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RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

LETTERS FROM FORT ST. GEORGE 1742

(VOLUME No. XXV)

No. 1

TO THE WORSH^L. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR [&C^a.] COUNCIL OF
FORT S^r. DAVID.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRs

In answer to yours of the 19th. Past you have hereby our consent to sort the Turnd out Chemanaickpollam Cloth and as the Brokers offer to let you take it in at a proportionable abatement we beleive you had better take it in as ordinary if it will sort as such than to distinguish it with the Mark of a Cross.

You must not forget to send up as last year the accounts of the Advances made to & the cloths brought in by your Brokers to the last of December.

FORT S^r. GEORGE
2 JAN^{RY}. 1741/2.

We are
WORSH^L. SIR & SIRs
Your affectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 2

TO THE WORSH^L. AUG^r. BURTON ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^r. COUNCIL OF
FORT S^r. DAVID.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRs

We have received yours of the 5th. & 11th. Instant with the several papers &c^r. accompanying the latter & shall suspend our particular Remarks thereon till more leisure & for the present only take notice

That in your Letter of the 5th. you tell us you should take in what Chemanaickpollam Cloth should be offered you at a proportionable Abatement & put it to a No. 4 Ordinary In that of the 11^h. you repeat the same adding, that it will be distinguished from the rest of the Cloth by the price it stands at in the Invoice For want of knowing what that price is, we think it necessary to say, That we suppose if it be equal to a higher number it will be put to it, that if it will sort only to a No. 4 Ordinary and it be cheaper in its price than that number we can have no Objection, but if it be not equal to that number of Ordinary in it's goodness and invoiced at a higher price the Abatement will not be proportionable to the quality.

We observe what you write of the Blue Cloth, but as that is a commodity [the] consumption of which cannot be forced in England we w[ould not] chuse more [wou]ld be sent thither than the Quantity inden[t]ed for unless you should not be able without the help of a few Bales more of that sort to supply the Tonnage you may have to provide for; however, if you are not under such a necessity, we would not have you return what Andiaapa & your Brokers may have brought in above that Quantity but receive & keep it by you in part of the Investment for the present Year.

The Wager will be with you in few days to fill up for Europe & will want somewhat less than Six hundred Bales to compleat her Tonnage, though if She should want more & you can supply her we belive we shall give you liberty to do it, of which we give you this notice that you may get what Bales you can ready.

We shall send the necessary papers that accompanied your Annual Letter in the King William's Packet to England, your Books & other copies of the papers you may send on the Wager from your place.

FORT ST. GEORGE
15TH. JAN^{RY}. 1741-2.

We are
WORSHP^L. SIR & SIRS
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

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No. 3

TO JOHN STRATTON ESQ^R.
CHIEF & COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

The president & Council deferring till more leisure to answer the several receiv'd from you, have Order'd me to inclose You Invoice & Bills of Lading for the Wares & Stores they now send you on the Ship Vizagapatam, Caronedas Guddee Syrang.

FORT ST. GEORGE
19TH. JAN^{RY}. 1741-2.

I am
GENTLEMEN
Your most humble Servant
JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

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No. 4

TO THE WORSHP^L. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^L. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.
WORSHP^L. SIR & SIRS

This comes to you by the Wager Captain Charles Raymond, and inclosed are Invoice & Bill of Lading for One hundred Bales We have put on board her here as part of her Europe Cargo.

You have also herewith copy of this Ship's Charterparty, and calculates of the Tonnage put on board her here and in Bengall, which will shew you there remains
T 85 14 1 to be supplied in Bales at your place, should the Captain request any more after his Charterparty Tonnage is compleated you will act agreeable to the directions we sent you the 8th. January 1738/9 respecting the Princess Mary.

They will also guide you in Ordering the Survey to be made of her Men and Warlike Stores in demanding the Captain's Manifest of Private Trade, in cautioning him against Fire and keeping the Boats long on board with Bales in them, and in receiving Any Money he may offer to pay into Your cash.

Inclosed is a List of Packing Stuff in the Bales we have put on board her, which must be added to your own and also Copy of the Captain's Private Trade Manifested in Bengall to be returned Us again.

Advise us as early as you can when this Ship will be ready to sail, that we may prepare and send you her Dispatches.

What Bales you may have remaining after the dispatch of this Ship, We would have you send up hither as Opportunity Offers.

FORT ST. GEORGE
20TH. JAN^{RY}. 1741-2.

We are
WORSH^{LS}. SIR & SIRs
Your affectionate friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 5

TO CAPTAIN CHARLES RAYMOND
COMMANDER OF THE WAGER.

SIR

You are hereby directed to repair on board your Ship and make the best of Your way to Fort St. David. On your arrival you are to deliver the accompanying Packet to the Deputy Governour and Council, and must follow such directions as you shall have from them, till you receive our Orders for proceeding to Eu[rope] We wish you well down and date this in Fort St. George this 20th. day of January 1741/2.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 6

TO THE HON^{BLE} THO^S. BRADDYLL ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT AND GOV^R. & C^T. COUNCIL
OF FORT WILLIAM.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRs

The Wager arrived here the 10th. and the King William the 11th. instant by them we received your several favours of the 22^d. & 23^d. Dec^r. The Wager sailed the 21st. Instant to fill up at Fort St. David, and we hope to gett the King William loaded here by the 1st. of next month, and send her to joyn the Wager.

The Scarborough and Kent arrived at Vizagapatam the 15th. Dec^r. and proceeded to the Bay the 19th. or 20 and we hope are arrived with you before this time. The Admiral Vernon fell in here the 23^d. December, she has most of her salt Petre on board and we expect daily the arrival of the Princes Augusta and the Sloops to

compleat her loading. We have opened her packet here to take out the necessary Papers for receiving her Cargo from England, and so soon as we can get them copyed we shall send you the Originals: the rest together with the private letters we send you by Capt. Wilton on the Mercury.

We find in the Admiral Vernon manifest a box of Corral marked F N^o. 1 and a box of Silver marked **HP** for M^r. Henry Palmer of which we think proper to advise you that the persons to whom they are consigned may give orders concerning them.

Inclosed is Captain Wilton's receipt for six seals, & an account of their cost.

The Culjeed Flannels sold here for upwards of Ten Pagodas the peice, out of which is to be deducted nine $\frac{P}{P}$ cent if the Buyers take it away in six months. We have also sold the Lead at 14 ^P 32 ^F 50 $\frac{P}{P}$ Candy upon the same conditions but the copper being about seventy Tons we shall send you by the return of the Sloops, and all the money we can possibly spare. If there were any blue Perpetuanas on board the Scarborough & Kent consigned to us we desire you will please to send them to us by the first good conveyance.

We must defer to some other opportunity all further reply to your letters and are

FORT ST. GEORGE
25TH. JANUARY 1741-2.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 7

TO THE WORSH^L. AUG^s: BURTON ESQ^a.
DEPUTY GOV^R: & C^r. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS

This is chiefly to direct That on the receipt of this if the Winds should be southerly as they are here at present, you dispatch the Wager hither with all Expedition, but if the Winds come about to the Northward again we will then send the King William to you whose dispatches we expect will be ready by Tuesday or Wednesday next. We shall send the George to you in few days to bring up what Bales the Wager does not take in. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
30TH. JAN^{RY}. 1741/2.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

P.S.

Your Letter to the Company with the Books & Papers, Invoice & Bill of Lading may all be addressed to Our Hon^{ble} Masters the same as if she was dispatched directly from your place. There will be no difference but in the dating & signing her Dispatches.

No. 8

TO THE WORSH^d. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^d. SIR & SIRs

I am order'd by the President & Council to advise that the George is now Dispatched to you to bring up what Bales you have ready and to be returned hither as soon as she can.

FORT S. GEORGE
9TH. FEB^RY. 174[1]-2.

I am
WORSH^d. SIR & SIRs
Your most humble servant
JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^y.

No. 9

TO CAPTAIN JOHN TAYLOR
COMMD^r. OF THE GEORGE.

SIR

You are hereby order'd to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way to Fort St. David: On your arrival you must deliver the accompanying Letter to the Deputy Governour & Council there whose Orders are to direct your future proceedings, Dated in Fort St. George this 9th. day of February 1741-2.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 10

TO JOHN STRATTON ESQ^r.
CHIEF & C^t. COUNCIL AT VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

We have received your severals of the 14th. 19th. & 29th. December.

We have complied with your request in recommending to our Hon^{ble} Masters to make the Chief some allowance for the Charge he is at in intertaining strangers.

The Vizagapatam carried you what Wares & Stores you intended for except the Emerald Green Middling Broad Cloth the Blue Perpetuanoes & Yellow Embossed Cloth of which we had none in store, neither can we spare the Bale of Scarlet Broad Cloth you write for in your last.

We send you by this conveyance an hundred Musquets with Bayonets but this vessel has not a proper place to take in the Gunpowder of which however we design to send you no more than what may be sufficient for your own necessary occasions For As to what you say, That you must be under a necessity to answer the Demands of the Nabob & Rajah if you expect to do any business We answer that as it is in some sort assisting them against the Nabob of Bengal it may be a means to put a stop to a more considerable Investment than that of Vizagapatam.

With your Letter of the 19th. we receiv'd a Box containing the private Letters by the Scarbrough & Kent & we wish you had also open'd the Company's Packett directed to Us & sent Us copy of the whole or so much thereof as you thought it might be more immediately necessary for Us to be acquainted with.

We were not in haste to make you any further remittances of money having received news that the Morattas were upon their march towards Your Parts but having since receiv'd Advice that the Subah of Golcondah has thought of the proper means to induce them to return back we shall take the first good Opportunity that offers to supply you largely with Pagodas & Rupees & which we beleive will be by some of the Company's Sloop which we expect daily from Bengal.

We have received the hundred Bales of Cloth by the ship Vizagapatam that which was invoiced though improperly, white was so ill cured & full of Conjee, two faults which we have often, complain'd of & it has been as often promised that they should be amended, that we are sorry to see them still repeated, the whole parcel was very indifferent cloth & that which was invoiced Fine was so much worse & dearer than what we have from Ingeram & Maddapollam that we must have no more fine cloth from Vizagapatam except it, be better & cheaper.

The Brown Cloth is not yet come in from the Washers so that we cannot tell you the Quality of that, but the Company still complain that the Vizagapatam Cloth does not answer to the Invoice measure We observe all your Salampores are invoiced at $15\frac{1}{2}$ P Corge N^o. 1 and we ought not to give more for that which is purchased with Madrass Pagodas, because with the Batta of 10 P Cent and the charges of Freight &c. it comes out as dear as the Cloth here; but we apprehend your Investment has been a good deal cramped by reducing the Rupees at 315 for 100 Madrass Pagodas, whereas the true Exchange according to the present price of Silver is nearest 360 we mean for 100 Madrass Pagodas; The merchants & Weavers must be sensible of the difference of the Exchange & will never be satisfied to take 48.8 Rupees for $15\frac{1}{2}$ Pagodas while those Pagodas will produce them 55. $\frac{8}{10}$ Rupees which is the difference of 14 P Cent You will observe we have flung out the Fractions in our Calculations but however they will explain to you our meaning & pretty near the state of the case, We observe indeed in your last books the merchants were sometimes charged at 315 & sometimes at 323, which we suppose proceeded from the different prices the Rupees were charged at from hence, but still what was bought for Rupees is in reality 10 P Cent cheaper than what is bought for Madrass Pagodas and which we take to be one reason why you have been able to make so little an Investment, except at Upparra, where we observe you always send Madrass Pagodas. We beleive we have said enough to you to enable you to make the proper Use of these hints & to encre[ase] the Investment to the Northward, where we apprehend the cloth is bought all with Rupees: That speices of money is more cheaper here than has been common but however if you compute them at 350 for 100 Madrass Pagodas & debt your Merchants for them at that rate it will be pretty near a medium price; in our Invoices from hence we shall debt you at the same rate and you must write off the difference in the same manner as you do the Batta on the Madrass Pagodas.

The 15th. June 1740 M^r. Simpson sent us up an Estimate of what repairs were necessary & the 30 Aug^t. following we gave our consent that they might be set about when we receive your Estimate of what more is wanting to be done you shall have our directions thereupon.

FORT ST. GEORGE
10th. FEB^{ry}. 1741-2.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your Affectionate Friends

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

P.S.

Inclosed are Invoice & Bill of Lading
for the Musquets.

No. 11

TO THE WORSH^t. AUG^s. BURTON ESQ^s.DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^s. COUNCIL OF FORT S^t. DAVID.WORSH^t. SIR & SIRs

We shall now reply to such parts of your letters lately received as we had not time to take notice of before, In that of the 5th. January you refer Us to your Consultations of the 19th. & 31st. Dec^r. for the steps you had taken to encourage a greater number of Inhabitants to reside in your bounds, the Consultation of the 19th. Dec^r. refers to a paper that was order'd to be affixed at the Publick places for that purpose but we don't find that paper copied after the Consultation & you will therefore send it Us in your next.

In the method Your Investment is in at present it appears to us to be of no Use to charge the cloth with Land Customs & D[uties] it only serves to enflame the price & creates an additional trouble in ascertaining the cost & therefore may be omitted in future.

The French being, as we are informed, taken up in enquireing into the large ballance due from their Merchants & put a stop for the present to any further advances we hope it may be a means for your Merchants to get the cloth from Salem & the other parts about you cheaper & better, at lest that they will not lose so favourable an opportunity, when they have no competitors, to get as much Cloth as possible.

Of late years the Company have had no Salampores either from this place or yours & yet it seems to Us that the Weavers might more easily make them than Long cloth as not containing half the Quantity of cloth in the piece. We have talked with our Merchants here about it Who as they have given Us no very good reason Why they have left off to provide them we have pressed them again to try to get them in the Country and we wish you could also prevail upon yours to try what they can do your way.

The Company's Indent as for three thousand Pieces of Blue Cloth, we know not exactly what Quantity you have upon hand but you most agree for so much as will make up three thousand pieces in the whole for this year's Investment. You must also agree for five thousand pieces of Soot Romalls of a bright colour & four hundred Pieces of Red & White to be made according to the samples sent two years since.

With regard to the Sloop Carolina we must leave it to you Whether to keep her where she lyes at present or to haul her on shore as you think will be best & safest, not doubting also but you will give such other directions that she may receive as little damage as possible.

We don't find in the list of your packet to England by the Wager that you have complied with the 16th. Regulation relating to the military in sending home a separate List of the Europeans specifying the times of their arrival or entering into the service and when discharged, died or deserted, which of them have relisted & the time when: This ought not to have been omitted and must not be forgot in future.

In your Letter of the 5th. Decem^r. you advised Us that the paymaster & Secretary had paid in Pag^s. 58 22 68 being the produce of the Effects of M^r. Borlace Stacey deceased & that the demands thereon amounted to Pag^s. 33. 24.[...] appearing to be just you were orde[r]ed to discharge the bal[lance] remaining would have been Pag^s. 22 34 68. but in your Letter of the 11th. Jan^r. you write Us the ballance was but Pag^s. 15 25 55 you will in your next let us know the reason of the difference which amounts to Pag^s. 7 9 13.

The Wager appeared in sight here the 6th. in the morning, her dispatches were immediately sent off, & the King William went out to her, they both stood out to sea, but the Wind was southerly & continuing still in that Quarter is there as on the George is not yet sail'd.

You must permit M^r. Andrew Munro to come hither to take upon him the Surgeon's Employ in the room of M^r. Douglas who is gone to England & we have ordered M^r. William Belsches to be surgeon at Fort S^t. David in the room of M^r. Munro.

You must also permit M^r. Joseph Fowke to come hither & we shall very soon supply you with another Covenanted servant in his room. We are

FORT S^t. GEORGE
10th. FEB^{ry}. 1741-2.

WORTH^{ly}. SIR & SIRs
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 12

To M^r. JOHN HALLYBURTON
RESIDENT AT MADDAPOLLAM.

SIR

Since our last we have received your severals of the 16th. Nov^r. 5th. 8th. & 13th. January.

Inclosed we send you the Account of the Chay Goods received from Metchlepatam & Fort S^t. George Brigantine and we shall soon send you the accounts of the Goods receiv'd from Maddapollam.

Inclosed we send you a List for the Investment to be made at Maddapollam & Metchlepatam & as you have so much time before you we hope you will be able to get the Chay Goods cheaper than the last but care must be taken that they don't fall off in the brightness of their Colours.

The Ballance of the last April's Cash was Pagodas...	1849. 19. 53
May 14 th . Received from Vizagapatam	6000 — — which
makes the ballance at M ^r . Goddards decease	7849. 19. 53. But
by the In[ven]tory sent us up dated the 16 th . May the cash	
found is said to be no more than	6283 — —

Deficient ... 1566. 19. 53

To account for this in part we must go back to your
Journal ending the 30th. April 1740 Page 22, where we find
Cash has credit for Freight & packing stuff P. 1197. 5. 18 &
another Entry of the same sort in Page 24, of Journal F. 228. 8. 70.

1425. 13. 78.

so that the real deficiency for so far as appears at Present is ... P. 141. 5. 55
Those Entries of Pag^a. 1425. 13. 78

were wrong in several Instances, as they were placed so far back after many cash Accounts were made up, they occasioned by so much a difference in the Ballances of the several Months, for those sums being placed to the credit of Cash would have reduced the Ballance in April 1741 to Pag^a. 3453. 14. 75 instead of P. 4878. 28. 73 which was carried forward to the next Books. Those Entries in truth, created an overplus in cash then of Pag^a. 1425. 13. 78, & put your Accountant under a necessity of Ballancing the cash account in the Books by two very odd Entries, which immediately follow the others, We mean by transferring the difference to the Credit of Stock: Whereas if it was proper to credit any account for it was the Estate of Joseph Goddard, as the accountant well knew it was part of the deficiency & for

which that Estate was to be debted. The regular Entry when it was necessary to make it would have been to have given the Estate of Joseph Goddard, and not cash, credit for the Frieght & Packing stuff & it might have remained to the credit of his Estate & been carried through the Books till such time as he came to be debted for the deficiency in the cash, To rectify the mistakes that are past, the following Entry may serve.

SUNDRY ACC^{ts}. Dr. to cash Pag^s. 1566. 19. 53 being so much deficient at Mr. Goddard's Decease & now brought to the credit of cash by order of the President & council of Fort St. George in their Letter of 15th. February last.

Stock, for so much erroneously carried to the credit of that account in the Maddapollam Books Letter

E Journal page 22	...	...	...	...	1197. 5. 8.
& in Books F Journal Page 24	...	...	...	...	228. 8. 70.

1425. 13. 78.

ESTATE of Joseph Goddard, for the real deficiency at his decease

141. 5. 55.

1566 [19 53]

As Mr. Goddard died so soon after the Close of the Books in April last we would have you state & make up the merchants accounts to the 30th. April last & debt Mr. Goddard's Estate for the difference between the Merchants real ballances & their ballances on the Books & let us know what those differences are as soon as possible & when we send you the account of what cloth we have taken in here you may pass that to the credit of his Estate as well as the produce of the turn'd out cloth of which we shall advise you as the money comes into our hands.

We shall by the first good conveyance that offers which we hope will be in few days send a supply of money to Vizagapatam from whence you will have after it arrives what you may want. We doubt not it will be there in time for your occasions; as we observe the ballance of your cash in December was Pag^s. 9480 18 57.

You must return us the account of the Chay Goods received here with the account of the cost and charges added thereto. We are

SIR

Your affectionate Friends

FORT ST. GEORGE
15TH. FEB^R. 1741-2.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

LIST OF GOOD [*sic*] TO BE PROVIDED AT MADDAPOLLAM & METCHLEPATAM
FOR THE YEAR 1742.

Long Cloth, Ordinary	As much as can be procured.						
Sallampores Ordinary	D ^o .						
Long Cloth Fine N ^o . 1 & 2	..	..	..	..	..	..	4000
Sallampores Fine 1. 2	..	..	..	..	..	..	2000
Allejarrs To be of a bright red	..	..	..	..	..	..	400
Collewapores D ^o .	..	..	..	..	..	..	400
Sastracundys D ^o .	..	..	..	..	..	..	400
Romalls fine	..	..	..	..	..	..	300
Romalls Metchlepatam							
Ordinary N ^o . 1	..	..	..	..	..	..	2000

Inclosed is a List of Goods we would have you provide for this year & you must duely Observe the particular directions given therein.

We shall shortly send to Vizagapatam a supply of Money for the Northern Settlements from whence you will be supplied with what you may want as you write for it and we hope in time for your Occasions.

In your Letter of the 31st. came an Indent for Wares & Stores wanting at your place which shall be complied with as opportunity offers.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends

FORT ST. GEORGE
15TH. FEB^R. 1741-2.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

LIST OF GOODS TO BE PROVIDED AT INGERAM FOR THE YEAR 1742.

LONG CLOTH, ORDINARY, as much as can be procured.

SALLAMPORES, ORDINARY, D°.

							Pieces.
LONG CLOTH FINE	..	N°. 1 & 2	..	..	..	..	4000
SALLAMPORES FINE	..	N°. 1 & 2	..	..	..	..	2000
IZAREES FINE	..	N°. 1 & 2	most N°. 1, but thicker than				
			the last, to be made up square as formerly & must be much				
Finer	..	..	..	..	..	..	500
IZAREES SUPERFINE	..	..	..	..	..	..	500

In the List of Investment from Europe it is remarked that the Fine Cloth from the Northern Settlements is of too bad a Colour and too soft a Thread for the Uses the Fine cloth is generally Applied to, It is therefore recommended to get the thread harder twisted, & what Cloth can be provided in time to send up in September must be Brown in Order to be Whitened at Madrass: But as what is sent up in January, Could not be cured in time to send home in the season, such part must be Washed at Ingeram, as comes in after, care being taken not to put in too much Conjee.

The Buyers at the sale complain that the Cloth from the northern settlements does not hold out the Invoice Lengths & Breadths.

It has been observed upon examination of the Cloth, especially the Ordinary, That several Folds towards the End are much thinner and of a Worse texture than the other part of the Piece, which the Merchants should be acquainted with and directions given the Weavers accordingly.

That care be taken of the Package that the Gunneys and Wrappers are good.

FORT ST. GEORGE
15TH. FEB^R. 1741-2.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 14.

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS BRADYLL Esq^r.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL
OF FORT WILLIAM.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Herewith is duplicate of our last by the Mercury & we are now to advise that the King William & Wager sailed from hence the 6th. Instant they were both ready two or three days before but the winds being southerly the Wager returned back hither from Fort St. David to join the King William.

Nither [*sic*] the Princess Augusta or any of the Sloops are yet arrived and as the Admiral Vernon has been ready to take in her Bales ever since the 31st. of last month the Captain has delivered Us a protest.

We observe what Your Hon^r. & C^t. write relating to the coining a Larger proportion of the Company's Silver into Arcot Rupees and as you must certainly bee the best judges what Effect it may have upon their Interest in the Bay we shall comply with your directions to coin only one half of the silver designed you into Arcot & Madrass Rupees in equal proportions.

Having received into cash more money for Bills of Exchange than we expected we shall be able to send you by the return of the Sloops good part of the Treasure receiv'd by the Admiral Vernon; We shall also send you as fast as we can get them made & Conveyances offer; the Chairs & Couches you have wrote for.

We advised Your Hon^r. & C^t. in our last that Admiral Vernon's Lead at Pa^r. 14 32 50 $\varnothing$ Candy: Since then we have discovered a very great abuse in it namely That great part of it is dross & is only cased over with Lead to hide the deceit: It was discovered here by mere accident, the cooleys dropping one of the pieces which broke in the fall, & that induced us to inspect more narrowly into the rest. We are sorry to acquaint you That we find great part of it bad & that that has alarmed the buyers who sent part of what they had bought on the Mercury before the deceit was found out or suspected; they have applied to Us for redress if it should appear that what they have sent on her should prove as bad as that here & having thought it but reasonable that the Company should in that Case take it again We have agreed to repay them the money on their producing a Receipt from your Warehousekeeper that they have delivered it to him at the Bay: We are therefore to desire you will receive from their correspondents such part as is bad & at the foot hereof is an Account of the Quantity shipped on the Mercury here. We are in doubt whether we ought not to keep this bad Lead unsold till we receive directions from the company, to whom we sent advice of it together with two slabs on the King William, at least we think we ought not to dispose of it before it be remitted & Separated from the dross, for if we were to sell it with all faults we are not sure all the Buyers would do the same & if it should be sent in the present condition about the Country we apprehend it would discredit this Commodity & have a bad Effect upon the sale & consumption of that which is good.

FORT ST. GEORGE
15TH. FEB^R. 1741-2.

We are
HONBLE SIR AND SIRS
Your most humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

LEAD SENT TO BENGALL BY THE MERCURY.

Consigned to	Slabs.		Ca.	Md.	lb.
WILL ^M . DAVIS Esq ^r	440	Wt. about	134	—	—
Mess ^{rs} . JACKSON & WEDDERBURN ..	330		100	1	12
	<u>Slabs 770</u>		<u>234</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>12</u>

No. 15

TO THE WORSH^L. AUG^S. BURTON Esq^R.

DEPUTY GOV^R. &C^R. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS

Observing by your Cash Accounts that the ballance in Fanams is very considerable we would have you send us Five Thousand Pagodas worth of them by the George. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
17TH. FEB^RY. 1741-2.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 16

TO THE WORSH^L. AUG^S. BURTON Esq^R.

DEPUTY GOV^R. &C^R. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS

This serves by order of the President and Council to advise that supply of twenty thousand 20000 Pagodas will be sent you over land to morrow. I am

FORT ST. GEORGE
5TH. MARCH 1741-2.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servant

JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

No. 17

TO THE WORSH^L. AUGUSTUS BURTON

DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^R. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS

This accompanies a supply of twenty thousand 20000 Pagadas Under charge of 50 Peons, of which you were advised Yesterday by our order. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
6TH. MARCH 1741-2.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 18

TO THE HONBLE STEPHEN LAW ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & COUNCIL OF BOMBAY.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

We are favoured with your severals of the 21st. Nov^r. and 9th. December and are obliged to you for the several advices contained therein, as well as for your consent to our keeping M^r. Waters here, and your promise to send Us two Surat Boates for the service of the West Coast.

Onr Honble Masters Ship Admiral Vernon fell in here the 23^d. Dec^r. having the 11th. in 15 Degrees North parted with the Scarborough & Kent, those Ships reached Vizagapatam the 15th. Dec^r. and proceeded to the Bay the 19th. where they arrived the 8th. Jan^{ry}. and the Gentlemen there hoped to dispatch them both for England by the 15th. Febr^y. The Bedford, Prince of Orange and Beaufort were dispatched the 11th. Dec^r. and the Nassau the 18th. January. The Wager and King William sailed from hence the 6th. Febr^y.

The Gentlemen in Bengal imagining [one] of the Latter Ships might fall in here write us they would send us by the Princess Augusta and the Sloops a sufficient quantity of Salt Petre and Bales to load one Ship, upon this advice we took the Admiral Vernon under our Orders, unloaded her Europe Cargo, and She had All her Salt Petre on board by the last of Jan^{ry}. She only waited for Bales from the Bay, when we received another letter from thence advising that the Scarborough and Kent were arrived there, and from the account which the Captains gave they expected to se [sic] the Admiral Vernon there, and therefore had altered their intentions of sending any Bales hither, So that we reckon now we shall not dispatch her from hence before September.

We wrote the Agent and Council of Gombroone the 28th. January 1740/41 that we had received here the amount of the Dutys on the Galateas Sales in Persia; and the Dutys on the Ceres's Sales were paid to the Resident at Bussora.

We observe your Hon^r. & C^{as}. reason for Prohibiting any Ships belonging to the English being sold to the Persians, and are sorry your good intentions therein have been frustrated by the Persians having purchased a large number of Ships at Surat.

As we expect the Tygris very soon from England we shall when she arrives communicate to you all material advices and are

FORT ST. GEORGE
8th. MARCH 1741-2.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs
Your most humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 19

TO JAMES HOPE ESQ^r.

CHIEF & C^r. COUNCIL OF SURAT.

