the 4th. ult^o:

We have by this Conveyance forwarded Your severall Letters Receivd ¶ Fordwich and Bouverie who arrived here the 14 Instant, and left England the 2^d. Janu^{ry}. We are

¶ Pattamars
June y^e. 23^d. [1722].

Your affectio^{ne}. Friends & Serv^{ts}.

N^o. 29

To THE HON^{ble}: SAM^l. FEAKE Esq^r.
PRESID^t. AND GOVERN^r. &C^a. COUNCIL OF BENGALL.
HON^{ble}: S^r. AND S^{rs}.

[Our] last to you bore date the 30 Ult^o: ¶ S[h]awallum, since which we are favoured with yours of the 19 April [...] advising the arrivall of Ships Samuel and Brittania with the Treasure &c^t: which proved a very acceptable article to you. You note also the Receipt of ours of the 7 Aprill and that you woud reply to it by another opportunity.

On the 14 Instant arrived with us our Hon^{ble}. Masters Ships Fordwich and Bouverie from Europe the 2^d. Janu^{ry}. they have each of them 50 Chests of Treasure on board with Wares and Stores, and both ordered to your Presidency, the Bouverie brings you this Letter and 25 Chests of the Fordwich's Treasure (agreeable to the Hon^{ble}. Court of Directors orders) and the Fordwich will follow so soon as she can gett her loading out.

Shall send you a Duplicate of the Hon^{ble}. Companys Packett & Bouverie by the next Conveyance y^e. offers.

Presumeing that your Necessities proceed more from what [*sic*] of money than Men, & you having 19 on the Bouverie, part being in a very sickly Condition were oblidge'd to be sent for on shore, and not being fitt to send on board so soon again, We have thought fitt to order the whole ashoar y^e. Garrison being very weak and forced to furnish the West Coast with a Detachment, very soon, all which are motives sufficient to Warrant our proceedings promising you all the assistance we are able to give on the very first notice.

To the Tonnage design'd for the Coast and Bay this Season is Viz^t.

Nightingale	...	...	...	...	...	...	[...] Tuns.
Enfield	...	...	...	...	...	...	[...]
Devonshire	...	...	...	...	...	...	480
Middlesex	...	...	...	...	...	...	430
Drake	...	...	...	...	...	...	390
Walpole	...	...	...	...	...	...	490

So that if you can load 2 Ships and send us 3 or 400 Bales upon the third, in all probability we shall be able to fill her up and load the 3 other for Europe, the last to be dispatch^t late in Jan^{ry}. or early in Febry tho the success of our Endeavours depend upon y^e. Weather. We being [in W]ant of rain and our Buissiness almost stands still if the Lethieulier bound to S^t. Hellena and the West Coast shoud arrive in time she would be a very troublesome Ship to us. We are

Hon^{ble}. S^r. and S^{rs}.

JUNE Y^e. 18th. 1722.

Your very Humble Servants

NATHANIEL ELWICK &c^a.

P.S.

Inclosed we send you our acco^t. Curr^t. with Yo^r. Presidency to the last of April 1722 and desire that you will forward yours to us & the first opportunity to Compare with our Book[s].

N^o. 30

TO THE HON^{BLE}. WILL^m: PHIPPS ESQ^r.

PRESID^t. AND GOVER^r. OFF BOMBAY &c^a. COUNCILL.

HON^{BLE}. S^r. AND S^{rs}.

Our last to you bore date the 7 Instant dispatcht by Pattamars, since which came into this road our Hon^{ble}. Masters Ships Fordwich and Bouverie the 14 from Eng^d: the 2^d. Janu^{ry}. by whom we receivd Letters from the Hon^{ble}. Court of Directors, dated y^e. 6 and 13 December; and from the secrett Committee the 30 Novb^r. advising the safe arrival of their Homeward bound Ships, and giving us an account of the Tonnage taken up this year, and now dispos'd of a Coppy of which we send you Inclos'd but must observe to you the alteration they have been pleas'd to make therein, the secrett Committee have been pleas'd to order the Eyles to take in a Loading in China, proper for Suratt and proceed to Bombay, and the Walpole loading proper for the Coast and Bay and to come to Madrass, the Hon^{ble}. the Court of Directors have been pleas'd to Order by a short Letter of the 13 Decemb^r. that the Fordwich and Bouverie shall be kept in the Country and sent on Freight Voyages

[to the] Gentlemen att Bengall. We hourly Expect the rest of the Ships tho they were not Entirely ready when these are [. . .] is the material we have to inform you off Φ are

FORT ST. GEORGE
JUNE 23^d. 1722.

Hon^{ble}. S^r and S^{rs}
Your very Humble Servants

NATHA^L. ELWICK & C^R.

Φ Pattamars.

N^o. 31

TO THE WORSHIP^{LL}. WILL: JENNINGS ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVER^R. & C^R. COUNCIL
OF FORT S. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{LL}. S^r. AND S^{rs}.

Yours of the 18th present came to hand inclosing your Merchants Accounts, and advising that your Bound Renters Cowle is near Expired, and that you had made Tryall of itt, att publick outcry, but that no Persons wou'd bid what it formerly lett for, upon which you propose to add the Beetle and Tobacco Farm to it, which will keep it up to its former rent.

You also advise us the arrivall of the Middlesex and that you had receivd the Treasure from on board her.

Inclosed comes your Acco^t. Current with this Presidency in Order to Ballance yo^r. Books and please to let us have our account Curr^t. in Order to adjust matters with you.

Your Demands for Stationary Ware shall be sent you agreeable to yo^r. List.

We must press you to use yo^r. utmost diligence in Curing what Cloth you can. Our Washers being under a Disappointment for want of Rain. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
JUNE Y^E. 25 1722.

Worship^{LL}: S^r and S^{rs}.
Your Friends and Servants

NATHAN^L: ELWICK & C^R.

N^o. 32

TO THE HONO^{BLE}. SAMUEL FEAKE ESQ^R.
PRESID^T AND GOV^R: & C^R. COUNCIL OF BENGALL.

HON^{BLE}: S^R AND S^{RS}.

Our last to you was the 18 Ult^o. Φ our Hon^{ble} Masters Ship Bouverie, Duplicate whereof comes herewith since which have thought fitt to alter that scheme of Tonnage there laid down, our reasons for so doing are, the Middlesex being forward in her loading for Europe and have full Tonnage for a 3^d. Ship lying in our Godowns, obliges us to send the Enfield Cap^t. Rigby directly home and have given him orders pursuant thereto, notwithstanding which we Continue to tell you if you send us either of your Ships to arrive with us the middle of December with one half of her loading in Bale Goods, We believe we shall be able to fill her up and send her home early in January in Company with the Walpoole if she arrives, but will not stay the one-for-the other, We think it much preferable to go home an Early Single Ship then late with Company the Drake is not yet arrived but hourly Expect her; on the 13 Ins^t. arrived the Hon^{ble}. Companys Ships Enfield and Devonshire from England the 27 Feby they parted with the Nightingale in the Latitude of 44 N^o.

We have allowed the military being to the Devonshire the Refreshment of the Shore the Charges shall debt your Presidency for. We herewith send you duplicate of our Acc^t. Cur^t. with your Presidency Duplicate of Invoice and Bill of Loading for Treasure &c^r: sent of the Bouverie, with Invoice and Bill of Loading for what sent on the Fordwich, and enclose you two Packets from the Hon^{ble}. Court of Directors which we receiv'd 4th Fordwich and Enfield Commander Mathews in the Lyon Man of Warr arrived here the 13 Instant and the Shoram the 18.

Mr. Bonnel in the Thomas Brigan^e. being arrived in this Port and hearing Mr^s. Gyfford is concerned, in her to the Anjengo Letters laying so heavy a charge upon the said Gyffords Estate, We thought it the least that could be done to take a Promissory note from the said Mr. Bonnell Supra Cargo and Command^r. of said Vessell, that they would navigate her to the Port of Bengall Wind and Wheather p[er]mittin[g].

We earnestly desire that our List of Wares and Stores and y[ours of] the 7 Aprill, may be Complied with and in a more perticular manner for Packing Stuff, for which we are now very much straitned, and pay Extravagant Prices.

We must also add to that request 4000 Bags of Petre which please not to disappoint us of by the Hon^{ble}. Comp^s. Ships fearing our Hon^{ble}. Masters, shall think amiss of paying freight.

We have yett a farther request and that is you will send us up a Quantity of good sealing Wax, that formerly sent being of little use.

We are by our Hon^{ble}. Masters orders to recite you that Paragraph relating to Bouverie and Fordwich which is N^o. 6 4th Enfields Letter Viz^t.

In our Supp[le]mentall Letter, we gave you the reason why two of our this years Ships, should be Employed on freight voyages, on our Account which we expect shall be from the Bay, We do but just mention it to you to show how intent we are upon it, we have wrote to Bengall that they be dispatch't away so early, as not to hazard the loss of there Passage as was the Case of the Bouverie as you have Opportunity do you remind Bengall of itt.

The Sailors that run away with the Middlesex Boat carried her as far as Vizagapatam, and there run her ashore upon the Dolphins Nose, and finding themselves sorrounded with Moors, and Soldiers of the Garrison surrendered their arms and were taken Prisoners. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE

JULY 23^d. 1722.

Hon^{ble} S^r and S^{rs}.

Your very Hum^{ble}. Servants

NATHAⁿ. ELWICK &c^r.

N^o. 33

TO THE HON^{BLE}: SAMUEL FEAKE ESQ^r.

PRESID^t AND GOVERN^r &c^r. COUNCILL
OF BENGALL.

S^{rs}.

Inclosed is Duplicate of our last 4th Fordwich since which we have to advise you of the Drakes arrivall the 4 Inst from the West Coast, she came out in Company with the Metchlapatam and Young Derby but soon parted with them, and the 6 we received a Letter from the Capt of the Metchlapatam, advising that she run ashore between Sadrass and Cobilong, she having nothing in her of our Hon^{ble}. Masters more than 120 Pigs of Lead, and an old Coach, we believe her no loss to them, she being so far Impaired att the West Coast that she was thought scarce worth refitting, We have now sent her help if it is possible to gett out the Lead, This morning the Cap^t. of the Young Derby came from Pullicatt and brought the West Coast Pacquett with him, Informing us that he Left the Vessell in that road, but made the land the 6 to the northward of Madrass, but being so Ill provided that he could nott attempt the getting to the Southward, that he rid by an anchor without a stock with a Gun

fastened to it hav^e. lost all his other Anchors, by the Cables parting of Pullicatt that the head of his Mainmast went away the 12 Ult^o. and that his Foremast was not to be depended on, We have ordered him two Anchors and Cables, which as soon as they are on board We dispatch him directly to you, he not doubting of getting well down since he is supply'd with good ground tackle wth: she arriv^es with you and you have had her surveyed, If you find her worth repairing, her Bottom being reported to be eat[en] to Pieces. We must desire that you return her to us with Wares and Stores agreeable to our former Requests our Packing Stuff being so far Expended that it will scarce hold out the dispatch't of our Septem^r. Shipping.

It being agreeable to our Hon^{ble}. Masters Pressing Orders to supply you with what Treasure we can We now send you by the Charles Gally 14 Chests of Duccatoons which we receivd Φ Ship Drake, so soon as the Nightingale arrives shall not detain her here, but dispatch her with the Quota Treasure ordered for your Presidency with all y^o. speed Imaginable.

We send down the Fordwichs Charter Party and Duplicate of her Invoice and Bill of Loading Inclosed also Invoice and Bill of Loading for the 14 Chests of Treasure upon the Charles Galley which we wish safe to your hands and are

FORT ST. GEORGE

AUGUST THE 10. 1722.

HON^{BLE}. S^{rs}. AND S^{rs}.
Your very Hum^{ble}. Servants.
NATHAN^L. ELWICK & C^a.

N^o. 34

TO ROBERT SYMONDS ESQ^r.

CHIEF & C^a. COUNCILL ATT VIZAGAPATAM.

S^{rs}.

Our last to you was the 28 May, Since which we have yours of the 13 and 21 June, 4 and 6 July to answer. The first informs us that M^r. Faucett was to have a Perwanna so soon as he arrived att Ingeram, and that you had lett out the Out Towns and Villages, for Fifteen Hundred Eighty eight Rupees, referring to the Company the Salt Proffitt, Land and Sea Customs &c^r. rent of Vizagapatam Town they being uncertain Revenues all which we approve of.

You advise us of the Middlesex's boat and men being arrived with you and that the men desired to be entertained in the Compa^s. Service or permitt[ed to] proceed to Bengall; to which we will reply Φ Fancy.

You have also advised us of the sale of the Campa^s. damaged Broad Cloth, att outery and M^r. [. . .] delivering over the Compa^s. Ballance of Cash &c^r. and take [his] departure for Ingeram and that he carries 2000 Pogo^s. with him to Invest which is also approv'd of, your Account Cash and Paymasters Accounts for the Months of April, May, [and] June is come [to hand]

M^r. Faucett tells us that the Deputy Rajowe &c^r. rejoye'd att his [Com]eing to settle att Ingeram & that they had provided him a very good House fitt for the Compa^s. Buissness, and that he lived rent Free, That the W[ea]vers had ready 500 Pago^s. worth of Cloth, but that Cotton w[as] dear, and that M^r. Simpson will have Furnished his Investments, in 10 Days which is all very well.

In M^r. Blunts of the 4 Ult^o. he notes the Receipt of ours of the 28 May, and advises that the 5 Eng[lish] men that run away with the Middlesex's Boat are in Irons.

M^r. Faucett of the 6 Ult^o. advising his Proceedings att Ingeram the situation of the Ground which he proposeth, and writes for orders to settle [Y^m.] and that he has got the first House that was appointed for him, and proposeth to receive 2/3 Ordinary & 1/3 fine Cloth, which we leave to his management, it being to make an Experiment Conformable to our Hon^{ble}. Masters Orders.

We herewith send you the Investment for Vizagapatam, you must strictly observe what they say as to length and breadths and sortments of Cloth; and to mend what our Hon^{ble}. Masters Complain off and to Enable you to Comply therewith we shall send you the value of 20000 Pago^s. @ Ship Fancy in Rupees and Pago^s.

And we according to M^r. Symonds's promise expect an abatement of 5 @ Cent on the Course and 7½ on the fine Goods and to have each sort of Cloth made better than Formerly.

As you have represented to us in the List of Stores and under the [Head] of Buildings that Sundrys are sett down, which by length of Time are decayed and wasted; We do hereby direct that you send us up a List of such Stores &c^r. for our perusal and further Order thereupon.

We have sent you a Copy of the Paragraph out of the Accompt^{rs}. Letter receivd. this year from England relating to your Factory, to which you must send us a full reply very speedily, after your arrivall as also your severall books, for we cannot close ours till we have yours of which you must send us Duplicate [copies] to England.

Inclosed comes our Acc^t. Current to compare with your books, and return yours hither by the first Opportunity.

We direct that M^r. Blunt do take the first Opportunity of Coming up to Madrass, and we send down in his stead M^r. Stephen Newcome, whom we appoint third of Councill and Paymaster and that he assists in the Warehouse during M^r. Faucetts absence M^r. Charles Simpson we Order 4 of Councill and Storekeep^r.

We do positively Order that the Inhabitants of Vizagapatam, as well Compa^s. Servants as others, be treated by you in a mild and becoming manner and that no Imprisonments or Severities be used but with Consent of the board and that you do advice us thereof. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE

AUGUST Y^r. 10. 1722.

S^{rs}.

Your Friends and Servants

NATHANIEL ELWICK &c^r.

N^o. 85

TO M^r. HUMPHREY HOLCOMBE

ATT METCHLAPATAM.

S^{rs}.

We have yo^{rs}. of the 28 and 29 June and 25 July to answer; and observe you note the difference between Madrass Curr^t. and Pullicatt Pago^s. to be 3 @ C^t. with you y^e. 300 Pago^s. was paid M^r. Benyon in Curr^t. Pago^s. and Exchanged by him into new Madrass, and the Batty was then 1 5/8 @ C^t. so that you must Credit the Company for 4 Pago^s. and 1/8 part of what you have wrote off to Proffitt and Loss. Your Aprill & May Account came to hand.

We take notice of what you say relating to the factories at Madapollam as also relating to the Braminy's and are undetermined what to do in those affairs att present.

We give you leave to new tile the Factory but lett it be done in the most prudent manner; and with the least Expence possible, We take [note o]f what you say as to the troubles in the Country there is little likelihood of disturbing your settlement.

Your [. . .] Months account came also to hand and had the Battavia news [di]rectly from thence.

I have wrote to the Nabob att Madapollam & thankt him, telling him the Company att present are not disposed to make any new Settlements. We recommend frugality in your Expences and are

FORT ST. GEORGE

AUGUST Y^r. 10. 1722.

S^{rs}.

Your Friends and Servants.

NATHANIEL ELWICK &c^r.

No. 36

TO THE WORSHIP^{LL}. WILL^M. JENNINGS ESQ^R.

DEPUTY GOVERNO^R. & C^R. COUNCILL OFF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{LL}. S^R. AND S^{RS}.

We have yo^{rs}. of the 3^d. Ult^o. and two pres^t. to answer and shall reply to them according to their Dates.

In the former you note the Receipt of our Account Curr^t. and Inclosing of yours, and that your books shall be sent with a Convenient speed.

You mention the death of Mr. Charles D[obyns] your Warehouskⁿ. Assistant, and that no will appeared upon which your Paymaster, and Secretary took care off his Effects which is very well, and that you wanted t[w]o Writing Assistants which we will supply you with you also Inclose your Merchant Accounts, and Account of Cash for June which we acknowledge the receipt of.

In your second you advise the letting your Beetle Tobacco and Bound rent att the usuall Terms to Chata Chitty, and Surrapaw Naigue, and that Sadashavarrow & Tricom Chetty, are bound for their Performance.

You mention the Debt to the Comp^t. for the Former bound Renters, for which we think we have gott security by Attachment of Mar Kistuas House and Gardens.

You mention the death of Ensigne David Niven You may recommend a Proper Person to succeed him & send us up his name and Ch[arac]ter.

Your third Incloseth yo^r: Merchants Acco^{ts}. and account of Cash for the month of July, and observe yo^r. Cash to be all most spent, and the debts to yo^r. Merchants we paid Sunca Ramahs ballance Pago^r: 11923 : 21 : 62 shall send you Ɔ^p Ramah Sloop Pago^r: 20000, our Hon^{ble}. Masters ship Metchlapatam is run ashore near Sadrass, she had 120 Piggs of Lead in her and an Old Coach so that our Hon^{ble}. Masters will be no great Loosers, by her Considering the Condition she was in and the Cost of repairs had she gone down to the Bay the young Derby is att Pullicatt in a very Crazy Condition, she must go down to the Bay and be surveyed, but no doubt she will be reported to be worth repairing tho she can scarce swim, and neither standing or running rigging; masts or yards will serve again, Tell Cap^t. Pelly we have ordered his men down to Bengall on board the Commadore, who will Carry them to England, lett the Middlesex be filled and sent us with all Convenient speed. We are

Worshipⁿ: S^r. & S^{rs}.

Your Friends and Servants

NATHANIEL ELWICK & C^r.

FORT ST. GEORGE

AUGUST Y^e. 11. 1722.

No. 37

TO THE HON^{BLE}. SAM^{LL}: FEAKE ESQ^R.

PRESID^T. AND GOVER^R: & C^R. COUNCILL OF BENGALL.

S^{rs}.

Yours the 13 June Ɔ^p Cossid came to hand advising the receipt [of] severall of ours vizt Ɔ^p Sloop Gawshawk Success Brigantine, Brampore and Ship Shallum and advising that you will send [the] Packing Stuff, Ordered, but that you [. . .] difficulty in doing [of itt], by any private Vessells We wrote you that the Young Derby [was] Coming down, but till she is surveyed, no resolution can be taken, as to her return to Madrass, as to the affair of M^{rs}. Gyfford we will examine M^r. George Tullie particularly whether he hath any books or Papers belonging to her or the Proceedings att Anjengo.

You advice the Receipt of the Treasure by the Success Brigantine, and that it came very seasonable and was of great use to our Hon^{ble}. Masters affairs.

The Five men that came down upon y^e. Fancy to be de[livered] on Board his Majesties Ship the Lyon are the men that run away with the Middlesex's boat.

We hope that the difference att Court w[ill] not prejudice you or your Affairs, notwithstanding the number of [*lacuna*] different nations Concerned.

We have receivd your Acco^t. Current by this Conveyance and former sent you ours, which hope agreed with your Books.

Yesterday arrived three of our Hon^{ble}. Masters Vessells built for the service of Bombay against Angria they left the Cape the latter end of June, and bring us the melancholly news of three of our Hon^{ble}. Mas^{rs}. Ships att the Cape Harbour being drove from their Anchor by a Storm of Wind viz^t. the Addison Chandois and Nightingall the two former homeward bound and the latter outward Bound, the Addison and Ships Company perished together except all men, The Shandois she and her Cargo, lost most of her men then on Board saved, the Nightingale went on Shore sett up right saved the Hon^{ble}. Comp^{rs}. Treasure, and private Persons with most of her Loading but in a bad Condition, with all her Ships Company they called a Consultation of the Surviving Commanders, and sent the Treasure on Board these 3 Vessells to Madrass, S^r Robert Johnson and his Two sons perished in the Addison, The Dutch was equall sufferers in this terrible storm for seven of their Ships 5 being very large where a [...] Two Sunk some part of them was left visible, the rest being broke to Pieces, Since such a disappoint[ment hath] happened to the Nightingale, we must desire you to [...]ter a Ship to touch here and take our Books otherwise shoud the Walpole meet with any Disappointment, we shall have no Conveyance for sending them to England, this is a matter of very great Concern to our Hono^{ble}. Masters, and we wou^d be glad to know Yo^r. resolutions thereupon with all Convenient speed.

We send you by this Ship Fancy 10 Chests of Duccatoons; as ¶ Invoice and Bill of Lading Inclosed and did she not call att Vizagapatam, We should have put some more on board her the Moco Gally will sail in a day or two and by her [we shall] send 30 Chests more.

Inclosed comes the Nightingales Pacuett for your Presidency as also duplicate of our last with the second Bill of Lading, and Invoice for what sent you ¶ Ship Charles. We are

FORT S^t. GEORGE

AUGUST THE 15. 1722.

¶ Ship Fancy.

Hon^{ble}. S^r. S^{rs}.

Your very Humble Servants

NATHA^t. ELWICK &c^a.

N^o. 38

TO ROBERT SYMONDS ESQ^r.

CHIEF &c^a. COUNCILL ATT VIZAGAPATAM.

S^t.

By the Fancy you will rece[iv]e Treasure amounting to Pago^s. 20000 Wares and Stores as ¶ the severall Lists, amounting to (per Invoice) Pago^s. 2446 : 23 : 44 which we wish safe to Yo^r. hands [we take] this opportunity to Order that the 5 men belonging to [the Mi]ddlesex, be put on board the Fancy if any of them are refractory, send [him] in Irons, the Command^r. promising the delivery of them to Commadore Mathews on board his Majesties Ship Lyon. It is but just if they will not serve the Company they shoud the Crown, M^r. Wake will acquaint you with the melancholly account we have had from the Cape by 3 of our Masters Vessells designd for the service att Bombay. We are

S^t.

FORT S^t. GEORGE

AUGUST Y^r. 15 1722

Your Friends and Servants

NATHA^t. ELWICK &c^a.

No. 39

TO THE HON^{ble}. SAMUEL FEAKE ESQ^r.
PRESID^t. AND GOVERN^r. & C^r. COUNCILL
OF FORT WILLIAM.

HON^{ble}. S^r. AND S^{rs}.

Inclosed comes Duplicate of our last as also two Bills of Lading, and Duplicate Invoice of what sent you Φ Ship Fancy.

We now send you 30 Chests of Treasure Φ Ship Mocho Gally for which we have Inclosed your Invoice and Bill of Lading all which we wish safe to your hands.

In our last Φ Fancy we told you we shoud want a Conveyance for our Books to Europe, but omitted to Inform you, that as the Nightingale hath miscarried att the Cape, and thereby disappointed your Presidency, as well as us of such a Proportion of Tonnage we are likely to have 1500 Bales in our Godowns, after the dispatch of the Walpole, so we can give you that Assistance in lading any of the Hon^{ble}. Compa^s. Ships.

