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General Journal 5-7 1 5 August

Diary and Consultations of the Right
Worshipfull Alexander Douglas Esq^r
Agent &c Council in the Management of
the Honble Company of Merchants of England
their Affairs in the Kingdom of Persia

Wednesdays

Commerce
letter to

Monday 6

Wrote the Consignee at Carment
agreeable to yesterday's consultation permitting
as far as English Masters of Mould for the West

At a Consultation Pres

The Rights W^o Alexander Douglas Esq^r
M^{rs} Richard Licher & Francis W

Examined and Adjusted the Cash
for last Month the Balance being Masters Five
Twenty seven thousand One hundred Thirty one

Adjourned

The following is the Cash Account for the Month of
The Honble Company's Cash

To Balance of last Month
22 Gross of Ship Saluberry recd of Capt. John Fort the
Amount Damage without Release of the Cargo from England
30 Account of Saluberry from the Ship of England last sold by
Carried over

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 room August 1753

The Honble Company's Cash

CD.

Brought over	693996 9
Export Duty from the first of August last to the 1 st of July	71.28 1
Ramona & Maama	23000
	227131 6

The Honble Company's Cash

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By Account Current Broughty consigned the Honble the President & Council of Bombay to Calcutta	100000
By Balance	427131 6
	227131 6

Imported the Brill Captain David Robertson
 from Bunderagh, by which vessel we received a letter from the
 President at Calcutta dated 14th July last enclosing us a short
 letter from the Chief and Factors at Surat and an original
 letter from the Honble President and Council of Bombay of
 the 26th March duplicate of which was received the 16th June last.

The following are copies of the letters from the Chief and
 Factors at Surat and Mr. Debaron M. at Bunderagh.

To the Right W^o Alexander Douglas Esq^r.
 Agent &c^o Council at Gombroon
 Right W^o Sir & Sons.

This accompanies a Packet to
 you from the Honble the President & Council at Bombay^{to} they
 transmitted us to forward on the Base Gallies but it came not
 to hand untill two Days after that Vessel had left this Place.

We are R^o W^o Sir & Sons your most Obedt Servants

Surat
 April 3 1753

Chas Brownmiller
 Robert Hafford
 Samuel Court

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Gombroon August 1753

To the Right W^o. Alexander Douglas Esq
Agent &c Council at Gombroon
Right W^o. Sir & Sirs.

Bussorah
August 1753

I had the honour to address
you under the 15th May by the Neptune Galley & have since been
favoured with your letters of the 15th 26th & 28th April. The former was
sent me by Aga Abdulla immediately at his arrival here on the 4th June
but the next morning early he set out for Bagdad without
making me a tender of any money on account of the little Compa
so that the Rules of Diamonds depends on Security of payment
for his purchase of Western Goods. For from the Character the
same's heard of the Man, is all that your W^oge have to expect
from him, & with that may prove an equivalent consideration.
Your Request for the little Court of Traders went
forward to Aleppo the 26th Mims.

I have lately been so fortunate as to
find the whole quantity of Pearls received by the Neptune
the Ten Rules of pearls at one hundred proof Manicedis the
others at ninety of Manicedis pp^{ts} which terms the low condition
the season of the year will more meet your expectations. Had
I not accepted them, the whole parcel would most probably have
been on hand till the return of the Cold Weather, ere which I have
now the pleasure to request that your W^oge will supply this defect
with about one thousand pearls in equal proportions of all
belonging that you have in the Warehouse only in regard to their
price I must observe that none which are now upwards of forty pp^{ts}
Mullings pp^{ts} will answer sending to the market.

The enclosed Packet sent by a Merchant's vessel lately
departing herein believ that it contains another for the little Company
to accordingly forward have taken out signing for an opportunity of
forwarding it in a few days & having only further to add that I am
most respectfully

Right W^o. Sir & Sirs
your most humble
and obedient servant
Bragon

Bussorah
the 14th July 1753

Gombroon

August 1755

Monday 9. This Day the Agent received a Letter from Saffur Cawn
advising that Carron Cawn had appointed him Beglebeggy
of the Hot Countries and Admiral of the Persian Fleet

Tuesday 10. Arrived the Boneta Dutch Capt. Andree Young from Bander

Wednesday 11. Sholler came into Town this Day from Barmenia
who reports that Carron Cawn had marched from Spahau
with a large Army to Attack Shaw Sholler's Hopier that
both Armies met near Barmunshur and that the latter
Forces were routed;

Thursday 12. Sailed the Brill Capt. David Robertson for Bengall

Friday 13. Wrote a Complimentary Letter to Saffur Cawn congratulating
him on his late Disappointment - saying that the
Friendship which had subsisted between him
and the Honourable Company would still be closely
united -

Saturday 14. Sailed the Boneta Dutch Capt. Andree Young for Bengall

Sunday 15. This Day Shah Mahomeds People plundered Shahr and Town
and its reported they intend to lay waste for a large Buffaloe
which will set out the beginning of next Month for Barmenia,
It is reported that between a Person of great power near Shahr
with several Tribes of Beas have formed a Party against
Saffur Cawn -

At a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq^r
Agent M^{rs} Richard Scherz Francis Wood

The Brothers having represented to the
Agent that several Merchants in Town are willing to Purchase
a considerable Quantity of the Honble Company's Damages
both provided they could agree with us about the price,
he has thought proper to call this meeting in Pursuance
of the Resolution of the 3rd Ultime, that after due Examination

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of the different Sortments they may be disposed of as near their real value as Possible which Business is shewed accordingly and the following Goods being found in bad condition are brought out of the Warehouse and sold at the undermentioned Prices as we judge it more advisable to sell them for ready Money at these low rates than to let them remain in hand any longer

Coinse	192 Ruas at Bahau
Five	54 P. R.
Drab	12 P. R.
Midley	36 P. R.

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Adjourned

Off night
R. Lecker

Friday 24

Report that the Dutch ship is pretty agreeable to the Dutch.

A Captain came into Town this Day from Bosphore with letters for the Dutch who report that Codrum, Shah, Kallion, with all the Mosley, Drake, and Shah, Mahomet are joined together against Napier's Cause, whose affairs at present carry a very bad aspect, so that report has got credit in Town and most of the inhabitants much alarmed thereat, and it being of the utmost consequence to us to know the truth, therefore two Messengers were instantly despatched to Shor with a complimentary letter to the Cause, but at the same time private orders were given them, to bring us a true account how affairs went.

Monday 27

Report that the Dutch ship is pretty agreeable to the Dutch.

The report still continues that Napier's Cause affairs go very ill, and that he has had an engagement with his Enemies and was defeated.

September 7 33

Tuesday 5

The Messengers despatched the 24 ultimo to Shor, we are not as yet certain nor can we get any certain intelligence here, so that Napier's Cause affairs go

Gombroon September 1753

Monday 3

By letters to the Merchants in town this Day from Caracorum it is confidently reported that Garsen Caum who had been wandering up and down the Mountains near Spahaur, at length became weary of that way of life, had sent proposals of Friendship to his Brother who held the Government of Spahaur and after settling affairs to their mutual satisfaction had agreed to raise an army to prevent Shaw Sultan's further progress in the Country, and that in consequence of said agreement Garsen Caum marched with upwards of Twenty five Thousand Men to Adobajay where Shaw Sultan's head quarters was, that the morning after Garsen Caum's forces came in sight the King followed by his army, after a very warm engagement on both sides for several Hours, fortune at last decided it in favour of the Royal party, and that the King instantly bent his March towards Spahaur.

That day came into town Hundred and fifty Soldiers from Hodge Maud to escort a large Buffala designed for Caracorum which been detained here for some time on account of the Black Mahomet's people who plundered all the Villages round the place without meeting the least opposition.

Thursday 6

At a Consultation Present
The Right W. Alexander Douglas Esq
Agent Richard Secher & Francis Wood

The General Books ending 3^d July last being balanced and four transcribed, all now laid before the Board, examined and passed the Cash Account for last Month & balance of which is Shillings four hundred Twenty seven Thousand one hundred thirty one, and Six pence.

Adjourned

Alex Douglas
R Secher the

Gombroon September 1753

Sunday 9 List of sundries belonging to the Honble Company delivered by Brabazon Ellis and received by William Shaw viz:

2s Bales Broad Cloth received of Neptune

1 Piece Black Water Tabby

1 Cash Chest

1 Large sack

1 Paper Case

3 Writing Ticks

1 Scale Beam, Triangle and Weights

Balance of Cash 1719.34

Buporah

August 25th 1753

Errors Excepted

By Brabazon Ellis

William Shaw

Monday 10

At a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq. Agent
Messrs Richard Secher & Francis Wood

As the Rose Galley will sail in a Day or two for Bombay the Secretary is directed to draw up a letter to the Honble President and Council advising them of all transactions since the date of our last address, and as another Conveyance may not offer for some time resolved to send on her one sett of our General Books ending July last and also our Diary and Stewards Accounts for the same time.

A. Douglas

R. Secher

Adjourned

Tuesday 11

At a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alex^r Douglas Esq. Agent
Messrs Richard Secher & Francis Wood

Met to peruse and sign our addresses to the Honble President and Council of Bombay,

and

Gombroon September 1753

Monday 13

And the Secretary is directed to make up the packets and to enclose the necessary Papers.

D^o Douglas
R. Leches

Adjourned

To the Honble Rich^d Bouchier Esq.
President & Gov^r & Council of Bombay
Honourable Sir and Mrs.We transmitted our last Address to your Honours by the Salisbury, and the ~~these~~ Gally calling here in her return from Buporah, we take the opportunity of forwarding on her one set of our General Books and the Naval Accounts of Fishermen's and the 31st of July last as also our Diary for the same time.Your Hon^{rs} have already been acquainted with our reasons for detaining the Guardian, which to our great Concern are still supported by the same disagreeable Circumstances we think it needless therefore to trouble your Honours any further on this Head, than to assure you that no Consideration shall induce us to keep her a Day longer than to the best of our Judgement it appears for the ~~South~~ Company's Interest.In our Address of the 12th of June we requested that your Honours would be pleased to take the first opportunity of complying Mr Woods Indent for Arpeta, and at the same time acknowledge the receipt of five hundred pieces if them consigned us ~~at~~ those Gally, but the Demand for these Articles in Country being greatly Increased thro the Poverty of the Subjects who are now almost reduced to wear them, we have ordered an Indent for five thousand Pieces more, and beg your Honours will comply with it by the next Conveyance, as they will be a great help to us.

IN

Gombroon September 1753

Dear Sir

in disposing of the large Quantity of Cloth remaining in the Warehouse which for the above reason the Merchants will not Purchase without an unequal proportion of Requests and supply received. Mr. Salisbury will not be sufficient.

Under the 15th of July last the Merchant indentured to us for a thousand Pieces of Requests of an unequal proportion of belows the price not to exceed forty p. Piece, but being unable to comply with his request, beg your Hon^{rs} to be pleased to do it.

We have heard nothing from our Linguist at since the 15th July, when he acquainted us that the Vachich, having orders to encase all the Cammeca cloth, had raised the Price of it to above eight Shillings for the yard, with tops in weight, blowing and other Incident. He told us at least to the above Shillings, therefore he desired him to get us regard to the Investment, not choosing to proceed on such extravagant terms without our consent, when upon we took this affair into Consideration, and after discussing the Hon^{ble} Court of Directors and your Hon^{rs} orders to us concerning it which lay us in Suspension as to price, we determined to continue till your Hon^{rs} Pleasure shall be known, and gave Orders accordingly.

Not doubting that our Friend of the Cloth which arrived here the 25th of June and were sent to your Hon^{rs} Mr. Salisbury, would have been transmitted to you by the next Convoys; but the Linguist having neglected to shut inclosing me in the above, and as we have hitherto received the answer from him to our orders, we remain under a necessity of deferring it till Opportunity.

Nasir Caur, who is a Person well disposed towards all Europeans, still holds Government of the Port Countries, tho' not without difficulty, as he is in a manner surrounded with

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Gombroon September 1753

Both arabs and Persians with whom he is obliged to have frequent conferences, and in order to deter others from revolting, was those who fell into his hands with the greatest facility. It has been a considerable time since we have had any certain accounts of the State of affairs up Country, but its generally believed that Ahmer Shaw Offgorn will at last reduce the Kingdom to Obedience and settle the Government as it was, before the time of Nadir Shaw. Shabroth Shaw (as we advise your Hon^r a long ago) was killed at a distance by Jaffer Cauer, Shaw Sultan H. Baiser, who it was thought would have been placed on the Throne by the Turks, remains with a great number of soldiers in Uster Baguon, but as yet has done nothing extraordinary unless the report of time of us having defeated Cauer's Cauer's Brother who advanced against him from Spahauer with a powerful Army in the month of June last, and Ahmed Shaw continues in the Hands of the Bajors, so that the prospect of peace, safety and tranquillity seems to be at as great a distance now as it have been for many years; Inclosed is our calculate of Quich Stock drawn out to this Day.

M^r Ellis takes passage on this vessel having delivered the Charge of Superiority Residency to M^r Shaw and he has rec^d his salary & sent to y^e 28 August

We are with great Respect,
Honble Sir and Sirs,
your most Obedient,
Humble servants,

Gombroon
the 15th Sept 1753

Alexander Douglas,
Richard Secker,
Francis Wood, Indent

Gombroon September 1753

Indent of Perrets for Gombroon m

Green 300
 Black 300
 Blue 500
 Scarlet 200
 Purple 200
 Wine 100

If these colours the quantity
 not to be exceeded

Friday 14
 Saturday 15
 Commenced at
 from

tailed the Great Gally for Bombay -
 Received a letter from the Command. Lingust advising that
 he had prepared some Webb and as he was in want of money
 desired this money to immediately drawn on some Bankers there
 in his power for Sixty Thousands -

at a Consultation Present
 the Right Wth Alex^r Douglas Esq^r
 Agent M^{rs} Rich^d Hecker Franc^{is} Wood

Our Lingust at Carmine having requested a
 supply of twelve hundred Angers on acc^t of the Wood Shoutmen,
 it is agreed to commit him that sum to the Bankers are now directed
 to procure Bills for, and as he is extremely scrupulous in his advice
 and Accounts, we shall advise him very sharply upon this head
 in our next particularly in regard to the Sum of Webb he has not
 yet transmitted us, tho' we sent our positive orders to send them
 upwards of three months ago.

Adjourned

Alex^r Douglas
 R Hecker
 Wrote

Gombroon September 1753

- Wrote the Inquist at Cochin agreeable to the foregoing Consideration enclosing him two Bills of Exchange drawn by our Factory Brothers in his favour for 100000 hundred on Chana and Biddul at the same time reprimanded him for not transmitting an Invoice of the Goods.
- Monday 17** This Day Moulah Ally Shaw sent word to the Agent that he had received letters from Nisoor Chaudhary of his having defeated Godam, and the tribe of Wols, had entered into a Rebellion against him.
- Thursday 20** Arrived in Caffela from Zanz with Coppies & King, the Merchants report that Nisoor Chaudhary was a ~~Spandan~~ ^{Spandan}.
- Friday 21** Imported Dutch Ship from Batavia which place she left the 1st of May, she has brought the usual Cargo of Sugar, Spices, Steel and Iron.
- Monday 24** Arrived four Prigups from Suflap with Makh Ramia whom Whistah Ally Shaw sent for in order to place in the Government of this place, during his absence, he brought about one hundred ^{or} 200 Men with him.
- Tuesday 25** Received a letter from Cochin Inquist advising that he had in readiness some hundred and fifty thousands of Wols which he will send down shortly, that he has some money outstanding in the Merchants hands in this account, and shall use his utmost endeavours to get the remainder of the Wols in with all expedition. He complains that money was not sent him in March last agreeable to his request and that the want of it has prevented his getting so large a quantity as he should have done had his request been complied with. That as he did not keep any separate account of the Wols last sent in, but blended this years purchases together, he is unable to transmit the Invoice till the whole of the Invoice is completed.
- A Merchant who came from Sher affirmed that two of his Brothers were some time ago taken by Makh Mohamed Reple

Report that two of our Brothers are taken by Makh Mohamed

at

Gombroon September 1753

at a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alex^r Douglas Esq^r Agent
Mess^{rs} Richard. Lecher & Francis Wood

Examined and passed the Stewards
Account of Disbursements for last Month amounting to Nam
Thirty four Thousand eight hundred & seven pieces for 36807.3

Adjourned

A. Douglas
R. Lecher

Abstract of the Stewards Disbursements
for August 1753.

Table Expenses	10993.6
Garrison Charges	7271.5
Servants Wages	1640.-
Charges Extraordinary	2152.6
Shuttle Charges	3625.5
Shop Guardian	5425.5
Charges Merchandise	589.3
Factory Repairs	2700.1
Wagon Garden	400.-
	<u>Shalies 34807.3</u>

Thursday 27 Arrived a small Baffala from Bormenia with Copper and four
and eight heads of Wool for the Dutch.

Friday 29 Wrote the Bormenia. Linguist in answer to a letter received
from him the 25th directing him to use his utmost endeavours
to procure what Wool he can and send it down, as soon as
possible, that if Remittances had not been made him when
requested he ought to have advised the Agent thereof on
his arrival which was five Months ago when due care
would

Gombroon September 1753

Friday 30

business
done

would have been taken thereof and that by his neglecting to make mention thereof it seems as if he only wanted excuses for not securing the quantity he might have done.
Received a letter from the great Baur advising that he had received orders from Mow Sultan to proceed to Myrath and govern that place, but on his going to Shoon, he found the Province in so wretched a condition as not to be able to maintain his Army, he therefore in consideration of the poor Inhabitants, thought it most advisable to send for the Head Men of Myrath to him, that he might give the necessary orders for such governing the place, that while he was employed in this affair he received advices of Sedum, Ais Morris apori, Hodjee Mahmud, Amen, Godjee Abdul Sama, Mulla Ahmad, Hodjee Hapain, Gelladassee, Shakh Sahher, Shakh Goply, Dagarsee, Said Shakh Mahmud, Gelladassee, Said Hapain, Korne, Korne Gamsay, and Shakh Mahmud having joined their forces together to attack him, that he used all the fair means as possible to divert their coming to an open battle, but all in vain; Whereupon he immediately marched towards them and came up with their forces at Sait Abaud, when an engagement ensued, which lasted from Sun rise till Noon, when the Rebels were routed, leaving about seven hundred Men, with all their baggage and one of their Chiefs, Shakh Sahher being taken Prisoner, that he has besieged the fort of Sait Abaud which he hopes to be master of shortly.
The above letter was brought the Agent by our Shooters whom he despatched to Shor the 24th August and on enquiring of them the reason, why they did not return sooner, they said that two days after they left this place they met with a party of men belonging to Shakh Mahmud who beat them severely and detained them for several Days, but that one Night they had the good fortune to escape when they made the best of their way to the Baur who kept them till he was able to send an account how affairs went.

He defeats
the Rebels

Shakh Mahmud
besieged
one of our
forts

The above said

1753 Spent room September 1753

said. Matters represented that as Shah Mahomeds People took away their Cloaths and whatever else they had about them, they hoped some acknowledgment would be made them and as what they alledged was upon enquiry found to be true the sum of six Rupees was ordered them.

October 1753

Thursday 4

At a Consultation Present
The Rights W^{ts} Alexander Douglas Esq^r
Agent M^{rs} Rich^d Secher & Franc^s Wood

Examined and passed the Cash accounts for last month the Balance of Rs. 227131.6
seven thousand one hundred and thirty one and six p^{ts}

Adjourned

Alex^r Douglas

R Secher

The Honble Company's Cash, B^t

Account passed

1753

September 1

To Balance of last Month ----- 227131.6

To Superordinate Treasury Office of the Galtay ----- 300000.0

Makes 227131.6

The Honble Company's Cash, C^t

1753

Septem^r 30

By Balance ----- Makes 227131.6

Wrote

Gombroon October 1752

Friday
Sept 20
Letter to

5 Wrote a Complimentary Letter to Asipour Cauer congratulating him on the success he has lately had against his enemies.

Saturday

Sept 21
Letter from Batavia

6 Imported a large Dutch Ship in about fifty Days from Batavia, on board of her came Myndert Kinghalswer, the late Resident at Buperah, He reported that two more are expected, shortly, and that they have a design of making a new Settlement on the Island, some think its the Island, Bueran, they have in view but as they have every thing very close time only can discover their real intention. Shortly two Dutch Agents the Agents received a letter from Myndert Mennet at Spahaur, dated 15 August last, extract of which is as follows, that some time past, Kareem Cauer set out from thence and on his arrival at River and Jangerca he met Ally Mardancauer Ally which he entirely routed and took prisoner, Spah Sultan's Nephew to the late Mirzadar Cauer, has some time for this engagement, happy Ally Mardancauer had wrote Azad Cauer, Offshoots to join him with his forces that while he was on his March he received notice of the defeat of Ally Mardancauer, whereupon he wanted to retreat back to Savers, which the Spies of Gombroon brought Information of his being at Gombroon with near thousand Men, that upon this notice Kareem Cauer immediately marched towards him and by quick marches came up to him when a Battle ensued, in which Kareem Cauer's Army was routed, that upon this news being brought to Spahaur, Indach Cauer (Brother to Kareem Cauer) who was Governor of that place, Mardancauer the Inhabitants of the place, or a favourable manner and killed Azad Cauer's Brother in law to Kareem Cauer, Kodge Coughy and ally Sepas (Ally), plundering and robbing the Shops of each other, that on the 16th August a report was spread that Kareem Cauer was on his way to Spahaur, at which the Inhabitants was greatly alarmed, especially the King leaders of the state, Mafnere, and

Therefore

Gombroon October 1735

Sunday 7

But they being unable to raise money he had taken the greatest part of their Cattle and sent them to Grahams, however that this wants confirmation. That on the 25th August it was rumoured that the Subahdar had a design to seize Caremeau, upon the whole that the affairs of the Country were in a bad situation.

In a passport of the above letter dated 20th August he further adds that on the 25th report was brought that the Affghans on the 17th took the fort upon which Caremeau prepared himself for fight. That on the 26th Mubarecaur and Sadecheaur joined Grahams not daring to appear before the Affghan troops. That on the 27th Mahamedcaur, Chuchakcaur, Mubarecaur and Sadecheaur held a Council when it was agreed that neither they or Caremeau should fly but that their Families should be immediately sent to the north and they themselves go and attack the Affghans Army, that if Fortune favoured them it was well that they could always retire to Shycah.

Wednesday 10

Mohammed Ally Khan this day received a letter from Shah Mahomet who advises that the joint forces of Candahar and the Khyber Arabs fell in the night on Nafur Baurs troops that they have killed many of his Soldiers and some of his Principal officers and that he hopes to send him very soon an account of the total defeat of Nafur Baurs. A Trusty messenger was this day dispatched to Shah's about to bring us an account of the Situation of Nafur Baurs affairs.

Thursday 11

Sailed two Trade Ships up the Ganges - on board of them is Mynhaer Haighhausen the late Resident at Buporah.

Friday 12

At a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alex^r Douglas Esq^r
Agent. Mess^{rs} Rich^d. Nicholls. Francis Wood,
This meeting is called in order to

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Sunday 1

Therefore they dispatched a messenger to meet him under the design of discovering whether he had a strong force with him: that they might either withstand his intent the City or else fly: however he got notice of this design: then the Messenger and continued his march to Soc. Inaugur a Day till he arrived at Spahaur, which was the 10th August when he immediately put to death eight of the King's officers laying a heavy tax on the City as well as on Sulfa, but the Inhabitants were so poor that he was only able to raise the sum of seven thousand Tomans at both places, that the Officers after defeating Gombroon's army marched toward Pory to Soc, belonging to Gombroon which is defended by a large fort: this they have laid siege to, and some report that Chuchallycaur, and Mahomedcaur who command there make frequent sallies and kill many of the Persians on the other hand others say that the Persians were so annoyed by the Officers Bombs, and Cannons that they would be obliged to surrender very soon, that in short its difficult to come at the truth: every Man speaks according to the party he follows, that on the 10th August Sadachcaur with six principal officers and six hundred soldiers were dispatched to the relief of Pory fort and that in their march they met some hundred Men headed by Ally Maedancaur, with whom they had a battle when Sadachcaur was defeated and obliged to fly to the Castle of Gulpicor, which Ally Maedancaur has besieged, Thus on the 10th August Gombroon sent from Spahaur Mirhabcaur with three principal officers and one thousand five hundred soldiers some say they are gone to attack the Soc in order to siege in Mass Sultan Kapaun, others report they are gone to the relief of Sadachcaur, and some say they are gone to the assistance of Chuchallycaur, that three days after their departure a report was spread that Ally Maedancaur was retired from before Gulpicor, and that Mirhabcaur had taken prisoners the head Men of the place alleging it was those that means Ally Maedancaur escaped, that he had likewise laid a heavy tax on them,

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Inspect twenty four Baggis of Pell which the Honourable President and Council Consigned to his Agency P. Ship Mameedy, the Steward representing to us that it was quite rotten and full of Weeds, whereby the Mameedy Provisions in his Warehouse are endangered, the Baggis examined accordingly and found to be exceeding bad, inasmuch that the Ragions and Poultry would not touch it, therefore it is condemned and agreed to be swept off.

Adjourned

R. Leches

Wednesday 17

This day returned the Messenger whom the Agent the 1st Inst sent to Maaf Island, he brings an account that Nopur Caw is still besieging the Fort of Maaf Alpuat, and that the Healy Bands are encamped within 8 Days March thereof and intend to cut off all provisions coming to Nopur Caw's Army.

Friday 19

Barrenia
Letter from

Received a letter from our Linguist at Carmentia advising that he had dispatched a Caffila with seven hundred and eighty Maunds that Carmentia Recd that he had paid half the Carrey thirteen amounting to 1000 Tomounds, eight Nopurs, and seven Thammass and a half 4th 8th 2nd and that the remainder was to be made good here, that he is in hopes of being able to send us shortly a further quantity, that he likewise sends some Horse furniture for the use of our Stables, and he acknowledges receipt of the bills of Exchange sent him the 18th Ultimo and desires a further remittance of 30 Tomounds.

In another letter received at the same time he advices that Aradraun had taken Inghaur in the name of Maaf Sultan Nopur, and has directed that part of his forces to go against Ally Madanawar not with any evil Intentions against the Kings Person, but to get him into his Hands that his affairs may be carried on with better Countenance. On the 1st October three Choppais arrived at Carmentia

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Friday 19

From Spahaur with orders from him to seize the Person of Casimcauri who had fled towards Myrath, and that he had dispatched Sataly Baur with a party of men in quest of him, that Casimcauri was in quiet possession of Spahaur and the Country round as far as Ubebagur, and that he had made the following promotions, Merja Abulmoenim formerly exier to Abraham Shau Gocconent of Casimcauri, Mahomet Raja Baur, Admiral of the Persian Fleet, Abdul Bapim Beg (commonly called Shacurry), Sultan of the Kot-Banachies and Mahomet Raja Baur's Son, Sultan of Nigda, that upon a difference arising between Spahaur and ally Mardancaur, the latter who had the greatest influence over Shaw Sultan Kopaer, prevailed on him to go to Sooristoon, where he remains at present but the former beingaverse to such a step withdrew from the Army with three thousand Affghens and two thousand Georgians, and one thousand Mards, and marched towards Spahaur which City he took as above related, By address received from Bazarat, the Moorj Tartars committed great Depredations in that Province.