GENTLEMEN

We have received your severals of the 30 . Nov^r. and 19th. December, and are obliged to you for the agreeable news of Admiral Vernons Success at Carthagena

which we hope soon to have confirmed by a Ship directly from England. We desire you to forward the accompanying Packet to Bombay and are

FORT ST. GEORGE
8TH. MARCH 1741-2.

GENTLEMEN
Your most humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 20

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS BRADDYLL ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL OF FORT WILLIAM.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We wrote you by a Sloop the 15th. Febr^y. a duplicate of which is inclosed, & the 27th. we received your favour of the 21st. January advising the arrival of the Scarborough & Kent but are sorry it induced you to alter your resolution and to take the Bales out of the Augusta & the Sloops that you had designed hither as otherwise in all probability the Admiral Vernon might have been dispatched from hence by the 15th. February.

Our Honble Masters own Ship the George being now very old & often complaining we have judged it better to sell her than keeper [*sic*] any longer in the company's service We now send her to Vizagapatam to land some Treasure there with orders to the Chief & Council to put on board her what Madrass Rupees they have there & consign her to you and upon her Arrival you will please to dispose of her for the most She will fetch.

In the room of the George we have bought a new Ship and call her the Sumatra & now consign her to Your Hon^r. & c^r. having laden on her treasure & Goods on our Honble Masters Account amounting to Pag^s. 62112. 22. 5. as ₹ Invoice & Bill of Lading inclosed.

We have given your Presidency credit for the amount of the Admiral Vernon's Invoice Viz^s. £62942. 18. 6. at 8 ₹ Pag^a. is Pag^s. 157357. 11. 20, or at 350 R^s. ₹ 100 Pag^s. Current Rup^s. 550750. 9. 6. There are some deficiencies in the Turn out here particularly a large one in the Copper for all which we shall debt Account Current London.

You will please to give Us credit for the Amount of the several Invoices of what was consigned to us by the Scarborough & Kent as we suppose we are debted for it at home. You will also debt us for such part of the Goods as you send us hither.

We have kept the Broad Cloth that came by the Admiral Vernon and shall dispose of it as Usual to our merchants. The Perpetuanoes being entirely out of demand here we have laden on the Sumatra those receiv'd by the Admiral Vernon except some bales that were damag'd for the same reason we have taken the Liberty to send you some more that we had lying in the Warehouse & we hope they will not be unacceptable to you. The copper which we send by the Sumatra has been weigh'd off to her on an even Beam in the same manner as we receiv'd it.

We shall by some after conveyance send you a copy of the Admiral Vernon's Invoice & the other papers which we took out of her Packet here, and present we only send you Copy of so much of her manifest of Private Trade as is material & a List of such part thereof as is laden on the Sumatra & Captain Taylor's receipt for the same.

With your favour of the 21st. January we receiv'd our Honble Masters Letter of the 24th. April with copies of the manifests of Coral Silver & private Trade for this place on the Scarborough & Kent & suppose the persons to whom they are consigned will give the necessary orders about them.

Pegue Ships never come intirely compleat from thence & by the report which was given Us of the Sumatra there are some things which will be wanting to be done to her. Upon her Arrival with you we desire you will please to have her serveyed and to order therein as you think necessary. We Propose that she should be dispatched to Us again from the Bay the beginning of August but we shall advise you by some after conveyance whether we shall be most in want of Salt Petre or Rice.

Upon some reports we have here that a Pretty large Body of Morattas were taking their rout to the Northward to assist Musseed Cooly Cawn to retake Cuttaek we are in doubt if it should prove true whether the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam may not think it adviseable to send to you the Madrass Pagodas we now consign them by the George; In such case you will please to consider Whether it will be more for the Company's Interest to dispose of them in the Bay or to keep them by you till they may be sent to Vizagapatam with safety, they are ten $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent better than our Current Pagodas and therefore the Exchange is Arcot Rupees 357 $\frac{1}{2}$ for an hundred Madrass Pagodas.

Inclosed is a List of Freight on board the Sumatra which Your Hon^r. &c^t. will please to receive. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE

13TH. MARCH 1741-2.

HONOURABLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON
&c^r.

P. S.

Inclosed is a List of Stores on board the George.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since closing the foregoing the Princess Augusta is arrived and we shall reply to your favour by her by the next Conveyance which will be in few days. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE

14TH. MARCH 1741-2.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON

No. 21

TO CAPTAIN JOHN TAYLOR

COMMANDER OF THE SHIP SUMATRA.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board & make the best of your way for the River of Bengal, where you are to deliver the accompanying packet as directed to the President & Council of Fort William with the Treasure Wares &c^t. we have put on board you and to follow all such orders as you shall receive from them for your future proceedings. Dated in Fort St. George this 14th. day of March 1741-2.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 22

TO JOHN STRATTON ESQ.
CHIEF & C^t. COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

Inclosed is duplicate of our last of the 10th. Feb^{ry}. This comes by our Honble Masters Ship George whereon we have laden twenty thousand 20000 Madrass Pagodas sixteen thousand 16000 Arcot Rupees & some Gunpowder as th Invoice & Bills of Lading inclosed. When you have landed the Treasure & Gunpowder, put on board her what Madrass Rupees you have by you & dispatch her to the President & Council of Fort William in Bengal without Loss of time.

We have not lately heard from you & are under some Uneasiness from some reports that we have here That a large Body of Morattas were taking their rout to the Northward through your parts. We hope it is not true but otherwise we doubt not you will take the best means in your power for the security of our Honble Masters Effects and if you should Judge it unsafe or too hazardous to keep this remittance of Madrass Pagodas by you, do not land them but send them on by the George to the Bay consigned to the President & Council of Fort William advising the Gentlemen at Ingeram & Madapollam (who are to be supplied with money from your place) thereof, that they may regulate their matters accordingly.

Upon this Ship takes his passage M^r. Henry Kelsall who we design as an Assistant to M^r. Hallyburton at Maddapollam in the room of M^r. John Churchey whom we have ordered to Ingeram to assist M^r. Prince.

You will receive by this Ship Trucks for Gun carriages mention'd in the Bill of Lading. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
14th. MARCH 1741-2.

GENTLEMEN
Your Affectionate Friends

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

The Essex Brig^{ne}. being to sail in few days directly for Ingeram M^r. Kelsall will go thither on her.

No. 23

TO M^r. RICHARD PRINCE
RESIDENT AT INGERAM.

SIR

On the George now bound to Vizagapatam takes passage M^r. Henry Kelsall a Covenanted servant whom we have appointed to assist M^r. Hallyburton in the writing business at Maddapollam & on whose arrival there we have ordered M^r. John Churchey to your place to assist in your writing business.

Agreeable to what we wrote you in our last of the 15th. Ultimo we now send a supply of money to Vizagapatam from whence you may have what the occasions of your Investment require, but upon the reports we have here of a Large Body of Morattas being in motion to the Northward we have thought proper to direct the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam, if those reports are true & they apprehend any danger

not to land it but forward it on the Ship to the Bay. We advise you of this that you may regulate your conduct accordingly & doubt not your best endeavours to secure the Company's Effects in case of danger.

FORT ST. GEORGE
14TH. MARCH 1741-2.

We are
SIR
Your Affectionate Friends

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

P.S.

Mr. Kelsall will take his passage on the Essex Brig^{ne}. bound directly to your place in few days.

No. 24.

TO M^R. JOHN HALLYBURTON
RESIDENT AT MADDAPOLLAM.

S^R.

On the George which ship we now dispatch to Vizagapatam goes Passenger Mr. Henry Kelsall Writer, whom we have appointed to assist in the Writing business at your place; His time commences from the 15th. September last, his salary is to be paid him as such from that time, his other Allowances have been paid him here to the 1st. of this month. On his arrival you must send Mr. John Churchey to Ingeram to assist Mr. Prince in the writing business there.

Agreeable to what we wrote you in our last of the 15th. Ult^o. duplicate whereof comes Inclosed we now send on the George to Vizagapatam a Supply of Madrass Pagodas & Arcot Rupees for the Northern Settlements from whence you may be supplied as your occasions may require; but upon the reports we have here of a large Body of Morattas being in motion to the Northward we have directed the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam if those reports be true & they think it necessary for the security of such a part of the Companys Estate, to forward it on the Ship to the President & Council of Fort William; We think proper to advise you of this that you may regulate your conduct accordingly and doubt not your best endeavours to secure the companys Effects under your care in case of any impending danger.

FORT ST. GEORGE
14TH. MARCH 1741-2.

P.S.

Mr. Kelsall will take his passage on the Essex Brigantine bound directly to Ingeram, in few days.

We are
SIR
Your affectionate Friends

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 25

TO M^R. THOMAS CLARKE.
MASTER OF THE GEORGE.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board & make the best of your way to Vizagapatam where you are to deliver the accompanying Packet with the Stores & Treasure we have put on board your Ship for that Place to the Cheif & Council whose orders you are to follow for your future proceedings.

But if upon your arrival there you should have good grounds to beleive that the Place may have fallen into the hands of an Enemy you are in such case to take the most effectual means to secure the Company's Ship George & their Effects on board her & to make the best of your way to the River of Bengall where you are to deliver the Packets, Treasure, & Stores you have on board to the President & Council of Fort Willam & to observe all such Orders as you shall receive from them. Dated in Fort S^t. George this 14th. day of March 1741-2.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

N^o. 26

TO THE WORSH^d. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r.

DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT S^t. DAVID.

WORSH^d. SIR & SIRS

Your last of the 10th. Instant advises the receipt of the twenty thousand Pagodas sent you overland and this acknowledges your severals of the 20th. February two of the 22^d. & one of the 1st. March. What we wrote you the 10th. February relating to the French having put a stop to any further advances to their Merchants proceeded as we were informed, from an opinion they had and which perhaps will amount to a certainty That their Merchants would not be able to make good the Ballances due from them and if that be the case Whatever your suppositions are, pressing them to bring in as much cloth as possible without further advances will on our opinion have very little Effect upon the Investment making by your Merchants.

Tis far from being a good reason that which you give why you did not send home the List of Europeans in your Garrison agreeable to the Company's 16th. Regulation relating to the Military & we think you would not have told us It was because you had no directions about it from us if you had recollected what had passed before upon this affair & particularly what you say upon your Consultations of the 9th. Nov^r. last Wherein it is ordered that the part of our Consultation of the 1st. June last should be entered after yours for your Guidance and that you would conform to every step therein taken. You add another reason why you did not comply with it which is, That it was impracticable for you to do it without knowing from Us the time of their Arrival or entering here and which of them had relisted & the time when, but we apprehended you had always that Account sent you with the Men, the rather because we find upon several of your Paymasters Accounts five Pagodas paid several for relisting: upon enquiry of the Officers we find the case to be otherwise, but however as the want of such Account might have occurred to you when you were considering the Regulations we would very easily have sent it you from hence upon your writing for it. We suppose some of your Military entered with you and that others have renewed, that the rest can tell the Year & the Ships upon which they arrived, of all which if you will send us an Account it will ease us in turning back to our records to find the exact times of their arrival.

There is a debt of Pag^s. 500 standing on your Books due from Sadashavarow, Vengapa Chittee & c^t. the payment of it was waded under different pretences by the late Deputy Governour & Council, but must not be omitted any longer lest we should hereafter be at a loss where to demand it.

Mr. Charles Nicholls Writer, whom we have appointed to assist in the Business at your Place will set out in two or three days, His salary has been paid him to the 25th. of this month as has also his other allowances to the 1st.

FORT ST. GEORGE

17TH. MARCH 1741-2.

We are
WORS^H. SIR & SIRS
Your Affectionate Friends & Serv^{ts}.
RICHARD BENYON &c^r.

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No. 27

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS BRADDYLL ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &c^r. COUNCIL OF FORT WILLIAM.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We wrote you the 13 Instant by the Sumatra & George with an addition under the 14th. to advise the receipt of your Favour of the 9th of Feb^r. & Princess Augusta and we shall now return you our thanks for your care in sending us the Men, Stores &c. that were designed us by the Scarborough and Kent we have before advised you what we have done here with respect to the Admiral Vernons Cargo, we wait the arrivall of the Sloops to send you some more Treasure and shall by the same conveyance send you the Alapines and Velvets except a piece or two we had cut up here before the receipt of your last before that also we had ship'd on board the Sumatra the Flower'd cloths received by the Admiral Vernon except the risque the damage cannot otherwise be much as there is no more demand for them here than in the Bay.

As We have mislaid the Invoices of the Pepper & the Hallifax we must look upon your Account to be right and shall give you Credit by Acc^t. Current London for the difference having debted that head for no more than the exact sum we gave you credit for before. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE

24TH. MARCH 1741-2.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

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No. 28

TO THE WORS^H. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ.,

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

WORS^H. SIR & SIRS

This by order of the President & Council covers Invoice & Bill of Lading for Wares and Medicines sent you on a Country Boat, Mutta Tandell that sailed yesterday. I am

FORT ST. GEORGE

26 MARCH 1742.

WORS^H. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servant
JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

P S.

The Key of the Medicine Chest comes herewith.

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No. 29

To M^r. JOHN HALLYBURTON
RESIDENT AT MADDAPOLLAM.

SIR

I am ordered to add to the inclosed duplicate of what the President & Council wrote you the 14th. Instant that M^r. Kelsall, who takes his passage on the Essex Brig^{ne}: to Ingeram, has been paid his Salary here to the 25th. Instant.

FORT ST. GEORGE
29th. MARCH 1742.

I am
S^r.
Your very humble servant

JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

P.S.

By the Neptune Vellyah Syrang you will receive a Supply of Stores & Stationary Ware as q^{d} Invoice & Bill of Lading inclosed.

No. 30

To M^r. RICHARD PRINCE
RESIDENT AT INGERAM.

S^r.

I am ordered to inclose to you the Duplicate of what the President & Council wrote you the 14th. Inst. & Invoice & Bill of Lading for the Stores & Stationary they now send you on the Essex Brigantine, William Durham Master.

FORT ST. GEORGE
29th. MARCH 1742.

I am
S^r.
Your very humble Servant

JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

No. 31

To JOHN STRATTON Esq^r.
CHIEF & C^l. COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

The 17th. Instant we received yours of the 26th. February advising your apprehensions of a visit from the Morattas: Our last advices from the Northward tell us they were retired from Metchlepatam, but as it is not certain what rout the [*sic*] would take we send you by this Ship Vizagapatam one & twenty Europeans with some more Gunpowder & Fire Arms & other Stores as q^{d} Invoice & Bills of Lading Inclosed.

By the Vizagapatam we received the hundred Bales of Calicoes & when sorted shall advise you how they turn out.

FORT ST. GEORGE
THE 29th. MARCH 1742.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your affectionate Friends

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHN[SON]

No. 32

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS BRADDYLL ESQ^r.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF
FORT WILLIAM.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

Our last was the 24th. March by the Ship Vernon & Raddabullub Pinnace & we are since favour'd with yours of the 1st. & 6th. March the last by the Sloop Porto Bello which arrived here the 4th. Instant & has delivered the Salt Petre (except one Bag which is endorsed off her Bill of Lading) & what else you sent by her; We now return her to you with One hundred & Sixty thousand 160,000 Rupees on our Honble Masters Account as ^{an} Invoice & Bill of Lading inclosed, and when the other Sloop arrives we shall make haste to return her to you with the like quantity of Rupees: The amount of this Sloops Charges here we send inclos'd.

The Ship Porto Bello Captain Fisher left Falmouth the 15th. June & arrived at Anjengo the 14th. March from whence the 4th. Instant we received a Letter from our Honble Masters dated the 27th. May which confirms what we send in the Gazettes overland that the Princess Mary put into Lisbon the 26th. April in a very leaky condition. The Company add that the Owners had resolved to refit her there & in case they had any favourable advices from Borneo before she was repaired, they had some thoughts of ordering her to call there for a Loading of Pepper as they did the Walpole.

They were also pleased to send us a Gazette by which they say we should perceive the War against Spain continued to be carried on vigorously, but there was no War then with France. The Gazette is inclosed.

The Tigris was to leave England few days after the Porto Bello but was to call at Anjengo or Tellicherry before she came here.

By this Sloop we also send you the Velvets & Alapines which came by the Admiral Vernon except a few peices that were cut up before the receipt of yours of the 9th. February.

FORT ST. GEORGE
14TH APRIL 1742.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRs
Your most humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 33

TO MR. PHILIP PARSONS
MASTER OF THE SLOOP PORTO BELLO.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your Vessel and make the best of your way to the River of Bengall, on your arrival you are to deliver the accompanying Packet to the President & Council of Fort William, whose orders are to direct your future proceedings Dated in Fort St. George this 14th. April 1742.

RICHARD BENYON
&c.

No. 34

TO WILLIAM WAKE Esq^r.

CHIEF & C^r. COUNCIL OF TELlichERRY.

GENTLEMEN

We have none from you unanswered but dispatch this Patamar to advise that yesterday the Tygris Captⁿ: John Petre arrived here: She left England the 23^d. August in Company with the Neptune Capt^t. Francis Dabbadie, this last bound for Bencoolen: They arrived at the Cape the 17th. December & left it the 17th. January where were arrived the Edgbaston Capt^t. Cobham, the Cæsar Cap^t. Cummings the Nottingham Cap^t. Browne & Prince of Wales Cap^t. Pelly. The 29th. January this Ship parted Company with the Neptune about 5 Degrees East of the Cape & the 23^d. March in the Latitude of 12° 30' South she spoke with the Royal George Cap^t. Feild that had left Bencoolen about three weeks before.

The Commander of this Ship was directed that if upon his falling in with Ceyloan he should find the Westerly Monsoon set in which has proved to be the case, he was then to make the best of his way for this place & to deliver all his Cargo here. As this Ship has been so long in her passage the News we had overland from Europe is two months later than what we have by the Tygris, and as the overland advices have doubtless reached you before now we do not trouble you with a repetition.

The Colchester and Wilmington arrived in England the 29th. June. The 8th. August the Hæslingfeild, Princess of Wales Warwick Winchester and Ps^s: Amelia arrived at Leith they sail'd from St. Helena the 11th. May where they Left the Heathcote Prince William & Princess Louisa & Hardwicke.

Inclosed is a packet for the Chief at Tellicherry which the President was directed to forward thither, and with this we also send what private Letters we have rec^d for your place. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
6TH. MAY 1742.

GENTLEMEN
Your humble Servants
RICHARD BENYON
& C^r.

No. 35

TO CHARLES WHITEHILL Esq^r.

CHIEF & C^r. COUNCIL AT ANJENGO.

GENTLEMEN

The 4th. April we received yours of the 14th. March with the accompanying Packet from our Hon^{ble} Masters and are now to advise you that Yesterday the Tygris Cap^t. John Petre arrived here. She left England the 23^d. August in company with the Neptune Cap^t. Francis Dabbadie, this last bound for Bencoolen. They arrived at the Cape the 17th. December & left it the 17th. January where were arrived the Edgbaston Cap^t. Cobham, the Cæsar Cap^t. Cummings the Nottingham Cap^t. Browne & P^{ce}. of Wales Cap^t. Pelly. The 29th. January this Ship parted company with the Neptune about 5 Degrees East of the Cape & the 23^d. March in the Latitude of 12° 30' South she spoke with the Royal George Cap^t. Feild that had left Bencoolen about three weeks before.

The Commander of this ship was directed that if upon falling in with Ceyloan he should find the Westerly Monsoon set in, which has proved to be the case, he was then to make the best of his way for this place & to deliver all his Cargo here: As this Ship has been so long in her passage the news we have overland from Europe is two months later than what we have by the Tygris, and as the overland advices have doubtless reach'd you before now we do not trouble you with a repetition.

Inclosed is a packet to the Chief at Anjengo which the President is directed to forward thither. We also send by these Peons a packet directed to the Chief & Council of Anjengo together with what private Letters came in the Box.

The Colchester and Wilmington arrived in England the 29th. June the 8 August the Hæslingfeild P^{ss}. of Wales Warwick Winchester and P^{ss}. Amelia arrived at Leith they sailed from S^t. Helena 11th. May where they left the Heathcote Hardwicke P^{ce}. William & P^{ss}. Louisa. We are

FORT S^t. GEORGE
6th. MAY 1742.

GENTLEMEN
Your humble Servants
RICHARD BENYON
&c^r.

No. 36

TO THE HONBLE STEPHEN LAW Esq^r.

PRESID^t. & GOV^r. &c^r. COUNCIL AT BOMBAY.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We wrote you last the 8th. March and this is to advise Your Honr. &c^t. that the Tygris Cap^t. John Petre arrived here the 5th. Instant she left England the 23^d. August In Company with the Neptune Cap^t. Francis Dabbadie, this last bound for Bencoolen; they arrived at the Cape the 17th. December and left it the 17th. January, where were arrived the Edgbaston Cap^t. Cobham the Cæsar Cap^t. Cummings the Nottingham, Cap^t. Browne & Prince of Wales Cap^t. Pelly: The 29th. January this Ship parted company with the Neptune abt. 5 degrees East of the Cape and the 23^d. March in the Latitude of 12 30 she spoke with the Royal George Cap^t. Feild, that had left Bencoolen about three weeks before.

The Colchester & Wilmington arrived in England the 29th. June the 8th. August the Hæslingfeild, Princess of Wales, Warwick, P^{ss}. Amelia Winchester arrived at Leith; they sailed from S. Helena the 11th. May, where they left the Heathcote Hardwicke and Princess Louisa.

The Commander of this Ship was directed that if upon his falling in with Ceyloan he should find the Westerly Monsoon set in, which has proved to be the case, he was then to make the best of his way to this place and to deliver all his Cargo here As this ship has been so long in her passage the news you had overland from Europe is much fresher than what we have by her.

Inclosed is a Packet to your President which ours is directed to forward to him: We also send by these Peons the Packet directed to your Presidency together with what private Letters came in the Box.

Inclosed we send you an Abstract of the Tygris's Invoice for Bombay, and we are directed to concert with your Hon^r. &c^t. the proper measures for conveying to you the Woollen and other Goods mentioned therein. Your Hon^r. &c^t. will consider whether you can spare one of your Vessels or whether it will answer the Expence of sending one here on purpose to take them in If any conveyance should offer from hence which it is very probable there will we beleive we shall be able to agree for the freight of the Woollen Goods at 5 [⁄] Cent and the Iron at ten [⁄] Cent. But if you should not send any vessel from your side, & no conveyance offers from hence, we shall send the Goods to the Bay to be sent you from thence, though in that case the Freight we beleive will be somewhat higher except one of the Company's ships should be ordered from Bengall to your side & that will put an end to all doubts in what manner to send them to you It may however be proper to advise you how these Goods have sold lately in the Bay and what the Gentlemen there have wrote us upon the same subject copy of which we send inclosed to which we are to add that as Perpetuanoes were intirely out of demand here we sent them in March last ninety two Bales that came out by the Admiral Vernon & seventy four Bales besides which remained in our Warehouse.

The 12th. December the Princess Mary Captain George Martin sailed from the Cape for Batavia intending to lie there till the season served for her proceeding to China. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
10th. MAY 1742.

HON^{BLE}. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 37

TO THE HON^{BLE} THOMAS BRADYLL ESQ^r.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF
FORT WILLIAM.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRS

Inclosed is Duplicate of our last by the Sloop Porto Bello under the 14th. Ultimo to which we have now to add That the Tygris Cap^t. John Petre arrived here the 5th. Instant She left England the 23^d. August in Company with the Neptune Cap^t. Francis Dabbadie bound for Bencoolen; they arrived at the Cape the 17th. December & left it the 17th Jan^y. where were arrived the Edgbaston Cap^t. Cobham the Cæsar Cap^t. Cummings the Nottingham Cap^t. Browne & Prince of Wales Cap^t. Pelly. The 29th. January the Tygris parted company with the Neptune about 5 degrees

East of the Cape and the 23^d. March in the Latitude of 12° 30' South she spoke with the Royal George Cap^t. Feild that had left Bencoolen about three weeks before, The Princess Mary Cap^t. George Martin left the Cape the 12th. Decem^r. for Batavia intending to lie there till the season served for her proceeding to China.

The Colchester & Wilmington arrived in England the 29th. June the 8th. August the Hæslingfeild P^{ss}. of Wales, Warwick Winchester & Princess Amelia arrived at Leith They sailed from St. Helena the 11th May where they left the Heatcote, Hardwicke, Prince William & Princess Louisa.

The Tygris as we before wrote your Hon^r. & C^t. was to have called first at Anjengo or Tellicherry but the Commander had directions that if upon his falling in with Ceyloan he should find the Westerly Monsoon set in, which has proved to be the case, he was then to make the best of his way for this place and to deliver all his Cargo here.

Inclosed is a packet for your President which ours is directed to forward to him & we have delivered to Captain Clarke the Master of this Vessell the Box packet directed to your Presidency.

Application has been made to us by the Danish Missionaries at Trauquebar & this Place that the Silver which came consigned to them by the Kent may be paid into the Companys Treasury in Bengal & that we would pay them the value here your Hon^r. & C^t. have an Account inclosed of the Quantity of Silver which we desire you will dispose of for the most it will fetch advising us the amount of the produce giving us credit also for the same and we shall pay them the money here There came out also by the same ship some chests of Beer & other necessaries for the Mission the particulars of which you will find in the Manifest & which we desire you will put on board the Sumatra for this place consigned to Us.

As we beleive we must send the Sumatra to the West Coast soon after she arrives here & we don't know but they may be in want of Rice there we desire you will load five hundred 500 Bags of good patcharee Rice on board her; for the rest of her Tonnage you will please to fill it up with Salt Petre which we beleive will be more suitable to the Company's occasions & we have reason to hope Rice will be cheap at least that it will not be scarce or dear here.

We desire you will give orders for the making twenty Leaguers of Arrack for the West Coast to be sent on such Ship as the Company may order thither from the Bay but in case you have no advice of any such ship being designed thither before the Sumatra leaves you you will please to lade that also on board her for this place.

The Calcutta Grab, John Beck Master arrived here from Columbo the 7th. Instant & having taken in here some Rice, Water & other necessaries (the particulars of which are inclosed amounting to Pag^r. 8 21 50) she sail'd last night for the Bay As she was very leaky we thought this Brigantine the safer conveyance by which to send the Companys packet. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
11TH. MAY 1742.

HONBLE SIR AND SIRS
Your most humble Servants
RICHARD BENYON & C^r.

PARTICULARS OF THE CONTENTS OF THE TWO CHESTS OF BULLION CONSIGNED TO THE
DANISH MISSIONARIES AT FORT ST. GEORGE & TRANQUEBAR ON THE KENT CAP^r.
WILLIAM ROBSON.

	Bag.			Oz ^s . dwt.	Oz ^s . dwt ^s .
DMZ N ^o . 7	.. 1 Chest q ^t . 1	N ^o . 1	..	529 10	
	1	N ^o . 2	..	529 10	
					1059 —
	1	N ^o . 3	..	1000 —	
	1	N ^o . 4	..	469 —	
					1469 —
N.B.—In this las[sic] Bag N ^o . 4 is another q ^t .					300 —
	Bag				
EM N ^o . 13	.. 1 Chest q ^t . 1	N ^o . 1	..		211 15
	1	N ^o . 2	..		176 10
	1	N ^o . 3	..		158 16
	1	DBW N ^o . 8.			488 —

N.B.—It's desired that the produce of each of the parcels mentioned in the Outward Column may be particularized.

No. 38

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS BRADDYLL ESQ^r.
PRESID^t. & GOVERNOUR & C^r. COUNCIL OF
FORT WILLIAM.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We have to add to the foregoing duplicate of what we wrote you by the Neptune Brig^{ns}. that the Military designed for your Presidency by the Sloop Bombay being very turbulent & unruly we have ordered them ashore here & shall send them to your Hon^r. & c^t. by the Tygris or some other conveyance where they may be better kept in order.

FORT ST. GEORGE
14TH. MAY 1742.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
RICHARD BENYON & C^r.

No. 39

TO THE WORSH^l. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r,
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^r. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^l. SIR & SIRs

I am ordered by the Presid^t. and Council to advise that Twenty thousand 20,000 Star Pagodas will be sent you overland tomorrow morning, under the charge of the usual number of Peons. I am

FORT ST. GEORGE
16TH. MAY 1742.

WORSH^l. SIR & SIRs
Your most humble Servant

JOHN SAVAGE,
Sec^y.