We send you by the Young Derby who comes in Company with the Mocho Gally 60 Piggs of Lead and 4 Guns which came into her from the West Coast the weight whereof we know not and therefore desire you will send us up an account thereof, that we may debt your Presidency and give that West Coast Credit for the same We [s]end a Duplicate hereof Φ Young Derby wi[th . . .] Bills of Lading and Invoice. We are

Hon^{ble}. S^r. and S^{rs}
Your very Humble Servants

FORT S^r. GEORGE
AUGUST Y^r. 20 1722.

NATH^l. ELWICK & C^r.

No. 40

TO THE WORSHIP^{ll}. WILL^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOV^r. & C^r. COUNCILL OF FORT S^r. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{ll}: S^r. AND S^{rs}.

We have none of yo^{rs}. to answer but take the opportunity to Inclose you Bill of lading for Pago^s 20000 sent you Φ Sloop Ramah, observing your debts already Contracted, and Considering the daily increase by your merchants supplying you with Cloth, this will not serve you long for w^{ch}. reason on the return of the Sloop, which we believe will be soon shall send you as much more.

On the 14 Inst. arrived three of the Hon^{ble}. Compa^s. Vessels, design'd against Angria, they left the Cape y^e. 20 of June, and brings us the Melancholly news of three of our Hon^{ble}. Masters Ships in the Cape Harbour Viz^t. the Addison Chandois and Nightingale, the two former Homeward bound and the latter outward Bound, the Addison her Cargo and Ships Company [except 11 Persons] perished altogether, no Person of Distinction saved, amongst the rest S^r. Robert Johnson and his two Sons, the Chandois saved little more than her tattered Ships Company, she having lost her masts & like to Founder before she came in, the Nightingale savd her People and all the Publick and private Treasure, and most of the Hon^{ble}. Compa^s. Wares and Stores in the Condition they were, they bring us Letters that tell us, that the Monmouth Marlborough and Heathcote were safe and gone from the Cape, We must press you to Continue your diligence, in putting what Cloth you can in after the dispatch of the Middleton and before the Rains sett in. We are

[Worsh]ip^{ll}. S^r. & C^r.
Your affectionate Friends & Servants

FORT S^r. GEORGE
AUGUST THE 21 1722.

NATH^l. ELWICK & C^r.

No. 41

TO THE WORSHIP^{LL}. ROBERT ADAMS ESQ^R.
CHIEF & C^R. COUNCILL ATT CALLICUTT.

WORSHIP^{LL}. S^R. & C^R

Yours of the 14 July came to hand y^e. 19 August accompan^d. a Packett directed to the Hon^{ble}. Court of Directors, which shall be forwarded by our Hon^{ble}. Masters Ship Middlesex in Company with the Enfield and Drake all which are now taking in there Loading, and will be dispatcht by the 20 Septemb^r. for Europe.

On the 14 Inst, arrivd our Hon^{ble}. Mast^s. Vessells, the Bombay Bengall and Fort St. George all 3 design'd for the Bombay service against Angria, they left the Cape the 21 June, and brought the news of 3 of our Hon^{ble}. Masters Ships, Addison Chandois and Nightingale, the two former Homeward bound & the latter outward bound, the homeward bound Ships and there Cargoes lost, the Addisons men except 11 Perished the Chandois men mostly saved, the Nightingale went ashoar upright, and sav'd her Treasure both publick & private, most part of her Cargoe in the Condition it could be brought ashore, these Vessells went into the Cape sometime after the Storm was over, and tooke the Nightingales Treasure on Board them, and brought it hither, the Dutch in that storm lost 7 Ships 5 large and 2 small, and off the Island Mauritius 6 Ships a little time before, Wee expect the Walpole from China and a Ship from Bengall for our Janu^r. Ships, if you have any D[up]licates to Forward. We are

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Worship^{LL}. S^R. & C^R.
Your affection^e. Friends & Serva^{ts}.

No. 42

TO M^R. THOMAS FAUCETT
ATT INGERAM.

S^R.

We have yours of the 21 June, 6 July & 5 of August to which we reply.

We observe your departure from Vizagapatam, and your arrivall att Ingeram, and that you were pleased with your Reception, and had a Convenient house for your Buissiness Rent free, and that the Weavers had to the amount of Pago^s. 500 in Fine and Ordinary Long Cloth & Sallampores, in their Godowns, and that you would receive none but what was full lengths and Breadths, that Cotton was dear y^e. great dews having destroyd the Crop that the Middlesex People were taken att Vizagapatam, that M^r. Simpson woud soon Finish his Investment att Quotapatam, and that you had much rain in yo^r. Passage all which we take p^r. ticular notice of.

Your second relates to your settlement att Ingeram, and want our Orders for Building, as we have no such orders from our Hon^{ble}. Masters, we can give you none and believe their meaning must be to try what might be done there for there advantage, but to be put to little or no Expen[ces.]

We observe the Civilities you reced from Duncan Shanrow, that you say your Weavers are att work & that money will be soon wanted, that you have many People of Substance desire to settle under the English protection, that you had not then delivered the Rajowes Present, and that you wanted a Compa^s. Seal, M^r. Holcombe having Two att Metchlapatam In answer to which we a[re] pl[eas'd] with your Reception & the readin[ess] of [the] Weavours [of] their Buissiness, and have Enclosed you a Copy of our Hon^{ble}. Masters List of Investment for Vizagapatam for y[our] consig[n]ment in Respect to the sortment of Cloth, and have sent [Tre]asure down by M^r. Symonds to enable you to persue your Experiment, and will order you one of those Seals from Metchlapatam, but on the other hand we are

surprized att the usage you say the Dutch mett with from y^o. Duan which give us reasons to Expect but small advantage from yo^r. Experiment. We wish you Success in yo^r. proceedings & are

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S^r.
Your Friends and Servants.
NATHA^l. ELWICK ESQ^r.

N^o. 43

TO THE WORSHIP^{ll}: BLACKETT MILFORD ESQ^r.
CHIEF & C^t. COUNCILL OF ANJENGO.

S^{rs}.

We have yours of the 10 Jan^{ry}. & 28 Febr^y lyes before us, and observe in your Former that those Wares and Stores, sent you 4th Chandois came to your hands in good Order, except a Jarr of Oyl which was broke in the Passage, you also acknowledge the Receipt of the Hon^{ble}. Comp^a. Books, which is all we received from M^{rs}. Gyfford and have since according to your pressing Instances, made the strictest Enquiry after the Books, Papeis and Effects of the late M^r. Gyfford, but can find nothing materiall and have writt to the presidency of Bengall, and sent them Copy of your Letter, and wrote them a second Conformable to w^t. received from you.

Wee Observe what you say relating to a Warr with the Country Government; and hope you may Continue [Co]nquerors, In yo^{rs}: of the 28 Febr^y you tell us, that by Orde[r fro]m Bombay you are to acquaint us with the loss att Anjeng[o . . .] Conduct of M^r. Gyfford, and that we are to seize on the effects of the said Gyfford for the account to [. . .] we have replied.

You take notice of your forwarding our Europe Letters by Cap^t. Gill which came safe to our hands for which we return you thanks.

Now we have a very melancholly account to give you of 3 of our Hon^{ble}. Masters Ships which we lost att the Cape the 5 of June, the news we had thus on the 14 Ult^o. arrived three of our Hon^{ble}. Masters Vessells, design'd for the service against Angria, and under Direction of Bombay by going into the Cape for refreshment, mett with the news of the loss of the Addison, Chandois and Nightingale, the two former homeward bound and the latter Outward Bound, The Addisons men and Cargo all perished, amongst the rest S^r. Robert Johnson and his two Sons, the Chandois and Cargoe lost but the remains of her People saved she having mett wth. Extream bad Wheather the Nightingales men saved and most part of the Cargoe in the Condition they cou'd gett itt on shore all the Treasure both publick and private they forwarded to Madrass in these 3 Vessells, the Ships from the Coast was past by in good Condition.

The Middlesex Drake and Enfield 3 of our Hon^{ble}. Masters Ships will be dispatched from hence full laden for Europe in less than 20 days We. are

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WORSHIP^{ll}: S^r. & C^t.
Your Humble Servants

N^o. 44

TO THE WORSHIP^{ll}. WILL^m: JENNINGS ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^t, COUNCILL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{ll}: S^r. & C^t.

Yours [of y^e.] 6 Instant with Duplicate [of] yours of the 1st. Inclosing [Invoice] and Bill of Loding of the Middlesex's Cargoe, [advising] her dispatch, We have recd also your [Mer]chants and Cash [acc]ount for last month as likewise your Diarys and Consultations from the Pño Janu^{ry}. to the last of June, and Paymasters accounts for the same time & observe that your Cash is Exhausted, and the Debts to the merch[ants] large, in answer to which hope the Ramah is arrived for your farther supply, and will take Care you shall soon be in Cash by one means or other.

Wee observe your Agreement with Tricom[r] Chittee and Sadasharow for your bound rent and Beetle and Tabacco Farm, they being design'd as Securities for Causa Ch[itty] and Surapa Naigue, but accepted the Cowle themselves which we approve off believing them substantiall men.

Upon your recommendation we have agreed that M^r. Ross shall have an Ensigns Commission given him and hope he will meritt the Compa^s. further favour.

Your Warehousek^r. and Storekeep^{rs}. list of Demands came also to hand, and observe your Surgeon Complains for want of Medicines, and must tell you that the Loss of the Nightingale renders our Surgeons incapable of giving you any Assistance, their Stores being almost Expended, we here transcribe the 80 Paragraph of our Hon^{ble}. Masters Letter to Enfield relating to Ensign Van Ittern, which we desire a speedy direct answer to.

It has been represented to us by the Friends of M^{rs}. Bickley, that her son M^r. Godfrey Van Ittern was Ensigne att Fort S^t. David, and dyed the 14 of August 1719 as she was advised by a Letter wrote her by Tho^s. Wright there in the said m[on]th of August, were he advised her that the Deceaseds Effects were put into his Hands by Order of Councill and promised to act Faithfully on her behalf, that M^{rs}. Brickley has since Frequently wrote to him, but recd no answer that she sent to the said Van Ittern by the Townsend four Gold Edged hatts, and a box of Books which were delivered into the Compa^s. store room. M^r. V[an] Ittern dying before their arrivall, att her desire We hereby direct you Enquire into the said allegations & of the [. . . d]yed Intestate as it seems that you caused his Eff[ects] to be paid into our Cash advising us thereof y^e. we [ma]y pay it here to the Legall Claimours, or if he left a Will, and all and part of his Effects were bequeathed to his Mother, or other Friends here, that the amount be paid into our Cash, and advis'd as aforesaid.

We are

WORSHIP^{ls}: S^t. AND S^{rs}.

Your affectio^{ns}: Friends & Servants

NATHANIEL ELWICK & C^a

FORT S^t. GEORGE

SEPTEMB^r. Y^r. 12 1722.

N^o. 45

TO THE HONO^{bles}. WILL^m: PHIPPS ESQ^r.

PRESID^t. & GOVERNOUR & C^a COUNCILL OF BOMBAY.

HON^{bles}: S^t. & C^{rs}.

We have nothing from you since the last of the 23 June since which arrived with us our Hon^{ble}: Masters Ships, Devonshire and Enfield on the 13 July, the former went, directly for the Bay, the latter we were Oblidged to detain after her Treasure, and Stores were out, having a Loading ready for her for Europe, the Commander was ordered to gett his Ship in a readiness, the Drake also arrived on the 14 August, from the West Coast, so soon as she was unladen, We Ordered the Commander to gett her in a readiness to take in the Hon^{ble}. Companys Bales for Europe, which he accordingly did but coming from the West Coast his Ships Company[. . .] by loss of men and sickness could make but little Progre[ss . . .] he was supply'd by the 27 of Septemb^r. he had his full lo[. . .] on board and his dispatches delivered, as also the Middlesex a[nd] Enfield and saild in Company, out of this road the 30 ult^o. a[t] noon.

The Lyon Mann of Warr with Commad[ore] Mathews arrived the 13 July fr[om] the Islands of Madagascar having [me]tt wi[th] nothi[ng] mater[ia]ll in their Passage, The Sho[reh]am man of Warr [was . . . h]is road standing to the S^ewa[rd] and came in here the 17 of [said] month, they both saild for Beng[all] in Company with the Devonshire a[nd] Fordwich on the 25 of July.

On the 22^d. August arrived the Boone Frig[ate] from Persia, bringing an account that Agent Phillips Continu[ed] shut up in Spahawn; with the King of Persia, and that the Ene[my] seem'd resolute & was thought they would perish together.

On the 14 August arrived in this road 3 of our Hon^{ble}. Masters Vessells, Called the Bengall Bombay and Mad[ras] built for the use of your settlement against Angria, they put into the Cape the 12 June, where they found Cap^{ts}. Mackett Gilbert and Macra[e] as also M^r. Richard Higginson a Factor in the Compa^s. Service, who gave them the melancholly account of the Loss of the Addison, Chandois and Nightingale, The latters Treasure being saved, they delivered them a request, for takeing itt on Board their Vessells, and proceeding directly for Madrass Coppy whereof we send you Inclosed, to lett you see that the Commanders cou'd not refuse it, being so reasonable and so much for the Compa^s. Advantage, their Treasure being very much wanted att the Bay, they saild out of this road on the 29 early in the Morning, and we hope will be soon with you.

The Hannover Cap^t. John Bond arrived here the 14 August, he parted with the Prince Frederick in bad Wheather, and being single was forced to come the outward bound Passage, for fear of falling into the Pyrates hands amongst the Islands, he is ready to Sail only waiting for the Change of Wind and Current in order to gett to Bombay the sooner.

By our last Letters from Bengall the Gentlemen find themselves, Capable of paying off the Compa^s. Debts, and providing the Demands from Europe, but find themselves short of Tonnage, for which reason have resolved to send the Bouy[er]ie on a Frieght voyage, and dispatch the Fordwich & 600 Bales [with] her K[in]tlage to us, t[o f]ill up for Europe, since which the unf[] of the Nightingale hath happened, what alterati[ons . . . m]ay make in their affairs, we cannot say.

On the 14 of August we receivd a Letter from the Cheif and Councill of Calli-cutt, accompanying a Packett directed to the Hono^{ble}. Court of Directors, which was forwarded & this Conveyance. We wish these Ships safe home to our Hon^{ble}. Masters and are

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Hon^{ble}. Sr. & C^r.
Your very Hum^{ble}. Servants.
NATHA^t. ELWICK & C^s.

P.S.

Cap^t Bond goes of tonight in order to sail, and informs us that one of his ships side in order to swim away last night, but he cannot tell what is since become of him.

N. E. C^s.

N^o. 46

TO JOHN HOPE ESQ^r.

CHEIF & C^s. COUNCILL AT SURATT.

S^{rs}.

Your last dated the 18 August came duly to hand giving an acco^t. of yo^r. Difference with the Portuguese, and the Acts of Hostilities, that past between you abo^t. proving your right to the Customers due in Mahim River we cannot say more to that then wish you good success.

On the 18 July arrived the Devonshire and Enfield, the former went down to Bengall, the latter [] for Europe, in Company with the Middlesex and Drake [] Ult^o. soon after the Enfield came into this road the Lyon Com[mo]dore Mathews on board soon after the Shoreham both which [have] since sailed for Bengall.

On the 14 August arrived 3 of our Hon^{ble}. Masters Vessells built for the s[er]vice of Bombay against Angria [the]y came last from th[]ne and brought us the me[lan]cholly news of the loss [of Addi]son Chandois and Nightingale, the latter saved a [l]... ure and most of her Goods [in] the Condition they are, the Treasure they forwarded by these 3 Vessells, the Former a very Rich Ship all lost, the second very little saved. We are

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Sr^s.
Your affectioⁿ. Friends and Servant.
NATHA^t ELWICK & C^s.

N^o. 47

TO THE WORSHIPth. WILL^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.

DEPUTY GOVERNOR & C^r. COUNCILL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIPth. S^r. AND S^{rs}.

We have yours of the 17 and 19 Septemb^r. to answer and observe what you say relating to Van Itterns Estate which was adjusted by M^r. Wright, and the ballance paid into your Cash the 30 Aprill 1720.

We are too note the arrivall of the Ramah Sloop and the Compa^s. Bales upon her as also the Receipt of Invoice and Bill of Lading for the same, whom we now return to you with Wares and Stores, agreeable to your Request for which Invoice and Bill of Lading comes Inclosed, amount^s. to Pago^s. 821 we will take Care and supply you quickly wth. Cash tho Wheather looks to [*sic*] Cloudy to venture by a Sea Conveyance att Present.

On the 30 Ult^o. saild out of this road the Middlesex & C^r. with a fair Wind, we wish them safe to Europe on y^e. 28 saild the 3 Bombay Vessells for Bombay the Hannover goes away to night.

The Following is Paragraph of a Letter from Carwa[r of] Callicutt Dated the 20 August, and which we recd thence [the ...] Ins^t. relating to th[e] disputes between the English & Portug^{uese} ... ght proper to advise you of itt, that you might acquaint [t ... Bom] bay Vessels before they leave this Coast.

We have already had some notice of our disputes with the Portugeuze of their pretending to an equall right of the Perogative of Mahim River and notwithstanding the Viceroy gave us some hopes by removing the Padree Superior that we shoud enjoy the Perogative of that River, unmolested his superiour has been no less turbulent, and forbiding all Boats whatever being brought too att our Custome House so that our People are oblidged to Fire upon them from the Fort in order to bring them too to which being returned from the Platform att Bundore, they Cannonaded each other a whole day, and have Continued Firing att times since, The 26 Ult^o. we made use of some Shells to prevent to [*sic*] great an Expençe of Powder, and Ball, and are informed did them some Damage; The Generall of the North thereupon seems Inclina- ble to Continue att variance, and has forbid all Communication with this Island The Viceroy may probably give orders to visitt our Shipping that touch att Goa, do you therefore give notice to all such as may arrive with you, to be cautious putting in there, or speaking with any of there Ships att Sea, and likewise dispatch advice to Tellicherry & Anjengo, that they may give them warning thereof We paid Sunca Ramah the 8 ult^o Pago^s. 12044. 28. 12, Acco^d. his Fort St. David Contract for which you must give us due Credit. We enclose you an Ensign Commission for M^r. Natha^l. Ross. and are

Worshipth. S^r. & C^r.

Your affectionate Friends & Serv^{ts}.

NATHA^l. ELWICK & C^r.

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N^o. 48

TO ROBERT SYMONDS ESQ^r.

CHIEF & C^r. COUNCILL AT VIZAGAPATAM.

S^{rs}.

We have yo^{rs}. of the 11 and 17 Septemb^r. 5 and 6 present to answer, yo^r. fir[s]t [t a]dvise[th] the arrivall of M^r. Symond[s] att Vizagapat[am] th[e] . . . ult^o. and the Fancy y^e. 19 and that her Treasure and [St . . . arriv]ed right except the Match and that came out 12 m[. . .] if you had mentioned the number of Seaines, it woud have appear'd where the mistake [was] it having been Weigh'd out of the Storekeepers Godown, by the Gunners People, and they insist upon it that they made no mistake to which in your next please to Reply.

We observe you have followed our orders in sending the Middlesex 5 Men on Board the Fancy to be put on board the Commadore.

Your second accompanying your Gene^l. Books wherein you take notice of an overcharge in Charges Geⁿeral] which you say shall be rectified in your next, and brought to the Compa^s. Credit, which we shall observe Comply'd with We take notice you have sealed and secured a seal'd Bulse su[p]posed to be Pearl belonging to Budda Nasso he being Inde[bted] to our Hono^{ble}. Masters which we approve well off.

Your third came to hand by Mr. Blunt & take notice of the Arms and Peons you lett him have for his security the Peons are returned you and the Arms delivered in our Armory.

Your last is chiefly to incite an old acciden[t] which we cannot believe otherwise, than forgett, since not taken notice of in all this time, and should it ever be brought in remembrance we must suppose it att the Instigation of some prejudiced Person.

Lett Mr. Faucett be supplied with Cash to carry on that part of your Investments proposed att Ingeram.

Neither your Books nor your answer to the Accomptants remarks are yett examined.

As you have plenty of Cattamaran wood you may send us 20 large sticks, and if any Mango Plank 200 by the first Conveyance. We are

Fort S^r. GEORGE
OCTOB^r. Y^r. 10. 1722.

S^{rs}.
Your Friends and Servants
NATHA^s. ELWICK & C^s.

N^o. 49

TO THE HON^{BLE}. [SAMUEL] FEAKE Esq^r.
PRESID^t. & GOV^r. & C^s. COUNCIL OF FORT WILLIAM.
HON^{BLE}. S^s. AND S^{as}.

Our last to you bore date the 20 August ¶ Mocho Gally, since which we have recd yours dated the 28 August ¶ Brigantine Mary Ann, 29 August ¶ Briga^e. Carlile and 31 August ¶ Brigan^e. Essex, with their Bills of Loading and Invoices, to which shall reply.

In your first you note the receipt of ours of the 18 June ¶ Bouverie 23 July ¶ Devonshire and the 9 of August ¶ Charles Gally, and by these three vessells arrived from you, We are informed of the arrivall of the Fancy and Mocho Gally in yo^r. River, and tis a great Satisfaction to know, that all our Hon^{ble}. Masters Treasure is arrived to you safe

The weather has hindred the unloading of the Stores now sent us, so that we cannot report to you their severall Conditions, further than that the Essex mett with very bad weather and hath damaged all our Packing Stuff that came upon her the rest we hope are in good order, and as it is likely more Conveyances may offer than [w]ere before thought off, please to add to that Article as you can gett Conveniency.

Your Packett to the Hon^{ble}. Court of Directors was forwarded ¶ Middlesex.

Your second and the third a[r]rived with] severall Invoices and bills of Lading belonging [. . .] they came upon.

Your Account Curr^t. with this Preside[ney] to the Ult^o. Aprill last having been delivered our Accomptant to Compare with our Gener^l. Books, he reports that it does agree therewith.

On the [29th. Ult^o.]t^o. sailed out of this road the 3 Bombay Vessells for [Bombay o]n the [30th] saild our Hon^{ble}. Masters Ships Middlesex D[rake &] Enfield, with their full laden for Europe, [they] had their dispatches the 27, but the Drake having a Pretty deal of work to do to her the others stayd to bea[r] her Company.

As your Hono^{rs}. have proposed to send us up 600 Bales by the Fordwich, we shall very much depend upon them, because we cannot Engage further then to fill her up.

We desire you please to send the young Derby Empty to Vizagapatam, to bring up what Bales are in a readiness, from thence, in order to which she must have an ea[rlier] dispatch from your Port and further to fill up the Europe [. . .] with Packing Stuff of which you cant send us to much.

We Enclose you Coppys of 2 letters we rec[eived] from the other Coast for your Information, that the Masters of your Ships may know what they have to trust to.

The Charges on account the Devonshires Soldiers was brought into Charges Extraordinary by our Steward and was so Inconsiderable an article, that we thought it not wor[th] while to debt yo^r. Presidency for it and are

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Hon^{ble}. S^r. and S^{rs}.
Your most Hum^{ble}. Servants
NATHANIEL ELWICK & C^o.

. Dispatch't by Pattamars.

N^o. 50

TO THE WORSHIP^{ll}. WILL^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVER^r. & C^o. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID,
WORSHIP^{ll}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

This comes to accompany Pago^s. 5000 which [. . .] you as a supply for your Cash under charge of Ten Peons, and Ten Tallyars and to enclose Copy of that part of the Accomptants letter recd from England, relating to yo^r. settlement, to which we desire a speedy answer, and that you send us Coppys of your Books Letters Receiv'd Conformable to the orders therein mention'd, as soon as the Peons arrive please to advise thereof. We are

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Worship^{ll}. S^r. & C^r.
Your affectioⁿ. Friends and Servants
NATHANIEL ELWICK & C^o.

N^o. 51

TO THE WORSHIP^{ll}. THOMAS DUNSTER ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOV^r. & C^o. COUNCIL OF FORT MARLBOROUGH.
WORSHIP^{ll}. S^r. AND S^{rs}.