Moolah ally Shau
Sultan Baur.

Orders of the
Balleoches
being at Bazarat

This Day Moolah Ally Shau sent the Agent a letter which he had received from Shacurry who writes that the Balleoches six days past arrived arrived at Barmoon that upon this Notice he immediately dispatched orders to the officers under his jurisdiction to keep a watchful eye over them to prevent their plundering the Country, that he is uncertain at present the course they may take but should it be this way that he may depend on being further advised. Shortly.

Sailed a Dutch Ship for Batavia.

Sailed a Dutch
Ship for Batavia

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At a Consultation Present

Interday 20

The Right Wth Alex^r Douglas Esq^r
Agent M^{rs} Rich^d Lecher & Fran^{co} Wood,

In Compliance with our Commission

Surgeons request the Agents presence to supply him with the sum of one Thousand five hundred dollars that the want of money may not impede his proceeding in the said business, which being agreed to, orders are issued forth for the said remittance to be made here by Bill, and for the Masters to hold themselves in readiness to set out for Cassimere to morrow morning. Examined and paid the Agents Account of Disbursements for last month amounting to Shabers forty thousand one hundred and thirty two.

Adjourned

A. Douglas

R. Lecher

Abstract of the Merwards Disbursements for September 1753

Table Expenses	100 26 .. 0
Factory Repairs	11 09 .. 6
Servants Wages	164 0 .. -
Account Cattle etc being	250 .. -
Upson Garden	40 0 .. -
Stable Charges	2032 .. 0
Overdrew	155 .. 2

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Brought over 155 19. 2

Garrison Charges 7 33 5

Charges Extraordinary 2350. 6

Charges Merchandise 313. =

Ship Guardian 44643. 7

Shall be 40162.0

Yesterday 20
Suffered from
Cough.

Received a letter from Popper Counc. advising that Bradcoun had desired him to come to Spaldham in case the Net-Countries were quiet, that he returned him for answer that at present they were in the utmost Confusion, but so soon as he had quelled the the Holy Wars, &c. he would appear before him, that Caron Counc. who had retreated to Thrush had sent two hundred men to his assistance, finding they were but an insufficient number immediately wrote him to send all his force likewise to come himself that they might bring an end to the present disturbances, that in hourly expectations of Caron Counc. joining according to his desire he begs we will have a full train of Arms, Broad Cloth &c. and shall proper person to receive them and will be agreeable to yesterdays Consultation re: Carmania Anquet's Bill of Exchange for 1000 Rupees (1000) drawn at his father by one Mr. Hodges Barber.

Monday 21

Received a letter from our Carmania Anquet that on the 5th October that while Micromica was Governor was sent out of the Town at the

Carmania
sent from

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Sunday 21

Mr. Wright has
written to the
Honourable Company
of the East India
Company to demand

Marrothead with four hundred Men. Men felt unduly only on the Town and after some trifling resistance took to the Mountains. Marrothead with some of the Head men made their escape to Bauer, where they are endeavouring to levy forces to retake it. That upon this occasion he found it unavoidable to make Marrothead a prisoner in the Honourable Company's name, and in case fortune should be so favourable to replace Marrothead again in the Government that he must in the like manner make him a prisoner. It being upwards of three Months since we addressed our Honourable Masters the Secretary is directed to draw up a letter of all occurrences which have happened since the date of our last.

Monday 22

Mr. Wright has
written to the
Honourable Company

Tuesday 23 Arrived from Armenia twenty six loads of Wool belonging to the Honourable Company which our linguist advises contains with twelve hundred and eighty Marrothead by a tranship which we imported from Persia. We received a letter from the President there dated 25th September as entered hereafter. Mr. Wright has the reports concerning a dispute Bauer says affirm that he has had an engagement with the Hooley tribe in which part of his army was defeated, others spread a popular tale of the contrary, and that the Bauer has had the advantage over the Rebels. In short every one speaks according to the party he favours, it is still difficult to come at the truth.

Wednesday 24

Report to the
Honourable Company

Thursday 25

At a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alex Douglas Esq^r
Agent, Mess^{rs} Rich^d Lecker & Trans Wood

Our last Advices to the Honourable the Court of Directors being drawn out are read to the Board and every thing I have to say is done.

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the Secretary is directed to transcribe it fair and that
we hire Coopers to carry it overland to Buporah

Adjourned

A. Douglas
R. Secker

Saturday 27

at a Consultation Present

The Right Wth Alex Douglas Esq^r
Agent. Mess^{rs} Rich^d Secker & Fran^{co} Wood

Advised to sign our Advices to the Hon^{ble}
Court of Directors as also to the President at Buporah
which the Secretary is ordered to make up that the
said may present with them early in the morning

Adjourned

A. Douglas
R. Secker

To the Honble the Court of
Directors for affairs of the Uni
ted Company of Merchants of
England Trading to y^e East Indies
May it Please Your Honour's

The accompanying is Dupli^{cates}
of our Honble. Requests dated the 10th July since which
time no Conveyance has offered for Buporah, but
the

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Orders from Nasser Khan first to go and destroy Abdul Shah Governor of Meshed and afterwards to proceed the Gulph with them to transport part of his Army over Bahrein, in favour of Shah Mahomed Bengaber who was formerly Governor of that Island, but either thro' fear of falling again into the hands of the said Nasser, or some other motive, the work is carried on very slowly, and is generally believed he is resolved not to obey the Persian orders, he being an Arab himself, very nearly related to Shah Nizam, who is now in arms with all his Tribes against the said Mahomed Bengaber's Party.

In our advice to the Hon^{ble} President and Council under date the 13th ultimo p^{er} Rose Gully, we requested a supply of five thousand (2000) Ricas of Peria, finding a much greater demand for them than usual among the up Country Merchants, which we are very much concerned to acquaint your Honours with from the number of Inhabitants who are reduced to real Poverty thro' oppression, and from the disguise which others are obliged to put on, in order to appear so, for Rich Men in all parts of Persia are sought after and pursued with more diligence than Wild Beasts, and if taken are treated with greater inhumanity, so that most of the wealthy Merchants have been obliged to fly for Refuge to different parts of India under pretence of going to Hong Kong which has occasioned a kind of Magnation in Trade throughout the Country, and also proved of some Detriment to your Honours sales of Broad Cloth at this place, the Merchants that remain, not being able to purchase near the Quantity now, as they used to do before, Justice and oppression arrived at so great a height, and were it not that we oblige them to take a proportion of such assortment, they would readily agree for all the Peria we have in the Warehouse at the rate of twenty (20) shillings a piece one with another, from whence it might not

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seem improper to request an additional Quantity, to the three thousand (3000) pieces Indented for under the 26th April last, but the Merchants here are so very precarious that there is no depending on them.

By the Salisbury we conveyed the Honble. President and Council the sum of Forty thousand (40,000) Rupees in Cash, 5000⁰ Maunds of Pepper, and Twelve (12) Bales of Cambric. Wool &c. &c. the whole amounting to Six hundred Thousand One hundred eighty three Shabes and two (2) (600,183.2) upon your Honours account and Cash which we doubt not is arrived safe at Bombay a long time ago.

A few days after the dispatch of our last advice to your Honours we received a letter from the Linguist at Cambric informing us that that the Dutch Vachels had employed persons in the Villages to collect all the Wick they possibly could, either in small or large Quantities at the rate of eighty (80) Shabes per Maund, with a view of engrossing that Commodity into his own Hands; whereby our Investment was entirely put a stop to, and could not be carried on unless we permitted him to purchase upon the same terms, which, including the Charges of bleaching and losing weight, he judged must come to a hundred and ten (100) Shabes and upwards per Maund; This affair was immediately taken into consideration, and finding ourselves under express orders to complete the Quantity Indented for, without any limitation as to the Price, we ordered the Linguist to proceed, in hopes if it would answer for the Dutch, it would do the same for your Honours, but directing him at the same time to use his best endeavours to get it cheaper, and in our advice by the next Galley we gave a particular account thereof to the Honourable President and Council requesting their orders concerning it. The Linguist has wrote us three letters upon this Subject since the above; in the two former received the 10th & 15th.

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We gave us hopes of having between seven and eight hundred mauls in readiness to send down by the next Gallia, and he requested a supply of two thousand two hundred (2200) Mopass that he might be enabled thereby to continue his purchases, which sum has been duly remitted him; in the letter received the 10th Instant he advised us of four thousand six hundred and eighty (4680) Mounds being upon the Road for this place, which arrived here the 23rd and shall be forwarded to Bombay by the first good Conveyance;

The Dutch sent five thousand six hundred and forty (5640) Mounds to Batavia upon the Ship that sailed from hence the 19th Instant, and their Vacht at Caennema is under orders to purchase as much more as he can procure, but notwithstanding this and the above disagreeable Circumstance, our Surgeon gives us hopes of shortly being able to transmit us a further Quantity. After the Death of Redjee Cawn in the year 1752, Nafier Cawn his Brother (an old Officer in Nadir Shans Army) took upon him the Government of the Hot Countries, and was shortly afterwards appointed Beglar Beggy by Nadir Shans, then King at Spahaver, notwithstanding which, an Arab named Shaik Mahomet Syad, who was assumed a Prophet among the hypocrites our People of his own Tribe formed a Scheme to wrest the power out of his Hands and advance himself thereby to the same dignity, but his Conspiracy being discovered before any opportunity favoured the Execution of it, he was seized and cast into prison where he remained for some months, till at the instigation of Mopy Sultany, prisoner Generous of Redjee Cawn, the Cawn ordered him to be put to Death, and his Head was struck off accordingly, this severity drew the hatred of all the Arabs in General upon the Cawn, but particularly of Shaik Mahomet Syads Tribe; who through a steady perseverance

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In the course of their Revenge for above three years past, have at length encouraged no less than seven other tribes to Revolt and join them whereby their forces are now become almost equal in number to the Cause, of which they have slain the better in several skirmishes, which has convinced him of his Danger so far, that he has accepted of the offer made him by Carem Cawn to assist him with four thousand (4000) Veteran Soldiers, who we hear has joined his Army about three Weeks ago, and has determined to show no Mercy to any of his Enemies, provided he has got the good fortune to overcome them, the Arab party on their side are also extremely importunate, so that much confusion and blood shed must be expected, before matters can be settled upon an amicable footing.

For Mr. Choppin from Candahar belonging to Jaggay Cawn Syarzee (Viceroy to about half of the Province) passed by this place the 2nd ultimo with letters to Sir John B. G. wherein it is expected he has direction to assist the Governour of Carmunia against Mahim Beg who is of late grown very powerful and ravages the frontiers round about that City, but it is much to be doubted whether the Cawn in his present condition will be able to spare any of his forces upon that service, the Choppin also advised the Revenue who were sent after them from hence to enquire the news of the Country, that great preparations were making at Candahar for a powerful Invasion upon this Kingdom.

By the latest advices from Spahader which were dated the 25th of August last we learn that troubles still subsist in these parts to as great a degree as ever, Carem Cawn after settling his Brother in the Govern^{ment} of that City, set out from thence with upwards of twenty five thousand (25,000) Men in order to besiege Addis.

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Out of the Hands of Shar Sultan Khepau, whom he had the Fortune to meet near a place called ^{Thurro}Thurroally with only part of his Army, commanded by ally Mardan Cawn, whom he totally defeated and took Shar Sultan Khepau Prisoner, but in the midst of Joyfulness, while they were plundering the Kings Camp, the remainder of the forces under command of Ahzyad Cawn fell suddenly upon them, retook Shar Sultan Khepau, and obliged Cawn Cawn with the Major part of his Army to make their escape to the Mountains where he remained some time, Preparing for an other encounter, ally Mardan Cawn immediately after his defeat retired to Loasatoon where having notice that Ahzyad Cawn was advancing with the Army against Spahann, and being envious of the Dignity and power which he would be invested with provided he should succeed in placing Shar Sultan Khepau upon the Throne; he resolved to prevent it if possible, and putting himself at the Head of about eight thousand (or so) of his own Tribe marched immediately in quest of him, but not being of force sufficient to come to a fair Battle, he disguised his Villainy under a pretence of returning to take his former Post in the Army; which furnished an opportunity of having the King in his own possession, which he took care not to loose the advantage of, and according to the Scheme he had just formed to himself, hired Shar Sultan Khepau, and conveyed him privately to his own Country of Loasatoon where he still remains without any prospect of getting his Liberty, notwithstanding this, Ahzyad Cawn pursued his March towards Spahann, but before he arrived there, Cawn Cawn had entered the City with the remainder of his Soldiers, and was determined to make a resolute defence which he did for a considerable time, tho' at last he was obliged to give up and fly to Thyrash for safety; Ahzyad Cawn has wrote Circular Letters to several great Men of the Country.

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Since the Government has fallen into his Hands, leaving them to attend him at Grahawn, and among the rest to Nipwau Cause, but its thoughts very few if any would obey him even if he had the King with him, much less as it is, he has also appointed a new Admiral in the place of Moolah, & by that with many other Alterations, which unless he can send a proper force to support will be taken no notice of. The Officers and Heads by their frequent Incursions and Depredations have almost destroyed the Chirascen Countries, The Balloches are also making continual Incursions upon the Frontiers towards India, and we received certain advice from our friends no longer than three Days ago, that while Mowman Cause the Governor of Camberia was praying out of the City, Sharrook Cause suddenly entered with four hundred (500) Horse and took possession of it, which has put that part of the Country in very great Confusion, The old Governor being resolved to do all that lies in his Power to recover it.

We are with great deference & respect

May it please your Hon^{ty}

Your most faithful and most
Obedient humble Servants

Gombroon

The 27th October 1753

Alexander Douglass

Richard Lecher

Francis Wood

To

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To M^r. William Shar
Resident at Buporah.

The 4th of August
last we received a letter from M^r. Ellis dated the 14th of
the preceding Month wherein he requests a supply of
one thousand (1000) pieces of Peguets which we have
devised the Honourable President and Council to trans-
mit us by the first opportunity, not having sufficient
in the Warehouse to make any from here;

By the Rose Gallies which supported here the 9th ult
we received five Chests of treasure, with a letter from you
and M^r. Ellis enclosing your annual Report &c. and
acquainting us with the manner of the charge of the
Residence being delivered over to you, which gives us
perfect Satisfaction.

We are sorry to observe that Aga-
Abdolla should think of Receding from his Engage-
ments with the Gentlemen, but now he is at so great
a Distance and the transaction has been so long
concluded, for whatever he or his Constituents may
say upon this occasion, the agreement was as appears
from our Diary, that the Diamonds should remain
as a Deposit in our hands for the security of Wholen-
goods sold him here, untill the full amount of them
was paid to our Resident at Buporah, upon whose
Receipt being produced to us, the said Batch of Diam-
onds to be delivered, and not on any other Conditions,
as you will observe by perusing M^r. Hodgkicks and
Woods letter by the said Aga-Abdolla, therefore you
must acquaint him that we shall not on any Con-
sideration consent to his being permitted to Bup^r
upon the Company's Risk; but we shall not insist
on the money being made good particularly at Bup^r
as mentioned in his obligation, let him only decide
on any Person here, who will pay the amount, and

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and Saturday

The Diamonds shall be delivered; Agreeable to M^r Ellis request the Honourable Company complied with his Indent for one hundred (100) Bales of Broad Cloth the Colours of which we shall compare with what you now advise we are proper for the Bussorah Market and supply the deficiencies of any of them as far as we are able out of our Warehouse, as to Request M^r Ellis Indented to us for one thousand (1000) Pieces of an equal proportion of all Colours which we have represented to the Honourable President and Council, but as you now find it more suitable to the Merchants that the Quantities should differ according to your indent they shall be acquainted therewith the first opportunity, The Broad Cloth abovementioned received from Calicut you may expect by the first ship to myance which from the Season of the year we are afraid will not off so soon as we could wish, but we hope from the Care and providence of your Management that the Aleppo traders may be prevented from making Advantageous Sales, which is our office. I sternly recommend to you. The enclosed Packet to the Honourable Court of Directors must be forwarded as usual to his Majesty's Consul at Aleppo.

As Myphus Hinghausen the late Dutch Resident is returned from Batavia with two Ships and two Frigates upon some Secret English suffer against Bussorah or some of the other Ports of the Gulf, of which we have been unable to collect any authentic accounts, you are to get the best intelligence you possibly can of their Intentions or proceedings and advise our Honourable Masters in the simplest manner.

In answer of the above letter you have mentioned any thing of the Grants and Firmans ordered to be translated, we therefore to
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Direct that the money be sent us, soon as possible,
This you will receive by two of our Messrs, whom you
are not to detain, and what provisions or money you may
supply them with must be advised, when your met;

We are, Sir
your loving Friends,

Gombroon

The 27th of October 1753

P. Messrs

Alexander Douglas

Richard Secher

Francis Wood

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Friday 2

At a Consultation Present

M^r. Right W^o. Alexander Douglas Esq.

Agent, M^{rs}. Rich^d. Secher & Fran^o. Wood

Examined and passed the Cash
account for last Month, the balance of which is Shillings
eight hundred twenty seven and here paid thirty one & six p^{ce}
Redeemed

The Honble Companies Cash D^o

To Balance of last Month — Shillings 227131-6

The Honble Companies Cash — 6^o

By Balance — Shillings 227131-6

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Monday 5 This day we congratulated packing the Wool received from Carmenia the 15th Ultimo and find it weight ^{just} six thousand two hundred twenty eight pounds (5278) whereas according to our linguistic Letter it should be only thousand six hundred and eighty Pounds (1680) that is reckoning six Pounds for every Maund which has been what the Maund ^{has} turned out for some time past.

Tuesday 6 Moolahally than advised the Agent this morning of his having received a letter from Shakh Mahomet who gives an account that Nafier Caur's affairs go very ill that the Arabs partly have had a skirmish with part of his army in which they came off conquerors as to that they took a large gun.

Wednesday 11 He reported us later that Nafier Caur and the Kely Arabs have made peace.

Thursday 13 The report of Nafier Caur's having made peace with the Kely Arabs has greatly alarmed Moolahally than who is now studying some means to secure himself and Family against the Caur's resentment which he has incurred by not proceeding with the Persian Ships to Shoft as directed some months ago.

Friday 16 This day Moolahally than sent one hundred of his own men to Besma to take possession of the Castle where he proposes standing his Effects and Family and himself stay on board the Ships.

Saturday 18 Late last night Moolahally than sent his Family and Effects to Besma, he is likewise using all the persuasive means possible with the Inhabitants to follow the like examples.

Sunday 19 Imported the Smalters from Bombay.

at a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq^r
Agent, Mess^{rs} Richard Lecher & Fran^{co} Wood
This meeting is called to open and
Proceed

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Monday 19. Peruse the Honourable the President and Council of Bombay's commands p. Swallow as entered after this Consultation.

It gives us great uneasiness to observe they disapprove of our detaining the Guardian, on which we are to observe that the this order was for her being dispatched hence by the 20th of August yet those orders appeared to us to be founded on the hopes of the Com-motions in this Kingdom being subsided which to our great concern continued in so fluctuating a State as it had done ever since the death of Nadir Shah; and as a hope of force had been kept here ever since that time and the Agents and Council in their address to our Superiors under the 12th of July 1751 giving it as their opinion that the Honourable Company's property could never be secure until the Government was regularly settled unless a report of force was constantly kept here to protect it carry them off. We thought the sending away the Guardian whilst relieved would have been putting their Estate in this Kingdom on too dangerous a footing, more especially as we found the Arabs with some head Persians for these three years past had been forming a party against Nafier Khan which in August last broke out in an open war and which reduced several times to great extremities, and was believed to favour them nothing but rapine and plunder must be expected this way and as they imagine we have an immense treasure in the Society it is not to be doubted but so great a temptation would extend their con-querence beyond the bounds of honour and honesty in robbing the Turys during the time Mep^{ts} Savage and Graves were Agents and their several addresses to the Honourable Company as also those to their Superiors at Bombay we find they esteemed our Honourable Masters property insecure without a Guard Ship and as such had we dispatched the Guardian we were apprehensive after what the Honourable Company wrote us under date the

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Monday 19

The 14th of February last that we should have laid our selves open to their censure especially after landing the large consignment of Solahbury which from our mutual advices we were in expectation would turn to good account and be an equivalent for detaining the Guardian a little longer than the time limited by our Superiors and that she might not have taken aboard all the Goods in the Warehouse yet we were informed from the Countenance a Ship of force gave our officers no danger was to be apprehended from the present troubles or any sudden revolution, therefore judge neither Persians or Arabs will ever think it worth while attacking us so long as they have it in our power to leave the shore with our most Valuable Effects, on the other hand were we deceived of this we might be in the same Situation the Dutch were in September 1731 when they were in hourly expectation of their factory being plundered obliged to send their Effects to us and to apply for protection. Agree that in our address to the Guardian we make an apology to our Superiors for detaining that vessel and to assure them our Intentions were good and not tainted with the least disrespectful thoughts and that in future we shall make it our constant duty to obey all such commands as they may please to lay on us.

That orders be immediately issued to the Commissioner of the Guardian to get his Ship in readiness for sailing to Bombay with the utmost expedition and the Store is directed to prepare an address to our Superiors.

Where Superiors don't charge Mr Wood with the deficiency of Stores agreed that they be wrote off to Profit and Loss.

Agreed that we send on the Guardian the sum of eighty two thousand (82,000) Rupees; with thirteen Bales of Camenia Wool and two thousand Mounds of Old Copper.

That Guardian
to be dispatched
to Bombay

Deficiency of
Stores to be wrote
off

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Monday 19

Adjourned

O. J. Douglas
R. Leche

To
The Right W^{ts} Alexander Douglas Esq^r
Agent for Affairs of the British Nation in
the Gulph of Persia &c. Council at Gombroon
W^{ts} Sir and Mrs.

The Trade Vessel Imported here the
25th July and brought us your Letter of the 22nd June and the
Salisbury that of the 22nd July.

Your Orders to you being positive
for dispatching the Guardian hither by the 15th or 20th August
we are surpris'd you could presume to dispense with
them for altho' according to your advices the Kingdom
of Persia was in a very whetted State yet you confess
that the Sea Countries were quietly governed under
the Management of Nasser Khan, and as Gombroon
is Subject to his Jurisdiction we think you had no
reason to apprehend any Injure of the Honourable
Company's property or your own Persons, your detaining
her to secure the large Consignment from England
W^{ts} Salisbury would carry Colour of reason were we
unacquainted how incapable that Vessel from her
Built is of receiving any considerable Quantity of
Goods, We expect upon all occasions an Implicit Obe-
dience to our orders unless when it may be absolutely
Necessary to Deviate from them which does not appear
to be the case in any of the above Circumstances.

In Order to relieve the Guardian which
Vessel we are in great want off, we now dispatch the
Swallow Captain Blough immediately upon her arrival
the Guardian must be sent hither, by this Vessel we send
you an Ensign two Sergeants, Corporals, and twenty
nine Foot Soldiers, Ten Seapoyes, a European Gunner
and a Country Carpenter, an Account of their Wages

Gombroon November 1753

Monday 19
Monday 19th Nov

And provisions are inclosed. We have also Compted with your several Invoices as p. Invoit and Bills of Lading Inclosed.

We approve of the measures taken by M^r Wood for procuring the recovery of the Persian Ship taken by Abduls Shach.

As we presume the Honorable Company have amply supplied you with Persets of all Sortments adapted to the Persian Trade, and as your advice by the Salisbury dated after those by the Trade did not repeat M^r Woods request for Persets we have sent any by this Vessel.

The Coarse Cloth Consigned you by the Manwood being as you represented in so low a Condition for approve of the Method you took for disposing of it at a lower Rate than usual.

We received the several Consignments you made us by the Drake and Salisbury, but our being unacquainted with the Price of the Casimieria Wool will be a great inconvenience as we know not how to Invoice it to England whether it must be sent by the first Ship.

We observe Napiers have paid you a Visit at Gombroon and Contracted a Debt with the Factory Merchants to the amount of Ninety nine thousand nine hundred thirty five and five Cents (99935.5) but we hope the Honorable Company will use ways convenient.

As M^r Wood found it impracticable to recover ready money of Napiers Cause for what he was indebted to the Company we approve of his taking the Brass Guns and Copper in lieu thereof.

We are greatly Concerned at the Distracted State of the Kingdom of Persia more especially as you write us Woollen Goods are in great demand in Country the advices you received of the Officers of Persia designing to invade the Kingdom of Persia.

Gombroon November 1753.

Monday 19

amhaufled from

Imagine must have been ill grounded, as we have certain accounts of their having been for near this twelve Month past with a numerous Army about the Kingdom of Saloot and it is reported they have taken the Metropolis. As there does not appear to have been any Employment in the Articles which proved Deficient in taking the accounts of Remains we do not charge Mr. Wood therewith, the Iron Guns he mentioned were received by the Franks.

We received the Rules of Francis Walsley (W.R.) belonging to Aga Buzer who having discharged his Debt to the Noble Company we have delivered it up.

Messrs William Park and William Hughes proceed to the assistance of your Factory they have received their Salary to the and Dick Money to

We also send you one John Pelmuada Armenian who has been advanced for three and a half (3 1/2) Rupees. His pay is twelve (12) Rupees p Month six of which he is to receive from you and the remaining six will be paid his Family in Bombay.

You must make a head on your General Books of the Charge of such Agents which may in future be Stationed at Gombroon as Guard Ships and the Expenses of the same must be included in the General Charge of your Agency.

We are

Your Loving Friends

Bombay Castle
the 24th October 1753

Richard Bouchier

J. Sewell,

James Fortis,

W^m Sedgwick,

W^m Symonds,

J. Byfield,

Tho^s Hodges.

Wednesday 21

The Secretary is ordered to acquaint Captain James how having some old Copper in the Warehouse belongs to the Honourable Company and that he be directed to inform the Agents and Council whether he can take any

Gombroon November 1753

Wednesday 21

Captain James
Letter from

Quantity of it on board the Guardian to which he immediately returned the following answer;

To
The Right W^{ts} Alexander Douglas Esq. & Co.
Gentlemen.

I received your letter this Morning regarding the Copper in answer to which beg leave to assure you that after the longer quantity of Work you have done on the Guardian on account of the Honourable Company with the prospect of for the Detachment of Military, relieved from hence, I think it will lumber the Ship too much to receive any thing else. Especially as the article in question is very bulky.

