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EGMORE,
25th July 1932.

P. MACQUEEN,
Curator, Madras Record Office.

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were about six annaes in one hundred Sicca Weight less in weight than those sent you before being of our own coinage and by us newly calculated for the benefit of the Honble Company to correspond with the Country Mints which were about that Time lowered in weight and much more so in their Touch, We were not then aware of any objections that could be made to them being well assur'd the said Rupees were as heavy as any of the Country Money then coined and full two ℔ Cent better in fineness, but since Your Honour &c^{a}. acquaint us of the difficulty of paying them to your Merchants, who we suppose receive them by weight and not by Tale as we presume all priv[. . .] payments are made, we will give orders in Oz. d.
our future coin[age], to make one Thousand Arcot Rupees weigh 367. 10 which wi[ll] be rather more than the weight of what consign'd to your [Honour]&c^{a}. by the more early Conveyances.

On the Brilliant who was dispatch'd to the West Coast in October we forwarded the 500 Bags of Patcheree rice bro^{t}. us by the Princess Augusta and we purpose to [send]a further quantity by that ship for their service & agreeable to what you are pleas'd to mention we shall expect to see her soon.

We doubt not it will be very satisfactory to our Honble Masters the Resolution your Honour &c^{a}. have taken with respect to the disposition of their Shipping consign'd you this year as the Investments both with you and us have been attended with such circumstances as render'd it impossible to provide sufficient Cargoes for the dispatch of them all to Europe, The Heathcote we hope will be with us in a few days whom we shall detain no longer than to get her Bales aboard.

We have received the 8 Bales of Sannoes and the rice deducting the Number of Bags endors'd off the Bills of Lading of the Ships Duke & Montfort which were return'd.

As Your Honour &c^{a}. intend to keep the large Guns designed us by the Montfort for the use of your settlement we shall debt your Account for the Cost.

With our Letter address'd to your Hon^{r}. &c^{a}. under the 11th. of August we forwarded the Montforts Bill of Lading from Europe with several other Papers relating to that ship and we find it was N°. 8 in that List.

Capt. Hindman has taken his oath to the Certificates which we have deliver'd to him.

The Sumatra is not yet Arrived from the Northward who we purpose to send away to you with all expedition after she has put ashore the Bales from those Settlements.

The 17th. Ships Duke and Montfort sailed out of our Road for Europe, on the former our late President Richard Benyon Esqr. embarked and is succeeded according to the Honble Company's Appointment by Nicholas Morse Esqr.

We send you by this Ship Mercury the 50000 Rupees received from Bombay by the Brilliant and which we did not chuse to venture to send you by the Princess Augusta on account of the lateness of the Season when that ship left us, The Winchester not arriving has occasion'd our stock to be but low and not more than we are in expectation of laying out in these Parts, that we cannot send Your Honour &c^{a}. any supply of Money at this time, But if we should find our selves disappointed by the time your sloops may arrive we shall in such case send what possibly can be spar'd.

We have ordered the Dutch Dollars brought us by the Montfort to be coined into Arcot Rupees of the weight above described & shall send them to Your Honour &c^{t}. on the Sumatra they not being ready for this Conveyance.

We are

Fort S^{t}. George
19th. January 1743–4.

Hoñble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
John Hinde.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 5.

To Captain John Fenton
of the Mercury.

Sir

Having put on board Your Ship five Chests of Treasure on Account and Risque of the Honble English East India Company consigned to the President & Council of Fort William we direct that you put the same on board any of the Companys Sloops, that you may meet with in Ballasore Road or in Bengall River, and the Master of such sloop is to look upon this as a Warrant to him to receive the said Treasure from You.

we are

Fort S^{t}. George
19th. January 1743/44.

Sir
Your assured Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
John Hinde.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 6.

To the Worshipfull John Hinde Esq^{e}.
Deputy Governour &o^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

The President and Council have ordered me to advise of their Purpose to send you overland to morrow a supply of ten thousand 10,000 Pagodas under charge of the usual number of Peons.

I am

Fort S^{t}. George
20th. January 1743–44.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs
Your most humble servant

John Savage.
Sec^{ry}.

No. 7.

To the Worsh^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^{r}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

Agreable to advice sent you yesterday by our order this accompanies a supply of Ten thousand 10,000 Pagodas under charge of twenty two Peons.

we are

Fort S^{t}. George
21st. January 1743/44.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs
Your Affectionate Friends and Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 8.

To the Honble William Wake Esqr.
President & Governour &c^{r}. Council of Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs

1. Since our last of the 26 August the Brillant importing here the 17th. September brought us Your favour's of the 17th. & 18th. August inclosing Invoice & Bill of Lading for Cotton and Treasure sent Us on her for the Bay, & the Accounts of the Cost of and disbursements on that Vessel for which we have credited Your Presidency.

2. The Princess Augusta arriving so late from the Bay that we could not return her thither till the 14th. October we only sent the Cotton on her not chusing to risque the Rupees at that season, these last we forwarded thither also on the Mercury the 19th. of last month.

3. The Packet for England mentioned in your said Letter & transmitted Us from Tellicherry we forwarded by the Salisbury, which Ship sailed hence for Europe the 27th. September.

4. The Duke and Montfort sailed for Europe the 17°. of last month and Heathcote will be dispatch'd in a few days on the former Ship our late President Richard Benyon Esqr. took his Passage and is succeeded in this Presidency according to the Honble Company's Appointment by Nicholas Morse Esqr.

5. By a Danish Ship from Europe to Tranquebar we have a report that the Princess Louisa Capt. Pinson outward Bound to Persia was lost near the Isle of May but no further particulars which we hourly expect from Tranquebar.

6. The Success Galley who was dispatchd from your side to Bengall fell to Leeward of the Point, and was obliged to bear away for Vizagapatam where she arrivd the 22^{d}. of October. The Chief & Council for the greater security of the Treasure landed it during her stay there and she proceeded to Bengall the beginning of January and was met in the river by the Vernon Capt. Munro the 18th. of last Month. Inclosed we send Your Honour &c^{t}. an Account of some Disbursements which Capt. Dunster applyd to the Chief and Council for amounting to Rupees Arcot 1080, for which sum we shall debt your Presidency.

7. The Harrington we are informed was safe arrived at Canton, where Commodore Anson had bro^{t}. in a Spanish Ship bound to Manilha with a considerable Treasure.

We are

HoN̄BLE SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servants

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
2^{D}. FEBRUARY 1743-4.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

No. 9

TO THE WORSHIPFULL JOHN HINDE ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{A}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

We have received your several Letters of the 21, 22, 24 & 26 Ult^{o}. with Invoices of 110 Bales by the Betsy Schooner and 210 by the Moreton, which Vessells are safe arrived.

The Country for some days past has been alarmed with the News of the approach of the Mora[ttas] who are said to have been encamped on the Banks of the Kistna and within few Miles of Nizam al Mulk, our Shroffs have advices of a late date which mention that matters were in a fair way of being accomodated between them and that it was expected they would soon retire.

Our President returns his Thanks for Your Congratulations, and Inclosed are New Commissions to be delivered to the Lieutenants & Ensigns at your Place.

We are

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
7TH. FEBRUARY 1743/44.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
[JOHN] SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

No. 10

TO RICHARD PRINCE ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

By the Sumatra Importing here the 27th. Ultimo we received Yours of the 25th. December inclosing Invoice & Bill of Lading for 180 Bales of Calicoes & the several other papers specified therein. Your other of the 2^{d}. Ultimo came to hand the 29th.

On the representation you make of the Necessity of rebuilding the House at Upparra we permit you to do it and depend on your promise not to exceed three hundred Rupees in the Cost.

You have omitted to send Us your Merchants Accounts in order to their being transmitted to England, agreable to the directions sent from hence the 18th. October 1740.

Inclosed are Invoice & Bill of La[ding] for the Treasure, Wares and Stores we now send you on the Sumatra, which Ship you must not detain longer than is necessary to landing them after which she is to proceed to the Bay.

Of the thirty thousand Madrass Pagodas we now send you, fifteen thousand are for the occasions of Your own Investment, the other fifteen thousand for [Inger]am, which Residency we have debted for it, & you will send it thither as Mr. Saunders wants it; we chuse to deposite it at your place thinking it more secure there in case of troubles in the Country and direct that on no pretence you apply it to any other purposes. By the next proper Conveyance we shall send you a further supply.

You have herewith a List of Goods you are to provide this year agreeable to the last Directions rec'd from Europe and to which you must conform as near as possible we have for the encouragement of the Merchants at the several Settlements divided the Fine Cloth in equal Proportions and you are not to enlarge the Quantity till further Orders from us, by the next ships we expect to know to what extent the Company will permit us to invest in this Article, which as soon as we receive you shall hear further from us, in the mean Time you are to Observe what we now say in regard to this Part of Your Investment and Increase the quantity of Ordinary which of late has fallen short as the Fine has been enlarged.

We have been long in expectation of having an account from you of the Treatment Mr. Pitt met with from the Nabob so particularly set forth that we might have been able to have formed some Judgement on it and to have endeavoured to have obtained some redress for the Money taken from Mr. Pitt at Uppara, but for want of it we know not how to proceed.

We are

Fort St. George
9th. February 1743/4.

Gentlemen,

Your Affectionate Friends

P.S.
Inclosed is a new Commission to be delivered to Lieutenant Turnery.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
[Samuel] Harrison.

No. 11.

To Mr. Thomas Saunders
Resident at Ingeram.

Sir

We have received yours of the 9th. & 11th. Ultimo the first inclosing Invoice & Bill of Lading for 165 Bales of Calicoes sent us on the Sumatra, that Arrived here the 27th. of that month.

As you represent a Fence round your Compound, a Choultry for your Peons & Godowns for your Cloth to be so necessary to the security of the Honble Compy's Effects we permit you to set about them depending on your Care that the work be well performed & that the Expence do not exceed the five hundred Pagodas you Compute it at.

We shall supply you with the Packing Stuff you write for & the Wares & Stores you indented for the 19th. October as opportunity offers.

We send herewith a List of what Goods you are to provide this year conformable to the Directions last received from our Honble Masters and to which we expect a due complyance as far as the Circumstances of affairs will permit. We have divided the proportion of Fine cloth to each Settlement in order to encourage the Merchts. to bring in the Ordinary, this must be kept strictly to and you are not to suffer your Merchants to bring in any more Fine than what we have indented for till we have further orders from Europe and know whether a larger quantity will be acceptable there, the Ordinary we have received this year from your place is much inferiour to what was sent us last season and we expect you will call upon Your Merchants to bring in Cloth that is good and equal to what they have provided in former years particularly remind them of what has been often complaind of, that several of the inner Folds are extreamly thin and in all Respects endeavour to improve the Manufacture.

We now send on the Sumatra 15000 Madrass Pagodas to Vizagapatam for the Use of your Place as ℔ Invoice inclosed and the Chief & Council have our Orders to supply you with that sum whenever you have Occasion for it, but we would recommend to you [to invest] no more Money at a Time than what will be neces-[sar]y to carry on your Business as we think Vizagapatam much more secure in case of any Troubles in the Country and therefore chuse to have it deposited there till your occasions require it, our chief aim in sending so large a sum at this time being to enable you to go on briskly with your Investment before the French have any supply to interfere with you and as we well know there are great advantages in doing business early in the season, We persuade ourselves that by Your Care & Diligence all these purposes will be effectually Answerd.

We debt your Residency for this remittance to you not Vizagapatam.

We are

Sir

Your Affectionate Friends

Fort St. George
9rs. February 1743–4.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
[John] Savage.
[Samuel] Harrison.

No. 12.

To the Honble Thomas Braddyll Esqr.
President and Governour &cr. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Our last was under the 19th. of January with its Copy by the Cornwall, since which we have been favour'd with your Letters of the 27th. December by the Heathcote, and 5th. January by the Princess Augusta; The former imported the 26th. Ultimo, & the latter the 27th. with the Particulars as mention'd in that Ships Invoice.

We observe Your Honour &ct. have agreed to refer to Europe the difference of weight in the Lead by the Heathcote and that you had protested against her Commander for refusing to take in any more weighable Goods, we have near Compleated her Lading and purpose to dispatch her the 10th. for Great Brittain.

We shall Credit your Presidency for the advances on Account of the Princess Augusta as we shall debt it for the Freight received for the Tutenague and Cotton she carryd from hence last year Agreeable to the several accounts your Honour &c^{t}. have transmitted us.

This waits on you by our Honble Master's Ship Sumatra Capt. John Taylor who has been survey'd and appears to want some Repairs, which we should be glad could be done in time so as she might return hither before the season is over, we have already requested Your Honour &c^{t}. to provide a Cargo for her of Patcharee Rice in our Letter of the 15th. November when we also forwarded an Indent of Sundrys for the service of the West Coast which if ready and this ship should not be refitted in time you will please to send us by the Sloops you may design up hither.

We have laden on this ship two chests q^{ts}. Rupees Arcot 11679. 8. — the Produce of the Dutch Dollars received from You by the Montfort and which You will find to weigh $\overset{Oz}{367}\ \overset{d}{10}$ ℔ Mil as we acquainted you in our last should be the standard of what we coin'd hereafter and you will favour us with your Directions as early as you can concerning the Silver that may be expected from Europe this year, as also what Redwood you shall have Occasion for.

By the Ceres who arrived at Anjengo the 13 June from Canton we are advised that the Haeslingfield and Harrington were both there bound home and that Commodore Anson had taken a small Galeon belonging to Manilha with a Considerable Treasure.

We have Order'd this ship to call at Vizagapatam to put ashore some Treasure and a few Necessaries and the Chief & Council have directions not to detain her inclosed is a List of what Freight she has on board.

The Province has been lately alarmed with an account of the Morattas approach into these Parts & we are informed they were advanced three days March on this side the River Kisna & within fifteen Miles of Nizam al Mulk's Camp where they halted that after some small skirmishes they are at length entring into a Treaty and we are in hopes they will soon retire.

We are

Fort S^{t}. George
9th. February 1743/44.

Honble Sir & Sirs,
Your most humble Servants,
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 13.

To Captain John Taylor of the Sumatra.

Sir,

You are hereby directed to repair on board your Ship and make the best of your [way] to Vizagapatam, where you are to make no longer stay tha[n] to deliver the Treasure, Wares & Stores we have put on board you for th[at] place. 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 S^{t}. George this 10th. day of February 1743–4.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

No. 14.

TO THE WORSHIPFULL JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{T}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

This by Order of the President & Council covers Invoice & Bill of Lading for Wares, and Stores sent you on the Sloop Experience Peru Sepang.

I am

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
10TH FEBRUARY 1743–44.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS
Your most Humble Servant
JOHN SAVAGE
Sec^{RY}.

No. 15.

TO THE WORSHIPFULL JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{T}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

The 8 Instant we received yours of the 6th. with the several Papers inclosed, and immediately order'd the Gunpowder aboard the Sloop Experience who sailed the next evening and we suppose has arrived You before this time.

In our next you shall have our Directions concerning the Sloop Carolina who we find from the Gunners report is in a very bad Condition.

Our Shroffs have advices that the Morattas and Nizam are come to an accommodation and that they were retired and we have reason to be confirmed in this as they are sending back to Arcot and the other Towns the large sums they had brought in and deposited here on the News of their approach, we therefore are of opinion you may go on with your Business with security however we would recommend to you to get as good Intelligence as you can from the Parts adjacent to Tritchinopoly since if they should have any design, to engage them in these Parts it's believed the scene of action will be there and as the March of these People

consisting cheifly of Horse is very quick and their approaches sudden it may be necessary to be informed of what is doing there which your situation will afford you better opportunitys of than ours.

We are

Worsh^{t}. Sir & Sirs

Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

Fort S^{t}. George
15th. February 1743–4.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 16.

To the Worsh^{l}. Robert Lennox Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort Marlborough.

Worsh^{t}. Sir & Sirs,

1. Our last was by the Brillant dated the 16th. October The 12th. November we received your's of the 18th. August by the Sumatra forwarded to Us from Vizagapatam where she arrived the 13th. October.

2. We come now to reply the needfull thereto under the usual heads.

First concerning Shipping.

3. We have called upon Captain Taylor of the Sumatra concerning the deviation you say he made in his voyage to your port which you assign as the Cause of the late dispatch of the Grantham for Europe, by what he has offered in vindication of himself from the Censure you have passed on him & his Journal of the Voyage it appears he only stay'd four days at Baroos to take in water & Refreshment and as your Accusation is in general Terms we have thought proper to send you a Copy of his paper & when we receive what you have more to say we shall be the better able to judge of the Case.

4. The dispatch of the Princess Augusta & Sumatra from your Coast these two years past has been so late in the season that they have both entered the Bay in the very height of the Monsoon, which is always attended with the greatest Risque and therefore we direct that in future you do not detain the ships bound to this Coast longer than the 15th. July.

5. As you have now a Vessel to perform the necessary business on your Coast and as we have also sent you fifty Lascars to navigate your Sloops & Vessels we are in hopes you will be inabled by this Assistance to have your Cargoes ready for a more early dispatch of the shipping to Europe. Inclosed is an Abstract of four month's Impress advanc'd them in Bengal & an Account of the disbursements for Provisions &c^{a}. for their passage amount^{s}. to Arcot Rupees 2049—13—9 and at their request we have advanc'd them one month's pay more Arcot Rup^{s}. 382 to furnish them with some Cloaths & Necessaries, they acquaint us they shall be in want of. We send you also herewith a Copy of the Terms on which they have contracted with us to serve the Company which you will take care to comply with on your parts as we expect they do on theirs. We recommend to you that they be well treated, which may encourage them to stay with you their full contracted times, since it is not only difficult but very chargeable to the Company to engage people on such occasions.

6. The Sumatra will require some refitting in Bengal and we may not probably see her till the month of September and as Your Indents for Rice Salt & other bulky Goods will take up a larger Tonage than we have at present to send you we would have you return this ship to Us immediately that we may be in a capacity to furnish you with what you may stand in need of.

7. We shall debt your Acco^{t}. Pag^{s}. 91. 20. 65 for the Quarter deck Guns taken out of the Sumatra.

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

8. On this ship we have laden Sundry Wares & Stores as ℔ Invoice amounting to Pag^{s}. 4071. 20. 39 & you will find we have pretty near complyed by her & the Brillant with your Indent at least as far as we are able, We have wrote to Bengal for the Ta[ffu]ties, Patna Chints & Canvas which we expect to receive from thence in time to send you by the first Conveyance.

9. You will let us know what further supply of Rice you will want this year & the Quantity you would chuse to have by the Europe Ship that may be sent you from Bengal.

10. There are, 4000, Gunney bags now sent and we shall order some on every ship.

THIRDLY, INVESTMENTS & FOURTHLY, COUNTRY GOVERNMENT.

11. We are to observe the Sultan of Anacksoongey has begun to bestir himself amongst his people & that thereby you conceive hopes that Country will be able to furnish more Pepper than it has of late you seen [*sic*] to think he was imposed upon by the reports of the Pepper Surveyors & we suppose the Resident has been in the same circumstances, it was surely the business of the Resident not to give implicitely into what the Sultan might tell him and to have had different persons to have gone on the survey from whom he might have learn'd [the true] state of the Country & condition of the Plantations and as this has been a growing Evil it was the more necessary. We are ready to beleive that part of the decrease has been occasioned from what you represent and these are calamities that will happen but we imagine if a stricter Eye had been kept over the Planters that Country would have been more beneficial to our honble Masters.

12. The Acquisitions you have made to the Southward will we doubt not convince the Honble Company of your readiness to promote their Interest and we hope you will meet with no Molestation from the Dutch or the Sultan of Bantam on this account.

13. The account you give of affairs at Benjar is very agreable to Us and we hope our honble Masters will in future receive a considerable advantage from that Banch [*sic*] of their Commerce. We have sent by this Ship the two pieces of Gold Cloth as you desired for the Sultan & Two pair of Iron barrel'd Blunderbusses which are all we have of that s[ort].

FIFTHLY, OF FORTIFICATIONS, BUILD[INGS] REPAIRS AND REVENUES.

14. We are glad to read that the [. . .] Fort at Moco Moco is in such forwardness, though we could wish it had a more firm foundation if you are of Opinion the Italian Padre can be of any service in his advice for the better finishing the superstructure you will desire that of him & we leave it to you to make him such a gratification as you think he may deserve.

SIXTHLY, COMPANY'S SERVANTS, MILITARY AND THEIR ACCOUNTS.

