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Mayor's Court records.
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To Mr. Secretary Treman

Sir

I am directed by the Honble the Mayors Court to furnish you with the enclosed Extract, and to return the Commission relative to the Capture of Prizes taken from the French, Dutch or Spaniards - I am

Town Hall
May 24th 1783

Sir

Your most Obed. Servant

James Taylor
Regt.

Extract from the Minutes of a Court Held at the Town
Hall on Friday the 23^d day of May Anno Domini 1783
Present

William Webb Esquire & Mayor
James Call Esq. John Hollond
Edward Garrow Tho. Cooper
Hugh Maxwell & Esq. Frowd
Aldermen.

Because the Charter sets forth in the fullest
manner the extent of its Jurisdiction and where in the duty of this Court

Consists; 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 Jointly and Severally
to the members of this 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 Jointly, or Severally, Cannot Act under these
Commissions or take evidence in any Case whatever where they do not
proceed to find Judgment, agreeable to their Institution.

To M^r Secretary Treason

Sir

I am directed by the Honble the Mayors Court
to acknowledge the Receipt of Your Letter of the 27th Instant
concerning the appointments of ^{messrs} Lind & Jennings to be
Aldermen.

and has often happened that members of the Court have
been longer absent than ^{messrs} Owen & Johnson & twelve months being the
term of absence allowed by Charter they think it should be signified that
those Gentlemen have neglected their Jts. or by what other means the

vacancies are occasioned

Town Hall

may 1782.

I am Sir your most
Humble Servant

James Taylor

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney
K.B. President and Governor &c Council

Fort St George

My Lord and Gentlemen

I am directed by the Honble the Mayors Court to Demand
upon Your Lordship &c Council, for the Sum of One Thousand
Pagodas to defray the necessary Charges attending that Corporation

Town Hall
7th July 1783.

I am
with the Greatest Respect
My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most Obedient
Humble Servant

James Taylor
Recd.

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To M^r. Secretary Treasurers

Sir

I am directed by the Honble the Mayors Court to acknowledge the Receipt of Your Letter of the 17th Instant Informing of the appointments of messrs. Lind & Langley to be Aldermen.

and has often happened that members of the Court have been longer absent than messrs. Lind & Langley & 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

May 1783.

I am Sir your most
Humble Servant
James Taylor

To the Right Honble George Lord Macartney
K.B. President and Governor &c Council

Fort St George

My Lord and Gentlemen

I am directed by the Honble the Mayors Court to direct upon Your Lordship's &c Council, for the Sum of One Thousand Pagodas to defray the necessary Charges attending that Corporation

Town Hall

17th July 1783.

I am with the Greatest Respect

My Lord & Gentlemen

Your most Obedient
Humble Servant

James Taylor
Recd.

To Mr. Secretary Truman

Sir

Your Letter of the 24th ult^o acquainting me that
Messrs Lind and Munger were appointed aldermen in consequence of
Messrs Oram and Irwin having signified to the Right Hon^{ble} the
President their desire to resign that Station, I received on Tuesday
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 Munger, it became necessary for the Right Hon^{ble} the President
and Council to re-elect Two Members to fill the Vacancies occasioned
by the Tinguation of Messrs Irwin and Oram

Town Hall
June 3. 1783

I am

Sir

Your most humble Servant

James Taylor

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