I am Gentlemen very Respectfully
Gombroon Your most Obedient Servant
the 21st November 1753 William James

Saturday 24

Letter to the
President presented

At a Consultation Present
The Right W^{ts} Alexander Douglas Esq. Agent
Messrs Richard Secher and Francis Wood.

Read one post address designed for Guardian and the Secretary is directed to be expeditious in transcribing them that the paper may not be detained; Examined and passed the Stewards account of Disbursements for October amounting to forty two thousand Sixty Shillings.

Nine Gps.

Adjourned

Abstract of the Stewards Disbursements for
October 1753

Table Expenses	11396.4
Charges Extraordinary	2602.9
Factory Repairs	4323.6
Charges Merchandize	1040.0
Garrison Charges	7594.7
Carried over	26063.6

Gombroon November 1753

Saturday 24

Brought over 269 63.. 6

High Guardians 9013.. 3
 Stable Charges 2301.. ~
 Servants Wages 1700.. ~
 Officer Garden 400.. ~
 General Charges 16 21.. ~

Makes 420 60.. 9

Sunday 25

Reference to the
Presidency Sign

At a Consultation Present
 The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq^r
 Agent, Messrs Richard Secher & Frank Wood,

Our advice to the Honourable the President
 and Council of Bombay being first transcribed are
 signed, and Captain James having taken on board
 the necessary provisions for his passage, the Secretary is
 directed to make up the Packet and to deliver it him
 with the sailing orders.

A Douglas

R Secher

Adjourned

Sunday 25

Bombay House to

To the Honble Richard Bouchier Esq^r
 President & Governour &c. Council of Bombay,

Honourable Sir & Sirs

The 17th Instant we received your
 Honour &c. Commands dated the 26th Ultimo by the
 boatload, and the Inclosed is Duplicate of our last Humble
 Address of Rose Gallies

It gives us the greatest concern, to
 find that we have incurred your Honour &c. displeasure
 by detaining the Guardians here longer than the
 limited time, and we shall not pretend to vindicate
 ourselves in regard thereto, but must beg leave, your
 Honour &c. that whatever the Act may be esteemed the
 Intention was really good and not tainted with the least
 disrespectfully thought; We are truly sensible of our Subjection

Gombroon November 1753

Sunday 25

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Subordination and of the Obedience that is due
towards your Honour &c. and shall make it our chief-
care in future, strictly to obey all such Commands as you
may be pleased to lay upon us.

We have been as expeditious as possible in dispatching the Guard boat, having kept her no longer than five days after the smallest arrival, which time has been wholly taken up in supplying her the necessary provisions for the voyage and in shipping off the Wentworth's Cum gratia Boat, Ensign Reddell two Sergeants one Corporal, twenty nine Sepoys, soldiers, one Drummer, an European Gunner, a Carpenter and an Armourer who came on the Wentworth are all entertained at this settlement in their several capacities, and we now return by the Guard boat, one Sergeant, one Corporal, twenty three Sepoy soldiers, an Indian Carpenter an Armourer and a Drummer, they have all received their full pay to the last of this Month, excepting those mentioned in the Wentworth's and provisions for one Month and a half.

As the Salisbury brought us a supply of two thousand forty + + + + + (2040) Pieces of Snuff, & the demand for them not appearing so great at the time of her Departure as it has since, we did not then think it necessary to repeat our request in regard to completing Mr Woods Indent, but in our advice of Rose Gally we have done it, and have also Indented for an additional Quantity of five thousand Pieces which we beg you'll be pleased to comply with by the first opportunity.

By this Ship we consign your Hon^{ty} mine
Chest of Treasure containing eighty two thousand
(82000) Rupees, and five thousand two hundred seventy
eight (5278) Pounds of Cassimira Wool upon the
Honourable Company's account and Risk, amounting
with Charges (exclusive of the latter article) to eight hun-
dred two thousand one hundred sixty three Shillings Seven
Pence

Gombroon November 1753

Sunday 25
Bombay 1753

Seven Go^{rs} (22216.37) wth Invoice and Bill of Lading enclosed; We have already endeavoured to raise our sales twice upon the occasion of not specifying the Price of the Barmenia Wool, and are very sorry that we must now be obliged to do it again, for notwithstanding all that we can say to the Singhist he will not transmit to an account thereof in the last letter we received from him he alleges that the Wool remitted us since the 1st of May last is part of what he has collected from the Village People as opportunisty offers in small quantities and at different prices, and having a considerable remainder of it lying by him not yet separated from the Hair and Dirt for want of Workmen, he cannot say for certain how it may turn out upon a medium; but must defer it untill the whole is cleaned, in which he promises to be as expeditious as possible.

M^r. William Nash and William Hughes came for the assistance of this Agency by the Merchant M^r. Francis Wood, now returns to Bombay upon the Quinon received his Salary to the 31st July last Inclusive.

Conformable to your Hon^{rs} Commands the Expense of any Vessels that may be Stationed at Gombroon shall be included in our Charges General for the future;

In our advices to your Hon^{rs} above mentioned we requested that you would be pleased to supply ~~us~~ ^{him} ~~with~~ ^{with} one thousand ~~1111111111~~ ¹⁰⁰⁰ pieces of ~~perpetual~~ ^{perpetual} of an equal proportion of Colours as we were unable to do it from hence, but as he has since that time sent us a list of the Particular Colours that are proper for the Burmah Market, desiring that the said one thousand ¹⁰⁰⁰ may be chosen accordingly, we now Inclose your Hon^{rs} a copy thereof.

Your Hon^{rs} remark is very just with respect to the Guardian, but our principal motive for retaining her here, was the Countenance that a Ship of force gave our affairs in the sight of the Country People, for so long as they know we have it in our power, to leave the shore with all the

Haden

Gombroon November 1753

Sunday 25
Gombroon

Ready money of the Factory, which they imagine to be an immense Treasure, they will never think it worth while to attempt any thing against us, and as Napier's situation has been for a long time but very precarious, it is not improbable that if the case was otherwise, so great a temptation might easily extend a Persian's conscience beyond the bounds of Honour and Honesty, the Arabs all along the Coast are in arms against him, and he has now times been reduced to great extremities for money and provisions to support his Army, which he it consists of above twelve Thousand Men is hardly sufficient to prevent the Arab party from usurping the Government, the report of the officers preparing to invade the Kingdom of Persia, as a current story, and in the Month of September last we were assured that it was actually true by four Messengers who passed this place on their way to meet with Letters to Napier from Dargy, Dargy, Dargy, who holds the Government of Candahar in Ahmed Shah's absence.

The latest advice that we have received from Hyderabad inform us of that City's being in possession of Ahmed Khan, one of those Sultan's Nephews general officers, that Shah Sultan Nizam himself thro' the Treachery of ally Mardin, is a prisoner among the Tribes in the Mountains of Seistan, and that all those parts of the Country are in the greatest Confusion imaginable, Caennia also has of late suffered a change of Government, and upon the whole we don't see a likelihood at all of this Kingdom being settled for many years.

The 16th of October last Myndes Singh, late Resident for the Dutch Company at Bussorah arrived here upon the Ghitoot and sailed from hence the 18th for Bussorah (as reported by the Dutch) in Company with another Dutch Ship, both which are filled with Warlike Stores as likewise are two other small Vessels that passed by this place after Payage to join them but it is generally believed that this force is going either against Bussorah

Gombroon November 1753

Sunday 25

Of the Island Bahoon which last place is very unable to make any Resistance being inhabited by Heathen who act in great Confusion among themselves and at War with Neighbouring Islands.

We are with respect

Honoured Sir and Mrs

Your most Obedient humble Servants

Alexander Douglas,

Gombroon

The 25th November

1753

Richard Secker,

Francis Wood,

To

Captain Will^m James Comm^r of the Guardian

Sir

Wind and Weather permitting you are hereby directed to weigh anchor and proceed to Muscat taking under your Charge the Rose Galley and with her make the best of your way to Bombay, and when you arrive there deliver the accompanying packets to the Honble Richard Boscawen Esq^r President of Gov^t Councils there. We wish you a safe and speedy Passage.

And are Sir

your loving Friends

Alexander Douglas

Gombroon

The 25th November

1753

Richard Secker

Francis Wood.

Monday 26

Tuesday 27

Sailed the Guardian for Bombay.

At a Consultation Present

The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq^r

Agent M^r Richard Secker.

The Honble the President and Council of B^{ay} having sent us a packet for the Honourable Company, agreed that a general Letter be immediately drawn out advising them of all occurrences as have happened since the date of our last, and that we have hopes to

carry

Gombroon — November 1753

Tuesday 27 Carry it by land to Buporah

Adjourned

L Douglas
R Secher

Friday 30

at a Consultation Present
The Right W^{ts} Alexander Douglas Esq^r
Agent, M^r Richard Secher;Address to the
Honble Company
signedOur Address to the Honourable Company being
just transcribed is signed and the Secretary is directed
to make up the Packet and deliver it to the Captain

Adjourned

L Douglas
R Secher

Friday 30

To The Honourable the Court of Directors
for affairs of the United Com^y of Merchants
of England Trading to the East Indies.
May it please your Honours,Our last humble respects were dated the
27th of October of which the enclosed is Duplicate and then
purposely to forward your Honours a letter received
by the Mailer from our Superiors at Bombay, having
hired a Coffin to carry it to Buporah by land with orders
to the Resident there to transmit it by the first opportunityYour Honours Ship Guardian is dispatched
to Bombay the 26th Instant, having laden on her on your
Honours account and cargo nine chests of Tobacco con-
taining eighty two thousand Naps (W^{ts} 82000) and three
tone Bales of Carmenia Wool, nett five thousand two
hundred twenty eight pounds (5120).The Swallow arrived us the 19th Instant being sent to
relieve the Guardian on her M^{rs} William Nash and
William Hughes Writers came to the assistance of this
Agency, and M^r Francis Wood having permission from
our Superiors to return to the Presidency proceeded thither
on the Guardian.

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Gombroon November 1753

Friday 30
November 1753

As We have received no account from the Gulphs for some time, we are still unable to inform your Honours of the real intentions of the Dutch but as your Resident at Buparah from his near situation to Bussiere and Bunderia will doubtless be able to learn, we have directed him to be very particular to your Honours in this Subject.

Since our last address we have received no advice from our Carmesia Linguist so that we are unable to acquaint your Honours of the exact quantity of Woole he has in readiness.

The State of this Kingdom is much the same as when we last addressed your Honours.

We were unable to specify the price of the Carmesia Woole sent to Bombay, Salisbury and Guardian owing to our Carmesia Linguist not having transmitted us an account thereof and not withholding all that we could say to him, yet he has neglected sending us in the last letter we received from him, he altho' the quantity sent us since last May is part of what he has collected from the Village People as opportunity offered in small quantities and at different prices and having part of it bought by him not yet separated from the State and Port for want of workmen, he can not say for certain how it may turn out at a medium but must defer it until the whole is cleared in which he promises to be as expeditious as possible.

We are with great deference & respect

May it please your Honours

Your most faithful and most

Obedient humble Servants

Gombroon

the 30th November

1753

Alexander Douglas

Richard Sichel

Gombroon November 1753

Friday 30
Buporah/Hoprah toTo M^r. William Shaw
Resident at Buporah.
Sir

Enclosed you have Duplicate of our
last and this is purposely to direct that the accompany-
ing packet for the Honourable the Count of Dersford
be forwarded as usual to his Majesties Consuls at
Meyno, at the same time taking care to advise them
of the needful relating to their affairs at Buporah and
in particular in regard to the proceedings of the Dutch
wth the Gupph. The Mothers who carry this are to be returned
us and if you furnish them with provisions advise us
thereof.

Gombroon

the 30th. November
1753

We are, Sir

your loving Friends

Alexander Douglas

Richard Secher

December 1753

Saturday
Buporah/Hoprah
Letter fromTo make answer
with the Lady Anne

The Agent received a letter from Nupur Cawn advising
that at the intercession of several leading Men at Myraah
he had concluded a peace with the Heely Arabs yet and
that he shortly intended to come to this place.
By all the accounts we can learn it was Nupur Cawn
himself who sought for peace, as he found the Arab party
daily increased in number and their forces near equal
to his; and as Cawn Cawns Troops did not join him as
expected he was under some apprehensions in case of
their coming to a fair battle of his being defeated as in
several skirmishes the Arab party had often come off
Conquerors.

Monday 3

at a Consultation Present
The Right Wth. Alexander Douglas Esq^r.
Agent. M^r. Richard Secher

Examined and signed the

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Gombroon December 1753

Monday 3 The Cash account for November the Balance of which is Fifty thousand five hundred four Shabes and two Pags (Shabes 20504.1) as entered herewith.

Adjourned

Ed Douglas
R. Leckes

Account kept

1753

November

The Honible Company's Cash D:

To Balance for last Month	227131.6
To Deposits in the Treasury recd from Aga Hepair, what was due by him for Western Goods and for which he had given Toys in security which were delivered.	43372.3
	Shabes 270504.1

The Honible Company's Cash C:

1753

November

By account current Bombay sent the Residency of Guardian.	22000.~
By Balance.	50504.1
	Shabes 270504.1

Wednesday

Report that the
Dutch are very
busy building
ships

5 A sloop arrived this Day from up the Gulph, the
Crew of which reports that the Dutch have taken possession
of the Island Origo, and that they are raising fortifications
and other buildings with the utmost expedition having
brought from Batavia workmen and materials for that
purpose.

On enquiring of the people concerning the Island
they say its very small and under the Government of the
Mash of Bushier, barren of all vegetables but has excellent
water that its inhabitants by only a few Savages who are
placed there to take care of the Tomb of one of their prophets.
Letters from Batavia dated the 6th October last mention
that an express arrived there from Rasht the Capital of Helan.

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With

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Saturday 8

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With orders that six Vessels were come there with
Muscovite troops and six were expected at Orskent and
six at Afendevoy, that it has been reported for some time
at Ispahan of the Muscovites having engaged to place one
Heracle Mirza a Georgian Prince on the Throne of Persia.

Monday 10

1. *Asplenium* Lin.
 2. *Asplenium* Lin.
 3. *Asplenium* Lin.

Received a letter from our Carmichael Benquet acknowledging to have received the amount of the Bills of Exchange drawn in his favour the 28th October, and as he was in want of a further supply of money that he had taken of Rodger Baubert the sum of Sixty one thousand two hundred which he desires might be made good to his Attorney here; That if we were in want of Wool the next year it would be necessary for him to advance Money one month before harvest and therefore desires a supply may be sent him; That what Wool remains in the Warehouse of this years Crop shall be sent us so soon as shown in which he promises to be expeditious,

Tuesday 11

Commerce/Holles

Returned an answer to the foregoing letter acquainting
the Lingual that the one thousand Rupees (1000) which he
acknowledges to have received of Rodger Bausher shall be
immediately paid his attorney here; That we shall be in want
for a large quantity of Wool the next year and therefore
direct that when the moon crop comes in he be very assiduous
that as he has not acquainted us with what money he may
stand in need of we have not by this conveyed sent any
order direct that immediately on the receipt of this he advise
us when we shall take care to give bills in his favour for
such a sum as he may want; That he be expeditious in getting
the Wool cleaned and forwarding it us with his accounts
which we are greatly in want of to transmit to Bombay.

Friday 14

At a Consultation Present
The Right W. Alexander Douglas Esq.
Agent. M. Richard Fisher.

Examined and passed the Stewards
account of Disbursements for November amounting to
Shillings

Gombroon December 1753

Friday 14. Shakes seventy two thousand five hundred forty four
and three pors (72544.3) *W. Douglas*

Adjourned.

R. Fecher

Accounts kept

Abstract of the Stewards Disbursements
for November 1753.

Table Expenses	13074.3
former years Charges	1145.~
Charges Extraordinary	5237.1
Charges Merchandise	361.~
Garrison Charges	13637.6
Servants Wages	1700.~
Open garden	400.~
Ship, boaters	730.~
Account Capt. Bay	224.~
Factory Repairs	3383.1
Stables Charges	2034.2
Ship Guardians	18398.~
<i>Shakes</i>	72344.3

Monday 17
*Russian Soldiers
on enquiry con-
cerning them.*

The Agent hearing that some of the Merchants who came
to this place a few Days ago with the yezd bafila were late
to come from Muskat sent for them and made particular
enquiry concerning the Russian Traders when they assured
him that they annually came with three Vessels to Baster,
Orunge and Mepah, broon loaded with Woollen goods
which they disposed of on board their Ships that the Merchants
who purchase of them could afford to sell at as low rates in
Chorasoon as those who dealt with us, that their Vessels and
Vessels were superior to ours and proportionable dearer; and
the other sortments pretty much the same, that they often
Baster part of their Woollen goods for Mass Jeth, the first sort
of which they take at sixty Rupees (60) p^r M^o and the second
at Rupees forty (40) and the third at Rupees sixteen (16)

Received

Combroon December 1753

Thursday 20

Shah's demand
letter from
requesting some
iron tools

Received a letter from Naper Cawn desiring to be supplied with five hundred six pound shot which he is in great want of and concludes that as his Enemies and the Co^t are the same hopes we will comply with his request

Friday 23

Barrenia's
letter from
and a letter
of Cash on goods

Received a letter from our Barrenia Singquist advising of his having in readiness five hundred seventy Mounds of Wool which he shall send away in a few Days and desires a remittance of one hundred twenty Tomajunds; In the said letter he adds that his friends from Spahauri they learn that Baron Lewis Brother in Law pitched battles had defeated Azad. knows nothing that Azad Cawn was endeavouring to raise fresh troops and designed going in Person against the Army of Baron Cawns Brother, that if fortune favoured him he hoped to set down in quiet possession of Spahauri, but if defeated he was resolved to fly to the Taber Country, that its reported Baron Cawn is plundering the Country round Benat and intends a March to Spahauri that Mawren Cawn the former Governor of Barrenia was at Babbs where three thousand Ballooches had joined him and that they are in expectation of his endeavouring to retake Barrenia

Monday 24

Consultation
about the
return of Wool

At a Consultation Present
The Right Hon^{ble} Alexander Douglas Esq^r
Agent Mr Richard Lecker

Our Barrenia Singquist having requested the sum of one hundred twenty Tomajunds in account the Wool Investment agreed that it be immediately remitted him and the factory Brothers are directed to procure Bills to that amount

adjourned

A Douglas
R Lecker

Tuesday 25

Agreeable to yesterdays Consultation remitted our Barrenia Singquist the sum of one hundred and twenty Tomajunds by bills of exchange

Moolah

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Gombroon December 1733

Thursday 27

Moolah ally has sent all his effects to Ormus

went this Day aboard the Fyzrabony designing in a Day or two to go to Ormus.

Saturday 29

This Day the Russian Ship Fyzrabony weighed anchor and proceeded to Ormus;

January 1734

Wednesday 2

at a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq^r
Agent M^r Richard Secker;

Examined and paid the Cash account
for last Month the Balance of which is Mohus four hundred
twenty thousand five hundred and four one (420504.1)

Adjourned

R Secker

The Honble Company's Cash D^t

Account of Cash

1733

December

1 To Balance of last Month 30504.1

24 To Perquisite and Moolah received of them 370000.2

Mohus 420504.1

The Honble Company's Cash C^t

1734

January 1

By Balance 420504.1

Mohus 420504.1

Friday 4

Shah Mahomet
has sent a party of Men to Gombroon to stop the passage of Mosley
Sultoon, then Governors with positive orders not to molest the
English but as they were passing near this factory the English
fired on them and killed one of his Men for which injustice

The Dutch chief sent his Linguist and Persian Writer to
the Agent with a letter he had received from Shah Mahomet
which being read contained as follows; That in October 1733 he
sent a party of Men to Gombroon to stop the passage of Mosley
Sultoon, then Governors with positive orders not to molest the
English but as they were passing near this factory the English
fired on them and killed one of his Men for which injustice

Gombroon January 1751

Friday

4 He expected Satisfaction and therefore if the Dutch chief through his mediation could accommodate matters, he was willing to hearken to terms, but if the English continued obstinate they might be assured he would take Satisfaction on the spot that fell into his Hands and if the person who killed ~~him~~ was either dead, or removed from the place, that the English might depend he would have the blood of some of those that remained behind.

As the above Shaik Mahomet is a common plunderer and has no means of supporting himself and People but by rapine; and the Agents judging it was wrote with an intent to get a sum of Money from us, he desired the Linguist to acquaint his Master that the affair had been twice publicly heard and determined in our favour by the Governour of the place, that if he ^{did not} mentions his people, surely would never have attempted to enter our factory compounded in an hostile manner and which occasioned their being fired upon; that it was therefore they and not we who were the first Aggressors that it behoved every Man to defend himself when attacked and doubted not but was the same to happen to the Dutch they would act in the like manner, to which the Linguist replied that he was acquainted with the affair, that this was the first letter that his Master had ever received from Shaik Mahomet and hoped it would be the last as he desired no correspondence with a free booter.

Monday

7 Moolah ally Shaw is daily sending for workmen and labourers to Ormus and by all appearance he will shake off his obedience to Nasser Baun and endeavour to maintain himself in Ormus.

Wednesday

9 Letters from Ormuscon to the Merchants advise that Meer Allum Baun Governour of that province had relinquished all taxes for five years, that he has an army of sixty thousand Men and is said after Nurrose designs a march towards Spahawn;

Thursday

10 Moolah ally Shaw has sent for some of Shaik Mahomet's people to Ormus in order as it thought to consult of the

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- Thursday 10 The means of assisting each other in case of being attacked by Naper's Bawn;
- Friday 11 Received a letter from Naper's Bawn desiring we will not mind sending him the five hundred Shatt which he lately wrote for, that he has directed Moolah Ally Shaw to supply him with the like number, and desires when these are sent we will forward some likewise;
- Sunday 13 We learn that Moolah Ally Shaw some days ago wrote Sheriary to come to Ormusse, but that he has desired to be excused, by this manner of proceeding its judged he has no intention of ever returning to this place;
- Tuesday 15 Handy Crafts and Sabarsis are daily sent over with their families to Ormusse by the order of Moolah Ally Shaw;
- Thursday 17 We learn that Maick Mahomet's People last night plundered the Village of Finir;
- Sunday 20 By letters to some of the Merchants in Town its said that Bawn Bawn was lately defeated by Azad Bawn's Troops at Bamishaw, and that he himself was either killed, or else is fled to Muskat;
- Tuesday 22 Early this Morning Maick Mahomet's People plundered the Village of Chourastoon;
- Friday 23 Moolah Ally Shaw is endeavouring to raise a party against Naper's Bawn having wrote to Sheriary as also to Maick Mahomet to persuade them to enter into a mutual agreement to join their forces together in case either of them is attacked; here ever its said the former in a civil manner excused himself; as to Maick Mahomet its not to be doubted but he will readily acquiesce being a detested Enemy of the Bawns, Moolah Ally Shaw has given directions for repairing the Castle here;
- Tuesday 29 Received a letter from our Residents at Bupserah as entered hereafter.
To The Right W^{ts} Alexander Douglas Esq.
Agent &c Council
Right W^{ts} Sirs. at Gombroon
Your Commands of the 27th Oct^r came to hand the 18th Instant, and thus long detained

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Dutch Ship
fromDutch Captain
his arrival
at GombroonShip. Boat going
to Bussan

Yours Captain, that I might be able to send you some authentic Account, of the proceedings of the late Dutch Chief here Mynheer Ruyngaert, who immediately on his arrival at Gombroon, sent two Ships and a Ketch, where he was also joined by a Dutch Ship lying at Bunder Reek, gave out that he left Batavia with ten Vessels in order to chastise this Government, and oblige them to refund the Money taken from him, and likewise the Charges of bringing such a Fleet thither, and that he only waited the arrival of the rest of his force for that purpose, and in the interim he began stopping all Vessels to and from this place, and actually stopped several Boats bound thither, who were obliged to return to their outlet Ports, soon after this arrival, he also dispatched to Bagdad a Chinese, who came from the Dutch Embassador at Constantinople, and arrived at their Factory in Bushahr at the same time he touched here, which Chinese, I am informed, from Bagdad brought this message for the Dutch, to have a Flag here, which they before did by permission from the Bashaw only, not from Gombroon, and an order to restore their Factory and Effects here, which they it seems had falsely wrote, were all seized, on their departing the place, he also at the same time dispatched some of his own people to Bagdad, with Letters to the Bashaw, the Content I have as yet seen, but the consequence thereof is, that the Bashaw has wrote his Mufassihim here (as I am informed) that he would not be in the prejudice of the Dutch Company, and therefore if they chose to send another Resident thither, he will permit them so doing, he will not refund a Cuze, nor suffer Mr. Ruyngaert to act as there sent in any Government belonging to him, however by what I have heard the Government will rather refund than continue this dispute, Mynheer Ruyngaert lately desired Mr. Kaseb to send one of his principal people to our Mufassihim here, to make up the difference, who accordingly came with a Letter from Mr. Kaseb, the same from the Dutch Man, in the Letter there was no mention of offending, but the Mufassihim told the Mynheer, Mynheer demanded the money taken, and other Charges incurred in consequence thereof, the Mufassihim sent a commissary answer to the Kaseb, and mentioned nothing of the money in his Letter either.

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29 But by an officer whom he dispatched to him at the same time sent a very speedy reply to Mynders demand, upon the whole it appears, that the Dutch brought so many vessels chiefly to countenance their settling at Barach (should they be opposed) though at the same time to settle their affairs here, they are still at Barach and have landed many stores, and give out their Intention of settling a Factory there, which I at first imagined Mr. Nasir to whom this Island belongs would not permit, the place being held sacred by the Portuguese and Arabs, on account of the Tomb of one of their most considerable Saints, indeed there, but an Imaginary point of Interest, in having an European Settlement so near Bunder Aceh by which he expects to increase the Trade of his port, has given place to the Honour of his Son, and I am now informed the Dutch have hoisted their Flag on the Island, and are building several Store houses with which they brought with them, for that purpose, and procuring Stone, Lime &c. Material for a House, which will I imagine be rather a Fort, than Factory, for when for later Mr. Nasir may perceive, he has introduced a New Government instead of a Merchants Factory on his Island, & your Factor for our hostile Masters have likewise declined till this time, that I might be able to give them the same account of the Dutch proceeding as above, now it goes forth by a trusty Messenger to Alapra, with that received by your second pair of Messengers, who arrived here the 25th ultimo, with your favour the 20th November, the Attorney Aga Abdulla who formerly wrote, made an offer of the amount due by him, is lately gone, aboard an Shillago Ship, and has left nothing here with the same instructions as Aga Abdulla gave to him, namely to pay the amount to the hostile Company Resident here, on his delivering the Duke of Diamonds; therefore unless Aga Abdulla himself return, the Diamonds must answer the money, for his Attorneys here will not recede from his instructions, nor have they any money of his in their hands, but tell me, that from a Confidence in him, (where they know) lend him the money on security of the Diamonds; and they therefore will on no account pay it, until they first receive the Duke; how ever the Son of him, who is gone to Surat, and is the proper Constable of Aga Abdulla,

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Persia
Persia
Persia

It now at Bagdad, whether I have wrote him, which you directed, regarding his paying the Money at Gombroon, and when I know his ultimate resolves, will acquaint you therewith. The cause of my Indent for cloth, differing from what Mr. Ellis had before sent the Hottel Company and you, was owing to the Stoppage of Trade to the bordering parts of Persia; Mustor, Navira, &c. whose Merchants took off great part of the Woollen Goods consigned him, and these parts being involved in trouble when I indented to you, I mentioned only such colours and Quantities as were proper for the immediate consumption of this Market, but as there is now a prospect of Trade opening again to these parts, you will please to send the cloth hitherto just sent came from Europe, and purports as near as possible to my Indent, finding the Aleppo Traders began to supply the Bevat with cloth at a very low rate, I thought it necessary to part with what the Hottel Company had in the Warehouse here, at the lowest price possible, to prevent as much as in me lay, Mortality, accordingly, have sold all the coarse cloth and six Bales of the Fine in small Parcels, the finest at seven Mamoodias and fifty Shees (p. 30) and the latter at eighteen Mamoodias and fifty Shees (p. 30) of Aleppo Gize, and given out that we have a large Quantity coming from Gombroon, which I hope will have the intended Effect. I have the pleasure to inform you, that very little cloth came by the last Company from Aleppo, as their adventures here find, the price will not answer, the Travellers bring of a Land carrying, the Shimausside and grants you mention, Mr. Ellis wrote for some time ago to Constantinople, and when received shall be forwarded.