No. 40

TO THE WORSH^l. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^r. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^l. SIR & SIRs

Agreeable to what we wrote you yesterday by our Order, this accompanies a Supply of twenty thousand 20,000 star pagodas under charge of 41 Peons. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
17TH. MAY 1742.

WORSH^l. SIR & SIRs
Your affectionate Friends & Serv^s.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 41

TO THE WORSHIPFUL ROBERT LENNOX ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOV^r. & C^r. COUNCIL OF FORT MARLBRO.

WORSH^l. SIR & SIRs

We have rec^d your Letter of the 23^d. October 1740 by the Bedford to Bengal and 25th. July by the Princess Augusta which arrived here the 31st. August, to which we shall now give answer referring you to our committees report for what has fallen under their observations on the advices rec^d from you by those conveyances and which we do not therefore recapitulate here, as we now forward copy of the same for your perusal & directions in the matter therein mention'd.

The Gentlemen in Bengal having taken into consideration what you had wrote in relation to the Hardwicke, determined to dispatch her to this port, to fill up for Europe and not to send her to your Coast, the Bedford had a very long passage and did not arrive in Bengall till the latter end of April 1741.

When we sent the Princess Augusta to you it was intended the George should follow her in January but the Morattas about that time giving repeated alarms to Fort St. David and the Deputy Governour & Council there being very impatient to have a Ship in the Road and wanting a Supply of Stores we sent the George on those purposes the 7th. of February from whence she did not return till the 10th. May when recollecting several instances of several tedious passages made by that Ship when dispatched to your Coast at that Season we agreed to defer sending her to you

till the end of September and in the meantime to send her to Vizagapatam with supplies for the Northern Settlements & to give a passage to M. Stratton appointed chief there from whence she was to bring up the cloth that might be ready by the middle of August the last of that month came in the Princess Augusta the Capt. representing her to have suffered much damage from the lightning on the West Coast upon a survey we ordered of her she was reported to want so much repair that we were obliged to send her to the Bay whether she proceeded the 11 September, We were then in daily expectation of the return of the George and it was not till the 20th. October that we recd advice of her being at Maddapollam, having sprung a leak which occasioned her to lye the Monsoon there and from whence she returned the 9th. January last when Capt. Taylor acquainted us that he judged she was not in a condition to proceed on so long a Voyage without great hazard on which we determined to send her to Bengall to be disposed of expecting by our advices from the Bay, the hourly arrival of the Princess Augusta from thence, we then did not apprehend the Georges incapacity to be a matter of any consequence, but here also we met a further dissapointment for the Gentlemen in Bengall having on the arrival of the Kent & Scarborough alter'd their intentions concerning her, remanded her back though dispatched for this place and she did not arrive here till the 13th. March and as there is often blowing Weather at that season, we agreed not to begin to load her till after the full moon in April was over.

The Circumstances of the Dutch Settlements on the Coast of Java now not admitting the supplying your place as usual and the George (as we have before said) being not in a condition to be of service any longer we have bought a Ship of the same burthen as the Princess Augusta, judging the service of your Coast would now require two Ships & to prevent the dissapointments that have happen'd of late, being a new Ship we have sent her to Bengall to be compleated and we purpose to dispatch her to you in September.

Observing that Mr. Sterling could not procure Arrack at Batavia, we have now sent you some by this Ship and have desired the President & Council in Bengall to provide twenty Leaguers for your Settlement which will come to you either on the Sumatra or the Ship that may be ordered from Bengall to your Coast.

Such part of your Indent for Wares and Stores as was procurable in Bengall & the product of that Country we [have sent] a List of thither and the Gentlemen inform us was put aboard the London, we now send the remainder of your Indents by this Ship, and by the Sumatra you may expect a further supply of Salt, 500 Bags of Fine Rice & some more white Long Cloth & what other necessaries we can judge you may be in want of.

Padre Ugguecioni now returns to his Mission, he has not as yet rec'd any answer from Goa concerning the Workmen but if after this departure we can get any account from thence that may give encouragement to expect them, we shall do all in our power to send them as we are very sensible of your great want of such people, and the service they might be in your Buildings & Fortifications.

We desired the Gentlemen in Bengall to send you if possible twenty Europeans by the London but they write us they had none to spare & we wish it was in our power to send you any from hence, both this Garrison & Fort St. David require a greater number then we have at present, so that we can only supply you now with twelve Topasses who are paid for this Month & June & who we have promised may return after the expiration of three Years, and we would have you give leave to such who are now with you & have served that time to come back, This if always performed may be a means to encourage them to go over with less reluctance.

We would have you return this Ship to us with all possible dispatch, but if she should meet with a long passage and cannot get the length of Zelan by the 10th. of September let the Commander have directions to make the best of his way for Bengall.

In September last we bought a small Sloop for the use of your Coast designing to have sent her over at that time and her bottom was ordered to be breamd and the Sloop fitted for that purpose in doing of which she accidentally took fire and her

Hull was thereby so much damaged as to be unfit for any service the two large Boats that we desired the Gentlemen at Bombay to build are arrived one of which we now send you named the Sloop Louisa we have been obliged to alter her Masts and sails as we shall do the other who will be recommended to [Capt. T]aylors care, when we shall send you the particulars of their cost.

By the Prince Williams the Gentlemen in Bengall sent us the Pacquet from England for your place by the Hardwicke, a Letter by her to the Deputy Governour & second from the Secret Committee & one to you from themselves all which comes by this conveyance the first having been opened here to see by the Inv^o. whether the Gentlemen in the Bay had given us a just Credit for the five Chests of Silver intended you on the Hardwicke, by her we received another Pacquet which believing to be a duplicate of the former from the President & Council of Fort William to you we do not send now.

The Tygris Capt. Petre arrived here the 5th. Inst. from London which she left in August she parted Company with the Neptune Capt. Dabbadie bound to your Port the 29th. Jan^y. on this side the Cape and the 23^d. of March she spoke with the Royal George Capt. Field from your Coast in the Latitude of 12 30, Captain Cobham in the Edgebaston he left at the Cape.

As a War may soon break out with France we recommend to you to put your Garrison & Fortifications in a good posture of defence & to keep a good look out to prevent any surprize.

Inclosed is a Manifest of private Trade licensed to be laden on this Ship with Invoice & Bills of Lading for what we now send you on her.

FORT ST. GEORGE
21st. MAY 1742.

We are
WORTH^{ls}. SIR & SIRS
Your affectionate Friends & Serv^{ts}.

P.S.

We have delivered the abovementioned Packet from the Secret Committee to the Deputy Governour & Second to Capt. Goring with directions to destroy it in case of being in danger of falling into the hands of an Enemy And Inclosed is also an Account of adjustments to make your Books agree with those of this Presidency ending April 1741.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

MANIFEST OF GOODS LICENCED BY THE PRESIDENT & COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE TO BE SHIPPED ON THE PRINCESS AUGUSTA CAPTAIN GEORGE GORING FOR FORT MARLBRO BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS.

BY M^r. W^m. DOUGLASS FOR M^r. STERLING.

				Charge.	Pieces.	Pag ^s .	Fan ^s .	Cash.	Pag ^s .	Fan ^s .	Cash.
Bale											
1	Sallampores blue	..	..	4	—	76	—	—			
1	Do. White	..	..	4	—	56	—	—			
2	Long Cloth White	..	..	3	—	103	18	—			
Burl.											
1	{ Barran Cossacs	..	..	1	}	38	—	—			
	{ Buggaes Cambays	..	..	1							
4	Chairs	..	..	..		8	—	—			
9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	281	18	—

BY M^r. W^m. DOUGLASS FOR M^r. RIGG,

		Corg.	Pieces.	Page.	Fans.	Cash.	Page.	Fans.	Cash.
Bale	1								
Bund	1								
	2								
	Slops								

BY M^r. SAVAGE FOR CAP^t. WILLIAMS.

1	Salampores Ordinary White	..	4	18	71	—	—		
2	Long Cloth Ordinary White	..	3	13	124	—	—		
8	Long Cloth Blue half Peices	..	30	—	727	18	—		
	Succatoons [Blue] half peices	..	4	—					
	Morees Ordinary Blue	..	2	—					
1	Fort S ^t . David Dimities	..	1	—	352	[18]	—		
	Do. .. Gingham	..	1	—					
	Ginghams Ordry Striped	..	4	—					
	Do. .. Middling	..	2	—					
	Handkerchiefs Metchlepatam &								
	Pulliacat ..	..	8	—					
1	Chints Malay ..	..	2	—	274	27	—		
	Malay Cambays Blue	..	1	13					
	Bengall Taffaties Red	..	—	10					
Bund	1								
Bales	3								
	Slops								
1	{ Cambays	..	6	—	138	—	—		
	{ Slops	..	—	—					
Chests	1								
	Slops								
	3								
	Madeira Wine								
22		..	..	..	..	..	1706	27	—

BY M^r. SAVAGE FOR M^r. CHRISTIAN.

Bale	1								
	Slops								
1	{ Cambays Middling ..	..	4	—					
	{ Gingham Middling Striped	..	4	—			192	—	—
	{ Slops	..	—	—					
Chest	1								
	Slops								
36	Bales Bundles & Chests	..	..	P.	P.		218	9	—

BY M^r. MORSE FOR ROB^t. LENNOX ESQ^r.

1	Cambays	..	6	—	144	—	—		
	Cossaes Malda	..	2	10	87	18	—		
	Taffaties	..	2	—	54	—	—		
1	Burran Cossaes	..	5	—	90	—	—		
1	Moorees Blue	..	6	—	144	—	—		
	Ginghams	..	1	1	25	—	—		
1	Succatoons Blue	..	10	—	190	—	—		
	Taffaties	..	3	—	90	—	—		
1	Cambays	..	4	—	144	—	—		
	Handkerchiefs	..	8	—	88	—	—		

Bales.			Corge.	Pieces.	Pag.	Fan.	Cash.	Pag.	Fan.	Cash.
2	Moorees blue ..	..	..	10 —	150	—	—			
1	Cossaes Malda ..	..	..	2 —	80	—	—			
38	Long Cloth Blue	..	..	150 —	3240	—	—			
3	Sallampores Blue	..	..	11 10	218	—	—			
7	Long Cloth White	..	..	10 10	338	—	—			
3	Sallampores White	..	..	12 —	156	—	—			
59	Bales amounting to	..	..	..	..	..	..	523[3]	18	—

By M^r. MORSE FOR M^r. W^m. RIGG.

1	Cambays ..	..	..	3 —	72	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs ..	..	..	6 —	80	—	—			
	Syrashes ..	..	..	1 —	24	—	—			
1	Cossaes Burruan	..	..	4 —	75	—	—			
	D ^o . Malda ..	..	..	2 —	76	—	—			
	Hummums ..	..	..	— 10	22	—	—			
1	Moorees blue ..	..	..	4 —	96	—	—			
	Succatoons D ^o .	..	..	2 —	38	—	—			
3	Long Cloth White	..	..	4 10	148	—	—			
1	Sallampores White	..	..	4 —	52	—	—			
10	Long Cloth blue	..	..	40 —	866	—	—			
1	Moorees Blue ..	..	..	1 —	24	—	—			
	D ^o . White ..	..	..	— 10	11	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs ..	..	..	1 —	32	—	—			
18	Bales amounting to	..	..	..	..	..	..	1616	—	—

By D^o. ... FOR M^r. SAM^l. GREENSLATE.

1	Moorees blue ..	..	..	5 —	120	—	—			
	Succatoons blue	..	..	8 —	152	—	—			
1	Cambays ..	..	..	5 —	120	—	—			
1	Cossaes Malda ..	..	..	2 —	76	—	—			
	Hummums ..	..	..	1 10	66	—	—			
	Taffaties ..	..	..	2 —	60	—	—			
20	Long Cloth Blue	..	..	80 —	1683	—	—			
3	Long Cloth White	..	..	4 10	148	—	—			
1	Sallampores White	..	..	4 —	52	—	—			
27	Bales amounting to	..	..	..	..	..	..	2477	—	—

By M^r. MORSE FOR M^r. W^m. COLES.

1	Cambays ..	..	..	4 —	96	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs ..	..	..	5 —	75	—	—			
	Syrashes ..	..	..	1 —	24	—	—			
	Allejars ..	..	..	1 —	8	—	—			
1	Cossaes ..	..	..	5 —	160	—	—			
	Beteelas Blue ..	..	..	3 —	52	—	—			
	Moorees Blue ..	..	..	1 10	35	—	—			
1	Taffaties ..	..	..	5 —	115	—	—			
1	Moorees blue ..	..	..	5 —	120	—	—			
	Succatoons blue	..	..	4 —	76	—	—			

				Corge.	Pieces.	Pag ^s .	Fan ^s .	Cash.	Pag ^s .	Fan ^s .	Cash.
Bales.											
1	Ginghams	..	..	..	4 7	90	—	—			
1	Cambays	..	..	..	9 —	145	—	—			
1	Cambays	..	..	..	2 —	48	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	..	..	..	5 —	55	—	—			
1	Syrashes	..	..	..	16 —	204	—	—			
	Beteelas	..	..	..	1 —	38	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs..	..	..	..	5 —	270	—	—			
1	Sannoos	..	..	..	3 15	75	—	—			
	Carridarries	..	..	..	2 —	38	—	—			
1	Cossaes	..	..	..	3 —	120	—	—			
	Hummums	..	..	..	3 —	84	—	—			
1	Beeteelas blue	..	..	..	1 18	27	—	—			
1	Moorees white	..	..	..	6 —	130	—	—			
	Chints	..	..	..	1 —	39	—	—			
	Pallampores	..	..	..	2 —	38	—	—			
1	Taffaties	..	..	..	2 —	60	—	—			
	Ginghams	..	..	..	3 —	27	—	—			
	Cossaes	..	..	..	2 —	30	—	—			
6	Long cloth blue	..	..	..	24 —	492	—	—			
2	Long cloth white	..	..	..	3 —	96	—	—			
1	Salampores White	..	..	..	4 —	52	—	—			
1	Tappys	..	..	..	20 —	70	—	—			
	Pallampores	..	..	..	— 12	18	—	—			
1	Chest Ophium	..	..	..	— —	85	—	—			
24 Bales 1 Chest	Amounting to			..					3092	—	—
By MR. MORSE FOR MR. CHA ^s . BARBUT.											
1	Cambays	..	..	..	3 —	72	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	..	..	..	3 10	40	—	—			
	Syrashes	..	..	..	4 —	96	—	—			
	Ginghams	..	..	..	4 —	24	—	—			
1	Chints	..	..	..	2 17	110	—	—			
	Taffaties	..	..	..	2 —	60	—	—			
	Syrashes	..	..	..	4 —	96	—	—			
1	Cambays	..	..	..	5 —	50	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	..	..	..	6 —	66	—	—			
1	Cossaes	..	..	..	2 10	50	—	—			
	Hummums	..	..	..	— 5	9	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs..	..	..	..	2 10	80	—	—			
4	Long Cloth blue	..	..	..	16 —	334	—	—			
1	Long Cloth white	..	..	..	1 10	48	—	—			
1	Sallampores White	..	..	..	4 —	52	—	—			
2	Chests Ophium..	..	..	..	— —	160	—	—			
10 Bales 2 Chests	Amounting to			..					1344	—	—

Bales				Corge.	Pieces.	Pag.	Fan.	Cash.	Pag.	Fan.	Cash.
	By M ^r . MORSE FOR M ^r . JOSEPH HURLOCK.										
1	Syrashes	..	..	12	16	110	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	..	..	2	—	22	—	—			
	Cambays	..	..	1	—	24	—	—			
	Taffaties	..	..	1	10	45	—	—			
	Succatoons	..	..	1	—	19	—	—			
1	Cambays	..	..	1	—	24	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	..	..	5	—	55	—	—			
3	Long Cloth blue	..	..	12	—	274	—	—			
1	Sallampores White	..	..	4	—	[5]2	—	—			
6	Bales amounting to	..	..						625	—	—
	By D ^o . . . FOR M ^r . HENRY STERLING.										
1	Moorees blue	..	..	1	—	24	—	—			
	Succatoons D ^o .	..	..	1	—	20	—	—			
	Cambays	..	..	1	—	21	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	..	..	1	—	22	—	—			
	Syrashes small	..	..	5	—	25	—	—			
	Taffaties	..	..	—	10	15	—	—			
1	Long Cloth blue	..	..	4	—	91	—	—			
2	Bales amounting to	..	..						218	—	—
	By D ^o . FOR M ^r . BARBUT.										
1	Cambays	..	..	1	—	24	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	..	..	2	—	20	—	—			
	Syrashes	..	..	1	—	24	—	—			
1	Moorees White	..	..	2	—	44	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	..	..	1	—	30	—	—			
1	Cambays	..	..	1	—	24	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	..	..	5	—	55	—	—			
	Succatoons	..	..	2	—	40	—	—			
	Moorees	..	..	2	—	48	—	—			
	Syrashes	..	..	2	—	48	—	—			
2	Long Cloth blue	..	..	8	—	165	—	—			
1	Long Cloth White	..	..	1	10	48	—	—			
1	Sallampores White	..	..	4	—	52	—	—			
7	Bales amounting to	..	..						622	—	—
	By D ^o . FOR M ^r . FREDERICK HAAG.										
1	Cambays	..	..	6	—	55	—	—			
	Cossacs	..	..	3	—	80	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	..	..	3	—	29	—	—			
	Taffaties	..	..	1	—	35	—	—			
	Hummums	..	..	—	10	20	—	—			
1	Beeteelas blue	..	..	3	—	44	—	—			
	Moorees blue	..	..	1	—	24	—	—			
1	Cambays	..	..	1	—	24	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	..	..	4	—	44	—	—			
	Syrashes	..	..	11	18	80	—	—			

				Corge.	Pieces.	Pag.	Fan.	Cash.	Pag. ^{as}	Fan.	Cash.
Bales											
3	Long Cloth blue	..	..	12	—	274	—	—			
1	Sallampores White	..	..	4	—	52	—	—			
1	Taffaties	..	..	—	8	12	—	—			
	Moorees White	..	..	1	—	22	—	—			
8	Bales Amounting to	..	..						795	—	—
By M ^r . MORSE FOR M ^r . DAVID PUGH.											
1	Cambays	..	..	3	—	36	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	..	..	1	—	10	—	—			
1	Moorees	..	..	3	—	72	—	—			
	Succatoons	..	..	2	—	39	—	—			
	Taffaties	..	..	1	—	30	—	—			
	Chints	..	..	—	10	14	—	—			
1	Beteelas blue	..	..	1	—	14	1[8]	—			
	Handkerchiefs	..	..	5	—	75	—	—			
	Moorees White	..	..	—	10	11	—	—			
	Hummums	..	..	—	5	9	—	—			
	Ginghams	..	..	—	7	18	—	—			
	Cambays	..	..	1	—	24	—	—			
1	Tappys	..	..	5	—	16	18	—			
	Cambays	..	..	1	—	25	—	—			
2	Long Cloth blue	..	..	8	—	165	—	—			
1	Long Cloth White	..	..	1	10	48	—	—			
7	Bales amounting to	..	..						606	—	—
By D ^o . FOR M ^r . CHA. GIBSON.											
1	Ginghams	..	..	2	—	[3]0	—	—			
	Moorees blue	..	..	—	10	[40]	—	—			
	Beeteelas blue	..	..	—	10	9	—	—			
	Succatoons blue	..	..	—	10	14	18	—			
	Handkerchiefs	..	..	—	10	11	—	—			
	Cambays	..	..	1	10	30	—	—			
1	Syrashes	..	..	4	—	48	—	—			
	Taffaties	..	..	—	10	15	—	—			
	Moorees	..	..	—	10	11	—	—			
	Cossaes	..	..	1	—	15	—	—			
	Tappys	..	..	5	—	16	18	—			
2	Long Cloth blue	..	..	8	—	165	—	—			
1	Long Cloth White	..	..	1	10	48	—	—			
5	Bales amounting to	..	..						453	—	—
By CAP ^t . GORING FOR HIMSELF.											
24	Long Cloth blue	..	..	64	—	1552	—	—			
4	Long Cloth White	..	..	6	—	216	—	—			
3	Sallampores White	..	..	13	12	196	2	—			
1	Moorees blue	..	..	6	—	169	34	40			
1	Moorees Green	..	..	4	—	117	9	—			
1	Handkerchiefs Metchlepatam	..	..	7	—	210	18	—			
1	{ Tappies of 5 covids long	..	..	7	—	109	6	—			
	{ D ^o . of 4 D ^o .	..	..	14	3						
3	Cambays Metchlepatam	..	..	16	—	424	—	—			
	Iron 169 Bars	..	..	—	—	200	24	35			
38	Bales								3195	18	75

			Corge.	Pieces.	Pag.	Fan.	Cash	Pag.	Fan.	Cash.
By M ^r . ROB ^t . SOMERVILLE GAY FOR HIMSELF.										
1	Syrashea	..	..	12	10	84	—	—		
	Cambays	..	..	4	16	45	—	—		
	Cossaes	..	..	1	2	21	—	—		
	Hummums	..	..	—	1	2	—	—		
	Taffaties	..	..	2	—	46	—	—		
1	Moorees Blue	..	..	2	10	60	—	—		
	Succatoons	..	..	2	10	50	—	—		
3	Long Cloth blue	..	..	12	—	274	—	—		
1	Long Cloth White	..	..	1	10	48	—	—		
6	Bales amounting to	..	..						630	— —

By M^r. SAVAGE FOR CAP^t. WILLIAMS.

Wheat 2 Bags	..	..	—	—	—	—	—
Arrack 1 Hoghead	..	..	—	—	—	—	—
							Pag ^s . 23062 9 75

No. 42

To CAP^t. GEORGE GORING
OF SHIP PRINCESS AUGUSTA.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your Ship & make the best of your way to Fort Marlbrô on the West Coast of Sumatra where you are to deliver the accompanying Packet as directed to the Deputy Governour & Council whose orders are to direct your future proceedings.

In the present uncertain situation of Affairs as to peace or War with France we think proper to caution you against speaking with any ship or ships at sea & that on your return to this Coast you take care to pass by Pondicherry in the night.

We put under your charge the Sloop Louisa which you must take the most proper measures to deliver safe to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort Marlbrô. Dated in Fort S^t. George this 21st. day May 1742.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 43

To M^r. ISAAC DIAS DAFONSECA
CHIEF &C^t. COUNCIL OF PULLIACAT.

SIRS

Last night we received the Letter you wrote us dated the 5th June N.S. relating to Frederick Buicke van Onhagen, The account which he gives of himself is that he was born at Hanover and entered into the service of the Dutch Company for five years, but though he has served them upwards of Ten years has not been able to obtain his discharge though often requested which was the occasion as he says of his

deserting to this place. But however that be we cannot return him without a full pardon of which your peons were acquainted when they were last here; and which we are obliged to repeat again. We are with Esteem

FORT ST. GEORGE

27TH. MAY 1742 O. S.

SIRS

Your most humble servants

RICHARD BENYON.

RANDALL FOWKE.

NICHOLAS MORSE.

WILLIAM MONSON.

THOMAS EYRE.

WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 44

TO THE GOVERNOUR & CAP^T. GENERAL
OF THE ISLAND & CITY OF MACAO.

S^R.

The inclosed affidavits will inform you in part of the strange conduct & behaviour of Elias Manoel Graces late Cap^t. of the Nossa Sen^{ra}. De Rozario and if we had proceeded against him according to the [Rigour of the law] the consequences must have been fatal to him. As to the Fact being perpetrated by his Order he confessed it before us, but with this difference That whereas Theodosio Martins in his Affidavit declares his Ears were cut in this Town, Captain Elias Manoel Graces says it was done at or near St. Thomé but however that be we have power from our King to take cognizance not only of all crimes committed within our Town but also of all others within Ten Miles of the same, which any of our Inhabitants or others who are under our protection may be guilty of, besides, if it be considered that We are settled in the Dominions of another Prince, if any person who inhabits with us should steal out from hence and commit such barbarous outrages in the country, the Government there would have very just reason either to demand the criminal to be delivered up to them or that we should ourselves inflict some exemplary and condign punishment upon him. We leave you Sir to judge of the nature of the Fact and the consequences which might have attended it. For ourselves We have been contented to keep him under confinement till he could take his passage for Macao which he now does by this Ship S^{eta}. Catharina where if he is not ashamed to show his head after having committed so cruel & barbarous an Act you will have an opportunity of making him sensible of such further resentment as you think proper.

We are with great Truth & Esteem.

FORT ST. GEORGE

7TH. JUNE 1742 O. S.

S^R.

Yo^r. most obed^t. humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON & C^t.

(All but M^r. Harris.)

No. 45

TO THE HON^{BLE}. THOMAS BRADDYLL ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT & GOV^R. & C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT WILLIAM.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRS

We wrote you the 11th. May by the Brigantine Neptune duplicate of which followed by the Sloop Bombay with a [small] addition under the 14th. This waits on you by our [Honble Masters ship] the Tygris Cap^t. John Petre she is to call at Vizagapatam to put some money ashore there & then proceed to the Bay.

Inclosed you have Invoice & Bill of Lading for the Treasure Redwood & Broad cloth laden on her & consigned to your Hon^r. & C^t. the Broad cloth the company write Us was seized on board their Ship Queen Carolina in the Downs & had been

condemned in a legal manner and add that they must be put up at sale at Outery separate from any other Goods we mention this for your notice, As this cloth [is] Aurora & observing by the accounts transmitted Us that sort sells much better in the Bay than it would here is the reason we consign it to your Hon^r. &c^t.

As we cannot be certain whether our hoñble Masters have mentioned to you the satisfaction which they received at the early arrivall of the Wilmington & Colchester in England we have thought proper to send you inclosed part of the 7th para. of their Letter to us dated the 29th. July last by the Tygris which leads us to propose to you that that ship if you have no objections thereto may be returned to us in August with so much of her Europe Cargo on board as to leave room only for two hundred Bales to be taken in here, which indeed is so small a number but however 'tis the most we can engage for after compleating the Loading for the Admiral Vernon that we confess it would not be worth calling for if it were not that it furnishes Your Hon^r. &c^t. with a pretence to dispatch her hither in August & us with an opportunity to dispatch her for England in September & perhaps in Company with the Admiral Vernon.

We advised in our Letter of the 14th. May by the Bombay Sloop the reason why we sent for the Military ashore here out of that Vessel, but having since enquired more particularly into that affair we do not find the Men were so much in fault as the Master pretended, six of them whose names are specified in a List apart have desired to stay here which we have consented to as it might be saving of the charge to the Company of sending them to you: The rest as ~~the~~ List inclosed come now on the Tygris with an Account of one months pay which they have received here & the provisions laden on board for them in which is distinguished what part was received out of the Bombay Sloop & what part has been paid for here the amount of which & their pay we shall charge to your Presidency.

Inclosed is this Ships Charterparty with a manifest of Goods landed here from her. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE.
7TH. JUNE 1742.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIR
Your most humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

P. S.

Your Hon^r. &c^t. will please to Credit us Pag^a. 16.9 for thirty Buoy Ropes sent with the Treasure on the Tygris.

No. 46

TO JOHN STRATTON ESQR.
CHIEF &C^t. COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

It was the 16th. April before we received yours of the 13th. March since which we have not heard from you which very much surprizes us and would give us great uneasiness if we were not assured by the Black Merchants, who have late advices from Bimlepatam that you were in quiet & the country about you in peace.

The George sailed from hence with a supply of money for your place the 14th. March & the Vizagapatam with men & Stores the 3^d. April. By the remittances you have made to Maddapollam & Ingeram we know the George must have been with you & delivered the Treasure we sent by her, otherwise it is very strange we

received no advice of it from you ; you ought not to omit writing to us constantly once a month to inclose your Accounts & to advise the State of your Investment, this must not be omitted in future.

By this Ship Tygriss we send you two Boxes containing twenty one thousand three hundred & ten Madrass Pagodas as ^{per} Invoice & Bill of Lading inclosed [. . .] as you [. . .] to make the best of his way for Bengal & you must not detain him. When the Europe Ships arrive we hope we shall be able to supply you with the [Guns]& shot you write for and we have reason to hope that you will not have occasion for them before.