15. Our late President Richard Benyon Esqr. being gone for England on the Duke is succeeded in that station by Nicolas Morse Esqr. according to the Honble Company's Appointment.

16. The request you make for our directions concerning the allowance to Ensign Brown's widow or for persons in the like circumstances we chuse to referr to the Honble Company, as we don't find any precedents of this kind to guide Us by.

17. We observe you have got a recruit of Buggueses from the Islands and that you intend to discharge the Malays who receive pay under that denomination & we wish they may prove serviceable to you. We have received this year so small a recruit of Military from England that our Garrison is not in a condition to afford you but a small assistance that way as we should very gladly otherwise have done, and there being so many people already on this ship we must deferr till another Opportunity the sending you any Topazes to releive those who have been three years on the Coast.

18. On this ship we send you James Dollison & Edward Mc. Cowan to serve in your Military and three Transports namely Gunnah, Kashee & Gollah Kistna.

SUPPLEMENT.

19. Inclosed is the Manifest of Goods licenced by Us on this ship.

We are

[FORT ST. GEORGE]
16TH FEBRUARY 1743-44.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

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

BY NICHOLAS MORSE ESQR. FOR ROBERT LENNOX ESQR.

Bales		Cor.	Ps.		
6	Bengal Goods of Sundry sorts ...			600 —	—
1	Handkerchiefs Madrass ...	2	—	30 —	—
	Cambays	3	10	45 —	—
	Syrashes	2	7	28 —	—
3	Beteelas blue	15	—	240 —	—
1	Cambays	7	5	68 —	—
1	Ditto	1	6	16 —	—
	Succatoons blue	4	—	72 —	—
10	Long Cloth blue	30	—	750 —	—
1	Sallampores blue	3	10	70 —	—
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BY DO. FOR MR. WILLIAM RIGG.

Bales					
5	Bengall Goods of Sundry sorts ...			650 —	—
1	Cambays	4	10	102 —	—
	Ginghams	5	—	48 —	—
	Moorees	3	—	70 —	—
	Syrashes	1	—	14 —	—

			Cor.	Ps.			
1	Beteelas blue		5	—	80	—	—
1	Handkerchiefs		4	—	88	—	—
	Ginghams		1	—	8	—	—
	Syrashes		—	10	10	—	—
5	Long Cloth blue		15	—	375	—	—
1	Long Cloth White		1	10	54	—	—
14	... ...			...	...		1499 — —

By Nicholas Morse Esqr. for M^r. William Coles.

Bales								
2	Bengall Goods of Sundry sorts			...	500	—	—	
1	Handkerchiefs		3	—	30	—	—	
	Cambays		6	—	55	—	—	
	Syrashes		1	—	22	—	—	
	Chints		1	—	18	—	—	
	Carridarries		1	10	30	—	—	
1	Handkerchiefs		5	—	50	—	—	
	Succatoons		3	—	54	—	—	
2	Long Cloth blue		6	—	150	—	—	
1	Long Cloth White ...		1	10	54	—	—	
7	... ...			...				963 — —
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By D^o. for M^r. Henry Stirling.

Ba.								
1	Handkerchiefs		2	—	30	—	—	
	Cambays		3	—	36	—	—	
	Ginghams		1	—	12	—	—	
	Taffaties		1	—	40	—	—	
	Chints		1	—	22	—	—	
	Carridarries		—	10	10	—	—	
1	Cambays		1	—	20	—	—	
	Handkerchiefs		1	9	14	—	—	
	Syrashes		1	1	5	—	—	
	Succatoons blue		2	—	36	—	—	
	Moorees blue		1	—	24	—	—	
1	Long Cloth blue		3	—	75	—	—	
1	Long Cloth White ...		1	10	54	—	—	
4	... ...			...				378 — —

By D^o. for M^r. Joseph Hurlock.

1	Cambays	4	18	68	—	—	
	Handkerchiefs	2	—	20	—	—	
	Syrashes	1	10	20	—	—	
	Taffaties	1	—	40	—	—	
1	Moorees	2	—	50	—	—	
	Sannoes Monpore	2	—	38	—	—	
	Cossaes Malda	2	—	72	—	—	
	Hummums	1	—	44	—	—	

			Cor.	Ps.			
1	Beteelas White		7	8	118	—	—
1	Succatoons blue		3	—	54	—	—
	Moorees blue		2	—	48	—	—
	Ginghams		—	15	6	—	—
	Broaches blue		—	5	12	18	—
	Patolas		2	10	75	—	—
2	Long Cloth blue		6	—	150	—	—
6	... ...				...	815	18 —

By Nicholas Morse Esqr. for M^r. Charles Barbut.

Ba.							
1	Succatoons blue	3	—	54	—	—	
	Moorees blue	2	—	48	—	—	
1	Handkerchiefs	6	—	80	—	—	
	Syrashes	3	—	42	—	—	
1	Cossaes Burruan	1	—	20	—	—	
	Cossaes Malda	2	—	72	—	—	
	Hummums	2	—	88	—	—	
1	Sannoes Monpore	2	—	38	—	—	
	Moorees White	2	—	44	—	—	
1	Cambays	2	12	38	—	—	
	Ginghams	2	—	24	—	—	
	Handkerchiefs	2	3	44	18	—	
	Taffaties	1	—	40	—	—	
2	Long cloth blue	6	—	150	—	—	
1	D^o. ordinary	3	—	66	—	—	
8	... ...	...		...	848	18	—

By D^o. for M^r. Francis Fordyce.

1	Succatoons blue	3	—	54	—	—
	Moorees blue	1	—	25	—	—
	Combays	3	—	21	—	—
	Handkerchiefs	2	—	30	—	—
1	Moorees White	1	—	20	—	—
	Cossaes Malda	1	—	36	—	—
	Hummums	—	10	22	—	—
	Handkerchiefs	1	—	15	—	—
	Cambays	—	14	16	—	—
	Handkerchiefs fine ...	—	5	4	18	—
1	Long Coth blue	4	—	88	—	—
3					331	18 —

By D^o. for M^r. David Pugh.

1	Handkerchiefs	2	—	24	—	—
	Cambays	4	—	65	—	—
	Chints	—	10	6	—	—
	Syrashes	1	2	16	—	—

Bales		Cor.	Ps.			
1	Succatoons blue	2	—	36	—	—
	Moorees blue	2	—	50	—	—
	Moorees White	1	10	35	18	—
	Taffaties	1	—	40	—	—
	Cossaes Malda	1	—	36	—	—
	Hummums	—	10	22	—	—
2	Long Cloth midling blue ...	6	—	150	—	—
2	D°. Ordinary blue ...	8	—	176	—	—
1	Long Cloth White ...	1	10	54	—	—
7	... ...			...		710 18 —

By Nicholas Morse Esqr. for M^r. Wotton Braham.

1	Succatoons blue	3	—	54	—	—
	Moorees blue	1	—	25	—	—
	Cambays	1	—	20	—	—
	Handkerchiefs	2	—	30	—	—
	Cambays Metchelepatam ...	2	—	40	—	—
1	Long Cloth Od^ry. blue ...	4	—	88	—	—
2	.. ..			...		257 — —

By Ditto for M^r. Robert Hindley.

1	Syrashes	2	7	42	—	—
	Handkerchiefs	3	—	39	—	—
	Cambays	1	10	31	—	—
	Tappies	1	—	5	—	—
	Moorees White	1	—	20	—	—
	Sallampores	—	4	3	18	—
	Chints	—	5	6	18	—
1	Moorees blue	2	—	50	—	—
	Succatoons blue	3	—	54	—	—
1	Cossaes Malda	—	10	18	—	—
	Hummums	—	10	22	—	—
	Chints	—	10	11	—	—
	Taffaties	1	—	40	—	—
1	Long Cloth Ord^ry. blue ...	4	—	88	—	—
1	Long Cloth White ...	1	10	54	—	—
5	... ...			...		484 — —

By Ditto for M^r. Henry Coales.

1	Cambays	2	—	12	—	—
	Moorees White	—	10	10	—	—
	Taffaties	—	10	20	—	—
	Tappies	2	—	18	—	—
1	Moorees blue	1	—	25	—	—
	Succatoons	3	4	57	18	—
1	Long Cloth Ord^ry. blue ...	4	—	88	—	—
3	... ...			...		230 18 —

By Nicholas Morse Esqr. for M^r. William Culliford.

Sales.		Cor.	ps.						
1	Cambays	4	—	44	—	—			
	Cossaes Burruan ...	—	10	10	—	—			
	Taffaties	—	5	10	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	2	—	20	—	—			
	Succatoons blue ...	2	—	36	—	—			
2	Long Cloth Ord^ry. blue ...	8	—	176	—	—			
3	... ...						296	—	—

By D^o. for M^r. Alexander Christie.

1	Handkerchiefs	1	—	15	—	—			
	Cambays	2	—	14	—	—			
	Syrashes ...	2	—	30	—	—			
	Moorees blue	1	—	25	—	—			
	Succatoons blue	2	—	36	—	—			
1	Long cloth O. Blue ...	4	—	88	—	—			
2	...						208	—	—

By D^o. for M^r. John Massey.

1	Cambays	7	1	72	18	—			
	Handkerchiefs	2	—	30	—	—			
1	Handkerchiefs	2	—	20	—	—			
	Cossaes Malda	2	—	36	—	—			
	Hummums	1	—	44	—	—			
1	Moorees blue	3	—	75	—	—			
	Succatoons blue	2	—	36	—	—			
1	Long Cloth Ord^ry. blue ...	4	—	88	—	—			
4							401	18	—

By D^o. for M^r. Isaac Barbut.

1	Moorees blue	3	—	75	—	—			
	Succatoons blue ...	2	—	36	—	—			
1	Cambays	1	10	17	18	—			
	Cossaes Burruan... ...	2	—	40	—	—			
	Cossaes Malda	—	10	9	—	—			
	Hummums	—	10	22	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	4	—	40	—	—			
1	Moorees White	2	—	40	—	—			
	Handkerchiefs	1	—	20	—	—			
	Syrashes	3	—	48	—	—			
3	Long cloth O. blue ...	9	—	198	—	—			
1	Long Cloth White ...	1	10	54	—	—			
Chests.									
2	Patna Ophium			140	—	—			
9							739	18	—

By M^r. Joseph Fowke for M^r. Thomas Combes.

1	Handkerchiefs, Metchelepatam	3	2	38	—	—
	Cambays double	4	1	111	—	—

Bales.		Cor.	ps.				
1	Handkerchiefs Pulliacat	4	—	80	—	—	
1	Moorees blue	4	—	100	—	—	
2	Long Cloth blue ...	8	—	182	—	—	
1	Salampores	4	—	73	—	—	
6							584 — —

By Mr. John Savage for Mr. William Christian.

Bales.							
2	Slops			190	—	—	
1	Long Cloth, Ordinary White Chest	1	10	60	—	—	
1	Shoes			30	—	—	
4							280 — —

By Captain George Goring for himself.

Bales.							
6	Long Cloth White ...	12	—	504	—	—	
6	Dº. blue	10	—	500	—	—	
3	Cambays	15	—	405	—	—	
3	Syrashes	40	—	200	—	—	
1	Beteelas blue	3	—	48	—	—	
1	Handkerchiefs Pulliacate	10	—	350	—	—	
2	Ditto Metchelepatam ...	20	—	220	—	—	
9	Moorees Blue	30	—	750	—	—	
31							2977 — —
141	Bales and Chests			Pagodas ...			13922 18 —

Fort Sr. George 16th. February 1744.

John Savage
Secry.

No. 17.

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 Fort Marlborough on the West Coast of Sumatra where you are to deliver the accompanying packet to the Deputy Governour and Council whose orders are to direct your future proceedings and we strictly enjoin you not to lose any time either going or coming by touching at any other than your Consigned port except by absolute necessity. Dated in Fort St. George this 16th. day of February 1743-4.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.

No. 18

To the Worsh^{r}. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{r}. Sir & Sirs

This by order of the President and Council covers Invoices and Bills of Lading, for Three hundred and Ninety Bags of Rice laden on Boat Mahaw Latchemy, and Three hundred and sixty on Boat Seetaw Latchemy.

I am

Fort S^{t}. George — Worsh^{r}. Sir & Sirs

20th. February 1743/4. — Your most humble Servant

John Savage,
Sec^{ry}.

No. 19

To the Worsh^{r}. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{r}. Sir & Sirs

Having the other day settled with our Merchants the plan of our Investment for this year we shall be glad shortly to hear that you have done the same as the season advances fast upon Us.

The Method your Investment has for some years been in furnishes us with little more to say here on that subject than to recommend to your regard therein the Directions in the Letters from hence last year particularly in those of the 24 June & 5th. July which we doubt not your compliance with as near as the Circumstances of the times & your place will permit & to which we shall only add that our sentiments are the same, as then expressed, That is better to suffer some disappointment than to take in worse Cloths or at higher prices than those of late in which we hope the present confined state of your Neighbours will not be an unfavourable Circumstance.

Though some unavoidable accidents obliged us to receive so large a Quantity of Long Cloth Fine last season from S^{t}. David's We would not have you exceed One hundred Bales or four thousand peices in the whole of what you provide of that Article this year.

We hope a good Effect from the Method we are trying this year of allotting to each set of our Merch^{ts}. the provision of one particular species of Goods ; which we only mention to you by way of hint, as you being on the spot are the best judges whether any good purposes may be served by falling into the same Method at your place.

Yesterday we sent you two Boat loads of Rice and have engaged with the Merchants for fifty Garce of Paddy which we shall also send you in few days,

We are

Fort S^{t}. George — Worsh^{r}. Sir & Sirs

21st. February 1743–44. — Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harries [*sic*].
William Johnson.
John Savage.

No. 20

To Mr. John Hallyburton
Resident at Madapollam.

Sir

Being about to return to your Residency we send with you on the Sloop Experience such Wares & Stores as you have indented for except the Packing Stuff wh[ich] will come hereafter, as ℔ Invoice herewith, we send wit[h] you also a present supply of five thousand 5000 Madrass Pagodas which is as much as we think proper to risque on this Sloop & on the William and Sarah, that will sail for Vizagapatam in few days, we shall send thither, as we think it will be more secure there in case of Troubles in the Country, a further supply of fifteen thousand, 15000, Madrass Pagodas for the particular service of your Investment, to be sent you from thence as you shall call for it but we would recommend to you to send for no more of it at a time than is necessary to carry on your business.

We hope our supplying you with so large a sum so early will enable you to go on briskly with your Investment and to comply with the List we herewith deliver you of Goods to be provided this year at your place & Metchlepatam, regard being had to the remarks we have thought proper to subjoin thereto.

We have divided the proportion of Fine Cloth to each of the Northern Settlements to encourage the Merchants to bring in the Ordinary, this must be kept strictly to and you must not suffer your Merchants to bring in any more Fine than we have indented for till we know from Europe whether a larger Quantity will be acceptable there. The Ordinary sent up this year from your place is much inferiour to what we formerly, received and we expect you will call upon your Merchants to bring in Cloth that is good & equal to what they used to provide, particularly remind them of what has been often complained of that several of the inner Folds are extremely thin and in all respects endeavour to improve the Manufacture.

In October 1740 it was ordered from hence that at the End of November every year an Account should be drawn out in proper Columns wherein should be incerted what Money had been advanc'd each of the Merchants & what number of pieces of each sort of Cloth had been brought in by them, with the value. No such Account was sent Us this year but it must be in future in two copies & in time to go to England by the January ships.

Mr. Henry Kelsal persuading himself of a recovery from his very ill state of health in the Vizagapatam air to enable him to proceed to his station in Bengall we are unwilling to refuse his request to go thither; he accordingly now proceeds with you to Madapollam & purposes to go from thence to Vizagapatam. His salary & other allowances to the time of his last leaving Madapollam are to be charged to your Factory; from that time he is to be reckoned on the Bengal Establishment, so that during his stay with you if he should apply to you for any supply, you may advance him according to his former Allowances debting Account Current Fort St. George for the same, advising Us thereof and when his time at your place ended if you make him any such advance you should also advise of it to Vizagapatam when he proceeds thither, transmitting the Gentlemen there a Copy of this Paragraph that they may act agreable hereto.

On the reports we have here that the Morattas are infesting Metchlepatam & the parts adjacent we have engaged with Mier Angee the Master of Brigtine. Cauder Bux to lye in your River in readiness to take on board the Company's Effects & transport them & you to Vizagapatam if you see occasion, for which you are to pay him at the rate of twenty Pagodas ℔ month, but if on your arrival you find all things in Quietness & no necessity for keeping the Vessel you will then put an end to that Charge.

We would have you, as is practised at the other Settlements, send Us at the foot of all your Letters a List of what Goods you have come in.

We are

FORT ST. GEORGE — SIR

27TH. FEBRUARY 1743/44. — Your Affectionate Friends

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

No. 21

TO THE WORSHL. JOHN HINDE ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT ST. DAVID.

WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

This by order of the President and Council covers Invoices and Bills of Lading for thirty Garce of Paddy laden on the Boat Maden Saib, Golla Vencaty Nerasoo, Tendal: and twenty Garce of Paddy on the Boat Vencatasbara, Golla Ancona Tendal.

I am

FORT ST. GEORGE — WORSHL. SIR & SIRS

28TH. FEBRUARY 1743–4. — Your most humble. Servant

JOHN SAVAGE
Secry.

No. 22

TO MR. THOMAS SAUNDERS
RESIDENT AT INGERAM.

SIR

This is only by order of the President and Council to accompany a supply of packing stuff now sent you on Boat Latchemy Narsoo, Damalah Vellyah, Tandel, as ℔ Invoice & Bill of Lading inclosed.

SIR

FORT ST. GEORGE — Your very humble Servant

29TH. FEBRUARY 1743–44.

JOHN SAVAGE
Secry.

No. 23.

TO RICHARD PRINCE ESQR.
CHIEF &CT. COUNCIL OF VIZAGAPATAM.

GENTLEMEN

We wrote you last by the Sumatra the 9th. Instant a Copy thereof is here inclosed.

On this ship William & Sarah we send you as ℔ Invoice & Bill of Lading inclosed a further supply of Treasure for the Use of your & the other Northern Settlements, that is—

Two Chests of Rupees and five thousand, 5000, Madrass Pagodas for the Occasions of your Investment.

Five thousand, 5000, more Madrass Pagodas for the particular Use of Ingeram, and

Fifteen thousand, 15000, Madrass Pagodas for the particular Use of Madapollam, which you must send to those places as they shall be called for.

Mr. Henry Kelsal hoping to recover his health in your Air, before he proceeds to his station in Bengal, goes with Mr. Hallyburton to Madapollam & purposes to go forward from thence to Vizagapatam, if he should apply to you for any supply of Money during his stay at your place we would have you act conformable to the Paragraph of our Letter to Mr. Hallyburton on that subject, whom we have ordered to send you a copy of it with Mr. Kelsal.

At the Foot of all your Letters we would have you continue to send Us a List of what Goods are come in.

We are

Fort St. George — Gentlemen

29th. February 1743–4. — Your Affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 24.

To Mr. Thomas Saunders
Resident at Ingeram.

Sir,

Agreable to what we wrote you the 9th. Instant, Duplicate of which you have herewith, we now send to Vizagapatam on the William & Sarah five thousand 5000, more Madrass Pagodas for the particular service of your Investment as ℔ Invoice here inclosed for which we debt Your Account not Vizagapatam.

On the reports we have here that the Morattas are infesting Metchlepatam & the parts adjacent we have engaged with the Master of a Vessel to lye in Madapollam River in readiness if need be to transport Mr. Hallyburton & the Company's Effects to Vizagapatam, should you have reason to apprehend any danger we doubt not you will take the best care to secure the Company's Estate at your place & suppose your river will furnish you with the Means.

For the future you must send us your Merchants Accounts sooner they did not arrive this year in time for the January Ships, and we would have you continue to send Us at the Foot of all your Letters the List of what Goods you have on hand.

We are

Fort St. George — Sir

29th. February 1743–4. — Your Affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 25.

To Mr. John Hallyburton
Resident at Madapollam.

Sir,

This serves only to advise that agreable to what we wrote you the 27th. Instant we now consign to the Chief & Council of Vizagapatam on the William & Sarah a further supply of fifteen thousand 15000 Madrass Pagodas for the particular Occasions of your Investment as ℔ Invoice inclosed for which we have debted your Factory not Vizagapatam.