Mr. Humeet who was formerly a Linguist at Ispahan, acquaints me, that one Rogee Khrain of Ispahan who was long by Indebted to the Hottel Company for some Goods sold him by Mr. Benson, is very lately, to reside at Bushere, in good Circumstances, and tells me, he desires him still to be indebted somewhat on ballance of that Account. I think it useful to acquaint you thereof, that you may send me the necessary directions, and his Obligations, if he still owes any ballance to the Hottel Company.

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Baperah/Boon

The Victory which Mr. Ellis acquainted you June last was gained by Saliman Basham over the howeds gained him great Honour at the Court of the Grand Seniors, who lately sent him a good and Noble Boat; as a Compliment on his success by a very considerable officer and likewise a sum of Money for his Government on which occasion he sent his Mutas Agas one of his most considerable officers) hitherto, by whom he wrote me of the Honour done him by his Master, which rendered it necessary for me to present his officer with sundry to the value of four hundred and fifty Rupees (450) on the Honble Company's account; as all the considerable Merchants did the same. Inclosed I send you Copy of a Relatave received from Consul Drummond at Aleppo, relating to the opening one of my Baskets to him in which was contained yours for the Honble Court of Directors which was forwarded hence the 24th August last; sealed with the Honble Company's Seal; however he received these Articles safe and forwarded it the 26th September by one Mulla a Venetian Merchant, formerly under Consul Drummond's Protection, but now under the Dutch; As the Copye belongs to Baperah, he desired me likewise to take his Examination on his return here, to strengthen what he had done at Aleppo; which accordingly did first in the Court of the Cadi, and next in that of the Mufassir, which I shall send. Consul Drummond as he desired, the charge of those proceedings here and their Copye, has been Sixty four Rupees (64) or Mamoodies (29. 50) which I have payed on the Honble Company's account. Mr. Drummond has been at a great charge he writes me, to trace the affair to the Bottom, in the Turkish Courts of Justice; altho' he has placed it to the Honble Company's Account, and sent them a Copy of this Narrative. Likewise, he writes me he intends sequestrating any Effects he can find belonging to Mulla in Aleppo, on account of the Honble Company, to answer all costs and Damages and desired me to do the same here, as the said Mulla trades to this place, but on enquiring I find he has no Office at present in his Muttashanas here, but what are made over to him, should be able hereafter to find any Goods here, belonging to him, please to give me in your next, Directions, whether I shall attach them on the Honble Company's Account for the cost and Damages sustained

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Buporah's Letter
from

Sustained by the Robbery of their Captains.
They you will send me the usual supply of Stationary by the
very first conveyance, as I have none here of any sort, and what comes
from Aleppo is both extremely bad and dear.
I have supplied your first pair of Letters with twenty five Rupees
(25) and the latter twenty (20) besides their usual allowance
of one Maanoodi for pay for Letters.
Intended helping the part for an answer from Aga Abdallah's brother
Sitwa at Bagdad, and transmits of the further proceedings of the
Dutch, but as I find they always go and come on Franchoy, I thought
it an unnecessary charge to the Noble Company to detain them
as I can save that Expense by sending the necessary advice by a
Franchoy bound to your place, which frequently offers this Season
of the year.

I have not further to add, but that I am

Buporah
February the 2
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Right Wth Sir and Sirs
Your most obedient
Humble Servant
William Shaw

Narrative Facts

Relating to the Robbery of the Buporah Mispenger
on September 1753.

The 15th of September 1753 a Mispenger
sent me from Buporah by William Shaw Esq. Resident for the
Noble East India Company came to Town and delivered me
some Letters whereof one was for the above Company, they were
loose, but he delivered me the cloth bag wherein they had been tied.
Upon asking him the reason, he said, as he had been instructed
that he was robbed by some Arabs upon the road, he believed it
as such things are done by that People in hopes of finding piece
or money. Some Days after his arrival hints were given me by two
or three Merchants that no Arabs but Mr. Maanwicheh Consul
of Holland and Mr. Wutte a Venetian Merchant were the rogues
supplied to the Maanwicheh who was so good as to imprison both
the Mispengers and the head of the Mispengers, but afterwards he

Consul Maanwicheh
resident in Buporah
has delivered me the
Letters as the
Noble Company

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Put them into one room, while they continued together, nothing was to be drawn from them; but so soon as they were separated, the Mespenger acknowledged he had hitherto imposed upon us, as he had been ordered; then sent him to the house of Justice, here called the Musany; along with Mr. Steady our first Druggemonger there before the Court, or Board Chief Justice he declared that he the Carach son of Nasir of the Tribe Libet, received from Ibrahim the Father, head of the Mespengers in Adenburgh, a sealed bag with papers and letters from the English Consul in Busporah to be delivered to the English Consul in Aleppo, to whom Nabel the emissary then in Aleppo would carry him, that when he came to Andakab, which is three or four leagues from hence; he found the Caravan to go on its way to Busporah, there Nabel coming to him carried him to a Franc who was under the Tent; he told him this was an English Consul to whom his Packet was directed; he therefore without the least suspicion gave him the sealed bag, which he opened and took several letters or papers, and delivered him the others, telling him that he was not the English Consul but one Mullt under the Consul's protection; that what he had taken out was for him promising him a piece of cloth to be sent, and that Nabel should give him a letter to Gaffar head of the Mespengers here, to whom he should deliver those he had retained and praying him to keep the whole as a secret; he further declared that he came to Aleppo, delivered the open packet to me, that I took him over the other papers, and that I would not give him his liberty till he should discover the truth, which he now willingly did.

Of this declaration I obtained one Nam or testificate from the Court but to put the whole in a clearer light and give the criminals a full and public opportunity to vindicate themselves, wrote a letter to Mr. Mullt and his Brother Mr. Gaspar to come at such an hour and hear the Mespenger examined in presence of the head of the Mespengers here, at the same time I asked the favour of Messrs. Hammond, Smith, Sanson, Hays, English, Rignero, Ricciotto, Imperial, Delicias and Altias, Venetian Merchants to be present at the examination in order to remove every little cavil which would be started by a Gall'd Villain.

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Neither Mulla nor his Brother came, the one being surprised out of fear, least should. Blasphe in saying, till the pleasure of the Christian. Baul was lower and the other probably from the same being Brother with such a try, till the other Gentlemen took the trouble to come and Mr. Pithers was a kind to be blest of their visiting, he and most of the Gentlemen being able to examine the things in his own language so that there could not be any pretence of a too partial interpretation being Druggeman. His confession was the same as that before the Court, with this addition that when he came, which the first there were other two persons besides Mulla, then Mulla he did not hear, that he was invited to say he had been called by the Arabs and that he received the letter from Mulla to the Head of the Muffengore, which contained a lie.

These two persons mentioned were Mr. Kammachet, born of Holland, an Arab who is sometimes honest, and sometimes dishonest, then on his way to Bussorah, his two daughters were kept by Mulla and Kammachet, so that by given him the credit, they expressed in a very becoming public manner affection to the hard Muffengore and their gratitude to an ungrateful father.

This examination was on the 2^d October and the same night after sunset the infamous Consul sent his Janissary to the Muffengore telling him the British Consul wanted him immediately, his sword was ready and he was that night to be dispatched, the poor Man believed it, but when he came to the house he stopped and said it was not the British Consul, the other answered no matter the Consul is here, he therefore went forward, and as soon as he entered the house, he was put into a little room and the door locked upon him, after sometime several French came to him, accompanied by the Dutch Druggeman and Janissary, they asked him his letters came to be taken from him, and he told them every circumstance as it was, his credit distressed them extremely, they threatened him and commanded him to say his letters were not taken from him in that manner, but that the British Consul had got him drunk, and threatened him.

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Fear had made him give his former declaration, yet he told them what he had sworn before the Judge was truth in every particular and that his confession was voluntary, whereupon they repeated their menace, that him he should be instantly put in prison, to morrow carried to the scaffold and there hanged without mercy, if he did not say as they directed him, he then trembling asked them what they would have him say, one of them answered, say that they English consent to give you to make your first declaration, that Mullis did not take the Oath from you, or any thing out of it, but the apostates did, and says he, I will do what ever you bid me if you will liberate me from this place, accordingly these things were repeated, some with the frames of three Books and the Janissary as witnesses, whereupon he was set at liberty. The Day following he came to my house told Mr. Orby and the other Englishmen, what had happened, he likewise repeated it in presence of a Turkish Merchant of Bagdad, one of Buzporah, and three of this place, all Men of great Estates and good Characters adding to what has been already said, that he was glad to say any thing to procure his being liberated, which he desired extremely, of this the above Merchants gave me an ample Certificate, which I sent to his Excellency Mr. Porter and took the liberty to desire he would give it to the Duke of Venice, with the original of every other Paper I have mentioned.

Upon Maanwich and Mullis hearing of this the fellow who is so dishonour to the name of Consul, sent his Interpreter to the Lord Chief Justice, to inform him he had begun to make faith that the Buzporah Merchant had acknowledged his first confession was not true, the Judge answered that the Merchant had voluntarily without any compulsion made his declaration before him, and added would you oblige him to declare contrary while the Merchant is here, it is illegal to receive the testimony of others, his Interpreter finding he could not be induced by verbal persuasions, had recourse to those which very rarely fail of carrying all before them, they offered in an indifferant way to satisfy with him and his officers, but he was so good as to refuse the proposals, telling them that upon no consideration he could grant the favor they required because

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Was contrary to Law, with which answer the Druggemen referred to their Consul;

Next day this Shameless Consul, again sent his two Druggemen, with a lie, to deceive the Cadi, telling him that the English Consul having obliged the Dispenser to go away he could not bring him to make a verbal confession, but therefore entreated his Witnesses might be examined, and answer given him, but the Cadi was pleased to say, with some warmth, he was sure neither the English Consul, nor any of his Druggemen would do the least thing without reason, but says he to them, do you say and I shall believe you, the truth, immediately sent to me dressing of the Dispenser was still in Town, he came to him, instantly, took him along with Mr Cadi, upon his appearing the Judge, directly said to the Dutch Druggemen, here do you to affirm the Dispenser was sent away, you now see him, ask him what you will, he shall freely answer you, while he stands before my Tribunal;

Again the first Druggemen then desired the Dispenser to acknowledge before the Cadi, that fear had deasoned his first confession, from him, but that it was not true, to which the Dispenser answered almost in the same words, he had also answered, for I have all the Examinations adding, I being in Town, and giving the writings to hastenate me, said any thing such was my fear, that had you have ordered me to sign, and my Wife, I could have done it, I therefore now declare that every thing I said in your Consul's house is contrary to truth, what I then declared, and what I now equate is certainly true, and I now swear it in presence of the Judge.

The Cadi addressing himself to the Dutch Druggemen, said go inform your Consul what the Dispenser has now declared, that denies the truth of all he said in the Dutch Consulate house in the night time, that it was contrary to his inclination and caused by fear, that a Judge cannot assist contraries; for the Dispenser always acknowledged what he first declared, which was the ground of the fine, and likewise what was done at your Consulate, but that fault, by means of Habit took form

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Kim the bag with the English Consuls letters then looking at Mr. May, with an easy Air, he bid him tell me, he wished to know when determined to dispatch the Messenger for Buzbora. Notwithstanding this such impudent Villany fills the soul of this lewdly Consul, that he continued sending his Tringemen here as the times & requesting the Badi to be as great a villain as himself, and by the force of presents, getting Turk Merchants and others to solicit him, they went so far as to offer the Consul some hundred sequins and also some to his officers, so much as might amount to about one sequin for such an item as he wanted, but I should tell you it was Mullis's money, so much, I believe so far from the others forgetting, and were that Shere would choose to advance it for him, however all the translations the good Badi has power to exert which I must confess to be scarce vast in this part of the World.

One would think that much less than this would have rebuked one who had the least sense of shame but this Consular ignorance being involved in Dumplings and impudence made his application to the Musti in a prevailing way and obtained an equivocal return that the Messengers having desired Mullis in his absence, the Consul was not accordingly attended. The Consul was produced to the Musti he only said the Musti might have had reason of his side and any complaint brought against Mullis there were none. The Messengers came before my Tribunal, there, if his men free will he made a judicial declaration of certain facts, and shewed that I am founded in law to give an item that he did so, may I suspect not in law refuse it.

Thus spoke the honest Badi, yet the Turks find means to continue the solicitations by means of sense as they follow as themselves, so that I should imagine the good Musti might yield at last to importunity and offerings, if I had not reason greatly to rely on Shere's advice of Mr. May, our first Tringeman, who has had very extraordinary trouble through the course of this scandalous affair.

N.B. Copy sent to the English Ambassador at the Port, and likewise to the British Company by Consul Drummond.

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Wednesday 30

at a Consultation Present
The Right W^{ts} Alexander Douglas Esq^r
Agent, M^r Richard Lecher

Examined and passed the Stewards Account of Disbursements for last Month amounting to Eighty four thousand five hundred and forty pounds

Adjourned

Abstract of the Stewards Disbursements for December 1753

Table Expenses	12705.7
Garrison Charges	9958.7 2
Servants Wages	1760...
Charges Extraordinary	7796.4
Factory Repairs	2712.3 2
Ship Malters	3080...
Table Charges	2255.5
Charges Merchandise	825.5
Upstairs Garden	640...
Ship Guardroom	6462.0%
	47200.5%
Subscribed in 1753 2 Candles	658.2
Shobees	46548.5%

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The Matter dispatched the 15th December with a letter to our Carmesia Linguist returned this Evening and gives an account that on the route he was met by four Men who took his packet from him that he then went to Nedjeband to acquaint Jallo... thereof who immediately sent a party of Men with him to apprehend them and though they made diligent search and enquiry for several Days yet they were unable to find them out.

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Friday 5

At a Consultation Present
The Right ^{h^c} Alexander Douglas Esq^r
Agent, Mr. Richard Sacher

The Agent summoned this meeting to acquaint the board that last night arrived from Cammeria a cruise of boats who gives an account that one days stage from Hedger abounds he was met by four Men who stole him his pack and took away his packets and as we judge by a letter received from the Surgeon the 10th December last, contained advice regarding a supply of Cash for the provision of the new Corps of Wood it is therefore unanimously agreed to commit him for the present four thousand Ringgs (4000) that the want of money may be of no hindrance to his Investment; and that we will him to acquaint us what further sum he shall want; There being at present in town several substantial ^{W^o}g^d &c. Merchants from whom we may expect a true account of the Testaments of Madras Goods most in demand in land, agreed they be sent for and their Opinions asked; and that we affirm make an Report to the Honble Company.

Examined and passed the Cash account for last Month the balance of which is Madras 4205 04 1

Adjourned

The Honble Company's Cash D^r

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January 5th
Account of

To Balance of last Month Madras 4205 04 1

The Honble Company's Cash C^d

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By Balance Madras 4205 04 1

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Saturday 2 Our Factory Brothers having procured bills to the amount of four thousand Rupees in favour of our Commission. Singu, the agent dispatched two of our Messengers with them at the same time, waiting him the mauls.

Monday 4 At a Consultation Present
The Right W^{ts} Alexander Douglas Esq^r
Agent M^r Richard Secher
Having consulted the Indian Merchants as also our Factory Brothers concerning the Sortiments of Woollen Goods proper for the Persian Market, agreed that five Tons to the Honourable Company for seven hundred thirty Bales (730), and as Woollen is a staple Commodity, that we request twenty Tons for
The King is directed to draw out a rough draught of our advices to the Hon^{ble} Company, to be laid before us the next meeting.

A. Douglas
R. Secher

Adjourned

Tuesday 5 This day we received from Barmenia twenty Loads of Barmenia Wool Quantity three thousand nine hundred sixty (3960)

Wednesday 6 At a Consultation Present
The Right W^{ts} Alexander Douglas Esq^r
Agent M^r Richard Secher
Met to peruse our advices to the Honourable Company, and to our Resident at Buserah; and the King is directed to transcribe them fair.

A. Douglas
R. Secher

Adjourned

Thursday 7 At a Consultation Present
The Right W^{ts} Alexander Douglas Esq^r
Agent M^r Richard Secher

Our Letters to the Hon^{ble} Company

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Thursday 7

Advances to the
North Company
Signed

Company and to the Resident at Bussorah, being
fair transcribed are signed and the Story is entered to make
up the Packet, that the Shoppers may proceed to Bussorah
early in the morning;

Adjourned.

D. Douglas
R. Lecher

To the Honble the Court of Directors
for affairs of the United Company of Merchants
of England trading to the East Indies:

May it please your Honours

We under date the 30th November we
paid our last humble respects to your Honours of which
the accompanying is Duplicate and shall now inform
you of all occurrences which have happened since the date
thereof.

We have the pleasure to advise your Honours that not-
withstanding the unsettled state of this Kingdom is in, yet
we have sold since the 31st July last two hundred and sixty
five Bales broad Cloth; one hundred thirty one Bales Purpels,
ten Bales Camblets, twenty six Bales Shalloons and two
thousand seven hundred and ten Mounds of Seem; and as for
Woolen Goods is still in Demand up Country we flatter our-
selves that notwithstanding the dearth of the Roads and the
scarcity of Money at present the hopes of gain will induce the
Merchants to come down;

We must beg leave to observe to your Honours that
there appears a very great scarcity of Money at present in
this Kingdom want of the Merchants who have this season com-
from Ireland have brought chiefly Diamonds and precious
Stones which they offered to Barter for Woolen Goods but as we
were not competent judges of these valuable Articles we were
afraid to have any dealings with them;

The two bales of Purpels of one yard and a quarter
wide have been shewn to the Merchants who only offered one
with

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Business as before

7 With another twenty five Rupees p Price which not being near prime Cost we shall be obliged to send them to the Presidency where we judge they can be disposed off to our better advantage; and as to those your Honours will send no more of that sortment to this Market;

We have not been able to dispose of one single yard of the Broades designed this Spring from Bombay by the Mamoody in the year 1751, owing to their being not proper patterns; the Robes and Sattins go off but very slowly occasioned chiefly from small spots and mould that have penetrated to the very middle of them;

The Cochineals designed as p Price Henry and the lot is all disposed off though at a most trifling more than prime Cost; but we were glad to get it off; that rate being advised that large quantities were imported into this Kingdom by the way of Whist which being more contiguous to the European and better countries were this Article is most in demand the Merchants carrying little from hence;

We are Intent to your Honours seven hundred and thirty Bales Woolen Goods and twenty tons of Iron and hope to receive them at the usual time when we make no Doubt of their turning to good Account;

No Ships have sailed from hence to Bussorah since the Saltstays throwals nor any English Vessel come into the Gulph except the Swallow which has prevented our sending the one hundred Bales of Cloth hither, but by the first good Conveyance that offers your Honours may be assured of our forwarding them;

Your Honours were informed in our last address of our having sent to the Presidency p Provision four thousand two hundred twenty eight Bunds Carmine Wool, and we have now the satisfaction to advise you that two days ago Arrived us from Calcutta three thousand nine hundred sixty Bunds which shall be sent to Bombay by the first safe Conveyance that offers; We have given our singular proper Directions concerning the new Crop and have

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7 Have made him needfull remittances, and your Hon^r may be assured that nothing in our power shall be wanting to secure as large a Quantity as possible, but as the Dutch have sent People to Barmenia to purchase as soon as the monsoon comes in, we are afraid the Price will be greatly enhanced, of which we shall give your Honours a particular Account, hereafter. We were in hopes of being able to have transmitted you an Image of the two Parcels sent to Delag P. Salabury and Guadagnoli, but the Thieves who rob'd it, patched by our Vizagut with his advice and accounts, but being plundered on the Road and his packet taken from him, therefore necessity oblig'd us to defer sending them till we hear further from Barmenia.

The December last arriv'd a large Cassela from yore and having some of the Merchants were lately come from Muscat, for took the opportunity of enquiring of them after the Success of Company, whom they assured us that they usually come to Muscat, Orango and Mozambique with broad Cloth and Cashimere, which they disposed of on Board their Vessels, that the Merchants who purchase of them could afford to sell at as low rates in Bherasoon as those who deal with us, that their Trays and Rugs were superior to ours and proportionably dearer, the other sortments pretty much the same, that they often barter three Indian Goods for New Silk, the first sort they take at sixty Rupees the Maund, the second forty Rupees, and the third at sixteen Rupees.

Moolah Ally, Sheru Governour of this place seems to have shung of all obedience to Nafier Baun, for sometime past he had been repairing his Castle at Omme and in December last he took one of the Dutch Ships and proceeded thither where he has remained ever since, having sent thence from hence a number of labourers and Handicrafts but as the Island is quite barren we are at a loss to judge by what means he proposes supporting himself when once depriv'd of the Revenues of this place which he certainly will be so soon as Nafier Baun comes which we expect after the feast

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7 of Noorose;

Nasir Caur's Troop having been defeated in several skirmishes and Caur's forces not joining him he was obliged to make peace with the Tribes of Arabs and he is now in Amity with all of them except Shah Mahomet, who daily plunders the Villages round about having no other means of maintaining his Men but by rapine; however we are in hopes Nasir Caur before it is long will endeavour to reduce him.

Caur's Caur who some time ago fled to Myraah having gathered a body of Men together marched towards Spahoun at which Ahgad Caur having notice sent his forces to meet him and came up with them at Bomishaw where an engagement ensued in which some hear Caur's forces were entirely routed and some say he himself killed others report that he fled to Mushat however we judge this victory has for the present established Ahgad Caur in the Government of Spahoun and the Country round.

We have received no advice from our Carmena linguist until the 13th December when he wrote us that three thousand Ballaches had joined Meiven Caur the late Governor who it was thought would endeavour to retake that City from Marash Caur.

We have at present in the Garrison one Ensign two Sergeants one Corporal and Drummer twenty nine Sepoys and twenty two Negroes which are the fewest we can have during these precarious times.

Our Trays and Books for the last year have been duly sent to Bombay.

Mr. Shaw having wrote us that he has advised your Honours very fully the transactions of the Dutch with the Bupreah Government it will be needless for us to trouble you with a repetition thereof and we now give him directions to inform you of the needful relating to affairs under his Management.

Having nothing further to trouble your Honours with at present we beg leave to subscribe ourselves with

Thursday

The greatest submission and Respect,
May it please your Honours
Your most faithful and most Obedt^{ts} Hum^{ble} servants
Gentlemen Alexander Douglas
February the 7th 1734 Richard Secher

Buporah please

To M^r W^m Shaw Resident at Buporah
Sir,

Yours of the 6th January came to hand the 27th by which we observe what you say regarding the Dutch, and you hoping our Masters to advise us those of our approve, but not of detaining the Dutch for our Hon^{ble} Masters as they sometimes require the quickest dispatch as possible.

We are sorry to hear that Agn. Adella or his attorney will not pay the amount of his Debt before the Diamonds we have in Security be first delivered him, however we can't think of rushing them to your Port on account of the Hon^{ble} Company more especially as it appears by Consultation under the 24th Month that he was not to receive his Diamonds before he had paid the Amount of his Debt to our Residents at Buporah and then they were to be delivered to his order here, though it is certain that agreeable to his Bond he was only to pay the Amount at Buporah when they were delivered him, then they were to be sent on his risk, however where this mistake lays we are not judges but as your predecessor wrote us under the 14th July last that he much feared from the Character he had heard of him that the Security we had was all that could be expected from him, we judge it the most prudent Method to stay until our Superiors pleasures are known to whom we shall write fully concerning this affair by the first opportunity in the meantime we would have you get all the Information you possibly can concerning him as M^r Ellis is dubious of ever getting the Amount unless we have got an equivalent consideration in exchange.

Agreeable to your request we shall send the Cloth you mention when occasion offers just as it came from Europe as to Mussets we have none at present but when we get a supply

Thursday
containing
particulars

Your Indent shall be complied with if able.
 What you say in respect to lowering the price of cloth
 in order to prevent the Illinois Merchants supplying your Bureau,
 we don't think needfull to give any directions about how you want
 the sort must be the best judge. That of our must rely upon your dis-
 cretion, not doubting you will study the Interest of your Employers
 in every particular. How ever as you acquainted us these Merchants
 find that the prices they get for their Goods will not answer the charge
 of a land carriage we doubt not but you will shortly advise us
 of the cloths bearing the usual price at that.

Nedee Abraham whom you speak of we find stands indebted
 upon our Spahann Books 1775 & 1776 but can find no bene or
 obligation what ever all though we have made diligent search for
 the same, but we would have you make demand thereof using your
 utmost diligence to obtain the amount for as he is ignorant of his
 acknowledgements being lost he may probably pay you the money
 on your giving him an indemnification this also we must leave
 to your prudence.

Your making Johnson Duffans his officer a present as the rest
 of the Merchants at your place and the same we can find not fault
 with, but must recommend frugality in these Cases.
 We Stoen are obliged to General Drummond for his Note above
 and your examining the Warrant again being by the Councils request
 we approve the Charges thereof, you are therefore to place it to the
 Stoen Companies account.

Your Indent for Stationary so far as our power shall be complyed
 with as opportunity offer.

The Indian money for the Stoen Company is not to be detained on any
 account but forwarded immediately, do you advise them of all Ob-
 stacles at Asperach since the date of your last.

The Stationers who carry this are to be retained better and if you
 supply them with any thing you are to advise us thereof.