By the Drake who arrived here the 4th. August yo^r. Gener^{ll}. of the 7 July came to hand, advising the arrivall of the Goodfellow with you the 15 June, by whom you note the Receipt of ours, under Date of the 19 May, & shall proceed to answer the severall particulars under the Following headss.

AS TO SHIPPING.

We approve of your reasons for keeping y^e. Metchlapatam and Young Derby, so long since they were so very much out of [*a few words lost*] been prudent to have sent them single, and the Goodfellow arriving in [...] to our Orders, you came to a resolution of sending [...] the Drake, with Instructions to keep the two former [...].

We observe the Difficulty you had [...] the Young Derby in a readiness to proceed on her Voyage she a[rri]ved att Pullicatt two days after the Drake imported here and the ma[ster] wrote us a letter thence to inform us, his Vessells Condition, which was indeed very mean, having lost all his Anchors by his Cables parting [and] being obliged to ride by a Piece of one, an anchor without a stock and a Gun fastned to itt, the head of his foremast sprung, the maintopmast faulty and the Foretopmast carried away, so [that] till he was suply'd with anchors & c^r. he was incapacitated of Plying to Windward, to do which we made all possible haste, and when aboard he ventured upon a Slathe of wind & fetcht this Port the 15, We have since dispatcht her to the Bay desiring the Gentlemen there to survey her and if Judg'd worth it to refitt, and return her to us with Wares and Stores on our Hon^{ble}. Masters Account, as to the Charges you were att upon her We cann[ot] see how you coud possible avoid itt, without you were determined to break her up there.

On the 6 August We reced a Letter from the M[as]ter of the Metchlapatam advising she was put ashore near Sadrass, desiring our assistance in saving what part of her stores we could, in order to which we sent down 50 Peons and 50 Talliars who protected the bringing ashore 65 Pigs of lead, and all her Naval Stores, which we have ordered to be putt up att the Seagate and fear they will produce but very little, when we came to examine into the Accident they pleaded indisposition and want of hands.

We observe yo^r. Disposition of the George Brigan^a. to Moco Moco, and the Goodfellow to Mannow, we hope you will meet with success there if it be as you represent a place Capable of affording such a Quantity of Pepper.

We take notice of the difficulty you are under for Tombongans to do the Buissiness of your Ships, and am of opinion that the Ill Success which has so often attended those either bought or hired by you, must be chiefly owing to Carelessness.

We take this opportunity by the Perry Brigantine what Wares and Stores we think will be more Immediately wanted, with a supply of one Ensign a Serjeant Corporall and 30 Topasses, as also one John Cartwright in the room of Gabriel Steuart (in the military service att your Settlement) who is desirous of Comeing to Madrass and has served his time out there.

We would have you dispatch the George Brigan^a. to this place Immediately, and lett the Goodfellow remain with you till you [hea]r further from us, the Lithieulier we woud also have y[ou] dispatcht to us, with what Pepper you have on hand.

CONCERNING GOODS SENT FROM EUROPE OR MADRASS.

We note the Difficulty you had in the Change of the Fanams sent you hence, if they Continue passable att Moco Moco, we would have you Encourage their Currency what lies in your Power.

By the bills you have drawn we cannot but Observe the mistake you made in the Computation of yo^r. Cash is very Extraordinary, We take notice of the reasons you give for itt, and they have therefore all mett with Honou^{ble}. Compliance, but must remind you of Frugality in your future Expenses.

CONCERNING INVESTMENTS.

We note what you say with respect to yo^r. Investment for Europe and observe, and you are positive in being able to lade a Ship of 200 Tuns, with the Old Crop, and if any arrive in such a time as to be dispatch't in Janu^{ry}. one of 300 with the old and New all which is very agreeable.

If you think Mannow, whither you were about to send M^r. Shewen will answer the Charge, twill not be improper to keep the Persons there proposed.

You have remitted us an Acco^t. of all the Pepper Trees in Pangaran Munco Rajahs Country by a Survey lately taken of it, and p[ro]mise soon to Enter upon Pangaran Soonys Erams, which had b[een...] only on account the Troubles there, be sure you [keep...] of taking a Survey twice a year.

OF TRADE AND THEREIN ANY TRANSACTIONS WITH THE COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

We received yo^r. List of China Inhabitants together with their severall Professions, you promise to Continue your Endeavours, in order to procure a larger number, and give us [ho]pes of [...]ore, on the next arrivall of Java Peons all w^{ch}. meet our Approbation.

You give us the agreeable Account of the dispossessing Santinelly of all his Towns and bringing his grea[t] Guns down to Sillebar, the terms you made with his People the obligation entred into by the 5 Dupattys to plant 50000 Peper Trees in that Country, that Sentinelly himself had fled the Place, and that as Sultan Blenheim had behaved himself well on the occasion, you had agreed to reinstate him in his former Emplo[y] of Cap^t. over the Buggesses, with a design to continue him the service, to prevent his going upon other Projects which we th[ink] was well done, but you must be very carefull to keep a strict eye over him, knowing he is no farther to be trusted, than whilst he is Engaged by his Interest.

We are glad to find you have reduced the number of Buggesses entertained in the Compa^a. Service, which methods you take to lessen their Charges, will be always acceptable to our Hono^{ble}. Masters.

We find you have taken some pains to bring over Dupatty Benteering to the Compa^s. Interest and that you have so affected it, as to prevail upon him not to engage against them but rather to sitt neuter which he seems most Inclina^ble to do.

TOUCHING FORTIFICATIONS BUILDINGS & REVENUES.

You say the Foundations of yo^r Fort all (Except[t]he S.E. Curtain and Bastion, which were then at work upon) where finished and some part raised 4 foot above ground and remark the Assurances you give us, with respect to building everything firm and substantiall on a deep foundation and all in Chinam.

We observe your Scheme for building of it & as to any necessary Lodgings or Godowns, they must be disposed of in such places, as you shall Judge most Convenient, The want of Chinam kept you backward you say att First, but as you now have advanced money to [the] Ma[la]ys, We find you begin to have a sufficient supply.

The [. . .] House [on the] S.E. Curtain which your former did advise, was but 1/3 Covered, you now tell us is finished, it must needs aford good Accommodations above and below and that the other Row on the same Curtain (Contracted for with the Chinese) is near Completed, We presume the Bamboo buildings without the Fort, will be of little use after the Inner works are Finished, as the bricks att the Old Fort are the Compa^s. and lie uselesse theire, they must be brought up, thō the C[h]arge of Carriage as you say amounts to 3 dollars ꝯ 1000, makes appear that Cooley hire is extravagantly Dear with you, when new ones are purchaseable for 4 doll^r. ꝯ 1000.

We take notice you have settled the prices of Cooleys on your Consultations, and that you have reduced y^e. Prices of materials to a lower rate than formerly and that you propose little to lessen them, as your Buildings draw nearer to an end, and you shall have less occasion for them, all which we approve of.

CONCERNING FACTORS WRITERS OFFICERS SOULDIERIS & THEIR ACCOMPTS.

Under this head you Inform us that y^e. Gunners place becomeing vacant, you had putt in M^r. Bletts who acted formerly in Quality of a Surgeon, and had withall appointed him Guardian over the Slaves, we take notice of the reasons mentioned in your Consultations for giving him such Extraordinary Encouragement which if you think he Continues to deserve we consent he shoud stu[...].

You advise att your arrivall y[our] place 3 Ensigns to of which were Constituted so from Europeans [...] Created there, and as he had behaved himself extremely we[ll...] dispute with Sultan Blenheim Considering what a Dangerous wound he had received in the Expedition, you had Continued his Commission which we entirely approve of.

You acquaint us Lieut Mangle has paid 25 Dollars into yo^r. Cash, for one mo^o. advance money paid in Madrass as to the Persons that we[nt] with him and recd money here upon the [...] terms [...] but very [few are] left, and Provisions &c^r. are so exceedingly Dear, that shoud you stop any thing out of their allowance they woud not be able to Subsist we think the reason you give very Just.

We are surprised to find the Carpenters and Lascars in any of our Settlements, shoud appear our Creditors and very much Command your making up their accounts. (as well as you coud) rather than lett that affair lye longer in Suspence.

In reference to M^r. Hopkins's Account his Estate must be Debted for the 69 Pago^s. paid him here and 50 doll[ars] att Moco Moco, which must be deducted out of the sum of doll^r. 1009. 3 which you say is paid into your Cash.

As to M^r. Pykes affair he is now here and to answer to his Charge att this Board, in relation to the Cloth given away in Payment by M^r. Pyke &c^r. att Moco Moco, that matter being now under Examination we defer the Determination of what Regards, M^r. Hazlewood and M^r. Deane till the next Conveyance.

We observe that severall of your military having Deserted the place, either in the Boats belonging to the Ships or any they coud find on the Shore, we believe y^e. method you have taking in bringing all the Tackling into the Fort will effectually prevent the like practise for the Future.

As soon as the Effects of all deceas'd persons are gathered in, and the Demands upon their Estates satisfyed allways be carefull to pay the ballance into the Hon^{ble}. Compa^s. Cash [a few words lost] of it.

We observe your reasons for abating y^e. Farmers of the Arack and Opium License 100 doll^s. Ɔ month till such time a supply of Arack came from Batavia, We doubt not but before this time the Complaint for the want of it is over and that they now pay the whole 500 Ɔ Month as before.

We shall Creditt you for the produce of the Lead rec^d Ɔ Young Derby as also that Ɔ Metchlapatam the [...] above half came to hand.

We observe how remiss Mr. Wilford was in his Storekeep^{rs}. Accounts, having in 5 months time brought up but two months accounts, [...] will [...] him 10 doll^s. & tho by the Compa^s. Orders he ought to be suspended, yett for the reasons you give in his favour, We shall forbear it att present and only put him something lower in Council than he was before and do now appoint the Council to Consist of the Following Persons.

Tho ^s . Dunster	...	...	...	...	...	Deputy Governor
Lewis Deane	...	...	...	...	...	2 ^d . and Chief of Moco Moco
Edward Bugden	...	...	...	...	...	3 ^d . and Paymaster
Tho ^s . Wilford	...	...	...	...	...	4 and Warehousekeeper
Peter Shelley	...	...	...	...	...	5 and Storekeeper
P. Hergham Weake	...	...	...	...	...	6 and Peper Godown Keep ^r .

We now send Mess^{rs}. Carneggie Lesly Brown and Barefoot Factors, as also Mr. Bugden of Council aforementioned, which we doubt not will be a sufficient supply of Writing Assistants, We have a very good Character of them all and of Mr. Carnegie particularly for Accounts, whom we therefore appoint provisionall Accomptant.

We have likewise sent you two Malefactors out of the Cockhouse which we hope will be of use to you, the Company have taken notice to us in their Letter Ɔ Fordwich and Bouverie of a Complaint made to them by one Frances Geary, Representing that his Son Robert Geary formerly sent out a Soldier for this Settlement, was since made a Serjeant here, tho the Cap^t. only allow'd him Centinells Pay and was afterwards sent to Bencolen and directing us either to allow him pay as a Serjeant, or else give him his Discharge [...] shall desire it, if he be with you still propose these [...] advise us Ɔ first opportunity.

Agreable to an order of [a few words lost] date, we do direct and Order that the recruits now sent you [...] of 3 years from their arrivall at Bencoolen, att there request [be permit]ted to return to Madrass upon any of the Compa^s. Vessells [bound] hither, and that Michael De Rosario formerly sent from hence [is] now at Moco Moco having served out the above mentioned time to the Comp[any] have liberty to come hither again if he shall desire itt.

Conformable to our Ho^{n^{ble}}. M^asters Orders we mu[st] put you in mind [th]at you demand the money advanced these Recruits [...] you find them [...] a Capaci[ty] of Paying the same.

We by this Conveyance send you 6 Chests of Treasure which with the Wares and Stores as Ɔ Invoice Enclosed amounts to Pago^s. 9054 . 34 . 69 all which we recommend to your prudent management, We send the Silver for fear lest the Lethieulier should be detaind any where in her Passage, and thereby the Compa^s. Necessary Buildings stand still with you.

The Middlesex Drake and Enfield saild the 30 part for Europe with yo^r. full loading. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
OCTOB^r. 1st. 24 1722.

Worship^l: S^r. and S^{rs}.
Your Friends and Servants

Ɔ Perry Brigan^s:
1722-23-10

NATHANIEL ELWICK &c^s.

P. S.

We have return'd 40 of the Slaves you sent by the Drake which you Invoiced att 80 doll^r. 4^p Head, as you have debted us for them you must no[t] give us Credit againe as also for doll^r. 160 for 2 others sent you from here You must likewise give us Credit Pago^r. 260 . 13 . 40 for provisions putt on board the Perry by our Steward for the use of the Passengers on her.

On as a Memorandum Persons taken in for the West Coast as Factors Viz^t. for 5 Years John Lesly the 5.

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[TO THE W]ORSHIP^{LL}: WILL^M: [JENNI]NGS Esq^r.
DEPUTY GOVER^R. &C^R. COUNCILL
OF FORT S^R. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{LL}: S^R. &C^R.

We [are] to acknowledge the receipt of yo^r: severall Let[ters] under Date [of] the 8 , 16, and 23 Inst^t: which we now take the opportuni[ty to answer].

With your first your Generall books Merchants Accounts and Cash Account came duly to hand you also advise therein the arrivall of Sloop Ramah and yo^r. receiving a Harser &c^r. upon her agreable to her Invoice enclos'd you, also send us a List of Stationary Ware wanting with you, our store of Stationary ware excepting a small Quantity which came on the Fordwich was upon the Nightingale so y^e. we were very much disappointed, are now exceedingly straitned tho' our Secretary informs us he can spare you some small & Post Paper, but he has no large book Paper, We believe if you apply your selves in a private manner to the French or Dutch Settlements, you may gett a supply, we desire you to try &c^r. if possible to procure enough for your selves and us.

In yo^r. second you advise that you had drawn a Bill of Exchange of Pago. 1060 on the Settlement payable to Tombee Chitty, or his order which we shall accept as soon as presented, and acknowledge the receipt of ours of the 5 and 12 to which you promised to reply in a few days.

Your last came to hand yesterday late in y^e. Evening with your answer to that part of the Accomptants Letter which referred to your Settlement also advising the Receipt of the 5000 Pago^r: sent you overland 4^p Peons, and promising to send your Books Letter R, so soon as can be Copped we observe you are in debt to the Merchants and shall take all Opp[ortuni]ties to [a few words lost] and do now forward you Pago^r. 100 [0...] and pray advise of We take [notice] of [. . .] [about you, when it is once] [. . .] and we cannot think you can be des[. . .] nearer 2000, washt by the Close [. . .] 5 months from the departure of [. . .] tisfied no care will be wanting [. . .].

You [. . .] Ross Commision [. . .] saild before yo[. . .] On the Malabar Coast, [. . .] to be impar[...] advise to [. . .] us another Bill [for] [. . .] Pago^r. payable to Tombee Chitty or order.

The reasons the Stores you ment[ion in the] list of Demands were not sent by Sloop Ramah, [. . .] she was saild for yo^r. Port before that list came.

FORT S^R. GEORGE
OCTOB^R. Y^R. 26 1722.

Worship^{LL}. S^R. and S^R(^o).
Your affectio[nate Friends]

NAT[HA^L. ELWICK &C^R].

N^o. 53

To Ro^[BE]RT ADAMS Esq^r.

CHIEF &C^r. COUNCILL ATT CALLICUTT.

WORSHIP^{LL}: S^r. &C^r.

We are [. . . .] [De]cember, with the Enclosed, [. . . .]
uses by transmitting Cop[. . . .] [of the Shipping there, a [. . . .]
the Ships bound to Bo[. . . .] Coast the 27 ult^o. which [. . . .]
cannott fail [. . . .] of [which] we forwarded yo^r. Packett to y^o. [Hon^{ble}.]
Court of Directors. We are

Worship^{ll}. S^r. and S^r.

Your affectioⁿ. friends & Servants

NATHAN^r. ELWICK.

[FORT S^r. GEORGE

OCTOBER Y^r. 26 1722].

[N^o. 54]

To THE [WORSHIP^{LL}. BLAC]KETT MILFORD Esq^r.

CHIEF &C^r. COUNCILL ATT ANJENGO.

S^rs.

We have none of yo^rs. to answer this comes chiefly to desire you would return the
Workmen we supplyd you with by the Chandois, their Families are [...]ving here,
and perpetually making their Complain [t there]fore we must earnestly desire you to
send them by the [first] Conveyance.

The 3 Vessells fitted out by the Hon^{ble}. [Comp]any and designed for the service
of Bombay against [Ang]ria, saild out of this road the 27 Ult^o. the Hon^{ble}. Comp^{es}.
[...] Middlesex &c^t. the 30 Ult^o. with their full Lading for [...] the Hannover bound
for Bombay put in here y^e. [...]d saild the 3 Instant all which we wish [arrive safe
at] Resp[ecti]ve Ports, and are

Srs.

Your Friends and Servants

NATHAN^r. ELWICK &C^r.

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TO THE WORSHIPFULL W^[ILLIAM] JENNINGS ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVERN^r. & C^r. COUNCILL

ATT FORT ST. DAVID.

WRSHIP^{LL}. S^r. & S^{rs}

The Wind having sett Southerly for several Days and likely to Continue so, renders it Impossible for the Eyles to reach Fort St. David in a long time, Wherefore We do direct and do you accordingly Order, The Fordwich after her loading is on board Wind and Weather permitting to make the best of her Way to Fort St. George, in Case you observe no alteration of y^e. Wind between this and Wednesday night, which Includes the time she will regain in taking in her Water, and other Neces-saries as the Presid^t. has been privately Informed, Notwithstanding do you Continue yo^r. Resolutions in forwarding y^e. necessary Papers Overland w^{ch}. may arrive as y^e. can propose here by that time. We are

Worsh^{ll}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Y^r. affec^t. Friends and Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE

13TH. JAN^r. 1722/23.

NATH^L. ELWICK.

NATH^L. TUR^[NER].

RICH^d. BEN^[YON].

CATESBY OAD^[HAM].

JOHN EMMERSON.

RANDALL FOWKE.

JAM^s. HUBBARD.

GEORGE DRAKE.

N^o. 2.

TO THE WORSHIP^{LL}. WILL^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVER^r. & C^r.

COUNCILL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{LL}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

We this Day gave Cap^t. James Winter Commander of Ship Eyles, his dispatches, and Ordered him to make the best of his way to Fort St. David and joyne the Fordwich, when he appears in Sight.

Cap^t. Gosfright in the Fordwich must gett under Sail and go out to him, We Inclose you the Fordwich's dispatch, drawn agreeable to our Hon^{ble}. Masters Direc-tions, We presume you have put the necessary books & Papers on Board—and are

Worship^{ll}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Yo^r. affectionate Friends & Serv^{ts}.

FORT ST. GEORGE

JANU^r. 17TH. 1722/3.

NATH^L. ELWICK & C.

N^o. 3.

TO M^r. HUMPHREY HOLCOMBE

ATT METCHIAPATAM.

S^r.

We have yo^r. of the 13th. Ult^o. enclosing your months Acco^t. and have assisted your Phousdars relation in the manner he desired, and sent Peons with him to Arcott.

You therein note the Receipt of ours y^e. 30th. Ult^o. with the 400 Pago^s. remitted you by M^r. Benyon in the disposall of which we must again earnestly [Impre]ss you to Frugality, with Respect to the Repairs [we have] allow'd you to make in the Factory and all other Expences.

Att the Request of severall of yo^r. Friends here to whom you have made private Application, we give you leave to come up [. . .] in order to settle the difference betwixt your Brothers [and] your[self]

We are yo^r. Friends and Serv^{ts}.

FORT ST. GEORGE
JANU^y. 19th. 1722/3.

NATHAN^L. ELWICK & C^r.

N^o. 4.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. WILL^M. PHIPPS ESQ^R.
PRESID^T. AND GOVER^R. & C^r. COUNCILL
OF BOMBAY.

HON^{BLE}. S^R. AND S^{RS}.

We have yours of the 26 October advising the Receipt of ours of the 7 and 23 June, and informing us that the Caesar Cap^t. William Mabbot belonging to our Hon^{ble}. masters Imported you from Moco the 4 August and proceeded the 19 for Great Brittain, as also the arrivall of his Majesties Ships Salisbury and Exeter from Madagascar, our Hono^{ble}. Masters Ships Dawson and James Grab from Moco the 3^d. Septemb^r. and the Prince Frederick from Europe the 21 of s^d. Month and her bringing a Coñm Confirming yo^r. Presidency in his Government w^{ch}. we Congratulate him thereupon.

We observe the Acc^t. of yo^r. Difference with the Portugeuze about the Royalty of Mahim River and that it is advanced so far, as that they had taken a Salivat of [. . .] and a Vessell from Muscatt belonging to M^r. Taylor [. . .] which actions you say the Viceroy approves, in [. . .] urging the Haveno right to trade in those Seas [. . .] we cannot think such methods Justafiable, but [. . .] Majesties Ships on the Coast, We cannot believe they [. . .] Insults but be glad to be quiet.

We have made the proper uses of your [. . .] and give our Shipping orders to be Cautious of all tho[se] they meet with att Sea.

The Shipping for your Coast were sa[iled] before the Receipt of your Letter, the Hannover brought [an] officer and a Party of Men, and we hope the Prince Frederick supply'd you likewise. We receivd recruits for this Garrison last Year, but the Season has proved so very sickly that we have lo[st] . . .]art.

The account you give us of the troubles in Persia is very disagreeable, and gives us but to good a reason to fear the Compa^s. Interest is likely to fail there.

Your Packett Enclosed for Bengall shall be forwarded thither by the first Conveyance that offers.

We have been privately advised from Suratt of the Arrivall of our Hon^{ble}. Masters Ships Hannover and y^e. three Gallys with you in Novemb^r. last, and that the latter in their Passage had taken no Portugeuze Grabs having been chased by y^m. for severall days and Carried them into your Port, We had likewise the agreeable account of the Capture of the Admiralls Grabfongrias Fleet, by the Victoria and that she and one of the Gallys were gone in Quest of the rest, this We think must enable you to make your terms with the Viceroy of Goa.

We dispatcht the Eyles the 18th. Inst^t. with a Loading of Bales to Fort St. David in order to Joyn the Fordwich who took in her Cargoe there and we heard was ready they saild thence in Company the 21st. with a Fair fresh Gale, and we hope will meet with a good Passage.

M^r. Feake informs us that he has taken his Passage upon the Devonshire, who we presume with the Bouverie had an early disjatch for Europe.

Our Last to you bore date the 7 Ult^o. Copy of which we enclose and are

[FORT ST.] GEORGE
[JNV.] 22^d. 1722.

HON^{BLE}. SR. AND SRS.
Your Humble Servants

NATHA^L. ELWICK.
NATHA^L. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

N^o. 5.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. WILL^M. PHIPPS ESQ^r.
PRESID^t. AND GOVER^R. & C^t. COUNCILL
OF BOMBAY.

[HON^{BLE} SR. AD SRS.]

Since Writing the above yo^s. of the 3^d. Ult^o. came to hand wherein you advise us the arrivall of the Townsend att Goa from Mocho and here being refused all manner of Refreshment there except Water, and the Cap^t. Worth discovered their design of detaining him, and gott away in the Night, tho we cannot think they would dare to Stop Compa^s. Ship.

As the rest of Angrias Fleet are gott into Ragipore River you are best Judges, whether it woud be impracticable to destroy them there, We take notice of the Scarcity of Grain in your Parts, and that you are dispatching the Hannover to Mangalore to fetch you rice, We are like to have great plenty on this side the Country but 11/12 of our Yearly Consumption is brought us by Sea.

We observe the troubles in Government your Way and wish they were att an End for the benefit of Trade and are.

FORT ST. GEORGE
JANU^y. Y^r. 22^d. 1722.

HON^{BLE}. SR. AND SRS.
Your obedient Humble Servants,

NATHA^L. [ELWICK].
NATHAN^L. [TURNER].
RICH^d. [BENYON].
CATESBY [OADHAM].
JOHN EM[ERSON].
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

N^o. 6.

TO THE WORSHIP^{LL}. WILLIAM JENNINGS ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOV^r. & C^t. COUNCILL
OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{LL}. SR. AND SRS.