Don't fail to supply Mess^{rs}. Hallyburton & Prince with Money as they write for it; we hope one of the Companys Ships will arrive in time to call in upon you with a further supply, if not we shall send it by some other good conveyance. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
[7th.] JUNE 1742.

GENTLEMEN
Your affectionate Friends
RICHARD BENYON & C^o.
(All but M^r. Harris.)

N^o. 47

TO M^r. RICHARD PRINCE
RESIDENT AT INGERAM.

SIR

Since our last we have received your severals of the 23^d. & 24 March & 11th. May and are very glad to read in the last that the Morattas were retired from your parts & that you were under no apprehensions of their returning again this season, but we are concerned to read you are teased & your Merchants insulted by the Officers of the Government; we hope you have been able to remove those difficulties that there may be no impediment to your Merchants complying with their promise to bring in two hundred Bales by the middle of August & we hope we shall receive them here by the Essex Brigantine the beginning of Sept^r.

Our Honble Masters having in the 37th. para of their Letter of the 6th. February 1735 permitted a house to be built for the Resident at Ingeram we suppose the Nabob will very readily give you a grant of a peice of Ground for that purpose & having obtained that you have our consent to set about it provided the Expence thereof when compleated does not exceed One thousand Pagodas.

FORT ST. GEORGE
[7th.] JUNE 1742.

We are
SIR
Your affectionate Friends
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM [JOHNSON].

N^o. 48

TO M^r. JOHN HALLIBURTON
RESIDENT AT MADAPOLLAM.

SIR

We have received your severals of the 31st. March 30th. April & 13th. May & were very glad to read in that of the 30th. April that the Country about you was

again settled and quiet. This you will receive from Vizagapatam where we now send a supply of Madrass Pagodas and from thence will be sent you what you may want for your Investm^t.

FORT ST. GEORGE
7th. JUNE 1742.

We are
SIR
Your affectionate Friends.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

N^o. 49

TO CAPTAIN JOHN PETRE
COMMD^r. OF THE TYGRIS.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your ship & make the best of your way to Vizagapatam where you are to make no longer stay than to [deliver] our Letter with the Treasure We have laden on board you [for that] place to the Chief & Council there. You must then proceed to the River of Bengall where on your arrivall you are to deliver the accompanying packet to the President & Council of Fort William whose Orders must direct your future proceedings. Dated in Fort St. George this 8th. day of June 1742.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

N^o. 50

TO THE HONBLE. STEPHEN LAW ESQ^r.
[PRE]SIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL
[OF] BOMBAY.

HON^{BLE}. SIR & SIRs

Our last to you (duplicate of which is inclosed) was dated the 10th. May the next day we received by one of the two [Boats] your favour of the 11th. April & two days ago that of [the] 26th. April.

The two Boats will make pretty Sloops in which manner we are obliged to rigg them as the [. . .] or work as they were rigged when [the . . .] we sent to the West Coast along with the Princess Augusta & the other we shall have an opportunity to send in September. We beleive they will both be of use there though otherwise they are not built agreeable to our request in our letter of the 2^d. October last being designed to go over the Bars of [the Rivers] upon that Coast whereas these draw to much Water [for that purpose] We are obliged to you for the Rules necessary to [. . .] them but we doubt there will be a difficulty [. . .] with the two last except we could get Surat or Bbay Carpenters

[to reside on] the West Coast. As the Lascars had received four Months pay we proposed to them to continue on board the Vessels to the West Coast as little more than one Month of that time was expired when they arrived here, but they replied that the remainder of their pay was to bear their charges back & as we interpreted the close of your paragraph relating to those Boats to have some agreement with what the Lascars told us we permitted them to come ashore but they have been since troublesome to Us for a further allowance [which we have not] thought fitt to comply with partly because it did not agree with what they told us before & partly because you [have] not advised us that we were to pay them anything here.

As your Hon^r. &c^t. desire us to inform you in what manner Lieutenant Lane was employed here and [whether we] think he is entitled to the further sum he claims we are to acquaint you that when the Royal Guardian arrived here we [Ordered] the Men who came upon her to one of our Out [Choul]teries at the [far] end of our Suburbs & put them entirely under Captain Lanes [care] till [the] Morattas entered this Province & then we thought proper to orde[r] them into Town [. . .] duty which continued for [one] Month & Cap^t. Lane & his Men kept Guard at the place which [was] assigned them & where they must have continued longer if it had [been] necessary, upon the whole as his coming to this place was no[t on] choice & he was allways willing & ready upon call to do duty here [we] submit it to your Hon^r. &c^t. whether it may not be reasonable to [draw] his whole pay for as to the Ten Pagodas a month paid him [which we] observe he calls thirty Rupees) it was advanced him as diet money to be deducted out of what pay you might think him entitled to.

We received the several Species of Silver Coin mention'd in your Letter of the 11th. April except the five Twenty Shahee peices which were not inclosed with the rest the other Species have been assayed here & inclosed you [have an] account of the produce of an hundred 100 ounces of [. . .] of the same Quantity of all other sorts of silver coins in our Mint [whether] coined for the Company or for private people.

We come now to your favour of the 26th. April wherein you are pleased to desire we would issue a prohibition against Ships calling at any ports near Anjengo in answer to which we are to remind your Hon^r. &c^t. That a complaint of this sort was transmitted us from your side in the year 1735 and we take leave to referr you to our Letter of the 11th. June 1735 to the President & Council of Bombay & our Letter of the 12th. of the same month to the Chief & Council of Anjengo for our answer thereto and having transmittel the same to our Hon^{ble} Masters the 9th. February 1736 they were pleased to write us as follows. "In answer to the [50]th. "[paragraph] of the 30th. September relating to Cap^t. Gale's purchasing pepper on "the Malabar Coast we gave the proper directions to Bombay on that subject by the "Wyndham & Lynn acquainting our President & Council that if we are paid our "Customs & duties we cannot in justice hinder persons trading under our protection " & Licence purchasing Pepper where they can get it cheapest, except at our own "Settlements." Having premised thus much we doubt whether it is in our power to Issue out any other prohibition then against the carrying any Salt Petre ammunition or Warlike Stores for sale on your Coast & in that we think we are warranted by what our Honble Masters wrote us last year.

We are advised from Pondicherry That a Brigantine was arrived there from the Islands where she left a French Ship called the Neptune that sailed from France the be[gin]ning of January: The News which the French [. . .] That a Peace between England & Spain was looked upon as good as concluded & that there was no doubt the Elector of Bavaria would be chosen Emperor upon the whole there was no Apprehension that there would be any War between France & the Maritime powers & therefore Mons^r. Labourdinier had received orders to disarm his squadron & to send his ships into India to be loaded home, if this last be[true] & we believe it is we may guess at the design in sending this quadron out, we impatiently expect the arrival of one of our own ships & shall not fail to advise you as soon as

possible what news we have by her, The occasion of this dispatch is to forward the accompanying packet from Anjengo which the Gentlemen there desire we would send you without Loss of time.

FORT ST. GEORGE
11th. JUNE 1742.

We are
HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRs
Your most humble Servants
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 51

TO M^R. JOHN HALLIBURTON
RESIDENT AT MADAPOLLAM.

SIR

This is only by order of the President & Council to cover Invoice & Bill of Lading for Stores now sent you on the Jenny Brigantine Jangallee amounting to Pag^s. 93 35 46.

[FORT ST. GEORGE]
[. . .]

I am
S^R.
Your most humble Servant
JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

No. 52

TO JOHN STRATTON ESQ^R.
CHIEF & C^R. COUNCIL AT VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

To the foregoing Duplicate of what we wrote you by the Tygris the 17th. Instant. we have only to add that we have since received two [from] you of the 11th. & 13th. May and here enclose duplicate of the Letter wrote you by our Order the 19th. January last & of the Invoice of Wares & Stores then sent you on the Vizagapatam.

FORT ST. GEORGE
15th. JUNE 1742.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your affectionate Friends
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 53

TO THE WORSHIPFUL AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.
WORSHP^L. SIR & SIRs

I am ordered by the President & Council to advice That Twenty thousand 20,000 Pagodas will be sent you overland tomorrow morning under charge of the usual number of peons.

FORT ST. GEORGE
21st. JUNE 1742.

I am
WORSHP^L. S^R. & S^{MS}.
Your most humble Servan[t]
JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

No. 54

TO THE WORSHIP^r. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r.

DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^r. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^r. SIR & SIRs

Agreable to what wrote you yesterday by our Order this Accompanys a supply of Twenty thousand 20,000 Pagodas under charge of [4] Peons.

FORT ST. GEORGE
22^d. JUNE 1742.

We are
WORSH^r. SIR & SIRs
Your affectionate Friends

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 55

TO THE HON^{BLE} JACOB MOSSEL ESQ^r.

GOV^r. &C^r. COUNCIL AT NEGAPATAM.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRs

Few days since we received from Pulliacat the Letter you did us the Honour to write us dated the 24th. Inst^t. N.S. wherein you are pleased to referr Us to an Agreement made in the year 1696 between the two nations also to a Letter wrote by the hon^{ble} Governour Mossel to our President dated the 8th. September last year who has laid the same before Us together with another Letter dated the 9th. November the same year.

As to the Agreement said to be made in the year 1696 we have looked over our Records of that time and find that the last of March 1696 the then Governour & Council of Negapatam proposed to the Governour & Council of this place That every person that should desert from the service of either nation should be directly back to the Nation from whom he deserted without any condition of pardon except such Person was the natural born subject of the Nation to whom he deserted. We have not the Original of this letter by Us & the Translator does not seem well to have understood the [English] Language; but what we have recited is we beleive [pretty near] the sense of what was intended by the Original: The 30th. March O.S. we find President Higginson & the Council acknowledge the receipt of that Letter but as to the purport They say it was a matter that required good consideration & therefore desired to be excused from making any further reply at that time, We cannot say whether the matter rested there but we do not find upon our records that any further reply was made from hence.

As to the six men which last year run away to Pulliacat with a Boat from one of our Company's Ships our President at the same time that he demanded them promised the Governour there that the said six Men should no ways be punished [for.....] desertion and this promise was made without being asked and to save time as expecting that accord^e. to custom a pardon would be insisted on. We know your Hon^r. &C^r. are [. . .] in [. . .]ishing all your Settlements with proper Rules for their direction That if any Custom had been established for the delivering up deserters immediately and without any condition we apprehend the Chief & Council of Pulliacat would not have been in doubt how to proceed with regard to the six Men above-mentioned. They thought themselves obliged to wait the Orders of the hon^{ble} Gov^r. Mossel and it was not till after they had received them that they delivered the six Men up and then under the sanction of the pardon that was promised at least we had no notice to the contrary.

For the rest which your hon^r: &c^t: [are] pleased to write us on this subject we desire you will be so good to excuse Us if we say that after the strictest searching we cannot find that there has been any positive or certain agreement settled between the two nations for delivering up simple deserters without a full and absolute pardon which also is the same agreement we have with the French except in cases [where the] deserter hath been guilty of notorious & atrocious Murder.

We shall not detain your Hon^r: &c^t. with any remarks upon the reason offered by the Honourable Gov^r. Mossel in his Letters to our President dated the 8th: September & 9th. November last N.S. for the Utility of entring into the agreement proposed because whatever our own sentiments thereof may be we do not find that we are authorized by our Company to engage for the delivery of any deserters otherwise than upon the condition that they have an entire and absolute pardon We pray your Hon^r: &c^t: to take what we have said in good part and to believe that we are with great Truth & esteem

FORT ST. GEORGE
28TH. JUNE 1742.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient & most
humble Ser^{ts}.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

P.S.

We take this opportunity to return the Hon^{ble} Governour Mossel thanks for the Letter he favoured us with [9th.] November last to Mynheer Broyell Gov^r. at Jaffnapat^m: but as the Vessel by which it was intended to be sent could not then get out of Cuddalore We return the Letter inclosed.

No. 56

TO THE WORSH^{LS}: AUG: BURTON ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^T. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.

WOR[SH^{LS}.] SIR & SIRS

W[e have re]ceived your severals of the 4th: 9th: 18th: & 28th: Instant, to which having already supplied you with money you wrote for we have only to reply

That with respect to your Storekeepers List of damaged Stores you have our permission to write them of to profit & Loss such of the Articles as would not produce any thing at Outery, which rule we suppose you have observed pursuant to the almost yearly repeated directions from hence The useless Guns, Brass Mortar & Pier Glasses send hither as sea conveyances offer, and having sold the Old household furniture at Outery you have our consent to purchase new to the present amount of that head on your Books.

We shall deferr to supply the Lieutenantany vacant at your place vacant by the death of M^r. Amyand till the arrival of the Shipping expected from England.

Inclosed are the Muster Rolls of the Europeans in your two company's of Soldiers corrected by our Rolls which will guide you in complying with the 16th. Regulation from England respecting the Military in January next.

We are
WORSH^{LS}. SIR & SIRS
Your affectionate Friends
RICHARD BENYON &C^T.
(all but M^r. Harris.)

FORT ST. GEORGE
3^D. JULY 1742.

No. 57

TO THE WORSHIPFUL AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r.

DEPUTY GOV^r. & C^r. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^l. SIR & SIRs

[We have] recd yours of the 3^d. Instant representing the usefulness of the Mud Bastion at the Northwest end of Tevenepatam in the last irruption of the Morattas and the necessity of facing it with Brick to prevent its suffering damage from the next Monsoon and as the cost of performing that Work & building a proper Guard-room adjoining to it is computed at but little more than three hundred Pagodas you have our consent to set about it. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE

16TH. JULY 1742.

WORSH^l. SIR & SIRs

Your affectionate Friends

RICHARD BENYON.

RANDALL FOWKE.

NICHOLAS MORSE.

WILLIAM MONSON.

THOMAS EYRE.

WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 58

TO THE WORSH^l. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r.

DEPUTY GOV^r. & C^r. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^l. SIR & SIRs

This by order of the President & Council covers Invoice & Bill of Lading for a supply of Stationary Ware now sent you on the Chinny Mead Marcar a Country Boat Hosseen Syrang

I am

WORSH^l. SIR & SIRs

Your most humble Servants

JOHN SAVAGE

Sec^{ry}.

[FORT ST. GEORGE

8TH. JULY 1742].

No. 59

TO THE HON^{BLE} STEPHEN LAW ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT AND GOV^r. & C^r.
COUNCIL OF BOMBAY.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRs

Our last (Duplicate of which is inclosed) was dated the 11th. June We are now to advise that the 20th. of that Month Our Hon^{ble} Masters ship the Houghton Cap^t. Isaac Worth arrived here from England as did the Grantham Cap^t. Roger Hale the 7th. July both these ships being consigned directly to the Bay we received no Packet from our Hon^{ble} Masters till the 14th. that was brought Us by the Walpole & Lynn which arrived the Evening before: The 18th. at night came in the Marlborough the Captain of her acquaints us that he came the inner passage between Madagascar & the African Coast that he touched at Joanna where he arrived about the 5th. June & sailed the 15th. he left there the Benjamin Captain Way that arrived the 10th. Captain Jenkins in the Harrington went into Young Owl on Madagascar about the 30th. May The Sommerset Cap^t. Howes was standing [into] Joanna as the Marlborough came out.

The Houghton sailed for the Bay the 28th. June & the Gran[tham on] the 18th. Instant the Walpole Marlborough & Lynn will [sail thi]ther as soon as we can possibly unload them & we hope to dispatch the Admiral Vernon for England early in September.

As we take it for granted the Somerset or Benjamin will be with you before this we dont trouble you with a List of Ships taken up for the several parts of India and as to publick affairs in Europe the Company only write us the 20th. Jan^{ry}. The War with Spain continued in the same situation but as yet there was no War with France.

Last night we received the inclosed Packet from the Chief & Council at Anjengo who desired us to forward it with all Expedition which we now comply wi[th. We are]

FORT ST. GEORGE
20th. JULY 1742.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humb. [servants]
RICHARD BEN[YN & C^r.]
(all but M^r. Harris.)

N^o. 60

TO M^r. JONATHAN SMART

SIR

As you are returning to Pegue we have thought fit to appoint you again Resident in the Companys name at Syrian, but it being uncertain whether the new King Sementho maintains his conquest of that Port & the circumjacent provinces or whether the King of Ava has or is likely to disposess him we have prepared a Letter for each of them and whosoever is Master of Syrian & the Countries about it is properly the person to whom you must apply at your first arrival unless you have good reason to beleive he will Quickly lose his authority there. The other Letter must be carefully preserved to offer the conqueror if the present possessor should be expelled, You must weigh well the state of Affairs and engage yourself as little as possible with either of the contending parties Let all oth[ers] of his Majestys subjects who may [be at] Syrian be acquainted with the same & if they act contrary hereto that we shall not fail to make them sensible of our Resentment.

From [what] M^r. Hutton has wrote you we have some reason to hope [you may] find M^r. Wilson released from his confinement & the [melanc]holly circumstances he was in, if otherwise we [strongly desire you] to make use of the most pressing instances for that purpose.

We think it is generally agreed That several of the Provinces in Pegue are capable of producing a good Quantity of Salt Petre & therefore we must again press it upon you to use your best endeavours for obtaining a Liberty to export it and if the Government are not Blind to their own interest they will easily be convinced of the advantages they will reap from it but we must recommend to your observation & attention what we wrote you upon this subject the 9th. Feb^{ry}. 1740/41.

FORT ST. [GEORGE
21st. JULY 1742].

We are
SIR
Your very assured Friends
RICHARD BENYON & C^r.
(all but M^r. Harris.)

No. 61

To CHARLES WHITEHILL Esq^r.CHIEF &C^r. COUNCIL AT ANJENGO.

GENTLEMEN

The 8th. June we received a Letter from you which we suppose should bear date in May, & the 19th. Inst^t. another of the 10th. June. The packets that accompanied them for Bombay were forwarded thither one the 11th. June the other the 20th. Instant.

The 20th. June our Honble Masters Ship the Houghton Captain Isaac Worth arrived here from England as did the Grantham Captain Roger Hale the 7th. Instant, both those Ships being consigned directly to the Bay we did not receive any packet from our Honble Masters till the 14th. that was brought us by the Walpole & Lynn which ships arrived here the Evening before. The 18th. at night came in the Marlborough: The Captain of her acquaints us that he came the inner passage between Madagascar & the African Coast that he touched at Joanna where he arrived the 5th. June [and sailed the 15th.] that he left there the Benjamin Cap^t. Way, who arrived the 10th. That Cap^t. Jenkins in the Harrington went into Young Owl on Madagascar about the 30th. May and the Sommerset Cap^t. Howes was standing into Joanna [as the Marlborough came out].

[Inclo]sed is a List of the Honble Compys Ships intended for India this season.

As to publick affairs in Europe the Company write us the 20th. January That the War with Spain continued in the same situation but that there was then no War with France.

We are

GENTLEMEN

Your most humble servants

RICHARD BENYON &C^r.
(all but M^r. Harris.)

FORT ST. GEORGE
23^d. JULY 1742.

No. 62

To WILLIAM WAKE Esq^r.CHIEF &C^r. COUNCIL AT TELlicherry.

GENTLEMEN

The 11th. May we received yours of the 24th. April as we did the 1st. Instant the Duplicate thereof & your other of the 7th. June. Agreeable to your desire in the first we have given Bombay Presidency credit for the amount of your disbursements on the Boat Fort St. George.

The 20th. June our Honble Masters ship the Houghton Captain Isaac Worth arrived here from England as did the Grantham Cap^t. Roger Hale the 7th. Instant, both these ships being consigned directly to the Bay we did not receive any packet from our Honble Masters till the 14th. that was brought in by the Walpole & Lynn which ships arrived here the evening before The 18th. at night came in the Marlborough; the Captain of her acquaints us that he came the inner passage between Madagascar & the African Coast; that he touched at Joanna where he arrived the 5th. June and sailed the 15th. that he left there the Benjamin Cap^t. Way who arrived the 10th. That captain Jenkins in the Harrington went into Young Owl on Madagascar about the 30th. May and the Somerset Cap^t. Howes was standing into Joanna as the Marlborough came out.

Inclosed is a List of the Honble Companys ships intended for India this season.

As to publick Affairs in Europe the Company only write us the 20th. January That the War with Spain continued in the same situation but that there was then no War with France.

FORT ST. GEORGE
23^d. JULY 1742.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your most humble servants
RICHARD BENYON &c^r.
(all but M^r. Harris.)

No. 63

TO THE WORSH^d. AUGUSTUS BURTON Esq^r.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &c^r. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^d. SIR & SIRs

In our Letter of the 10th. Feb^ry. last we wrote to you to agree for five thousand peices of Soot Romalls of a bright colour, that is, a bright blue White & four hundred peices of Red & white according to the sample sent Anno 1739 the Company have this Year indented for six thousand 6000 of the first and six hundred 600 of the last so that you may agree with your Merchants for one thousand 1000 peices more of the Blue & white Romalls & two hundred 200 more of the Red & white.

The Company tell us that the Dimities which have been lately sent home have been so excessive dear that they indent for no more this Year than two hundred 200 peices some of which to be as fine as possibly can be got, Our Merchants have brought in some here but we should be glad to see musters from your place and at what prices your Merchants will undertake to provide them.

Inclosed we send you Copy of the 35th. 36th. & 41st. paragraphs of our Honble Masters Letter of the 20th. Jan^ry. & also copy of the 4th. & 6th. paragraphs of their Letter of the 27th. January.

We must in few days advise the Gentlemen in the Bay what number of Bales we can furnish towards the dispatch of the Ships in January. We know under the circumstances the country is in at present it is impossible for you to be absolutely certain in this respect however send for your Merchants talk with them fully about it & let Us know the result as soon as possible. Don't fail to put at the foot of all your Letters the Quantity of cloth you have on hand.

Inclosed you have also Copy of the 56th. para of our Honble Masters Letter of the 20th. January which is to direct your Surgeon in drawing out the Lists of deaths & also several other paragraphs from 61 to 66 relating to the Medicines & what your Surgeon is otherwise to take due notice of & you are to see complied with.

FORT ST. GEORGE
26th. JULY 1742.

We are
WORSH^d. SIR & SIRs
Your affectionate Friends
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 64

TO THE WORSHIPFULL AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ.^r.
DEPUTY GOV^r. & C^r. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^d. SIR & SIRs.

I am ordered by the President & Council to advise that a supply of Twenty thousand 20,000 Pagodas will be sent you overland to morrow morning under the charge of the usual number of peons. I am

FORT ST. GEORGE
30th. JULY 1742.

WORSH^d. SIR & SIRs
Your most humble servant
JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^y.

No. 65

TO THE WORSHIPFUL AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ.^r.
DEPUTY GOV^r. & C^r. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^d. SIR & SIRs

Agreable to what was wrote you yesterday by our Order, this accompanies a supply of Twenty thousand 20000 Pagodas, under charge of thirty five Peons. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
31st. JULY 1742.

WORSH^d. S^r. & S^{rs}.
Your affectionate Friends
RICHARD BENYON & C^r.
(all but M^r. Harris.)

No. 66

TO CHARLES WHITEHILL ESQ.^r.
CHIEF & C^r. COUNCIL AT ANJENGO.

GENTLEMEN

Inclosed is Duplicate of what we wrote you the 23^d. of last Month.

The Gentlemen at Bombay apprehending that some of the Broad Cloth & Perpets landed here from the Tygris were intended for Persia and being doubtfull of a conveyance for it thither from Bombay have desired us to forward it to Persia if any opportunity should offer directly from hence. We at present expect a Ship will sail hence for Persia the latter end of September or beginning of October but as the President & Council of Bombay or we have only seen abstracts of the Tygris Invoice we suppose you to have the Originals & therefore desire that you will transmit Us a Copy thereof to enable Us, in Shipping them, the more easily to distinguish what part of them was intended for Persia & what for Bombay & that if it be necessary to take this last out upon the Coast it may be stowed for the better conveniency of doing it. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
2^d. AUGUST 1742.

GENTLEMEN
Your most humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 67

TO THE WORSH^L. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^L. SIR AND SIRS

This by order of the President & Council covers Bill of Lading for Wares Stores & Medicines now sent you on the Sloop Mary, James Morup Master The Invoice of which will be sent you overland.

FORT ST. GEORGE
4TH. AUGUST 1742.

I am
WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servant
GEORGE PIGOT
Sub-Sec^{ry}.

P.S.

The Keys of the Medicine chests are delivered the Master.

No. 68

TO M^R. JAMES MORUP
MASTER OF THE SLOOP MARY.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your Sloop and make the best of your way to Fort St. David on your arrival you must deliver the accompanying Letter to the Deputy Governour and Council there whose Orders are to direct your future proceedings. Dated in Fort St. George this 4th. day of August 1742.

Signed by Order of the President & Council.

GEORGE PIGOT
Sub-Sec^{ry}.

No. 69

TO THE WORSH^L. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL OF FORT S. DAVID.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRS

We have recd yours of the 2^d. Instant & observe what you & your Merchants say relating to the Investment, and particularly the advancing of the prizes aee which having considered with attention as well as what we have recd from our Hon^{ble} Masters on the same Subject this Year, We shall give you some remarks together with our sentiments on the whole.

As to the large contracts made by the French it is what they do every year, and is no new thing if it was only this Year we should imagine it was done with a view to gain a credit in order to borrow money of which they are certainly in great want, and without that they would not be able to purchase any considerable quantity of cloth though it was much cheaper. We have it from good hands that their Merchants have not for these four Months past brought in above the value of 6000 pagodas, and the most they could be brought to promise towards the dispatch of the October Ship including what they have already brought in is but from three to four hundred Bales. Their Merchants complain also of the dearness and scarceness of Cotton & Cotton Yarn which indeed is universal all along the Coast, and that the English Gomastas rise the prices upon them but however this struggle may be carried too far. The Company tell us that having most sensibly felt the bad Effect of the troubles in Germany by the Goods having sold at exceeding low prizes together with the very high freights they are obliged to pay the Owners this War time they have

been induced to lessen their Tonnage this Year for the Coast & Bay. This is a plain intimation that they do not expect us to advance the prizes of the cloth in order to increase the Quantity & indeed in the next Paragraph they tell us, That as the French send only three Ships to the Coast & Bay, & the Sweeds none the demand of Goods will be considerably lessened & therefore persuade themselves that we should be able by a prudent management to buy their Goods much cheaper. We pass over your sentiments of the State of affairs in Europe [as we] have made them but little our study, & therefore without taking upon us to judge what turn they may take, content ourselves with following as near as we can what appears to us to be the sense of our Hon'ble Masters for our conduct abroad. Upon the whole we are very much afraid if we were to advance the prizes to what your Merchants seem to talk of either to encrease the Quantity or disappoint the French it would not at those prizes sell for the Cost in India the Freight & charges deducted, and in that case we had better lie by & not pique ourselves too much upon dissappointing the French.

Your Merchants say that it is impossible to go on with the Investment unless they are permitted to encrease the price, but in order to know whether we would consent to it, they should have told you what advance they expected. They tell you that they give from $42\frac{1}{2}$ to $43\frac{1}{2}$ for Warriapollam cloth, which as we take it is an advance on the last Years prizes, That cloth was always cheaper than the Chemanaick-pollam cloth, and if we remember right they promised towards the close of the last Year that in consideration of being paid Star Pagodas They would bring in the Cloth 20 P^{c} cheaper than when they were paid Allumparra Pagodas, That was loaded with Land Custom & Dustore which this Year has been taken off But having received no account of the cost of the cloth as it has been brought in Monthly we can make no exact calculation of the difference of the prizes. Your Merchants tell you that the French have actually offered Forty Seven for the Warriapollam Cloth. We dont know whether they mean we must advance upon that but if we compute right the difference between Forty Seven & the Last Years prizes is above twelve P^{c} Cent including the Land Custom & Dustore which is so vast an increase upon the prime Cost that we can by no means consent to it especially at a time that the prizes are so low in England. The disappointment which the Compy are likely to meet with in the Bay induces us not to squabble with your Merchants for trifle more or less & provided they can carry on the Investment at or near the present prizes we are contented to go on with them but if it be any thing near Fortysseven We must resolve to have done, besides we are told tis not the common Ord^r. sort which the French have offered Forty seven for, but a better sort Musters of which had been brought them, but not being entirely approved of had offered fifty for still better this brings us to what Andipa tells you relating to the Fine Cloth of twelve Cauls. That if he is permitted to give Sixty Seven for it He will answer for it that the Cloth shall answer in goodness to the advance in that price, if it does so it cannot be said to be dearer and upon that condition We consent to the advance.