Gombroon
 February 7th 1764

We are Sir

Your Obedient Servants

Alexander Douglas
 Richard Secher

To

Gombroon - February 1754

The Letter
from Bhopal
which should
have been sent
last October;
I fear I have
not

To the Right W^{ts} Alex^r Douglas Esq^r Agent
&c. Council at Gombroon.
Right W^{ts} Mr & Mrs.

An opportunity now offering to address
you by this Franchise, sends the enclose of a Copied to acquaint
your W^{ts} &c. that the Eunuch Ilga Abdulla who deposited
with you a Bulce of Hamoudi, as security for some of the
Honble Company's Goods he lately purchased at your
place, has within these few Days applied to me for the
same, by another Persian his till here, offering immediate
payment of the amount due on receipt of said Bulce, which
he seems resolved to find, and not brought his Consti-
tuent Ilga Abdulla having acquainted him you agreed
to send it hither by me, and notwithstanding all the
persuasive methods used to get the money from him
and take my receipt for the same, on producing which
at Gombroon, I assured him the Bulce would either be
delivered by his order there, or sent up hither to him on
the first English Bottom; Yet I could not induce him
to part with the money, untill the Bulce arrived, which
he insists was by agreement to come up hither on the Honble
Company's Account and risque; and as his Constituent,
who is himself gone to Mecca, has sent those Positive di-
rections to him, that he will really recede from him
therefore, beg your W^{ts} &c. will either send the Bulce by
the first safe conveyance, or give me Directions how I am
further to proceed in this affair.

The twenty eight Bales of Broad cloth belonging to the
Honble Company which arrived here on the Adventure
from Bombay, I then to dispose of on the approach of
the Cold Season but find that the impracticability of the
Colours, particularly the Coarse prevents the Sale thereof
but if your W^{ts} &c. will please to comply with the intreat
I send; or as nearly as possible, I have good encourage-
ment to hope a quick Vend of the whole quantity, not-
withstanding the greatest part of the large parcel
brought by the last Aleppo Caravan, still remains unsold

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But our Cloth is better liked, and I likewise hope the Trade except the Aleppo Adventurers have lately met with in that Commodity, will deter them from interfering therein in future, which it shall be my constant Study to discourage by all means in my power, and doubt not, should they continue this Traffick, the Noble Company would send their Accounts in underselling them for a Reason or two, tho' it should be at Invoice price.

Your Packet for the Noble Court of Sweetons, the receipt of which Mr. Ellis and I acknowledged in our Address of the 21st of Ullima's House, Duplicate of which is inclosed, went from the 21st of Ullima, recommended to Consul Drummond, when I took the opportunity to acquaint our Noble Master, who Woolen Goods I designed fitting for the consumption of this Market for next Season, have only at present further to add that I am with great esteem,

Right W. Sir and Sirs

Buffsrah Your most obedient humble Servant
22nd of Ullima 1753 William Sharv

I must request my yellow Perpets be sent this year, as the large Quantity of that Colour sold last Season by Mr. Ellis still remains in the Purchasers Hands and is very improper at all times for this Market,

Indigent of Woolen Goods for Buffsrah

Market viz

100 Fine Cloth	Coarse cloth
1 Wine Coloured	2 Scarlet
7 French Green	6 French Green
2 Tege Olive Coloured	2 Light Blue
1 Coffee - - - P	5 Tege - - - P
1 Cinnamon	2 Purple
1 Orange	3 Tege Olive
2 Black Cherry	2 Aurora Coloured

Perpets

200 Scarlet
200 Tege & Fash Blue
150 Black
250 French Green
250 Tege
250 Purple

Gombroon February 1754

Monday 11

Carmenia/Ames
from

By a Shetler belonging to the Merchants we received a letter from our Carmenia Linguist advising of his having sent us twenty loads of Wool which he hopes has arrived us safe; That by two of our Shetlers he forwarded his annual Accounts; He further advises that Saugy, Gaur Governor of Yord made Izad Gaur a tender of his Shoum towards us Case he would replace Momein Gaur as the Government of Carmenia which he absolutely refused complying with and at the same time sent a fresh Shogun confirming Sharrow, Gaur Governor, that upon receipt of said Shogun at Carmenia there was publick rejoicing for three Days.

Wednesday 13

at a Consultation Present
The Right W. Alex. Douglas Esq. Agent
M^r Richard Lecher

Examined and passed the Shwards accounts of Disbursements for last Month amounting to Shukhs thirty two thousand three hundred twenty three nine for three Quarters (32323.9 $\frac{3}{4}$)

Adjourned

R Lecher

Abstract of the Shwards Disbursements for Jan^y 1754

Table Expenses	10195 7
Garrison Charges	8452 3 $\frac{1}{2}$
Ship Swallow	2630
Charges Extraordinary	4704 6
Factory Repairs	1494 6 $\frac{1}{2}$
Charges Merchandise	566 5
Stable Charges	2020
Servants Wages	1760
Apenn Garden	480
	Sh ^{ts} 32323 9 $\frac{3}{4}$

Errors Excepted
R Richard Lecher

Gombroon February 1734

Friday 15

Spicer that the
two vessels among
the Dutch at Carac

The Noguédah of a tranhey which arrived this day from Sunderich advises that a violent storm rages among the crews of the Dutch Vessels in Carac and that many of their Men are Dead.

Wednesday 27

Spahauri Affairs
from

Spahauri Affairs
from

The Agent received a letter from Spahauri dated the 24th ultimo advising that as on the 10th September last that the Affghans took possession of Spahauri that their arrival was celebrated with great Magnificence and surpassing any thing in former times since that there was nothing but joy and rejoicings in the beginning but that in a few days affairs were greatly changed by their laying a tax on the Inhabitants of Spahauri and Sulfa which they caused to be paid every Morning besides which they took all the more they could find being great Drunkards that the Inhabitants daily grew more burthensome which occasioned many of the Inhabitants of Sulfa to desert the place upon which they broke open their Houses plundered and carried away whatever they could find; that they even sought after those who were taxed only one Tamaund and if they were unable to pay ready Money they took away the value of thirty Tamaunds this was not being sufficient to satisfy their voracious learners they shortly after laid a more heavy tax on all the substantial Men of Sulfa having no regard to their being poor; their Taxes they taxed from one Tamaund to one hundred in proportion to their Circumstances which in part was paid, that they have inflicted inhuman punishments on both Men and Women that in order to raise the sum of four thousand Tamaunds they sold the Inhabitants goods which were worth ten Tamaunds for five Rassees, moreover they laid a tax on the Gentles of Sulfa of one thousand Tamaunds which he being unable to pay in money was obliged to give them some bills of exchange which the Armenian Women two years ago had drawn in his favour on their Husbands in India and were returned protested; that upon these bills being delivered the Affghans sent

The Gentles
on the Affghans

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Wednesday 27

Spahaburgh
from

Sent for the Armenia Women demanded the ransom which they being unable to raise they were immediately bastinadoed and many of them have been obliged to sell themselves to the Turks in order to raise the sum demanded however they are in hopes of being carried to Buspirah and there redeemed by their Friends, that in short the offshoots and Tartars commit such cruelties that it will be impossible for the Inhabitants to remain unless affairs alter much for the better.

March

Saturday 2

Cassim's letter
from

We received this Day from our Armenia Linguist the Duplicate of a letter wrote some time ago, as likewise an original dated last Month; in the Duplicate he advices us that he shall want one thousand Annas for carrying on the Wool Investment; that he sent us some time past six hundred (600) Maunds Wool which he hopes is safe arrived, and that he encloses his annual Accounts. In the Original he writes that he is concerned to find his former letter miscarried as he sent us therein his account however that he now transmits us their Duplicate; That he has received the four thousand (4000) Rupees sent him last Month and shall want a further supply of six hundred Annas. That the Dutch purchasing Wool will be a great detriment to our Investment both as to price and quantity. He further adds that by advice received from Spahaburgh they learn that ally Mardan Cawn, Shakh ally Cawn, Gafur Cawn, and Mahomet Cawn have joined their forces together at Naveza and its thought after the feast of Heros will march to Spahaburgh. That Ayad Cawn and Sultally Cawn are at the head of twenty thousand Men, that they inflict such severe punishments on the Inhabitants of Spahaburgh that many of them have left the place nay some have destroyed themselves being no longer able to bear the cruelties; That by advice from

Cassim's letter
sent regards a
family of Cash.Ayad Cawn's letter
from the Spahaburgh
Wants of Spahaburgh

Gombroon March 1734

Saturday 2

inspiration at
Gombroon

Yezd Jangy Baun Governor of that City has agreed to give Azad Baun annually a large sum upon Bonds on of his letting him remain in quiet possession of his Government; That a conspiracy was formed at Gombroon by some of Momen Bauns Friends to wrest the Government from Marrooh Baun, which being discovered the conspirators were immediately put to Death; That Mahomet Roza Baun visits the Roads near Gombroon having lately plundered several Buffaloes

Monday 4

inspiration at
Gombroon

at a Consultation Present
The Right W^{ts} Alex. Douglas Esq Agent
M^r Richard Secher

Our Gombroon. Linguist having required the sum of six hundred Tomans in account the W^{ts} investment, its unanimously agreed to remit him that sum if our Factory Officers can procure Bills to the amount, and if they are unable to get Bills for the whole, that we dispatch Shetters away with such as they can at present procure and the remainder afterwards. Let us could not transmit to Bombay the Invoice of the two parcels of Wool sent thither Walabury and Guardian for want of our Gombroon. Linguist sending us his Accounts before; and as our Honourable Masters will want to be advised of the cost so soon as possible agreed that a letter be drawn out advising them of all occurrences since our last and enclosing said Invoice Examined and passed the last Account for last Month the balance whereof is Makes four hundred twenty thousand five hundred and four, one grs. (420504.1)

adjourned

J. L. Douglas
R. Secher

Gombroon March 1754

Account (per)

1754

February

The Honble Company's Cash

1st To Balance of last Month - That 4205 04..1

1754

February

The Honble Company's Cash Co^{rs}

2nd By Balance - - - - - That 4205 04..1

Tuesday

3 Our Factory Brokers being able at present to procure Bills to the amount of only Sixty eight thousand (68000) the Agents here dispatched two of our Messrs with them to Carmona.

Wednesday

6 A Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alex Douglas Esq Agent
M^r Richard Secker.

Advices to the
Honble Com^{rs}
Signed

The Invoice of Wool as also our advices to the Honorable Company being fair transcribed are signed and ordered to be made up, that the Shottens may proceed with them to Buporah directly.

Adjourned.

A Douglas
R Secker

Enclosed
Letter to

To the Honble the Court of Directors
for affairs of the United Company of
Merchants of England trading to the East
Indies

May it please your Honours

Our last address was dated the 7th ultimo when we intreated to your Honours for seven hundred thirty Bales (730) Woolen Goods and for fear of a miscarriage this is therefore purposely to transmit Duplicate of said letter and Indent.

Enclosed we send your Honours Invoice of twenty five Bales
Carmona.

Gombroon March 1754

Wednesday
1754

6 Wool forwarded to the Residency of S. S. S. S. and
Guardian with Charges to Shakers one hundred twenty
three thousand five hundred seventy nine and one (1754
1754 9.1)

We have to this time remitted one Angkor for the pro-
vision of the Crope twelve thousand Rupees (12000) and
that the want of Money may be no impediment we shall
worthily send him eight thousand Rupees (8000) more.

Our latest advices from Mahaur are under
date the 21 January last wherein we were informed that
the Taxes laid by the Government on the Inhabitants were
so burthensome that many of them have left the place,
that he inflicts inhuman punishments in order to drive
them of all their wealth, that his People break open the
Houses and carry away whatever they please, that in
case they are unable to satisfy their demands in ready
money they sell Goods that are worth two thousand Rupees
for one hundred that many American Women have been
obliged to sell themselves to the Turks in order to raise the
sums demanded, that in short the exactions and cruelties
are so great that it will be impossible for any of the old
Inhabitants to remain unless a change happens.

By advices from Bannawa we learn that Cerebey
after his defeat retired to Noeja where he was joined
by Ally Mardon Cawn, Shair Ally Cawn and Mahomet
Cawn who are raising forces and are said design to
attack Bagdadour, after the feast of Noeja, but as he
has an Army of twenty thousand Men composed of
Afghans and Uzbegs their success is much to be
doubted; Shair Sultan Khasan who it was thought
have been placed on the Throne still remains in the Hands of
Ally Mardon Cawn.

By letters to some of the Merchants in Town, via
Muscat we hear that your Honours Ship Guardian arrived
at Bombay about the 21st December last. We are with great
difference and respect.

May it please your Honours, yours

Gombroon March 1754

Wednesday 6 Your most faithful and obedient humble Servant
 Alexander Douglas
 Gombroon 6 March 1754 Richard Secker
 To Mr William Shar
 Resident at Supporah
 Sir,

Supporah 1754

The accompanying is Duplicate of our last
 to which we have nothing to add but to direct that the
 accompanying packet for our Honorable Masters be
 forwarded as usual to his Majesty's Council at Aleppo
 In future you are not to advance our Settlers any money
 on account of their Wages, but only give them the usual allow-
 ances for provisions.

We are, Sir

your Loving Friends
 Gombroon
 6 March 1754 Alexander Douglas
 Richard Secker

Friday 8 Muckahilly Shaw has at last prevailed on Secretary to go
 to Bombay in order as he thought to enter into an agreement
 by which each other in case of being attacked by troops being

Wednesday 13 Letters from Carnarvon advise that Memeinbauer has got
 together a body of Men and designs shortly to attack that
 City, that the Roads from this place are so much infested
 with free Robbers that no Caravans can either pass or repass.

Monday 20 Imported the Neptune Gallay Captain John Attenborough
 from Bombay; and the White Star Captain Joseph Christie
 from Bengalla.

At a Consultation Present
 The Right W. Alex. Douglas Esq. Agent
 Mr. Richard Secker.

Opened and read the Petition the Residents and
 Council of Bombay their Remonstrances received this Day
 Present; and the Secretary is directed to write answers
 to Captain Attenborough to send on Shore in such time
 as may be sent by the Merchants and all the Honorable

Gombroon

March 1754

Monday 25 Companies Perpetu-

arrives by the ship
company to be delivered

should still be to send
to the agent.

Our superiors having sent us a notice
for the Honourable Company a letter is ordered to be drawn
but to enclose the same and that it be forwarded to Buporah
by the Montane;

Agreed that the one hundred Rales of Cloth
received p. Salisbury for Buporah be sent forth on the
Montane;

Adjourned.

R. Lecker.

To The Right Wth Alex Douglas Esq^r Agent
for Affairs of the British Nation in the
Gulph of Persia &c Council at Gombroon
Gentlemen

The Horse Galley and Guardian which
arrived here the 27th ultimo brought us your Letters of the
18th September and 25th November with your Diary, Books of
Accounts and several Papers as p. list;

We are extremely sorry that it is not in our power to comply
fully with yours or M^{rs} Shaw's Indent for Perpetu several
of the Colours desired not being in the Warehouse. We
have sent you such as we had remaining amounting to
Rupess Twenty one thousand one hundred and thirty
six one Master and Eight Hons (213 G. L. 5) as p. Invoice
and Bill of Lading Inclosed;

Although you could not ascertain the price of the
Merica Wool, for want of your linguist not advising you
of its cost; yet you should have entered it on your Books
and Invoiced it to us at the Price the farmer stood the
Company in and afterwards brought on or off the differ-
ence as it might appear;

M^r Robert Gordon now takes Passage on this vessel to
relieve M^r Holmes at Buporah; M^r Gordon has been
paid his Salary to the first January 1753, and his Money

Sambar, Letter
from

Gombroon March 1754

Monday 25

To the 19th Instant, of which you must advise Mr. Shaw
The Inclosed for the Honble House of Directors must be deliv-
ed to Buzzerah by the very first opportunity.

We are

your most Humble Servants

Richard Bouchier

James Fortis

Bombay Castle 27th January 1754 William Edgwick

Hugh Symmons

The Dyffell

Brabazon Ellis

William Hornby

William Andrews Price

Tuesday 26

A Letter which the Agents received from Shahuun, dated
19th Ultimo advises that Orad Bauri continues his oppres-
sions and cruelties on the Inhabitants in as severe a man-
ner as ever. That upon News being brought him of Orad
Bauri, ally Mughlan Bauri, &c. being on their March
towards Shahuun with a large Body of Troops he immedi-
ately ordered some Cannon out of the City being determind
to face his Enemies in the field, so that a battle may
shortly be expected.

Landed the Corners from the Neptune Galley

Recd Thomas Jorutson, Surgeon.

Wednesday 27

Thursday 28

Friday 29

at a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alex^r Douglas Esq Agent
Mr Richard Fisher.

Examined and passd the Sherwards Accounts
of Disbursements for last Month amounting to Shahuun
thirty thousand four hundred twenty three one far three
pence.

Adjourned:

D. Douglas

R. Fisher

Gambroon March 1754

Friday 29 Abstract of the Stowage & Disbursements for February

Amount paid

Table Expenses	9576 7
Garrison Charges	8675 9½
Charges Merchandize	635 5
Factory Repairs	1730 1
Charges Extraordinary	3031 6½
Stable Charges	3100 2½
Servants Wages	1760 -
Open Garden	300 -
Ship Wallow	3160 -

30423. 1½

By House for 1st Est. 350. 0. 0

Shallas 30073. 1

Errors Excepted
By Richard Secher.

Sunday 31 Moolah Ally, than having advice that Kipoo Baun, designs shortly for this place, ordered the Ship Ramanoy to Annam being apprehensive that when the Baun arrives he will endeavour to take her out of his Hands.

April

Monday 1 Shipped on board the Neptune Gally one hundred Bales of Cloth for Bussorah.

Tuesday 2 Visited the Alice Shop for Bunderich.

Wednesday 3 At a Consultation Present
The Right W. Alex^r Douglas Esq^r Agent
W. Richard Secher.

There being still remaining in the Warehouse fifty five Bales of Damaged Cloth out of the Mannodas Prince Henry and Hector Vargoes the Agent summoned this Meeting purposely to acquaint the Board that there are at present in Town several

Yoyd

Report is made
by the Merchants
for the Company
Book

Gombroon April 1754

Wednesday 3

yezd &c Merchants who offer to take the same provided they can agree with us about the price; and as find that the cloth daily decays notwithstanding our utmost care to prevent it and the frequent times we have had it out to Air; it is judged that we should not let slip the present opportunity of sale in case Merchants offer a reasonable price and therefore its agreed that the Bales be taken out of the Warehouse and that in the afternoon we make a due examination thereof so that they be disposed of as near their real value as possible.

The Factory Brothers are directed to call the Merchants to morrow to view the cloth and settle the price, signed our advice to the Honble Court of Directors and to the Boarders at Bazarat.

Examined and paid the cash account for last month the balance of which is Shabers eight hundred and fifty one thousand one hundred four one (851104.1)

Adjourned

D. Douglas
R. Becker

The Honble Company's Cash B^t

1754
March 31

To balance of last Month	420504.1
To Purswantra and Neemah recd of them	430600.
	<u>Shabers 851104.1</u>

The Honble Company's Cash C^t

1754
March 31

By Balance	851104.1
	<u>Shabers 851104.1</u>

Gombroon April 1751

Wednesday 3

Enclosed to

To The Honble Court of Directors
for affairs of the United Company of
Merchants of England trading
to the East-Indies;

May it please your Honours

Our last humble respects were under date the 6th Ultimo
Duplicate of which is enclosed; and this is chiefly to for-
ward your Honours a packet received from our Supercargo
at Bombay, a few Days past by a Country Ship the Neptune
Galley.

On the 10th Ultimo the above Ship Imported from
Bengall the Commodore of which informs us that
your Honours Ship the Portland was sailed for Europe
that the Winchester was dispatched for Bombay; the
Elizabeth for Scindly; and the Dragon for Hongkong;
and the Lymont for the Negroes; and that the Drillington
and Salinouth were taken in their loading for Great
Brittain;

The Neptune Galley being bound to Buporah
we have embraced the opportunity of loading on her the
one hundred Bales of Broad Cloth which your Honours
sent to Salisbury for that Presidency; and as Mr Shaw
in his last letter advises us that the exorbitant charge
of a land carriage has occasioned the Aleppo Traders
to bring but a very small quantity to Buporah We
are in hopes the parcel now sent will meet with a quick
and advantageous Sale;

By orders from Snahaun under date the 10th
February we learn that Ayad Baun still continues his
oppression and exacts from the Inhabitants who in
general they wish a change of Government; that the
Baron Baun will soon be able to raise an Army to face
Ayad Baun's Troops when he certainly will endeavor
to retake Snahaun, the success time can only determine.
We are with greater submission and respect

May it please your Honours

your

Gombroon April 1754

Wednesday 3

Your most faithfull and very obedient humble Servant

Alexander Douglas

Gombroon 3^d April 1754

Richard Secher

To

M^r William Shaw
Residents at Buporah.

Sir,

We wrote you the 6th Ultimo and this you receive by Neptune's Gallies on board of which we have laden one hundred Bales of good Cloth amounting us by Invoice and Bill of Lading to Shillings two hundred fifty five thousand four hundred seventy and three pence (255,570 and 3^d) The usual freight from hence is charged four p Bales which you are to pay. M^r Robert Gordon Writer takes passage on this Vessel to relieve M^r Melrose who is to repair to the Presidency by the first opportunity. M^r Gordon has received his Salary to the 31st January 1754 and his Money to the 1st of this. The enclosed packets for M^r Melrose's Masters is to be forwarded in the usual manner to Magistrate's Consul at Aleppo. When any English Ships are bound from your Port hither remember to send us, as it is usual from time to time, your surplus Cash.

We send you a small supply of Stationary paper being all we could spare.

We are Sir,

Gombroon
3^d April 1754Your loving Friends
Alexander Douglas
Richard Secher

Thursday 4

at a Consultation Present
The Right M^r Alex^r Douglas Esq^r Agent
M^r Richard Secher.

Having yesterday afternoon narrowly inspected the damaged coarse Cloth we found the same to be in bad Condition and therefore think we should embrace the present opportunity of disposing of it rather than let it remain longer on Hand, upon which the Merchants were

Damaged Cloth
inspected and
disposed of

Gombroon April 1754

Thursday 4

Called in and after many Arguments they at last agreed to give up Shakers flying which we deem a very good price and therefore agreed to sell it.

adjourned

D. Douglas
R. LechesFriday the 5th
Sailed for the
Tuesday 9

Sailed the Neptune Gallies for Suporah.
Separated this like dispatches London by Supra cargo of the Neptune Gallies.

Wednesday 10

Carmen's flight
from and money
advanced by
the Surgeons
for Fleet.

Received a letter from our Carmenia Siquist acknowledging to have received the amount of the Bills of Exchange sent him the 6th ultimo; and advises that he has advanced the King Merchants the whole amount remitted him on account of the new crop; but from the troubles that have broke out at Carmenia he is afraid the Investment will not be carried according to is wish and desires no more money may be sent him till the troubles are appeased; and he writes for a further supply. He further adds that Moamem Baun, Taggy Baun, and Chuchey Baun with a body of two thousand Men came to attack Carmenia; upon which Sharrook Baun marched out of the City and dispersed their forces; but as he had no sufficient number of troops both to maintain the City and to pursue them any distance he was obliged to retire back to the Tower, so that Moamem Baun's blaws are destroying the Country having carried away twenty thousand Sheep; that Moamem Baun himself is gone to Haft to raise fresh recruits in order to make another attack on Carmenia; and that Sharrook Baun has sent two Ghopars to Spahau to desire assistance of Agaz Baun. That by advices from Spahau they learn that Agaz Baun has defeated the joint forces of Shars Sultani, Kapan, the Mardan Baun, Baram Baun, Shaik Ally Baun and Mahmet Baun; He said that Ahmed Shars the offgheen King

Carmenia attacked

Moamem Baun
Shars Sultani
Kapan

Agaz Baun
Shars Sultani
Kapan

Gombroon April 1754

- Wednesday 10 Sat Cabul on his March towards India
- Sunday 14 At eight PM died our Head Linguist Joseph Hermet
- Monday 18 Arrived the Ship Prince Edward Captain Henry Wedderburn from Bengall
- Tuesday 16 Letter this day from Banderick advise that the Dutch are raising Fortifications on Island Barrack; that upon some difference which arose between them and Maich Aspeer they quitted their Settlement at Bussihier having first destroyed their house and garden and are removed to Barrack that the dispute between them and the Imperial Government is not likely to be accommodated. The Dutch declaring they will never admit of Mylthos Herzhansen residing again at Banderick; nor will they refund any of the Money taken from him
- Friday 19 Arrived the Frigate from Crumse with Moolah Ally Khan on board who after some stay in the Road designs for Koon me in order to enter into an agreement with Abdul Shakh a just each after the base of being attacked by Aspeer Caur
- Monday 22 Aspeer Caur advises the Agent that he is at present at Koon me with Jolly Caur, and that he has received orders from his King to see that the several Cities of the Koon me are properly governed, and to make such regulations as he thinks necessary; and as of late several disturbances has happened at Ichyrast, which Jolly Caur for want of proper Force has not been able to prevent, that he proposes sending six thousand Men with him to regulate affairs there; That if the troubles at Barmenia are not soon ended that he shall shortly send a body of troops thither to restore peace and tranquillity in those parts; and concludes that he himself is going to Koojee Abaud
- Friday 26 Our Barmenia Linguist advises the Agent that Shuckey Caur, Momem Caur, and Jangy Caur having incamped their Forces within a League of Barmenia and that Shuckey Caur at the Head of a Body of Men marched against them; that the Engagement lasted from Morning till night several being killed and wounded

Gombroon April 1754

Friday 26 On both Sides but that neither of them could obtain a Victory; however that Mowm's Forces retreated towards Koya, so that its Imagined loss is to be great. That Sharrack Edun has sent a party of Soldiers to reconnoitre the Country about Wain, which belongs to Mowm's Camp. That they have advice of the movement of one thousand men coming to Sharrack gains a purchase.

Saturday 27 at a Consultation Present
The Right Hon^{ble} Alth^o Douglas Esq^r Alderman
Mr. Richard Secher

Examined and passed the Newwards Account of Fishbush Expenses for last Month amounting to 11093.2 pence five hundred and a Clove per 100 and a half 1/2.

Adjourned

Alth^o Douglas
R. Secher

Account passed

Abstract of the Newwards Fishbush Expenses for March 1754

Table Expenses	9206.1
Garrison Charges	11093.2
Servants Wages	1760.
Officer Garden	400.
Ship Swallow	2620.
Factory Repairs	2785.1
Charges Extraordinary	2866.1
Stable Charges	2982.1
Charges Merchandize	800.

Total 34511.2

Errors Excepted

R. Richard Secher

Gombroon April 1754

Sunday 28

Report of: Major
Cass's taken the
morning and day
the 28th.We learn that Supers Baun has taken Namadog and that
a party of his Soldiers are come to Booder, and design shortly
for Maue which has alarmed the latter, who is said to
raising forces with all possible haste.