We have yours of the 8, 16, 17 and 23 Inst. to Answer the first accompanys your merchants and Cash acco^{ts} an account of your Buildings and other necessary Papers agreeable to Your list to be forwarded to England upon the Eyles, and advising you woud send Duplicates of the same, hy the Fordwich, you also note the Receipt of ours, being date the 24 and 27 Ult^o. The Treasure Wares and Stores then sent you Informing us the Payment to your Merchants of Pago^s. 26000 in part of the ballance of their Acco^t. & the remainder you ask leave to draw upon us for.

Your second acquaints us that the Fordwich had taken in her full Lading of 1030 Bales, and would be ready by Thursday Night.

Your Third Encloses Invoice and Bill of lading for the above number of Bales put upon her advising that the Northerly winds Continued, which would prevent her getting to Fort St. George Conformable to our Orders of the 13 in case the wind had shifted.

Our last was of the 17 Enclosing the Fordwich's dispatches which you acknowledge the Receipt of in the 4 and tell us that she was ready to go under Sail on the Eyles's appearing in sight, but that the latter had some Water to take in which detain'd her 24 hours, but on the 21 both Sailed in Company and were by noon out of Sight, all which was very agreeable.

We observe what you say about Condipar Choultry, We are not to undertake any new buildings of Consequence but this it is possible may be a necessary work and [with . . .] little wherefore we would have you send us up a Calcula[te of] the Charge and we will resolve what shall be done further therein.

We note yo^r. having recovered 200 Pago^s. of Eram Rauze in part of his Debt and that you have repres[ented] his Case home to our Honou^{ble}. Masters, who doubtless will determine the affair.

On the 14th. Instant we paid Sunca Ramah Acco^t. his Fort St. David Contract, his ballance for last month of Pago^s. 16511. 14. 42/which debt his account for.

We are sorry we can give you no news of the Lethieulier as yett, but propose to send you the Young Derby in a few Days more for a Freight of Bales. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
JANU^r. 31, 1722/3.

[W]ORSHIP^{ts}. S^r. AND S^{rs}.
Your affectioⁿ. Friends & Serv^{ts}.

NATHA^l. ELWICK.
NATHAN^l. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

No. 7.

TO THE HON^{ble}. JN^o. DEAN ESQ^r.
PRESID^t. & GOVER^r. & C^o. COUNCILL
OF FORT WILLIAM.

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

The time of Gover^r. Fea[ke having] Elaps'd We take this Opportunity to Congratulate [John] Dean ESQ^r. on his succession to the Chair and to answer [your severall Favours of the 3^d. 5th. 7th. and 24^o. Decemb^r.]

The First acknowledges the Receipt [of ours] being Date the 15 and 20 August 4^o Fancy and Mocho G[alley and] the Treasure sent upon them, as also our last of the 10 Oc[tober] the reasons you give for sending Ships Fordwich and [Boverie] home, We think cannot be disapprov'd of by our Hon^{ble}. Masters.

The Former arrived with us the 15 Decem^r. by whom received the Wares and Stores for this Presidency agreeable to Invoice, and We ordered her Directly to Fort St. David, where she filld up with 1030 Bales, We observe you had put the one 4^o C^t. on Board for St. Hellena, so we sent nothing to that place upon her.

As to the Lead you mention upon the Young Derby, the Cap^t. has made his Demand there, but we knowing nothing of the matter, must referr him to the West. Coast for Satisfaction, where we design him as soon as we receive an Intelligence from thence.

The Second was from Pipley road Signd by M^r. Eyre advising his Dispatch of said Ship, and that he had Enclosed the Bill of Lading in the Pacquett.

The Third Accompa^d. Invoice and bill of Lading for 500 Baggs of Salt Petre put on board the Young Derby, with abstract of Invoice and second Bill of Lading for the Fordwichs Goods.

Your last Encloses the Account Charges for refitting the Young Derby Brigant^e. as also Duplicate of the Letter and abstract of Invoice of what sent upon her, the Master reports here that there was a great deal wanting to be done to her yett, that the Bitts now put in are so low, there is no bringing a Cable to them without Danger of Breaking, that he was without Cleats, Dead Lights running Rigging of all sorts, and severall other necessaries upon which we ordered a Survey, and accordingly find them wanting so that she will Come out a very Chargeable Vessel to the Compa^y. We also Observe the Impress to the Officers to be over paid, which we shall take the best methods to gett reimbursed.

On the 3^d. December arrivd the Eyles Cap^t. James Winter Commander from China, whom (upon the Walpoles Losing her Passage thither, the Gentlemen under whose directions those Ships were ordered hither) she being otherwise designd ffor . . .] with a Loading they had provided for this Coast, which [Consisted] of Tutenaigue, Sugar, Sugar Candy, Allom, China root, China [wa]re and Tea, The Tutenaigue being Pecull 1957. 6. —.

We will send you down by the first safe Conveyance your Pr[. . .]raging, the Tea we sent home upon her, and the rest of her Cargo we have sold att Public outcry. We Fildd her up with 1476 Bales, and on the 18 Ult^o. dispatcht her to Fort St. David, in order to Joyn the Fordwich, who was then in a readiness, she stayd there some time in Order to take in a Little water and on the 21 in the morning, both Ships took their Departure thence with a Fair Wind for Great Brittain, We wish them safe to our Hon^{ble}. Masters and are yett in Expectation of the Lethieulier, tho she arrive in 8 or 10 days we shall be able to send her home.

We Enclose you Coppys of such Paragraphs of our Letters from the other Coast, as may be necessary to impart to you, with respect to the Dispute between the English and Portugueze there and according to the present Posture of affairs, We cannot think otherwise than if M^r. Mathews, discontinues his resentment there may be an accomodation made, with advantage to the Former.

FORT S^t. GEORGE
FEBRY. THE 2^o. 1722/3.

We are
HON^d. S^r. AND S^{rs}.
Your very Humble Servants

NATH^l. ELWICK
RICHARD [BENYON].
CATES [BY OADHAM].
JOHN [EMMERSON].
RANDALL [FOWKE].
GEORGE DR[AKE].

No. 8.

TO THE HON^{BLE}. [JN^o.] DEAN ESQ^r.
PRESID^t. & GOVERN^r. & C^{rs}. COUNCILL
OF FORT WILLIAM.

HON^d. S^r. AND S^{rs}.

The Foregoing is Duplicate of our last ¶ Triplicane Brigan^e. We have not Further to add thereto, than that Wee have by this Conveyance sent you, One James

Ball a Serjeant he is a carefull good Man but that gott a Troublesome Wife here-
which he has Left behind him and Wee hope he will prove serviceable. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
FEBRUARY. 1722/3.

HON^d. S^s. AND S^{ss}.
Your very Humble Servants

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JN^o. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

N^o. 9.

TO THE WORSHIP^{ls}. WILL^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVER^{rs}. &c^s. COUNCILL
OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{ls}. S^s. AND S^{ss}.

We have yours of the 7 and 15 acknowledging ours bearing date the 31 Ult^o.
being come to hand.

Yu advice the Receipt of 463 Gunny Bags from Cap^t. Gosfright they being the
Comp^s. if you have occasion for them you may keep them, and upon your acquainting
us, we will charge them to your account, we Inclose you an Invoice of Gunnys
Formerly sent you by a Mussoola, you promise to forward us a Calculate of the charge
in building the Fort Bridge and Condapa Choultry, We observe the disposition of the
money sent you φ Fordwich and the Bills you have drawn upon us for the Merchants
ballance shall be duly paid.

Your severall Papers and Coppys of your Books Letter T as also a List of yo^r.
Bales come to hand.

Your second accompanied Invoice and Bill of Lading for 70 bales on the Rama,
which are [. . .].

The 12 Instant we paid [. . .] Pag^s. 11207. 34. 52 being the Ballance of
his [. . .] please to debt him for.

Wee Inclose you Invoice [. . .] for Sundry Wares and Stores sent you
 φ Young [Derby . . .] Box containing 10000 Pag^s. which we wish safe to
[you].

We give M^r. Mathew Wyche leave [to go] to Madrass to consult the Surgeons
here about a case in [. . .] attending himself.

M^r. Augustus Burton petition^s. th[. . . to] succeed M^r. Berriman in his
Employ as Paymast^r. he [. . . sent] down the service on account his Superiour
standing to any at the Board below M^r. Berriman we granted his request and
[ordered him to keep] the Generall Books.

We woud have you send us up 3 or 4 Garse of Gram by the first Opportunity for
the Company, Wee supposing it to be att a reasonable Price with you.

The 12 we resolved upon an Investm^t. att yo^r. Settlement for 4000 Bales, the
Bales already received with you (since the last Contract was Compleated) to be allowd
in part thereof and Yesterday Sunca Rama Petitioned to have his Proportion of the
Contract att Fort St. David which he Formerly had being one half which the board
thought Fitt to grant him, and ordered the remaining half to belong to
Sadashe[r]ow Comrapa Chittee Eram Rauze &c^r.

Wee Inclose you your proportion of the List of Demands, and do order that you strictly comply therewith as to lengths and breadths, and goodness of each particular sort. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
FEBRY. 20. 1722/3.

NATH^L. ELWICK.
NATH^L. TURNER.
RICH^P. BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
JN^O. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

N^O. 10

To [THE HON. ROBERT SYMONDS ESQ^R.
[GOVERNOR] & C^R. COUNCILL
ATT [VIZ] AGAPATAM.

S^{rs}.

Yours of the 5th. 8th. 17th. and 27th. [ulto rech^d] me duly to hand, and observe in your Former you say you used [no severities] toward Poncala Timana unless Confinement till he paid the money be called such, on looking over your Consultations of y^e. 27 & 30 October, we Find in the First you Confined him and [the] latter ordered him to be whipt every Monday Morning twas these Entrys upon your Consultation [that] Induced us to write to you on this account, to which you [. . .] manner reply, that you wonder you have not paid a Reprimand about an Oylman you turned out of the Town, This is such Treatment, that no Superiors can bear, and we therefore tell you if you do not know how to behave yo^r. selves we will find Persons that can. Wee will not allow you to use such severity to any of the Inhabitants without previous acquainting us with the nature of their offences that we may resolve upon their Punishment.

The Invoice and Bill of lading with the Bales by the Brilliant Brigan^o. came safe to hand, the Young Derby is since arrived with her loading of Bales agreeable to Invoice but we observe a deficiency of 8 sticks of Cattamaran wood of w^{ch}. advise us in your next.

We take notice of what you say as to the Town Conicoply, and we cannot think our Hon^{ble}. Masters will ever approve of so severe usage as the seizing a Persons private Papers or Cajans for which reason if he has paid the Fine of 300 Rupees, which is more than appears to be charged agst. him, we order him his liberty.

You tell us in a Postscript to your 2^d. that your Nabob Arab Beeg Cawn had stopd the Ingeram Cloth and Demanded a present before he woud lett it pass, We desire to know if there was not some of the Quotapatam or any bought by M^r. Symonds stoped att the same time.

Your 3^d. advises the Receipt of [20] Bales of Cloth and that you woud load what more than Ex[pected] by the Fort] S^t. David Munchua, which is since come to ha[nd . . .] recd your severall Papers therein mentioned, that [what . . .] remains is not Sign'd by the proper Person[s . . .] Directs.

As to the present due to Mo[canterow . . .] any likely hood of his being discontinued its proper to [. . .] you know the Event.

Our Hon^{ble}. Masters Ships Eyles and [Fordwich] took their Departure from Fort St. David y^e. 21 Ult^o. early morning with a Fair wind. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
FEBRY. 21. 1722/3.

Your Friends and Servants
NATH^L. ELWICK.

P.S.

Lett Corporall Watson continue with M^r. Faucett he being of service to him there.

N^o. 11

TO M^r. THOMAS [FAUCETT]
RESIDENT ATT [INGERAM,]

S^r.

We have yours of the 19 December with a Postscript of the 26 D^o. and answer of the 13 Ult^o., you advise the Receipt of Ours of the 30 November, and chiefly inform us the liberty you have of settling either att Gutten Davy or Nellepelle, we Receivd your musters and as soon as the Vizagapatam Cloth is wash'd, shall meet att the Godown and examine your Bales by them, you must be mistaken in yo^r. Calculate of the Kings Custome in England, for an Inch difference in the width of a Cloth, [makes] it pay as a double Callico which is computed att every 10 Yards, so that every Yard width in a p^s. of Callico and 10 Yards in length was rated att a certain price & paid all the Duties from thence.

We have receivd your account Enclosed of Nellepelle but have not any orders for making a new settlement upon this Coast, our Masters will be glad to be informed of the severall sortm^{ts}. made hereabouts, but we presume will not be att the Charge of ano^r. settlement for purchasing the Small Quantity of Goods procurable there.

We will send down money from hence to continue your Investment, so soon as we have overlooked your Cloth & have ordered Corporall Watson to remain with you in our Letter to Vizagapatam. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE

[FEBRY 21ST.] 1722/3.

S^r.

Your Friends and Servants

NATH^{LL}. ELWICK.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICHARD BENYON.
CATESBY OADHAM.
J^N. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.

No. 12

TO THE WORSHIP^{LL}. WILL^M. JENNINGS ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERN^R. & C^{RS}. COUNCILL
OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{LL}. S^R. AND S^{RS}.

We have of y^{rs}. 2: 1 of the 4 and one of y^e. 5 Inst^t. to answer, the first of them advising the arrivall of the Young Derby with the Treasure, Wares and Stores [we were pleased to send] you on her Y^r. Returning upon her the 463 Gunny bags left with you by Ship Fordwich the arrivall of Mr. Burton and his taking his place att your board.

Wee observe what you say with Respect to y^e. Contract, and that you cannot prevail on your Merchants to make Any abatement, the Musters of Dimitys came to hand & we shall to morrow determine that affair.

We approve of what you have done about the Letting your Ferry y^t. was between Cuddalore and y^t. Fort for the reasons given in Yo^r. Letter.

Wee received your Surveyors Report of the charge of Repairing the Fort bridge and Condapa Guard and shall reply thereto in Few days.

Your next by the Young Derby is Cover to Invoice and bill of Lading for 110 bales of [Callicoes and] four Garse of Gram loaden upon her the last [inclosing Invoice &] bill of lading for 62 bales of Callicoes on [board sloop Ramah] all which are safe ashore.

We have this day disp[atched on the] Young Derby for another lading of bales a[dvising them to] use all Diligence in Returning her to us.

Mr. Oadham died y^e. 5 Inst^t. att [. . . which] has occasioned an alteration att our board as you will o[bserve at] Foot of this Letter.

Lieutenant Alexander Fullerton [died] yesterday which has made a Vacancy we mould have you se[nd] Lieut[enant] Ogden up hither to fill the same the Deficiency [we] take care to Supply you the first Opportunity.

If you can procure any Mango Plank to send by the Young Derby lett us have itt. Wee are

FORT ST. GEORGE
MARCH 11 1722/3.

Worship^{ll}. S^r. and S^{rs}.
Your affectio^{te}. Friends and Serv^{ts}.

NATH^{ll}. ELWICK.
NATH^{ll}. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSⁿ. HOUGHTON.

N^o. 13

TO WILL^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVER^r. & C^r. COUNCILL
OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{ll}. S^r. AND S^{rs}.

Since our last yours of the 11 Inst^t. with your Merchants Accounts and Store-keep^r. note for Expence on y^e. Young Derby came to hand.

We have Examined your [*lacuna*] in Consultation and believing the [*lacuna*] sort will be most agreeable to our masters do direct that you provide the 200 p^s. of N^o. 1 and make as good a bargain for them as possible you can in the price.

Wee are att a loss how to settle y^e. differences between your late arrack Farmers bound renters and [M]arr kistna In order to Facilitate which, wee woud have you [send also] Copies of the Indorsements on the backs of their se[veral] Cowls during M^r. Hastings's Governm^t.

Send us up also an Invoice of the Cattamaran Wood you some time provided & sent up hither.

We Yesterday went to the Sorting Godown to Examine the Cloth [an]d fin[d] it] proves short of our Musters and does not come up to what our Merchants deliver here, wee therefore woud have you very Strict with your Merchants to make them keep up to lengths breadths & Goodness that wee may here [*sic*] no Complaints from our Honble Masters.

Wee observe by your Merchants Accounts that they are very Forward, in delivering of goods on this new Contract you may Consider you have till y^e. first of Decemb^r. for your Conclusion, so that if they make to much haste, tis possible your washer may stand still y^e. latter end of the Year which must be prevented they being a sett of People that make no provision on such an occasion. Wee are

FORT ST. GEORGE
MARCH 14, 1722/3.

Worship^{ll}. S^r. and S^{rs}.
Your affectio^{te}. Friends & Servants

NATH^{ll}. ELWICK.
NATH^{ll}. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JN^o. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSⁿ. HOUGHTON.

P. S.

Wee shall enquire into that affair between the Widow of Gunaputtee Chittee and Marr Kistna and write you on that Subject in our next Generall.

N^o. 14

TO THE WORSHIP^{LL}. WILL^M. JENNINGS ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVER^R. & C^R. COUNCILL
OF FORT S^T. DAVID.

WORSHIP^L. S^R. and S^{RS}.

In ours of the 14 we cautioned you [against] receiving of the Goods on this Contract to Fast, least your [s] should stand still the latter part of the Year, but now observe that our Washers here will have a great deal of buissiness for Private Merchants as well as the Company, Wee believe wee shall be obliged to order you such part as our washers will not be able to [Come] by th[e 1st] December, you may therefore Continue your People att work as usuall.

Lieutenant Ogden is arrived and we shall send down Lieutenant Peter Eckman in a Few days to supply his place with you.

Upon reading your last relating to Nelle Chittee and the rest wee observe you found the Award was just and have therefore Confirmed itt, but as to what the Widow of Gonaputta Chittee Charges Marr Kistna with wee can say nothing till he sends us up her proofs which Forward so soon as they can be provided.

Wee have paid Sunca Ramah the ballance of his account with you and if you have any opportunity of Bills of Exchange, you may draw for the ballance of the other Merchants accounts. We are

FORT S^T. GEORGE
MARCH 22^o. 1722/3.

Worship^{LL}. S^R. and S^{RS}.
Your affection^o. Friends & Serv^{ts}.

NATH^L. ELWICK.
NATH^L. TURNER.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JN^O. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 15

TO THE WORSHIP^{LL}. WILL^M. JENNINGS [ESQ^R.]
DEPT^V. GOV^R. & C^R. COUNCIL
OF FORT S^T. DAVID.

WORSH^{LL}. S^R. AND S^{RS}.

We receivd yours of the 23^d. Inst^t. Inclosing Invoice of Cattamaran wood ; and severall p[apers] relating to Mar Kistna & your bound Renters and Arrack Farmers.

We this Day in Consultation proceeded on the Affair between those Persons, when upon Comparing the Account Curr^t. drawn out by the latter with their Receipts and other Proofs, Wee observed that the 725 Pag^s. for which they give themselves Credit do almost plainly appear to be part of the 1242. 6. - for which they afterwards Creditt themselves in the same account Curr^t. as money paid Kistna accot^t. their Farm.

Wee also think Mar Kistna is not chargeable for severall if for any of the Following Sums which made up a further part of the 1242. 6. - Viz^t.

Att Christmas Anno 1717	...	...	...	...	54	20	—
Ditto 1718	...	...	...	...	20	—	—
Copper Pots which he says were given by them for Charitable uses	...	...	...	...	25	—	—
Columbo Arrack 46 Gall ^s . he knows nothing off but Supposes was for Hend ^k . Johnson & deliv ^d . to M ^r . Hasting's Coni-coplys	...	...	...	...	29	21	—
Making up a Difference between y ^m . and the Toddy Fellows...	...	...	...	...	12	27	—

Empty Casks he knows nothing of them	...	...	...	4	—	—
Peons Batty Ditto	...	...	...	6	—	—
The Wedding, Feast, and Dancing Wenches, att Kistnapo-	...	...	...			
ram he says they Complimented him with	...	...	...	[	...	]
Young Narrans Receipt of the 27 May which they say but	...	...	...			
do not prove was paid him by Mar Kistna's Order being	...	...	...			
for	...	...	...	5	[	...
Young Narrans draught on Mar Kistna which they do not	...	...	...			
prove to be p ^d . by them	...	...	...	20	[	...
The Leager of Columbo Arrack dd Mootarishapilla supposed	...	...	...			
to be for M ^r . Hastings's Servants	...	...	...	20	—	—
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Some of the Foregoing articles we take to have been [bought] by Mar Kistna for M^r. Hastings's use, as being his [servant] and not taking to himself y^e. Major part of itt if not all [the] rest appears to be voluntary pres^{ts}. or Expences and therefore ought not to be Charged to him.

As to the other Articles in the Acco^t. Curr^t. if they agree with your Gener^l. books They are to be allowed so that their Debt to the Ho^lble Comp^{ys}. will be 1749. 19. —. We have not yett come to a Resolution how much Mar Kistna may be Indebted to them but by the above Calculate there will remain no more than Pag^s. 218. 30. — and even for that, the proofs are very Imperfect, However do you let these People know what we have done in their Affair, and transmitt us all that they have further to say about itt.

Wee had gone thus far in this case we proceeded to the bound Renters dispute with Mar Kistna but observing that in this as well as the Arrack Farmers case, disputed the translates and desired a Sight of his Receipts, We came to a Resolution and do accordingly now direct that you send us up all Originall Papers Receipts &c^t. relating to both these Affairs taking Copies of them all, which keep by you, the English attested by your selves and the Jentu and Malabar by the Persons whose business itt is. Wee are

FORT ST. GEORGE
MARCH 26. 1723.

Worsh^l. S^r. and S^{rs}.
Your affect^d. Friends & Serv^{ts}.

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JN^o. EMMERSON.
RANDALL [FOWKE].
JAMES HU[BBARD].
GEORGE [DRAKE].
JOS^{ph}. [HOUGHTON].

P.S.

Send us up upon the Young Derby [all the sea]
Coals you can spare.

N^o. 16

TO THE WORSH^l. WILL^m. JENNINGS Esq^r.
DEP^y. GOVER^r. &c^r. COUNCIL
OF FORT ST. DAVID.
WORSH^l. S^r. AND S^{rs}.

Yours of the 23 came to hand the 28th. Ins^t. advising the arrivall of the Young Derby.

We observe what you say about your Washers, and that they will have enough to do to cure the Cloth contracted for with you.

The turning the Water into the Paddy Fields in the Dry Season we think necessary, but however must press you to exert your selves, since we may be possibly much impeded by the Nabobs Journey to Covelong, not knowing how long he designs to stay there.

We have heard no more from Nella Chitty and suppose he is satisfied with what you have done as to the Widow of Gonaputta Chittee we shall take an Opportunity to Examine that affair.

We sent Mr. Burton down 3^d. of Councill and Paymaster and ordered that the keeping the Companys Generall books should be part of his Duty, by which we never proposed to alter Mr. Berlu's employ, but that he should continue to act as he had formerly done.

The Nabob will be this [... within a day's] march of Covelong we would have you [order...] and Gunroom that they may be in order, [and that your Guards be] wellmann'd, If the coming in of our Cloth would [be impe] ded by his Troops, We shall be obliged to order itt [...]ment, and take the best methods we can to provide [for our] Shipping.

We shall advise the necessary as [our] Opportunity admitts and are

FORT ST. GEORGE
MARCH 30th. 1723.

Worship^l. Sr. &c^r.
Your affect^o. Friends & Servants
NATH^l. ELWICK &c^r.

N^o. 17

TO ALEXth. OUNN
CHIEF &c^r. COUNCIL OF ANJENGO.

We have yours of the 5 Jan^y. w^{ch}. came to hand the second Feb^y. with your List of Olas or writes for debts &c^r. belonging to the estate of [William] Gyfford Esq^r. in the hands of Mr. George Tu[lle] w^{ch}. he has delivered over to us with the Widowes Acc^t. Curr^t. y^e. ballance whereof he has paid into our Cash.

We now return you a List of the Olas &c^r. writes delivered us by Mr. George Tullie as also a Copy of the Account Curr^t. the ballance of which being Pag^s. 280. 21. 61 we have carried to the Credit of Bbay Presidency It will be proper that you procure an order from the Widow who is now on your side for the sending those Papers and Cajans by the First Sea Conveyance, altho you need not wait because you have the Persons with you, you can Indemnifie them for the Payment of the severall Sums due from them.