We are

Fort St. George
29th. February 1743–4.

Sir

Your affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage
Samuel Harrison.

No. 26.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &cr. Council of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

I am ordered by the President and Council to advise that agreable to your request in your Letter of the 27th. Ultimo, a supply of Ten thousand 10,000 Pagodas will be sent you overland tomorrow morning under charge of twenty Peons.

I am

Fort St. George
1st. March 1743–4.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Your most humble Servant

John Savage
Secry.

No. 27

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &ct. Council of Fort St David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

This accompanies a supply of ten thousand 10,000 Pagodas, under charge of twenty Peons, of which you were advis'd yesterday by our Order.

We are

Fort St. George
2d. March 1743–4.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.

No. 28.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &cr. Council of Fort Sr. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

We have received your's of the 27th. Ultº. in compliance with which we sent you a supply of ten thousand Pagodas the 2d. Instant & purpose to send you a further supply of the like sum in the return of those peons.

The Distance that Salem is from you and being under the Misore Government we must allow puts that Part of the Investment on a more precarious Footing than the other and we are not therefore surpriz'd those who had made you some offers did not care to take that wholly on them, that Place for several years procured a large quantity of Cloth and particularly that sort which was so acceptable to our Honble Masters under the denomenation of Porto Novo, on Account the Army of Nizam al Mulk and other Disturbances it was not judged safe to negotiate any Business there last year But as the circumstances of affairs are alter'd and the Troops retired we are in hopes to hear that Part of the Country is now setled and in such favourable circumstances as may enable Your Merchants to procure a good Number of Bales from thence, if you find it so, we doubt not you will spirit them up and as we are sensible of the extraordinary Risque that attends that Part of the Investment we shall not be unwilling to allow them some additional consideration for what they shall bring in surplus of the 300 Bales agreed for in hopes that this encouragement may encrease the Investment there beyond what seems to be their Design at present, It will be also very agreeable for us to hear they lose no opportunity of getting as much Cloth as possible from the other Weaving Towns before the French Brokers are supplyd with Money to interfere in the Business.

We are well pleas'd to read that you had come to an agreement with Andeapah for one Thousand Bales to be provided by him of which you imagine Three or four hundred will be Salem Cloth, as this Person is esteemed to be very capable of Carrying on the Investment of a fair character and to be depended on, we persuade our selves that there will not be any disappointment to be apprehended, unless occasion'd by such Means as it may not be in his Power to prevent and to that we must submit should it so happen but we hope Nazams Return into this Province will not prove of such ill consequence as to impeede the Companys Business.

We are

Fort Sr. David
6th. March 1743/4.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs
Your affectionate friends and servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.

No. 29.

To the Worsh^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

This by Order of the President and Council covers Invoice and Bills of Lading for Stores laden on the Pharr Narsinga, Vaincataputy Tandell.

I am
Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servant
John Savage
Sec^{ry}.

Fort S^{t}. George
9th. March 1743–44.

No. 30.

To the Worsh^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

I am ordered by the President and Council to advise that a supply of Ten thousand 10,000 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
John Savage
Sec^{ry}.

Fort S^{t}. George
12th. March 1743–4.

No. 31.

To the Worsh^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

This accompanies a supply of Ten thousand 10,000 Pagodas under charge of twenty Peons, of which you were advised yesterday by our Order.

We are
Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs
Your affectionate Friends & Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

Fort S^{t}. George
13th. March 1743–4.

No. 32.

To the Honble Thomas Braddyll Esqr.

President and Governour &cr. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed is duplicate of what we wrote you the 9th. Ultimo by the Sumatra that sailed hence the 12th.

Some time in June last our Gentleman at Vizagapatam represented to us that the Nabob of Rajahmundrum besides treating his person very severely had forced the sum of 1700 Pagodas from Mr. Pitt a Company's Servant Residing at Upparra a place under the direction of that Chiefship, on Account of the Wreck of a ship that was lost about that time near Upparra, said to belong to Mr. Cotesworth Chief of Balasore. The Gentlemen at Vizagapatam urge that Mr. Stratton the then Chief crediting the report of the ships belonging to Mr. Cotesworth had applied to the Nabob for & obtained his Firman for taking possession of what could be saved of the ship & Effects [in] consequence of which Mr. Pitt had secured what he could, but the Nabob afterwards pretending to be informed that the ship did not belong to the English insisted that he had been imposed on & that the Wreck belonged to him and demanded of Mr. Pitt nine thousand Rupees for what he made the salvage amount to by a fallacious account he caused to be drawn out, and at last obliged him to pay him the seventeen hundred Pagodas beforementioned and to sign to two Papers which Mr. Pitt says he did not understand but was told they imported his Act of indemnification to the Nabob. Having some doubts whether if what the Nabob urged " That the ship did not belong to the English " twas true our Gentlemen had not taken too hasty a step in concerning themselves about it we determined to suspend our Application to the Superiour Powers for Redress till that matter was made more clear to Us and accordingly wrote to Vizagapatam for the fullest authorities they could give Us of the Grounds on which they had proceeded, an Account of what had been saved, to what amount & how disposed of, As to the last they are entirely silent nor have they given Us an Account of the other to our satisfaction wherefore we have repeated our Orders thither to that End We have indeed seen Copies of some Letters from Balasore of which other Copies are here inclosed signifying that the Ship was called the Jaggernaut Persand belonged to Gopanaut the Company's Mussudy and that there was English money lent on her at Respondentia, how far that invalidates the Nabob's pretensions we shall not enter upon here but hope Your Honour &ct. will excuse the trouble we give you in requesting that you will order to be collected & sent Us such Vouchers as may be procured at Balasore & Calcutta of the amount & nature of the English concerns on board that ship as whether they were concerns in the [Ship] or at Respondentia.

We are

Fort St. George
16th. March 1743/4.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 33.

To Mr. Thomas Saunders
Resident at Ingeram.

Sir

The foregoing is Duplicate of what we wrote you the 29th. Ultimo by the William and Sarah via Vizagapatam; and this incloses Invoice and Bills of Lading for a supply of Wares and Stores now sent you on the Brigantine Vencatasha, Nagamulloo Sydoo, Syrang.

We are

Sir

Your Affectionate Friends

Fort St. George
17th. March 1743-4.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
William Johnson.
John Savage.

No. 34.

To Richard Prince Esqr.
Chief &c. Council of Vizagapatam.

Gentlemen

Inclosed is Duplicate of what we wrote You the 29th. Ultimo by the William & Sarah with Copy of the Invoice & Second Bill of Lading for Treasure consign'd you on that ship.

The 5th. Instant we received by Peons yours of the 11th. February with the several papers it inclosed; among these is a long detail of Mr. Pitt, discribing the particulars of the insults offered his person but not answering what we proposed by our Letter to your place of the 1st. July last We principally wanted then & now direct that you send Us as soon as possible the best Information & fullest authorities you can concerning the Grounds upon which the application was first made to the Country Government for liberty to secure the Wreck of the ship Jaggernaut Persand, it appearing to Us that the pretence for it on our parts was that the ship belonged to the English, which is denied on that of the Nabob and which we think necessary to be cleared up before we use our Instances for Redress; You must also send us an Account of the particulars that were saved, to what amount & how they or their produce have been disposed of and if Mr. Pitt or any others under your Influence or Orders are yet possessed of any of the Money or other Salvage of that ship we would have you secure them on the Company's account till this affair be settled or you receive our further Orders, Entering the same in your Books under the head of Wreck of ship Jaggernaut Persand.

The Estimate you sent Us of the cost of building & repairing several parts of your Fortifications being so loosely drawn that, without some further Explanation, we could make no Judgement of it, we desired Mr. Stratton to give us his thoughts on the present state of them and what is necessary to be done to render them of proper security to the Honble Company's Estate at your place in these unsettled times. Inclosed is a Copy of the paper we received from him on that subject on which we shall only remark That he seems to think the necessary work may be done at a smaller Expence than you calculate, We do not positively enjoin your compliance with what Mr. Stratton there lays down but would have you consider it well, compare it with the design on which you formed your Calculate & transmitt us your sentiments thereon, with an Estimate better explained of the Cost of what you think most necessary to the End proposed of securing the Company's Estate; of which we may be able to judge more easily if you can, by the assistance

of Mr. Turnery, send us a Draught of your present Fortifications & the additions you propose which we apprehend you may do in time to receive our answer before you can have got together the Materials that must be wanted; That your Buildings have been suffered to run so to decay as now, by your computation, to require near 1800 Pagodas to repair them, must have proceeded from great neglect & bad husbandry and might certainly have been prevented by small proper repairs when the want of them first appeared and as the Evil will but encrease by further delays we would have you set about preparing materials, that what we shall direct to be done may be finished with the greatest dispatch.

We are

Gentlemen

Your Affectionate Friends

[Fort] St. George
23d. Maroh 1743-4.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 35

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &ca. Council of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs.

We have received Your Letter of the 28th. Ultimo by which we observe the Morattas had entered the Misore Country & plunderd Salem of a large Quantity of Cloth, but that the Peons had happily return'd with the Money sent thither, This disappoints our hopes of being able to do any Business there for some Time, However we have good reason to believe (thô we cannot be certain of it) that the Morattas have no designs at present on Trichanopoly and that therefore the Countrys nigh you where your Merchants carry on the other Parts of your Investment will remain undisturbd which will be very Agreeable to us to hear from you Nizam set out for Golcondah the 20th. of last Month and before his departure Appointed Anarvardee Cawn to the Subah Ship of this Province who is come to Arcot and has advis'd our President of his having taken upon him the Government as he bears a general good Character, We hope he will soon settle all affairs in good order and restore Tranquility which the Inhabitants enjoyd these several years.

We are

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Your Affectionate Friends & Servts.

Fort St. George
7th. April 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison

No. 36

To the Honble Thomas Braddyll Esqr.

President and Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your favour of the 23^{d}. Febry. by the Ship Mercury with those under the 29th. of that month by the Sloops Porto Bello & Bombay.

The several particulars mention'd in the Invoice ℔ Sloop Porto Bello have been delivered here, & this waits on you by her. The Bombay Sloop is now unloading & we purpose in few days to return her also.

The Arrack Your Honour &c^{t}. have sent Us we design to try at Outcry and in our next we [shall] advise you what it produces and likewise whether a further Quantity can be disposed of here.

As you desire to have no more than four thousand Maunds of Redwood sent you this season we shall make use of the Europe ships to supply you with that quantity which will save the trouble & Expence of landing & reshipping.

It would have been a particular pleasure to Us to have had it in our power to have supplied Your Honour &c^{t}. at this time with some Treasure for carrying on your Investment, but our Stock is so low that we cannot possibly spare any from our own necessary Occasions.

We advised Your Honour &c^{t}. under the 9th. February of the approach of the Morattas into these parts; an Army of about forty thousand met Nizam Al Mulck near the Banks of the Kistna in his return to Golcondah, about fifteen days after all matters between them were settled & he entertained twenty thousand of that body in his Own pay, the rest took their rout Northwards; however Nizam did not chuse to proceed on his way at that time but return'd into this province to a place called Gundicotah, distance from Arcot about eight days journey, where he remain'd till the 20th. of last month & then set out again for Golcondah, having before his departure appointed Anawerdee Cawn, late Nabob of Chicacul, to the Subahship of Arcot & we are in hopes the Country will now be settled if the Morattas who are to the Southward in the Misore Country don't prevent it.

We presume Your Honour &c^{t}. will have been acquainted by the Sumatra of a party of Morattas having passed Vizagapatam supposed to be designed for Cuttack in order to assist the late Nabob of that Country who was some time since obliged to leave it from the success of the Opposition made against him.

Mr. Henry Kelsall whom we mentioned to your Honour &c^{t}. the 12th. July last year labouring under a very ill state of health we have permitted him at his request to go to Vizagapatam, from whence on his recovery he will proceed to his station in Bengal pursuant to the liberty granted him from England.

Our President returns Your Honr. &c^{t}. his thanks for Your kind Congratulation & we are with Esteem

Fort St. George
10th. April 1744.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obed^{t}. humble Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 37.

To Mr. Philip Parsons
Master of the Sloop Porto Bello.

Sir

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your Sloop and make the best of your way to the River of Bengal on your arrival you are to deliver the accompanying Letter to the President & Council of Fort William whose orders are to direct Your Future Proceedings Dated in Fort St. George this 10th. day of April 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 38.

To the Honble. Thomas Braddyll Esqr.
President and Governour &cr. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since closing our accompanying Letter of the 10th. we have received advice of the arrival of a French Ship at Pondicherry named the Dauphine, Captain Butler, who left Port Lewis the 5th. October, peace continued between England and France and it was expected the several contending Powers would be inclined to hearken to proposals of accommodation.

We cannot as yet learn any other particulars relating to our Honourable Masters Shipping except a confirmation of the Loss of the Princess Louisa Captain Pinson on the Isle of May; that the Winchester Captain Gabriel Steward was at St. Iago in April, that the Salisbury Captain Burrows, who sailed hence the 27th. September, arrived at the Cape the 27th. December, that the Edgebaston, Captain Cobham, was to leave England in October for Mocha and Bombay and that two Men of Warr were to sail for the Cape to convoy the Homeward and Outward bound Shipping.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

Fort St. George
11th. April 1744.

No. 39.

To the Worshipl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c. Council of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

I am order'd by the President & Council to advise that a supply of ten thousand 10,000 Pagodas will be sent you overland tomorrow Morning under charge of the usual Number of Peons.

I am

Fort St. George — Worshl. Sir & Sirs

16th. April 1744. — Your most humble Servant

John Savage.
Secry.

No. 40.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c. Council of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

With this we send you a supply of Ten thousand 10,000 Pagodas under Charge of 30 Peons agreable to what was wrote you yesterday by our Order.

We are

Fort St. George — Worshl. Sir & Sirs

17th. April 1744. — Your Affect. Friends & Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 41.

To the Honble Thomas Braddyll Esqr.
President and Governour &c. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We now return the Sloop Bombay & are to acquaint you that there is a deficiency of Candy. 9. mds. 8. lb. 18 in the weight of the Saltpetre by her though the Bags answer number and do not appear to have been opened on board the Vessel, We have call'd upon the Master to Account for the same who desires the matter may be referred to Your Honour &c. as he assures Us it must proceed from some Mistake in the Weight when delivered him in Bengall and you will therefore please to adjust that with him. We have received the Bales by her as also the Arrack the sale of which we have agreed to deferr for some time on Account of a large Quantity of Batavia Arrack being lately imported here.

We must desire Your Honour &c. will send Us the Lists of Packing Stuff in & the Calculate of the Tonage of the Bales you sent us on this & the porto Bello Sloop.

Inclosed are Accounts of some Stores &c^{a}. supplied these Sloops, for the Amount of which you will please to give us credit.

We have received advice by private Letters from Surat that the Winchester Captain Steward was lost on the Coast of Brazil but that her Cargo and Crew were saved; That the Princess Louisa Captain Pinson was also lost on the Isle of May and himself & three others only escaped, We have also been informed that the Hardwick Captain Hallet had been at the Cape Outward bound.

We are

Fort S^{t}. George,

Honble Sir & Sirs

18th. April 1744.

Your most Humble Servants

P.S.

Inclosed is an Account of the Turn Out of the Sloop Bombay's Saltpetre.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 42.

To M^{r}. Jonathan Ranson

Master of the Sloop Bombay.

Sir

You are hereby Ordered to repair on board Your Sloop and make the best of your way to the River of Bengall on your arrival you are to deliver the accompanying Letter to the President and Council of Fort William whose Orders are to direct Your future Proceedings. Dated in Fort S^{t}. George this 18th. day of April 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
Willilm Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 43.

To the Worsh^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.

Deputy Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

We some time since received yours of the 13th. in compliance with which we sent you a further Supply of Money the 17th. Instant.

On the representation you make of the necessity of a Boat house, Carpenter's Yard & some other small Buildings, the Cost whereof, you compute, will not exceed four hundred Pagodas, we permit them to be set about, depending on your care that the work be well performed.

And having again perused what you wrote Us the 6th. February & your Gunner's Report concerning the sloop Carolina setting forth the little probability of ever getting that Vessel into the sea & that even the attempting it will be attended with very great Expence we have agreed to referr it to you to dispose of her in the

best manner you can, either by selling her as she lyes or by breaking her up & selling the Materials, which you shall judge will best answer to the Company's advantage.

We shall be glad to hear that Salem enjoys the same state of Tranquillity with the other parts of the Country where your Investment is made that Andeapah may thereby be enabled to carry his promise into execution.

We are

Fort St. George
24th. April 1744.

Worsh[r]. Sir & Sirs
Your affectionate Friends & Servts.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 44.

To the Honble William Wake Esqr.
President & Govr. &cr. Council of Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Yesterday imported here Our Honble. Masters Ships Prince William Captain Thomas Langworth and Lapwing Captain Henry Watts, this last left England in November and the former was dispatched the beginning of December in company with the Prince of Wales Captain John Pelly whom they parted with soon after they left the Cape. They met there the Edgbaston Captain Stephen Cobham bound for Mocha and your place and the Salisbury homeward bound. We also learn that the Hardwike Captain Hallet who left England in June designed for Bombay & China had been there. We send you inclosed a List of the Shipping arrived in England last year as well as those taken up for the several parts of India this.

We now transmit you Copeis of the 8th. & 9th. Paragraph of our Honourable Masters Letter to us dated the 23d. November, and are to request you will please to favour us as early as possible after the arrival of the advices from Mocha with the determination you may come to in regard to the Execution of those Commands, that should you be under a necessity of sending a ship round here to be filled up, We may be prepared on our part, to give her the Dispatch they are pleased to direct.

We are

Fort St. George
26th. April 1744.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 45.

To James Hope Esqr.
Chief &c^r^. Council of Surat.

Gentlemen

This is only to desire your care of the inclosed Letter for the President & Council of Bombay & that you will forward it to them by the quickest dispatch.

We are
Gentlemen
Your most humble Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

Fort St. George
26th. April 1744.

No. 46.

To John Geekie Esqr.
Chief &c^r^. Council at Tellicherry.

Gentlemen

The 25th. of last month imported here our Honourable Masters Ships Lapwing & Prince William, as did the Prince of Wales the 28th. The two last left England the 2^d^. December and in their way called at the Cape, The Edgebaston Cap[t]ain Cobham was then bound for Mocha, as was the Salisbury for England, and the Captains of these Ships inform Us that the Hardwicke had been there also, but are not certain of the time of her leaving it.

Inclosed We send you a List of the Ships arrived in England 1743, as also of those designed [in the] present year. The War with Spain yet continues [and it] was uncertain what turn Affairs would take in the [S]pring, in regard to Us and France ; There are two Ships arrived at Pondicherry this last month.

We are
Gentlemen
Your most humble servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

Fort St. George
5th. May 1744.

No. 47.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.

Deputy Governour &cr. Council of Fort Sr. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

This by order of the President and Council is to Inclose a List of Thirty Europeans who are to set out this Evening for a Recruit to your Garrison under the Care of Nicholas Shallum a Serjiant & Thomas Skimington a Corporal, which last are to be returned us again.

I am

Fort Sr. George
7th. May 1744.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servant

John Savage.
Secry.

No. 48.

To the Hoñble Thomas Braddyll Esqr.

President & Governour &cr. Council of Fort William.

Hoñble Sir & Sirs

We are now to acquaint you with the Arrival of our Hoñble Masters Ships the Lapwing and Prince William the 25th. and the Prince of Wales the 28th. Ulto. The two latter left England the 2d. December and the other the 13th. November.

Having not as yet received your directions about the coinage of the Bullion expected from Europe this year which you mention in your favour of the 29th. February should be forwarded to us overland we have judged it best in this circumstance to be guided by those we received from you in 1742 since we may imagine the Return of the Morattas to Bengall may most probably occasion affairs there to be much in the same situation as then, when you desir'd to have no Bullion on acco. of the Mint at Muxodavad being shut up, and as Your Honour &cn. mention in your late advices that you were in want of all the Money we could possibly spare, We have for these reasons determind to coin what is designd for your Place, especially as the advantage to our Hon'ble Masters by the Arcot Rupees is very considerable and as it will place a sum of Money in your Hands for the more readily carrying on your Business, which perhaps the difficultys you might meet with in disposing of the Bullion might in some measure have retarded. These Resolutions will we hope be agreeable to your Honour &ca. as it will be always a particular satisfaction to us to act in that Manner in all affairs in which we are engagd with your Presidency.