Monday 29

The 29th of April
Forward

Sailed the Prince Edward for Bunderah and Buporah.

Mary

Thursday 2

At a Constellation Present
The Right W. Alex. Douglas Esq. Agent
M^r Richard Secher.Examined and passed the Cash Account for
last month the balance of which is Shabees eight hundred
fifty one thousand one hundred and four one (851104.1)Adjourned; J^r Douglas
R^r Secher

Account of cash

1754

April

The Honble Company's Cash Dr^rTo Balance of last Month - Shab^s 851104.1

1754

April

The Honble Company's Cash Cr^rBy Balance - Shab^s 851104.1

Friday 3

Our Shabees which went to Buporah the 2nd February
last returned this day and brought us the duplicate of
a letter from M^r Shaw of the 23rd March and an Original
of the 2nd April as entered hereafter.To Alex^r Douglas Esq. Agent
of Council at Gombroon
Right W^o for s^r s^r s^r

In witness whereof

I am

In last account sent by you.

Gombroon May 1754

Friday

Dutch Affairs
fromDutch Affairs
from the
Dutch Govern-
ment

3
 Motters, and bore date the 7 January of which the fore-
 going is Duplicate, since which time no opportunity has
 offered of addressing you, nor indeed has ought that
 occurred. The Dutch Affairs still remaining in suspense here,
 regarding which Meer Kaspeer has since my last sent his
 second letter to endeavour the accommodation of these
 differences; he brought a letter from the General of Borneo
 for Solliman, Doshaw, requiring the immediate repayment
 of the money taken from Myndert Kniphhausen, and on the
 face thereof to acquaint you, that he had sent a proper force
 to compel him to compliance, and restore their Affairs here
 to their former footing, whereupon all the Principal Inhabitants
 who are very Intemperate against Myndert Kniphhausen, Peti-
 tioned the Doshaw, on no account to admit of his return;
 which in case he did, they one and all threatened to desert
 the place; though they expressed themselves content with
 any other Dutch Resident, and on those terms made a
 tender of repaying their Money. This added to the General's
 threats has induced the Doshaw to write him a very harsh
 reply, absolutely refusing either to admit of Myndert Knip-
 hausen return, or to pay a single Mammaeff which he has
 sent upon that Kniphhausen might perceive his ultimate
 resolves, and take his Measures accordingly, alleging he
 has been very favourable to them, in not taking the whole
 amount; he was promised for a Caravan, set on foot
 by him, and that even yet on account of the ancient
 friendship subsisting between the Doshaw and the Dutch;
 he was willing to pass that over, and likewise to permit
 any other Resident to reestablish their Factory here, but
 sought through compulsion. He at the same time wrote
 in very severe terms to Meer Kaspeer, and Shakh Nispet
 of Bushier, threatening chastise them if they longer har-
 boured Myndert Kniphhausen in any of their Ports, there
 being but a few Days distanced, the consequence thereof
 is yet uncertain, but believe the Dutch have got two strong
 a footing on Barge, to be easily cashied, even if Meer
 Kaspeer

Gombroon May 1754

Friday 3

Buzorah/India

Nasir chas it; which however he seems not to be the least inclined to; treating them with great respect. By a Franchise yesterday arrived thence in four Days, I am informed, Alghas has hired and repaired a large Ship formerly belonging to Adas Shans Fleet; of Mee Nasir, who has likewise presented him with two new Gallies. He now publishes his Intention of building a Fort on Barach; and has made vast preparations of all kinds of Materials for that purpose, and promises great encouragement to any Christians; that will settle there; and has lately purchased several Gunboys to increase his force but the Russia Goods being entirely stoppt, he is selling his Goods in small parcels very cheap, at Bunder creek, to defray the Expence of his People there; when Mee Nasir's People came to see me on their Departure, I made them a small present in the Noble Company's Name, which I hope you will approve of, as our English Shipping generally look at his Port, to whom he always shows a distinguishing respect and regard, and your W^{ts} may be of service. I shall carefully avoid putting them to any unnecessary expence; but this than being the second in his Government, renders it his most necessary.

The Noble Company's small remans of middling Cloths have sold at 1/2, the middling Plog Cloths to be paid for as taken away, and am sorry that lying at Gombroon, could not be forwarded hither in all the cold seasons, however, my best endeavours shall not be wanted, to dispose thereof as soon as possible, after it arrives to the utmost advantage. I have hitherto had no answer from Aga Abdallah's Attorney at Bagdad, though I have wrote him twice regarding the sale of Diamonds. The Messenger dispatched with your two last Packets for Aleppo is not returned; I have only further to request you will not be unmindful of supplying me with all kinds of Stationary by the very first opportunity; and that I am

Right W^{ts} Sir and Sirs
Buzorah your most Obedient humble Servant
March 23 1754 William Shaw

Gombroon May 1754

Friday 3

Dutch withdrew
from GombroonRight Wth Sir and Sirs

The proceeding is duplicate of my last dated the 23rd March, and a few Days afterwards I was favoured with your the 7th February pp. Shellers, your packet for the Honble Company I have forwarded, and at the same time advised them the necessary advices from hence.

I can find no information regarding aya Abdalla, or his circumstances; as he is little known here, and can only say, a tender was made me of his Debt; could I have produced the Order, by his appointment; who is since gone to Surat and his Son is Dagulat, as I formerly acquainted you Wth. I shall agreeable to your Commands make a demand on Hodjee Ibrahim for the sum you mentioned.

Dutch withdrew
from Gombroon

The Dutch since they first have withdrawn their Force from Gombroon, and give me I am informed, that they daily expect an old large vessel from the Malabar Coast; which they propose sending at the Mouth of this River, unless that Government satisfy their demands; and let him they enter for their Fortification on Canach; I wrote you so fully under the 23rd ultimo that I have not further to add at present but that I am

Right Wth Sir and Sirs

your most obedient humble servant

Ruporah 2 April 1754

William Shaw

P.S.

I have advanced your Shellers (Rs) 1000

Saturday 4

Imported the new Galley Captain Edward Chandel from Bombay, by which vessel we received the duplicate of the Honble the President and Council their letter of the 21st Jan^y the Original came to Hand the 23rd March.

Monday 6

Sailed the new Galley for Calicut, Bunderich &c. And up the Gulph.

Tuesday 7

This day arrived a Sholler from Hodjee about who brought the Agent a letter from Napeer Caun advising that agreeable to the Kings orders he was come to Hodjee about where on

Gombroon - June 1754

Monday 17

Moolah Ally Shaw
has been conducted
here to assist him
against Napeer's
GarrisonMoolah Ally Shaw still remains with the Ships at Kishan
having sent to Abdul Shakh to endeavour to bring him
to an agreement to assist each other in case of being at-
tacked by Napeer's Garrison.

Friday 21

Letter from
Taugy Bawn to
Moolah Ally ShawYesterday Moolah Ally Shaw received a Hogen from
Ahmed Shaw the Affghen King also a letter from Taugy
Bawn Nyrathie one of his Generals the former of which ad-
vises that as the Kingdom of Apur is in the utmost Con-
fusion that he proposes settling it in tranquillity and
for that end will after the feast of Noroos certainly leave
Candahar.Divers of Ahmed
Shaw leaving
Candahar with
a Design to com-
mence hostilitiesTaugy Bawn writes that Ahmed Shaw will leave Banda-
har after the feast of Noroos with a design to Conquer Herat
and therefore directs Moolah Ally Shaw to keep the Ships
in good repair.

Wednesday 26

By a Franchey which
arrived at GombroonBy a Franchey which imported from Buporah we received
a letter from Mr. William Shaw dated the 15th May as entered
herewith.To
The Right Wth Alex^r Douglass Esq^r Agent
yet Resident at Gombroon
Right Wth Sir J. Esq^rI take the opportunity by a Franchey now
bound to your place, to forward your Wth duplicate of my
last, and to acquaint you of the dispatch of your last packet
for the Gentile Company, under the 20th ultimo, having there-
procured a Messenger well versed in Traveling the Coast
and a few days after returned the Shetler, sent hence in Janu-
ary, with your Packets of the 15th October & 30th November, which
Colonel Drummond sent forward by an Olee immediately
on their Arrival.The Son of Agha Abdallah's attorney, whom I have
by adviced of your resolves regarding the Rules of Prison
lately arguments are from Daqdat, he could accept of no other
terms than those his Father formerly offered, viz. that he should
be

Gombroon June 1754

Wednesday 26 Pay the Money here, on the receipt of the said Dutche a few Days ago arrived here one Nedje Nasa, a Merchant of your place, who assures me he was present when the agreement was made, and that your Linguist and Factory Bankers / Sarwanay Nema were Interpreters and agreed with Aga Abtalla and his People to send the Dutche of Nemes hither by sea when he promised payment off him due, and gave an obligation of that import but this Nedje Nasa also acquaints me that he left Gombroon in Company with the Agutane Galley which was informed is arrived at Amsterdam in her way further, and that your Factory Bankers acquainted him the Dutche would be sent on said Ship, which there is time as that will prevent all further Embarrassment in this affair.

The Dutche go on their in fetching Goods, and have lately wrote the Musulmen and their Barber here for their Furniture and Effects but the Musulmen has permitted nothing but the Houses to be sent there until he receives the Dutchmans orders whom he has acquainted of their request.

Nedje Nema's Friend whom I acquainted you I have wrote to at Bombay is since arrived here, I have demanded a Debt to the Dutch Company which he says he has discharged all but a Sum of 466 Tommands for Interest to Aga Salib our Jacobdam Brother of Spahawar, who keeps his bond in his hands on that account, however by accident looking over the advices hither from Spahawar found in the year 1747 a Letter from Mr. Parsons to Mr. Goodwin enclosing Copies of his Bonds for about the sum you mention attested under the Copies but he there alleged he had paid 400 Tommands by a Bill on Corporah which by looking over the Spahawar advices was found returned for non-payment and accordingly advised him. However he still says he had discharged the Debt all but 466 Tommands mentioned supra the bill of 466 Tommands and that Aga Salib had given him receipts for the different sums paid on that account but I acquainted him even procuring them would not be sufficient unless said Aga Salib had according to the Custom of Merchants

Dutch sheet
presented to the Dutch
Government

Gombroon June 1754

Wednesday 26

Either a power of Attorney from the Resident of Spahawn, or the bonds made over to him by the Resident's endorsement, of which he seems ignorant; only says he was his publick Brother, to which I answered, when there was no Church there could be no Brother, and of consequence, tho' he had paid it to said Talib that did not exclude the Company's demand on him; therefore Gentlemen it now remains with you, to know whether Talib had any power to receive, and give discharges for the same; in the interim, I shall not permit him to depart hence, without good security, for a short limited time; in case he does not pay that again Talib received said debt, by authority of proper power from the Resident of Spahawn, or his Superiors at Gombroon, and if you think proper, you may write Talib also, who still lives at Spahawn, for full information in this affair. The Secretary of the Honble Company's Agents expects a likely Consul from Pondicherry (writes me) to make a great noise in Europe, and at Muscovy; the Company having applied to the Secretary of State at England, and he to our Embassadors at the Port, to obtain satisfaction, in also your defect, the Senate of France, as the Dutch Consul at Aleppo endeavours to bring Multie the Venetian Merchant, who taken him under his protection, in order as appears by the Narrative, before sent you, he too was culpable, tho' I think to bring it also before the States General, as the Honble Company are very desirous to have the offenders punished; I hope to leave the papers tomorrow, intended for by this opportunity of the Asiatic together with the others, the former in particular being much asked for, and have only further to subscribe myself with all regard

Right Wth Sir and Sirs

Dusberah your most obedient Humble Servant
May 10 1754 William Maars

28 Arrived the Ship Prince George Captain Simon Lewis;
M^{rs} Gue-hypacacque from Bengal

at a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alex^r Douglass Esq^r Agent
M^r Richard Lecher;

Examined and found

General Roote June 1754

Saturday 29

The Stewards Account of Disbursements for May amounting to Shabos twenty eight thousand three hundred twenty two and one Gen (28322.1)

Wm Douglas
R. Secher

Adjourned

Abstract of the Stewards Account of Disbursements for May 1754

Table Expenses	8691.1
Garrison Charges	8696.6
Charges Merchandise	770.-
Servants Wages	1760.-
Factory Repairs	1961.3
Charges Extraordinary	2063.6
Stable Charges	2200.6
Shop Swallow	1770.-
Apem Garden	400.-
	<u>Sh 28322.1</u>

Errors Excepted

Wm Douglas
R. Secher

July 1754

Sunday 2

Imported a Dutch Ship from Surat loaded with freight

goods for Buporah.

Wednesday 3

Received a letter from our Casimier, Lingist advising

that he has taken of Mulla Janki yesterday fifty Tommands

of Goja Ghena Multani twenty Tommands in account

of his Investment and that he has drawn out one and

two hundred and thirty six and one half Annas

of which is not as yet settled.

By Advice from Casimier under date the 25 June,

that on the 15th of June, the Dutch Ship went to Madras

Gombroon July 1751

Wednesday

Had an interview with Napeer Cawn who took an oath to assist him to the utmost; that on the 19th Napeer Cawn invited him to an entertainment and on the height of these rejoicing ordered him to be seized and closely confined and immediately despatched Messengers to Mowem Cawn to come to him. That on the 4th June Napeer Cawn came within Marguet shot of the City which obliged the Inhabitants to shut the gates to prevent his entering at which he was enraged that he ordered his Soldiers to destroy all the Cawn round the place. That on the 7th Mowem Cawn arrived with thirty Men who occupied Napeer Cawn leaving the place.

Advised from your mention that Mahomet Napi Cawn that has taken that City and that Tanguy Cawn the late Governor is retired to Baki.

Letter from Garmoon mention that on the 19th June arrived three a before from Corasoon with advice that Ahmed Khan the Afghan King was arrived at Herat and had taken by report that the Gards and Gelayels had joined him, and had besieged Meer Ali Cawn in the Fort of Nushabour, that Tanguy Cawn Nyrashi (one of Ahmed Khans Generals) with a body of troops was in his March to Garmoon by the way of Isfahan, and that Napeer Cawn Balloch is coming to Garmoon by the way of Ballochistan.

He said (Zad Cawn) at the head of a large body of troops is marched from Gahaur in order to attack the joint forces of Mard Sultan Napeer, Cawn Cawn and Ally Mardan Cawn.

At a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alex^r Douglas Esq^r Agent
Mr Richard Secher

Examined and passed the Cawn account for last Month the balance of which is Shatees eight hundred fifty one thousand one hundred and four one Gay (8011041).

Advised
Douglas
Secher

1754 Gombroon - July 1754

Thursday The Honble Company's Cash C^t

1754

June 5 To Balance of last Month - - - - - No^t 851104.1

The Honble Company's Cash C^t

June 30 By Balance - - - - - No^t 851104.1

Friday 5 Madah Ally Shau with the ^{Ship} arrived this Day from
Richmes.

Sunday 7 Letters from Cassimoria under date the 25th June mention
that on the 14th Marrooch Bawn made his Escape from the
Caten and arrived the same Night in the City, had since
consequing the place frequent Messages had passed between
the Inhabitants and Marrooch Bawn who demanded ten
thousand Tomawards, but their answer was that since he
had destroyed all their Grain and carried away their
Cattle they were resolved to defend the place to the utmost
and not part with their money in so easy a manner. The
City still continues besieged. That upon Marrooch Bawn
arrived he immediately dispatched people to the several
Towns round to raise recruits and should he be so suc-
cessful as to get a body of Men, it generally thought he
would attack the besiegers.

Tuesday 9 Sailed the Dutch Ship which arrived here the 27th of last
Month for the Gulph.

Imported the Alice Ship from Baborah, & 11th of last

Friday 12 Sailed the Prince George and the Alice
Ship for the Coast of East Malabar and Bengel.

Sunday 14 Advice from Cassimoria under the 5th Instant mention
that since the City being besieged daily Messages had
passed between the Inhabitants and Marrooch Bawn who
demanded of them ten thousand Tomawards, but that
since Marrooch Bawn's Escape he was contented to take
eight hundred Tomawards and to release all the Prison-
ers.

Gombroon July 1756

- Sunday 15** To Napeir Cawn advising that he had routed the joint forces of Maw Sultan, Kapaen, Carcen Cawn, and ally Mardan Cawn, and that he now designs for Mowash which Maw greatly alarmed Napeir Cawn, so that on the 8th Instant he quitted the siege carrying with him Mowem Cawn and all the Prisoners and has taken the rout of Bercoen, laying waste the Country through which he passes.
 Letters received at Barmenia, from Kerasoon the 8th Instant advise that Boyen had submitted to Ahmed Maw, that Mee Ally Cawn was retired to Joon, and that Ahmed Maw had left Kerasoon in order to attack him.
- Tuesday 16** Dispatched two Messengers to Barmenia directing the Singing to be as expeditious as possible in sending us what Wool they can procure.
- Wednesday 17** Keichy Maw Ally having perceived about one hundred and fifty soldiers from Napeir Cawn yesterday he came to Mowel which place he fortified, the occasion of his committing this Act of Hostility was Mowem's refusing to make him balance his horse and as his Father and Maw Brother had previously enjoyed that Maw he looks upon it now as necessary.
- Thursday 18** Mowem's sent Gerdan a noted Robber with a party of Soldiers in quest of Keichy Maw Ally but was being able to come up with him, he immediately proceeded to Kojee about, the said Gerdan yesterday plundered the Village of Gura.
- Friday 19** Mowem's ally Maw Ally sent a party of Soldiers in quest of Gerdan with orders that in case he escaped to destroy and plunder the Village Mowem's.
- Saturday 20** Arrived a Franchise from Despatch which brought us a letter from M^r Mass dated 23 March last the Duplicate being received the 2 May and entered under that date.
- Sunday 21** By letters from Kojee about we learn that Napeir Cawn arrived there Fourteen Days past and that in his March from Barmenia he met a large Gattalah going further whither he has need in and brought the Goods &c. with him to Kojee about. The same letters also inform us that Mawem's Cawn

Gambroon

Friday 24 54

Sunday 28 The Soldiers whom Matala Ally Maw sent to Menden
the 20 returned this Day with a letter and assurance from
the Secretary of his Majesty's Government to return the Mende to us
from the People of Gambia.

Wednesday 31 at a Consultation Present
The Rights W. Alex^r Douglas Esq^r Agent
M^r Richard Secher

Examined and Rejected the Messrs
account of Indemnities for some amounting to Shillings
and five pence (two hundred and fifty) (see p. 2).

Also the salary Bill ordering his Majesty's
to that effect twenty five thousand eight hundred and forty one
and two pence (see p. 2).

Adjourned

D. Douglas
R. Secher

Accounts prepared

Abstract of the Towards Account of Indemnities for some

Table Expenses	113 2 3
Garrison Charges	5624 5
Ship Swallow	2000 0
Servants Rages	1760 0
Green Garden	400 0
Factory Repairs	2363 1
Charges Extraordinary	3218 0
Table Charges	2718 0
Charges Merchandise	624 0

Shillings 34904 2

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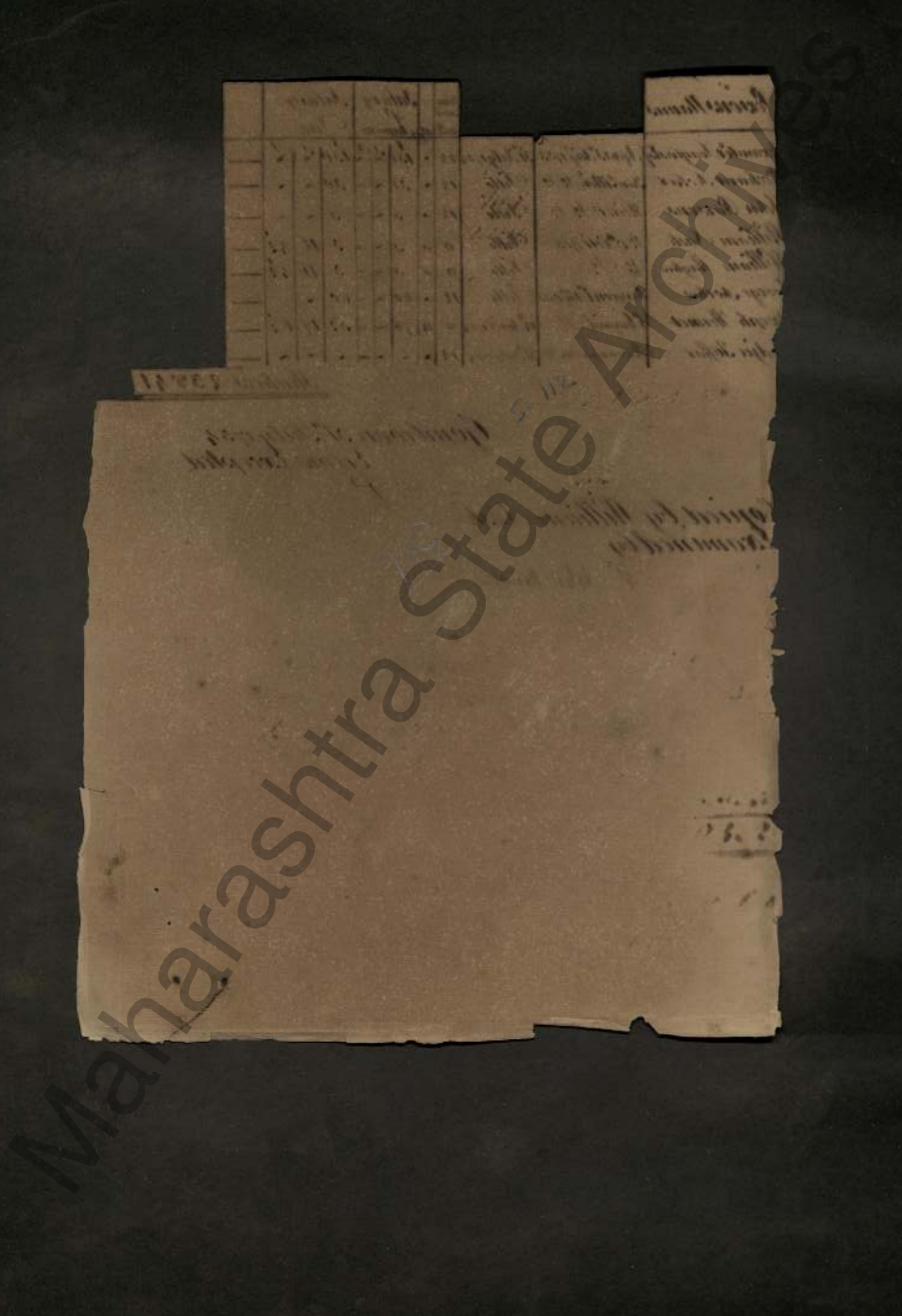
M^r Richard Secher

Persons Names	Time served	Salary	Salary	
		Per Annum	Due	
Alexander Douglass	Apr 15. Aug 1753	12	150	150
Richard Aches	Nov. 1753. P. 75	12	30	30
John Parsons	Winter 1754	12	0	0
William Nash	P. 17 1753	9	0	3 16 42
William Hughes	P. 75	9	0	3 16 42
George Forbes	Aug 1753. 1754	12	60	60
Joseph Hewitt	Chapman L.	12	70	70
John Telfer	Assessment 1754	12	0	0

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Copied by William Nash
Examined by
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Normal class of the island 28

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Conference with 127
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sent after him, could not reach him, and returned back with the Packet four Days after, when being a little recovered, I immediately set about preparing the necessary relating to this affair, of which I send you the accompanying narrative, first of the attestations, though numerous, are ready but their business being of the utmost consequence to me, have not only them by this precarious Consequence, but shall by the Squire's Galleys, who sail in a few Days, and as I am for certain informed, M^r Baldick has proposed the to severable the Governor and Council of Bombay and likewise intend complicating the cause. It must that though you should be pleased to take the present Consequence of this affair, and grant us your support, and not that of which from the justice of my cause, I humbly expect that you will nevertheless order Francis Walker to Bombay, that my Character there may be fully cleared up, which it cannot be without his presence, and to the Honble the Governor there, I have forwarded the necessary papers regarding the same, I therefore again renew my request that Francis Walker may be ordered thither to answer the several demands it may there be esteemed necessary to make of him.

M^r Gardiner being arrived to relieve M^r Walker, the latter will proceed by the Squire, to the Presidency, agreeable to your Commands.

I have received the supply of Stationary, which was so small that I have been obliged to provide the Hubble Company with what further was necessary from the Shipping and I hope being in want of new Books of all kinds for the Factory Accounts, which I hope you will approve.

I have not hitherto removed any of the Customs from the Bengal Customhouse for this reason, as the Exchange of Opium, which is extremely high on the Deposition of the Prince of Wales, not less than 2000000 of the off and sold much more, but as the Exchange must considerably lower, were that the is gone, I shall not fail to send you M^r Pagall the surplus Cash I have, fr. Squire, who had for you, but in about a Week more, but as the must touch

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Superior Letter
from

At Benbecra and possibly other Ports, I could not detain this address, as it may be necessary it should reach you, before the Prince Edward leaves your Port. I have therefore sent a Frigate with it on purpose, as my Intention in that respect, would not permit my writing so much at large, as this, and the additional address must absolutely require; M^r Hervey your Linguist and his Brother both took passage on the Prince Edwards, to make a tour of their Duty, and during their stay here, they have on all occasions that offered, shown a due regard for and readiness in every thing that tended, to the true advantage of the Honourable Company.

The Chief of the American Merchant Mission, who broke open the French Company's Packet, in presence of the Dutch Consul, at M^rpe near that place, is likely to make a considerable noise in Europe, the Gentlemen of the Junction from Consul Munnereau's representation, having put the same into the hands of our Ministry, who have applied concerning it to the latter General, Lords of Trade, and Council of the Board. Since, I have happily found out, two Misfeasances, one resident at the Station, and a French Surgeon, and the other an Englishman was one of the Heads of the Caravan, whose declaration I have taken in the requisite form, and signed placed to the Account of my Noble Employer, since my last, I have had no demand for Cloth, the Ret. having been at it, but I have been much asked for, and would bring a vast price at present, therefore expect at least one hundred Loads of the bolous and betmonds that is admitted for to your H^{ty}, should either any ship from Europe, or Bombay, bring you a supply.

All your orders for the Noble Company received, and transmitted by me to the 25th April last, I have the pleasure to acquaint you, Consul Munnereau has acknowledged the receipt, and has furnished for Europe in due season, only as that I am very truly,

Right H^{ty} to
your most faithful, most humble servant
Ruprah 9th July 1754 William Shaw

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PS

Have this Instant informed, for certain, that Miss Sapers
 of Brantwick was lately cut off by his second Son, regarding whom
 the Miss had taken from him, and given the Lady, who has children
 both stillborn. They bound her at Charach, and kept up at
 the Mouth of this River, and with two, three and four long Boats,
 have taken down or kept Handing, but all have with provisions
 secured hidden, they either buy or return again to their custom Port.