Our Presid^t. wrote the 2^d. Janu^y. last to Your late Cheif Mr. Midford relating to a boat of Cotton belonging to Sunca Ramah one of the Comp^s. Merch^{ts}. of this place which was seized as being the Effects of one Colom Calombehoire, It was the ninth boat he had sent to your Port that season all which had past without molestation, The goods are his own property and do no way belong to the Person you suppose, he is a generous fair trader and ought not to be liable to such disappointm^{ts}. We therefore desire you to let the goods be delivered to his Correspondents.

You mention the Workmens being Returned but do not say by what Conveyance, and they are not yet arrived which lays us under some difficulties in providing necessary people for the West Coast. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
APRIL 5th. 1723.

Sr.
Your Humble Serv^{ts}.
NATH^l. ELWICK [&c^r].

N^o. 18.

TO THE WORSH^l. WILL^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOV^r. &c^r. COUNCIL ATT FORT ST. DAVID
WORSH^l. S^r. AND S^{rs}.

We have yours of the 2^d. Inst^t. to answer as also one of Young Derby accompanying Duplicate of the Former Invoice and bill of lading for goods on y^e. Brigan^o. your Storekeep^r. Acco^t. Disbursements on her.

In the Former you note the Receipt of the 26 and 30 Ult^o. in Conformity to which you enclose us the originall Receipts Acco^t. relating to the dispute between the Arrack Farmers and bound Renters and Mar Kistna which we shall examine the first opportunity.

We shall return you the Young Derby again so soon as she can be unloaded.

We observe your want of Europe men which att this Juncture we cannot assist you with having had the misfortune to bury the major part of our last Years supply.

We also observe you propose to make all the dispatch you can in curing of Cloth in case the Nabob should continue att Covilong, and by that means Impede us, the time of his stay is variously reported and he had ordered all his officers to build themselves [Houses] there notwithstanding he is Subject to the difficulties of bad [weather] and want of Forage. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
APRILL 6 1723.

Worsh^l. S^r. and S^{rs}.
Yo^r. affectioⁿ. Friends and Serv^{ts}.
NATH^l. ELWICK &c^a.

[N^o. 19—Missing].

N^o. 20

TO MR. THO^s. FAUCETT
RESIDENT AT INGERAM.

S^r.

We have nothing of your[s to] answer but observe by yours to Vizagapatam dated 8th. March Coppy whereof they have sent us that you are under some difficulties with your Nabob We hope you have surmounted them with small charge to the Company.

We took an Opportunity to view your Cloth with that of Vizagapatam and do agree that yours was better but to much congeed for going a Europe Voyage. We observe a difference in the price occasioned by the carriage overland to prevent which for the Future we direct, that by good Country boats when such shall offer with proper seasons you send us what you have ready.

By this Conveyance we send you 2000 new Madrass Pag^s. and direct that you keep your Acco^{ts}. with this Settlem^t. and send them monthly hither. Wee have ordered your Servant to be private in relation to the money that you may lay under no difficulties with the Nabob upon the Receipt of itt.

We Inclose you a Letter to Vizagapatam which so soon as you have rec^d the money from the Peons forward to that Factory. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
APRILL 20th. 1723.

S^r.
Your Friends & Servants

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^o. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 21To ROBERT SYMONDS ESQ^r.

CHIEF & C. COUNCILL ATT VIZAGAPATAM.

S^{rs}.

Yours the 13 Ultimo with Coppys of one from Mr. Faucett and your answer came to Hand the 4th. Instant, We have wrote to him upon that Subject and have ordered him to remitt us his monthly accounts and have made that Settlement a head in our Books you will not therefore be under any necessity of sending more money to him.

We veiw'd your Cloth and think it short of muster and tho it was not found fault with yet we could not but Observe that it did not come up with that from Ingeram see therefore if you cannot improve the Fabrick.

We are now in Expectations of the Europe Ships, and when they arrive that we can know what Investment is to be made at your Settlement we will send you a Supply of Cash. We are

FORT ST. GEO:

APRIL 20th. 1723.S^{rs}.

Your friends & Servants

NATH^l. ELWICK.NATH^l. TURNER.RICH^d. BENYON.

JOHN EMMERSON.

RAND^{ll}. FOWKE.

JAM: HUBBARD.

GEO: DRAKE.

JOSⁿ. HOUGHTON.N^o. 22To THE HON^{ble}. JOHN DEANE ESQ^r.PRESID^t. & GOV^r. & C^t. COUNCILL
OF FORT WILLIAM.HON^{ble}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Our last to you Bore date the 9th. Feby. since which we have received Yours of the 31st. Jan^y. & 6th. Ultimo to which we shall give a full reply after the Arival of our Europe we are now in expectation of seeing them very Quickly, in the mean time we send you down the George Briggantine with as much Tutenague on Board her as her real condition will allow us to lade on her, The Invoice & Bill of Lading for the same Comes Inclosed, the Amount being Pagodas 11200, We have debted Yo^r. Presidency as also Pagodas 448. — for freight of it to you.

Incos'd is the Account Current with this Presidency which agrees with that Received from you.

As the Vessel has now been a great while of the ground she is very much out of Repair, we therefore desire you will get her well Refitted and return to us as soon as Possible with a Loading of Salt Petre, and the other stores incerted in the List Inclosed.

The Seals you desired will be ready in a few days & we shall send them by the next Convey^{oe}. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE

MAY 25th. 1723.Hon^{ble}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Your very humble servants

NATH. ELWICK

& C. COUNCILL.

P.S.

An Ostender arrived at Pullecherry & we hear she is Design'd for Bengⁿ. The people in her are y^o. same that were with you 2 years ago.

A LIST OF BENGALL GOODS WANTING IN THE WAREHOUSE.

Gurrahs of 36 Covids	...	Peices.	1500	Bees Wax	...	...	Candy.
D ^o . of 20	...		1000	Bengall Canvas	...		8 Bolts.
[Salt] Petre	...		8000	Cartridge Paper	...		40 Quire
[. . .]	...		Jars				2000 Candy
[. . .]	...		150	Fine Twine	...		2
G [. . .]	...	Peices	20000				
Rope	...	Candy	50				
Twine	...		10				

A LIST OF THE PACKET VIZ.

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- 6 List of Stores wanting.
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N^o. 23

TO CAPTAIN JOHN TYE
COMMANDER OF GEORGE BRIGGANTINE.

S^r.

You are hereby order'd to repair on Board your Vessel and (Wind and Weather Permitting) to make the best of your Way to the Port of Callicutta in Bengall, when you arrive there you are to Deliver the Packet herewith deliver'd you, To the Honorable John Dean Esq^r. Presid^t. & Gov^r. &c^t. Councill there whose orders you are to follow for your future Proceedings, we wish you a prosperous Voyage and date this in Fort S^t. George this 25 May 1723.

SIGN'D BY ALL THE COUNCILL EXCEPT

M^r. EMMERSON.

25 MAY 1723.

N^o. 24

TO THE WORSHIP^{LL}. WILL: JENNINGS Esq^r.
DEPUTY GOV^r. & C. COUNCILL
OF FORT S^t. DAVID.

WORSHIP^{LL}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Yours of the 19th. May with its duplicate & of the 4th. June lye before us the former advises the Receipt of ours of the 13th. Aprill as the Arivall of the Young Derby with the Treasure and Gunneys on Board her and that they come out according to Invoice.

The same Letter advise the return of the Briggantine with 230 Bales which comes out According to Bill of Lading which with y^r. Invoice came inclos'd.

The other incloses your merchants Accounts of Cash to the 31st. Ultimo we observe your forwardness in the Sorting godown but we have dismall Complaints from our Hon^{ble}. Masters relating to your Settlement copy whereof we send you inclos'd.

It's Pleasure to hear the Rains have fall'n so seasonably with you, which in all likelihood must furnish you with water till next monsoon both to supply your washers & Renters of the Paddy fields.

Your Request Relating to new Building yo^r. Bridge by the Fort we Comply with as it is a Peice of Building so absolutely necessary tho' our orders from our Honorable masters are positive not to enter upon any new foundations we think it a more proper method & therefore direct that you Build 3 Peers, & Lay timbers Cross the Length you may require for your wast water. Timbers of 25 foot will leave a clear Passage of 20 foot under each Bridge in all 40 Foot if there be a greater Passage that may be requir'd in the time of the Rains you may lay shorter timbers & set the Peers the nearer, Cover your Timbers with 3 Inches Plank well nail'd. This we experience to be the Cheapest and best work in this Country.

As to Condope Choultry we would have you send us up an Account of what necessaty there is for a Redoubt &c before we give any orders Relating to that which if, it be not Absolutely necessa^y. we do not think Proper to set about.

Your Bill on us to the order of Eram Rauze &c. was this day presented to us & is Paid. We are

Worsh^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Your a ffectioⁿ. friends & Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE

JUNE 10TH. 1723.

NATH : ELWICK.

&C. COUNCILL.

P.S.

Since the Above yours of 7th. Instant came to hand advising your draft of 13202. 28. 53 to Sadasharawgow which Shall be discharged when tendred.

N^o. 25

TO THE HON^{BLE}. JOHN DEAN ESQ^r.

PRESID^t. & GOV^r. &C. COUNCILL

OF FORT WILLIAM.

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

Our Last to you bore date the 25th. Ultimo Copy of which comes herewith. The pres^t. is to Inclose you Invoice and Bill of Lading for 100 Bales of Callicoos and Ten Chests Rupees on Board the Sarum who imported here the 9th. inst^t. Our Hon^{ble}. masters order'd us to supply you with Bales for the Ships which you shall dispatch directly from your Port that so the Risque may be more equally divided on their returning Cargoes their orders to you with respect to this matter will tell you what they would have you furnish This Settlement with.

The Sarum Could take in no more than one Hundred Bales we shall therefore send You Down a Quantity by the other Europe Ships and by the Marygold by the Royall George we send the Remains of the Tutenague & part of the Redwood you demand the Residue of that also we will take Care to Send Down in time, The owners of the Royall George have agreed to take the Tutenague Exct. ffreight free so that it will be no detriment to our Honourable masters to load those goods on her.

We Send you by Cap^t. Newton five Seals of the Dimensions You Order for your Presidency is indebted Pag^e. 11. We have taken out of his Ship 20 Chest of Silver to make Rupees of which he brings ten with him Coin'd, the other so fast as we can gett them Coind we shall send to you we do not Detain her for them because, we believe you will be glad to have y^r. rest of the Silver on board Early with you.

We Send on the arrivall of the Other Europe Ships to take out 20 Chests more & send you them Coind, into Rupees according to Yo^r. Desire.

Our Hon^{ble}. Masters Design 50 pipes of Madera Wine for you this year w^{ch}. They order us to advise you if you cannot Sell to advantage You are to return Them to us to be sold, on their accounts They also Send us 150 pipes to be Disposed of Likewise.

The Shipping Designd, This Year to the Coast & Bay are

	Burthen
The Sarum	400
The Carnarvan	375
The Mary	490
The Darby	480
The Cardigan	420
The Bridgewater	410
besides w ^{ch} . We expect	Tons 2575
The Lethoulrier	470
The Walpole	490
and one of y ^e . Years China Ships ab ^t .	400
In all Tons	
	[3935]

What part we shall be able to Supply we will in a little time inform you & send This only for your Government The first of these Ships Our Hon^{ble}. Masters have order'd a Country Voyage and given permission to let out another if She cannott be loaded home.

FORT ST. GEORGE
JUNE 17 1723.

We are
Hon^{ble}. Sr. & S^{rs}.
Your very humble Servants
NATH: ELWICK.
&c^a. COUNCIL.

N^o. 26

TO CAP^t. GEORGE NEWTON
COMMANDER OF THE SARUM.
S^a.

You are hereby order'd to repair on board Your Ship & with the first opportunity of wind and weather set sail and make y^e. best of Yo. way for y^e. Port of Calcutta in Bengal where when arriv'd, you are to Deliver our paquet herewith given to you to y^e. Hon^{ble}. John Dean Esq^r. Presid^t. & Governour &c^a. Council of Fort William to whom your ship goes Consign^d. & whose Orders you also to follow for your further proceedings we wish you a prosperous Voyage & date these in Fort St. George this seventeenth Day of June 1723.

NATHⁿ. ELWICK
&c^a. COUNCIL.

N^o 27

TO THE HON^{ble}. JOHN DEAN ESQ^r.
PRESID^t. & GOV^r. &c^a. COUNCIL
[OF FORT WILLIAM].
HON^{ble}. SR. & S^{rs}.

The preceeding is duplicate of what we wrote you by the Sarum which Ship Sail'd next day for Your port we now enclose you a packett rec'd by the Carnarvan from England for you Second bills of Laden for treasure and Goods on board the Sarum Invoices on board amounting to Pag^s. 6725. 1. 29. as also a bill of Laden for the the Mary Gold same. We are.

FORT ST. GEORGE
JUNE 22^d. 1723.

Hon^{ble}. Sr. & S^{rs}.
Your most Obed^t. Serv^{ts}.
NATH: ELWICK.
&c^a. COUNCILL.

N^o. 28

TO THE HON^{BLE}. JOHN DEAN ESQ^r.
PRESID^t. & GOV^r. & C^a. COUNCILL
OF FORT WILLIAM.

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

The above mentiond is Copy of ours by y^e. Mary Gold wee now send you Invoice and bill of Laden for Tutenague & Redwood on board the Royall George amounting to Pag^s. 7127. 6. 24 w^{ch}. we wish Safe to Your hands the Elizabeth who will Shortly follow will bring you ten Chests of Rupees being the remains of 20 Chests of Silver taken from on board the Sarum. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
JUNE 25 1723.

Hon^{ble}. S^r. & S^{rs}.
Your most Obed^t. Serv^{ts}.

NATH : ELWICK
& C^a. COUNCILL.

N^o. 29

TO THE HON^{BLE}. JOHN DEANE ESQ^r.
PRESID^t. & GOV^r. & C^a. COUNCILL
OF FORT WILLIAM.

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

We wrote you the 25 Inst. by [y^e.] Royall George of which Letter we now end you a Copy and we now Enclose you a Second bill of Laden for the Tutenague and Redwood on board her as also a bill of Laden & Invoice of 10 Chests of treasure & 300 Bales of Callicces on board the Elizabeth.

We are

Hon^{ble}. S^r. & S^{rs}.
Your most Obed^t. Serv^{ts}.

FORT ST. GEORGE
JUNE 28 : 1723.

NATH : ELWICK
& C^a. COUNCILL.

N^o. 30

TO ROBERT SYMONDS ESQ^r.
CHIEF & C^a. COUNCILL
OF VIZAGAPATAM.

S^{rs}.

We have Yours of the 23^d. Aprill 5th. & 17th. May before us Y^r. first accomp^{ny}s a paquet from Bengall advises y^e. lowness of Cash & y^t. Nabob Manulla Cawn had been in the Mango Garden where Your Cheif met him and [gave] him the usuall present upon his Confirming your priviledges. You also enclose a List of wares & C. Stores wanting.

Y^r. Second Accompanys a paquet from Bengall & C. We Observe what you say therein.

Y^r. third also Accompanys a paquet f^m. Bengall & incloses y^r. acc^t. Cash & C^a papers.

We have at M^r. Symonds his request paid to his Attorneys here two thousands Pag^s. & C. taken their bills on him for y^t. Summ payable to Robert Symonds Esq^r. Cheif & C^a. Council of Vizagapatam which we now inclose you.

As to the Quit rents it being a new Charge we wou'd not have any severity us'd. to y^e. Inhabitants in raising it but that they be brought to it by degrees and a very Small Charge Laid on at first may be afterwards Easily increas'd when the people are more us'd to it. The Company will always be pleas'd with any Increase of their Revenues so long as no Oppression arises from so doing which is what they positively forbid.

We send you a Copy of y^t. part of this Years List of Investm^t. w^{ch}. relates to Vizagapatam and will take care to supply you with money provided You can procure Cloth y^t. is good.

You ought now to have in your Godown Cloth to the amount of Pagodas 12000 and Upwards which we doubt not you have been so diligent as to get washd in Order to Send it up hither by the very first Conveyance that so it may be with us time enough to go home that Year.

Remember to Insert at y^e. foot of every Generall Letter hereafter y^e. number of Bales in the godowns & what at the washers and Beaters which sort of people we direct you to give all possible Incouragem^{ts} if you can get your Cloth well wash'd we shall always be willing to Incourage y^t. Investments.

The 2000 Pag^s. Drawn on Mr. Symonds will Supply you with money for the present and when your answer to y^s. comes we shall Judge w^t. more will be necessary to send you We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
JULY 1st. 3rd. 1723.

S^{rs}.
Your friends & Serv^{ts}.
NATH : ELWICK & C^a. COUNCILL.

P.S.

In Our Last paragraph of the Lists of Investments Inclosed you will observe what our Masters say about your Cloth being what [. . .] w^{ch}. we suppose they Order to prevent any more of it going [. . .] & full of holes We therefore direct that you only white [. . .] up rough & we will Conjee it & re Embale it here.

N^o. 31

TO THE HON^{BLE}. JOHN DEAN Esq^r.
PRESID^t. & GOV^r. & C^a. COUNCILL
OF FORT WILLIAM.

HON^{BLE}. S^c. & S^{rs}.

The preceeding is what we wrote by the Elizabeth This comes by the Derby and brings you a Second bill of Lading for the treasure and goods on board her as also Invoices and bill of Lading for the remaining twenty Chests of Rupees y^t. we here Coind for you and 300 more Bales Laden on this Ship. We are.

FORT ST. GEORGE
JULY THE 10th. 1723.

Hon^{ble}. S^r. & S^{rs}.
Your most Obed^t. Serv^{ts}.
NATH : ELWICK & C^a. COUNCILL.

N^o. 32

TO CAP^t. W^m. FITZHUGH
COMM^d. OF THE DERBY.

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your Ship and wth. the first fair wind Sett Sail for the port of Calcutta in Bengall. When you are arrivd there you are to Deliver to the Hon^{ble}. John Dean y^e. paquet we now give you & to follow Such

Orders for your further proceedings as you shall receive from them we wish you a good Voyage & date this in Fort St. George this Eleventh day of July 1723.

The 11 July Sent Duplicate of our Yesterdays Letter wth. this addition by y^e. Jerusalem.

N^o. 33

Inclos'd comes a paquet rec'd by y^e. Mary for y. presidency w^{ch}. we are orderd to Send down by any Ship but the Derby.

N^o. 34

To M^r. HUMPHRY HOLCOMBE.
S^r.

We have Severall from you to answer but must defer doing it for y^e. present. This therefore is only to direct y^t. in Case M^r. Faucetts Illness Shoud increase upon him so as to give you reason to suspect he will not overcome it you do repair without delay to Ingeram to take care of y^e. Comp^{ys}. Effects there. Wee are

FORT ST. GEORGE
JULY 19 : 1723.

S^r.

Your affectionate Friends
NATH^l. ELWICK & CA. COUNCILL.

N^o. 35

To CAP^t. JOSIAH THWAITES
COMMANDER OF THE CARNARVAN.
S^r.

You are hereby directed to repair on Board Your Ship and with the first Opportunity of wind & weather to get under Sail and make y^e. best of your way for ffort S^t. David, when you Arrive there you are to follow such orders as you shall receive in writing from the Dep^{ty}. Governour & Councill there for Lading & unlading Your Ship as for y^e. future proceedings we wish you well Down & Date this in ffort S^t. George this 2^d. Day of Aug^s. 1723.

N^o. 36

To THE WORSH^l. W^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOV^r. & COUNCILL
OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Inclos'd comes invoice & bills of Lading for treasure wares stores medicines & Lading on Board y^e. Carnarvan for your port.

We are now to Inform you y^t. we have examin'd into y^e. Affair of Marr Kistna and y^r. Bound renters and arrack Farmers the whole of the Charge brôt against him by both those sets of people appear to us to be very trifling and malicious and some notoriously false for w^{ch}. reason it was by y^e. Concurr^t. vote of our whole board agreed that the said Marr Kistna is no ways Liable to pay any of y^e. Sums Demanded of him on either of those accots of w^{ch}. you may inform them and at y^e. Same time Lett them know it is expected that they Clear of their Debts to Our Hon^{ble}. Masters as fast as possible.

When you return us y^e. Carnarvon put on board her 400 Cewkins [*Sic*] they being wanting in Our storehouse.

In Our Last We told you we would pay Your bill of 13202. 28. 53 to the Order of Sadachevem when prevented which we Did y^e. next day.

Y^{rs}. of y^e. 12th. June came to hand in time 4^p Sloop Ramah with y^e. Invoice and Bill of Lading Inclosed for y^e. 70 bales on board on her w^{ch}. we Received in good Order.

We also received in time Yours of y^e. 2^d. Ult^o. with your Ans^r. to y^e. parag of our Hon^{ble}. masters Letters sent down to you They are You Must Observe so very possitive therein that we hope We shall not need to use any further instances with you to take Care of what you now send them shall answ^r. their expectation.

We lately resolved in Consultation to permit You to rebuild Condapa Choultry but you must be particularly carefull in y^e. doing it that it may be substantial good Work and frugally performed.

Mr. Matthews will be down with you again, in a Little time and you must supply him with what Money he shall want for which as well as y^e. 2000 already furnished him he will give You bills on y^e. Admiralty. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
AUG^{rs}. 3^o. 1723.

Worsh^{ls}. S^r. & S^{rs}.
Y^r. affect^{io}. Friends and servants

N^{ls}. ELWICK.
N^{ls}. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND : FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOS : HOUGHTON.

N^o. 37

To M^{rs}. KATHERINE GIFFORD
AT FORT ST. DAVID.

MADAM

I am ordered by the [Honourable] Presid^t. and Council of this place to advise [you the] receipt of Yours bearing Date y^e. 5th. Inst^t. [wherein] You Desire them to return to M^r. Geo^r. Tullie [the papers] and Olas from him belonging to y^e. Estate of W^m. Gifford Esq^r. as also y^e. ballance of your acco^t. with y^e. Gentleman in answer to which I am Directed to tell you those Papers &c^a. were Demanded and received from M^r. Tullie in Compliance with a Letter from y^e. Presid^t. and Council of Bombay who write that M^r. Gifford is Yearly indebted to the Hon^{ble}. Company which has not been since contradicted the and at is presumed that when Those gentlemen shall be satisfied that the s^d. M^r. Gifford is not indebted to Our Hon^{ble}. Masters they will give you or your attorneys y^e. proper Discharges and Likewise directions to this place to deliver up what they before desired might be received assured on acco^t. of your deceased Husbands debt Till when the President and Councill here Cannot answer doing it and therefore desire you to excuse their not complying with your request. I am Madam

FORT ST. GEORGE
13 AUGUST 1723.

Y^r. most Obed^t. hum. Serv^t.
GEO : TORRIANO
Sec^{ry}.

N^o. 38

To ROBERT SYMONDS ESQ^r.
CHIEF &c^r. COUNCIL. OF VIZAGAPATAM.

S^{rs}.

Since our Last to you of y^e. 3^d. ult^o. Copy of which comes here inclosed and which we confirm we have rec^d. three from you of which y^r. of y^e. 26th. June & 8th. July require no further answer being only covers to the Bengall packets. To that of

the 2^d. of July we reply that by this ship Mary we send You down a supply of Wares stores &c^t. necessarys for your settlem^t. as also 5000 Madrass Pagodas and 15750 Madrass Rupees and must tell you we rely upon the hopes You Give us that it shall be employed in providing goods in this season which you tell us is the most proper for it.

We are next to tell you that we do expect you make no present without the most unavoidable necessity the Charges of your Settlement are already too Great for Investm^t. and to be continually adding thereto by presents must make Our Hon^{ble}. Masters very uneasy

We have this year arrived from Europe five ships and two More expected. By y^e. General Letter Last received Our Hon^{ble}. Masters repl[y] at what they formerly wrote concerning y^e. method of making Your Investment. We by the Heathcote told them we would put it upon a better footing to which they now reply they expected done what we have done therein you are sensible is no more than lowering a small Matter in y^e. since of your Goods We hope that will be satisfactory to them but we must tell you that unless the Cloth you send us exceeds w^t. formerly rec^d. we shall be Obliged to persue y^e. Orders rec^d. from them to prevent any complaint lying against us thō We hope and believe their affairs at Vizagapatam are in such hands as will for their own reputation prevent our being necessitated to use any Service Measures.

