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To M^r Secretary Freeman

Sir

I am directed by the Hon^{ble} the Mayor's Court to furnish you with the enclosed Extract, and to return the commissions relative to the capture of Prizes taken from the French, Dutch or Spaniards - I am

Town Hall
May 26th 1783.

Sir

Your Most Obedient Servant

J. Taylor
Clerk

Extract from the Minutes of a Court Held at the Town Hall on Friday
the 23rd day of May Anno Domini 1783.

Present

William Webb Esquire Mayor
James Ball Edward John Hollond
Edward Garrow Thomas Cooper
Hugh Maxwell and Edward Ford

Admonition

Because the Charter sets forth in the fullest Manner the extent of its Jurisdiction and when in the duty of this Court Convoict, it would be highly irregular in the Members to deviate therefrom, or Receive Directions from any other Court whatever, unless provided for by Special Act of Parliament.

Because these Commissions assign a Power Jointly and Severally to the Members Corporation, to Act independent of the Court, and of each other in direct Contradiction to the Meaning and Spirit of its Institution.

The Court are therefore of Opinion that their Members as such, or Jointly, or Severally cannot sit under these Commissions or take witness in any Case whatever where they do not proceed to find Judgment according to their Institution.

To Mr. Secretary Truman

Sir

I am directed by the Honorable the Mayor's Court to acknowledge the Receipt of Your Letter of the 14th Instant Informing of the Appointments of Messrs. Lind and Mengier to be Aldermen.

As it has often happened that Members of the Court have been longer Absent than Messrs. Cram and Irwin, and twelve Months being the term of Absence allowed by Charter they think it should be signified that those Gentlemen have Resigned their Seats or by what other Means the Vacancies are Occasioned.

Town Hall
5th May 1833.

I am
Sir

Your Most Humble Servant

To Mr. Secretary Truman

Sir

Your Letter of the 27th Ultimo acquainting me that Messrs. Lind and Mengier were appointed Aldermen in consequence of Messrs. Cram and Irwin having signified to the Right Honorable the President and their desire to resign that Station, I Received on Sunday last, after the breaking up of the Court, it could not therefore be laid before the Members till this day.

In answer thereto, I am ordered to inform You, — as the Charter directs that all Persons who may be appointed Aldermen shall take the Oath prescribed within fourteen days, and as that time has elapsed since the nomination of Messrs. Lind and Mengier, it became necessary for the Right Honorable the President and Council to select two Members to fill the Vacancies Occasioned by the resignation of Messrs. Irwin and Cram.

Town Hall
June 3rd 1833.

I am
Sir

Your Most Humble Servant

J. Taylor
Clerk

To the Right Honorable George Lord Macartney
R. B. President and Governor &c Council of Fort George.

My Lord and Gentlemen

I am directed by the Honorable the Mayor's Court to Draw upon Your Lordship &c Council, for the Sum of One thousand Pagodas to defray the Necessary Charge Attending that Corporation.

Town Hall
17th July 1833.

I am
with the greatest Respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your Most Obedient
Humble Servant

To the Right Honble. Lord Chancellor
of the Great Council of the King
at the Court of Chancery
London
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the petition of the said John Smith, Esq. for a writ of Habeas Corpus, and in answer to inform you that the same has been referred to the consideration of the Judges of the said Court, and that they have advised that the writ should be granted, and that the said John Smith should be discharged from his imprisonment.

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