Right Worshipful Sirs

The indelible and anxious desire, purposing to re-
store the conduct of Mr. Tolstoy to its former state, was left here last, heaven
in charge of the Prince, who will, I hope, being one of the highest
justices, which I shall recommend without further introduction, than
just to request your H^{ch} attention in the Executive you may
judge proper to make into these affairs, and depend on your im-
partiality to either justice and redress. There in every thing it will
wisely appear. I have acted in the mildest manner possible, and
by all the bias of my conduct which you will hear from other
gentlemen that have been here, I should not to cause the same,
and that my duty has always been to oblige (and all others)
even after the most indecent treatment I have received in all
my travels, which every one here can tell, and doubtless the
young gentlemen and others who have heard or seen through them
I will inform your H^{ch} fully.

About the Month of October last it happened, that a young lad was shot in the Town of M^r Balaich's, Janzavari's Father, who upon the Government's (as it was customary) seized the Father, and though he was not in M^r Balaich's service, yet he chose to interfere, threaten, and accordingly sent one Francis Whitham a sort of jailer to his house, where I shall have occasion to mention in the sequel of this state of the Government here, with several missives relating to this affair of blood, the Government at first demanded one thousand five hundred (1500) Rupees to release him, and after several importunities and for the affair was at last made up for a small sum.

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Imperial Letter
from

A State of Affairs, so trifles, which the Affixes (Master of the Magazine) who keeps all the late Privileges received but whether for the Government or for him, would never be known of this. Affairs were after, and took occasion when at Mr. Halden's to call him a side, and tell him, that he was invited by Francis Halden's having been sometime employed as Surgeon at the Factory was still fond of acting in that office, and interfering in Government matters, and would tell him what that, heard, and very obligingly told him the always ready to speak myself to the Government about any matter of such consequence, if important and proper, but that he must be sensible, on reflection, how very unfitting it was for him or me to interfere in Government matters that did not immediately concern us, and still more so to cause the people to be given an affair of blood to this he answered me, he imagined he might be free to send to the Government when and about what he pleased, and that that had no bearing to take notice thereof, which he likewise repeated to several others present, and to Mr. Holmes to whom and many besides he thought proper to mention this affair, as he did every occasion both public and private, to let all sorts of people here know that he was appointed by a Government and Council as well as should therefore be reported not any thing. Such expressions to shew to him, whether concerning the Government or other matters, which he obtained an understanding liberty in me, and that his transactions with the Government, that had no concern to take cognizance of, which was the very like he told myself, when I mentioned him, he was much mistaken, for that our Providence in case meddling with such disputes, were justified by whose money or presents were given for blood, might even bring us all into trouble, and be very detrimental to the Honour Company's Affairs here, that was appointed to manage all matters with the Government, whether relating to their immediate concerns, or those of any under their Protection, and having ever so been customary, the rules established by our bye-laws, and the Government, in that respect, must not be

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Buckingham Palace
from

Gambroon ^{S-125} August 1954

Infringed, takes that is a very unbecoming act to us a
 teacher from a vessel, which, however, we do not
 being willing to live on good terms with him if possible, as be-
 ing the only English house here, though not without being sur-
 prised, he was not contented to intermeddle in such matters in
 future, unless he chose to be complacent to the point. If he
 were especially as it tended to the immediate breach of the
 Capitulations, subsisting between his Britannick Majesty and
 the Grand Emperor, and might be prejudicial to my Hon^{ble}
 Master's Affairs, however after a considerable time of discussion
 and deliberation, which it would be tedious and unnecessary
 to trouble you with, though without notice of by most of the English
 Government, (English). In the spring, however, which has but lately
 come to my knowledge, of my Master, that one of his Lord's, he came
 back some distance to the north with a French belonging to his Lord-
 ship's Manor, on being sent thither by him as a message, where
 upon without ever acquainting me, the house was sent to the
 English, (English) in the of the, (English) above mentioned, and
 thereby that, (English) improved, where he continued a month or
 more, though it has been ever contrary, and is also agreeable to
 our Capitulations, and (English) from the (English) that our
 such (English) should be brought to the (English) (English) of
 the (English), is alone permitted to charter the (English) though
 those, subject by this, (English) of (English) where the (English)
 those appointed to be with us for that purpose, or for an affair of
 great consequence such as matters respecting health or some very
 heavy (English) then the (English) is to apply for au-
 thority to the Government, and in like manner all former
 Differences have been decided, and two disputes which happened
 in my own time here, one between a French of (English) and (English)
 Imperial Merchant some years ago put under the English
 Protection at this place by command of General (English)
 and a hired (English) of mine, though they were both (English)
 (English) and had even applied to the (English) for (English)
 (English) for Justice, who was actually hearing their cause
 when I sent my (English) for (English) and (English) information.

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Bombay Letter
from

And application to me for that purpose) to demand them both as belonging to the English. Protection, he not only dissuaded his enquiry into their dispute, and did shew to me recommending the hearty bestowment of the offender, and at another time, where one of my people had a dispute with one of the crew, on suspending for my Man, he ordered them both to the Factory, and there he would receive the Injured, such is the Credit provided us by the Government and the Capitulations, regarding the Bashas and their subjects, and though the President for the time being is alone granted this extraordinary liberty for chastising Misdemeanors, rendering them to the Government, Bureaux, and all other Persons under the English Protection, here ever applied to for their assistance, and also to me, on the like, and all other disputes, and never to the Government (themselves) yet this Privilege, from a mistaken Antipathy through all Courts and Establishments, whether private Capitulations, or Bashas, Misdemeanors and Misdemeanors, and hereafter has been by the Englishers mostly excepted as they informed (taken a temporary into pay, not by any order from the Government, or for office as such, but a Man at present, whom at first they employed to look after their publick vessels in the Ports as they proceeded but now is used for further services, such as chastising others) he in all things permits him to act as a Ghose, and punishes his own and other People by him, thus informed) with the same or more freedom, than we, though not with any authority from the Government which as well as the above mentioned practices may one day bring us into much disagreeable disputes, as will be very prejudicial to the Trade Company's affairs at this place, when under so imprudent and hardy a Director as M^r Balasick, wherefore I thought it my duty to inform your Worship so thereof.

However notwithstanding these and many other publick, besides the innumerable more private Indecencies) which he has studied, as I may say (to

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 Enclaved letter
 from

Be guilty of towards me, and all Europeans that have been
 here, and others, Envenomating which, would only serve to pro-
 tract this addle to an unbecoming length, and be likewise
 unnecessary to trouble you with, as the above and several well
 known, sufficiently serve to evince the impudence of his be-
 haviour, yet in all publick bumpings, and small occasions, taking
 how much civility subjects instead of inducing him to the like
 actions, generally procured me the Honour of being treated
 more indifferently and slightly, whereas if his Duty is
 really to us, ever as much as possible, when the Honble Com-
 pany's Interest and publick service require it, nevertheless
 continued this conduct, that the Dutch and others might remain
 strangers to his Maltreatment, but well knowing that publi-
 shing such matters would do no harm to either, but this conduct
 he was far from denying, that he took all occasions to let the
 Government, England, Merchants know, that he was quite
 independant of the Company's Protection, only when he demon-
 strated it, and being appointed by a Governor and Council, and
 accountable to us, not for his actions but them, and would act
 as he pleased with the Government, and others, and thence
 always took an opportunity to talk slightly of me, full when
 your Honour will find proved in the sequel, and had not
 my little credit for the short time I have been here, been
 well established, and supported, both at Court and among
 the Merchants, might have been attended with very pro-
 picious consequences, more particularly had the French or
 Dutch been here, to expose his impudent attempt of bring-
 ing the English credit into contempt, and considered we are
 capable of punishing him, or others under the Protection, or
 even myself, had any accident happened, and though his danger
 happily proved abortive and dangerous only to himself, yet
 I humbly presume your Honour will not the less disapprove
 his insouciance, which when he found he could not thus let
 he very judiciously took more publick measures, and re-
 spected himself at the same time culpable, and if I may be
 permitted (the Expression) contemptible, for when company

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Bengal Sahib
from

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With this last, all his preceding actions, will only serve as introductory, to more important, acts, which follow. The Bengall Gentlemen have for some years, relinquished a former custom, of the hypercargoes going thence with a present to the Government, as they judge it more prudent to pay a certain sum of money in lieu thereof, to which no exception could be made, as generally happened in case of a present. Upon such occasions it was customary for the Gentlemen to receive the Compliments of (grey, two beads called, *binjaff*) from the Government, but this having in his time arrived, M^r Baidrick chose to receive the usual custom of sending the Government, carrying a present in expectation of receiving more than usual publick Honours to obtain which, he desired Captain Wedderburn, for whereas it has been customary that hypercargoes ever receive grey, two beads of an unusual quantity, he assured him, he had before been thence hypercargoes here as hypercargoes, and always received some beads (called *Rahooms*) though it evidently appeared afterwards a forgery, he having never received any *Room* and though he just assured Captain Wedderburn he had received three *Binnis*, he after, when taxed with it by Captain Wedderburn, recanted, and said he must have only received one *Binnis* and two *binjaff*, though this last assertion has two good falses, the cause of my mentioning this (though seemingly a trifle) proceeds from its being the foundation of a very extraordinary and distressing affair, for Captain Wedderburn, on asking Francis Walker, whether *Binnis* beads were customary as M^r Baidrick said, he to compound M^r Baidrick's question, answered in the affirmative, though he well knew the reverse, having been so long in the European service, whereupon M^r Baidrick sent him in his own name Captain Wedderburn's name to acquaint the Government for (Mysulion) that they intended paying him a credit, but with this proviso, that he would present each with an *Binnis* or *Rahoom*, that, to this

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Departed from

Intention of theirs to visit the Muspuliem, I was quite a stranger, when one day just as I was sitting down to dinner with several gentlemen the Muspuliem sent a Chobdar to call one of my People, but being just then all otherwise very busily employed, I desired my Chobdar to take the Muspuliem to excuse me for the present, of the Business was of no great importance, or required not immediate dispatch, and in the afternoon my Linguist or Broker should wait his commands, but the Chobdar acquainting me, he was directed by the Muspuliem himself to wait, I would instantly send some of my People, accordingly, I complied, and the Muspuliem desired him to acquaint me, that Francis Walker had two days before brought him My page from the Bangalla, but was just, commencing their interview of paying him a visit, he had standing an enquiry it had been customary though not in his time, he had returned his Compliments, and he would be glad to see them, whereupon Francis Walker replied the gentlemen requested he would make their excuse while in town, an expression used amongst the Persians, when any particular honour is desired, or granted, for the Muspuliem told him he always treated the English with much respect, but being ignorant what particular honours were required, he desired Walker to explain it, which he did by acquainting him they requested him for Hakonee, which on enquiry of his Muspuliem who keeps a Register of all presents received or given in the Bakhans account found as he had found not customary, and accordingly had given Walker to understand as much, and that therefore he could not comply with their demand, but if they chose to receive My page as customary they should be ready, and in all other respects would treat them with becoming honour, but it being customary to give him presents to none but European Residents of French, English, and Dutch, he could not treat their Merchant on the like footing, and particularly as he had given the same to the several English Residents, among which My page Walker having returned to

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Sabbath School
from

M^r Baldrick here as much affronted and threatened
sent him back to the Muspulsom acquainting him that he
knew of no distinction between himself and the Resident,
that as our houses, so were our Tolerances and dependences
separate, whence he hoped no difference would be made
between us, as he was in no wise afraid that on, or account-
able to the Resident, nor regarded him away as his superi-
or, and desired the Muspulsom would overlook the busi-
ness Books, and there he might find which house brought
most advantage to the Government, and then hoped he too
might have an opinion that, otherwise he could not waste
in hurry, the Muspulsom then asked what that, why he came
with such hispage, who had so long served the English, and
must have known that was not customary, He told him it was
true, but being sent as a servant he could not refuse accom-
panying him, to this the Muspulsom replied, he would on no
account break through his rules, but as before mentioned,
was ready to receive them in the usual manner, if they
chose to come well, if not just as they thought proper, that
as to the advantages they ^{received} he little regarded them, and added
that was rather a loss than a benefit to him, for the demands
of the Market would be supplied by others, who paid larger
prices than he, neither had he the Muspulsom, or Bushaw
sent for his ship, but imagined she came altogether for the
advantage of the Merchants, his answer, that the profit
of either house, he made no account of, but much honored the
British Flag and Friendship, and desired he would ac-
quaint M^r Baldrick as much, and let him know, he had
now heard and understood that house to be univers-
ally under the Protection of the English Factory and Flag,
there, and if he were independent, provided he too had
not a Flag to demonstrate the same, with this answer M^r
her returning, was again sent back, to tell the Muspulsom
that his Master was his Master was not under the Protection
of our Factory or Flag here, and being appointed by the Gov-
ernor and Council of Beengall, as was from Bombay, he

Combroon ⁵⁻¹³¹ August 1751

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Departed from

Hoped as before he had desired, no Intention would be
 made between him and the Resident on whom he had no
 dependence, but still finding the Application impossible, seeing
 it was beneath the Character of a Gentleman to apply, by
 Writing to the British Consuls for Transfer of his Goods, a
 mean fellow as it has justly procured him a reward, if he
 could find means to procure him the Service of an Officer
 Board, which he twice attempted, by endeavouring to secure
 the Application, but being forced out as a matter of an act of
 Treason, and very severely reprimanded, the Application
 having before acquainted Master, Thence that he would
 comply with his demands, and finding they still remained
 to be made with Impunity, and his people regarding it
 as an abovementioned for the Linguist whom he desired to
 inform me of the above, and to advise me he had ever before
 purchased the Linguist house was under the Protection of a
 Factory, though he had been before often acquainted by others
 that Mr. and Mrs. Smith, the same, but now he found the
 secret, by his own publick declarations upon which with
 the little regard he showed to the Factory and Shop, word as
 a convincing proof of it to him, and further desired that my
 Linguist would acquaint me he was beyond measure sur-
 prised that notwithstanding the peculiar advantages and
 Privileges allowed us by the French, English and Dutch
 and the singular attention he and his Brethren for maintaining
 them to increase the interest and credit of our Factory and
 then here, that he should make, or undertake a reward, as to
 have received other presents, who did not belong to us and there-
 by reduced the Grand Trade then on, which however he was
 resolved should be no longer the case, for now he was deter-
 to collect of them, for his wanted one, as Mr. Balthazar
 himself declared he was not under our Protection here, sent
 him in answer to this, that I was no less amazed than he
 to hear of these extraordinary Misdeeds from Mr. Balthazar
 which I should not fail to take the proper notice of, but
 in the interim, his regarding the Customs, he the rather to

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*Confidential Letter
 from*

surprised me much more, and further added, that common prudence taught me to doubt. Mr. Bristow could send him such Messages, but rather I thought it might be the easiest, to obtain the good will of the Master, in procuring what he demanded, however granting either, the case it not sufficient reason for the proceedings he proposed, as neither the Policy of the Master or the Breach of the Servant, and a case would give him any pretence to break through the legal restrictions, subsisting between the respective Governments, and either to place on English Goods, and then, though as mentioned here, to be no importations were laid on the English Goods, nor on those under their protection, any publick duties, he ought to make account of in such matters, he then sent his Secretary to repeat all the above to me, and at the same time to acquaint me, that in all publick affairs of the British Nation, he knew me, and me only, as to this Gentleman's private Breach, I only deny'd that publickly, our protection, he saw no reason had to interfere, either regarding him or his, and replied, I could not, that the Basha and his officers, might bring in all respects by him, as by other Independent Merchants, saying that on reflection, many certain circumstances occurred, to convince him thereof, these papers on enquiry particularly found, were the Company's carrying their Goods directed to their own house, without bringing them near the Factory, or even applying to, or acquainting the Resident, or People thereof, to have passed at the Customs house, or account Customs, rather, with the three Bander, which Dutch ships were the only Europeans here, never passed, but always were passed by, and in the same of the fees of Customs made up by that Resident, sent to advise Messieurs in answer to this Message, that the goods to the Company's house, should not look upon as the private affairs of the Super cargoes, who were only commissioned with them, and that they were English property, even though the Super cargoes should consent, while those the Honour

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*English Letter
 from*

Sir There, neither he nor any others, should with impunity collect more than the Customs stipulated by treaties his Britannic Majesty and the Turks, and conspired to as by several Mohammeds, from the Bashas of the place, and by doing, but desired him to acquaint the Master, I proposed saying him next day's being there coming when I doubted not but by a proper representation of the matter, to end all these disagreeable disputes, to our mutual satisfaction, on hearing this he said to beg, I could not take away what he had promised, for that he still perceived the same respect and regard as ever for our Factory and should take all opportunities to demonstrate to the English much such an answer as the preceding one and he proposed day occasion to show the favour of all the Europeans Gentlemen's company at the Factory to Mithras the declarations of Mithras, touching regarding Mithras affairs is mentioned in the Company's writing. When last occasion to mention all this affair to Captain Widdowson, who is joined with Mr. Balthus in the Prince Edward's Company, whom he gave me to understand, he knew only of the first Mispage, nor could have been concerned with in that, had not both Mr. Balthus and Mr. Balthus fairly abused him, Edward more customarily, that before said to him was a matter of little, Inquisitively, but the other Mr. Mispages might have been productive of very disagreeable consequences, which he granted, and himself interceded, that as as to whether tended to prejudice the English, and my credit here, in the eye of the Government, and to render me incapable of assisting either them or others, he thought I ought to take some private notice thereof, now that Mr. Balthus was here, which might be conformable to my interest, and accordingly called on Francis Mithras and acquainted him the Mispage had not to advise me of several Mispages he had carried to and for, regarding this matter, he acknowledged his having gone about the Rocks, but stopped his having mentioned any thing more, though in regard to the Protection his Master's trade being touched thereat, he took occasion

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To contradict him, though he said he had been so explicit about it, but explained it by saying, he had only ordered Walther to acquaint him, he was under the Protection only when he served it; and finding Walther talked in this and many other matters, I desired him to go with my people to the ferry, and there to confront the Magistrate, whether the Mebages he sent me were untrue, and in the interim I told Walther went thither, judging as above, that he had prevailed, tempted to Mr. Balarick, and desired to know why he sent Walther with such unworthy Mebages, he replied he thought himself at liberty to send to the Government what and about what he pleased without accounting for it to me. I then desired to know before all the Gentlemen there present, namely Captain Macdonald and all those who were the friends of the latter, Mr. Nelson, Gardiner, Mr. Balarick, Walther, also my brother, and Francis Walther who all understood English, there were likewise at some distance several Native Indians and Gentlemen, but they knew not what we were discussing of in English, what he thought, thus appointed for here, he said to forward the papers, such as and collect our business, and in the sequel our discourse free ladies to recapitulate, he took occasion at night the Noble Commanded Protection here, he declared he did not judge himself under, only when demanded it, and supposed his surprise should permit to enquire into it, or intermeddle in his transactions, or Mebages to the Government, I then acquainted him, this was not the first time, I had cautioned him in this point, regarding his Interfering in the case of blood, as I mentioned, and was surprised at his repeating it, so he must account for to our Noble Government, as their and those of his Majesty's Subjects, and all in general, under our Protection here, by unwarrantable commands of Majesty's officers, and the consequences of their respective reign might very materially suffer by his imprudent proceedings, as an instance of which, I mentioned the several

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Received Letter
from /

My pages. Had just received from the Government regarding him, and was particularly there demanding of Plaintiff his fees, he very Inconsiderately and imprudently persisted therein, and replied, he would not, unless you the Plaintiff pay of Plaintiff if he desired it, to which I told him, I would take care no such should happen, whilst I had the honour to come here, that I had to the utmost I could, the Government on that affair, and understood to direct it, and would continue to do, with all the little address, I was master of, which through his particular treatment, little decreased on his own part, I should be unwilling, in any place, if I supposed a private citizen to interfere, in the discharge of my duty, and the Public service, and cautioned him not even to dream of meddling with the Government's demand, occasioned by his imprudence, and tempted to the immediate breach of the Regulations, and Articles of Commerce, actually subsisting between his Britannick Majesty and the Grand Signior, and always observed, and allowed here, to the Honble Company, and those trading under their Protection, by the Officers of this place, whilst I trust the Resident now appointed here to maintain which he should not tread under foot, and so no Impositions were laid on the English Troops in general, and he might be assured, I would not, for any tall fancy of his, permit the British Privileges to be set at naught, which if once suffered to be infringed, it would be very difficult to have recovered in a tributary Government as the Turkish, to this, still persisting in his error, he publicly replied, the Mahomedans would him a sum of money, which if Plaintiff in his fees would above clear, and therefore he should very gladly pay the same, provided I would take off the Honble Company's Customs collected by me here, to this I answered in the Negative, and with all assured him, this declaration and his general misconduct in this affair, might cost him dear, which I should not fail to represent to our Superiour, in its proper light, and cautioned him here he proceeded, as I should otherwise

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Bachelor's Letter
(from)

Against him, or take such other measures as his conduct merited, or else he allow'd us thus to overturn his Majesty's regulations the British, Swedish and Noble Commissions to treat, by any improper offers or Compliances, and finding Wither still persevered, sent him to inspect the Shipmen who confirm'd all the Negroes to be sold, and we, with some additions, to capture 12 more Wither's second order, to remove immediately aboard the *Argentine*, then on board, and proceed to Gombroen, and if you judge necessary, thence to Amoy, and to render an Account of his conduct and wicked proceedings in this affair, which I thought my Duty, whether considering him as a Subject and a Christian, or in all these matters, who undoubtedly had *Wither* and *Wether*, having been so long on the English Service, is as necessary to declare what he knew and heard in the Cause thereof, for he too was present at the above Dispute between his Master and me, and bore your Approval of my proceeding therein, as in my own humble Opinion I had some cause to regard the Mal-Effect of his returning again to Mr. *Belknap's* Service, as the Pride and Ingratitude of the latter, and to the unskill'd but intriguing head of the former, for the humours they then, seem'd to be, might have been productive of consequences, very prejudicial to the English Interest and Credit there, particularly as Wither is well versed in the Government matters, and known to all the Principal Men, and a little regarded too for the Credit of serving the English, and being under their Protection, therefore I immediately order'd him on board, however on his pleading Sickness, permit'ted him to stay a few Days in the Factory, to settle his affairs, Captain Wither burn the first night, arriv'd, he could allow Wither to proceed as usual with his *Burnings*, as being his servant, which I was surpris'd at, both because he always pass'd for Mr. *Belknap's* Man, with whom he lived, and not with *Belknap's* Wither, and also as Captain Witherburne was present, through the whole of this affair, and heard repeated what the Shipmen had reproach'd it of him, and also at Mr. *Belknap's* discourse with me, all which recapitulated to him, and set forth the

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Baptist's letter
from

Necessity of Walthe's going, regarding whom, I desired my
self as gently as possible, acquainting him, that I desired have
aboard next morning, Captain Huddlestone, acquainted me,
for Mr. Baldreich, I saw no more of, that he should be satisfied
both Master and Man were in the fault, and would spare
him no more, but leave both to stand and fall by their own
actions, if he could find any indifferent People, to enquire of
the Natives, what had passed between him & Walthe, when
as he found some of the Natives, I desired him to go to the fort, to
their representation to me, on their return, I immediately de-
creed this to, and desired to know whom he chose, he presented
his own brother, and a small child, and to show my importance,
instead of sending my own, mentioned me to go to Manick Bro-
ther to me, but which was too much in their favour, to be
expressed, We also both agreed to beg the favour of Mr. T. to
it given, as is considerable, I spent the night, first who un-
derstand the country languages perfectly, to accompany me,
and at that time, to request Charles Hermit coming in, who
is quite an indifferent Person, and very proper too, as being
Gombroon himself, We agreed to send him as a gift, and my
own language as a gift, they accordingly all parted of the Natives,
who reported to them the same as he had before sent
to advise me, as will fully appear by the attestations of the
above Persons under their hands and seals in the Indian
language, and in French, upon their return, they
acquainted me, and also Captain Huddlestone, that of who
instead of being satisfied with it, as he promised, put him upon
to a very tedious process, and acquainted me with Mr. Bal-
dreich and he had their Man, who had improved, immedi-
ately they would protest against me, as they had no other Re-
son to manage this Business, I acquainted him Walthe was
no prisoner, but consented to obey my orders, that as to the man-
agement of this Business, I had apprized this Merchant, that
they themselves had kept, and chosen as such, these two years
past, were just because unequally, and he also never bore any
office himself, only that of a Believer, should put at the prison

Wednesday

Dejnah-Satwa
(from)

7 Be alone esteemed equal to the Management of this affair, though their respect Brothers as depositions and words all esteemed, two of the most valuable Expressions. Men in Town and that they themselves thought so, thus was one of them convinced, However, that he should have no cause to complain of my meddling their Business, for want of proper People. I made him a tender of either my own Brother or Linguist, or both, though they will had a thing too just in Persia, this I made him before he mentioned their intention of protesting against me, but I would not enter the more in it proper being which when he did. He told him they might do as they thought proper, and that Mulla wanted their protest, for even our banishments and the demands and the British Privileges of Trade, were thus in general, touch at, and my Mulla's employment Interest at, Cape, and made so light of by those too, supposing their Protection, such Imperable, as if the reverse is nearly reversed, private grievances as he complained of were not to be regarded, in comparison to that of the Publick security of their Right English and that of their Allis, and as their Protection, which it should ever be my Study to improve, or at least support on its ancient footing. He then again delivered a protest to Mr. Helms, in the presence of their Writer, and Captain Austin, a copy of which I have the Honour to enclose you. He got and the satisfaction at the same time to disprove under false and invalid, in every particular. Article, of the several alterations accompanying this under the Hand and how of the most Principal and most nearly concerned Person in the City the same night after a very abundant Dinner, Mr. Walther in the Factory, gave some with only one or two of the Servants, the Blonch and Astor being out of the way, Captain Austin caught him by the wrist, all called out, come along with us to which he gave them an answer, better than I could have expected, that he had not my or does for it, and therefore would not go, that he was neither prisoner, nor Slave, but a Servant to the English Factory, and would there lay down his head, and sleep, if required, and still say it is the best couch his body

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away and heard not of the affair till past evening, and then Captain Austin coming also hither to demand that Walter might attend him at the Bengall House to settle his Accounts, this Inconvenience him should not assist to, after due Considerance he had to quality of the proceeding Night and accordingly directed Walter not to go, Captain Austin then declared he would on that Account, and on a private note specifying the business in presence of several Gentlemen then here, as by their situation in this respect, though before them, he made him a Justice of the Peace the Company's Factory to settle his Accounts in, which he in very ungentle terms refused when both occasions to acquiesce in, that after such unparalled assistance as he yesterday attempted to force a Man from the Fort the Company's Factory had (which might have been attended with very disagreeable consequences) to him, that when next he could not see Walter again, he was indeed informed from reports well confirmed to me, that they at the Bengall House intended putting him instantly either aboard the Ship or since Edward Thorne whether my wishing to lighten his Motest was the occasion, I never heard more of, Thorne not being it was noted from the Austin's track instantly after his going, and which he possibly heard of, to call Walter of redem in presence of the same Gentlemen, Inquired whether he had knowledge of any hand degrading with Captain Austin, to which he replied by answer in the Negative as the Master had by S^r Austin, Milich, Maund, Rameel, and my linguist repeated his Intention to still collect 7 Phans in the Bengall place, which he desired them to acquiesce in, he heard Thorne not interfere in, or take any part, was necessitated to write on him in London, and at about your 1754, it required all the last adding could master, to divert the storm, and at matters in a proper footing again, even after 1754 of a cold and fever, which confined me to my Bed, when Captain Widdesburn and Jay came to acquaint me, he was well informed, that the Master had in proceeding Night called a Council, in which it was resolved to demand Francis Walter as a subject of the East India, and in case of refusal, to build the Factory, and carry him away by force.