The coinage of the Prince William's Treasure has been done with all imaginable Dispatch & indeed has taken up little more Time than what was necessary for the refreshment of the ships company she now brings you fifty chests of Arcot & Madrass Rupees as ℔ Invoice thereof amounting to Pags. 119204. 7. 10 & Bill of Lading inclosed.

The Lapwing shall be sent away as soon as the rupees for her are ready, we purpose to lade on her thirty chests and, reserving only twenty for our selves, to send you the remainder which will be thirty more by the Montague or St. George, who are expected to call in here in their way to Bengall by the Lapwing we shall transmit you some directions received from Our Hoñble Masters concerning her proceeding to the West Coast.

With this we deliver, Capt. Langworth the Box Packet from England for your Presidency which came in Ours; We received another in the same manner by the Prince of Wales which we beleive to contain only Copies of the other Advices & therefore do not send it by this Conveyance, We have also a third packet for you by the Lapwing, which pursuant to the orders that accompanied it, will wait on you by that ship.

Inclosed are Copies of the Prince William's Charterparty & Victualing Bill, & An Extract of the Manifest of Goods &c^{t}. licenced from England for the Captain & Officers of that Ship with an account of what has been landed here by them.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servant,

Fort S^{t}. George
11th May 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 49.

To Captain Thomas Langworth
Commander of the Prince William.

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 are to deliver the accompanying Packets to the President and Council of Fort William, whose Orders are to direct your future proceedings. Dated in Fort S^{t}. George this 11th. day of May 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 50

To the Worship^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^{r}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs,

We have received your Letter of the 10th. desiring a supply of Cash which shall be sent you this evening by twenty Peons.

Our President has communicated to us a Letter he received from the Deputy Governour in which mention is made of an offer he has had from some Merchants to provide 100 Bales of Sallampores at 20½ brown according to your Musters which we believe will be very acceptable to our Honble Masters and therefore we would have you lose no Time in coming to an agreement with them. We are

Fort S^{t}. George
14th. May 1744.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 51.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c. Council of Fort St. David.

Wokshl. Sir & Sirs

Agreable to what we wrote you thise [*sic*] morning this accompanies a supply of Ten thousand 10000 Pagodas under charge of Twenty Peons.

We are

Fort St. George
14th. May 1744.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 52.

To the Honble Thomas Braddyll Esqr.
President and Governour &c. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Our last was under date of the 11th. Instant by the Prince William who saild out of our Road the next day, and we now dispatch the Lapwing with thirty chests of Rupees amounting to Pags. 70626. 12. 77 for which you have Invoice and Bill of Lading inclosed, this ship is designd for the West Coast our Honble Masters have given directions to Your Honour &ca. concerning her and to us that we should mention what Wares and Stores may be proper to send on her thither the last List rec'd from thence was by the Sumatra copy of which we inclosed in our Letter to your Honour &ca. of the 15 November overland, which we dont observe has reach'd you and therefore we now forward another copy of that List These Articles we believe are the most wanted and you will please to put aboard her filling any surplus Tonnage with Patchee rice. The Princess Augusta is expected from thence next Month and if on her Arrival it shall be found necessary to alter or to add to the List now sent we shall duely advise you.

With this we deliver Capt. Watts the packet for Your Honour &ca. which came hither by the Lapwing under cover to Us; and agreable to the Orders we have received we here inclose the Copy of his Instructions for your perusal & in order to their being forwarded with the ship to Bencoolen.

Your honour &ca. will please to observe that by the 11th. Article of his Instructions Capt. Watts is Ordered to render an Account to Us of the two hundred & ninety pounds Eight Ounces of Foreign Silver put on board for the Ship's Stock, as the Captain will probably have Occasion to make Use of most of what remains of it in Bengal we beleive we do not act amiss in Accepting his promise to render such Account to you.

By The Phaze Salam importing here the 14th. from Surat we have the agreeable advice of the Hardwicke's safe arrival at Bombay about the last of March, She reached Tellicherry the 29th. April & was to sail from thence for China the 4th. of this Month.

We are

Fort St. George
17th. May 1744.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 53.

To Captain Henry Watts
Commander of Ship Lapwing.

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 are to deliver the accompanying Packets to the President & Council of Fort William whose Orders are to Direct your Future Proceedings dated in Fort St. George this 18th. Day of May 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 54.

To the Honble Thomas Braddyll Esqr.
President & Governour &c. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed is Duplicate of what we last wrote you by the Lapwing the 17th. Instant.

We take this Opportunity by Mr. Williamson of the Phaze Salam to send Your Honour &ct. a packet designed for You by the Hardwicke, which our President received the 20th. Instant from Captain Mill at Fort St. David.

By the Jenny importing yesterday from Bombay we learn the Winchelsea arrived there the 26th. April & was to be returned to Your Honour &ct. about the 12th. of this month The Montague has been some days on this Coast to the Southward & we hourly expect her here in her way to the Bay.

We are

Fort St. George
23d. May 1744.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Humble Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 55.

To the Honble William Wake Esqr.

President & Governour &cr. Council of Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The 18th. Instant we were favoured with yours of the 20th. April ℔ ship Pultney.

The two inclosed Bills of Exchange on Sultan David for 20800 Rupees we have been obliged to have protested for Non Acceptance, & now return them with the protest to your Honour &ct. that you may have an Opportunity of sending them by the first Conveyance to the Agent & Council of Gombroon. The Notarys Bill amounts to Four Pagodas.

Yesterday came in the Montague capt. Freeman from Tellicherry where we find she had taken on board five hundred 500 Candies of Pepper: This though consigned to the President & Council of Bengal from thence we purpose to take ashore here as we cannot depend upon having our Northern Cloth up here in time for the ship that may be occasionally sent from your Presidency to fill up here, Agreable to what is mentioned in the Paragraphs from England sent you in our last of the 26 April, Duplicate of which is here inclosed.

The 28th. April our Honble Masters Ship the Prince of Wales Captain Pelly arrived here from England; the 12 Instant we dispatchd the prince William to Bengal, as we did the Lapwing the 19th.

The Hardwicke Capt. Hallet was dispatchd for China from Tellicherry the 5th. May.

Our President makes his acknowledgements for your kind congratulations

& We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most humble Servants

Fort St. George
[2]5th. May 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 56.

To James Hope Esqr.

Chief &cr. Council of Surat.

Gentlemen

This serves to inclose a Letter to the Honble the President and Council of Bombay which we desire you will please to forward.

We are

Gentlemen

Your most humble Servants

Fort St. George
25th. May 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 57.

To the Worsh^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.

Deputy Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

I am ordered by the President and Council to advise that a supply of Ten thousand 10,000 Pagodas will be sent you overland this Evening under charge of Twenty Peons.

I am

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

Fort S^{t}. George. Your most humble servant

26th. May 1744. John Savage.
Secry.

No. 58.

To the Worship^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.

Deputy Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

Agreable to what was wrote you this Morning by our order this Accompanies a supply of Ten thousand Pagodas under charge of Twenty Peons.

Having considered what you wrote Us the 16th. Instant about the Turn'd out Cloth and the present situation of our Investment we think it better to prevent those 654 peices going elsewhere & consent to your taking thin at the prices mentioned.

We are

Fort S^{t}. George Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

26th. May 1744. Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

N. 59.

To the Hoñble Thomas Braddyll Esqr.

President & Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort William.

Hoñble Sir & Sirs

This incloses Copy of our last address by the Phaze Salam of the 23^{d}. of last Month, the 30th. the Winchelsea came in here from Bombay and we now take the opportunity to send your Honour &c^{a}. by her twenty chests of Rupees amounting to Pag^{s}. 47084. — 12, as ℔ Inclosed Invoice and bill of Lading.

We now forward a Pacquet from the Honble Court of Directors received Overland a few days past from Anjengo and put ashore there from the Hardwick.

The Mountague will proceed shortly by whom we purpose to send the remainder of the rupees.

We have the pleasure to advise Your Honour &c^{a}. that the 31st. ultimo in the Evening arrived here our Hoñble Masters Ship Winchester Capt. Gabriel Steward,

from the Coast of Brazil, last from the Cape which he sailed from the 7th. April, leaving there the Salisbury & Warwick homeward bound, we learn by him that Comodore Anson had been at the Cape & was sail'd for Europe.

We are

Fort St. George — Hoñble Sir & Sirs

2d. June 1744. — Your most humble Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 60.

To the Hoñble Thomas Braddyll Esqr.
President and Governour &c. Council of Fort William.

Hoñble Sir & Sirs

The Winchelsea being not yet sailed we take the Opportunity to send you also on her a Packet for Your Honour &c. that came in that to Us by the York Captain Henry Lascelles which ship arrived here from England yesterday Evening & agreable to the Orders She brings, will sail for China sometime this month.

As she leaves us in so good season we doubt not her gaining her passage thither but we are directed to give the Captain orders, in case she should not, [to] proceed to the Bay & deliver her Cargo to your Honr. &c.

We are

Honble. Sir & Sirs

Fort St. George — Your most humble Servants

4th. June 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 61.

To Messrs. Misenor, Draper & Forbes.

Gentlemen

Our Honourable Masters Ship the York Captain Henry Lascelles imported here the 3d. Instant with directions from them to dispatch her with all Expedition to Canton, which we hope to do by the 20th. if the Weather proves favourable, her

Cargo will consist of Lead Tin, some red Wood if procurable and Silver, of which and the arrival of the ship we thought it proper now to advise you that you might be prepared for her. We are

GENTLEMEN

Your Most humble Servants

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
6TH. JUNE 1744.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

No 62.

TO THE WORSH^{L}. JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{T}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Having received by the York our Honourable Masters Commands for the Coast Investment for this Year we now send for your observance the following Extracts from thence respecting your part of it in particular with some of their Remarks & Orders concerning the Coast Investment in general.

LONG CLOTH Midling Blue deep dye, Five thousand Pieces	5000
DIMITIES Fort S^{t}. David, some of them as fine as possibly can be got, those sent home of Late years having been excessive dear they would have only Two hundred Pieces	200
ROMALLS Sootie of a bright Colour but none upon a Brick Colour, Eight thousand	8000
ROMALLS, Red & White, to be made according to the sample sent Anno 1739, One thousand	1000

N.B.—The Romals hither to sent have proved all of the same Check you must for the future send variety of Checks in each Bale.

Great care must be taken to keep all the Salampores to full sixteen Yards long & the usual Breadth.

The Company hope We shall be able to procure a good Quantity of Porto Novo Cloth upon moderate terms.

N.B. The DC Cloths last sent were not so good in Fabrick as were formerly sent notwithstanding they cost more than usual, which you must endeavour to remedy in future.

Our Honble Masters still complain that most of the Wrappers of the Goods received last year as well as the preceding, were old damaged cloth, & repeat their Orders for packing all our Goods in Wax Cloth.

Your Indents for Wares & Stores shall be complied with as Opportunities offer.

We have not been able to get Conveyances to carry you the Paddy you write for, Nor can we get the Bale Screws made here but shall request them from England.

We are

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

Your Affectionate Friend & Serv^{ts}.

Fort S^{t}. George
7th. June 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 63.

To the Hoñble William Wake Esqr.
President and Governour &c^{a}. Council of Bombay.

Hoñble Sir & Sirs

Since the dispatch of our last of the 25th. Ult^{o}. we have received from the Chief & Council of Anjengo a Pacquet address'd to Your Honour &c^{a}. which we now forward to Surat to be sent you from thence.

The Winchester came in here the 31st. of last Month from the Brazils but last from the Cape, from whence Commodore Anson departed for Europe the 2^{d}. of April.

The 3^{d}. Instant imported our Hoñble Masters Ship the York Captain Henry Lascelles who left England the 24 Jan^{ry}. and is by them directed to be sent from hence to China which we are preparing to do with all the Expedition possible and expect she will leave us by the 20th. of the Month.

The Winchelsea touchd here in her Passage from Your Port to Bengal and proceeded hence the 4th. Instant.

We are

Hoñble Sir & Sirs

Your most humble Servants

Fort S^{t}. George
8th. June 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 64.

To James Hope Esqr.

Chief &cr. Council of Surat.

Gentlemen

Our last was the 25th. Ultimo to desire your care of our Letter to the Honourable the President & Council of Bombay; This incloses a Packet directed also to them, which we received a few days past from Anjengo, and which we are to desire You will please to forward.

We are

Gentlemen

Fort Sr. George
8ts. June 1744.

Your most humble Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 65.

To Mr. John Hallyburton

Resident at Madapollam.

Sir

We have received your several Letters of the 14th. & 21 March 9 April and 16th. May.

By the Representation of the State of Your Investment for the last year, which you have judgd it proper to lay before us, lest the same Difficultys might happen this Year and that we might not otherwise be so well apprizd of the Cause in case of the like deficiency in the Quantity in the Ordinary Cloth, we are of Opinion that the Method you had then taken was the most proper Under the Circumstances you were in and we might have hoped that Indulgence of taking a Proportion of Fine would have engag'd the Merchants to have complyd with the other Part in bringing in the Ordinary We are fully persuaded that no Diligence or Care will be wanting in you to increase the Investment as far as it may be so long as Cotton bears to extravagant a Price we are sensible it will Occasion a reluctance in the Merchant to provide that Sort as little or no Gain can be made by it in comparison to the other, nevertheless the one might help out the other and in the whole surely cannot be esteemed hard Terms.

The List of Investment now received differs, from that sent with you only 200 Peices of Collawapores more to be added being 600 instead of 400 Peices.

As we may have Occasion for the Fine Cloth to send home in September we would have you half wash it that it may be prepar'd here in a few days for embaling. We are

Sir

Fort Sr. George
14tz. June 1744.

Your Affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

N° 66

To M^r^. Thomas Saunders
Resident at Ingeram.

Sir

We have received your several Letters of the 11 March 3^d^. April and 1st. of May.

The reasons you give for the ordinary Cloth being much thinner than before we believe may be just. But as your Merchants have the advantage of the Fine to help them out they ought from that Consideration to procure Such Ordinary as is equal to the Compy's Musters and we doubt not but by Your Care and deligence you will be able to rectify this Complaint, and that the Cloth you send up may prove acceptable at home.

The List of Investment now received from Europe differs very little from what was sent you early in the year, if you can provide 300 Peices more of Ginghams N°. 1 & 2 in Time for this Year's Returns we would have you set about them.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

Fort S^t^. George
14th. June 1744.

N°. 67

To Messrs. { John Misenor, William Henry Draper, Richard Oliver, Jonathan Scarth, John Forbes.

Gentlemen

We wrote you a few days past by the Pulteney to advise you of the Arrival of the York at this Port and of the Directions we had received to send her to Canton with all Expedition we have done our utmost to comply with the same and have laden on her sundrys amounting to Pagodas 64602. 19. 18 for which you have Invoice and bill of Lading inclosed, the same is consigned to you and Capt. Lascelles has our orders to make the best of his way to Canton and on his arrival there to obey your Commands or in the absence of any of you such of the Gentlemen as shall be Resident on the spot.

The Silver sent on this ship is the Mill'd new Mixeco Dollars the most Acceptable & beneficial sort for China.

The Copy of the Yorks Charterparty is deliver'd to Messrs. Oliver and Scarth with this agreable to the Directions from our Honble Masters & we have delivered them also a copy of our Sailing Orders to Captain Lascelles.

We are
Gentlemen
Your most humble Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

Fort S^t^. George
15th. June 1744.

No. 68.

To Captain Henry Lascelles
Commander of the York.

Sir

On receipt hereof you are to repair on board and make the best of Your way for Canton in China and on your arrival you are to follow the Orders of Messrs. John Misenor William Henry Draper Richard Oliver Jonathan Scarth and John Forbes or, in the absence of any of those Gentlemen the Orders of such of them as shall be Resident on the Spot.

As Your ship is dispatch'd in so good Time we do not in the least Doubt of your gaining your Passage to Canton but if by any unforeseen Accident the ship should loose it to that Port, you are in such Case to proceed to Bengall & to deliver the Cargo to the Honble President & Council of Fort William and obey their orders for your future Proceedings.

It has been reported that the Spaniards may probably send some Privateers into the Streights of Malacca which we think proper to mention to you & that you should keep a good Lookout & your ship in a posture of Defence to prevent falling into their Hands should you meet with any of them. We wish you a Prosperous Voyage and date these in Fort St. George this 15th. day of June 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 69.

To the Worsht. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &cr. Council of Fort St. David.

Worsht. Sir & Sirs

This by order of the President & Council covers Invoice and Bill of Lading for Stores & Stationary Ware now sent you on the St. David Ketch, Jonathan Blake Master.

I am

Fort St. George
15th. June 1744.

Worsht. Sir & Sirs
Your Most humble Servant
John Savage
Secry.

No. 70.

To Richard Prince Esqr.
Chief &cr. Council of Vizagapatam.

Gentlemen

We have received Yours of the 21 April and 25 May with the several Papers inclosed.

Having not as yet received from the President & Council of Fort William a full answer to what we wrote them on the subject of the Ship Jaggernaut Pursand, we cannot come to any determination at this Time about that Affair, But as we

observe from Mr. Pitt's Account of salvage there are some perishable Articles we would have them & all others immediately disposed of at Outcry and the Produce together with the Silver and Gold deposited in the Company's Cash Chest, till our further Orders.

From Your representation and that of Captain Tornery's concerning the condition of your Buildings and Fortifications we find there is Yet considerable to be done, But as you are not able to send us any Calculate of the Expence, we can give our Consent to no more than Your repairing such of them as are the most Necessary & Usefull, till you can send us a just Estimate of the Expence, and we can be satisfyd they will be of service, for by the Account you give us of two Buildings erected in 1742 that one is little so and the other not at all thô they cost Pags. 1128. 22. 40, and were then looked upon to be very proper additions to the Works and as this may happen to be the Case again thô perhaps in this last Instance the Sentiments only of Persons may differ. Yet it is incumbent on us to prevent the laying out the Company's Money on any Occasion but what shall appear to all absolutely necessary and may stand the Test of a future survey and this we think cannot therefore be done till some Capable Person can be sent to your Place to carry the works on in a regular manner.

The Indents for Wares & Stores shall be comply'd with by the first Opportunity.

We obseve that the Farms are let at an advance this Year and your management therein give us great satisfaction.

As we may have Occasion to send home all the Cloth we may receive from you in September, we would have you half wash the Fine that we may lose as little Time as possible in preparing it for Embaling.

We are very sensible the high Price of Cotton must have a very bad effect upon Your Investment However we doubt not you will employ your utmost endeavours to procure as many Bales as possible, which are the more necessary at this time as the Return of the Morattas to Bengall will probably very much disappoint the Gentlemen there in their Cargoes for Europe.

In case any of our Honourable Masters Shipping from Europe bound to this Port shou'd accidentally pass by and call on you, and that they have any Military for this place we would have you take them ashore till we can send for them.

Inclosed is our Warehousekeepers Account of Cloth taken in for the last Season.

We are

Gentlemen

Your Affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

Fort St. George
June 20 : 1744.

No. 71.

To Mr. Thomas Saunders
Resident at Ingeram.

Sir

Your Letter of the 2d. inclosing Cash and Journal parcels for May came to hand the 17th. We now forward Copy of our last under the 14th. Instant and our Warehousekeepers Account of Cloth taken in here from Your Settlement. This you will enter on Your Books & we desire they may be ballanced and sent up as early as you can conveniently.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends

Fort St. George
20th. June 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 72.

To Mr. John Hallyburton
Resident at Maddepollam.

Sir

Since writing you under the 14th. Instant we have received your Letter of the 4th. with the Cash and Journal Parcels for May.

We now send copy of our last of the 14th. Instant and by these Peons you will also receive our Warehousekeepers Account of Cloth taken in here this season received from Your Settlement, which you will adjust in Your Books, and prepare them to send us Copy of as early as you can.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends

Fort St. George
20th. June 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 73.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c. Council of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

I am Ordered by the President and Council to acquaint you that agreable to your request of the 9th. Instant a supply of 10000 ten thousand Pagodas will be sent you overland tomorrow Morning under Charge of the Usual Number of Peons.

I am
Worshl. Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servant

Fort St. George
[2]0th. June 1744.

John Savage
Secry.

No. 74.

To the Worsh^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^{r}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

Agreable to what was wrote you yesterday by our order this accompanies a supply of Ten thousand 10000 Pagodas under Charge of thirty Peons.

We are
Fort S^{t}. George Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs
21st. June 1744. Your Affectionate Friends & Serv^{ts}.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 75.