We shall add no more but to recommend frugality in your Expences Diligence and fidelity in y^e. Investment and in all other their affairs under your management and are

Wee are

S^{rs}.

Y^r. Friends and Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE

AUG^{er}. 17th. 1723.

N^{LL}. ELWICK &c^t.

N^{LL}. TURNER.

RICH^d. BENYON.

JOHN EMMERSON.

RANDALL FOWKE.

JAMES HUBBARD.

GEORGE DRAKE.

JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

P.S.

We are apt to believe y^t. y^e. neighbourhood of Maubrize Cawn may by prud^t. management turn to y^e. benefit of our Hon^{ble}. Masters since it is certain that great part of y^e. Broad Cloth yearly expended is consumed in y^e. Camp.

Inclos'd comes 2^d. bill of Ex^t. on Rob^t. Symonds Esq^r. pay^{ble}. to R. Symonds Esq^r. &c^t. Councill of Vizag for 200 pag^t.

Since y^e. writing y^e. above Yours of y^e. 26th. ult^o. is Come to hand upon perusal of w^{ch}. we Resolved to send you a Larger supply of cash accordingly you will find en [*sic*] additional Invoice and bill of Lading for 6000 Mdss pag^t. and 11025 Mdss. Rupees.

N^o. 39

TO THE HON^{BLE}. JOHN DEANE Esq^r.

PRESID^t. AND GOV^r. &c^t. COUNCILL OF FORT WILLIAM.

HON^{BLE}. S^r. AND S^{RS}.

Our last to your bore date y^e. 10th. Ult^o. by ship Derby who carried You 300 bales and 20 Chests of Rupees By this Ship Mary we have Likewise sent you [*lacuna*] bales and 20 Ch^{ts}. of Silver as ~~4~~ Invoice and bill of Lading inclosed y^e. Latter of

them Our Hon^{ble}. Masters order'd us in their Letter by the Bridgewater which imported here y^e. 9th. Instant to send you 50 Chests of but we are sorry to say our demands here are so large & our stock so small that it will not be in our power to send any more than these twenty Chests however we hope y^e. Large supply you Last [Year rec'd] from us more than expected will prevent your lying under any Difficulties on acc^t. of this deficiency Especially considering that we have sent down in tutenague lead Redwood &c^t. a large sum of money w^{ch}. we believe with what we shall receive from China by y^e. ships in few months expected from thence will acc^t. to near y^e. sum short cons^d. You in Bullion.

The Bridgewater brings You 50 pipes of Madeira Wine about which we have orders to give you y^e. Same advice as about that Φ Derby viz^t. that if you cannot sell it to advantage You are to return it up hither thô we think it our duty to Let you know it will not sell here for more than 25 Pag^r. Φ pipe and a falling market.

We are next to advise you that our Hon^{ble} Masters have thôt fit to alter y^e. Essex's voyage and to send her hither after touching at S^t. Helena w^{ch}. will put us to great streights by flinging so Much over tonnage on our hands of which we had fully Sufficient before. It will be therefore a gratefull assistance to us if you can do so much towards the Dispatch as in y^e. year 1720 when you sent us up 1200 bales & Dispatch'd 2 ships from your port. We mean you can send us so many besides 1500 in exch^e. for what we have sent you down & we think it is not improbable that you should since y^e. very large supply of Cash which you last Year received from us (to send you which you last Year received ourselves) will doubtless have enabled You to go on with Your business with great ease.

Inclosed We send You Calculate of what Saltpetre we shall want from this time till y^e. end of next year by which we desire your Hon^r. &c^t. will regulate yourselves in sending us our supply which you will find is 4000 bags more than what we demanded by ours of y^e. 25th. May.

We come now to answ^r. Yours of y^e. 1st. & 11th. June Last the former of which relating to y^e. Lethewiller requires no further answer than that you may if you find it for our Masters Inte[rest] her under Your Directions and either dis[patch] her for Europe or send her hither as Your Honour shall judge most convenient. We always [send what] peper we send home among y^e. bales for which our masters pay but half freight and as she has no more than [lacuna] on board we believe you will be able to dispose of y^t. quantity in y^e. same manner.

We shall be impatient till y^e. George Brig^{ne}. arrives with us which you promise in yours of y^e. 11th. shall meet with an Early dispatch. We are

Hon^{ble}. S^r. and S^{rs}.
Yo^r. very hum. Servants

N^{LL}. ELWICK.
N^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOS: HOUGHTON.

FORT S^t. GEORGE
17 AUG^r. 1723.

P. S.

Ca.

Φ . qr. lb.

You will find in y^e. Invoice 224 of Redwood and 1000 $\mathcal{L}$. 27 of Lead for which bills of Ladg. come Inclosed.

N^o. 40

TO CAP RICH^d. HOLDEN
COMM^r. OF Y^e. MARY.

S^r.

Y^r. Ship being fully Laden you are Directed to repair on board and with y^e. first fair Wind set Sail for the port of Vizagapatam where you are to Deliver to Robert Symonds Esq^r. Chief &c^t. Councill there our packet together with y^e. wares and stores

and Treasure Laden on you for that Settlement when you shall have so done You are to proceed for Calcutta in Bengal and on y^e. arrival there You are to Deliver to y^e. Hon^{ble}. Jn^o. Deane Esq^r. Presid^t. and Govern^r. of Fort W^m. & C^t. Council the accompanying packet as also y^e. Bullion and Goods Laden on you for them You are Likewise to follow their orders for all your future proceedings. We wish you a prosperous Voyage and Date this in Fort St. George this 17th. day of August 1723.

N^{LL}. ELWICK.
N^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^p. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
Jos : HOUGHTON.

N^o. 41

TO THE HON^{BLE}. JN^o. DEANE Esq^r.

PRESID^t. & GOVERN^R. & C^t. COUNCILL OF FORT WILLIAM.

HON^{BLE}. S^r. AND S^{rs}.

The proceeding is w^t. we wrote You by y^e. Mary this comes by y^e. Bridgwater and serves to inclose Duplic [*sic*] bills of Lading for y^e. Goods and treasure on board y^e. former of these Ships and Invoice and Bill of Lading for 70 bales of Callicoos on board y^e. Latter amount^s. to Ps. 361. 34. We are

Hon^{ble}. S^r. & S^{rs}.
Y^r. very hum : Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE
20TH. AUGST. 1723.

N^{LL}. ELWICK.
N^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^p. BENYON.
JN^o. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
Jos : HOUGHTON.

N^o. 42

TO CAP^t. EDW^p. WILLIAMSON

COMM^R. OF SHIP BRIDGWATER.

S^r.

Y^r. are hereby Directed [to rep]air on board Y^r. Ship and wth. y^e. first Opportunity of y^e. Wind and Weather sett sail for y^e. port [of] Calcutta in Bengall where when arrived y^e. are to Deliver y^e. packet now given You to Hon^{ble}. Jn^o. Deane Esq^r. Presid^t. and Govern^r. & C^t. Councill there to whom You go Consign'd and whose Orders you are to follow for your future proceedings. We wish you a happy and safe passage and Date this in Fort St. George this 21st. of August 1723.

N^{LL}. ELWICK.
N^{LL} TURNER.
RICH^p. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
Jos : HOUGHTON.

N^o. 43

To THE HON^{BLE}. JN^o. DEANE Esq^r.

PRESID^T. AND GOV^R. &C^t. COUNCILL OF FORT WILLIAM.

HON^{BLE}. S^R. & S

We by y^e. Mary advis'd You of the alteration which Our Hon^{ble}. Masters has been pleased to make in y^e. Essex's voyage Copy of w^{ch}. Latter we sent by y^e. Bridgewater. We also have by this Ship already sent You y^e. packets rec^d. from England for Y^r. Presidency y^e. Pres^t. therefore is only to give You Our thoughts relating to y^e. Dispatch of y^e. this Years Ships lying in our hands.

The Sarum Our Hon^{ble}. Masters have positively Ordered a Country Voyage and add that if we cannot Dispatch all y^e. rest we are permitted to take up another on Our own acco^{ts}. or else are to send her on theirs. The very bad success at Surat &c^t. last Year makes it very improbable not to Say impossible that we should pay the Demorage of any of their ships without Loosing Considerable especially Since by y^e. latest Advices y^e. Surat market is stocked for 4 Years which must considerably influence y^e. freight for this season and y^e. same reason holds why our Masters should not send her as for our not doing it. We are therefore of Opinion that if there appears any probability of dispatching y^e. ships it is better to endeavour that than to send a second Ship a freight Voyage.

The Carnarvon & Cardigan we shall send away in Octob^r. as you have rec^d. 1500 bales from this settlement we suppose You will send hope 3 of y^e. 4 now with You so that what more we shall have will be One Large Ship from Yo^r. port y^e. Essex w^{ch}. is yet expected y^e. Walpole from China and another of y^e. Ships this Year sent out thither for y^e. loading of which we expect 1200 bales from Yo^r [*sic*] as we before write Y^r. Hon^r. &c^t. and about 1000 Chests of Tea from China the four ships we Calculate will take in 4800 bales besides y^e. Tea of which We all along proposed to have ready here 3400 To make up y^e. remainder we shall use our utmost Diligence & stir up our Merchants washers &c^t. to furnish us and if you could do any thing more than We have already wrote You we need not fear being Capacitated to Send ships home add to which that it is not improbable y^t. the Gentlemen in China have our Masters Interest so much at heart as to send no ship here this season since y^e. Walpole must come. If so we shall be in no fear of Loading home our whole tonnage but as we must provide against all exigencies We thôt it our Duty to give Your Hon^r. &c^t. Our Opinions by this Ship that you a [*sic*] may take Y^r. measures accordingly.

Y^e. have our Demand for saltpetre which we earnestly press you to observe since if we have not an early & very large supply We shall not be able to send in ship home.

FORT ST. GEOR^e.

24TH. AUGST. 1723.

We are

Hon^{ble}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Y^r. very humble serv^{ts}.

NATH^l. ELWICK.

NATH^l. TURNER.

RICH^d. BENYON.

JOHN EMMERSON.

RANDALL FOWKE.

JAMES HUBBARD.

GEORGE DRAKE.

JOS: HOUGHTON.

No. 44

TO THE WORSH^t. JOS: WALSH ESQ^r.

DEPUTY GOV^r. OF FORT MARLBOROUGH & C^a. COUNCIL.

WORSH^t. S^r. & C^a.

We have received Y^r. Letter of y^e. 28th. Febr'y. by the George Brig^t. and Duplic^e. by y^e. Lethulier from Bengall advising of the Death of M^r. Thomas Dunster Our Deputy Gov^r. and your proceeding Since also another Letter of the 20 June by the Perry Brig^t. w^{ch}. y^e. several papers and accounts containd in the respective packets to all w^{ch}. shall now reply after acquainting that we have thought fit on the Occasion of M^r. Dunsters Death to Constitute M^r. Joseph Walsh Deputy Gov^r. who by the Companys appointment in their Letters by Ships Dartmouth and Addison & the Orders from hence by the Metchlypatam is Superiour to any now at Your Place and have given him a Commission for that purpose to w^{ch}. we Expect You'l Yeild due Obedience.

1ST. AS TO SHIPPING.

We observe what you write by the Geo^r. Brig^t. about your sending that Vessel twice to Moco Moco with Wares and stores and her bringing back materials and Pepper from thence also the Good fellows making two Tripps thither as mention'd in your Letter by the Perry w^{ch}. was well done you must always take care to keep what Companys Vessels you have by you in constant employment and give them Credit for each trip proportionable to what they carry or bring back to ease them in some measure of y^e. great charge they stand the Company in.

We are sorry to hear of the ill success of the expedition to Manna after the five promises made by y^e. Pangarans and Others there however you must use your endeavours to recover the hund^d. Dollars but Pangaran Munco Broomy on that Occasion.

We can by no means allow of the excuses you make for not dispatching the Lethulier sooner for had nothing been Sent abroad till M^r. Dean's arrival from Moco Moco there was Surely time enough then to have sent her away by the end of December since for the quicker Dispatch you yourselves alledge the pepper was sent on board un Garbled the want of Boats could not be so great as you Complain Since we find in your Consultation of the 13th. September a new One bought for 100 Dollars and the Comp^a. had one before which two would have been Sufficient to have carried on board all the pepper in twelve days had no others been to be got which we can hardly believe.

We dont understand Your giving those extravagant orders to the Cap^t. of the Lethulier to make Acheen head before he put off the Coast by which that Ship lost her passage hither and the Company will pay several months Demorage more than they needed otherwise to have done.

This directing the Cap^t. how they shall steir their Course and not leaving them to make y^e. best of their way to the Port they are bound to so new a Precedent that we dont know but the Company may make the author of it pay for their projects by oblidging them to reimburse them what they shall suffer on that Occasion.

We order you to send back the Good fellow as soon as possibly you can after the arrival of the Yongh Derby.

We expect to hear the Companys determination about the Queen by the other Shipping design'd here y^s. year so we shall Defer saying any thing about her at present.

2^{DLY}. AS FOR GOODS FROM EUROPE OR FORT ST. GEO^r.

What Treasure Wares and Stores we now send you the inclos'd Invoice and bill of Lading will shew w^{ch}. you must be as frugal of as possible.

We cannot conveniently send you any Madera Wine by this Vessel but we wont fail You by the George Brigantine which we believe will be sent you in Sep^r. or Oct^r. till which you must be Contented to receive Mony in Leiu of your allowance

of Wine at the rates Settled by M^r. Hubbard the same we say as to the arrack which though it may be Sometimes dearer than 36 Dollars Φ Leagner we believe is often cheaper and we cant agree to give the General Liberty you desire least it may be some time or other carried to an extravagant height.

3^{DLY}. CONCERNING INVESTMENTS.

We observe the Quantity of pepper sent on Board the Lethulier and George Brig^t. and cant be surpriz'd to find how far that from the Northern settlement fall short of what had been Often promis[sed] and cant think the reasons you give for it in your [Consul]tation of the 3^d. of Dec^r. to be Satisfactory.

You must use Y^r. utmost en[deav]ours to encrease Y^r. Pepper Plantations and press the Pangarans and Dattues to look better after them especially Old Pangaran Uorrgch Eatain in whose Country we find by your Survey entred in Consultation of the 29th. of Octo^r. no More than 55½ Bahoor of Pepper.

The Dupattys belonging to Pangaran Jantinely made an agreement in Aprill 1722 to plant 50000 new trees in that Country or otherwise to be fin'd which you must take care to see performd.

4^{THLY}. AS TO TRADE IN GENERAL AND ALL TRANSACTION WTH. THE COUNTRY GOVERN^t.

The Companys Orders by the Lethieulier relating to Moco Moco you must Comply with and keep only a Cheif or Resident and such Other persons there as are Necessary to receive the pepper and maintain the Settlement and Let no new buildings be Erected only the Old ones or such part of them as are really Necessary be kept from running to ruin.

We find you have made See Gibb Cap^t. of the Chinamen which if you think of any real Service we dont disapprove of but we will not on that account allow only pay from the Company We observe You have sett about making Sugar and arrack which we cant tell what to say to till we See See Gibbs proposals w^{ch}. you say you sent us in the paquetts but was not received. We woud not have this discouraged but can only at present direct that you make us few advances of money as possible which you are to take care are fairly laid out and that you transmitt a full State of what has been done in that matter by the first Opportunity. We shall send the Mills and other things if we can procure by y^e. George Brig^t.

We are glad to hear the Country is in peace all about you and by the death of Dupatty Benteering and Pangaran Jantinely we hope it will Continue so by means of which we believe you may reduce the Number of Buggeses in pay at your Place Sillabar Cattawa or other parts of the Coast w^{ch}. we must recommend to you to do if it can be with Safety as a very acceptable peice of Service to y^e. Company.

We can't but take notice of w^t. you desire toward y^e. Close of y^r. Letter by y^e. Perry as to Excludeing all except Covenanted Servants from a Liberty of Trade which is so directly contrary to the Establish'd Laws of the Company in all their Settlements that we can by no means approve of it but Order that all at your place have a free and Equall Liberty.

5^{THLY}. TOUCHING FORTIFICATION BUILDING & REVENUES.

We have received Y^r. plan of Fortifications but dont approve of Yo^r. method in raising One part to the full height and leaving the foundation [of] the others only laid for what remains to be done let it be carried on in all places alike.

You must endeavour to advance the arrack and Ophium Licence as much as possible being the only revenue the Company have and we think there was very Little reason for the reduction M^r. Wilford made on account of a Chest of Ophium stole and sold privately among the Mallays since that is much the least part of the Licence We find you have Since lett it for 302 Dollars Φ month and doubt not but with care it may rather be rais'd higher than ever lower'd.

6THLY. TOUCHING FACTORS, WRITERS, OFFICERS & SOLDIERS AND THEIR
ACCOUNTS.

We are Sorry to find there was such a Dificieny in Cash on Mr. Dunster's decease and are the more Surpriz'd it should be so Large when the Ballance of the Cash the end of Sept^r. but a little above a month before he died was no more than Dollars 7550. — 89 We hope [the] necessary Ca[ution] was taken that none was [em]bezled before it was received by y^e. succeeding Duputy Gov^r. but it gives room for a suspicion to find y^r. Consultation of the 14 of Nov^r. where notices is taken of the Def[en]d[ant] to be Sign'd by no body and a Blank left for the Sume that was wanting as if you had not been then certain how much it was We direct that you do enquire and advise us in what manner and in whose presence the Cash was examind and what care was taken to Secure the Treasury from Mr. Dunsters decease till the Delivery over of the Cash to Mr. Wilford The goods y^e. have seiz'd for payment of Mr. Dunsters debt you must take care to dispose of so that the Company may be no Loosers and no keep them to lye and spoil in the Godown.

Having already acquainted you that we have appointed Mr. Joseph Walsh to be Deputy Govern^r. we do now order Mr. Lewis Deane to be Second and paymaster Mr. Edw^d. Bugden 3^d. Mr. Wilford 4th. Mr. Wheake 5th. Mr. Blackall 6th. to be stationed in the manner you think most proper. We order Mr. David Carnegie in Case of Mortality to succeed in Council. We have appointed the following persons that come by this Brigantine Mr. David Welsh Mr. Savage Mr. Fortheringham Mr. Williams Mr. Hope Mr. Seawell Mr. Brown and Mr. James Bodkin at Y^r. Place Factors so that you have no Occasion to Complain for want of writing assistants and we expect Y^r. Consultations monthly acc^{ts}. be duely sent by every Conveyance for the neglect of w^{ch}. we shall be unwill^g. to admit of any excuse for the future we order upon the arrival of the Vessel all monthly writers to be immediately discharged.

The Deficiency in the weight of the pepper bought by Mr. Shelley is so very great y^t. we never can allow it to be wrote off we have Consider'd the representation, deliverd in by him in Y^r. Consultation of the 4th. of June 1722 w^{ch}. only sett's forth that the Godown had formerly been robbd of Iron Mongers Wares but unless he can make it clear by Good and Sufficient Proof that it was broke open whilst the pepper was in it and that he gave proper Notices of it We think it but reasonable and accordingly do Order that he make Good the Deficiency.

Upon Observing what you wrote about y^e. inequality of Y^r. two Surgeons employs We order that they take charge of the Hospitall by turns each his month and we hope you'l take care to oversee them that they do not make a perquisite out of the Company or Sick people which we have the more season (*sic*) to mention as we find by Y^r. paymasters accounts the charges of the Hospital are much Larger than Usual.

You tells us of a gross abuse offer'd Mr. Wheake by Mr. Moore one of your Surgeons but Mr. Wheakes complaint being order'd to be enterd in your Letter Book received and that Book you Sent us not being brought up so far as till the time of the accident We cant tell what Censure to pass upon it not knowing what the abuse was.

We approve of Y^r. making Gabriel Stewart an Ensign for the reasons you mention We Send by the Brigantine One Ensign a Corporal 5 Europeans and One Topaz Centinells and have advanced them three months pay which you must take care to receive back. We have also advanced Pag^a. 32 to Rob^t. Keinsard being three months' pay when we have enterd as a Carpenter at 16 Dollars q^r month which must also be Stop'd out of his growing pay upon the Complaint you make about the [. . .] have examind the Lieutenants who have [. . .] appear to us that they sent over none but proper [. . .] both as to age and action. We have Seen the [Old]man you have return'd and he appears to us to be a very active [man] and would We believe have been of very good Service had you kept him with you.

We find in [the] paymasters account for Febry. Dollars 80 and for March Dollars 40 [. . .] for Mr. Thewins extraordinary Charges whilst the Deputy Govr. was at Sillebar which ought to be return'd either [by] Mr. Shewin or Mr. Deane the Diet allowances being by ye Companys Order to be rekond in full for all Disbursements. that Head & nothing more to be added on any p[re]tence w^t. ever. In Y^r. paymasters account for December You pay Dollars 198 for provisions extraordinary for the use of the Companys Servants in their Passage [on the] Perry. Whereas we find provisions Laid in here for that purpose to the amount of Pag^s. 294. 10. 72 which was fully Sufficient therefore we order that you receive back of those that are now at Yo^r. Place the Sums mention'd in that account to have been p^d. them.

We must put you in mind to observe the Directions given in Our Letter by Y^e. George Brigantine as well as in almost all the Late Letters from England concerning making presents as Seldom as possible and always in the Companys Cloth paying Wages to the Cooleys & Buggeses and for Materials in Money only and not Cloth as has been often done formerly thô always Condemnd by the Company We hope no Such practices have again got footing there and trust that you the present Deputy Govern^r. and Councill will neither be guilty of any such things Y^r. Selves nor suffer them to be done by others.

7th. TOUCHING ACCOUNTS.

We received Y^r. Papers and accounts mention'd in Y^r. packets by y^e. George Brig^t. & Perry and shall expect by y^e. Goodfellow 2 Setts of all papers and Yo^r. General Books ballanc'd as you promise.

In bringing the remains into the Stock of Y^r. General Books you must lett the Buildings Since Mr. Hubbards arrival which you have by you and for what Paymasters acc^{ts}. w^{ch}. you have by you and what built by Mr. Pyke you most value them as near as you can judge them to have cost if you cannot have the amount of them from his accounts we shall send the Ballance of One p^r. of Our Books here and Months Journal parcells for y^r. Directions by y^e. George Brigantine they not being ready to go now.

The small lost in the Weight of the Silver sent by the Perry Brig^t. must be owing to Some fault in Y^r. Scales for it was weighd here before it was sent off and it was exactly right.

We received by the George Brigantine 116 Piggs of Lead Pz. [*lacuna*] and 404 Bahars 10 p^s. of Iron Pz. 133. 3 more than what mention'd in your Invoice for which we have given you Credit the excuse you make for not advising of the weight or Quantity of what more was on board than was Invoiced by Saying that none of the Companys Servants remaining then with You knew of its being Sent off appears to be a false one since both Mr. Wilford and Mr. Wheake were then there who were the only storekeep^{rs}. Since the Georges arrival and by One of whom it must have been Sent off and ought to have been weigh'd.

We have paid your bills of Exchange to the amount of Pag^s. 22209. 33.-of which there was One for pagodas 1500 One for Pagodas 1000 and one for 600 payable all to Mr. Carnegies order that you were advis'd us of in Y^r. Letter but finding them to be reg[ul]arly Signd by you all we have [pd . . .] One Bill for 1600 pagodas [. . .] Order which we have not seen [. . .] Drawn at all for which carelessness [...] Sec^{ry}. is very much to be blam'd.

We have admitted [...]li to go over by this Brig^t. to whom you are [...] allowance of Dollars 13. 2. 25 ¼ M [...] believe he will be of Service there to keep [...] easy and incline more to go over.

We have advanced Mr. [...] Pag^s. 33. 12 being half a years Salary for [...] find his receipt in the packet.

M^r. Carnegies petition Desir[ing] Salary to be allow'd him from the time he [...] We have granted upon [...] of his [having] been very Serviceable in Our accountants off [...] but we will not have [it] brought into [acco^t.].

FORT ST. GEORGE
26 AUGst. 1723.

We are
Wors^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.
Yo^r. affectionate Friends & Serv^{ts}.

N^{ll}. ELWICK.
N^{ll}. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

P.S.