Having already said that we shall not differ with your Merchants for a small matter We cannot add more at present under the uncertainty We are under what it is They expect from us. But to agree in General with them to take in any cloth and at any price is what we cannot consent to.

Among your Annual papers in [. . .] you sent us your Merchants Account made up if we [. . .] to the end of Dece[mber] Those were sent in our Packet [. . .] and therefore you must send us other copies as so [. . .] be drawn out also copy of their Account as it wa[. . .] of July last. Let the Warehousekeeper also send [. . .] accounts of the cloth brought in by the M[erchants from the] last of December to the last of last Month [. . .] the Merchants & in the same manner [. . .] The Accounts of what Cloth they m[. . .] we suppose it may be some time [. . .] Books we must have copys of [. . .] the Merchants monthly of what cloth brought in from the 1st. May to the last of December 1741.

Yesterday we dispatched to you the Mary Sloop with Stationary Ware, and other things as P^{r} Invoice and second Bill of Lading inclosed return her to us as soon as you can with as many Bales as she can take in.

We have not been able to get any body out of the Europe Ships to serve as your Doctors Mate but in few days will come to you a man that has served some months in our Hospital and we hope will be of use in yours.

Our Hon^{ble} Masters complain that the Wrappers of the Goods received in 1741 were old damaged cloth & very bad. We are

FORT S^t. GEORGE
6th. AUG^r. 1742.

WORSHP^l. SIR & SIRs
Your affectionate Friends & Serv^{ts}.
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

[N^o. 70]

[TO THE HON^{ble} THOMAS] BRADDYLL ESQ^r.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR] & C^r. COUNCIL OF
[FORT WILLIAM].

HON^{ble} SIR & SIRs

Our last was of the 7th. June by the Tygris and Apollo: The 29th. July we received your advices dated the 31st. May last.

We were extremely concerned to hear that your parts had been infested by the Morattas and though they talk'd of returning again after the Rains we hope & beleive your Nabob will before the Rains are over come to some agreement with them. Some advices we have here tell us they actually were agreed however we send you on the Walpole & Lynn Sixty Europeans that is, thirty on the Lynn from hence & the Walpole will bring you thirty from Vizagapatam, We have received only thirty eight recruits from England this year otherwise we should have sent you more from hence. None of those designed for your place this season have been detained here. We would also have sent you some Topasses if we beleived they would be of any real service to you; We think you will be able to enlist better in the Bay, at least they cannot be worse than those we have here.

On the Marlborough we shall send you Ten Sixpounders with fifty rounds of Shot for each being what we received this Year: One of the other Ships will bring you ten other Guns as near four pounders as we could pick them off our Walls with fifty rounds of shot fitted to each.

The Grantham had four chests of small Arms for you from England & we send you twenty chests more by these Ships.

Having wrote to the Gentlemen at Bombay for directions concerning that part of the Tygris's Cargo which was designed for that side of India and as they apprehend the Broad cloth & perpets by that ship were intended for Gombroon and that they should find a difficulty in sending hither what came out by the Porto Bello, they have proposed to us to send what came by the Tygris directly to Gombroon if any ship should be bound thither from hence and as a ship is intended that way in September or October next we keep it [to send on her] but the fifty Tons of Iron we have laden on board the Lynn as ^a Bill of lading inclosed & you will please to continue it on board her for Bombay or if you think it more for our Hon^{ble} Masters interest to dispose of it with you, you will then give Bombay Presidency credit for the cost, an account of which is at the foot hereof.

What Treasure & Redwood we have laden on board these ships you will find in the several Invoices & Bills of Lading inclosed.

Our Hon^{ble} Masters apprehending a great Risque in coining their Bullion in the Country Mints having forbid our coining it into Arcot Rupees, but as we propose to keep the Shaftsbury's treasure here for our own use & that ship is not yet arrived

& if we should coin all the Marlboroughs Treasure into Madrass Rupees we should not know what to do with that Species here & if the Shaftsbury stays late we may not have time to coin the Marlboroughs Treasure into Madrass Rupees; we are now exchanging part of it into Arcot Rupees without any risque to the Company so that we shall only send you that part in Arcot Rupees and that only in case we are enabled to do it by the arrival of the Shaftsbury.

If your Hon^r. &c^t. have any Blue Broad Cloth in your Warehouses Middling or Ordinary we shall be obliged [to] you if you will send us five Bales by the first conveyance for the [. . .] Military; Middling is what we chuse but we must make shift with either that you can spare us.

In each of these two Ships Packets we send you copy of the Captain & Officers Manifest of private Trade copy of the Victualling Bill an account of what has been landed out [of] each ship here, copy of the Companys seventh Paragraph to us dated the 2^d. April 1741 & their respective Charterparties.

Inclosed is an Indent for such stores &c^t. [as we be]lieve may be wanting at the West Coast and therefore we desire you will please to send them on the Grantham together with the Arrack.

We omitted in a former paragraph to advise you that the Gentlemen at Bombay write us the 26th. June last the price of Iron was from Eighty to Ninety Rupees the Surat Candy, allowing a discount of Nine ₹ cent upon what was clear'd in six Months & six ₹ cent if cleared in Twelve Months: They add that it was not like to rise especially if there should be an early import of any Quantity.

Inclosed are also accounts of what was landed here by the Captains & Officers of the Houghton & Grantham.

Having taken into consideration what number of Bales we may have ready between this & January after the dispatch of the Admiral Vernon & Tygris we hope it will not be less than Eighteen hundred or two thousand Bales Of these two thousand we compute the Benjamin if she comes round from the other Coast in time to be dispatched from hence in October, will take in about Eight hundred so there will remain a thousand or twelve hundred for such Ships as you may send to us in December, We make no reserve for the Defence because it is not certain she will come round here from China & because we apprehend the troubles in Bengal will lay you under a difficulty to send home all the Tonnage & if the Defence should come here she will not lie so long upon demorage as any other Ship which may remain behind with you.

In the Packet is a List of the men sent by the Lynn, with an account of half a months pay advanced them, We have put some Arrack on board for them & the Captain is to be [p^d.] for their Diet at the rate of four fanams each man ₹ Diem.

On the Lynn we send you part of the [house hold] furniture you wrote for, for which a Separate Bill of Lading is inclosed, the rest shall be sent you w[...] with an Account of the cost of the whole.

FORT ST. GEORGE
9th. AUGUST 1742.

P.S.

We send you on the Lynn a Box Packet for your Hon^r. &c^t. which came in our Box Packet by that Ship.

Iron ₹ Tygris for Bombay
2537 Barrs W^t. 50 Tons £ 694 7 6

We are
HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

LIST OF THE PACKET TO BENGALL & LYNN.

1. Fort St. George Gen^l. Letter dated 9th. August 1742.
2. Invoice & Lynn amounting to Pag^s. 90084 19 42.
3. 1st. Bill of Lading for Treasure, Redwood & Stores & Lynn.
4. 1st. Bill of Lading for Tygris's Iron & Lynn.
5. 1st. Bill of Lading for household furniture & Lynn.
6. Copy of the Lynns Charterparty.
7. Copy of the Lynns Victualling Bill.
8. Extract of the Manifest of Goods &c^t. licenced from England for the Captain & Officers of the Lynn with an account of what has been landed at Fort St. George by them from the said ship.
9. Manifest of Goods &c^t. Landed at Fort St. George from the Houghton.
10. D^o. from the Grantham.
11. Extract of the Fort St. George General Letter from England dated 2^d. April 1742.
- [12]. Indent for Goods for the West Coast, to be sent thither from Bengall on the Grantham.
- [13]. List of, & Account of half a Months pay advanced the Military sent to Bengall & Lynn with other disbursements on that Account.

FORT ST. GEORGE
9th. AUGUST 1742.

INDENT FOR GOODS FOR THE WESTCOAST TO BE SENT THITHER FROM
BENGALL ON THE GRANTHAM.

Guee	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	50	Jarrs.
Mustard Seed Oyl	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1500	Gallons.
Taffaties Red	..	..	..	..	..	40	P ^s .		
Blue	..	..	..	..	..	20			
Yellow	..	..	..	..	..	20			
White	..	..	..	..	..	10			
Green	..	..	..	..	..	10			
Ophium Patna New	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	Peices.
Patna Chints	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	Chests.
Cartridge Paper	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	Bale.
Gunny Bags small of 2 Breadths	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	D ^o .
								2000	

FORT ST. GEORGE
9th. AUGUST 1742.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

[No. 71]

TO CAP^t. CHARLES GILBERT
[Co]MMANDER OF THE LYNN.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your Ship and make the best of your way to the River of Bengall, On your arrival you must deliver the accompanying Packet to the President & Council of Fort William whose Orders are to direct your future proceedings. Dated in Fort St. George this 9th. day of August 1742.

RICHARD BENYON &c^t.
(all [but M^r. Harris])

LIST OF THE PACKET TO BENGALL Ψ WALPOLE.

1. Fort St. George General Letter dated 9th. August 1742.
2. Invoice Ψ Walpole amounting to Pag^a. 52767 — 43.
3. Duplicate Invoice Ψ Lynn amo^t. to Pag^a. 90084 19 42.
4. First Bill of Lading for Treasure Redwood & Stores Ψ Walpole.
5. Second Bill of Lading for Treasure Redwood & Stores Ψ Lynn.
6. Second Bill of Lading for Tygris's Iron Ψ Lynn.
7. Second Bill of Lading for Household furniture Ψ Lynn.
8. Copy of the Walpoles Charterparty.
9. Copy of the Walpoles Victualling Bill.
10. Extract of the Manifest of Goods &c^t. licenced from England for the Captain and Officers of the Walpole with an account of what has been landed at Fort St. George by them from y^e. said ship.
11. Extract of the Fort St. George General Letter from England dated 2^d. April 1742.
12. Indent for goods for the Westcoast to be sent thither from Bengall on the Grantham.

FORT ST. GEORGE
17TH. AUGUST 1742.

No. 72

TO JOHN STRATTON ESQ^R.

CHIEF &C^R. COUNCIL AT VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

We wrote you the 7th. June by the Tygris that sailed the 10th. with a supply of money but we have not yet received any advice of the arrival with you: The 15th. June we wrote you a short Letter to advise the receipt of your severals of the 11th. & 13th. May to which we shall now reply more particularly.

We have agreeable to your request coined a Chest of Silver into half Quarter Rupees which comes by this conveyance, the Quantity of each you will find in the Invoice, as small money is necessary in your payments perhaps our Madrass Fanams [& Cash] may be of use if you think so write Us word & we will supply you accordingly.

You tell us the 11th. May that the rents of your several Farms expiring the end of April you put them up at Outry the 1st. May & they had been bought in by the Old Farmer at an advance in the whole of three hundred Rupees in a year, but you should have mention'd the Farmer's [Name] & how much each was let for, for at present we do not know whether those three Farms are included under the head of Farms & Revenues or whether the Villages & Sallaus & the Sea & River Customs are included therein, For our satisfaction do you send us up Copies of the several Cowles & what duties the Farmers are empowered to receive thereby with such further Explanations as may enable us to have a clear View of the State of your revenues and the duties from which they arise. You tell Us in your Letter of the 13th. March that you hoped the extraordinary charge you had put the Company to would be made good by the Increase of your Customs & Revenues we suppose you must mean by the Increase of the Sea & River Customs & we shall be very glad to find it so, but we observe what is brought to the Company's Credit under that head for the year 1739

^{cs^a.} was but 427. 29. 20 & Pag^a. 581. 1. 40 for the year 1740. These are but poor sums and we think if the regulations sent from hence & the orders we have frequently given to conform thereto had met with a due attention not only the Sea & River Custom but the several other branches of Your Revenues had, by this time, been considerably increased: It will be of little use to say more at present of past Conduct but we hope & depend upon better from you. We would have you keep Books of your Sea & Land Customs in the same manner we do here, Copies of which must be sent us once a year and as we have some doubt whether you will find at Vizagapatam the Copies of our Letters of the 22^d. November 1734 & 14th. March 1734/5 we send you other Copies inclosed.

Besides the half & Quarter Rupees [which come] by the Walpole we send you also by her a fur[. . .] Pagodas with wares & stores as P Invoice & [Bill of Lading] inclosed.

Lieutenant Amyand being dead at Fort St. David you must permit Lieutenant Crompton to come up here, we designing to give him the vacant Commission and in the room of Lieutenant Crompton we enclose you a Lieutenant's Commission for Mr. Lewis Tormery who takes his passage on the Walpole.

Inclosed we send you an Account of the Cloth taken in here received from your place by the George & Vizagapatam also the Account of that receiv'd from Ingeram by the George & Brigantine Essex. Copy of this last you must send thither [that Mr. Prince] may enter the same in his Books which together with yours must be closed & sent us as soon as possible.

Since writing the foregoing we have received yours of the 8th. July and are pleased to read that you make no doubt of being able to comply with your promise of furnishing five hundred Bales of Cloth by the last of January, but by the account of Cloth on hand which you enclosed to us you do not seem to be in so great forwardness as we wished ; We had rather have read the last of November than the last of January for immediately after the New Moon in December which falls upon the 16th. you must send us all the cloth you have upon hand, as what you dispatch after is not likely to arrive in time or to be of use to us for the dispatch of the January Ships.

The Company complain that the Gunneys & Wrappers of the Bales are not good, yor must take effectual Care to prevent all Complaints of this sort in future, Each Bale of Fine Long Cloth must contain forty pieces & a Bale of Fine Salampores One hundred pieces.

The Gentlemen in Bengal apprehending Troubles from the Morattas have wrote to us for a supply of Men ; having received but few recruits this year we can send them but thirty [Euro]peans from hence, which go on the Lynn but we have thought fit to order and do accordingly order & direct that you send thirty Europeans out of your Garrison by the Walpole which ship you must dispatch as soon as possible.

Inclosed you have Copies of part of the 56 Para of our Honourable Masters Letter of the 20th. January which is to direct your surgeon in drawing out the List of Deaths & also of several other Paragraphs from 61 to 66 relating to the medicines & what your surgeon is otherwise to take due notice of & you are to See complied with.

We have thought fit to add Mr. Robert Goodere to the Council at your place & now there are two they must meet regularly at the Choultry to administer Justice to the Inhabitants. If any disputes of Consequence should happen which may be more proper to hear & determine at the Board, the same must be entered upon your Consultations which together with your Diaries must be transmitted to us monthly with your accounts.

As We cannot spare you any Covenanted servants to assist in your writing Business we permit you to entertain Mr. Humphrey Holcombe as a monthly writer upon the usual Allowances.

If any good conveyance should offer for this place by the End of this or the beginning of next month send us what cloth you have upon hand. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
17TH. AUGUST 1742.

GENTLEMEN
Your Affectionate Friends

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 73To JOHN STRATTON ESQ^r.CHIEF &C^r. COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

By order of the President & Council I here inclose to you a List of the European Soldiers sent on the Lynn to Bengal wherein are specified in columns the Times of their Arrival in India, Entering into the service, Relisting &c^t. to guide you in forming such List of the Men you send on the Walpole to Bengal in the best manner you can from the Accounts the Men themselves give, which List so formed together with the Inclosed must be sent to the President & Council of Fort William on the Walpole: and in December you must also send hither a List of all European Soldiers formed in the same manner with additional Columns specifying the Times of their Deaths, deserting or being discharg'd and continue the same Annually. I am

FORT ST. GEORGE
17TH. AUGST. 1742.

GENTLEMEN
Your most humble Servant
JOHN SAVAGE
Secry.

No. 74To M^r. RICHARD PRINCE

RESIDENT AT INGERAM.

SIR

The 29th. of last month we received your's of the 30th. June in answer to ours of the 7th. & advising you having obtained a grant of a piece of Ground proper to build the house on we permitted you to set about.

We now send to Vizagapatam an account of the sortment of the cloths received from you by the George & Brigantine Essex, a Copy of which we have ordered to be sent you from thence that your Books may be closed & sent Us as soon as possible.

You have fallen into a wrong method of packing your fine Cloths, Each Bale of Fine Long Cloth must contain forty, 40, pieces & of Salampores Fine One hundred, 100, pieces. We have no other directions to add concerning your Investment to those we sent you the 15th. February last but remind you of them & that our honourable Masters again repeat that more care should be taken in the package of the Ingeram Cloths & that the Gunneys & Wrappers are good.

FORT ST. GEORGE
17TH. AUGUST 1742.

We are
SIR
Your affectionate Friends
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 75To M^r. JOHN HALLYBURTON

RESIDENT AT MADDAPOLLAM.

SIR

We have receiv'd your's of the 19th. Ultimo with the inclosed papers. Herewith you will receive an Account of the sortment of the Goods sent us by Brigantine Fort St. George & Rebecca whereby you will be enabled to close your Books which must be sent us as soon as possible.

To the directions we sent you for your Investment the 15th. February last we have now to add that the Company having, in their Lists receiv'd since we last wrote you, indented for five hundred 500 pieces of Sastracundys of a Bright red, you must endeavour to procure the additional hundred, 100, pieces of that sort, And

Do all you can on your part to prevent the still Continued complaint from England, that more care should be taken in the Package of the Northern Cloths & that the Gunneys & Wrappers are good, Observing also as a rule in future that each Bale of Fine Long Cloth must contain forty, 40, pieces & Each Bale of Salampores Fine One hundred 100 pieces.

If any good conveyance should offer for this place by the end of this or the beginning of next month send us what Cloth you have upon hand.

FORT ST. GEORGE
17th. AUGUST 1742.

We are
SIR
Your Affectionate Friends

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 76

TO CAPTAIN BENJAMIN LOWE
COMMANDER OF THE WALPOLE.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way to Vizagapatam where you are to make no longer stay than to deliver our Letter with the Treasure, Wares and Stores We have laden on board you for that place to the Chief and Council there & to take in the Military they shall send on board you for the Bay. You must then proceed to the River of Bengall where on your arrival you are to deliver the accompanying packet to the President & Council of Fort William whose Orders are to direct your future proceedings Dated in Fort St. George this 17th. day of August 1742.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No 77

TO THE HONBLE THO^s. BRADDYL ESQ^r.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT WILLIAM.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

We wrote you at large by the Lynn and Walpole the Lynn left us the 11th. and the Walpole the 18th. Inst^t. This waits on you by the Marlborough on which Ship we have laden all the great Guns with Shot in proportion, the small Arms went on the Lynn & Walpole. We refer to the Invoice and Bill of lading inclosed for the Treasure &c^t. on this Ship.

Inclosed is an Indent for Packing Stuff &c^t. for our use here, and as the Company still complain that the Gunnys of our Bales are bad your honour &c^a. will please to give directions that what you send us may be of the best sort.

As to Salt Petre we shall lade four thousand bags on board the Admiral Vernon, and if we should dispatch the Benjamin from hence she will very likely take in the remainder of what we have in store. We are therefore to depend upon your Honour &c^t. for a Quantity for the Defence if she should come here and also for another ship in September next.

Manifest of the Goods la[n]ded here by the Captain and Officers of the Ship, Copy of her Charter party and victualling Bill are inclosed, as also an Account Cost of the Household furniture you wrote for, sent you on the Lynn and this Ship.

FORT ST. GEORGE
19TH. AUGUST 1742.

P. S.

Hereunder is an Account of some short deliveries of Lead from the Walpole & this ship which we have endorsed off their respective Bills of Lading & which, if the Captains should deliver them to your honour &c^t. you will please to credit Account Current London for.

Inclosed are also Invoice & Bill of Lading for Iron consigned you on this Ship from England which we are directed to forward to you on her.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

LEAD SHORT DELIVERED AT FORT ST. GEORGE.

	£	s.	d.
From the Walpole 6 p ^s . p ^{ze}	12.	2.	10
Marlbrough 1	14.	2.	6

INDENT OF SUNDRIES WANTING FROM BENGALL FOR THE EXPORT WAREHOUSE.

Gunnys	16 Covids	10000 peices.
Twine		120 maunds.
Cartridge paper		5000 Quires.
Mustard Seed Oyl		10 Jars.

NICHOLAS MORSE
Exp^t. Wareh^e. keeper.

LIST OF THE PACKETT TO BENGALL ꝓ MARLBOROUGH.

- N^o. 1. Fort St. George General Letter dated 19th. August 1742.
2. Invoice ꝓ Marlbro' amounting to Pag^s. 60592. 4. 12.
3. First Bill of Lading for Treasure Red Wood and Stores ꝓ Marlbro'.
4. Second Bill of Lading for Treasure Red Wood and Stores ꝓ Walpole.
5. First Bill of Lading for household furniture ꝓ Marlborough.
6. Account Cost of household furniture ꝓ Lynn and Marlborough.
7. Export Warehouse keepers Indent for Sundrys from Bengall.
8. Copy of the Marlbro's Charter party.
9. Copy of the Marlbro's Victualling Bill.
10. Extract of the Manifest of Goods &c^t. licens'd from England for the Captain and Officers of the Marlbro'. with an account of what has been landed here by them from the Said Ship.
11. Invoice of the Marlbro: from England for Fort William.
12. Bill of Lading of the Marlbro. from England for Fort William.
13. Duplicate Invoice ꝓ Walpole Amounting to Pag^s. 52767.—43.

FORT ST. GEORGE
19TH. AUGUST 1742

No. 78

TO CAPTAIN THOMAS SMITH
COMMANDER OF THE MARLBOROUGH.

SIR

You are hereby directed to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way to the River of Bengall, on your Arrival you are to deliver the accompanying Packet to the President and Council of Fort William whose orders are to direct your future proceedings. Dated in Fort St. George this 19th. day of August 1742.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 79

TO THE WORSH^t. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^t. SIR & SIRs.

This is only by order of the President & Council to desire you will Send hither as soon as possible the account of the prices of the Nineteen Bales you sent hither & George & of the hundred & thirty Bales & Lancaster.

FORT ST. GEORGE
23^d. AUGUST 1742.

I am
WORSH^t. SIR & SIRs
Your most humble Servant
JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

No. 80

TO THE WORSH^t. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^t. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^t. SIR & SIRs

We have receiv'd your's of the 14th. with the Several Accounts inclosed and the List annexed of the several prices of your Calicoes as delivered in by your Merchants, but you should have told us Whether the Merchants are to be paid their Brokerage over and above those prices or whether their Brokerage is already included therein; If they are to be paid a Brokerage besides our Middling Cloth will come out cheaper than the Chemanaickpollam Cloth and by the last account sales we have our Middling cloth sold two shillings in a piece better than the Chemanaickpollam Cloth: this last also did not sell so well as the Salem by twelve pence in a piece and yet we observe your Merchants ask more for it & the Deputy Governour will remember we always look'd upon it here to be a good deal inferiour to Salem.

As to Nanjan Chitty's proposal we were informed about the time we wrote you last that the French had offered forty eight Fanams a piece for the Salem Cloth and we can make no more of Nanjan Chitty's gracious offer, than that, if we will give

one fanam a piece more, we shall have the preference. In the present view we have of your Merchants proposals we had rather submit to give a fanam extraordinary for the Salem Cloth than exceed so much in the prices of the Chemanaickpollam & Worriarpollam sorts but we cannot expect that the Merchants should make such a contract with him as proposed or that the Deputy Governour should bind it by any particular Letter for thereby we should be at his mercy & obliged to take all that he sent, though he should charge it even at sixty fanams a piece. Another thing which to be sure must have occurred to you is that in the present Method we hardly know what bargain it is we make with our Merchants till the cloth is brought in & sorted, If it sorts to the Two first Numbers, which we intend when we agree with them, the prices would be tolerable, but the case is so far different, that the major part sorts to N^o. 3 & 4 which makes the whole come out much dearer than we could expect, For Example of 166 Bales of Chemanaickpollam cloth which we have of yours here there is but one Bale of N^o. 1 & six of N^o. 2 the rest consists of seventy two Bales of No. 3 & Eighty seven of N^o. 4. This is what we are enabled to say to you at present but cannot give you a more explicate answer till we receive yours to this, therein you must advise Us the Numbers to which each species of Cloth is sorted in the Bales you have already made up, we mean those you have at Fort St. David, what you have sent up here we have the account of before us, The Merchants accounts which you inclosed are not altogether the same that we wrote for and will not answer our purpose without we have also from your Warehouse [keeper copies] of the monthly Accounts which your Merchants delivered him when they brought in the cloth & when the same was measured & delivered to the Wash & these Accounts must be sent us from the 1st. May 1741 to the last of July 1742.

We have seen a Muster of Dimities which the president receiv'd from the Deputy Governour the Company would have [them] made as fine as possible & therefore if your Merchants can get any made finer than this Muster they may provide one hundred 100 pieces if they can get so many between this & January but they must measure a yard broad & twelve yards long, We are

FORT ST. GEORGE.
23^d. AUGUST 1742.

WORS^h. SIR & SIRS
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 81

TO THE WORS^h. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORS^h. SIR & SIRS

This serves by order of the president & Council to accompany the Bearer Joseph Cooke, whom they send to act as surgeon's Mate at your place in the room of the Doctor's Mate mentioned in their Letter to you of the 6th. Instant he has been advanc'd here ten Pagodas for his travelling Charges ten more to provide him necessaries which must be deducted out of his pay. I am

WORS^h. SIR & SIRS
Your Most humble Servant

FORT [ST. GEORGE]
25th. [AUGUST 1742].

JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

N^o. 82

TO THE WORSH^t. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^t, COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID

WORSH^t. SIR & SIRs

This by order of the President & Council waits on you by the Sloop Mary James Morup now returned to you for another Loading of Bales Inclosed are Invoice & Bill of Lading for five candy of Rope sent you on her. I am

FORT ST. GEORGE
28TH. AUGUST 1742.

WORSH^t. SIR & SIRs
Your most humble Servant
JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^y.

N^o. 83

TO THE HON^{BLE} THOMAS BRADDYLL ESQ^r.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR &C^t, COUNCIL OF
FORT WILLIAM.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRs

Our Honourable Masters own Ship the Princess Augusta being ordered on her return from the West Coast to proceed directly for the Bay in case she does not get the length Ceilone by the 10th. of this month, and being now in doubt whether we shall see her here we take the opportunity by these Ships to desire your Honour &c^t. to take her under your direction upon her arrival in the Bay and to send her to us early in December with so much Salt Petre and Packing Stuff as you intend hither more than the Europe Ships can take in, or with such other loading as you think will be most for our Hon^{BLE} Masters Interest. Neither the Shaftsbury from England, or the Benjamin from Bombay are yet arriv'd here. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
6TH. SEPTEMBER 1742.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRs
Your Most humble Servants
RICHARD BENYON &C^t.

N^o. 84

TO THE WORSH^t. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^t, COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^t. SIR & SIRs

We have received Your severals of the 2^d. & 3^d. Instant [and for] some reasons which have occurred to us, we have [resolved to leave] it to you to agree with your Merchants for the [Callicoes] upon the best and most moderate Terms you can procure provided that the prices do not exceed those mentioned in your Letter of the 14th. August and provided also that more care be taken in sorting the Cloth brown, than has been lately in that respect, for besides that the advance in the Price, reckon it one with another is considerable, it is in reality much more than it appears to be at first view; the reason is that the cloth which has been brought in this season is so much worse than it was two years ago that the N^o. 3 Chemanaickpollam is 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent dearer, & N^o. 4 Twelve $\frac{1}{2}$ Cent, that is reckoning the Chemanaickpollam Cloth at 46 Pag^s. $\frac{1}{2}$

Corge, and to sort no better than what has been embaled since January last. We expect the old argument will be resorted upon us, that very little of the cloth made now is better than N^o. 3 & 4 and if they dont take that sort as well as the French and other Nations most of it will go to them and you will be able to get little or none, but surely there is a medium which might be practiced with success, at least we have found by Experience here, that by rejecting a good deal that we thought would sort no better than N^o. 4, the whole has been brought in much better than before, we desire therefore you will turn this matter in Your thoughts, which is designed as a hint to you that you will doubtless emprove as much as you can to our Honourable Masters Advantage. Your Merchants have certainly forgot themselves very much, when they say the cloth is as good as it usually has been, and you might have convinced them to the Contrary by looking over your Invoices; and N^o. 4 is but of a late Institution.