To the Worsh^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^{r}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

Yesterday we dispatched the Peon[s with] Ten thousand Pagodas as a supply for Your Cash agreable to your desire in your Letter of the 9th.

We have opened several Bales la[tely] received from you by the Phar and are of Opinion [that] the several sorts are in the general pretty good and we doubt not but that they will be esteem'd so at home and give satisfaction.

We approve of Your engaging with Narran Chitty for one hundred Bales of Sallampores on the same Terms as with Irsapah Chitty.

We are
Fort S^{t}. George Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs
22^{d}. June 1744. Your Affectionate Friends & Serv^{ts}.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 76.

To Richard Bourchier Esqr.
Chief &c^{r}. Council at Anjengo.

Gentlemen

The 30th. Ultimo we received from you by Patamar a Duplicate of the 27th. April & your fresher Letter of the 2^{d}. May The packets mentioned in the latter have been forwarded agreable to your request.

Should the bearer of your Original of the 27th. Aprill appear to Us we shall comply with what you write concerning him.

The 25th. April arrived here from Great Britain Our honble Masters Ships the Prince William Capt. Langworth & Lapwing Capt. Watts as did the Prince of Wales Capt. Pelly the 28th. of that month. The two first are gone for the Bay the latter we shall return to England an early ship.

The York Capt. Lascelles importing here the 3d. Instant sailed for China the 17th. she left England the latter end of January, when no war was declared with France.

The 24th. May came in here the Mountague Captain Freeman, as did the Winchelsea Capt. Baron the 30th. of that month both from Your side; The 31st. arrived the Winchester Captain Steward from the Coast of Brazil; The Winchelsea proceeded the 4th. Instant to the Bay whither the other two will follow her in two or three days.

Our President returns his thanks for Your kind Congratulations

& We are

Fort St. George
23d. June 1744.

Gentlemen
Your most humble Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 77.

To the Honble Thomas Braddyll Esqr.
President and Governour &cr. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed are Duplicate of what we write you under the same date with this by the Montague & second Bill of Lading for what we consign you on her.

On this Ship Winchester Captain Gabriel Steward we send you thirty two chests more of Rupees & thirty Tons of Redwood as ℔ Invoice & Bill of Lading herewith: Inclosed are also copies of her Charterparty & Victualling Bill, an Extract of the Manifest of Goods &ct. licenced from England for the Captain & Officers with an Account of what has been landed here by them. In our Box Packet from England by the Winchester we received one likewise for your Honour &ct. which we deliver Capt. Steward with this.

The Prince of Wales having only some Copper on board for your Presidency on the Honble Company's Account & her Domorage commencing so soon we have come to a resolution to dispatch her to England an early Ship. In consequence of which we have ordered her Copper ashore and have been obliged to open the Packet by her for Your Presidency to draw out the Invoice & Bill of Lading, which done, we immediately closed it again & return'd it into the Box which also you will please to receive from Capt. Steward. The Invoice we shall send Your Honour &ct. with the Copper on some future conveyance of our Honble Masters Shipping.

Inclosed also you have duplicates of what we wrote Your Honour &c^{t}. the 2 & 4th. Instant by the Winchelsea, & Second Bill of Lading for the Treasure we sent you on her.

We are

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
26TH: JUNE 1744.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most humble Servants

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

P.S.

Captain Freeman of the Montague purposing to stay yet some time longer at this port. we do not now send Your honour &c^{t}. the Abovementioned Duplicate papers respecting that Ship.

LIST OF THE PACKET TO BENGALL ℔ WINCHESTER.

N°. 1. Fort S^{t}. George General Letter ℔ Winchester dated 26th. }
2. Duplicate D°. ... ℔ Winchelsea dated 2^{d}. } June.
3. Duplicate D°. ... ℔ Winchelsea dated 4th. }
4. Invoice ℔ Winchester Amounting to Pag^{s}. 80308. 2ȝ. 50
5. Duplicate D°. ℔ Winchelsea 47084. —. 12
6. First Bill of Lading ℔ Winchester.
7. Second Bill of Lading ℔ Winchelsea.
8. Copy of the Winchester's Charterparty.
9. Copy of the Winchesters Victualling Bill.
10. Extract of the Manifest of Goods &c^{t}. licenced from England for the Captain and Officers of the Winchester, with an Account of what has been landed here by them.
11. A Box Packet directed to the Honourable the President & Council for all the Forces and Affairs of the English Nation at Fort William in Bengall Received ℔ Winchester. } Delivered.
12. Another Box Packet directed as the former Reced ℔ Prince of Wales. }

Apart to Captain Steward.

N°. 78

TO CAPTAIN GABRIEL STEWARD
COMMANDER OF THE WINCHESTER.

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 are to deliver the accompanying Packets to the President and Council of Fort William whose Orders are to direct your future Proceedings Dated in Fort S^{t}. George this 26th day of June 1744.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

No. 79

To the Hoñble William Wake Esqr.
President and Governour &c^a^. Council of Bombay.

Hoñble Sir & Sirs

We have just now received a Pacquet from the Chief and Council of Tellicherry, which they have desired might be forwarded Express to Your Honour &c^a^.

The York sailed the 16th. for China and the Durrington anchor'd in our Road the 26th. from London & Madera, the latter she left the 7th. of Feb^ry^. and the day before the Beaufort came in there to take in a Lading of Wine for this Place.

We are

Fort S^t^. George
28th. June 1744.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most humble Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 80

To James Hope Esqr.
Chief &c^a^. Council of Surat.

Gentlemen

Our last was the 8th. instant to accompany a Packet we then received from Anjingo directed to the Honourable the President and Council of Bombay; With this we also send a Packet for them which we have just received from Tellicherry, and which you will please to forward.

We are

Fort S^t^. George
28th. June 1744.

Gentlemen
Your most humble Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

N°. 81

To the Worsh^L. John Hinde Esq^R.
Deputy Governour &c^a. Council of Fort S^t. David.

Worsh^L. Sir & Sirs

M^r. Belches has our permission to come up hither, agreable to his request in Your Letter of the 26th. Instant.

We are

Worsh^L. Sir & Sirs

Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

Fort S^t. George
29th. June 1744.

N°. 82

To the Honble Thomas Braddyll Esq^R.
President and Governour &c^a. Council of
Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We received Your Favours of the 5th. and 7th. April the 5th. Instant by which we observe the Arrival of the Sumatra with you but not in time to be returned us; as we have desired Your Honour &c^a. to put on board the Lapwing the several particulars indented for from the Gentlemen at Fort Marlbrô, you will please to fill up the Sumatra entirely with Patcharee rice and dispatch her to us as early as the season will admit.

We are very sorry to find the Morattas are again entered Bengall and that they are likely to give so great an Interruption to your business, we hope soon to hear matters between the Nabob and them are accommodated that the Investment may not suffer any longer from that cause which is of great Importance to our Honble Masters, in regard to the large Tonnage sent out this Year, We shall endeavour to comply with your directions for the Coinage of the bullion into Madrass and Arcot Rupees, and it is a great satisfaction to us that the Measures taken with respect to the early remittances correspond so well with them.

If the Supra Cargoes to Mocha shou'd not be able to procure more than 2000 bales of Coffee and the Gentlemen at Bombay are not provided with bale Goods and Kintlage sufficient to load a ship early home, their Orders are to send her round hither in September to be filled up and as the Prince of Wales will require what Bales we may have ready at this Settlement by that time, exclusive of those at the Northern Settlements, which by contrary winds are some years, detained from us till October too late to be depended on for a September dispatch; We have therefore judged it most for the Honble Companys Interest, and to prevent any delay in the sending that ship away in time should she come hither, to take out of the Mountague the pepper consigned to Your Presidency from Tellicherry, The large Tonnage and the Circumstances of your Investment, will not we presume

permit the sending home the pepper at half freight and therefore it will be the same to have it sent from hence, and will save the risque down as well as assist us in case of the abovementioned ships coming to us.

We were obliged to open the Letter directed to your Honour &c^{t}. from the Chief and Council of Tellicherry to know the quantity of Pepper laden aboard the ship by them and find it was 500 Tellicherry Candys of 600 ea. but on weighing it here it comes out no more then Madrass C^{a}. 587. 11. 10 and makes a difficiency of Mad^{ss}. C^{a}. 12. 8. 15 which possibly may be found when the ship is unladen and you will please therefore either to have this quantity deliver'd or demand the difference of Captain Freeman on whose Bill of Lading we have endorsed the said Deficiency as Your Presidency is debted for the Cost & charges of the said Pepper, we shall credit you for the same deducting for what has been delivered us short and for which the commander is to account with you.

The York sail'd the 16 for China & the Durrington arrived the 26th. from Europe but last from Madera where she has taken aboard two hundred Pipes for Your Presidency, she left that Port the 7 of February and the Beaufort in that Road who arrived there the day before.

On this Ship we have laden thirty chests of Rupees and 30 Thirty Tonns of Redwood amounting to Pagodas 76534. 8. 44, for which you have Invoice and Bill of Lading inclosed.

You have also herewith a Duplicate of what we wrote you by the Winchester and second Bill of Lading for the Treasure and Red wood we sent you on that Ship.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

Fort S^{t}. George
30th. June 1744.

No. 83

To the Honble Thomas Braddyll Esq^{a}.
President & Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We wrote you last under the 30th. Ult^{o}. by the Montague Capt. Freeman who sailed hence that Evening, Inclosed are Duplicate of [that] Letter & her Invoice with second Bill of Lading for the Treasure we sent you on that Ship.

Captain Crabb of the Durrington having Acquainted us with his purpose of staying here a few days to refresh his people we ordered his Treasure ashore, which weigh'd 87200 Ounce of New Duccatoons & being computed at 2 dw^{t}. better than Standard makes Ounces 87[. . .] the Quantity specified in the abstract of that Ships Invoice, We now send you on her Twenty three chests of Rupees amounting to Fifty Six thousand two hundred Pagodas twenty six fanams & ten Cash 56200. 26. 10 as ₱ Invoice & Bill of Lading herewith.

Inclosed is also an account of what has been landed here by the Captain & Officers of the Durrington.

The Price of Arrack is so very low here at present that we have no prospect of disposing of what you sent Us at the Invoice Price and therefore cannot advise Your Honour &c^{a}. to send us any more for the present.

We have given Captain Crabb a Receipt for his Treasure which we desire Your Honr. &ct. will take up on delivering him his Bill of Lading.

Should the Duke of Dorset, as there is reason to imagine, have passed by us & proceeded for the Bay, we are to desire Your Honour &ca. will send us by the Sumatra the Guns & Medicines on board her for this Place we being in want of those Articles.

We are

Fort St. George
9th. July 1744.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Humble Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 84

To the Honble William Wake Esqr.

President and Governour &cr. Council of Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs

A few days past we forwarded a Pacquet from Tellicherry and this accompanys one from the Chief & Council of Anjengo.

The Beaufort anchord in our Road last Night from London & Madera, by which Ship we are advis'd the King William is taken up for your Presidency.

We are

Fort St. George
10th. July 1744.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 85

To James Hope Esqr.

Chief &cr. Council of Surat.

Gentlemen

The Accompanys. Letters for the Honble the President & Council of Bombay you will please to forward by the first Opportunity. We are

Fort St. George
10th. July 1744.

Gentlemen
Your most humble Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 86.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.

Deputy Governour &cr. Council of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

We have received Your Letter of the 5d. Instt. with the several Papers inclosed and are greatly pleas'd to observe that Your Merchants have promis'd to bring in such a Number of Bales for the early Dispatch provided nothing unforeseen prevente [*sic*] it and we must recommend to you to keep Your Washers and Beaters close to work that they may be in readiness.

The Peons will set out to Morrow with Ten Thousand Pagodas, and as soon as the Shroffs have made their Payments for the Silver sold them, we shall send you another supply, which we believe will be Time enough for Your Occasions as your Merchants are so fully advanc'd The scarcity of Gold is so very great now and has been for some Months past that it is very difficult to procure Pagodas or dispose of Silver, Altho we have done every Thing in our Power to effect it the demand for Gold Mohurs for Bengall, sweeps away almost all the Gold both coin'd & uncoined that is brought into Town, leaving in Exchange large Quantitys of base Rupees, which occasions silver to be in little or no demand and the shroffs have not for these reasons been able to take even the few chests they have bought out of the Warehouse. We shall however endeavour to furnish You with whatever sums you shall judge Necessary for the carrying on the Investment, as we have that so much at Heart and which now appears to be in so fair a way, that we may hope for some Thing considerable to be done this season.

We are

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Your affectionate Friends and Servants

Fort St. George
10th. July 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 87.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.

Deputy Governour &cr. Council of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

This accompanies a supply of Ten thousand 10000 Pagodas under charge of 20 Peons of which we advised you yesterday.

We are

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Your Affectionate Friends & servants

Fort St. George
11th. July 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 88.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &cr. Council of Fort Sr. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

I am ordered by the President & Council to Advise that a supply of Ten thousand 10000 Pags. will be sent you overland by Peons tomorrow.

I am

Fort Sr. George
15th. July 1744.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servant
John Savage
Secry.

No. 89.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &cr. Council of Fort Sr. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Agreable to what was wrote you yesterday by our order this Accompanies a supply of Ten thousand Pagodas under charge of Twenty Peons.

We are

Worshl. Sir & Sirs
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants.

Fort St. George
14th. July 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 90.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &cA. Council of Fort Sr. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

This by order of the President and Council covers Invoice & Bill of Lading for a supply of packing Stuff now sent you on the Country Boat Raubat Nina, Eseph Labbee Tandel, & amounting to Pagodas Two hundred and Eighty Pagodas, Twenty nine fanams and forty cash 288· 29. 40 [*sic*].

Fort Sr. George.
18th. July 1744.

I am

Worshl. Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servant
John Savage
Secry.

No. 91.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c. Council of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

This by order of the President and Council is to cover Invoice and Bill of Lading for Thirty seven Garce of Paddy now laden on a Country Boat Permall Ballgruah Tandeil; and also to advise that a supply of Ten thousand 10000 Pagodas will be sent you overland this evening under charge of the usual Number of Peons.

I am

Fort St. George
20th. July 1744.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Your most humble Servant

John Savage.
Secry.

No. 92.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c. Council of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Your Letters of the 16th. & 18th. we have received which advise of the two remittances sent you being delivered safe and yesterday we forwarded another of Ten thousand Pagodas by Peons to be ready for any Occasion you might have It may take up some days before the French can exchange their silver and therefore it may be of some advantage to be provided with a sum as we would not lose any opportunity to promote the Investment and to carry it on to the Utmost Extent, recommending to you to be very carefull that Your Merchants keep up the Manufacture as much as possible, in order to give satisfaction to our Honble Masters at their sales.

We observe the quantity of cloth brought in and the expectations you have of Andeapah's perform[ance] this year and we shall make full Provision for any Call you may have on this Account.

If you should have any Cloth turnd out in sorting that you are of opinion will do for the Europe Market, we permit you to take it in on such an abatement as you shall Judge to be fair and equal between the Company and the Merchants for we would as far as can be prevent any cloth getting into the French's hands, We are at a loss to guess what they intend to do with their ships if the Money that is sent out is appropriated to the discharge of their Companys Debts, unless they hope to obtain a fresh Credit from such a Method of acting but in this they will probably find themselves deceived for the remembrance of what many suffer'd from their first Company is not yet worn out.

As to what alledgd by Nella Tomby &c. Merchants for the not paying the half of their Ballance because one said to be concerned in the Contract with them is at Madrass we cannot admit as a sufficient Plea, they were the Persons who engaged with the Honble Company signed the receipts for the Payments and advances made to them and the accounts are in their Names & therefore from them we shall expect

an immediate complyance with the Payment as signifyd to them in our General Letter of the 19th. January in answer to Your Letter of the 15th. Decr. and their Petition on the Occasion.

We are

Fort Sr. George
21st. July 1744.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs
Your Affectionate Friends & Servts.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 93

To Richard Prince Esqr.
Chief &cr. Council of Vizagapatam.

Gentlemen

Since our last of the 20th. June, we have received yours of the same date.

We are greatly pleased to find the Cloth comes in so fast from Uppara, and hope you will be able to procure a considerable Number of Bales from thence this season.

We have waited thus long in expectation of Our Honourable Masters Ship the Princess Augusta from the West Coast, but as she does not appear and that We shall probably want your Bales for the September Dispatch, We have engaged with the Owners of the Galatia for that purpose who will proceed in a few days to take in first the Ingeram Bales, and afterwards to repair to you ; We therefore dispatch these Peons to acquaint you therewith, that you may be in readiness to return the ship to us as soon as possible ; We shall send by her a supply of Money and the several Wares and Stores you have wrote for,

We are

Fort St. George
23d. July 1744.

Gentlemen
Your affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse
&ct. Council.

No. 94

To Mr. Thomas Saunders
Resident at Ingeram.

Sir

We have none of yours unanswered and are now to acquaint you the Galatia will in a few days proceed to your place to take in what Bales you may have ready. By her we shall send you a supply of Cash and what Wares and Stores you have wrote for.

Fort St. George
23d. July 1744.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison

No. 95

To Mr. John Hallyburton
Resident at Maddepollam.

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 3d. July with the Accounts of the Factory for the Month of June.

As you are provided with a Conveyance for your Bales, We would have you send up what you shall have ready by the 25th. of August that we may have them in time to send to Europe for the early Dispatch; If there be any of the Chay Goods ready let them come up also.

Mr. Andrews having desired to come up hither for a few days, We permit him to do so.

We are

Fort St. George — Sir

23d. July 1744. — Your Affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 96

To Richard Bourchier Esqr.
Chief &c. Council of Anjengo.

Gentlemen

The 10th. Instant we forwarded Your Second Packet to the Honourable the President and Council of Bombay by Peons to Surat.

The 26th. June arrived here the Durrington Captain Richard Crabb from Madera, As did the Beaufort Captain Thomas Stevens the 9th. Instant from the same place. The Winchester left us for Bengall the 27th. June, the Montague the 30th. and the Durrington the 9th. Instant.

We are

Fort St. George — Gentlemen

24th. July 1744. — Your most humble Servant

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

P.S. These Peons have been advanced four Pagodas.

No. 97

To the Worsh[l]. John Hinde Esq[r].
Deputy Governour &c[t]. Council of Fort St. David.

Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs

This serves to Inclose Invoice & Bill of Lading for a further supply of Paddy, some Wares and Medicines Amounting to Pagodas 816. 17. 50. now laden on the Fort S[t]. David Ketch Jonathan Blake Master, to whom we have delivered the Keys of the Medicine Chests. We are

Fort S[t]. George
30th. July 1744.

Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs
Your Affectionate Friends & Serv[ts].
Nicholas Morse
&c[t]. Council.

No. 98

To the Worsh[l]. John Hinde Esq[r].
Deputy Governour &c[t]. Council of Fort St. David.

Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs

This by Order of the President and Council is to advise, that a supply of Ten thousand 10000 Pagod[s]. will be sent you overland this evening under Charge of Twenty Peons. I am

Fort St. George
1st. August 1744.

Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants [*sic*]
John Savage
Sec[ry].

No. 99

To the Worsh[l]. John Hinde Esq[r].
Deputy Governour &c[a]. Council of Fort St. David.

Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs

Agreeable to what wrote you this morning by our Order this accompanies a supply of Te[n] thousand 10000 Pagodas under charge of twenty Peons.

Fort St. George
1st. August 1744.

We are
Worsh[l]. Sir & Sirs
Your most Affectionate Friends & Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 100

To Richard Prince Esqr.
Chief &c^a. Council of Vizagapatam.

Gentlemen

With this you will receive Copy of our Letter dated the 23^d. Ultimo dispatched to you the same day by Peons; This comes to you by the Galatea who as we advised you will call first at Ingeram to take in what Bales they have there after which the Resident has our Orders to send her to you, when you will load on board her what Bales you have, detaining her no longer if possible than the last day of August, But if you can send her away sooner it will be more acceptable to us, than to wait for a small number of Bales.

On this ship we now send you a Box containing Ten thousand 10,000 New Madrass Pagodas for the particular use of Your Settlement and likewise sundry Wares and Stores, as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading Amounting to Pagodas 11795. 31. 41.

If any of the Timbers which are lying at Ingeram will be of service to you in Your Buildings you will acquaint M^r. Saunders therewith, that he may provide conveyances for sending them to you.