The ballance of Our Books and one Journal Parcells We have deliverd the Deputy Gov^r. to bring over with him for Y^r. Government in framing a Sett of Books according to Our method and as We have Sent you by this Conveyance so able a sett of Writings assistants We expect Y^r. Compliance without any excuse.

[...] POSTSCRIPT.

We have Since writing the [above] advaced [*sic*] M^r. Robert Sewell Six Months Salary as £ his receipt which comes in the Packet.

We Send you three Criminals for [...] w^{ch}. you are to give us Credit for 240 Dollars.

Zachariah Bradley who goes over to your Fort in quality of a Corporal has agreed that this Wife shall receive One pag. £ Month of his pay You are therefore to Observe that Y^r. paymaster stop[s so] much out of his pay with you.

N^o. 45

NATHANIEL ELWICK ESQ^r. PRESID^t. FOR ALL AFFAIRS OF THE HON^{ble}. UNITED COMPANY OF MERCHANTS OF ENGLAND TRADING TO THE EAST INDIES ON THE COAST OF CHOROMANDEL & OXIA IN THE CHINGY AND MORATTA COUNTRIES & ON THE WEST COAST OF SUMATRA GOV^r. OF FORT ST. GEORGE & ST. DAVID & C^t. COUNCIL TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME GREETING.

Know Y^e. that by Virtue of a Power Give [*sic*] us by [the] Hon^{ble}. the Court of Directors for affairs of the [Hon^{ble}. United] Company of Merchants of England trading to the East Indies We reposing Special trust and Confidence in the Fidelity Prudence Justice and Circumpection of Joseph Walsh Esq^r. have made constituted and ordain'd and by these Presents do make constitute and Ordain the [said] Joseph Walsh to be Deputy of and For all affairs of the s^d. Hon^{ble}. English Company on the West Coast of SUMATRA as also Of all the Forts and Settlements upon the s^d. Coast and Commander in Chief of all the Forces that now are or hereafter may or shall be employd for the Service of the s^d. United Company upon the s^d. Coast and to Execute all and Every the Powers and authoritys thereunto appertaining by order and Direction of the Court of Directors of the s^d. United Company for the time being, and b[y] Such orders and Directions as [shall be received from y^e.] Gov^r. and Councill of this Place [for the time being and to] continue in the Exercise of the [same during our pleasure] and till the Contrary shall be Signified [under our] hands and the Companys Seal AND [...] the s^d. Joseph Walsh may be better [enabled to] Manage all the Companys affairs [on the said West Coast] Wee do by these presents con[s]titute and [ordain M^r.] Lewis Deane to be second of the Councill of [...] M^r. Edmund Bugden to be third M^r. Thom[as] to be fourth, M^r. Philip Hush [am] Wheake [fifth] [M^r. Thomas Blakall to be Sixth & Last [of the] Councill and We do hereby Give and Grant u[n]to the Said Deputy Govern^r. and to the Council aforesaid the Major part of them whereof the Deputy Govern^r. [to] be always one, the whole Council being duly [supplied with] full power and authority from time to time to [rule and] Govern all.

Factors and Servants under their [jurisdiction] as also all Soldiers and Inhabitants of Marlborough and its Dependances to administer lawfull [oaths] as Occasion shall require and to perform [all such] Other Acts and things and to use and exercise [all] Such Other powers and authoritys as their predecessors have been authoriz'd to do according to their Intructions & Directions formerly rec^d. from the s^d. Court of Directors of the s^d. United Company and We the Gov^r. and Councill Of Fort St. George do hereby order all Factors Serv^{ts}. Officers & Soldiers within the Limits of the West Coast and all the People and Inhabitants of Marlbrô Fort Moco Moco &c^r. Colonies to conform submit and yeild due Obedience unto the s^d. Joseph Walsh Esq^r. our Deputy Gov^r. and his Councill accordingly and in case of the Death or Removal of the s^d. Joseph Walsh we direct that the next in degree of Councill shall Succeed in the s^d. Government in as full and ample manner and with as Large and ample powers privileges and authorities as are hereby Granted unto y^e. S^d. Joseph Walsh, untill Our further pleasure be [known] therein AND we do by Virtue of the power [grant]ed us, hereby revoke repeal annul and make [...] all former Commissions given and granted from this Place IN WITNESS whereof we have Caused the Common Seal of the said Company [to] be affixed to these Presents whereunto we have sett Our Hands in Fort St. George This [lacuna] day of August in the 10th. Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith, and in the Year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred and Twenty three.

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICHⁿ. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 46

TO CAP^t. STEWART COMM^r.
OF THE YOUNG DERBY BRIGⁿ.

S^a.

Y^e. are hereby orderd to repair on board Y^r. Vessel and so Soon as [the] Deputy Gov^r. and y^e. rest of the Gentlemen now going to Fort Marlbrô are on board you are to make the best of Y^r. way for y^e. said Fort Marlbrô and on Yo^r. Arrival there you are to Obey all such orders as you shall receive from the Deputy Govern^r. and Councill there for Y^r. future proceedings we wish you a prosperous Voyage and Date them in Fort St. George this 27 day of August 1723.

NATH^l. ELWICK.
[NATH^l. TURNER].
[RICHⁿ. BENYON].
JOH[N EMMERSON].
RA[NDALL FOWKE].
JAME[S HUBBARD].
GEORGE [DRAKE].
JOSEPH [HOUGHTON].

N^o. 47

TO JN^o. BLUNT ESQ^r.

S^a.

Upon M^r. Faucet's Death [we have] thôt fit to appoint you to be Resid^t. of Ingeram [and] accordingly put on board y^e. Ingeram Merchant [...] and Madrass pagodas and [...] Wares and [stores] as £ y^e. Invoice herewith Deliverd [you] You [are] therefore to repair to y^e. s^d. Place with all Convenient [...] Yo^r. arrival there you are to take Charge of [all] effects now Lying und^r. y^e. Care of M^r. Humphrey Holcombe and Corporal Waston and advise us as Soon as May be in what Condition You find' em.

You are to proceed in y^e. Investment in y^e. manner which M^r. Faucet had been directed from us and be sure to let us have y^e. goods You provide early enough to go home y^e. Same Season avoid as much as possible making presents and be frugal in all Other affairs und^r. Your Direction. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
28 AUGUST 1723.

Y^r. Friends and Servants

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND : FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 48

[To M^r.] HUMPHREY HOLCOMBE
INGERAM OR METCHLEP^m.

S^a.

We have Lying before us Yours of the 17th. Jan^{ry}. 25th. March 9th. June 5th. July 15th. Decemb^r. and 3^d. August inclosing your Months accots as for as June [and] shall now reply to them in order viz^t.

We rec^d. Your 12 Mo^s. accots and approve [of wha]t you have done with respect to y^e. exchanging y^e. Pagodas. We have also allow'd of the 17 pagodas changed [y^e.] flag you made.

In y^e. next We Observe Your promise [of being] frugal & carefull in y^e. Management of your [.....] y^e. repairs of y^e. Factory which we expect y^e. [...] ance of Since you say y^e. newotiling will cost not above 10 Pagod we allow it to be done but must again repeat to you to be at no unnecessary charge at Matchlepatam since 'tis all so much dead Loss to our Hon^{ble}. Masters.

By this Vessel M^r. Benyon will send you 500 pagodas according to your request as to y^e. 200 p^s. We can by no means allow You to Lay it out and Since you have convenient lodgings for your Self We will have no more done to y^e. House except securing the materials &c^t. which you may have by you from being embezled and spoild.

That of y^e. 3^d. July is in part answerd by our order to you to repair for Ingerum that part it relating to the Slave boy we have observed and Our President has wrote to Cojee Gee about it.

We observe by the (*sic*) of the 13th. July M^r. Faucet's Death and by y^t. of the 3^d. August Y^r. Design of going to Ingeram wth. Two others to attend you to [wth.] We have only to reply that We have appointed M^r. Blunt to go down thither who will take charge of the [Comp^ys] affairs there and Deliver you [.....]tiond to go in this Vessel. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
28th. AUGUST 1723.

Y^r. [Friends and Servants]

[NATH^l. ELWICK].
[NATH^l. TURNER].
[RICH^d. BENYON].
[JOHN EMMERSON].
[RAND : FOWKE].
[JAMES HUBBARD].
[GEORGE DRAKE].
[JOSEPH HOUGHTON].

N^o. 49

TO THE HON^{BLE}. W^m. PHIPS ESQ^R.
PRES^T. & GOV^R. & C^A. COUNCIL OF BOMBAY.
HON^{BLE}. S^R. & S^{RS}.

We have now Lying before us Yo^r. favours of y^e. 22^d. March 21st. April & 15th. May Last & are sorry to Observe y^e. Difficulties and Disappointments our Hon^{ble}. Masters affairs have met wth. both wth. respect to the relaidg. [*sic*] of the ships and the troubles in Persia & c^a. mentiond in the 1st. of these. The Stanhope has been gone from hence some Time & now Lies at Fort S^t. Davids as doth M^r. Matthews in the Lyon with the Shoreham. The Salisbury is here & when she will be gone is not Publickly know. [*sic*] M^{rs}. Gyfford has Demandd y^e. Olas & c^t. belonging to her Husband there we have Detaind on y^e. advices from [...] go and Your place that he was indebted to y^e. Company [...] which we thôt fit to deny her till Yo^r. Hon^r. [...] Let us know we might Deliver them up to her.

Yo^r. of the 21st. desires us to seize the abovementiond Olas & Transmit them to Anjengo by y^e. first safe Conveyance We had before red a Letter to y^e. same effect from Anjengo but as we thot it unsafe to send y^e. Originals without y^e. Consent of y^e. Widow we are out attested Copies and sent thither by which we believe they [...] fully empowered to act.

That of the 15th. May gives us a miserable acc^t. of the affairs of Persia for w^{ch}. we are heartily sorry since y^t. branch of Our Hon^{ble}. Masters trade must be inevitably Lost if that Govern^{mt}. be not shortly Settled in peace of which we see the little likelihood if y^e. czar & Turk do not leave it.

We are now to advise Y^r. Hon^r. & c^t. [of the 2^d.] of Jan^{ry}. Last upon application made by [Sunca Ra]mah One of Our Companys merchants here Our Pres^t. wrote to M^r. Midford of Anjengo to desire he would release a boat belonging to the s^d. Sunca Ramah [if] had [been] seized by him und^r. pretence of being part of y^e. effects of One Colun Columbo Noise.

Whereas it did actually belong to the Our Merchant and was y^e. 9th. y^t. he had sent the same tract M^r. Midfords death prevailed his making any reply to that Letter and M^r. Orme who succeeded we were informd would not detain the Vessel provided y^e. Govern^r. and Council of Fort S^t. George wrote about it We accordingly did so Our Letter bore date y^e. 5th. April Last and We have rec^d. no answer to it but by Sunca Ramah's advices M^r. Orme now says he must have directions about it from Bombay. We therefore apply to Y^r. Hon^r. & c^t. in behalf of y^e. s^d. merchant who is a fair open trader and ought not to be liable to such Disappointments.

FORT S^t. GEORGE
29th. AUGst. 1723.

We are
HON^{BLE}. [S^R. & S^{RS}.]
[Y^r. friends & servants]

NA^[TH^L. ELWICK].
NA^[TH^L. TURNER].
RICHⁿ. [BENYON]
J^[OHN EMMERSON].
RANDALL [FOWKE].
JAMES HUB[BARD].
GEORGE DRAK[E].
[JOSEPH HOUGHTON].

N^o. 50

TO ROB^t. SYMONDS ESQ^R.
CHIEF & C^t. COUNCILL OF VIZAGAPATAM.
WORSH^L. S^R. & C^A.

Since Our Last we have Received Yours of 6th. Ul^{mo}. inclosing Y^r. Consultations and Generall Books & c^a. acc^t. which shall be Examⁿ'd.

We Observe w^t. you say relating to [*lacuna*] you Cloth w^{ch}. being directly contrary to the Orders rec^d fm us in Ours of y^e. 3^d. Ulti^{mo}. is not a little surprizing. We now again Order you to follow y^e. Direction their given and

only to whiten the Cloth you send us that we may inspect it and see you put up none [but] what is good. We have sent you a Large Supply of Cash this Season which will enable you to make y^e. [. . .] Investments and do you Take care to Encrease [the] number of washers as Much as possible a means [. . .] what will be to use no Oppression to 'em among [. . .] shall &c. do Esteem the Obliging them to take goods [of] any kind instead of Money for their Labour which we [. . .] forbid and do Positively tell you We expect you [to] supply wth. and this not only with respect to washers [all] our Servants wether peons Coolys or any other [. . . b]ounds. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
[Lacuna] 1723.

WORSH^L. S^r. AND S^{rs}.
Y^r. friends and Servants

NATH^L. ELWICK.
NATH^L. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 51

TO THO^s. MATTHEWS ESQ^r.

S^r.

We are favour'd with yours of the 28 Ult^{mo}. advising us of your resolution to Dispatch his Majestys Ship Salisbury for Europe by y^e. 20th. Instant and offering her for a Convoy to such of Our Hon^{ble}. Masters Ships as shall be ready and desire it which will we doubt not be kindly acknowledged by 'em as well as y^e. great Service you done both them and us By driving the Pyrates out of India and Securing Our trade free from y^e. Interruptions it would otherwise been Liable to by their Incursions.

Captain Hambly Comman[der] of y^e. Cardigan tells us he Cannot be ready [to Sail] [bef]ore the 25. We have told him he will [. . .] of y^e. Salisbury's Convoy if he [. . .] which we did with a view [. . .] Business but doubt not [. . .] with relation to y^e. Ships Depa[rture] . . .] very Small Importance when [. . .] ble a Peice of Service is depen[. . .] therefore beg you not to Let hi[m] . . .] go without the Cardigon[. . .] her ready y^e. 25^{tho} we [. . .] be able to get it done by y^e. time you [. . .]self.

FORT ST. GEORGE.
[Lacuna] 1723.

NATH^L. [ELWICK].
NAT^L. [TURNER].
[RICH^d. BENYON].
JOHN [EMMERSON].
RAN[DALL FOWKE].
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 52

TO THE WORSH^L. W^m. JENNING ESQ^r.

DEPUTY GOVERN^r. & C^a. COUNCILL OF FORT ST. DAVIDS.

WORSH^L. S^r. & S^{rs}.

We have yours of the 13th. 26th. and 28 Ult^{mo}. the first advising the arrival of the Carnarvon Lyon and Shor[eh]am and in your 2^d. We Observe you had Taken out the Treasure and Stores On board her for y^e. and Promise to send us Copies of your General Books w^{ch}. accompany'd the former So soon as they Could be finished you also acquaint us of the death of M^r. Jn^s. Berlue and y^t. [he had] appointed his Wife sole Executrix the [. . .] P^pRamah sloop and cover to Invoice and Bill

of Lading for 70 ba^s. w^{ch}. are safe arr^d. and advising the Carnarvon wou^d. be ready to [be] turned up in few days.

We have tho^t. fitt to appoint M^r. Richard Gillman Seventh of Council to fill up the [vacancy] Occasion'd by M^r. Berlus Decease and [in his place] M^r. Burton to be Second accountant and [Ware] housekeeper M^r. Holcombe 3 and Paymaster and the rest to be stationed as usual. We have Taken notice of M^r. Grahams Diligence and shall find an Oppty. to reward him accordingly. We shall send you down Two writing assistants & are

Worsh^{ls}. S^{rs}. and S^{rs}.
Y^r. affect^{le}. friends and Serv^{ts}.

FORT S^t. GEORGE
[Lacuna] 1723.

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^p. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
[JAMES] HUBBARD.
[GEORGE] DRAKE.
[JOSEPH] HOUGHTON.

N^o. 53

TO THE HON^{ble}. JOHN DEANE ESQ^r.
PRESI^t. & GOV^r. & C^a. COUNCILL OF FORT WILLIAM.
HON^{ble}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

The preceeding is w^t. we took y^e. Opportunity of writing You by y^e. Mocha galley since which the Essex Captain Sommers is arrived with us which Ship we should have dispatchd in C^o. with y^e. Carnarvon and Cardigon could we have procured any quintelege goods for her here, But as we were not able to get any and Observe her demorage does not Commence Till the 6th. Jan^{ry}. as Φ her Charterparty Inclosed You will appear [much] Reso^lved to Send her down to you in [Order to . . .] Better Opportunity of Sending [. . .] of Wares and Stores which we [. . .] anded & the bales we Expect [. . .] write you in the Preceeding [. . .] would you should Dispatch H [. . .] from your port you would have [. . .] us up all We have Indent [. . .] Smael Matter y^e. George [. . .] to Take in what that Ship [. . .] have come up upon freight We have [. . .] you down the Essex which will give you [Oppor]tunity of a Second Ship to this Port and [. . .] Hon^{ble}. Masters to no Charge Since her Demorage [. . .] have above said will not commence till y^e. 6th.

You wrote us in the Beginning of the Season that you hoped [to . . .] y^e. shipping [. . .] year a very early Dispatch [. . .] are [. . .] You have Stores enough [. . .] Procurable We cannot [doubt of having You] [. . .] You design hither again ret^urn'd us so as [. . .] time in December by which means We shall [. . .] to give them an early dispatch for Europe.

Inclosed you will receive a packet from Our Hon^{ble}. Masters One from S^t. Helena & a List of ships Importing and exporting there. We are

FORT S^t. GEORGE
12th. SEP^r. 1723.

HON^{ble} S^r. & S^{rs}.
Y^r. very hum^{ble}. Serv^{ts}.

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^p. BENYON.
Jⁿ^o. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 54[To CAP^t.] SOMMERS^r.

You are hereby directed to Repair on Board Your Ship and so soon as wind and Weather will permit to set Sail for Fort William in Bengall. We herewith give you a Packet w^{ch}. on your arrival at that Port you are to Deliver as Directed to the Hon^{ble} Jn^o. Deane Esq^r. President and Gov^r & c^t. Council there to whom your Ship [sail'd] and you are to follow all such Orders as you shall rec^d. from them for your future proceedings we wish you safe [voyage and] Date this in Fort St. George this 12th. day of Sep^r. [1723].

NATH^t. ELWICK.
NATH^t. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 55To THO^s. MATTHEWS Esq^r.S^r.

We have yours of y^e. [lacuna] Instant and observe You desire we will press y^e. Commander of the Cardigan to be ready by y^e. time Limited but the unhappy accident y^t. Has attended y^e. Samuel On board of which Ship her Water Casks and part of her Provision & Stores had for Conveniency been sent has made it almost impossible for her to ready so soon as y^e. 25th. We are no ways apprehensive of any bad Weather in this Month and shall not without unavoidable necessity detain y^e. ship one moment we this day in Consultation told Captain Hambly y^e. Commander y^t. he must be ready by y^e. 25^h. but we are very Certain y^t. he cant do his business so soon and we hope 48 hours will not breake [. . .] if so [. . .] weather there atens [sic] to make you uneasy.

FORT ST. GEORGE
SEP^r. 18th. 1723.

[NATH^t. ELWICK].
NATH [TURNER].
RICH^d. BENYON].
J[N^o. EMMERSON].
RAND : FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOS^{ph}. HOUGHTON.

N^o. 56To THE WORSH^l. W^m. JENNINGS Esq^r.DEPUTY GOVERN^r. & c^t. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.WORSH^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.

We have two [letters from] you the former bearing Date y^e. 9th. y^e. other y^e. [12th] Inst^t. In answer We have d[uly] credited you Pag^s. 6228. 28. 28 for y^e. goods Laden on y^e. Carnarvon at Y^r. Settlement.

We have rec^d. your accot. Cash and Merchan^{ty}. acco^{ts}. an^d we h[ave] accordingly p^d. [. . .] p^d. [lacuna] for which you must [give] us Credit.

We formerly inclosed you a parag of a Letter recd from our Hon^{ble}. Masters by the Early Ships relating to y^e. badness of y^e. F^t. S^t. Davids Cloth and we now send you Copies of what they writes by the Latter Ships more Immediately respect^g. y^r. Settlement. They are 3 paragraphs about the 3 Cheif branches of their affairs y^e. Invetm^t. Expence & Revenues at Fort S^t. David and we must therefore earnestly press you to have due regard thereto. We are

FORT S^t. GEORGE
[Lacuna] 1723.

WORS^h. S^r. & S^{rs}.
Yo^r. affect^{io}. friends & Serv^{ts}.

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND: FOWKE.
JAM^{es}. HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

[No. 57]

[TO THE HON^{BLE}.] W^m. PHIPS ESQ^r.
[GOVERN^R.] & C^t. COUNCIL OT [BOMBAY].

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

Our Europe Ships having brot us a supply of Madeira Wine we thought fit must be acceptable to you to have a share thereof [. . .] only for which reason not being able to get a better [Conveyance]. We have agreed with Cojee Ovanes master [of an Arme]nian Ship now bound to Surat and have [Laden on her] thirty pipes consign'd to the Cheif and [Councill] there.. The amount as ^{is} the inclosed [Invoice we] have debted your presidency for.

Our Honble Masters Ships Carnarvon [and Cardigan] sail'd hence the 6th. Inst^t. for Europe [as did y^e]. Salisbury from F^t. S^t. David y^e. 29th. Sep^r.

FORT S^t. GEORGE
10th. Oct^r. 1723.

[We are]
HON^{BLE}. S^r. & S^{rs}.
Y^r. most hum^{ble}. Serv^{ts}.

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JN^o. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 58

TO JOHN HOPE ESQ^r.
CHEIF & C^t. COUNCILL OF SURAT.

GENTLEMEN

Inclos'd we send you Bill of Lading for thirty pipes of Medeira Wine Laden on board y^e. Salamany Cojee Ovanes Master for acco^t. Our Honble masters design'd for Bombay but not finding any Conveyance we were obliged to send them up to you. We desire you to forward y^e. inclosed for that Presidency and follow their Directions for y^e. disposal of the Wines.

Mr. Matthew's saild from Fort St. David wth. the shoreham in C^o. the 25 Ult^o. design'd for your port the Salisbury went for England y^e. 9th. and Our Hon^{ble}. Masters Ships Carnarvon and Cardigan took their departure for Europe y^e. [6th. of] this Month.

FORT ST. GEORGE
Oct^r. 10th. 1723.

We are
Gentle[men]
[Your affect^o. Friends & Serv^{ts}.]

NATH^l. [ELWICK].
NATH^l. [TURNER].
R[ICH^o. BENYON].
[Jⁿo. EMMERSON].
[RANDALL FOWKE].
[JAMES HUBBARD].
GEORGE [DRAKE].
JOSEPH [HOUGHTON].

N^o. 59

TO THE WORSH^l. W^m. JENNINGS [ESQ^r.]
DEPUTY GOV^r. OF FORT ST. DA[VID & C^r.] COUNCILL.

WORSH^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Yesterday [. . .] rec^d. a Letter in Dutch from the D[eputy Gov^r. and Councill] of Negapatam wherein they tell us that their Resident at Tevenapatam Com- plains you oblige him to pay Passage Money for crossing Cuddalore River which they Say is intirely a new Imposition and never p^d. but by their Late Resident M^r. Domieux to whom they have not allow'd it in account Send us a full and exact State of this affair wth. what speed you can y^t. We may return an answer to their Letter.

The Cardigan and Carnarvon took their Departure on Sunday evening with a fair Gale of Wind to get Clear of the Land and we hope will have a good passage to Europe. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
11th. Oct^r. 1723.

WORSH^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.
Yo^r. Friends and Serv^{ts}.

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^o. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 60

TO THE WORSH^l. W^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOV^r. & COUNCILL OF F^t. ST. DAVID.

WORSH^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.

We have yours of the 28th. Sept^r. and [...]th. Octo^r. Lying before us The former inclosing y^e. pur[sers] of y^e. men of Wars bills on y^e. Commissioners of the Victual- ling and proposing to buy M^r. Bakers house for an Hospital which We have permitted you to do as believing it to be better than rebuild your old one.

Your 2^d. is in answer to y^e. several paragraphs of y^e. Letters formerly rec^d. relat- ing to your Settlement which we hope will be Satisfactory to Our Hon^{ble}. Masters.

Inclosed copy of a parag. of the accounts Letter from England this year the Contents whereof pray observe and send us an extraordinary Copy of the Books therein demanded.

Mr. James Smith Comes overland and will be with you in a few days. We are
 FORT ST. GEORGE
 14TH. OCTOB^R. 1723.