We have received the several accounts of Cloth brought in as well that signed by the Warehousekeeper, as that signed by the Merchants, We are too busy at present to Examine either particularly, but there [appears] in general to be a great difference, and it is of consequence to have it explained; It is a matter of fact in which both of them cannot be right. The Merchants say that they know [none of] M^r. Croke's account and therefore Mr. Croke must let you know from what materials he has formed his account, for we suppose not only he as Warehousekeeper but several others of the servants in the Warehouse kept an account of the Cloth as it was brought in by the Merchants, and when it was measured & deliver'd to the Washers; however neither the Merchants account or M^r. Croke's come up to what we wanted. It was the practice in M^r. Hubbards time, when the Merchants brought in any parcel of Cloth, to deliver an account of the Cost at the same time, which accounts were enter'd monthly, and if this practice had been continued there could not have been so wide a different between M^r. Croke's account and the Merchants, how it came to be omitted since M^r. Hubbards time we must know from you, for what is alledged by the Merchants is rather an Excuse then a reason, at least we can find no reason in it, Why do they tell you that by not settling the prices with the Weavers till some time after the cloth is brought in they have an opportunity to beat them down which they could not so well do if they were obliged to settle with them every Month. What Instance have they given you of any success or advantage they have gained by it; on the contrary the Weavers & Brokers &c^s. in the country may with much more reason after it is deliver'd to the wash, insist upon their own prices, because Your Merchants cannot return them the Cloth again in the condition they receiv'd it, and from the prices having been continually raised for this last season is most likely to be the case. As to the Salem Cloth the Inclosed account (which the Deputy Governour knows how we come by) will show that the account of the cost always came with the Cloth, and it is such account as that which stands first in the Inclosed, which we [remember] we wrote to you to send us the account which the Merchants deliver'd you of the Cloth brought in from May 1741 to the end of July 1742 and such accounts we always thought [were] regularly delivered you by the Merchants, as they brought in the Cloth. It is what our Merchants do constantly here, and as Yours did it in M^r. Hubbards time we see no reason why it could not have been continued: We Apprehend many Inconveniences from the Omission of it which we have not time now to enlarge on, & However we shall mention one, which is that after you have received, washed & Embaled the cloth, it may perhaps be charged to you considerably more than you Imagined.

We observe by your Cash Account that the ballance in Fanams is upwards of Five thousand Pagodas; six hundred and fifty was advanced the Paymaster in Fanams the last month, and four Hundred eighty six is receiv'd of the Warehousek^r. for Rice sold, we suppose delivered for the Garrison use, but what occasion is then for Receiving that in Fanams. Our Military here is paid part in Money and part in Paddy, and the Paymaster always pays the Warehousekeeper in Pagod^s. for the Paddy, being so much he received out of cash and remained in his hands for that purpose. If you will cast your Eye over the Cash Account again you will find the Paymasters disbursements in Fanams deducting the 486 received for Rice or Paddy

delivered for the use of the Garrison is no more than 164 Pagodas and surely his monthly disbursements in Fanams amount to considerably more than that. Let this matter be examined and explained to us.

FORT ST. GEORGE

6TH. SEPTEMBER 1742.

We are
WORTH. SIR & SIRS
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

N^o. 85

TO THE HONOURABLE THOMAS BRADDYLL ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL OF
FORT WILLIAM.
HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRS

Yesterday we received your favour of the 31st. July by the Sumatra and read with concern that the troubles occasioned by the irruption of the Morattas into your parts still continue. We sent you thirty Europeans on the Lynn, and the Walpole that left Vizagapatam the 27th. of last month carried you thirty more from thence. We told your Honour &c^t. in our letter of the 9th. August why we sent you no more, and besides that the number we have left is far short of what we ought to have; the people in the Country have within these few days been sending some of their most valuable effects into Town, from which we imagine they Apprehend some troubles th^o. whether from the Morattas or some Broils among the Moors reports differ.

The Guns upon our Walls and Bastions being very old and honeycombed we wrote to our Honourable Masters for a new supply but having received seventy short of what we indented for was the reason we could not send you all the large Guns you desired. We were better enabled to supply you with small Arms of which we sent you five hundred by the Lynn & Walpole and we now send you Two hundred and fifty more by the Jenny for which Invoice and Bill of Lading are inclosed.

The Benjamin arrived here from Bombay the 11th. Instant at night and will be dispatched home from hence as soon as she can be shifted.

Last night we received advice that the Shaftsbury was at an Anchor five leagues to the Northward of Pullicat in twelve fathom Water, She left the Madeiras the 5th. April and having lost twenty two Men in the passage and above sixty more that are incapable of keeping the Deck, the Captain writes he cannot weigh her Anchor; We are now sending Men, and other assistance from hence. We hope she will soon be up here, and when she is capable of proceeding to the Bay shall regard your directions in sending you all Rupees.

FORT ST. GEORGE

15TH. SEPTEMBER 1742.

We are
HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 86

TO THE WORSH^t. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^r. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.
WORSH^t. SIR & SIRs

To obviate any doubts that may arise from our Order of the 12th. October last year not to send any cloth hither between the 20th. September & 20th. December we think it proper at present to direct that you load the Sloop Mary though you should not be able to do it by the 20th. of this month.

FORT ST. GEORGE
17th. SEPTEMBER 1742.

We are
WORSH^t. SIR & SIRs
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 87

TO M^r. RICHARD PRINCE
RESIDENT AT INGERAM.
SIR

This by order of the President and Council covers Invoice and Bill of Lading for Wares and Stores now sent you on the Essex Brigantine, William Durham Master.

FORT ST. GEORGE
21st. SEPT^r. 1742.

I am
SIR
Your most humble servant

JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

No. 88

TO THE WORSH^t. AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^r.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^r. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^t. SIR & SIRs

We have received your severals of the 13th. Inst^t; two of the 17th. One of the 20th. & One of the 24th.

Having considered what you write us about the dispute between the Two Casts we were at first inclined to have ordered the several Casts to remove into their respective Streets but it having been represented to Us, that several of the houses belonging to the Right hand Cast in the Left hand Streets are large & valuable & looking upon it as too great an Invasion of property to oblige them to quit their habitations without absolute necessity we rather chuse to agree with the other part of your proposal That both sides shall be content to make use of the Ceremonies of that cast [in] whose streets they inhabit or go into the streets of their own cast [to perform] their respective Ceremonies. Except that we order for the future neither of the Casts shall be permitted to build or buy any house but in the streets belonging to their own respective Cast, and also if any house belonging to the Right hand Cast situated in the Left hand Street should offer for sale no other of the Right hand Cast shall be the purchaser but the same may be bought by one of the Left hand Cast, so likewise, if any house belonging to the Left hand Cast situated in the

Right hand street should be offer'd to sale, only the Right hand Cast shall be the purchasers. This Rule being observed They may all in time be reduced to their proper streets, but till that happens they must conform to the Rule herein before laid down with regard to the performing their ceremonies and this we take it is agreeable to the Cowle given by Share Cawn.

Your Letters of the 17th. were only to inclose Original & Duplicate Invoice of Eighty four Bales by the Sloop Mary which are safe arrived.

Your Letter of the 24th. gives a very bad account of the Quality of the Cloth brought in by the Merchants as they have been used of late to take all that the Weavers made it is not likely these last will soon or at once mend their hand ; a general amendment in the Fabrick must be the work of time & therefore when we recommended greater strictness in sorting the Cloth brown we meant to leave it to your prudence & discretion to endeavour a reformation by degrees and to begin it by turning out at first only such as appeared the worst. Your last Letter indeed represents the whole to be very bad & if it be so, we can have no Objection to the Merchants taking it away on repaying the money that was advanc'd for it.

We now come to reply to what we read in your General Letter & M^r. Croke's report relating to the accounts of the Cloths brought in by your Merchants & having considered the same it appears to us that [. . .] Facts which M^r. Croke charges upon the Deputy Governour [are]

That Corge 107: ^{Pis.} 11 was brought in by the Merchants in M^r. Hubbard's time in the month of June at Pag^s. 41 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ Corge that the account which was entered of that was afterwards altered by the Deputy Governour or his order & reduced to ^{ps.} Corge 34. 14.

That Corge 110 of Chemanaickpollam Cloth was brought in by the Merchants in the month of August at Pag^s. 42 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ Corge, but the Account was afterwards altered & charged at Pag^s. 18. 12. $\frac{1}{2}$ Corge. That Corge 72. 17. part of this Corge 110 being no better than Ordinary, was, as we understand M^r. Croke's report, brought to account afterwards as such in the month of December at Pag^s. 43 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ Corge and to make up the Corge 110 of Chemanaickpollam Corge 72. 17 part of the Corge 107. ^{ps.} 11 abovementioned was entered in its room.

That also in the month of August the Merchants brought in Corge 26 of Long Cloth Ordinary at Pag^s. 39 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ Corge which was afterwards altered & charged as Woriarpollam at Pag^s. 45 $\frac{1}{2}$ Corge.

That in the month of September the Merchants brought in Corge 105. ^{ps.} 3. of Chemanaickpollam Cloth at pag^s. 42 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ Corge but the accounts were afterwards altered & charged at Pag^s. 48. 12. $\frac{1}{2}$ Corge.

These are the particulars of the differences in the prices and which amount as we compute to Pag^s. 1541. 8. 26 & so much it appears to Us in the present View that the Company have been over charged for the Cloth brought in in the months of June, August & September, and this by means of the Deputy Governour against whom it is alleged that he alter'd the Warehouse Journal and Journal Parcels after they had been read and passed in Councill and as These Facts are very plainly stated in M^r. Croke's report it was certainly incumbent upon the Deputy Governour to have given Us some reason for such Alteration in the Accounts, it is what we expect he will do forthwith, for in the present View it has a very bad Appearance & so much the worse as this report of M^r. Croke's is supported by the Letters received from [you] in September & October last year but however we must deferr any further Remark thereon, till we receive your answer hereto and It will be a very sensible pleasure to Us if we find the Deputy Governour is able to clear himself from this Charge.

As to what is contained in M^r. Croke's Report relating to the Wrappers we shall say the less at present because we do not perfectly understand it & because we have not now time to examine more thoroughly into it.

We told you in our Letter of the 8th. Instant our method of paying the Garrison which was part in money & part in Rice or Paddy but as the whole sum is advanced the paymaster in money consequently the amount of what is delivered the Garrison in Rice or Paddy remained in his hands & he delivers it over to the Warehouse-keeper, the same method must be practic'd with you, that is whatever they take in Rice they must be paid so much less in money, otherwise as it is bought in for Pagodas & being delivered out at 36 Fanams for a Pagoda and those Fanams selling from 38 to 39 the Company will be a loser from two to three Fanams in a Pagoda.

FORT ST. GEORGE
30TH. SEPTEMBER 1742.

We are
WORS^H. SIR & SIRS
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 89

TO THE HON^{BLE} STEPHEN LAW ESQ^R.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL
OF BOMBAY

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRS

As what we shall write Your Honour & c^t. in few days overland will probably reach you before this we only here inclose the Invoice of & Bill of Lading for the Chest of small Arms landed here from the Tygris now sent your honour & c^t. on the Mercury agreeable, to your Letter of the 26 June. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
30TH. SEPTEMBER 1742.

HON^{BLE} SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 90

TO THE WORS^H. ROBERT LENNOX ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL OF
FORT MARLBOROUGH.

WORS^H. SIR & SIRS

Our last was by the Princess Augusta under the 21st. of May which ship we expected to have seen last month with some advices from you, but as she has not appear'd we judge she is either gone for Bengall, or found an employment on your side.

The Grantham bound for Bengall and Bencoolen call'd here in July & is since arriv'd at the former Place from whence, she will be dispatch'd to you at the usual season but the Troubles there occasioned by the Morattas has so far Impeded their Investment, that they will not be able to send any bales on her agreeable to the directions from England but may possibly supply that deficiency in her Tonnage with a larger Quantity of Salt Petre, however lest any accident may prevent their doing that, we would recommend to you to get all the Pepper you can ready against her arrival, that our Honourable Masters may not suffer by any charge of Demorage.

This goes by the new ship Sumatra which has had a compleat fitting in Bengall and will we hope prove a very serviceable and good vessel, we have laden on her Salt, Rice and Long cloth with some Iron stone for your Buildings and we send inclosed copy of the Indent we have desir'd the Gentlemen of Bengall to supply you with by the Grantham, the last we received from You was fully complyd with by the London & Princess Augusta.

The Rice we now send is the best procurable here, we wrote for and expected some by this ship from Bengall but it was omitted to be put aboard, as we have been informd by private advices from Batavia, that you was pretty much in want of this article we have enlarged the quantity; you will let us know what will be necessary to supply you with annually that we may take measures accordingly.

The Sloop Mary accompanys this ship the cost and charges of her and that sent with Cap^t. Goring comes in the Packett as also Manifests of private Trade with Invoice and Bill of Lading for what now sent you.

Should the services of your coast make it necessary for you to keep the Sumatra the Monsoon you have our permission to do so, but otherwise we would have you return her to us so as to be here by the End of January or beginning of February.

With this you will receive the Packet sent hither from Bengal by the Hardwick in December 1740 which we mentioned to you in our last. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
9th. OCTOBER 1742.

WORSHP^{ls}. SIR & SIRs
Your Affectionate Friends &
Servants

P.S.

The first cost of the two Sloops with sundry disburstments on them here is as follows:—

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

Of the Louisa Pag^s. 1936 5 29
Of the Mary ... 2064 4 41

The particulars will be sent you by the next conveyance.

MANIFEST OF GOODS LICENCED BY THE PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL OF FORT ST. GEORGE TO BE SHIPPED ON THE SUMATRA CAPTAIN JOHN TAYLOR BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS VIZ^t.

BY M^r. PARSONS FOR M^r. CHURCHEY.

Bales.

1 Apparel received from England &^d Lynn.

Band.

	Romals	..	..	..	..	orge Ps.	34	—
1	{	Ginghams	..	..	..	1	—	12
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BY CAPT. TAYLOR FOR HIMSELF & OFFICERS.

Bales.					Corge.	Ps.	
6	Long Cloth Blue	..	..	..	24	—	430 —
6	Salampores Blue	..	..	..	24	—	432 —
1	Succatoons	..	..	..	6	—	228 —
1	Ginghams	..	..	..	3	—	48 —
1	Long Cloth White	..	..	..	1	10	42 —
2	Salampores White	..	..	..	8	—	104 —
1	Moorees White	..	..	..	3	—	4[...]
1	Cambays	..	..	..	8	—	2[...]
1	Ginghams Black	..	..	..	3	—	[...] —
1	Moorees Blue	..	..	..	7	—	139 —
1	Handkerchiefs Coarse	..	..	..	3	—	54 —
1	Ditto Pullicat	..	..	..	3	—	1[6]8 —
1	Chints	..	..	..	2	—	52 —
	Handkerchiefs pullicat	..	..	..	3	—	[...] —
	Ditto Coarse	..	..	..	1	—	[...] —
	Moorees Blue	..	..	..	2	—	[...] —
	Chints	..	..	..	2	—	[...] —
	Cambays	..	..	..	3	—	[...] —

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BY MR. MORSE FOR ROBERT LENNOX ESQ^r.

Bales.					Corge.		
14	Long Cloth Blue	..	..	..	62	10	1116 —
1	Succatoons Blue	..	..	..	10	—	200 —
1	Taffaties	..	..	..	5	—	150 —
1	Syrashes	..	..	..	7	13	55 —

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BY MR. MORSE FOR MR. RIGG.

Bales.							
5	Long Cloth Blue	..	..	..	20	—	420 —
1	Succatoons Blue	..	..	..	4	—	80 —
1	Taffaties	..	..	..	3	—	90 —
1	Syrashes	..	..	..	10	—	38 —

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BY MR. MORSE FOR MR. COLES.

Bales.							
3	Long Cloth Blue	..	..	..	12	—	242 —
1	Succatoons Blue	..	..	..	4	—	80 —
1	Cambays Buggasses	..	..	..	—	12	12 18
1	Taffaties	..	..	..	2	—	60 —
1	Syrashes	..	..	..	20	—	115 —

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BY MR. MORSE FOR MR. HURLOCK.

Bales.							
2	Long Cloth Blue Ordinary	..	..	..	8	—	152 —
1	Succatoons Blue	..	..	..	2	—	40 —
1	Taffaties ordinary	..	..	..	4	—	92 —

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284 — —

59 Bales, Bundles & Boxes [Amounting to]

Pagodas 5315 18 —

No. 91

TO CAPTAIN JOHN TAYLOR
OF SHIP SUMATRA.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your ship & make the best of Your way to Fort Marlborough on the Westcoast of Sumatra where you are to deliver the accompanying Packet as directed to the Deputy Governour & Council whose orders are to direct your future proceedings.

In the present uncertain Situation of Affairs as to peace or War with France we think proper to caution you against speaking with any Ship or Ship's at sea & that on your return to this Coast you take care to pass by Pondicherry in the night.

We put under your charge the Sloop Mary which you must take the most proper measures to convey safe to the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort Marlborough, Dated in Fort St. George this 9th. day of October 1742.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 92

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS BRADDYL ESQ^r.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &C^r. COUNCIL
OF FORT WILLIAM.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Herewith is Duplicate of what we wrote you by the Jenny the 15th. September since then we have been favoured with your severals of the 17th. August by the Augusta with thirteen bales of Sanoes, and 30th. August by the Vernon.

The Shaftsbury did not get in here before the 21st. September in the afternoon, we could have dispatched her sooner to you if she could have taken in the Cotton sooner, but it took up some days, as the Captain says to make proper room for it in the ship; you have inclosed Invoice and Bill of Lading for that as also some Lead which we left on board on purpose to save time, and we beleive it will sell as well in the Bay as here. We send your honour &c^a. no Money by her, not only as it is late in the season but also as our Cash is very low, and no money tenderd for Bills of Exchange, and it may be difficult to make use of our Credit in the present state of the Country. If we can possibly spare you any money in January we shall send it by the first conveyance that offers at that season.

We have in our former Letters advised you why we could not send you more large Guns or Europeans. The Shaftsbury brought out of England twenty six soldiers for us but deliver'd only Nine on shoar here. Our Nabob being murder'd at Velloor the 2^d. Instant is an Event that will very likely occasion great commotions in the Province, and render it necessary for us to be upon our guard. That we send you a few soldiers on this Ship Shaftsbury as ^a List inclosed, is not that we can well spare them, but they have been guilty of some Irregularitys in their conduct for which it is proper to change their Quarters and we hope they will behave better in the Bay.

Inclosed we send you a copy of a Representation delivered us by Cap^t. Taylor relating to the deficiency in the Copper by the Sumatra, if your Honour &c^a. are acquainted with any Circumstances in his favour, if you please to advise us, we shall

represent it home and we hope Our Honble Masters will consider it, but at present we have thought our selves obliged to insist upon his deposition the value in the Company's Cash.

Inclosed is a letter to Your Honour &c^a. from Mess^{rs}. Chambers & Rider and no doubt contains the Invoice and Bill of Lading for One Hundred and fifty Pipes of Wine for your place.

This ship's Charter party, the account of private trade landed here and other necessary papers are inclosed. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
11TH, OCTOBER 1742.

HON^{BLE}. SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 93

TO CAPTAIN MATTHEW BOOKEY
COMMANDER OF THE SHAFTSBURY.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way to the River of Bengall, On your arrival you must deliver the accompanying Packet to the President and Council of Fort William whose orders are to direct your future proceedings. Dated in Fort St. George this 11th. day of October 1742.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 94

TO NATHANIEL WHIT[WELL] Esq^r.
CHIEF &c^a. COUNCIL AT GOMBROON.

SIRS

The Ceres that arrived here the 20th. May brought us your favour of the 14 . April and this comes to you by the Augusta on which Ship at the desire of the President and Council of Bombay we have Laden the Broad Cloth & Long Ells that was consigned to them by the Tygris as ^{per} Invoice & Bill of Lading inclosed.

We shall remember for the future to collect from all ships trading from hence to the Gulph of Persia the same Customs as are payable at Gombroon, if they have not touch'd and paid them there & we shall also conform to the restrictions of the President & Council of Bombay relating to the sale of any of our Ships in the Gulph.

We observe what you have obtained of the Persian Government in favour of the Goods freighted by the Armenians on English Ships & hope it will be a sufficient Inducement with them to land all their Goods at Gombroon towards which we shall contribute all that lies in our power.

FORT ST. GEORGE
12TH. OCTOBER 1742.

We are
SIRS
Your Most humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 95

TO THOMAS [D]ORRILL ESQ^R.
RESIDENT AT BUSSORAH.

SIR

We have receiv'd yours of the 5th. July & observe you had forwarded our two Letters to our hoñble Masters one by the way of Aleppo, the other by the way of Grand Cairo we observe also what His Majestys Consul at Aleppo wrote you but it was the Company's Orders that they should be forwarded in that manner, orders that are still continued to Us & therefore we are to desire you will forward the two inclosed Letters as you did the two last which were duplicates of each other as are also these. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
12TH. OCTOBER 1742.

SIR
Your most humble servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 96

TO THE WORSH^T. WILLIAM MONSON ESQ^R.
COMMISSARY & PROVISIONAL DEPUTY GOV^R. &C^R.
COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^T. SIR & SIRS

As M^r. Burton has declined meeting the Council at Fort St. David since the 18th. September, by which means we are deprived of the Opportunity of going through the Examination of M^r. Croke's charge against him in the manner we intended; we have thought it necessary, as the only proper means to have the whole Affair laid fully & clearly before Us, to appoint William Monson Esq^r. our commissary & provisional Deputy Governour of Fort St. David, who together with the Council are hereby empowered, as soon as conveniently may be to send for all persons, papers & Accounts that they shall think reasonable & necessary in order to perfect their enquiry, and to the End that there may be no unjust Impediment therein we have thought proper to revoke the Commission given to Augustus Burton Esq^r. the 17th. August 1741 till such time as your enquiry is perfected & you are acquainted with our further sentiments thereon.

The better to enable you to enter upon this Enquiry you have herewith an Extract of our Consultation of the 18th. October, which contains a summary of the proceedings & the remark we have been able to make thereon to that time; the copies of the several papers referr'd to therein you doubtless have at Fort S^t. David, except the Book kept by M^r. Hubbard as containing the accounts of the cloth brought in by the Merchants & the sorting Book referred to in M^r. Burton's answer dated the 5th. Instant as kept by M^r. Croke, both which we have delivered to M^r. Monson. We also send herewith the copy of the Paper mentioned in the Letter of the 20th. September & which M^r. Burton says contains the account of the cloth as brought in by the Merchants in his time & to which He refers as a proof that the Company has not been overcharged for the cloth, notwithstanding the Alterations in the Books: This account M^r. Croke in his objections to M^r. Burton's answer denies to have been reduced or shewn to himself or the rest of the Council, which certainly ought not to have been omitted, for, as we take it, the principal part of your Enquiry will be as to the truth of this account, That is, If the several prices at which the cloth is charged in the account be right & just, we must then acquit M^r. Burton of doing any Injury to the Company by the Alterations in the Books, but that which gives great suspicion that the Account is fictitious & calculated only to conceal the Fraud & evade the charge is, that the prices affixed to several parcels of the cloth are much higher than what M^r. Burton & the Council wrote us was the cost at that time & as those Letters invalidate the account sent by M^r. Burton so they confirm the truth of the prices as charged by the Merchants in their Accounts; in which account of the Merchants we must remark to you that they give themselves credit for Pag^s. 5397. 28. 64 which they said M^r. Burton promised to pay in as part of their Balance due to the Company, whereas it appears by the Books that he paid in but Pag^s. 3307 from whence it is inferred that, in order to make the ballance of their account in the Books agree with the ballance which the Merchants confess to be due from them, M^r. Burton charged the cloth at so much more than what the Merchants did or knew of as amounted to the difference being Pagodas 2090. 28. 64, but for a fuller Explanation thereof we refer to the copy of the Extract of our Consultation of the 18th. Instant.

M^r. Croke in his Objections to M^r. Burton's Answer refers to a General Letter of the 2^d. September 1741. We have no Copy of that Letter & being in some doubt whether it was ever transmitted to Us we would have you send us a Copy up as soon as you can.

M^r. Burton is also accused by M^r. Croke of converting the Company's Wrappers to his private profit, you will enquire into this matter & let us know the state of it.

After M^r. Monson's commission is read M^r. Burton must deliver up to him the care of the Government and the Company's Cash at the same time We direct that M^r. Burton be treated suitably to the station he has been in. We hope he will avoid all indirect means to disturb or defeat the Course of your enquiry &, if he should attempt it, you must take the proper means to prevent him.

It has been hinted to us that by reason of M^r. Burton's not meeting the Council the business of the Investment is at a stand & particularly that the Merchants are in doubt how to proceed with regard to some cloth brought in from Salem as well as from Chemanaickpollam. As to the last, They are willing to receive back such part of it as shall not be thought fit for the Company; but, as for the Salem cloth they insist that we are obliged by contract to take in all such as comes in from thence our own people being there to sort it; if it be bad, the fault lyes in our own people at Salem & a neglect in not looking well after them or admonishing of them for their carelessness or worse, but, as to the Merchants, if we expect that they should comply with their Engagements to Us we must also comply with our Agreements with them & we recommend it to you that better care be taken in future.

As there has lately a great deal of Rain fallen we hope the Barr at Cuddalore will be opened & such a depth of water upon it as will enable you to get the Company's sloop Caroliva over & in case you get her Safe & well into the Sea send her

down to Jaffnapatam first calling at Negapatam to desire Governour of Mossel's recommendation of her to the Governour of Jaffnapatam that she may lye there till the season serves for her coming back.

We send with M^r. Monson five thousand 5000 Pagodas as a supply to your cash & are

FORT ST. GEORGE
29TH. OCTOBER 1742.

WORTH^S. SIR & SIRS
Your affectionate Freinds & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

N^o. 97

TO AUGUSTUS BURTON ESQ^R.

SIR

As you have declined meeting the Council at Fort St. David since the 18th. September, by which means we are deprived of the opportunity of going through the Examination of M^r. Crokes charge against you in the manner we intended, we have thought it necessary, as the only proper means to have the whole Affair laid fully and clearly before us, to appoint William Monson Esq^r. our Commissary & provisional Deputy Governour of Fort St. David and it's Dependancies, who, together with the Council nominated in his Commission we have empowered, as soon as conveniently may be, to send for all persons, papers & Accounts that they shall think reasonable & necessary in order to perfect their Enquiry and, to the End that there may be no unjust Impediment therein, we have thought proper to revoke the Commission we gave you bearing date the 17th. August 1741 till such time as their Enquiry is perfected and we make known our sentiments thereon.

After M^r. Monson's Commission is read you must deliver up to him the care of the Government and the Company's Cash and we have directed that you be treated suitably to the Station you have been in. We are

SIR
Your assured Friends & Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE
29TH. OCTOBER 1742.

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

N^o. 98

TO JOHN STRATTON ESQ^R.

CHIEF & C^T. COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

By the Sumatra that arrived here the 14th. September we received yours of the 4th. of that month. the 29th. of last month we received by peons overland only a Duplicate thereof without any addition as you promised in reply to ours of the 17th. August.

Two days past the president received a Letter from Musseid Cooly Cawne Rustum Jung desiring that M^r. Stratton might have leave & directions to receive into his care and possession some money & other Effects belonging to the said Musseid Cooly Cawn. M^r. Stratton knows very well that we industriously avoid all Trusts of

this sort here because that we apprehend it may often be attended with many Inconveniencies & much trouble Our custom here is so well known That it is very rarely any application of this sort is made to us & the [. . .] of the Great Men & others in the country who chuse to secure their Effects in Town is to take a house here & what Effects they send in is by their own people & remains under their care and concerning which we ask no Question's because we will answer as few as possible. The truth is we should always think ourselves much quieter with only our own constant Inhabitants within our Walls but considering the various turns & charges of Interest in the Country we are obliged to take the chance of some Inconvenience but that you should have liberty to receive into your Town such of his people as he thought fit to confide in with whom he may leave what he thinks proper if he is satisfied therewith you will accommodate his people in the best manner you can & not fail also to show himself all the respect that you can for as there is a probability of his being Nabob of Bengal the Interest of our Masters requires That we should do every thing to oblige him that lyes in our power.