We shall by some after Conveyance send you a further supply of Madrass Pagodas and Arcot Rupees.

We are

Fort S^t. George
1st. August 1744.

Gentlemen
Your affectionate Friends
Nicholas Morse
&c^a. Council.

No. 101

To M^r. Thomas Saunders
Resident at Ingeram.

Sir

We dispatched Peons the 23^d. Ultimo to Acquaint you of our intention to send the Galatea to take in the Bales at your Settlement, you will accordingly put on board her all you shall have ready, and in this you will be as expeditious as possible, After which you are to dispatch her to Vizagapatam where we hope she may be in time so as to finish her business by the 25th. or the last of August at furthest.

Inclosed is Invoice and Bill of Lading for Ten thousand Madrass Pagodas and some Necessaries sent you Amounting to Pagodas 11144. 5. 32, and by some future Conveyance to Vizagapatam we shall send a further supply of Madrass Pagodas for your Service.

The Timbers which the late Nabob obliged M^r. Prince to take and are now at your Place, as they must suffer by lying, We have now wrote to the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam that they may Acquaint You how many of them may be of service there, which you are to send them, and the remaining we would have you provide Conveyances for to this Place on the best terms you can at the proper Season of the Year.

We have laden on this Ship some Packing Stuff for the use of Maddepollam which we wou'd have you receive and forward tnither by the first Conveyance.

There is on board a Box of Pagodas for Vizagapatam q^tg. 10,000 if you think it will be more safe to land it, we would have you do so & send it thither immediately by Peons overland.

We are

Fort S^t. George — Sir

1st. August 1744. — Your Affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 102

To M^r. John Hallyburton
Resident at Maddepollam.

Sir

The Inclosed is duplicate of what we wrote you the 23^d. Ultimo; and with this you have Invoice of some Packing Stuff we now send on the Galatea to Ingeram, from whence the Resident has our directions to forward it to you.

We are

Fort S^t. George — Sir

1st. August 1744. — Your Affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse
&c^a. Council.

No. 103

To Captain William Tullie
of the Galatea.

Sir

On receipt hereof you are to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way to Ingeram, where you are to deliver the Treasure &c^a. consigned to that place and to take what Bales the Resident shall send on board; After which you are to proceed to Vizagapatam & to land the Treasure & Goods for that Settlement, to the Order of the Chief and Council, from whom you are to receive what Bales they shall put on board, & after receiving their Dispatches you are to make the best of your way hither, in your Passage we desire you will use all Possible deligence that you may be early here. Dated in Fort S^t. George this 1st. day of August 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 104

To the Worsh^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.

Deputy Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

We have received your several Letters of the 24 & 25th. July and 7th. instant, and with the former two hundred and eight Bales of Calicoes by the S^{t}. David's Ketch, which upon opening we find to be pretty good but somewhat inferiour to the former Parcel.

We are sorry to observe that the French have taken off some of the weavers at Chimanaickpollam however we are persuaded you will use your utmost endeavour to get as much Cloth as possible under such Circumstances.

The reasons offered by your former Merchants for not paying their ballance as we directed, appear to us to have no manner of weight, since the Accounts they are to settle, are of a private nature, and no ways regard the Company, but as, at their desire You have permitted them to come up hither in order to adjust those Concerns with the person who is said to have had a share in that business we shall give them all necessary Assistance, to the finishing them as soon as possible when we shall oblige them to a compliance without further delay.

We shall be in want of the price of the several Parcels of Cloth you have sent us up, in order to form our Invoice by the Prince of Wales, which you will therefore let us have as soon as you can conveniently.

We are

Worsh^{r}. Sir & Sirs

Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

Fort S^{t}. George
22^{d}. August 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 105

To Richard Prince Esqr.

Chief &c^{r}. Council of Vizagapatam.

Gentlemen

The Galatea carried you our last under the 1st. Instant, and according to our promise we now send you by the Beaufort One Box containing Five thousand 5000 Madrass Pagodas and Three Chests containing Twenty four thousand 24000 Arcot Rupees for the use of your Settlement, as also a Box containing Ten thousand 10,000 Madrass Pagodas for Ingeram, of which We have now Advised the Resident there, that he may send for the Money when he shall have occasion & In the mean time you will take care of it.

This Ship likewise brings you the Gun powder you Indented for.

What Cloth comes in after the dispatch of the Galatea we would have you get washed, as our people will probably have as much upon their hands as they can well perform.

You must not detain this Ship longer than is necessary for the delivery of what is consigned you by her, that she may proceed on her Voyage to Bengall.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your Affectionate Friends

FORT ST. GEORGE
23D. AUGUST 1744.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.

No. 106

To MR. THOMAS SAUNDERS
RESIDENT AT INGERAM.

SIR

We have sent to Vizagapatam, by this conveyance the ship Beaufort, a Box containing Ten thousand 10,000 Madrass Pagodas for the use of your Residency, which we have directed the Gentlemen there to take under their care, & you will apply to them for that Money when your occasions require.

After the Galatea's Dispatch we would have you whiten all the cloth that comes in, as it may be very difficult for us to get it [done h]ere in time for the Dispatch of the January Ships for Europe.

We are
SIR
Your Affectionate Friends

FORT ST. GEORGE
23D. AUGUST 1744.

NICHOLAS MORSE
&CA. COUNCIL.

No. 107

TO THE HOÑBLE THOMAS BRADDYLL ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CT. COUNCIL OF FORT WILLIAM.

HOÑBLE SIR & SIRS

Our last was by the Durrington under the 9th. Ultimo; This Waits on you by the Beaufort on whom we have laden the parcel of Copper which was on board the Prince of Wales for your Presidency, but on Weighing it here we have found a deficiency of 9. (lb.) 3. (qrs.) 12 (lb.) which we endorsed on the Bill of Lading and shall be advised of to Europe that the difference may be demanded there.

We have also put on board this Ship part of the copper received by the York of the remainder we have had an opportunity of disposing of One hundred and fifty Candy at Outcry at the rate of about Forty two Currt. Rupees ₱ Bengall Maund ready money which from the Price Currents we have seen is considerably higher than with you, and as we understand you have a considerable quantity in your Godowns besides what may be consigned you this year, We have kept one hundred Candies more which we shall put up to sale in January and are in expectation of as good a price. This will enable us to send a larger sum in ready money than we could otherwise have [sent up] from our necessary occasions, and as there may be probably a vent for such a quantity here yearly, we desire you'l favour Us by the shipping in February with your Opinion of what price may be expected the ensuing season at Bengall that we may Govern ourselves thereby in our future sales.

The Duke of Dorset arrived here the 6th. Instant having met with a very tedious passage as soon as she has delivered a few Articles consigned to us, which will be in a day or two she will proceed to your place.

We have already advised Your Honr. &ca. of our purpose to dispatch the Prince of Wales to Europe in September, and we were in hopes of Compleating a Cargo for a second ship but the rains we have had for these six Weeks past have prevented the Curing the cloth in time for that dispatch If no unforeseen accident should happen we compute we shall have ready for what ships your Honour &ca. shall think fit to send us in December, two thousand five hundred Bales with one hundred and forty Tons of Pepper. If the Circumstances of your Investment should require your Honour &ca. to put on board the ships you may dispatch to us in December a Larger quantity of Salt Petre than Ordered you may please to let all such surplus be put in a Bill of Lading apart, that we may have it in our Power to take it ashore here, should we be in a capacity to fill up that Tonnage with Bales in the room of the Petre, this we take the Liberty to mention as we are se[n]sible the Tonnage to the Coast and Bay is very considerable this year, and as your Honour &ca. thought it most proper to act in this manner the last on account of the great charge of Demorage in order to return the shipping.

Inclosed is our Warehousekeeper's Indent for Packing Stuff &ca. which we desire may be complied with and that part of it especially the Rope and Twine may be sent us on the first ship.

Your Honour &ca. will please also to supply us with some Salt Petre as usual, and to acquaint the Captains of such of the ships you may send here to fill up in December to get what Men they may want of their Complements in the Bay, as they will not be able to supply themselves here.

Inclosed is also Duplicate of our last Invoice and Bill of Lading for what we now send you on this ship ; Copies of her Charter Party and Victualing Bill Extract of the Manifest of Goods &ca. licenced from England for the Captain and Officers with an account of what has been landed here by them, And We have delivered to the care of Captain Stevens the Box Packet for your Presidency which came in ours by that Ship.

We have ordered this Ship to call in at Vizagapatam to land some Treasure & a few Stones, for the Northern Settlement after which the Captain has our directions to proceed directly to the Bay.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most humble Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

Fort St. George
23d. August 1744.

P.S. When we wrote the foregoing we imagined we should have sent the Beaufort away before the Duke of Dorset, but the Pagodas the former carries to our Northern Settlements not being ready so soon as we then expected occasions their dispatches to bear the same date.

List of the Packet to Bengall ℔ Beaufort.

No. 1. Fort St. George General Letter ℔ Beaufort dated 23d. August 1744.
2. Duplicate Do. . . . ℔ Duke of Dorset . . 23d. August 1744.
3. Duplicate Do. . . . ℔ Durrington . . . 9th. July 1744.

4. Invoice ℔ Beaufort amounting to Pag^{s}. 12143. 6. 12.
5. Duplicate D^{o}. ℔ Duke of Dorset Amo^{te}. to Pag^{s}. 204. 23. 28.
6. Duplicate D^{o}. ℔ Durrington amounting to Pag^{s}. 56200. 26. 10.
7. First Bill of Lading ℔ Beaufort.
8. Second Bill of Lading ℔ Duke of Dorset.
9. Second Bill of Lading ℔ Durrington.
10. Copy of the Beaufort's Charterparty.
11. Copy of the Beaufort's Victualing Bill.
12. Export Warehousekeeper's Indent for packing Stuff &c^{t}.
13. Invoice of the Prince of Wales for Fort William.
14. A Box Packet which came inclosed in that to Fort S^{t}. George ℔ Beaufort from England, delivered apart to Captain Stevens.
15. Extract of the Manifest of Goods &c^{t}. licensed from England for the Captain and Officers of the Beaufort, with an Account of what has been landed here by them.

N°. 108

To Captain Thomas Stevens
[Com]mander of the Beaufort.

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 Packet with the Treasure &c^{a}. we have laden on board you for that Settlement to the Chief & Council there you are then to proceed to the River of Bengal, 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 S^{t}. George this 23^{d}. day of August 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison

N°. 109

To the Honble Thomas Braddyll Esqr.
President and Governour &c^{r}. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We addressed you under this date by the Beaufort duplicate of which is inclosed with Invoice & Second Bill of Lading for what consigned you on her, as also for what we now send you on this Ship.

As we sent your Honour &c^{t}. in [the] early season all the Treasure we could possibly spare [we] are obliged to keep here all that the Duke of Dorset [has] brought to enable us to carry on our Own Investm[ent] for fear of any disappointment in the latter shipping [. . .] who may be ordered to Bengall directly or by accid[ent] miss this Port. We have however ordered all that [Treasure] into the Mint to be coined into Arcot Rupees as the [time] is now advanced that the Wager & Godolphin may [be] detain'd here on that account.

Advices are arrived at Arcot, that the Moratta King has sent from Sattara a numerous Army towards Bengall, under the Command of Ragojee Bosallah and Futtasing, who it is said have orders to take full satisfaction of the Nabob of Cassombazar for his late perfedeous behav[i]our to the former Generals of his Army.

Herewith we send Your Honour &c^{a}. the Box Packet which came out in ours by this Ship Duke of Dorset for your place, and inclosed is another small packet which we received overland the 11th. instant from Bombay; Copy of this Ship's Charter party, copy of her Victualing Bill, and Extract of the Manifest of Goods &c^{t}. licenced from England for the Captain and Officers, with an account of what has been landed here by them.

What Saltpetre the Commanders may design to carry home at the low Freight, you will please to supply them with, that they may make no demand on us on that account.

If your Honour &c^{a}. can procure any good Rice to fill up the Tonnage of the shipping you may send hither it may be of great service to us in Case the season should not prove favourable, which we can never be certain of till the Month of November is past.

We are

Fort S^{t}. George

[23^{cp}.] August 1744.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most humble Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

List of the Packet to Bengal ℔ Duke of Dorset.

1. Fort S^{t}. George General Letter ℔ Duke of Dorest dated 23^{d}. August 1744.
2. Duplicate D^{o}. . . . . ℔ Beaufort . dated 23^{d}. August 1744.
3. Invoice ℔ Duke of Dorset amounting to Pag^{a}. 204. 23. 28.
4. Duplicate D^{o}. ℔ Beaufort Amounting to Pag^{a}. 12143. 6. 12.
5. First Bill of Lading ℔ Duke of Dorset.
6. Second Bill of Lading ℔ Beaufort.
7. Export Warehousekeepers Indent for Packing Stuff &c^{t}.
8. Copy of the Duke of Dorset's Charterparty.
9. Copy of the Duke of Dorset's Victualing Bill.
10. Extract of the Manifest of Goods &c^{t}. licenced from England for the Captain and Officers of the Duke of Dorset, with an account of what has been landed here by them.
11. A Packet received from the President and Council of Bombay.
12. A Box Packet which came inclosed in that to Fort S^{t}. George ℔ Duke of Dorset from England, delivered apart to Captain Frognall.

No. 110

To Captain Thomas Frognall
Commander of the Duke of Dorset.

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 are to deliver the accompanying Packets to the President and Council of Fort William whose orders are to direct Your future pro[ceedings] dated in Fort S^{t}. George this 23^{d}. day of August 1744.

Nicholas Morse
[&c^{a}. Council].

No. 111

To the Worsh^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

This by order of the President & Council covers Invoice and Bill of Lading for Medicins [*sic*] & Packing Stuff now sent you on the S^{t}. David Ketch, Jonathan Blake Master, to whom are delivered the Keys of the Chests.

I am

Fort S^{t}. George
30th. August 1744.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs
Your most humble servant
John Savage
Secr^{y}.

No. 112

To John Geekie Esqr.
Chief &c^{t}. Council of Tellicherry.

Gentlemen

Yesterday we received the accompany^{s}. Letter from the President & Council of Fort William which they have desired us to forward by Pattamar.

The Prince William Lapwing, Winchelsea S^{t}. George Winchester Mountague & Durrington are arrived there in safety the Beaufort & Duke of Dorset proceeded thither from hence the 24 of last Month.

We purpose to dispatch the Prince of Wales in few days for Great Brittain as yet neither the Wager or Godolphin appear.

We are
Gentlemen
Your most humble Servants
Nicholas Morse
&c^{t}. Council.

Fort S^{t}. George
[3rd. Septem]ber 1744.

No. 113

To Richard Prince Esqr.
Chief &c^{t}. Council of Vizagapatam.

Gentlemen

Your Letter of the 5th. August came to hand a few days past by which we observe the Directions you have given M^{r}. Pitt at Uppara relating to the ship Jagernaut Phersand.

We are concerned to find the French have raised the prices of the Ordinary Long Cloth and Salampores and that it is Your Opinion that unless your Merchants are endulged with a Larger quantity of Fine Cloth, you think it impossible for you to send up For [. . .]bales in December. In answer to which we are to acquaint you, that with respect to the Fine Cloth We have had a due regard in our Indents sent you to what our Honble Masters have been pleased to order therefore we cannot exceed the Quantity there mentioned, But if you are of opinion advancing something on the Last years prices will encourage your merchants to bring in [the] Ordinary, we permit you to give as far as Two Pa[godas] ℔ Corge more for the Long Cloth, and one for the Sal[ampores] for all they may bring in after the Galatea's disp[atch].

The 5th. Instant arrived here [the Swift] Snow who left England the 12th. April; and bring[s advice] that War was declared with France the last of [March]. We shall send you our further directions relat[ing to the] Bales to be sent up in December by another Op[portunity] and now recommend to you to keep your Garri[son in] order to prevent any attempts from the Enemy.

We hope hourly to see the Galatea as we are informed she Arrived with you the 13th. day of August, and we suppose you would not detain her, any longer than necessary to put on board the Bales.

We would have you place Tappey Peons at the distance of about Three Gentue Miles between your place and Ganjam, and the like southward as for as Ingeram, and to be continued 'till our further Orders.

We are

Fort St. George
10th. September 1744.

Gentlemen
Your Affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 114

To Mr. Thomas Saunders
Resident at Ingeram.

Sir

The 3d. instant we received your Letter of the 16th. August in which you mention the great difficulties you have to struggle with in your Investment from the dearness of Cotton and the French advancing on the Prices, in order therefore to encourage your Merchants to bring in the Ordinary: We permit you to allow them Two Pagodas ℔ Corge more for the Long Cloth & one for the Salampores, for all they shall bring in after the Galatea's Dispatch.

By the Swift Snow who arrived here the 5th. Instant we received advice from our Honble Masters of a declaration of War against France the 31st. of March, which will occasion us to give you some directions hereafter relating to the Bales you have to send up in December as in these times great Care & Caution are required to prevent the Companys Effects as far as we are able from falling into the Enemies Hands.

The Vessel you mention to have been drove out of your Road, was the Galatea, who then proceeded to Vizagapatam, from whence we hope She has been returned and that you have since dispatch'd her for this Place.

We would have you place Tappey Peons at the distance of about Three Gentue Miles between your place and Maddepollam to be continued 'till our further Orders.

We are

Fort St. George
10th. September 1744.

Sir
Your Affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 115

To Mr. John Hallyburton
Resident at Maddepollam.

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 11th. Ultimo, in which you mention that you expect to dispatch your Vessel by the time we directed, with such Goods as might be ready, & are therefore in daily hopes of seeing her.

The 5th. instant arrived from London the Swift Snow, belonging to Our Honourable Masters with advice of a War being declared against France the 31st. March; This will require us to give you some particular directions for what Goods are to be sent up hither in December, which we shall not fail to do by some other Opportunity.

We would have you set Tappeys between your place and Metchlepatam at the distance of about Three Gentue Miles, as we have between that place and this, there to remain 'till our further Orders.

We are

Sir

Fort St. George
10th. September 1744.

Your Affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 116

To Captain Henry Lascelles
Commander of the York.

Sir

Having received advice from England of a Declaration of War with France the 31st. March last we send this to be left at Malacca with the Governour there in order that you might be acquainted therewith the French have sent an Europe Ship named the Faboretta with 50 Men of the Garrison of Pondicherry to Atcheen

but she may probably go into the Streights of Malacca, wherefore it will be highly proper to be on Your Guard and we doubt not you will be able to obtain some further Intelligence at Malacca concerning this ship or any other Cruizer, so as to proceed with the more security.

We are

Sir

Your most humble Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

Fort S^{t}. George
13th. September 1744.

No. 117

[To . . . .]

Having received advice by a ship who arrived here from London the 5th. Instant that War was declared against France by our Crown the 31 of March, we have sent Captain Charles Hopkins in the Betsy Schooner to give Notice thereof to our Shipping in the Streight of Malacca & elsewhere and are to request that from the amity that has so long subsisted between the Netherlands and English Companys as well as the Subjects of each Nation that you will grant the said Captain all necessary assistance in his affairs and to permit him to clean his Vessell in order the better to proceed on the service he is sent on, We take the Liberty to ask the favour of Your care of the several Letters which are now sent to be left at Malacca and that you will believe us ready at all Times to return this civility and to shew ourselves.

Your Most sincere Friends and

Most Obed^{t}. humble Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

Fort S^{t}. George
13th. September 1744.
N.B. This sent in the Dutch.

No. 118

To the Worsh^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

We have received yours of the 10th. Instant & now send you five Thousand, 5000 Pagodas under charge of twelve Peons in part of the supply you request therein the Remainder we purpose to send you in few Days.

Your Indent for Stores shall be complied with as nearly as our Stock will permit if any sea conveyance offers.

We are

Fort S^t^. George
14th. September 1744.

Worsh^l^. Sir & Sirs
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 119

To the Worsh^l^. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^r^. Council of Fort S^t^. David.

Worsh^l^. Sir & Sirs

We wrote you the 14th. Instant to accompany a supply of Five thousand Pagodas, and now send you the like sum under charge of 13 Peons.

We are

Fort S^t^. George
17th. September 1744.

Worsh^l^. Sir & Sirs
Your affectionate Friends & Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 120

To Jo[hn] Geekie Esqr.
Chief &c^r^. Council of Tellicherry.

Gentlemen

We wrote you under the 4th. instant when we forwarded a Letter from the Honourable the President and Council of Fort William, received by the Mercury. This serves to inclose a second Letter received from them by the Sumatra who imported here the 7th. instant.