WORSHT. S^S. & S^{RS}.
 Y^R. affect^{IO}. friends & Serv^{TS}.

NATH^L. EL[WICK].
 NATH[A]N^L. TURNER.
 RICH^D. [BENYON].
 [JOHN EMMERSON].
 RAN[D: FOWKE].
 JAME[S HUBBARD].
 GEORGE [DRAKE].
 JOSEPH HO[UGHTON].

N^O. 61

TO THE HON^{BLE}. JN^O. DEANE ESQ^R.
 PRESID^T. AND GOV^R. & C^A. COUNCIL OF FORT WILLIAM.
 HON^{BLE}. S^S. & S^{RS}.

Yours of the 14 AugST. wTH George Brigantine Mary Anne and Triplicane all three came Safe to hand one of which is in answer to several of ours that as also y^E. other two needs no further reply except that we advised you by the Mary that Madeira Wine would not [. . .] more than 25 Pag^S. wTH pipe and to advise y^E. [...] of y^E. Stores & c^A. sent on these three Vessels.

The Master of the George [Complains y^T.] much of the People which your Licence [. . .] upon him saying they are no better than Cooleys and Instead of good men are fellows perfectly unacquainted with sea affairs in so much that tho' He had his Compliment on board he had not People to worke his Vessel in the bad weather he met in her Passage.

Your two Packets for the Court of Directors went One on the Carnarvon the Other in y^E. Cardigan which Ship took their departure from hence on Sunday the 6TH. Inst^L.

We Hope to see what Ships you design us early here in order to give them a reasonable dispatch for Europe. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
 14TH. OCT^R. 1723.

HON^{BLE}. S^S. & S^{RS}.
 Yo^R. most hum^{BLE}. Serv^{TS}.

NATH^L. ELWICK.
 NATH^L. TURNER.
 RICH^D. BENYON.
 JOHN EMMERSON.
 RANDALL FOWKE.
 JAMES HUBBARD.
 GEORGE DRAKE.
 JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^O. 62

TO ROBERT SYMONDS ESQ^R.
 CHIEF & C^A. COUNCILL OF VIZAGAPATAM.
 S^S.

We have yours of the 6TH. and 11TH. Ult^{MO}. Lying before us the first of which is in a very unbecoming stile and such as tho we do now pass it by [we] will not allow in future Items to us to be anew as we answer to plain orders Given you with which you were told you must comply. We told you we would not have you make any presents without unavoidable necessity w^{CH}. we repeat as also that we do expect your Cloth proves better than some Lately sent Home from your Settlement which was torn and rotten. This is the 3^D. time we have told you we do expect these Orders shall be regarded do you take care we are not Obligated to do it again.

The other letter only accompanies y^e. George Brigantine and needs no further answer.

We send a packet for Bengal which do you forward immediately by fresh peons.

We have formerly Orderd you to send us two Copies of your Books Paymasters acco^{ts}. and Consultations but have not received 'em y^e. year Observe to send 'em us in Order to go home by our Jan^{ry}. Ships and Let em be all writ Upon paper of the Same size that so they may be y^e. better bound up. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE

14th. OCTO^r. 1723.

S^r.

Y^r. Friends [and Servants]

NATH^l. ELWICK.

NATHAN^l. TURNER.

RICH^d. BEN[YON].

JOHN EMMERSON.

RANDALL FOWKE.

JAM^s. HUBBARD.

GEORGE DRAKE.

JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 63

TO THE WORSH^l. ROB^t. ADAMS ESQ^r.

CHIEF & C^l. FACTORS AT TELLECHERY.

WORSH^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.

We have yours of y^e. [13]th. July before us[and] have deliv^d. the in[closed packet to y^e.] Commander of the Stanhope who will carry it as [. . . to y^e.] Hon^{ble}. Court of Directors as to what you desire to know relating to the designs of the french We cannot learn that they are making any Preparations of your Coast. The Diane and y^e. India were at Pondicherry in August One design'd home the other for y^e. Bay there is also arrived another Ship from Mascarin which prov'd in to [*sic*] bad a Condition that they have hauld her ashore. There are Likewise arrived two Ships directly from Europe with a new Gov^r. of that place the One of them goes to Mocha the other Winters at Mergy so that we can not observe any design formed against your Coast.

We will send you a seal by the next Convey^{ce}. but our Ingraver is at present ill.

Our Europe Ships Carnarvon and Cardigan saild for Europe the 6th. Inst^t. the Stanhope wend away y^e. 7th. of the Last Month. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE

[1]4th. OCTO^r. 1723.

WORSH^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Yo^r. very humble Servants

NATH^l. ELWICK.

NATH^l. TURNER.

RICH^d. BENYON.

JOHN EMMERSON.

RANDALL FOWKE.

JAMES HUBBARD.

[GEORGE] DRAKE.

JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 64

TO THE HON^{BLE}. W^m. PHIPS ESQ^r.

PRES^t. & GOV^r. & C^l. COUNCILL OF BOMBAY.

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

The above is copy of what we wrote you & Ship Sallamany we have nothing to add thereto except that We have rec^d. several Letters from Anjengo wherein they tell us they had returnd us some workmen which we wth. difficulty prevaild upon to go

thither after y^e. disaster they met with but those people are not come back we must therefore desire your Hon^r. &c^r. order to y^e. Cheif there not to trifle any Longer but [. . . those] people who are very necessary to us here. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
14 OCTOB^r. 1723.

HON^{BLE}. S^r. & S^{rs}.
Y^r. most hum^{ble}. Servants

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND : FOWKE.
JAMES HUEBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOS : HOUGHTON.

N^o. 65

TO THE WORSH^t. JOSEPH WALSH ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOV^r. &c^r. COUNCILL OF FORT MARLBROUGH.

WORSH^t. S^r. & S^{rs}.

We so lately [dispatched you] Young Derby to you and gave such full D [. . .] Y^r. proceedings then that we thought [. . .] had nothing more to do by this Vess^{el} [. . .] you y^e. Invoices and bills of Lading for [. . .] her but such are the surprising accots which w^e have rec^d. from all sides of the Behaviour of M^r. Deane [. . .] Councill that we find our selves under a necessity of telling you very plainly what we [expect] from you and what if you design to enjoin the [Sta]tions you are in you will observe.

The abominable negligence they were guilty of in not sending us their Consultations Paymasters and other accots to the Departure of every vessel we were willing to pass over with no Other reprimand but just telling them of it and allow'd their excuse of want of hands for which reason we sent over so many gentlemen in the Service by the Young Derby but we cannot avoid Severely taking notice of their acting. Captain Plumb came away without so much as a general Letter [and] advice of their draft for 1000 Pag^s. in as tho he stay'd [. . .] days we are unwilling to credit [. . .] but are told [. . .] sion was such a sickness as M^r. Deane and all the rest of them ought to be very much ashamed of, We expect in future no more of this practice observe our orders and Comply with them.

We are told you have entertain [*sic*] an Engineer for which you had no orders from us which we cannot but believe is no other than pretence for putting so much money into some bodys pocket since we are very certain there could be no capable person with you to undertake y^t. employ. Let him be immediately discharged and y^e. person we new [*sic*] send you be employ'd in his room and Continued in pay at twenty five dollars a month till you shall have no further use of his service so soon as that happens Let him be return'd hither that no charge more than Absolutely necessary may lie on your Settlement.

Several persons whom we must believe tells us you [are] going to build a half moone in y^e. middle of the South East Curtain. The Extravagancy and folly of this is such that it were not so well attested We could not suppose you engage in so very ridiculous a business since y^e. Curtain is but 175 foot from bastion to bastion and Consequently a Half Moon will be more Pregudicial than Serviceable but this and y^e. pulling down y^e. N.E. Bastion we look upon as no other than a design of continuing y^e. buildings in order to make a profit out of them for your Paymaster and others which we are y^t. more apt to believe from the Complaint of one whom M^r. Bugden [if what he says be true] turnd out of his employ of head Bricklayer because he refusd to sign a receipt for 100000 Bricks used when there but 40000. Examine Strictly by whose order and direction the s^d. half moon is set about as also y^e. pulling

down y^e. Bastion and if they are not both agreed in Consultation do you recover the charge from those whose folly has lead them to engage in that work and see that they repair what they have distroyd what ever part y^e. half moon is built must be pulled down again.

[. . .] another very unaccountable peice of work [. . .] take y^e. same measure as for the preceeding two is the building a necessary house tho' the Curtain which is carried out almost as far as y^e. flank of the bastion and near as high by which means that bastion is entirely rendard useless. This must be pulled down and y^e. wall made up.

These unnecessary and entirely useless buildings have prevented your proceedd on the main work Finishing y^e. fort walls which had you gone on upon y^e. Plan M^r. Deane found when he came to y^e. Governm^t. would have been near finish'd by this time at least the money you have spent therein might have done it. We now possitively direct and we tell you we will be obey'd that the utmost expedition be used in making and end and that the whole of the build^{gs}. be carried on in y^e. manner laid down in the Plan sent ^{to} Ship Drake and no otherwise. If y^e. foundations of the N. E. Bastion are already pulled up Do not make it Larger than those on y^e. land side if they are not let it continue as it did.

Mr. [lacuna] whom we mentiond above returns in this Vessel [. . .] expect that he be allowd all proving what he [. . . w]er'd here and that Walsh our new Dpty Govern^r. will take care that he be neither overawd by threats or other Practices or prevaild upon by intreaties or bribes but that so he shall not speake y^e. truth we add upon this head that we expect a thorough and impartial examination into y^e. behaviour of all y^e. Councill and others at Fert Marlbro' if they are so great delinquents that their faults cannot be passed by Let' em be sent hither but if only small ones are Laid to their charge advise of them for our knowledge and further proceedings.

Leiuten^t. Nangle who was permitted to come on y^e. Letheulher having now in some measure recoverd his health returns on this Vessel.

The [Good fellow] You have doubtless dispatched to us [. . .] & of the Young Derby and if you have no necessity for the other as we think you cannot return her so soon as the George gets to you wth. what Pepper you have on board.

By the Invoice you will observe w^t. goods we have Laden on you amount^s. to P^s. [lacuna].

The Madeira wine you must dispose of according to the Settled allowances for your diet the Salt we will have sold at the old fix'd rates of 12 Measures for a Dollar or in Exchange for rice as formerly.

The anchors are such as will be most usefull for y^r. place being small and as you have a great many Large Ones which have Lain a great while at Bencoolen return us them all but see it being more probable we should dispose of them than you.

We have also sent you some jaggeree for y^r. Chinam but cannot Help thinking you may be as well furnish'd with it at Bencoolen as from hence especially Since you have so many sugar plantines.

We shall add no more but to recommand the Observance of the above orders to you and that We are

Worsh^l. Sr. & S^{rs}.

Y^r. affectionate friends & Serv^{ts}.

FORT ST. GEORGE
16TH. OCTOB^R. 1723.

NATH^L. ELWICK.
NATH^L. TURNER.
RICH^O. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAM^{ES}. HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOS^{PH}. HOUGHTON.

P.S.

We send you five soldiers by name.

N^o. 66

To CAP^t. JOHN TYE
COMM^r. OF THE GEO^r. BRIG^t.

S^a.

You Vessell being fully Laden you are immediately to repair on board her get up your anchor and proceed for Fort Marlbro on the West Coast of Sumatra when you arrive there you are to deliver Our Packet to the Worsh^d. Joseph Walsh Deputy Govern. &c^a. Councill there and follow all such orders for your future proceedings as they shall give you in writing. We wish you a good Voyage and Date this in Fort St. George this 16th. of October 1723.

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RAND: FOWKE.
JAM^s. HUBBARD.
GEO^r. DRAKE.
JOS: HOUGHTON.

N^o. 67

To M^r. HUMPHREY HOLCOMBE
AT METCHLEPATAM.

S^a.

We have two of yours before us bearing date the 17th. September and 1st. October Last giving us an acct. of your proceedings with respect to Mr. Faucets affairs &c^a all which we approve except your going to Vizagapatam without leave which tho we now pass by you may be sure shall not be allow'd another time.

The Companys &c^t. Merchants at Maddapollam Some time since [wrote] us a Letter wherein they [. . .] cloth at several rates there get done [. . .] send us up musters of all those Sorts and such other as are to be procured there together with the very Lowest prices that they will agree to provide them at. Let this be done with all Convenient speed and send us by the first Proper Conveyance you can meet with.

We are
S^r.

FORT ST. GEORGE
OCTOBER 24th. 1723.

Y^r. Affect^o. friends

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JN^o. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAM^s. HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 68

To JOHN BLUNT ESQ^r.
AT INGERUM.

S^a.

We have yours from Matchlepatam of the 23^d. ult^o. and from Ingerum dated the 1st. Inst^t. the former needs no reply to the other we answer that we have thoroughly considerd your proposal about Selling at Maddapollam which We are inclinable to fall into for which reason We have order'd M. Holcombe to send us up Musters of the Cloth which may be procured there. Do you use all imaginable [. . .] in this affair and be in a readiness when we shall res[. . .] that y^o. Company may be no sufferers by such removal.

What Cloth you can procure send us up as Soon as possible that it may go home this season. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
[lacuna] 1723.

S^a.
Your friends and servants

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JN^o. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAM^s. HUBBARD.
GEO^r. DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 69

TO THE HON^{ble}. THE GOVERN^r. OF NEGAPATAM
AND THE COAST OF COROMANDEL FOR AFFAIRS OF THE
MOST NOBLE DUTCH EAST INDIA COMPANY &C^a. COUNCILL.

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

We have yours of y^e. 13th. Inst^t. N. S. Complaining that your Resident and People are obliged to pay for passing the River of Codolore in y^e. ferry boat kept by our Company To which we reply That your People may go backwards and forwards without crossing at that Ferry and that if you will take the advantage of our boats you must pay for them since it is very unreasonable to suppose We must be at any charge to carry travellers and not receive a Consideration for it. The Boat is [. . .] and we have an undoubted [. . .] pa]ssage money of all that use it However if your Hon^r. &c^t. will dispute it We are willing to permit you to keep a boat on the River yourselves for the Service of your own People but no others Whatsoever and on Condition that this Liberty cease whenever it shall appear that it is Stretchd beyond the present Intent which is to make you easy with respect to the Charge of Our ferry not to allow your keeping One for others This matter was formerly disputed in the year 1715 so that it is no new demand but what We could not then part with or now can do. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
28th. Oct^r. 1723.

Hon^{ble}. S. & S^{rs}.
Your most hum^{ble}. Serv^{ts}.

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JOⁿ. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 70

TO THE GOVERN^r. & COUNCILL
OF PONDICHERY

GENTLEMEN

We rec^d. the Hon. of yours of the 5th. November N. S. relating to an affair between your People and ours on the Malabar Coast. We have not [. . .] that [side] and therefore can do no more [than send] a copy of your Letter to Bombay and Tellechery which we have accordingly this day done and pressed for an answer to them. We are[sorry a dispute of this Nature has Happend and shall be

glad to have it amicably Concluded being very Desirous of Continuing the Long Friendship that has been hitherto Maintained between the two Nations since We have the Honour of being

FORT ST. GEORGE
28TH. OCTOBER 1723.

Gentlemen
Your most hum^{ble}. Serv^{ts}.

NATH^L. ELWICK.
NATH^L. TURNER.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAM^S. HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 71

TO THE HON^{BLE}. W^M. PHIPS Esq^R.
PRESID^T. & GOV^R. & C^A. COUNCILL
OF BOMBAY.

HON^{BLE}. S^R. & S^{RS}.

Here inclosed we send you copy of a Letter rec^d. Last night from Pondichery which relating solely to your Coast we have referred the Gentlemen there to the answer We shall receive from you about it. We write to the chief and Council of Tellechery and inclosed another Copy of the [. . .] also that we have sent One to your Hon^{rs}. & c^t. So We believe they will take care to Inform you fully of this matter The sooner the answer you Send comes the better. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
28TH. OCTOBER 1723.

HON^{BLE}. S^R. & S^{RS}.
Y^r. most hum. Serv^{ts}.

NATH^L. ELWICK.
NATH^L. TURNER.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOH^N. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 72

TO THE WORSH^L ROE^T. ADAMS Esq^R.
CHIEF & C^T. FACTORS AT TELLECHERY.

WORSH^L. S^R. & S^{RS}.

Last night We received a Letter from Pondichery copy whereof comes inclosed We have sent another Copy to Bombay and wrote them that the French expect an answer so that if you have an Opportunity you may advise the President and Council the needfull relating thereto or if you think Convenient you may Transmitt an answer to us to be sent to Pullichery.

[. . .] these peons we have sent you a Seal and have Taken the Handle of for the more secret Conveyance. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
28TH. OCTOB^R. 1723.

Worsh^L. S^R. & S^{RS}.

NATH^{LL}. ELWICK.
NATH^{LL}. TURNER.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOS^R. HOUGHTON.

N^O. 73

TO THE WORSH^{LL}. W^M. JENNINGS ESQ^R.

DPY. GOVERN^R. & C^A. COUNCILL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

Worsh^{LL}. S^R. & S^{RS}.

Yours of the 14th. ult^{mo}. answer to Ours of the 11th. of the Same Month relating to the Dutch Resid^{ts}. Complaint of this being Obligated to pay for crossing Codalore River in the Ferry boat now Lies before us to which We reply that have wrote to Negapatam and told them we cannot give up the claim and do insist upon their paying if they use Our boat but that if they chuse rather to keep a boat of their own for the Service of their own people and no others whatsoever we will allow it which you must Observe.

We are in want of a muster for sorting Sallemepores Carroor do you therefore tear yours in two and send us one half as Soon as possible. Let it be seald and marked as usual.

[. . .] to press you to the utmost [. . .] in your Cloth. The Season advances upon us apace and we have a Large Quantity of Ships to provide for. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
2^D. NOVEMBER 1723

Worsh^{LL}. S^R. & S^{RS}.
Y^r. affect^{ve}. friends & Servants

NATH^L. ELWICK.
NATH^L. TURNER.
RICH^D. BENYON.
JO^N. EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^O. 74

TO CAPTAIN Tho^S. HARRY.

S^r.

You are hereby directed immediately to repair on board Ship Good fellow belonging to the Hon^{ble}. United English East India Company and take charge of her as Master to which Station you are hereby appointed.

When you are on board you are to examine strictly what is necessary to be done to her to make her fit for the Sea and report the same with the utmost expedition to us you are Likewise to take an exact acco^t. of all that comes out of the ship till everything be on shore and to observe to Seal whatsoever chests Escretiores or other goods come [from] on board.

FORT ST. GEORGE
DEC^R. 1 23.

Yo^r. Loving Friends
NATH^L. ELWICK & C^R.

N^o. 75

TO THE WORSH^l. W^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.

DEPUTY GOVERN^r. & C^t. COUNCILL OF FORT ST. DAVIDS.

WORSH^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.

I am Order'd by the President and Councill of this Place to write to you to send up with all expedition a List of Bales &c^t. you have now ready and what more you expect by the Last Inst^t. as also what Packing stuff &c^a. you shall have Occasion for that so they may Supply you in time. I am

Worsh^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Yo^r. most Obedient hum^{ble}. Serv^t.

FORT ST. GEORGE
7th. DECEMBER. 1723.

GEORGE TORRIANO
Secretary.

N^o. 76

TO THE WORSH^l. W^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.

DEPUTY GOVERN^r. & C^t. COUNCILL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Our Piesident shewd us a Letter received from Mr. Jennings about a Difference between your Warehousekeeper and the Merchants upon account the Packing stuff We send this only to order that no innovation be made and that it go on according to Sallabad. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
10th. DECEMBER. 1723.

Worsh^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Yo^r. affect^{ie}. friends & Serv^r.

NATH^t. ELWICK.

NATH^t. TURNER.

RICH^p. BENYON.

[JOHN] EMMERSON.

RANDALL FOWKE.

JAM^s. HUBBARD.

GEORGE DRAKE.

JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 77

TO JOHN BLUNT ESQ^r.

AT INGERUM.

S^r.

We have yours of the 9th. and 20th. Ult^o. relating to the affair of Maddapollam to which We only reply that you must Still be Secret and till our positive Orders for your removal be carefull not to let the Country Government have y^e. Least umbrage of your design.

As to what you say about the Ship if she be as cheap as any Other equally good Conveyance Lade y^e. bales on her but be Sure y^t. We have 'em as early as Possible that So they may go home this season. We cannot Order her to Stay for y^t. withdrawing

from Ingerum for till We have got Musters of the Maddapollam Cloth and Compared it We Shall not determine which Place you are to be at. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
DECEMBER. 11 1723.

Y^r. Friends & Servants

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAM^s. HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSEPH HOUGHTON.

N^o. 78

TO THE WORSH^l. W^m. JENNINGS ESQ^r.

DEPUTY GOVERN^r. & C^l. COUNCILL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.

We received in due time yours of the 5th. November and 9th. and 11th. Inst^l. to which We will reply in Our next. This is only to advise you that We design y^e. Derby down to you in three or four days and that We expect you. will have a Sufficient Quantity goods ready to Give her her full Tonnage by the first of Janry. We shall in due Time Let you know what that may be. In the Interim We are

FORT ST GEORGE
DECEMBER. 20 1723.

Worsh^l. S^r. & S^{rs}.
Y^r. affect^o. friends & Serv^{ts}.

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAM^s. HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSⁿ. HOUGHTON.

N^o. 79

TO THE WORSH^l. ROB^t. ADAMS ESQ^r.

CHIEF & C^l. FACTORS AT TELLACHERRY.

WORSH^l. S^r. & S^r.

We wrote you und^r. date of the 28th. October Concerning a Complaint made of by the french which Letter went by double conveyances Since that nothing [material hath] occurr'd except that some few [. . .] ship arrived from Mergy she is bound for Mocha and is to Touch on the Malabar Coast Probably reinforcem^{ts}. for their People there when anything further Offers we will advise you. In the Interim We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
DECEMBER. [20th.] 1723.

Worsh^l. S^r. & S^r.
Y^r. very hum^{ble}. Serv^{ts}.

NATH^l. ELWICK.
NATH^l. TURNER.
RICH^d. BENYON.
JOHN EMMERSON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
JAMES HUBBARD.
GEORGE DRAKE.
JOSⁿ. HOUGHTON.

N^o. 80

TO THE WORSH^{LL}. W^m. JENNINGS ESQ^a.

DEPUTY GOVERN^r. & C^a. COUNCILL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^{LL}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

This Serves to Inclose you Invoice and Bill of Lading for the Treasure wares and Stores Laden on board the Ship Derby for your Settlement which Sails out of our Road this night bound for your Port. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE

DECEMB^r. 26th. 1723.

Worsh^{LL}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Y^r. affect^{ve}. friends & S^{ts}.

NATH^l. ELWICK

NATH^l. TURNER.

RICHⁿ. [BENYON].

[JOHN EMMERSON].

RANDALL FOWKE.

JAM^s. HUBBARD.

GEORGE D[RAKE].

JOSH. HO[UGHTON].

N^o. 81

[TO CAPT. W^m.] FITZHUGH

COMMAND^r. OF THE DERBY.

S^r.

You are hereby directed to Repair on Board Y^r. ship and make the best of your way for Fort St. David and On your arrival there you are to Obey Such Orders as you shall Receive in writing from the Deputy Gov^r. and Councill for your future proceedings. We wish you will down and date this in Fort St. George this 26th. day of Decemb^r. 1723.

NATH^l. ELWICK.

NATH^l. TURNER.

RICHⁿ. BENYON.

JOHN EMMERSON.

RANDALL FOWKE.

JAM^s. HUBBARD.

GEORGE DRAKE.

JOSH. HOUGHTON

N^o. 82

TO THE WORSH^{LL}. W^m. JENNINGS ESQ^a.

DEPUTY GOVERN^r. & C^a. COUNCILL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^{LL}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

This Serves to inclose you Invoice of what goods are Laden on board ship Derby from Bengall and this Port you are to use y^e. utmost expedition and fill her up wth. you put on board her you may add at the foot of this invoice and when it is Completed draw out the Copy of it to send on the Mary. We are

[FORT ST. GEORGE

DECEMB^r. 31 1723.]

Worsh^{LL}. S^r. & S^{rs}.

Yo^r. affect^{ve}. friends & serv^{ts}.

ELWICK & C^a.

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