The two Rupees which M^r. Stratton sent the president as a sample of some that are made & endeavoured to be passed off in your parts have been assayed here by M^r. Foxal & are found to be chiefly copper & to have but Eight penny weight of silver in a pound weight & therefore you cannot be too carefull to prevent their coming into your place.

We permit M^r. Goodere to come up hither in December for the recovery of his health.

Don't fail to send us what cloth you have on hand as soon as possible after the New Moon in December. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
2^d. NOVEMBER 1742.

GENTLEMEN
Your Affectionate Friends
RICHARD BENYON,
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 99

TO JOHN STRATTON ESQ^a.
CHIEF &C^a. COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM.

SIR

Two days past the President received a Letter from Musseid Cooly Cawn desiring that you might have directions to receive in to your care & possession some Money & other Effects belonging to him As it is against our Rules to take any thing into our own possession for reasons which you will read more at large in our General Letter which we send directly to you by our own peons This is only to advise you That the President has wrote Musseid Cooly Cawn, that in order to oblige him as much as is in our power we now give you directions to receive into your Town & accommodate in the best manner you can such of his people as he can confide in and with whom he may leave what he thinks proper as the said Musseid Cooly Cawn will in all probability be Nabob of Bengal and he writes the President he designs to go thither by the way of Vizagapatam you will not fail to shew him all the respect that you can. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE.
2^d NOVEMBER 1742.

SIR
Your Affectionate Friends
RICH. [BENYON]
&c^a.

No. 100

TO M^r. RICHARD PRINCE
RESIDENT AT INGERAM.

SIR

By the Essex Brigantine importing here the 14th. September we received your Letter of the 21st. August & the Cloth you sent Us on her. On her return we sent you a supply of Wares & Stores with which we hear she is arrived. The 26th. September we received your other Letter of the 8th. of that month by peons.

We would have you send us what cloth you have on hand as soon as possible after the New Moon in December, & are

FORT ST. GEORGE,
2^d. NOVEMBER 1742.

SIR

Your affectionate Friends

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 101

O M^r. JOHN HALLYBURTON.
RESIDENT AT MADAPOLLAM.

SIR

We have received yours of the 25th. September & 7th. October with the Journa parcels & cash accounts inclosed therein.

We hope the Leak the Jenny Spring in the storm you mention in the first was easily to be repaired & that the damage to the Bodes was but small, as we would have you send us what cloth you have ready as soon as possible after the New Moon in December, We are

FORT ST. GEORGE,
2^d. NOVEMBER 1742.

SIR

Your Affectionate Friends

RICHARD BENYON
& C^r. COUNCIL.

No. 102

TO THE REV^d. MESS^{rs}. NICHOLAS DAL
& C^r. MISSIONARIES AT TRANQUEBAR.

REVEREND SIRS

I have received your favour of the 23 Octo^r. which I have communicated to
3 Nov^r.

the Gentlemen of Council here, who have agreed that, as Governour Braddyll has acknowledged the Receipt of your Silver being 2828 Ozs. they will be ready to pay to your order the like Quantity of silver here, if there be any difference in the sort of silver [it will be] settled hereafter.

As to the silver insignia for the Missions at Madrass and Cuddalore as well as that designed for the Mission at Tranquebar we suppose the corresponding members have some advice [. . .] of it by Governour Braddyll & we shall be ready to [. . .] in like manner upon their applications to us. I am

FORT ST. GEORGE
5th. NOVEMBER 1742.

REVEREND SIR
Your most obedient servant
RICHARD BENYON.

N^o. 103

TO THE HONBLE STEPHEN LAW Esq^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^o. COUNCIL
OF BOMBAY.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

We have received your severals of the 5th. August & Prince of Wales & of the 17th. by the Benjamin which last arrived here the 12th. September.

The 16 of that month our Honble Masters ship Admiral Vernon sailed for England [as did the] Benjamin the 11th. October. The Tygris, Houghton, Grantham, Walpole, Marlborough & Lynn, were, by our Advices from Bengal, safe arrived there: The Grantham was to be dispatched from thence for the West Coast and the Tygris was to sail directly for England some time in October.

The 14th. September we received advice that the Shaftesbury Captain Bookey after a tedious passage from Madera had anchored in twelve fathoms water about five Leagues to the Northward of Pulliacat that she buried five & [twenty] men in her passage & above sixty of the rest were [ill so] that they were of no use to the ship we immediately sent her assistance from hence but it was the 21st. September before she got in here. She sailed for the Bay the 12th. October, and by her we sent all the cotton received by the Benjamin.

The Mercury that sailed the 1st. October Arried you the Box of Tare [. . .] that was landed here from the Tygris and by the Augusta that sailed the 15th. October for Gombroon we sent all the Broad Cloth & perpets (except two bales of the last which were damaged & for that reason have been sold here) as it appear'd by Inspection of the Copy of the Invoice we received from Anjengo the whole was designed for that market. The Customary freight from this place as well as from Bengal and which the Armenians have paid also on the same Ship is twelve Arcot Rupees a Bengal Maund at which rate the Freight would have amounted to Pagodas 3426 but at last we agreed with the Owners at 7 & Cent on the valuation in the Invoice which amounts to two thousand three hundred & seventeen Pagodas six fanams and twenty cash, 2317. 6. 20; The Iron by the Tygris we sent on the Lynn To Bengall and if it is not sold there will be sent you from thence. That your honour & c^t. may see how the whole stands on our Books we send you an Extract inclosed by which you may regulate yours.

Mr. Francis Fowke took his passage to your side on the Mercury.

In answer to what your Hon^r. & c^t. write us relating to English ships buying pepper on the Malabar Coast, We are very sincere [in] assuring you that none of the company's servants are more ready & willing than we are to come into any measures which may promote their Interest, but, having considered with Attention what you write us upon this subject, we cannot help thinking that the prohibiting our ships only from buying pepper on the Malabar Coast neither will or can have the Effect you propose by it. Your Honour & c^t. cannot but know that the English Country Trade lyes under many difficulties which that of other European Nations is not subject to & such a prohibition as you mention [would be] only subjecting it to another without answering any good [. . .] not to mention the quantity which is carried up by the country people to Surat, Cambay & other ports to the Northward, as long as the French & Portuguese are busy in buying up all they can get at the ports below the forbearance of the English Ships would, as we take it, have no other effect than leaving the Trade to other Nations without securing the price. However, except in the Instance your honour & c^t. mention, if we are not misinformed, what pepper has been taken in this year by the English on the Malabar Coast has been chiefly if not altogether at Cochin where the Dutch ingross all that comes down that way & therefore we think cannot affect the Interest of our Company how much soever it may that of the Dutch.

The 2^d. of the last month our Nabob Subder Alley Cawn was assassinated in the Fort of Vellour by the Treachery of Moortas Alley Cawn the Killedar of that Fort who was also his Uncle's son & Brother in Law having married the Nabob's sister

this accident happens the more unlucky [because of the] almost three years troubles first from the Irruption of the Morattas and afterwards from the uncertainty whether Subder Alley Cawn would be confirmed in the Government of the province we looked upon it That the Time was come when we were to have enjoyed a series of peace & Tranquillity, for the late Nabob had perfected such agreements with the Morattas that as long as he performed his part in all probability he would no more have been molested by them and if he had lived two days longer he would have received his sunnod from Nazam All Mulk for confirming him in the Government of the province the price of which it is said was fixed at seventy lakhs, great part of which sum had been remitted, If this accident had not happened the respect & civilities we have shewn to him & his Family would have been a Circumstance much in our favour, but now we know not [what] Turn affairs may take; It was perhaps lucky for [the] late Nabob's son, who is about five years old, that he was, upon his Father's death, in our Town with our Mother & Grandmother, though, with regard to ourselves, we should have thought ourselves less concerned in the Event if they had been elsewhere; The Family flatter themselves that Nazam All Mulk will give the province to this young spark and appoint a nabib for the Government of it: as yet we have no advices from Nizam All Mulk and at present Moortas Alley Cawn, who came from Vellour to Arcot about three weeks since, has taken upon himself the Government of the country and his orders seem to be General submitted to: he carries it as yet fair to us and his Duan & Buxee were our very good Friends & hitherto continue to behave as such, but whether any reasons of state may occasion any Alteration we cannot as yet judge.

FORT ST. GEORGE
8TH. NOVEMBER 1742.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRs
Your most humble servants

RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

P. S.

The cotton we received from the Benjamin & sent on the Shaftesbury to the Bay
Q q^r. lb.
was 273 Bales weighing Gross 1021. 3. 25
which is one Bale more than the Invoice
specified, but, as the Tare was not incerted
therein, we cannot know the Nett Weight
here.

N^o. 104

To M^r. SAMUEL RICE
SECRETARY AT BOMBAY.

SIR

I am ordered to acquaint you that these Peons having arrived here within twenty four hours of their limited time were paid the Gratuity of twenty Rupees.

FORT ST. GEORGE
9TH. NOVEMBER 1742.

SIR
Your Most humble Servant
JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^y.

No. 105

TO THE WORSH^{LL}. WILLIAM MONSON ESQ^R.
 COMMISSARY & PROVISIONAL DEPUTY GOV^R.
 & C^R. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^{LL}. SIR & SIRs

We have received yours of the 5th. & 6th. Instant with the several papers inclosed. In ours of the 29th. October we sent you a copy of the Papers mentioned in the Letter of the 20th. September which M^r. Burton said contained the Account of the cloth brought in by the Merchants in his time & to which he referred Us a proof That the Company had not been overcharged for it notwithstanding the Alterations in the Books It is what, he says, had been kept by him since [his arrival] in the same manner as it had been kept by M^r. [Hubbard] without any material Difference [that he knew] of; [. . .] in our said Letter of the 29th. October that [. . .] part of your Enquiry would be as to the [. . .] therefore we think you should also [. . .] M^r. Burton as follows :

WHY in the said account he has charged the Cloth in September at 46 $\frac{1}{2}$, 49, 49 $\frac{1}{2}$, 50 & 51 Pag^s. the Corge, when the 19th. of the same month he wrote us it [was] but 42 $\frac{1}{2}$ Pag^s. Φ Corge, and

WHY in the month of October he charged some of the cloth at 51 & the rest at 52 Pag^s. Φ Corge. We never [. . .] before the 11th. October 1741 when he told us that by [. . .] of the Fall of the Allumparra Pagodas it would amount that month to 44 Pag^s. but in the General Letter of the 22^d. of the same month he tells us that what the Merchants had brought in at that rate was such vile stuff & not above 8 cauls that they had turned every piece of it out. It does not appear [by that account] that any Cloth was brought in in November, but in December he charges it at 52 $\frac{1}{2}$.

We have before said M^r. Burton wrote [. . .] account he sent us had been kept by himself and [. . .] wherein it differs from what he has given under his own hand in the Letters abovementioned. The prices in the Merchants Accounts correspond with the prices in the Letters & M^r. Burton must give his reasons Why his Account differs from both.

We would further have you ask him If he did not in the month of January last buy sundry Goods of the Merchants to the Amount of Pagodas 5397. 28. 64 & how he paid for the same. If he did not promise them to pay the said sum in the Company's Cash in part of their Ballance, but of which he paid in no more than 3307 & therefore how he made good the remainder being 2090. 28. 64.

It is possible he may give you evasive Answer but as you will doubtless remark where in they are defective & insufficient you will point the same out to him [&] insist upon [a fuller] Explanation & more direct Answers.

M^r. Burton was in chief Trust at Fort St. David [. . .] to do the best for the Company we see no reason [. . .] ing off the best half of the Torn Long Cloth & putting [. . .] Godown again as Salampores he should make up [. . .] them of Pag^s. 56 14 71. It does not appear what profit he made by the rest but as he was in duty bound to do the best for the Company he ought to give an account what he did [with the whole] & to make good all profit which arose thereby. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
 11TH. NOVEMBER 1742.

WORSH^{LL}. SIR & SIRs
 Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
 RANDALL FOWKE.
 NICHOLAS MORSE.
 THOMAS EYRE.
 EDWARD HARRIS.
 WILLIAM MONSON.

No. 106

TO JOHN STRATTON ESQ^R. CHIEF
&C^R. COUNCIL AT VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

Our last was the 2^d. Instant, duplicate of which is inclosed, we have not since received any from You though we might have expected it in answer to ours of the 17th. August which you have had so long by you neither indeed have we as yet received any particular reply to a material part of our Letter of the 10th. February last, such a neglect of our Orders is what we are not used to and if you do not alter Your conduct upon this Admonition we shall find ourselves under a Necessity of taking other Measures.

It has been a standing order for the good Government of your place That no Imprisonments or other severities should be used to any of the Inhabitants but with consent of the Board of which also you were to advise us we have more reasons than one to beleive th[at it] has not been observed, at present we shall only instance the case of Mallim Pullah, servant to the late M^r. Simpson, concerning the treatment of whom we send you inclosed copy of a petition delivered us by the Widow and Executrix of the said M^r. Simpson upon which we have thought fit to order That the said Mallim Pullah be immediately upon the receipt hereof discharged from his Imprisonment for any matter or thing relating to the Estate of his Master and further That you do give him all proper and reasonable assistance towards recovering the debts due to his Master's Estate.

Depriving persons of their Liberty is reckoned so great a grievance that we cannot discourage the practice too much and our Laws are so tender in this respect That Bail is always admitted except in Capital Cases: If Pullah had been guilty of any thing of that sort surely we ought to have been [informed of] it and we think he could not have wanted a reasonable [. . .] other matter.

We lay it down now as a further Rule for the Government of your place and will not fail to resent a Breack of it That whensoever the Chief shall confine any person he do give an Account thereof at the next Consultation and that such consultation shall be called within three days and there lay before the Council the reason of such confinement whether to the Choultry, the Cockhouse the person's private house or elsewhere If the majority of the Council approve of the confinement, it is well, if not That such person be discharged. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
15th. NOVEMBER 1742.

GENTLEMEN

Your affectionate Friends
RICHARD BENYON.
RANDALL FOWKE.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 107

TO THE WORSHIP^{LL}. WILLIAM MONSON ESQ^R.
COMMISSARY & PROVISIONAL DEPUTY GOV^R.
&C^R. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^{LL}. SIR & SIRs

This by order of the President & Council is to advise that a supply of Ten thousand 10000 Pagodas will be sent you overland tomorrow under charge of the usual number of Pe(ons). I am

FORT ST. GEORGE
17th. NOVEMBER 1742.

WORSH^{LL}. SIR & SIRs
Your most humble servant
JOHN SAVA
Sec^{ry}.

No. 108

TO THE WORSH^{LL}: WILLIAM MONSON ESQ^R.
 COMMISSARY & PROVISIONAL DEPUTY GOV^R.
 &C^R. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^{LL}. SIR & SIRs

This serves only to accompany the supply of twenty thousand, 20000, Pagodas under charge of thirty Peons of which you were advised yesterday by our order.

We are

WORSH^{LL}. SIR & SIRs

Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.

RANDALL FOWKE.

NICHOLAS MORSE.

THOMAS EYRE.

EDWARD HARRIS.

WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 109

TO THE WORSHIPFULL WILLIAM MONSON ESQ^R.
 COMMISSARY & PROVISIONAL DEPUTY GOV^R.
 &C^R. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^{LL}. SIR & SIRs

We received your severals of the 10th. & 14 Instant and observe in your last you had to those we sent you added another Quare, relating to Pag^a. 68. 16. 63 overcharged in the Cloth brought in by Andiapa.

As to the Trick put upon Andiapa after his Gomastah had signed the receipt for three thousand Pagodas supposing the case to be as you relate it and as is set forth in his & Trecompilla's declarations we think the Company ought in Equity as well as Interest to indemnify & bear him harmless in case of any Loss, but having considered the Tenour of the Note which M^r. Burton gave him & how far an assignment of it to the Company may be interpreted hereafter as an acceptance of the security & allowance of it's being good, we think it better for the present that the Note should be & remain with Andiapa but as we think & beleive no Court of Equity would admit this Security mentioned [in] the Note to be real & substantial we would have you send a Committee of two of your Council to M^r. Burton with Andeapah not only to hear his account of the Transaction, but also, as the security is floating and uncertain, that they insist in the first place on the payment of the money, but, if they cannot [effect] that, which probably may be the case, that then they insist on the security's being better'd which may be done by insuring to a sufficient amount on the Brigantine if he has so much on board her, which also ought to be well & sufficiently made appear, and finally That he do give some further Obligation specifying that if the said Brigantine should be lost or by any other accident his concern in her, should not be sufficient to pay off & discharge the said sum of three thousand Pagodas together with the Interest due thereon he or his Executors or Administrators shall be liable to pay the same or such part thereof as shall remain unsatisfied, anything to the Contrary notwithstanding.

We are far from having the least thought that any other Instance of this sort should happen while the cash is kept by the present Deputy Governour, but to prevent any such thing hereafter we have thought fit to lay it down as a standing rule That for the future when any payments are made to the Merchants the Money [be] delivered & the receipts signed before the Board.

We read with concern the account [you] give us of the Chem[anaickpo]llam Cloth [. . .] Merchants promises & your care there will soon be a considerable Investment.

Agreeable to your recommendation we send [. . .] an Ensign's commission [for ser]jeant Andrew Petty & are

FORT ST. GEORGE

[. . .] NOVEMBER 1742.

WORSHP^L. SIR & SIRS

Your affectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.

RANDALL FOWKE.

NICHOLAS MORSE.

THOMAS EYRE.

EDWARD HARRIS.

WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 110

TO THE WORSHP^L. WILLIAM MONSON

COMMISSARY & PROVISIONAL DEPUTY GOV^R.

& C^L. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHP^L. S^R. & S^{RS}.

This by order of the President & Council is to advise that a supply of Ten thousand Pagodas will be sent you overland tomorrow under charge of the usual number of Peons.

I am

FORT ST. GEORGE

[. . .] NOVEMBER 1742.

WORSHP^L. SIR & SIRS

Your humble Servant

JOHN SAVAGE

Sec^{ry}.

RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE

LETTERS FROM FORT ST. GEORGE 1743

(VOLUME No. XXV-A)

[From September to November]

(The Previous letters are lost)

No. 70

TO CAPTAIN WILLIAM WESTON,
COMMANDER OF THE EXETER.

SIR,

You are hereby order'd to repair on board your ship and make the best of your Way to the River of Bengall, On your arrival you must deliver the accompanying Packet to the President &c. Council of Fort William whose Orders are to [direct] your future proceedings.

Dated in Fort [St. George the] 13th day of September 1743.

RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.

No. 71

TO THE WORSH^{LL}. WILLIAM MONSON ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^R. COUNCIL OF
FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^{LL}. SIR AND SIRs

I am ordered by the President and Council to acquaint you that in case the Mercury should be Ordered to call here in her way to Bengal, they would have you put on board her what Bales you may have ready, notwithstanding it should be a few days after the 20th. of this month. I am also directed to advise you that a supply of Ten thousand 10000 Pagodas will be sent You overland tomorrow morning under charge of the usual number of Peons.

I am

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRs
Your most humble servant

FOET ST. GEORGE
17th. SEPTEMBER 1743.

GEORGE PIGOT
Sub Sec^y.

No. 72

TO THE WORSH^L. WILLIAM MONSON ESQ^R.DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T. DAVID.WORSH^L. SIR & SIRs

I am ordered by the President and Council to advise, that agreeable to what was wrote you yesterday by their direction, this Accompanies a supply of Ten thousand 10000 Pagodas under charge of the Usual numbers of Peons.

Inclosed is Invoice and Bill of Lading for Two thousand pieces of Gunneys laden on the Boat Mautrity.

I am

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRs

Your most humble servant

GEORGE PIGOT

*Sub-Sec^{ry}.*FORT S^T. GEORGE18TH. SEPTEMBER 1743.

No. 73

TO THE WORSH^L. WILLIAM MONSON ESQ^R.DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL OF FORT S^T. DAVID.WORSH^L. SIR & SIRs

Inclosed is an Ensigns commission, for M^r. Hyde Parker who takes his Passage on this Ship the Augusta; on his arrival with you we permit Ensign William De[Morgan] to come up hither.

[On This] ship also we send you a supply of Wares and [the] medicines received this Year from England for y[our] place on the Company's and the Surgeon's particular account as & the respective Invoices and Bill of Lading inclosed.

We are

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRsYour Affect^d. Friends & Serv^{ts}.

RICHARD BENTON.

NICHOLAS MORSE.

JOHN HINDE.

RANDALL FOWKE.

THOMAS EYRE.

EDWARD HARRIS.

WILLIAM JOHNSON.

FORT S^T. GEORGE29TH. SEPTEMBER 1743.

No. 74

TO JOHN GREEKIE ESQ^R.CHIEF & C^T. COUNCIL OF TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

We have received Your severals of the 3^d. and 7th. September. The first by the Brilliant which arriv'd [. . .] the inclos'd Packet for the Hon^{ble}. the Court of Directors [. . .] forwarded by the Salisbury which sail'd yesterday].

[On the] 22^d. of August arrived here our Honourable [Masters] ship the Heathcote, as did the Exeter the 29th. [. . .] left Portsmouth the 16th. of April in company with the Colchester for Benjar, S^t. George for Bengall, and the Princess of Wales for Bombay. Our last advices from the Bay tell us the safe arrival there of the Duke, Princess Amelia, Montfort, Winchelsea & S^t. George. The three Last passed by

without calling in here. The Winchester & Princess Louisa left England we beleive about the middle of March; as we have not seen the Winchester here, we shall be glad to hear she is safe arrived in the Bay.

FORT ST. GEORGE
5TH. OCTOBER 1743.

We are

GENTLEMEN
Your most hum^{ble}. Servants
RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON
JOHN SAVAGE.

No. 75

TO M^R. JOHN HALLYBURTON,
RESIDENT AT MADDEPOLLAM.

SIR

The Morton arrived here the 2^d. instant with your Letter of the 24th. August, accompanying the Bales Consigned us on her.

Inclosed is Invoice and Bill of Lading for Wares now laden [on board this] ship. We shall send you this evening a supply of 50[00] Madrass Pagodas by peons overland and in few days [...] the like sum. We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
7TH. OCTOBER 1743.

SIR
Your affectionate Freinds

RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

No. 76

TO M^R. JOHN HALLYBURTON
RESIDENT AT MADDEPOLLAM

SIR

We wrote you of equal date with this by the Morton and now send you a supply of Five thousand 50000 [*sic*] Madrass Pagodas under charge of sixteen peons.

[Agre]able to your request We permit you to come [up hither] with your Bales in December, as we do also [Mr. Kels]all.

FORT ST. GEORGE
7TH. OCTOBER 1743.

SIR
Your Affectionate Freinds

RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

No. 77

TO THE HON^{BLE} THO^S. BRADDYLL ESQ^S.PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^T. COUNCIL OF FORT WILLIAM.HON^{BLE} SIR AND SIRs

By the Galatea importing here the 29th. Ult^o, we received your duplicate favour of the 14th. August & by the Princess Augusta, which did not arrive here till the 1st. instant, the Original of that & your other of the 27th. August with the several articles you sent us on her.

Agreeable to what we wrote you last by the Exeter, Duplicate of which is inclosed, we now send the Princess Augusta to you & request she may be returned to us in December with five hundred Bags of Patcharee Rice for the West coast & the rest of her Tonage compleated with good Rice on our Hon^{ble} Master's account and any freight that may offer.

As from the lateness of the Season we expect to hear that our Honourable masters other ship the Sumatra, is arrived in the Bay from the West Coast, we make the same request with respect to her as for the former.

The Gentlemen at Bombay have sent us on a Brigantine [. . .]ed them to get built for the service of the West coast & which [we are n]ow dispatching thither 57 Bales of cotton & Fifty thousand 50,000 Rupees which they desired us to forward to your [Honour] & c^t. The former we send you accordingly on this ship as ^{an} Invoice & Bill of Lading inclosed; the latter we shall send you early in January thinking it not proper to risque it at this Season of the year.

We are advised from Bombay that the Warwick arrived there the 17th. August.

Your packets for England by the Galatea & Princess Augusta not arriving in time for the Salisbury, that sail'd hence for Europe the 27th. Ultimo shall be forwarded as you desire, by different conveyances in January, unless we receive other directions from your Honour & c^t.

As we hope our Hon^{ble} Masters ship Winchester is arrived at the Bay, we here inclose an Abstract of her Invoice for this place and request Your Honour & c^t. will send us by the first good conveyance the Tools for the Assaymaster in 8 cases & 2 casks, of which we are much in want; for the other articles, you will please to send us, such, as you may not think it most for our Honourable Masters' Interest to dispose of in the Bay, or will not be wanted with you.

We have given Cap^t. Goring Instructions to contract with some Lascars for the service of the West Coast, & if he success [*sic*] to lay in an extraordinary quantity of Provisions & Apply to your Honour & c^t. for what money he may want for that Purpose & their Advances which we request you will supply him.

Inclosed is a List of Freight on board this [ship which] your Honour & c^t. will please to receive.

FORT ST. GEORGE
13TH. OCTOBER 1743.

We are
HON^{BLE}. SIR & SIRs
Your most humble Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

No. 78

TO CAPTAIN GEORGE GORING.

SIR

The Deputy Gov^r. and Council of Fort Marlbro' having desir'd of us to send them some Persons and Lascars for the Service of the Sloops and Boats employd on that Coast, which we find impracticable to do from hence and believ[ing] you may

be able to execute such a commission in Bengall, we hereby impower you to contract with such [as are will]ing to go over there on the following Terms :—

That each Lascar has the [Pay] of Seven Arcot Rupees $\frac{1}{2}$ Month and the officers in [pro]portion.

That they have four Months' Pay advanc'd at Calcutta to furnish themselves with Necessarys.

That on their arrival at the West Coast they shall have a Piece of Ground allotted them and a Paggar to be built at the Company's Charge.

That their Familys shall be transported with them at the charge of the Company.

That they shall be obliged to serve the Company Five years on that coast to commence from the Time of their arrival.

As this will be an acceptable Piece of Service to the Company we doubt not your attention to it and in case you succeed we would have you put aboard a sufficient Quantity of Rice Doll and Gee, as those articles are much cheaper in Bengall than here & the President & Council there on your Application will advance you what money you may want for those purposes.

FORT ST. GEORGE
13TH. OCTOBER 1743.

We are
SIR
Your Assured Friends
RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HIND.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

N^o 79

TO CAPTAIN GEORGE GORING
OF THE PRINCESS AUGUSTA.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board Your ship and make the best of your way to the River of Bengall. On your arrival you must deliver the accompanying Packet to the President and Council of Fort William whose orders are to direct your future proceedings. Dated in Fort St. George this 13th. of Oct^r. 1743.

RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

N^o. 80

TO RICHARD PRINCE ESQ^r.
CHIEF. &C^r. COUNCIL AT VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

This by order of the President and Council serves to accompany a chest of stationary Ware laden on board the Essex Brigantine, William Durham Master.

FORT ST. GEORGE
12TH. OCTOBER 1743.

I [am]
GENTLEMEN
Your humble servant
JOHN SAVAGE.

No. 81

TO THE WORSH^L. ROBERT LENNOX ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^R. COUNCIL OF
FORT MARLBROUGH.

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRs

Par. 1 Our last was by the Sumatra under the 9th. October Duplicate of which & her invoice with Second Bill of Lading are in this Packet She sailed with the sloop Mary the 11th. of that month. Since when we have receiv'd no advices concerning her and expect, as the season is so far advanc'd, to hear of her first from the Bay.

2. The Princess Augusta in her return from Fort Marlborough, not being able to reach this Coast in due season, proceeded for the Bay, by which means we did not receive your advices by her of the 4th. Sept^r. 1742 till the 11th. January; these are the last we have from you and we shall here reply thereto what we think at present needfull.

3. We have received by this year's shipping from England a copy of our Honble Masters Commands to your place of the 7th. January last by the Royal Guardian, the Original of which we hope arrived you in due time and therefore think it needless to recapitulate what you will therein find offer'd to your consideration and regard.