The 5th. instant the Swift Snow arrived from England with an account of War being declared against France, the 31st. of March which we reckon you will have received intelligence of before this reaches you the advices sent by Our President.

The Prince of Wales sail'd the 7th. instant for Europe.

The Fleury whom the French sent last year to the Malabar Coast for the protection of their Trade is we understand to be sent thither again this season. They have expected another Ship from Europe named the Chermant, which as yet is not arrived and who was designed to have been sent to Mahee to load with Pepper for Europe.

We are

Fort St. George — Gentlemen

17th. September 1744. — Your most humble Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 121

To Richard Bourchier Esq^e^.
Chief &c^a^. Council of Anjengo.

Gentlemen

We send this by the way of Tellicherry to acquaint you of the arrival of the Swift Snow from London the 5th. instant with advice of a War being declared against France the 31st. of March But we expect you will have had a more early intillegence of this by a Pattamar our President dispatched express some days past, however least any accident may have occasioned that advice to miscarry we thought it proper to mention it here.

The French talk of sending the Fleury again to the Malabar Coast, and a ship they expect from Europe named the Chermant the last to fill up with Pepper at Mahee.

The 7th. instant the Prince of Wales sail'd for Europe.

We are

Fort St. George — Gentlemen

17th. September 1744. — [Your most hum]ble Servants

[Nicholas Morse].
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 122

To the Honble Thomas Braddyll Esqr.
President and Governour &c^a^. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have been favoured with your several Letters of the 19th. June, 3d. and 7th. August: The former overland did not reach us 'till the 3d. instant. The same day the Mercury came in, as did the Sumatra the 7th:

We are much obliged to your Hon^r. &c^t. for the trouble you have taken in regard to the Ship that was lost at Uppara and for the papers transmitted Us; as our time has been lately employed on other Matters, We have not yet proceeded further on that Affair.

Your Letter directed to the Chief & Council at Tellicherry received by the Mercury was forwarded thither the 4th. instant, and today a Pattamar will set out with the Duplicate Letter received by the Sumatra.

We are heartily concerned to hear that the Nabob should occasion Your Honour &c^t. so much trouble in your business at a time when the well carrying it on, is of so great importance to Our Honourable Masters. It will be a great satisfaction to us to hear it was of no long continuance, and that you have yet been able to make [. . . In]vestment. In our Letter by the Duke of [. . .]ted you what pa[rt of the] Tonnage we had expecta[tions of . . .] business having since gone in such a manner that we promise ourselves the being able to comply with the same.

The Box Packet Your Honour &c^t. sent us by the Mercury was forwarded by the Prince of Wales, who sailed the 7th. instant for Europe. That by the Sumatra we shall take the first opportunity of sending away agreable to your desire.

The eight Bales of Jugdea Baftaes by the Sumatra, we have received.

The Princess Augusta's arrival from the West coast, we have waited for with some impations; But as she does not yet appear we imagine she may have passed our Port and proceeded to Bengal; If she should have arrived with you, and that upon opening the General Letter from that Settlement to this Place, you find they are in want of any particulars which are in Your Honour &c^as. power to supply them with, and you judge of consequence enough to send them directly, should you have dispatched the Lapwing before those advices reach you, in such case you will please to send the Princess Augusta thither, otherwise that you will send her up to us with Rice or what ever you may think proper to put on board her.

Your Honour &c^t. will before this have been acquainted of the declaration of War against France As frequent advices between the two Settlements may be of great service on this important Event & as they were found to be very much so in the late War, We have laid Tappey Peons on the Road as far as Ganjam, at the distance of about 25 English Miles from each other which we are informed was the then extent for those in pay of the Madrass Presidency & That from Balasore to Ganjam were appointed and received theirs from the Bengal Presidency. We shall accordingly continue this method of conveying Advices to and fro, as long as your Honour &c^t. and we shall judge they may answer there Purposes.

In case the Lapwing should not be sail'd, we request Your Honour &c^t. will send on her to the West Coast about Twenty or thirty Barrels of Gun Powder.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most humble Servants

NICHOLAS MORSE.
&c^t. Council.

FORT S^T. GEORGE

18TH. SEPTEMBER 1744.

P.S.

Should the Wager and Godolphin bring any Military or Stores for this Presidency We desire Your Honour &c^t. will please to send them to us by the first Conveyance.

No. 123

To the Honble William Wake Esqr.
President and Governour &cr. Council of Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received yours of the 15th. June & 3d. August the former by Patamar, the latter by the Augusta importing here the 2d. Instant.

We observe Your Honour &c. had determin'd before the receipt of the Letter by the Essex from Mocha not to send any ship round hither for reasons which we think very just, we are glad to find the Edgebaston is likely to bring a full Loading of Coffee from thence by which your Honour &ct. will be under no difficulty for the dispatch of that ship our Honble Masters may have intended hither as by the Paragraphs of their Letter we transmitted to you.

The Swift Snow arrived here the 5th. Inst. with advice of War being declared against France the 31st. March which we presume Your [Honour] &ct. have received sometime since by the King William that came out in company with that Vessel; This we notified some days ago to the Chiefs & Council of Tellicherry & Anjengo when we also mentioned to them that the French were sending the Fleury from Pondicherry to the Malabar Coast & Surat. The 15th instant arrived there the Charmant from Europe that left France the 8th March N.S; Reports about her proceeding are various, some say she is for Bengal, other for the Malabar Coast.

Having no small Vessel of any kind belonging to this presidency to send with advices on any occasion we are to request Your Honour &ct. will please to order two Vessels to be built for Us of about Sixty Tons each, made to sail well & to be regged Snow fashion, if possible to be with us in May as we understand you have a very able Builder it is unnecessary for Us to add any particular directions but to desire they may have proper Accommodations Answerable to their burthen & be made capable of making some defence.

We are greatly obliged to the Honble President for his readiness to assist our Garrison with so able a person as Mr. Joseph Smith whom we shall take care to give all due Encouragement to during his stay with Us; he has delivered Us a List of Sundry Stores which he looks upon as necessary and which he believes Your Honour &ct. may be able to supply Us with, we send the same inclosed and if you can possibly spare us the whole or part it may be of great service to us till we can be better furnisned from Europe.

The Prince of Wales sailed hence for Europe the 7th. instant.

Fort St. George
24th. September 1744.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 124

To the Worsh[L]. John Hind[e] Esq[R].

Deputy Governour &c[a]. Council of Fort S[t]. David.

Worsh[L]. Sir & Sirs

This by order of the President & Council accompanies a supply of Five thousand 5000 Pagodas under charge of Ten Peons.

I am

Fort S[t]. George
25th. September 1744.

Worsh[L]. Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servant
John Savage
Sec[ry].

No. 125.

To the Worsh[L]. John Hinde Esq[R].

Deputy Governour &c[a]. Council of Fort S[t]. David.

Worsh[L]. Sir & Sirs

This accompanies a further supply of 5000 Five thousand Pagodas under charge of Eleven Peons.

We are

Worsh[L]. Sir & Sirs
Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

Fort S[t]. George
28th. September 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 126.

To the Honble William Wake Esq[R].

President and Governour &c[a]. Council of Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Inclosed is Duplicate of what we wrote you the 24th. instant; since when we have received the accompanying Packet from the Chief and Council of Anjengo,

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most humble Servants

Fort S[t]. George
29th. September 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 127.

To James Hope Esqr.

Chief &c^{r}. Council of Surat.

Gentlemen

We have received your severals of the 3^{d}. July and 20th. August and are obliged to you for your Care of the several Packets mentioned therein. This accompanies one for the President and Council of Bombay, which we desire you will likewise forward.

We are

Fort S^{t}. George Gentlemen

29th. September 1744. Your most humble Servants

Nicholas Morse
&c^{r}. Council.

No. 128.

To the Worshipful Robert Lennox Esqr.

Deputy Governour &c^{r}. Council of Fort Marlborough.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

1. We wrote you the 16th. October last by the Brillant and 16th. February by the Princess Augusta, but as no ship has yet imported from your Coast since the Sumatra we have not received any answers thereto.

2. Our Honourable Masters have given directions to the President and Council of Fort William to send you from thence their Ship Lapwing, by which conveyance we have desired them to send you some stores and Patcharie Rice, part of your Indent received by the Sumatra: she will we suppose proceed to you in the usual season, and by the Cæsar you will have the necessary Orders relating to her Dispatch, and least any accident should have prevented your receiving them we now send you copy of their Commands to you under the 16th. December by that Ship.

3. We expected to have found the Sumatra on her arrival here from Bengal filled up with Patcharee Rice, but the Gentlemen there write us it was not to be had and that they could only send us the Ordinary, One thousand Bags of which is continued on board: We have put on board her some Long Cloth, Salt and other Stores as ℔ Invoice herewith sent you, amounting to Pag^{s}. 3214. 21. 71, We also return you three Coffree Boys, who have been employed under Our Workmen here.

4. The 5th. instant arrived here the Swift Snow from England, who brings Advice of War having been declared against France the 31st. March. On this event it will be highly necessary to keep Your Garrison in a proper posture of defence against any designs of the Enemy.

5. Our President sends the Deputy Governour some directions to be delivered the Commanders of the homeward bound shipping, sent to him by the Secrit Committy.

6. The Neptune, Severn and Duke of Lorrain were safe arrived in England, but the Grantham was unfortunately lost off Folkstone with all her Cargo, but her Men were saved.

7. We observe you continue our Ships & Vessels Heads upon Your Books from Year to Year: This is not regular; We therefore direct for the future that you write them off, annually to Account Current Fort S^{t}. George. We would have you also constantly keep two Columns in our Account; One for Dollars, the other for Pagodas, a Method you have dropped in your last Books. In the Packet comes inclosed a List of our Adjustments with your Settlement, some of which being of long standing you'l take Care to be punctual in entering.

8. Inclosed is Copy of our last by the Princess Augusta, and Manifest of Goods licenced on this ship We have directed the Captain to touch at Moco Moco, that the Resident there may order on shore any of the Wares or Stores he may be in want of.

We are

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

Your Affect^{s}. Friends & Servants

Fort S^{t}. George

30th. September 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

Manifest of Goods licenced by the President & Council of Fort S^{t}. George to be shipped on the Sumatra Captain Charles Milne for Fort Marlborough by the following Persons Viz^{t}.

By Nicholas Morse Esq. for Robert Lennox Esqr.

Bales.		Cor.	Ps.			
11	Long Cloth blue ...	36	—	864	—	—
1	Moorees Blue ...	5	—	115	—	—
1	Cambays Metchlepatam.	10	—	150	—	—
1	Handkerchiefs ...	10	—	90	—	—
	Syrashes	2	—	50	—	—
1	Tappys	10	—	50	—	—
	Chints	1	10	34	—	—
	Cambays Buggasse ...	1	—	22	—	—
	Sannoes Monpore ...	2	—	38	—	—
	Romals Silk	2	—	65	—	—
15	Bales					1478 — —

By Ditto for M^{r}. William Rigg.

Bales.		Cor.	Ps.			
7	Long Cloth blue ...	23	—	562	—	—
1	Cambays Metchlepatam	10	—	150	—	—
1	Handkerchiefs D^{o}.	8	—	72	—	—
	Cambays Buggasse ...	3	—	66	—	—
1	Moorees Blue ...	3	—	69	—	—
	Tappies	10	—	50	—	—
	Handkerchiefs Pulicat.	2	—	60	—	—
	Romals Silk	2	—	65	—	—
10						1094 — —

By Nich^{s}. Morse for M^{r}. Charles Barbut.

Bales.		Cor.	Ps.			
3	Long Cloth blue ...	11	—	264	—	—
1	Tappies	5	—	25	—	—
	Moorees blue	1	—	23	—	—
	Cambays Buggasse ...	1	—	22	—	—
	D°. Metchlepatam ...	4	—	60	—	—
	Handkerchiefs D°. ...	2	—	18	—	—
	Cossaes Malda ...	1	—	40	—	—
	Hummums	1	—	45	—	—
4				497	—	—

By Ditto for M^{r}. Joseph Hurlock.

Bales.		Cor.	Ps.			
2	Long Cloth blue ...	8	—	192	—	—
1	Moorees blue ...	1	—	23	—	—
	Tappies	5	—	25	—	—
	Cambays Buggasse ...	2	—	44	—	—
	Ditto Metchlepatam ...	4	—	60	—	—
	Handkerchiefs D°. ...	2	—	18	—	—
	Ditto Madrass ...	2	—	60	—	—
	Syrashes 9 Covids ...	1	—	25	—	—
	Chints	1	—	20	—	—
	Hummums	1	—	45	—	—
	Cossaes Malda ...	1	—	40	—	—
3				552	—	—

By D°. for M^{r}. David Pugh.

Bales.		Cor.	Ps.			
2	Long Cloth blue ...	8	—	192	—	—
1	Tappies	5	—	25	—	—
	Moorees blue ...	1	—	23	—	—
	Cambays Buggasse ...	1	—	22	—	—
	Ditto Metchlepatam...	2	—	30	—	—
	Handkerchiefs D°. ...	2	—	18	—	—
	Syrashes of 9 Covids.	1	—	25	—	—
	Sannoes Monpore ...	1	—	19	—	—
	Cossaes Malda ...	1	—	40	—	—
	Hummums	1	—	45	—	—
3				439	—	—

By M^{r}. John Savage for Capt. John William.

Bales.		Cor.	Ps.			
1	Slops	—	—	115	—	—
2	Piece Goods & Slops...	—	—	600	—	—
1	Long Cloth Ordinary white	1	—	40	—	—
	Salampores Ordinary blue	2	—	40	—	—
2	Long Cloth Midling Blue ½ p^{s}.	8	—	220	—	—

Chest									
1	Shoes	...	...	—	—	25	—	—	
bags.									
5	Sundry Necessaries	...		—	—	—	—	—	
12									1040 — —

By Captain Milne for himself.

Bales.			Cor.	Ps.				
8	Long Cloth blue	...	27	—	648	—	—	
2	Long Cloth White	...	3	—	108	—	—	
3	Salampores blue	...	12	—	264	—	—	
4	Chay Goods ...	...	44	19	650	—	—	
17								1670 — —
64	Bales Chests and Bags Amounting to Pagodas					...		6770 — —

Fort St. George
30th. September 1744.

John Savage
Secry.

No. 129

To Mr. Samuel Greenslate
Resident at Moco Moco.

Sir

Having ordered the Sumatra to touch at your Place, we inclose You Abstract of the Invoice to Fort Marlborough by her that you may order from on board the ship such of the Articles as you may be in want of.

Fort St. George
30th. September 1744.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 130

To Captain Charles Milne
of the Sumatra.

Sir

You are hereby ordered to repair on board Your Ship and make the best of your way to Fort Marlbrough on the West Coast of Sumatra, when you must deliver the accompanying Packet to the Deputy Governour and Council, whose orders are to direct your future Proceedings; But as it is usual at this season of the year

to fall into the Northward of that place, we would have you touch at Moco Moco, where you must deliver to the Resident, any part of the Wares and Stores we have now put on board you, that he may be in want of.

We strictly enjoin you to avoid speaking with any Ship or Ships, you may meet with in your Voyage trusting to no Colours, and further on your return to this Coast, should you fall into the Southward, we would have you be very careful to pass Pondicherry in the night. Dated in Fort S^{t}. George this 1st. day of October 1744.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

No. 131.

TO THE WORSH^{L}. JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.

DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{T}. COUNCIL OF FORT S . DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

This accompanies a supply of Five thousand 50000 [*sic*] Pagodas under charge of Eleven Peons.

We are

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

Your Affectionate Friends & Serv^{ts}.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
2^{D}. OCTOBER 1744.

NICHOLAS MORSE.
WILLIAM MONSON.
THOMAS EYRE.
EDWARD HARRIS.
WILLIAM JOHNSON.
JOHN SAVAGE.
SAMUEL HARRISON.

No. 132

TO THE WORSH^{L}. JOHN HINDE ESQ^{R}.

DEPUTY GOVERNOUR &C^{T}. COUNCIL OF FORT S^{T}. DAVID.

WORSH^{L}. SIR & SIRS

We have received your several Letters of the 20th., 21st. & 26th. August, 10th., 19th., 22^{d}. & 29th. September, Which we find require very little answer being chiefly to accompany your Bales & to acknowledge the receipt of the several Remittances made you.

By the S . David Ketch we receiv'd Two hundred and twenty Bales, and returned you by her what Packing Stuff we could spare ; it was not in our power to procure any other conveyance than an open Boat for what we sent you before, which we observe suffered by a long Passage and the heavy Rains ; To prevent any such accident hereafter we shall take care to supply you in January for your occasions the whole Year.

For the reason you give We acquiesce in your allowing the Mate in your Hospital Twelve Pagodas ℔ Month for his Encouragement.

On this Ketch we send you several stores as ℔ Invoice and Bill of Lading, but must defer sending you 'till January such part of your Indent as is not complied with, when we hope to receive them by the Europe Ships. Fifty Barrels of Gunpowder is as much as we chuse to Venture on so small a Vessel, but as we meet with Opportunity we shall send you a further quantity.

It's highly agreable to us to find Your Merchants have brought in One thousand and forty four Bales by the end of September and that they have promised seven hundred more by the last of Janry, besides the Cloth that may be procured at Salem, which though late in the Season, we yet hope they will be able to furnish you with some Cloth of that Country.

A Vessel will sail in a day or two with some Paddy for your Settlement.

We are

Worshᵗ. Sir & Sirs
Your Affectionate friends & servaᵗˢ.

Fort Sᵗ. George
5ᵗʰ. October 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 133.

To the Worshᵗ. John Hinde Esqᵉ.
Deputy Governour &cᵗ. Council of Fort Sᵗ. David.

Worshᵗ. Sir & Sirs

This accompanies a supply of Five thousand 5000 Pagodas under charge of Eleven Peons.

We are
Worshᵗ. Sir & Sirs
Your Affectᵗ. Friends & Servants

Fort Sᵗ. George
5ᵗʰ. October 1744.

Nicholas Morse
&cᵗ. Council.

No. 134.

To the Worshipᵗ. Robert Lennox Esqᵉ.
Deputy Governour &cᵗ. Council of Fort Marlborough.

Worshᵗ. Sir & Sirs

We have permitted a Parcel of Goods to be laden on this Ship for account of Mᵗ. John Green, and in case the Companys servants, are inclined to purchase any part of her Cargo, you may allow the Supracargo the Liberty of selling to them, upon paying the duty of 2 ℔ Cent to the Company.

The Sumatra sailed hence the 2d. Instant for your place, as yet we have no news of the Princess Augusta.

We are

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Your most Affectionate Friends

Fort St. George
6th. October 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 135.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.

Deputy Governour &ca. Council of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

This encloses Invoice and Bill of Lading for Paddy laden on a Country Boat, the St. David Ketch sailed last night. We are

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Your most Affectionate Friends & Servants

Fort St. George
6th. October 1744.

Nicholas Morse
&cr. Council.

No. 136.

To Richard Bourcheir Esqr.

Chief &cr. Council of Anjengo.

Gentlemen

We received some days ago your Letter of the 14th. September with a Packet for Bombay which was forwarded to Surat by Peons sent Express agreable to your desire

The present situation of Affairs on this Coast as well with respect to the War with France as the Uncertainty how long this Province may continue in Peace, will not permit us at this time to comply with your Request for the Five hundred Fire Arms for the King of Travencore, which otherwise We should have been glad to have obliged you with.

The last News we had from Pondicherry was that the Chermont and Fleury were both bound to the Coast of Malabar.

We are

Gentlemen

Your most humble Servants

Fort St. George
9th. October 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 137.

To the Honble Thomas Braddyll Esqr.
President & Governour &c^a^. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

With this we send Copy of our last under the 18th. September, since which, we have received a Letter from the Chief and Council of Anjengo in which they mention it will be a particular service to the Companys Affairs there, to be supplied with Five hundred good Small Arms: But as we have no Opportunity of sending them from hence, nor indeed could we well spare them, We have thought it proper to mention this to your Honour &c^t^., that if it suits your convenience they may receive them from you.

The Favouretta saild from Pondicherry for Acheen the 28th. Ultimo; The Chermont arrived there from Europe some days before, and is with the Fleury we hear bound to the Malabar Coast; The Bourbone is near her departure for Europe; They expect another small ship which is not yet arrived.