[FIRST] CONCERNING SHIPPING.

4. The Princess Augusta arrived here from the Bay the [. . .] after having the damage she received in her Voyage [from] Fort Marlborough, repaired, We at that time purposed to [have sent] her to you in May, but on her being reported to us to have received fresh damage by the pilot's running her aground in coming out of the River & that she was not in a safe condition to proceed to your Coast, we were obliged to return her to the Bay to be again repaired. She arrived from thence the 1st. Instant and as we have another Vessel ready to send you, we are sending her again to the Bay for a Supply of stores and purpose to dispatch her to you on her return.

5. After the receipt of your abovementioned Letter we desired the Gentlemen at Bombay to get built such a Brigantine as you represent would be serviceable on your Coast, They have accordingly complied with our request and sent us one of about one hundred, 100, Tons, calling her the Brillant, under which name she brings you this: As she has but one deck we have thought proper for the greater security of the Goods she now carries over to put on board her Ten Tarpaulins, which you will find charged in the Invoice by her. Inclosed in [sic] an account of the Brillant's cost.

6. We shall endeavour to send you by the Princess Augusta some proper persons & Lascars for the service of your sloops & Boats, but we cannot promise it as certain, as we are sensible of the difficulty there is to prevail with such people to go over in order to reside on your Coast for a Time. Perhaps by giving them some extraordinary encouragement & Liberty to take their Families with them th[ey m]ay be persuaded.

SECONDLY, Goo[DS FROM EU]ROPE, OR FROM ONE PART OF INDIA TO BE
DISPOSED OF [IN ANO]THER.

7. [By this] vessel you have five hundred Bags of Patcharee Rice and we shall send you the same Quantity by every ship, as you desire, till you let us know it will not be wanted.

8. Inclosed are Invoice & Bill of Lading for what we now send you; by the latter you will observe we return you the Chest of Fire arms for the Sultan of Benjar, which have been refitted in Bengal, and by the former the charges on them.

THIRDLY, INVESTMENTS AND

FOURTHLY, COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

9. We are concern'd to read under these heads that the Country has not produced, by so much as One hundred Tons, the Quantity of pepper you expected, particularly in the Districts of Bental, Tryamong and Ippue under the Sultan of Anacksoonkey, Owing, as you say, to the great scarcity of Rice and provisions and the Alarms from Siddee Ibrahim. We hope to hear that this season has been more favourable and that the plantations are not like to suffer from any designs of that wicked Fellow. You will not fail to call upon the Sultan and Resident to exert themselves in restoring any Plantations that may have gone to decay & promoting the Increase of the Growth of pepper as you must be sensible of what consequence it is to the Interest of our Hon'ble Masters.

10. The same proposal as was made to you from Pa[dang] for entering into an agreement for mutually [givi'ng up] deserters has been made to Us more than [once by] the Governour & Council of Negapatam and many [Letters] have passed between Us on the subject. We thought it [proper on] our parts to insist on the condition of an unlimited and entire pardon, which they at length confess'd they could not grant, and we see no reason for your entering into Such an agreement on any other terms.

FIFTHLY FORTIFICATIONS, BUILDINGS REPAIRS AND REVENUES.

11. We are sorry to observe the slow progress you are like to make in your buildings through the loss of the Dutch Bricklayers & for want of others in their stead, nor is it in our power to supply you with any from hence; the Coffrey Boys you sent hither on the Princess Augusta are training up to that business.

12. The Defects you represent in your Fortifications with regard to an European Enemy are only to be remedied by our Hon'ble Masters Orders and we are ourselves much in want of some person well read in those matters, The One who was coming hither, said to be so qualified, being dead in Bengal.

SIXTHLY, FACTORS, WRITERS, OFFICERS AND THEIR ACCOUNTS.

13. Mr. Henry Campion being, through the Instances of the President & Council of Fort William, released from Connaca, where he was seized by the country people & detained some time, carried with him to Calcutta a distemper he got there [which] put an end to his Life the 2^d. March last.

14. We [hope] our Hon'ble Masters will approve the Encourage[ment you] have given Mr. Charles Smith & hope such an Example [will] excite an Emulation in him & their other servants to [merit] such marks of their Favour.

15. It appearing by your Consultations & cash Account that Mr. Charles Barbut had paid in 228 \$ the 29 July for Legacies to three Orphans at this place and Mr. Morse tendering us your certificate thereof of the date we paid him Pag^s. 152 the amount of that sum, though omitted to be advised of in your Letter.

16. It is our constant practice here in minuting our Letters Received & sent on our Consultations to do it by Numbers as well as by an abstract of the substance and to enter them by those numbers in our books; a method that renders the necessary references in General advices so much easier that we recommend it to your future observation as well as numbering the Paragraphs of your Letters for the same reason.

17. Cap^t. Goring having applied to Us for some consideration for his extraordinary Expence in providing for Mr. Sterling to & from Batavia & Mr. Campion from your place to Bengal, we have paid him thirty 30 Pagodas on account of the former, & twenty, 20, for the latter. We have also paid him One hundred ninety eight, 198, Pag^s. for dieting the soldiers & Coffrees he carried to & brought from the West-east his last trip.

18. Here being in the place some time since a person who had been bred to the practice of physick, we entertained him for an Assistant to your Surgeon at ten, 10, Dollars 3^d month, but he has lately withdrawn himself.

19. On the Heathcote our Hon^{ble} Masters sent out [Mr. Hyde] Parker as an Ensign for your place, but with [permission to] stay here at his choice if a Vacancy should hap[pen; he] has accordingly chose to accept of an Ensign's Com[mission at] Fort St. David.

SEVENTHLY ACCOUNTS.

20. Herewith you will receive our Account current with your settlement, to be compared with your Books.

SUPPLEMENT.

In the packet you will find the accounts current of Sloops Louisa & Mary & a manifest of the private Trade we have licenced on the Brilliant.

On this Vessel we send you two soldiers, namely William Jackson & Richard Mosely, who must serve five years on your Coast.

In our Sailing Orders to Cap^t. Gay we have directed him if he falls in to the northward of Moco Moco & apprehends no danger from it, to call in there & deliver to the Resident any part he may want of the piece Goods we now send you on the Company's account.

We are

Worsh^l. Sir & Sirs

Yo[ur aff]ectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
[N]ICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

MANIFEST OF GOODS LICENCED TO BE SHIPPED ON THE BRILLIANT, CAPTAIN
ROBERT SOMERVILLE GAY, BY THE FOLLOWING PERSONS VIZ^r.
By M^r. SAVAGE FOR CAP^t. WILLIAMS.

		Corge.	Ps.	P.	F.	Ca.	P.	F.	Ca.
Bales									
	Long Cloth, Middling, Blue	..	30	..	800	..	..		
	Salampores, Ordinary, Blue	..	6	..	130	..	..		
	Succatoons, Blue	..	4	..	80	..	..		
	Betteelas, Blue	..	2	..	30	..	..		
	Cambays, Ordinary, Blue	..	6	..	75	..	..		
	Moorees, Ordinary, Blue	..	4	..	150	..	..		
	Salampores, Ordinary White	..	6	..	106	..	..		
	Moorees, Ordinary, W[hite]	..	2	..	55	27	..		
	Moorees, Middling, W[hite]	..	2	..	75	18	..		
18	Demitys, White	..	1	..	60	..	..		
	Ginghams, White	..	1	..	40	..	..		
	Cambays, Metchlepatam	..	8	..	190	..	..		
	Cambays, Pullicat	..	4	..	120	..	..		
	Handkerchiefs, Metchlepatam	..	10	..	120	..	..		
	Handkerchiefs, Pullicat	..	3	..	80	..	..		
	Chints, Patna	..	1	..	12	..	..		
	Syrashes	..	16	..	270	..	..		
	Ginghams, Middling	..	2	..	70	..	..		
	Ginghams, Ordinary	..	5	..	50	..	..		
3	Slops	..	..	..	439	18	..		
Chests									
2	Shoes	..	..	..	50	..	..		
Bags									
6	Sundry Necessaries	..	..	..					
Cask									
1	Goa Arrack	..	..	..					

By M^r. MORSE FOR ROBERT LENNOX Esq^r.

Bales		Cor.	P ^a .	P.	F.	Ca.	P.	F.	Ca.
1	Handkerchiefs	11	—	132	—	—			
1	Beteelas, blue	4	—	60	—	—			
1	Moorees, blue	4	—	96	—	—			
5	Long cloth Middling, blue, conjeed ..	15	—	345	—	—			
4	Ditto unconjeed	12	—	276	—	—			
6	Sallampores, blue	24	—	480	—	—			
4	Long cloth, White	6	—	216	—	—			
							1605	—	—

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By M^r. MORSE FOR ROBERT LENNOX Esq^r. & M^r. WILLIAM RIGG OWNERS OF KETCH MARLBRO.

1	Handkerchiefs	10	—	110	—	—			
1	Succatoons, blue	10	—	200	—	—			
2	Beteelas, blue	8	—	120	—	—			
1	Moorees, blue	6	—	144	—	—			
10	Sallampores, blue	40	—	800	—	—			
2	Long cloth, White	3	—	108	—	—			
1	Chest Taffaties	4	—	80	—	—			
							1562	—	—

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By M^r. MORSE FOR M^r. WILLIAM RIGG.

1	Cambays, Metchlepatam	[2]	—	50	—	—			
	Ditto, small	[2]	—	12	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs, Metchlepatam	[4]	—	44	—	—			
	Syrashes, 9 covids by 3	[2]	—	50	—	—			
	Ditto 4 1½	[4]	—	20	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs, Pulicat	[1]	—	33	—	—			
1	Tappys	[15]	—	45	—	—			
	Moorees, Ordinary	[1]	—	22	—	—			
	Ditto, Fine	[0-10]	—	15	—	—			
	Cambays Buggasse	[1]	—	20	—	—			
1	Moorees, blue	[3]	—	72	—	—			
	Succatoons, blue	4	—	80	—	—			
1	Beteelas Blue	3	—	45	—	—			
3	Long cloth Midling blue	9	—	207	—	—			
3	Sallampores, blue	12	—	240	—	—			
2	Long cloth White	3	—	108	—	—			
							1063	—	—

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By M^r. MORSE FOR M^r. WILLIAM COLES.

1	Cambays, Metchlepatam	2	—	50	—	—			
	Ditto, small	4	—	24	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs, Metchlepatam	4	—	44	—	—			
	Ditto Pulicat	1	—	33	—	—			
	Syrashes 9 Covids by [3]	3	—	75	—	—			
	Ditto .. 4 1½	4	—	20	—	—			
1	Cossaes Burruan	4	—	80	—	—			
1	Cossaes Malda	3	—	120	—	—			
	Hummums	1	—	45	—	—			
1	Tappys	15	—	45	—	—			
	Cambays, Buggasse	—	10	10	—	—			
	Moorees, Ordinary	1	—	22	—	—			
	Do. fine	—	10	15	—	—			
1	Cambays blue	5	—	66	—	—			
1	Moorees, blue	2	—	48	—	—			
	Beteelas, blue	3	—	45	—	—			
3	Long cloth Midling	9	—	207	—	—			
3	Sallampores, b[ue]	12	—	240	—	—			
1	Long cloth w[bite]	1	10	54	—	—			
1	Chest Taffaties [fine]	2	—	90	—	—			
	Do. ordinary	[. . .]	[. . .]						

BY M^r. MORSE FOR M^r. HENRY STERLING.

Bales.				Cor.	p ^a .	P.	F.	C.
1	Combays Metchlepatam	..	..	1	—	25	—	—
	Ditto small	..	..	4	—	24	—	—
	Syrashes 9 Covids by 3	..	..	1	—	25	—	—
	Ditto 4 by 1½	..	..	4	—	20	—	—
	Handkerchiefs Metchlepatam	..	..	4	—	44	—	—
	Ditto Pulicat	..	..	—	10	16	18	—
1	Cossaes Burruan	..	..	2	—	40	—	—
	Do. Malda	..	..	2	—	80	—	—
	Hummums	..	..	1	10	67	18	—
1	Tappys	..	..	10	—	30	—	—
	Moorees, Ordinary	..	..	1	—	22	—	—
	Moorees, fine	..	..	—	10	15	—	—
	Combays buggasse	..	..	—	10	10	—	—
1	Beteelas, blue	..	..	2	—	30	—	—
	Succatoons blue	..	..	[2]	—	40	—	—
	Moorees blue	..	..	1	—	24	—	—
3	Longcloth, Midling [blue]	..	..	9	—	207	—	—
1	Sallampores blue	..	..	4	—	80	—	—
1	Longcloth white	..	..	1	10	54	—	—

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BY M^r. MORSE FOR [DAVID] PUGH.

1	Handkerchiefs, Metchlepatam	..	..	[4]	—	44	—	—
	Combays, small	..	..	4	—	24	—	—
	Syrashes, covids 4 by 1½	..	..	4	—	20	—	—
	Ditto 4½ by 3	..	..	2	—	26	—	—
	Tappies	..	..	5	—	15	—	—
1	Moorees blue	..	..	1	—	24	—	—
	Succatoons blue	..	..	2	—	40	—	—
1	Longcloth Midling Blue	..	..	3	—	69	—	—
1	Sallampores, blue	..	..	4	15	95	—	—

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BY M^r. MORSE FOR M^r. CHARLES GIBSON.

1	Handkerchiefs Metchlepatam	..	..	1	18	20	32	32
	Combays small	..	..	2	—	12	—	—
	Syrashes covids 4 by 1½	..	..	4	—	20	—	—
	Ditto 4½ by 3	..	..	[2]	—	26	—	—
	Tappys	..	..	[5]	—	14	9	—
1	Moorees blue	..	..	1	—	24	—	—
	Succatoons blue	..	..	2	—	40	—	—
1	Cossaes burruan	..	..	1	—	20	—	—
	Cossaes Malda	..	..	—	10	20	—	—
	Hummums	..	..	—	5	11	9	—
1	Long cloth Middling, blue	..	..	3	—	69	—	—
1	Sallampores blue	..	..	4	—	80	—	—

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BY M^r. MORSE FOR M^r. WOTTON BRAHAN.

1	Cossaes Burruan	..	..	2	—	40	—	—
	Cossaes Malda	..	..	1	—	40	—	—
	Hummums	..	..	—	10	22	18	—
1	Handkerchiefs Metchlepatam	..	..	2	—	22	—	—
	Combays, small	..	..	4	—	24	—	—
	Chints	..	..	—	10	8	18	—
	Ginghams	..	..	—	10	6	—	—
	Moorees, Ordinary	..	..	[—	10]	11	—	—
1	Longcloth midling, blue	..	..	[3]	[—]	69	—	—
1	Sallampores blue	..	..	[4]	[—]	80	—	—

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				P.	£.	s.
By CAPTAIN ROBERT [SOMERVILLE] GAY.						
4	Lungees & Cambays	} Metchlepatam [..] [..]		420	0	0
122	Bales &c ^a . amounting to			Pagodas 10892	5	32

FORT ST. GEORGE
16TH. OCTOBER 1743.

JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{ry}.

LIST OF THE PACKET TO FORT MARLBROUGH Φ BRILLANT.

- N^o. 1 Fort St. George, General Letter dated 16th. October 1743.
- 2 Duplicate, Fort St. George General Letter dated 9th. October 1742.
- 3 Invoice Φ Brillant.
- 4 Duplicate Invoice Φ Sumatra.
- 5 Two First Bills of Lading Φ Brillant.
- 6 Second Bill of lading per Sumatra.
- 7 Manifest of Goods [. . .] Brillant.
- 8 Account current, For[t Marl]brough.
- 9 Account current of [. . .]
- 10 Account current of [. . .]
- 11 Account current of [. . .]
- 12 List of stores supplied [. . .]
- 13 List of stores supplied [. . .]
- 14 List of stores supplied [Φ] sloop Mary.

No. 82

To M^r. SAMUEL GREENSLATE
RESIDENT AT MOCO MOCO.

SIR

Having put on board the Company's Brigantine Brillant for Fort Marlborough ten Bales of White long cloth [&] some slaves cloathing we have directed the Master of her if he falls in to the Northward of your place apprehends no danger from it, to call in there & deliver & what you may want of those Articles for the Company's Service.

We are
SIR

[Your affectionate Friends & Servants,

FORT ST. GEORGE
16TH. OCTOBER 1743.

RICHARD BENYON
&CA.

No. 83

TO CAPTAIN ROBERT SOMERVILLE GAY
OF THE BRIGANTINE BRILLANT.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your Vessel and make the best of your way to Fort Marlborough on the West coast of Sumatra.

If, [as] is common at this Season of the year you should fal[l in with] that Coast to the Northward of Moco Moco and [if you app]rehend no danger from it, we would have you [call in there &] deliver to the Resident any part he may want of the [piece-goods. We] have put on board you on the Hon^{ble} Company's [account, which] done or in case you think it dangerous to touch [there, proceed] directly for Fort Marlborough where you are to deliver the accompanying Packet to the Deputy

Governour & Council whose orders are to direct your further proceedings and to whom this shall be your warrant for calling at Moco Moco. Dated in Fort St. George this 16th. day of October 1743.

RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOH[N]SON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

No. 84

TO THE HONBLE THOMAS BRADYLL ESQ^r.

PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR & C^a. COUNCIL OF FORT WILLIAM.

HONBLE SIR & SIRs

We have ordered our Gentlemen at Vizagap^m. to forward this to you by peons from thence to advise that our Hon^{ble} Masters' Ship the Princess Augusta sailed hence for the Bay the 14th. [insta]nt with fifty seven Bales of cotton receiv'd from Bombay [with] Duplicate Invoice & Second Bill of Lading for it [. . .] with Duplicate of what we wrote your Honour [. . .] dated the day preceeding.

[We] have at present a clear road here nor have we yet [heard] anything of the Winchester.

W[e are]
HONBLE SIR & SIRs
Your most humble Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE
21^r. OCTOBER 1743.

RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

No. 85

TO RICHARD PRINCE ESQ^r.

CHIEF & C^a. COUNCIL AT VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

We wrote you a short Letter of the 14th. Instant only to accompany a supply of Stationary ware sent you on the Essex b[riga]ntine Invoice of which is here inclosed.

We [purposed] a few days since to have sent Mr. Hallyburt[on a small supply] of Money overland from hence, but observ[ing a large] ballance of upwards of thirty thousand [Pagodas on the] last of August, we think proper to direct tha[t on] receipt of this you send a supply of five thousand [pagodas to] Maddapollam, as we shall send you a supply early [in] the Season.

That we may form our Indents to Bengall with more certainty we would have you & the Gentlemen at Ingeram & Maddapollam (whom you will acquaint there-with) send Us yearly in December or January your Indents for what Goods for packing you may want from us for the following year.

As we don't know what conveyances you & the Gentlemen at those other settlements may be furnish'd with for bringing your Goods hither in December, but suppose that your river will furnish the necessary, we would have you enter into a

correspondence with the Gentlemen at Ingeram & Maddapol[am on that subject] & concert with them the most proper & safe Means of conveying the cloths of all your settlements hither as soon as possible after the 5th. December.

Accompanying is a packet for the President & Council of Fort William to be forwarded by Pattamar from your place.

FORT ST. GEORGE
21st. OCTOBER 1743.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your Affectionate Friends
RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

No. 86

To M^r. THOMAS SAUNDERS
RESIDENT AT INGERAM.

SIR

Not knowing what conveyances may offer for bringing the Northern Goods hither in December & supposing that Vizagapatam River will furnish what may be necessary we would have you concert with the Gentlemen there [the most] proper & safe means of sending your Goods [hither as soon as possible after the 5th. December & also to regard what they will write you concerning your yearly Indents for Packing Stuff.

FORT ST. GEORGE
21st. OCTOBER 1743.

We are
SIR
Your Affectionate Friends
RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
[ED]WARD HARRIS.
[WIL]LIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

No. 87

To M^r. JOHN HALLYBURTON
RESIDENT AT MADDAPOLLAM.

SIR

Inclosed are Duplicates of two Letters we wrote you the 7th. October, one accompanying a Supply of Wares sent you on the Morton (Duplicate Invoice of & Second Bill of Lading for which are also inclosed); the other accompanying a supply of five thousand 5000 Madrass Pagodas sent you by peons overland.

Under charge of these Peons we now send you 5000 Pagodas and have directed the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam to send you five thousand more if they have not [al]ready done it in consequence of our former Orders.

[Not] knowing what Conveyance you may [. . . find for] sending us your Goods in December we have directed the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam to enter into a correspondence with you on that subject & would have you concert with them the most proper & secure means for getting your Bales to Us as soon as possible after the 5th. December.

You will also have due regard to what we have directed them to write you about the packing stuff you may want yearly from hence.

FORT ST. GEORGE
21ST. OCTOBER 1743.

[We] are
SIR
Your Affectionate Friends.

RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

No. 88

TO THE WORSH^{LS}. WILLIAM MONSON ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^L. COUNCIL OF [FORT ST. DAVID].

WORSH^L. SIR & SIRs

In answer to yours on the subject of your Fausebray, it is with concern we find that after what passed between this place & yours concerning it in June 1740 & September 1741 we are yet obliged to consent to a further Expence of near [. . .] thousand Pagodas before that work as you and the [. . .] can be completed, we hope we shall not see any more calculates of further charges on it & depend on the care you promise that it be done as cheap as the nature of it will permit. As to what you say about making the south west angle like the other three at a still further charge of fourteen or fifteen hundred Pagodas we are for suspending that work till our Hon^{ble} Masters are pleas'd to signify their pleasure concerning it, or it shall appear to us most immediately necessary than you represent it at present to be.

Inclosed is a] copy of the 64 Paragraph of our Hon^{ble} Master's [Comm]ands to this place of the 4th. February 1742 wh[ic]h is sent for] M^r. Graham to reply to.

FORT ST. GEORGE
27TH. OCTOBER 1743.

We a[re]
[HON^{BLE}] SIR & SIRs
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
JOHN SAVAGE.

No. 89

TO THE WORSH^L. WILLIAM MONSON ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR & C^L. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHIPFUL SIR AND SIRs

M^r. Burton having some time since paid into the Company's cash the money for which he was sued in their [Name] in the Mayor's Court and agreed to abide by their determination upon the matter, we shall, to enable them the most [easily] to form a clear Judgement thereof, send them in January [copies] of their Bill & his answer with the several [papers referred] to; but as some of the circumstances recited in [the answer] may not appear quite clear to our Hon^{ble} [Masters without assi]stance & require some further Explanation [. . .] are on the spot where the matters were transacted [. . .] Suit was founded, may thereby be enabled

to make [such fur]ther remarks thereon as may conduce much to that end, we here [inclose] for your perusal & Enquiry copies of the abovementioned Bill & Answer, your remarks on which you will transmit us with what Expedition the nature of the thing will permit.

FORT ST. GEORGE
1ST. NOVEMBER 1743.

We are
WOR[SHIPFUL] SIR & SIR
You[r aff]ectionate Friends & Servants.

RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
W[IL]LIAM JOHNSON.
[JOH]N SAVAGE.

No. 90

TO THE WORSH^{LE}. WILLIAM MONSON ESQ^R.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^A. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSH^{LE}. SIR AND SIR

W[e ha]ve received yours of the 4th. Instant in which we observe an [add]itional charge of fifty Pagodas in setting up Rails to prevent any more unhappy accidents by people falling into [. . .] which we esteem with you to be highly necessary & ther[e]fore app[ro]ve of it.

We [are sorry] to observe the sloop Carolina is in Such a [state as you] represent to be impracticable ever to get her [. . .] & that you beleive it would be best to [. . .] is a new Vessel & has already cost some [. . .] willing to try all methods before we come to the [. . .] having laid the sketch you sent us of her [. . .] some seafaring persons here & desired their Opinion [. . .] they are far from judging it impracticable & [. . .] the sea again by several methods they [. . .] to convey her to the Beach and having [. . .] some directions for that purpose they [. . .] delivered us the inclosed which we hope you [. . .] people to execute & we shall be glad to have [. . .] as soon as conveniently may be.

[We] purpose to give one of our Hon^{ble} Masters' ships the [. . .] dispatch this year we would have you close [. . .] accounts the last of this month in order to be forwarded [. . .] agreeable] to their orders.

[. . .] of the 27th. October to reply to what [. . .] rep]airs necessary to some of your Buildings & Fortifications at Cuddalore & Tevenepatam and which are computed in the report referred to in your Letter of the 23^d. September at Pag^a. 326 24 27 they appearing to us necessary you have our consent thereto.

.. .. . We are
.. .. . [WORSH^{LE}.] SIR & SIR
FORT ST. GEORGE Your Affectionate Friends Serv^{ts}.
15TH. NOVEMBER 1743.

RICHARD BENYON.
NICHOLAS MORSE.
JOHN HINDE.
RANDALL FOWKE.
THOMAS EYRE.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

No. 91

To THE HON^{BLE}. THOMAS [BRADDYL ESQ^R.]PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR [&C^T. COUNCIL OF] FORT WILLIAM.[HON^{BLE}. SIR &] SIRs

[. . .] as under the 21st. October since which we have [. . .] the arrival of our Hon^{ble} masters ship Sumatra [. . .] the 13th. October as we know not but the Cap[tain . . .] consequence of the orders he receiv'd from the [Deputy] Governour & Council of Fort Marlborough, hav[. . .] port for Bengal before our Orders may meet him [. . .] his return hither we are to desire your Honour[. . . in] case of her arrival with you that you will [please make] returning cargo consist of Patcharee Rice [. . .] Gentlemen on the West Coast acquaint Us[. . .] [want] of, and that you will also provide the several articles contained in the Indent herewith being for their use.

We now send directions to the Chief & Council at Vizagapatam in case the Sumatra is with them to load & send us on [her the] Bales of our Northern Settlements & we purpose to dispatch [her] to your Honour &c^t. as early as possible in January & [. . .] request what we have mention'd may be in readiness.

[Our] Hon^{ble} Master's ship the Grantham arrived on the [. . .] December & was dispatched from thence [. . .] the Neptune sailed from Bengal [. . .] [. . . loaden] for Europe; the Severn, though [. . .] January, did not leave Batavia till [. . .] the Duke of Lorain proceeded in [. . .] sprung a Leak after her dispatch [. . .] which obliged her to go to Batavia to [. . .] rdian was not arrived the Westcoast [. . .] when the Sumatra left it.

We [are]

[HON^{BLE} SIR] & SIRs

[Your most] humble servants.

FORT ST. GEORGE

15TH. NOVEMBER 1743.

RICHARD BENYON.

NICHOLAS MORSE.

JOHN HINDE.

RANDALL FOWKE.

THOMAS EYRE.

WILLIAM JOHNSON.

JOHN SAVAGE.

INDENT FOR SUNDRYS WANTED FROM BENGALL FOR THE WEST COAST.

TAFFATYS—

White	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	Pa.
Red	..	..	..	..	..	..	50	
Blue	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	
Green	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	
							—	90 Pieces
Patna Chints	..	..	..	..	..	..	100	d.
Patna Oph ium]	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	chests
Bengall can[vass]	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	Bolts
Bengal Vef . . .]	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	Bolts
[Mustard seed oil]	..	..	..	..	..	..	50	Jars
Bengall [. . .]	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	Bale

FORT ST. GEORGE

15TH. NOVEMBER 1743.

[NICHOLAS M]ORSE

[Ex]port Warehousekeeper.

No. 92

TO RICHARD PRINCE [Esq^r.]
CHIEF & C^t. COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM.

[GENTLEMEN]

[Since your] last of the 21st. October we have received two [. . .]
13th. & 17th. of that month.

[. . .] of these we think it necessary only to say [. . .]
suspend any resolution on the unfair treatment [. . .] sent Mr. Prince to
have received from the Nabob [of Rajahmun]drum, concerning which you should
be more pa[rticular with] respect to the value & Quality of the Timbers
[. . .] may be supposed to arise by them which when [you . . .]
as of the particulars of the Treatment [. . .] as promised in your Letter of
the 31st. July last we shall try the [. . .] with the superiour powers in
the Government [. . .] such growing evils or consider whether it
[. . .] continue our Investment to the northward [. . .]
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