We request what we wrote your Honour &c^t^. in our last, respecting the Military and Stores which the Wager and Godolphin may have brought out for this Presidency may be complied with, as early as possible.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most humble Servants

Fort S^t^. George
12th. October 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 138.

To Richard Prince Esqr.
Chief &c^a^. Council of Vizagapatam.

Gentlemen

Since our last under the 10th. Ultimo we have received your Letter of the 26th. August and 7th. September. The former by the Galatea with 211 Bales of Calicoes which have been delivered here.

We shall supply you with some Fire Arms in the room of the Old ones you sent hither on the Galatia.

We observe what you mention relating to your Investment at Uppara, that since the French have advanced on the Prices, you have not received a single piece of Ordinary Long Cloth or Salampores from that place; you will find by our last that we were not insensible of the difficulties you would lye under on this Account & therefore on your first representation of this matter in your Letter of the 5th. August we lost no time in Acquainting you of our consenting to allow Your Merchants Two Pagodas ℔ Corge more for the Ordinary Long Cloth and One Pagoda for the Salampores, which we hope will prove a sufficient encouragement for your Merchants to go on with the Business.

You will be able we suppose to provide conveyances for what Bales you may have to send up in December, by the hire of Vessels out of your own River. You will take care to dispatch them as soon as possible after the full Moon in December

which happens on the 8th. and as some French Cruisers may probably Appear on the Coast, you will be mindful to be as expeditious as possible in loading your Vessels that they may not lye long in the Road, with the Goods on board, and that the Masters have caution given them to speak with no Vessels at Sea nor trust to any Colours, & to make use of all Proper Means whatever to avoid an Enemy in the Passage hither.

The Owners of the William & Sarah have applied to us for the Freight of the Treasure sent on her for the Use of the Three Settlements; We have agreed to allow them Sixty Pagodas, which you are to pay to Captain Bright the Commander of her now with you, of which sum Vizagapatam is to be charged Twenty Pagodas, Ingeram Five, and Maddepollam Thirty.

For some reasons that have occured to us we have thought it necessary to Appoint a Person to reside at Ganjam for some time; We have made choise of Mr. Andrews for that purpose who will proceed thither by Land and will call at your place in his way: during his stay there, he may possibly be of some service to Our Honourable Masters by procuring some Cloth of their Musters, which he will inform himself of & if we finds it practicable, we will notifie the same to us, and you and we shall then send our further directions.

You must send two Peons to Ganjam to go on from thence to Bengal with the accompanying Packet as we know not if the Gentlemen there have as yet placed their Tappeys on the road.

We are

Fort St. George
12th. October 1744.

Gentlemen,
Your Affectionate Friends,

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No 139.

To Mr. Thomas Saunders
Resident at Ingeram.

Sir,

We have received your Letters of the 15th. and 17th. September, the former by the Galatea who imported here the 28th., with Two hundred and forty-seven Bales part of which we have resorted here; and considering the high price of Cotton the Cloth proves as good as can be Expected & We are well satisfied there has been no want of care or deligence on your part; The further encouragement we gave your Merchants in our last Letter, will we hope enable you to go on with your business with some success, & the French thereby disappointed in their measures of getting the Cloth out of your hands.

As you have been acquainted of the declaration of War against France, and as your neighbourhood to their Factory at Yanam will not permit any part of your business to be executed without their privity and knowledge especialy in regard to Shipping, which they can with ease impart to their Countrymen engaged in that way: We would therefore recommend to you that what Vessels you send your Cloth upon be if possible loaden in the River either wholely or a part, according to their draught of Water, and not suffered to lye in the Road any time after their Cargo is on board. If the number of Bales you may have on hand amount to Three hundred or thereabouts. we would chuse to have them devided

on Two bottoms. You must give the Captains strict charge to speak with no Vessels at Sea, nor trust to any Colours, but to make Use of all Proper Means whatever to avoid an Enemy in the Passage hither.

We are

Fort S^{t}. George — Sir

12th October 1744. — Your Affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

N°. 140.

To M^{r}. John Hallyburton
Resident at Maddepollam.

Sir,

We wrote you the 10th. Ultimo, since when we have received your severals of the 1st. 8th. 12th. & 18th. of that month.

The Morton imported the 18th. with the One hundred and two Bales laden on her; as soon as they are Washed and Sorted We shall send you our remarks thereon.

We are sorry to observe that on the cha(n)ge of Government in your parts the Officers should have given you so much trouble on this occasion, and not only in detaining the Ship several days but in stoping the Chay Goods that were designed to have been sent by her. Our President has wrote thereupon to the Nabob of Rajamundrum and the Fouzdar of Metchlepatam, which we shall be glad to find prove of any service; But as these Governments are now sold to the highest bidders, and the Nabob as well as Officers changed every two or three years, there appears to us very little hopes of obtaining redress from such Persons, who have nothing else in view but to extort what they can from every one during the time they continue in their Posts. This ill pollicy of the Moors must in few years terminate in the utter ruin of those Countries, when they will too late see their error. In the meantime there seems to be no other way left but, either to submit to some hardships, or withdraw from the reach of their Power.

We have taken into consideration what you write us about the Dutch advancing their Prices and therefore to prevent an entire stop being put to the Investment on that account we think proper to allow your Merch^{ts}. 2 Pag^{s}. ℔ Corge on the Long Cloth Ordinary and one Pagoda ℔ Corge the Sallampores Ordinary for all they bring in after the Moreton's Dispatch for this place last Month.

We have appointed M^{r}. Andrews to reside at Ganjam for some time, in whose room we shall send you another Assistant.

You must be careful to dispatch the Vessel you send up your Bales on as soon as possible after the full Moon in December, which will be on the 8th. And as some French Cruisers may probably appear on the Coast We would have you load her as expeditiously as you can, and not suffer her to lye in the Road with the Goods on

board Giving the Master, caution to speak with no Vessels at Sea, nor trust to any Colours, but to make use of all Proper Methods whatever to avoid an Enemy in the Passage hither.

We are

Fort St. George
12th. October 1744.

Sir
Your Affectionate Friends
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 141

To Mr. John Andrews.

Sir

Having appointed you to reside at Ganjam till our further Orders you are to observe what Directions Our President shall give you on some Matters recommended to your Management; We have been informed that near that Place is a large City named Brampore where there are a considerable Number of Weavers, and as the Northern Settlements have greatly faild for some years past in the provision of the Ordinary Salampores which we understand can be manufactured there and if you find it to be so and that you shall be able to provide a Quantity for the Company equal to their Musters & on terms that may be as advantageous as those provided at Vizagapatam we wou'd have you immediately advise us & the Gentlemen at Vizagapatam when we shall send our further Directions on this Matter.

Herewith you have Invoice of some Rupees and Broad Cloth for your necessary Expences and the Presents you may see proper to make of which you will give us an Account.

We are

Fort St. George
12th. October 1744.

Sir
Your Affectionate Friends
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 142

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &cr. Council of Fort St. David.
Worshl. Sir & Sirs

This accompanies a further supply of Five Thousand 5000 Pagodas under charge of Eleven Peons.

We are
Fort St. George Worshl. Sir & Sirs
17th. October 1744. Your Affectionate Friends &
Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 143.

To the Hoñble Thomas Braddyll Esqr.
President & Governour &cr. Council of Fort William.

Hoñble Sir & Sirs

Yesterday we received a Letter from the Honourable the President and Council of Bombay advising of the arrival of the King William there the 10th. September, and that the Northampton was to bring out the Nottingham's Cargo, but as that Ship was ordered for China and not to be loaded home from Bombay that there would be One thousand Candies of Pepper ready for any ship that might be sent to take it in exclusive of the 2500 Candies, before advised you of. Your Honour &ct. are wrote to concerning this from thence directly, but least any Miscarriage might happen to that Letter We thought proper to mention it here, as we beleive it will be very acceptable to you to have this Opportunity of providing for the large Tonnage sent out this season in the present Circumstances of Affairs.

We are
Fort St. George Hoñble Sir & Sirs
17th. October 1744. Your most humble Servants
Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 144

To the Hoñble William Wake Esqr.
President and Governour &c^r. Council of Bombay.

Hoñble Sir & Sirs

Yesterday in the evening we were favoured with your Honour &c^ts. Letter of the 14th. September under cover of one from the Chief and Council of Tellicherry of the 26th. of that Month.

We are glad to hear of the safe arrival of the King William with you, and are much obliged to Your Honour &c^t. for the advices you were pleased to send us relating to the shipping and other affairs.

In consequence of the directions Your Honour &c^t. gave the Gentlemen at Tellicherry to acquaint the President and Council of Bengal of their having Two thousand five hundred Candies of Pepper ready there for any ships that might be sent to take it in, Two Ships will proceed thither for that purpose from Bengal of which the Chief & Council of Tellicherry have been Acquainted and as you have advised that Presidency One thousand Candies more could be spared We presume they will send another Ship to receive that Quantity, as we imagine the Tonnage they have can scarcily be provided for considering the circumstances of Affairs, there for by the last Letter to us their business was at an entire stand, from an Exorbitant demand made on them by the Nabob of Muxadavad. For fear of any miscarriage to Your Letter to them We shall in a day or two acquaint them of what you have wrote us on this Occasion.

We observe that the Hoñble Company have been pleased to confirm the Allowance of One hundred & forty Rupees ℔ Mensem to M^r. Smith, which shall be duely complied with.

The several Settlements on the Coast having on Account of the War desired to be furnished with a quantity of New Fire Arms, It is not in our power to comply with what the Gentlemen of Anjengo have desired of us, to send them Five hundred for the service of the King of Travencore, and could we have spared them any, there would have been no Conveyance offer'd to have forwarded them thither. In our last address to the President and Council of Bengal, we mentioned this to them, since it was represented to us as an Affair of some consequence to the Company's Interest and that they might possibly be able to send such a number of Arms from thence.

By the best information we can get from Pondicherry the Chermont and Fleury are both bound to the Malabar Coast, they were at Anchor there the 13th. Instant.

We are
Hoñble Sir & Sirs
Your most humble Servants

Fort S^t. George
17th. October 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.

No. 145

To James Hope Esqr.
Chief &c^r^. Council of Surat.

Gentlemen

Our last was dated the 29th. Ultimo, to desire your Care of our Packet to the President & Council of Bombay; This accompanies one also directed to them, which you will please to forward likewise.

We are

Gentlemen

Fort S^t^. George
17th. October 1744.

Your most Humble Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 146

To John Geekie Esqr.
Chief &c^a^. Council of Tellicherry.

Gentlemen

Yesterday we received your Letter of the 26th. September inclosing one from the Honourable the President & Council of Bombay. The Peons not arriving within the time mention'd have not had the Gratuity promised.

The Chermont & Fluery by the best information we can get are to leave Pondicherry for the Malabar Coast in a few days.

We are

Gentlemen

Fort S^t^. George
17th. October 1744.

Your most humble Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.

No. 147.

To M^r^. John Hallyburton
Resident of Madapollam.

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 6th. Inst^t^. which came to hand last Night in which we observe the Nabob had sent for the Maldar of the Factory and insisted upon your taking 500 Timbers, as you had done 300 last year from the former Nabob and that you must either submit or might leave the Country, This is talking

in a strain very foreign from his real Desire, for he cannot but be sensible, that the greatest Part of his Revenues arise from the commerce the European Nations carry on in his Government, and particularly that of our Company and he would with concern see that Day, well knowing how greatly it would effect him, even for the short space he is like to hold the Government, and that such are his Expectations this Behaviour of his seems to be a convincing Proof, or otherwise we think he would not pursue such Measures. The absolutely refusing to take them will we suppose occasion an entire stop to the carrying on your Business and some further Insults, & therefore it is to be consider'd whether the Loss that may accrue on the sales of the Timbers be not of much less consequence than the other, the manner of doing it is indeed unwarrantable and so are all Impositions of what Nature soever, but this is not the first Instance by many of the ill treatment the Europeans have met with in these Countrys, which have at length obliged them to abandon their Settlements till Time & reflection had made the Nabobs and Rajahs wish, when they were pressing for their Return, for where Force is not made use of to keep such Persons in awe, if Interest does not prevail with them there is no alternative, you must either comply or take your leave we should be concern'd to find ourselves under this Necessity and we hope Matters may be so manag'd as to prevent their being carryd to that Extremity, our President wrote the Nabob lately and will in a few days send him another Letter, but we apprehend all the arguments that can be made use of will avail little with a Person who has paid to dear for his Post and who seems determind to lose no Opportunity to make it as advantagious to himself as possible for the short Time he may expect to have it. The present affair is not of so very great consequence & if he goes no further, the advantage of a good Investment will greatly overballance the Loss the Timbers may occasion and his Behaviour in future will determine our further Resolutions.

We are

Sir

Your Affectionate Friends

Fort S^{r}. George
19th. October 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 148.

To the Worsh^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^{a}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letter of the 19th. Instant, by which we observe you have not been able to bring your Merchants to undertake any considerable Investment at Salem on the Terms the other Business is carryd on, and that they insist on the Risque of the Money to be for the Company's account alledging that Indulgence to be allowed by the French Company to their Merchants that on this account and other Pretences they had amusd you for some Time and that this had oblig'd you to look out for others, on which Suncha Latchmi Putty had made you an offer of providing two hundred Bales of Cloth at Salem by the end of January to whom you had already advanc'd 3000 Pagodas and that you should proceed on the Contract in case it met with our approbation to which we say that if you are satisfyd the

Person you recommend for this Business be of sufficient ability and that the Company are secure in regard to any advances to be made to him, the having such a quantity of that Sort of Cloth will no doubt be acceptable to our Honble Masters and very agreeable to us to have it to send them.

We are

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Your affectionate Friends & Servts.

Fort St. George
25th. October 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.
Samuel Harrison.

No. 149

To Mr. John Hallyburton
Resident at Maddepollam.

Sir

Inclosed is Invoice of some Broad Cloth and Perpetuanoes, which we send you Overland under the care of Mr. John Andrews.

Mr. Samuel Banks whom we have appointed to your assistance sets out with that Gentleman His time as a Writer commenc'd the 1st. July 1743, His salary has been paid him here to the 25th. of last Month as were his Other Allowances to the 30th. And he has been advanc'd 30 Pagodas for his Travelling Charges.

We are

Sir

Fort St. George
31st. October 1744.

Your Affectionate Friends

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.

No. 150

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c. Council
of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

This accompanies a supply of five thousand 5000 Pagodas under charge of Eleven Peons.

We are

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

Fort St. George
31st. October 1744.

Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.

No. 151.

To the Honble Mr. Dupleix
Governour of the City and Fort of Pondicherry &c.
& the Gentlemen of the
Superiour Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We are favour'd with your Letter dated the 17 Instant N.S. in which came inclosed Copy of some articles of agreement concluded between the Settlements of Mahie and Tellicherry in the years 1728 and 1742, as well as of a Proposal offer'd at this time by Mr. Geekie for confirming and extending the conditions thereof now War is actually broke out between our two Nations in Europe, the same to be ratifyd by the Respective Superiours, of Pondicherry & Bombay.

We have the honour to assure you Gentlemen that you judge perfectly right of our sentiments for concurring with any Measures calculated for the common Benefit, But as the Settlement of Tellicherry is subordinate to Bombay, it will be necessary for us to know their determination in this Point previous to anything to be concluded or by us, on the receipt of which we shall have the Pleasure to address ourselves again on this subject.

It is seldom or ever that it comes within our Province to send any of our Companys Shipping to the Malabar Coast, they generally proceed from Bengall and the Commanders receive their instructions from the President & Council of Fort William.

If it is thought expedient to send any of his Brittanick Majestys Ships of War abroad we shall with respect to them be under the same Circumstances, as you mention your selves to be with those of his most Christian Majesty, as they will act by authority independent of us.

We have the Honour to be with respect.

Fort St. George
13th. November 1744.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most humble & Most Obed't. Servts.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.

No. 152.

To the Honble William Wake Esqr.
President & Governour &c. Council of Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The 31st. of last month we were favour'd with Copy of your Letter of the 14th. Sept'r. the Original of which sent by way of Tellicherry reached us some Time before and to which we gave answer under the 17th. Ultimo.

The Governour & Council of Pondicherry have lately offere'd to our consideration the conforming on our Part a Proposal made by Mr. Geekie to their Chief at Mahie that the Ships of each Nation may navigate freely and without Molestation from Anjengo to Goa within forty Leagues of the Land, we send you herewith Copy of their Letter in its Translate, and our reply thereto, and are with perfect Esteem.

Fort St. George
13th. November 1744.

Honble Sir and Sirs
Your Most humble Servants
Nicholas Morse
&c. Council.

P.S. These Peons have been advanced Ten Rupees here.

No. 153.

To the Worshipl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &cA. Council of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir & Sirs

This accompanies a supply of Five thousand Pagodas under charge of 11 Peons.

We are
Worshl. Sir and Sirs
Your Affectionate Friends and Servants

Fort St. George
19th. November 1744.

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward [Harris].
William [Johnson].
John Savage.

No. 154.

To the Worshl. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c. Council of Fort St. David.

Worshl. Sir and Sirs

We have received yours of the 9th. instant by which we observe your Merchants have brought in a better sort of Chemanaickpollam Cloth, which costs half a Pagoda ℔ Corge more, and that you have sorted the same and distinguished it by the name of Sheally But as it is really Chemanaickpollam Cloth, we think it is not worth while for so small a difference to alter the Name on account of the Village it is manufactured in, we would therefore have you continue it under the usual denomination, and let the Bales of that Cloth be marked with the Letter S.

As to the Alteration you propose in your Warehouse, for the convenience of sorting to make it like ours, we would have you send us up a Calculate of the Cost, when we shall send you our further directions.

The Charge of repairing the Factory House at Cuddalore we find is set down at Pag^{s}. 400. You are the best judges of what is necessary and have therefore our Consent for that Work.

We have ordered a seal to be made for you.

We are

Worsh^{l}. Sir and Sirs

Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.

Fort S^{t}. George
2[1]st. November 1744.

No. 155.

[To the W]orsh^{l}. John Hinde Esqr.
Deputy Governour &c^{t}. Council of Fort S^{t}. David.

Worsh^{l}. Sir and Sirs

This accompanies a supply of Five thousand 5000 Pagodas under charge of eleven Peons.

We are

Worsh^{l}. Sir & Sirs

Your Affectionate Friends & Servants

Nicholas Morse.
William Monson.
Thomas Eyre.
Edward Harris.
William Johnson.
John Savage.

Fort S^{t}. George
24th. November 1744.

[*Letter No.* 156, *dated Fort St. George, 27th November 1744, lost.*]

No. 157.

To the Honble William Wake Esqr.
President & Governour &c^{a}. Council of Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The 25th. Instant we received the [accompa]nying Letter from the Governour and Council of Pondich[erry] address'd to your Honour &c^{t}. and we presume is on the sam[e] subject with one sent to us at the same Time in which they acquaint us that they had received Letters from their Company at Paris dated the 14th. April

1744 recommending to them th[e] maintaining an Harmony and good Intelligence with the Trading Nations in the Indies, upon which they have offer['d] us a Proposal for establishing as they term it, a Tranquility between the English & French from this side of the Cape [of] Good Hope as far as China & beyond it and to that end [that] we should give Directions to our several subordinates as [well] as the Shipping both of the Companys and private not [to be] aggressors in any shape whatsoever against those of [*subsequent matter lost*].

[. . .] of Your Letter [of . . .] are pleased to communicate [. . .] your Superiours with Respect to the [maintaining an Harmony] and good Intelligence with the [. . .] of the Trading nations in the Indies expressed [in the Letter from] Paris of the 14th. April 1744 and your [proposal] thereupon to this as well as the other Presidencys of [. . .] and Bengall for establishing respectively a Tranquil[ity from this] side of the Cape of Good Hope as far as China [& beyond it] and to that End that we should give Directions to our several subordinates as well as the shipping both of the Companys & private not to be aggressors in any shape whatsoever against those of the French Nation as you Gentlemen are pleas'd to acquaint us you have already done on your Part, To which we beg leave to say for Answer that we have a perfect sense of the good Disposition of the Gentlemen at Paris as well as your selves with regard to the Trading Nations in India, But however conformable these Measures might be to our Sentiments yet as our Company have not hitherto furnished us with Power to enter into such an agreement as is propos'd by you, We hope till their Orders reach us, you will permit us to stand excusd from any such Engagements, as one of this Nature must necessarily be subject to their good Pleasure, But with a Permi[ssion] [*subsequent matter lost*].

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