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Bengal Sahib
from

And as his Morn was then in Dispatch to Madras and
Bengall, promised should send him aboard for, as far as the
reach of Bunderrooth, where he might stay for the Shipmate, and
added it would be little to the English Interest at Home, to
have such assistance put upon us by the Turks, and therefore he
should think his proposition in accord at Bengall, the first
part of his Message for being a But desired to be assured
ing him and that should explain my Doctor what he had
to say, I little thought that was, but when joined to the English
only to desert me, as this point, a little like the effect of
to get Walther by any means into their hands, to serve their
against me, and receive their Honor, which they intended
unnatural, in Town, by my thus pretending to order and dispose
of this War, and therefore returned Captain Walther's
for answer, that they were obliged for the advice, but were no con-
cern about the report, which, Heed upon as quite spurious,
however it might concern should more be wanting in a due
attention to the English Interest and Honor, as in particu-
lar, and as all others here, must be accountable, for any pro-
cedure it received through our misconduct and though I was
well pleased, my little Influence with the Government was too
small to establish, and regarded there, to admit of such pro-
ceeding of which too should not have failed to be acquainted
by many other Friends had such a thing been set a foot, yet
as too much precaution cannot be taken in such Govern-
ment of this, I found occasion to send my Request to the
Mention, on some other Business, giving him Directions, Noddy to
touch on a Subject, which would lead the Mafusion to dis-
cover his Inclinations, and to hint to his friends opportunity,
somewhat that might introduce as by accident, the Person
of Walther, which he accordingly went about, and saw already
there, Francis Walther's Mother, one of the Comrades of the
Bengall House and two other relations there whom he found
were there attending on Application to the Mafusion, in be-
half of Walther, he therefore found that on an inopportune time, and
had thought deferred it till next Day, when my Man would be

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Combroon ^{S¹¹¹} August 17th 1751

Wednesday 7

Baboon's Letter
from /

The Master on a secret manner, desired him to acquaint his Master, he had a complaint against him, regarding Francis that he, from his Family, and desired him to acquaint me, he imagined if I had what appeared proper reason to me, it would be more becoming to make the master suffer, than the forward, and upon my plain offering to speak, he said, only deliver this to your master, and tell him, those he want let his Family know, should he think proper to send him away, till he himself returns to this I answered him, the highest wealth of proceeding much differed from that of mine arbitrary, he proposed, being guided alone by reason of which I had more for what than any in advising the how to go, and render me the right of these several transactions to our superiors, where protection he enjoyed, that as to his Family, School, and friends, then as those Believers were dead, till his return, which might when my man arrived, it would not permit them to resist half, but taken him by the Combroon hand, and teaching him forward, in a familiar way, said he have been just and with the English were in all their affairs and making his outward deal with other hands, a manner they use to keep it thus absolute determination not to interfere in any matter, the end, No one must entremiddle in this business, let the Father's (being inquiring me) proceed as he judged best, with the crew people, and in a former voice added, but your master's engaged, and tell him from me were Francis with his last Master and haven the flames, these were his very words, had further power or Influence with Mr. Thave he should not exchange his little finger, to release himself, from the the same Instructions, as I'm his Master requires this and therefore let him act as he judges best, for were he to cut off a Head here, would let treat his own people as he thinks proper, who would notice it in Baboon's, give my compliments and acquaint your Master, I shall be glad to see him, and have a publick expression to convince him and the World of my regard accordingly, I want to reside of him in a few Days, when after several very good Counsellors before, about the way, said Namazang the master, several of the crew, such as Agis, and all the principal

Wednesday 7
Babrah seen
from

Fine Race and breed, black bay mare, with the long
steeple gill, and a hind, and the right eye, he had which was
the same the Arabian gave him, after he had served him, and
when he approved him to the Government, and to also ac-
quainted me, that on my Account, he had acquired his share
of Customs on the Bengall Trade, to which he would not believe
me, saying that was no obligation, but only due to justice, and
my true representation of the matter, that for all other people
I should be obliged, and the more so, as his last was an uncer-
tain Honour, Thus thought I, and every one else had all the
reason in Nature, to be satisfied of the Government's regard
to the English Interest, and particularly British and good
will to me, yet the Bengall gentlemen used their very pre-
judice, to publish the reverse, and were
to sanguine themselves, as to me, in the course of my
very extraordinary private correspondence we had together,
from whence as well as the attendance of the aforementioned
adherents to that English house, where Withers's mother
in law went in person, and also Relationed the Misfortune
really happened to Withers and at which he seemed much con-
founded, and so, which they endeavoured to render offi-
cial, but in vain, by introducing themselves, a present of some
Cape wine and other matters, and the public reports to
that purpose, had too much cause to believe they were not
wanting in attempts to raise the Government against me,
in which however they happily miscarried, my Influence;
for the little time I have had the Honour to serve here, as
rather indeed that of my Honorable masters, being too securely
founded, to be ever thrown, as in the least affected, by such
unconsiderable affronts, and to contradict their assertions,
and render still more apparent the good footing on which
the English Interest is here at this juncture, one of the most
beneficial American Merchants in all Bengal, and
Pleasant Gregory, happened just at that critical juncture
to be taken up by the Government, imprisoned and chain-
ed, which though it happened, I am persuaded, were it not

Wednesday 7

English Calendar
from

The false appearances of his Enemies, than his real faults, yet gave too specious a pretext, to so rapacious and covetous a Government, where the object too much is capable of being the unjust hand of Justice. For the brave laid to his ideas gave us less, than that of buying and keeping a Slave man. There in his house and another American who only brought the boy from Bagdad, and who was as well as Return was also put with him into chains, and on my previous intercession by my brother, they were removed from the common Prison to the, therefore, it is true, though I was invited the ruin of the poor, than that his family, was depending, sought after, yet the friends of the Muslim, have in this respect, did not care to interfere publicly, though the Government in general, applied for my assistance, which I promised them privately and to use my utmost endeavours to extract the Prisoners out of their present Detention, yet I judged it improper, publicly to interfere therein, and so engaged my parole, without a certainty of succeeding. But after receiving private applications to the Government and proceeding in treating it, not as a Religious matter, but as an arbitrary one, and laid hold of by only the Malice of the English and being far from the known good sense of Return, there are instances to the Government, that there was no moral probability he should render himself thus hostile to the Law, in so short a Government, as he knew the Turkish to be, particularly in Religious matters, But the strongest argument against him, though the boy himself and many other people appeared, proceeded from his incapacity to pay ransom for his Discharge, for as in the case of my Mesopotamians in his behalf, such occasion to acquiesce the Muslim, that he was as a Neighbour and the subject to his flock, which he should feed and nourish, and even if any unwillingly went a little a stray, should lead them back to their Duty, he observed all my other pleas were put to the Purpose, and justifying this, for when a sheep was fat and full of its own growing, as in the present case, it was fit for the Knife, to

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form

Advised for in this case had there been no other way
for any of the Nations not convicted in Trade it might
on their joining as doubtless they would be very material
ly prejudicial to the National Credit and not to the Interest
of our Honble Country after all the care and precautions
my little prudence might have been capable of suggesting to
me thus far come to an end of this Nations deceit and here
your Whigs will pardon the immaterial length thereof and
though many articles which have been very fullen may as
fast sight appear unnecessary and superfluous yet to me they
were requisite to let a fuller light upon the whole and part
cularly into the secret government, were very material deeds
as should my benedict should stand the most fast though
the whole writing which the nature of this case may in your
superior and judicious request and here you will in general
approve my proceeding in making allowance for the foolish
weakness we are sometimes liable to, and though by a
moderate yet steady and resolute behaviour joined to the
great good nature and regard of the present Government I
have thus far got over this Venetian affair without any
evil consequences yet as such pretence as another Venetian
and much probably not so worthy a world a Government may
draw the English affairs and those of all their dependencies into
the intense confusion here particularly should not be quiet
long till Dutch or French settle at this place which they have
intend I therefore request you will give such directions both in
the present case and for my future Government as you esteem
prudent and becoming and at the same time if you approve it
send Walther to the Presidency and desire he please to send
such representation of this matter as you esteem proper and
from you or thence, Recommendations may be set on some busy party
and such directions given as may be just and necessary and
fitting in like case for the Interest of our Honble Country
and the Preservation of the British Privileges in general
Buxorah I am with all becoming regard, Right Whigs
July 17 1754 your most faithful servant Wm. Johnson

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Thursday 8. Nipper Craun having supplied forty Men with two hundred Men he is again returned to him and has attacked the Fort. —

Saturday 10. sailed the Prince Edward for the Coast of Cornwall
and Bengalla

Letters from Caracoon advises that Ahmed Shah has not
himself wastes of Time where he found an enormous treasure
which he has sent to Brindabar, that Meer Jem has been the
Governor was cut off by his own Slaves, and that Ahmed Shah
with an Army of one hundred thousand Men was on his march

The Fort of Beven
attacked

Colonel Brev
at Westford

Wanted Share
this Town with
signs for my father

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Sunday 11

Towards Muphad and Mepabont, that he had appointed Mepabont Governor of Sourand, Muphad Governor of Boyon. He reported that Tany Bawa Mepabont with a body of Men is on his march to the coast by way of Muphad.

From Muphad
Mepabont Governor
of Sourand
Tany Bawa Governor
of Boyon

Muphad advises mention that Mepabont Bawa has pulled out the Gps of Mepabont Muphad, that Mepabont Bawa had gained one thousand over the joint forces of Mepabont Bawa &c. and was gone to the coast and that some time past he sent two thousand Men to the coast which they took and after having plundered the inhabitants Tany Bawa was replaced in the Government by his order.

Monday 12

A Consultation Present
The Right Hon^{ble} Mr. Douglas Esq Agent
and Mr. Richard Fisher.

The Agent represents the board with a letter received yesterday from the Governor of Siam requesting a remittance of four hundred Tomawards in account the West. The statement which he gives to be sent him, and the Factory Brothers are desired to prepare bills to that amount.

Adjourned

D. Douglas
R. Fisher

Tuesday 13

West Factory Brothers having prepared bills to the amount of four hundred Tomawards the Agent dispatched a letter with them to the Governor, directing the Agent to be expeditious in forwarding us the West and to use his utmost diligence to secure us as large a quantity as possible.

Thursday 22

From Muphad
Mepabont Governor
of Sourand
Tany Bawa Governor
of Boyon

Advices from their ministers that Mepabont Bawa has taken Muphad and has sent the Principal Inhabitants to Siam that at Siam he has received upwards of four thousand Rials that he has demanded a large sum of money of the said Bawa and in case of non compliance threatens to march this way that Mepabont Bawa has sent him a present but at the same time is making necessary preparations to visit him in case he should attempt to enter Siam. He reported Mepabont Bawa

Thursday 22

Went to the station with a body of two thousand men.

Monday 26

Very Consultation Present
The Right W^{or} Alex^r Douglas Esq^r Agent
and M^r Richard West.

Read a petition from Jacques Charles Hermet formerly linguist at Spahauin, setting forth that on way far out experience having been informed of the losses he sustained when the Noble Company's factory was plundered they had permitted the agent and council here to gratify him and hoped we would now put said request in execution, his request is accordingly taken into consideration and their benevolence perceived whereby we find the same to be giving him not much but left to the discretion of the agent and council to satisfy him in proportion to his losses though on a singular manner and as we are entirely unacquainted with the damages he sustained both when M^{rs} Langue and Graves were not the latter being on the spot though neither of them came to any determination there as we can find. It is therefore we think most prudent for us to refer it to the decision of our superiors especially as he makes the charges of only bringing his family from Spahauin amount to a very large sum.

*Hermet Jacques
 Charles petition
 and resolutions
 thereon -*

Adjourned

A. Douglas
R. Jecher
 To the Right W^{or} Alex^r Douglas Esq^r Agent
 &c^t Council

at Gombroon
 Right W^{or} Sirs.

The humble Petition of
Hermet Jacques Charles Hermet, Linguist

That your humble petitioners having
 petitioned this Worshipful Board & supp^{ly} for relief
 in the many losses he sustained at Spahauin as well as

Monday 26

Reiterated the Vote the President &c Council in Bombay, when they were pleased to write this Respectful Board P. Muncey that as they understood your humble Petitioners to be well attached to the Honourable Company's Interest and to have suffered by this House being plundered at Madras, they therefore left it to their Respective discretion to adjust me in a suitable manner as getting my Family from thence or otherwise, to gratify me in the End. That, sustained, But as M^r James G. who was then Agent died before it could be accomplished, I have still been obliged to defer bringing them here, till the late troubles forced them thence and obliging me to contract a debt of six years sixteen thousand six hundred and eighty pound, now unpaid having not to be paid.

I have in my power to add that M^r James G. once made my Brother, Stephen, (which he can testify) to take some age little Family affairs and being thence here, also a letter from M^r King, (whose interest he mentions that he is doubtful whether or no my Family can get access to the Trustees of the Company, however he says that the money the Company ordered for bringing my Family down, he has made M^r James G. as his opinion that it should be paid into my Hands, which he hoped he would comply with, I am hoping that your W^{ts} will take into consideration the distress and misery of a Company's long and faithful Servant who has not to satisfy his creditors nor send to give his poor unhappy Family will take such measures that by the Death of the late Agent he may not be cut off from the gratuity and generosity the Hon^{ble} President and Council in Bombay were pleased to allow his Respectful Board to give, and your W^{ts} &c humble Petitioners as in duty bound shall ever pray for success and Prosperity to the Honourable Company's Affairs.

I am with greatest Affection and Respect
 Right W^{ts} Sir and Sirs your most faithful and most devoted
 humble Servant J. C. Hermet

Gombroon August 1754

Monday 26

Account Charges bringing my Family from Spahaus

Accounts and other Charges to my late Government
in Feb 1753 obtaining a Pass from Said Govern
for the departure of my Family into more after
wards kept and plundered at 1754

Charges obtaining the Passes

To Major Andia General of the Army	4200	
To Ally Aga Lieutenant	6150	
To Samuel Aga Surgeon	3000	
To Chalack and Doges	3500	
To the Treasurers	500	
To the Agent General for the Passes	500	
To Ally Archer	500	
To servants	1600	25350

For the following taken by the Government
manely to dress for my Family were detained
at Spahaus

Manely to dress for my Family were detained at Spahaus	4100	
Manely to dress for my Family were detained at Spahaus	7222	
For the following taken by the Government manely to dress for my Family were detained at Spahaus	1600	18724
Manely to dress for my Family were detained at Spahaus	38374	
Manely to dress for my Family were detained at Spahaus	16700.15	55442.15

Charges made by my Family in Feb 1754
when they left Spahaus

My horse to Gombroon	10250	
Given to a Brown to show them the Roads through the Mountains to prove them being carried back to Spahaus	2256	
Given to a Brown to obtain a pass port for my children leaving Spahaus	720	22456

Left and Interest on my money be- come to defray the above expenses	3065	25461
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Gombroon August 25th 1754

J. B. Hornel

Manerdis 80905.15

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Friday 30

At a Consultation Present
The Right Hon^{ble} Douglas Esq^r Agents
and Mr. Richard Lickor

Examined and passed the Accounts
of Subscriptions for last month amounting to. Madras Money
two thousand two hundred eighty two and seven pence (2282⁷/₁₆)
as likewise the Cash account for the same time the balance
of which is. Madras one Million two hundred one thousand one
hundred and four and one pence (1201104¹/₁₆)

Account passed

Adjourned
Attest
Mr Douglas
R Lickor

Abstract of the Accounts of Subscriptions for July

Table Expenses	10421.3
Garrison Charges	9933 -
Charges Merchandise	353 5
Factory Expenses	2362 1
Table Charges	2718 5
Charges Extraordinary	2431 8
Arms and Hopes	17 60
Wheat Garden	720
Wheat Meadows	2432 5

Makes 32282.7

The Hon^{ble} Company's Cash

To balance	851104 1
To receipt of advantage collected from the sugar last to this Day	24434 6
To largest July P.	2831 9
To Anniversary Remittances from them	322733 5

Makes 1201104.1

The Hon^{ble} Company's Cash

By balance	Makes 1201104.1
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Wednesday 4

Agad Bains General
has departedBains Bains
arrived at Gombroon

Thursday 5

Chambers

Who was forced between four and five thousand people
without the least regard either to age or sex.
By a letter from Bains Bains to Hapoor Bains we are informed
that Mademoiselle Bains and Bains Ally Bains and
Bains Bains Ally Bains Bains and have got a body of
Troops together that they have defeated Bains Bains
of Agad Bains General at Hombroon and were driven
to Gombroon.

We spent this day received advice of Bains Bains being
arrived at Gombroon that the Bains Bains of Bains Bains
Bains Bains and Bains Bains had moved him and that he
was resolved to attack Agad Bains and had driven Bains
Bains to join him.

*At a Consultation Held
The Night of Alexander Douglas Esq Agent
and Mr Richard Fisher*

Several matters were having happened in relation
to the Company Government since we last dropped the Hon-
ble Company and of which it necessary they should be advised
a letter was sent to be drawn out and sent before us at our
next meeting.

*Examined and passed the Cash Account
for last month the balance of which is Bains one Million
one hundred and thousand one hundred and one pence
(104.7)*

Adjournd *At Douglas*
At Fisher
The Honble Company's Cash D^r

To Balance of last month *Bains 1201104.1*

The Honble Company's Cash C^d

By Balance *Bains 1201104.1*

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Friday 6. Moolah Ally. Shaw sent the Agent the King of the
Rogeen from whom Shaw the afternoon King visited from Shaw
last to Rogers Court appointing him Begadeg of the Hot
Country.

Saturday 7. Super Court advises the Agent that in order to pre-
vent this Province being the seat of that he had sent the
down very large presents who were also ordered to purchase
beaver from Shaw to Coquacon, and from there return to Su-
shaw, that Super Court had sent him a beaver appointing
Begetdeg of Shaw.

At a Consultation Present
The Right W^{ts} Alex^r Douglas Esq Agent
and M^r Richard. Nichol.

Received full interest to the Hottle Company
and to the Resident at Supporah and every thing of conse-
quence being under the Hottle Company is directed to transcribe
them full and that they be sent by a Merchant from Shaw
is ready to suit for Supporah.

M^r John Parsons is directed to receive
charge of the Warehouse from M^r Richard. Nichol and as
Minister of the Province of Moolah goods, furs and
batter to be taken and leave before us.

Adjourned

A. Douglas
R. Nichol

Monday 9

At a Consultation Present
The Right W^{ts} Alex^r Douglas Esq Agent
and M^r Richard. Nichol.

Agreed our advice to the Hottle Company
as also to the Resident at Supporah.

Adjourned

A. Douglas
R. Nichol

James Shaw
appointed Mar-
shall Rogers

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Gombroon ^{S. 155} September 1754

Monday

September 14

To the Honable the Court of Directors
for affairs of the United Company of
Merchants of England trading to
the East-Indies.

May it please your Honours

By the Neptune Gallies we formerly to
disperish our last humble request to your Honours and
we have thus long waited, adding being you in hopes of being
able to answer of the request of one of your ships from Eng-
land but as none has hitherto arrived in and a frigate
being now on her departure for Disperish We shall give
your Honours an account of all the Material occurrences
which have happened since the date of our last address.
First the Neptune Gallies the Neptune Gallies the
Prince Edward and the Prince George English
ships have arrived here as also two ships belonging to
Whitely of Surat and a Dutch bounding vessel from the
same place.

By private advices from India we have that
your Honours Ships Montrose, Minerva and the
Hampshire arrived at Bombay the 16th April last that the two for-
mer were sent to Surat the 1st of the same Month for load-
ing of cotton and were to be dispatched directly from
thence to Bussell but to touch at Madras to land the
recruits sent from Bombay that the Hampshire was to sail
from Bombay about the 22nd April last for China.

It gives us great satisfaction your Honorable to advise
your Honours that since the 1st August 1753 We have disposed
of three thousand one hundred ninety nine pieces of broad
cloth, two thousand eight hundred seventy two pieces of
Beasts three hundred and ten pieces of Madras hog
in all ten pieces of Camlets and six hundred ninety hundred
eight three quarters and nine trunks of them and we beg
leave to assure your Honours of our embracing all opportu-
nities to increase this Branch of your Honours Trade.

Our remembrance of Madras goods at present 1754

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Warehouse is five hundred fifty nine pieces of Broad cloth three hundred forty two pieces of Broad cloth and many by pieces Mallesons.

Your remembrance of the last goods in April 1753 were very considerable together with the Distracted Condition of this Kingdom was not so then to Indent to your Honours but for a small quantity but as ever since for the last twelve Months have greatly exceeded our Expectations. We shall submit to the Presidency by the first conveyance for thirty two Bales Broad Cloth which with the quantities we daily expect from growth ours is what we justly expect we shall be able to dispose of this season.

Mr. Williams we received a letter from our Government for just acquainting us of his having on Monday the two hundred and thirty of that in this house four hundred of which was obtained and would be not passing the fact was using his endeavours to obtain a large quantity and had advanced the Merchants up to the point of one thousand. Remained on his account and his former letter he advises us that the price was not to the Agents remained at the same time derived our attention whether to buy or not upon these terms which being readily considered and your Honours being engaged and fully persuaded us also our having received an order from the Presidency as to the price made a come to a resolution of purchasing and orders were accordingly sent the King's but at the same time he was directed to use his utmost endeavours to get a better price and we not find the price for last year is greatly enhanced. We shall repeat our request to the Hon. the President to be seated at Bombay for thirteen the total says two persons at our instance to purchase for them which is of great disadvantage to us both as to quantity and price notwithstanding which we beg leave to shew your Honours that our utmost endeavours shall be used to secure

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General Letter to

A large quantity as possible and on the most reasonable terms we are able. We have already remitted the full sum three hundred thousand (300,000) Rupees.

By the first good opportunity we shall transmit to the President your statement of charges with what we do may have in this charge as also our supplies cash.

Your Honours have been disappointed that they had fully those the Government of this place both protection of British trade and worst thence himself in December last was he continued till April since which he has sometimes continued on board one of the British ships and sometimes on shore, at present he is here buying one of the Persian ships in the Strait the other at Bombay he having his utmost and power to enter into an agreement with the Dutch, Shakh and the navy to assist each other in case of being attacked but we are pretty certain he will not attempt to withstand. Nizam's army should be ready but immediately repair to him.

Sharruck Bawn the present Governor of the province not being able to withstand the Persian attack of Memran Bawn (the former Governor) applied to Nizam Bawn as a last last for assistance who sent him a body of men and he himself went to Meckah in May when Sharruck Bawn and he had an interview where Nizam Bawn obliged himself by the most solemn ties to assist him to the utmost but through the intrigues of his enemies Nizam Bawn was induced to break his word they persuading him large sums of money to detain him prisoner as a bargain the Bawn made for him which was accordingly done in the night of their sleeping and immediately afterwards Nizam Bawn laid siege to the city and demanded ten thousand (10,000) Tomans of the inhabitants who not being willing to comply therewith the siege lasted until that week when he had made his escape got into the city when the siege was raised he then finding any further attempts fruitless marched to Rojeh about six hours laying wait all the

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Country through which he passed at present he is not acquainted reaching the nations of Great Britain, nor as he himself wrote the Agent a few days past he had gathered together an army of about 3000 men the Agent then that Menasse were ready coming to him and that the Heads of the Arab Tribes had received him and since that time had a Mahomed such a number of his most regulated at Belah and the reason they were then moved to appear him to the utmost should he attempt to enter that place. Nafier came to prevent if possible this promise being the fact of War has not been a large present.

We have already acquainted your Honours of the Countries, and that by a Great Chain in the Tradition of Spahaw and as soon to advise every place where he goes suffer the same. Nafier is said to be almost ruin through his Excesses having demolished fifty thousand Tentacles of the inhabitants at Belah he was forced between four and five thousand people without the time regard to men, he and the like Countries were, common but it is uncertain. He is now at Nafier with a strong army of about twelve thousand men where he arrived but we are unable to say positively, but by a letter the Agent received two days past from Nafier Caure he mentions of his having come to an agreement with Great Caure who he writes designs to persuade Caure Caure to be success and afterwards return to Spahaw which we have witnessed true and previous his leaving this morning Caure Caure has made several attempts to resist the Government from Great Caure but hitherto proved unsuccessful and notwithstanding his frequent success is still endeavoring to raise fresh recruits he is now at Caure Caure where the inhabitants of Belah are Caure Caure and such others have joined him and it is reported is resolved to make another effort.

Several disputes having arisen between Caure Caure and Ally Marwan Caure and

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Sunday 10

letter always expressing the former's meanness as it was
wrote, that, believe that while Ally Mardani has
continued to have so much influence over him it was impos-
sible his affairs could be attended with success but that if he
would put him to death he would then do what might be of
service to him himself but would get many other leading
men to assist, however before it could put into execution
Ally Mardani has not notice of it and is reported im-
mediately put rest the eyes of those who report it.
Carton, Cartan some time past having sent Mubashir
bawn and others Ally bawn said to be taken to raise
troops and Ally Mardani continuing his threat to delay
the execution thereof they are determined to destroy
him which they are now doing and immediately seized
his treasure which consisted of considerable but since
Ally Mardani would have joined them have joined them
and they have defeated them taking one of their baggage
men and their down and things a march to Bushman.

On the 10th of these arrived at Coomona a letter from
Berawee which advised that should have the officers
that with a large army had entered this Kingdom and
had taken it and by letters received from Barmawa
the 11th of these we are informed that he is become mas-
ter of the whole Berawee country that at Toun were
they Ally bawn was generous he found an immense
treasure which he sent to Bantalan the same letter like-
wise mentions that he was on his march towards Muphad
and Sepabani with one hundred thousand men, he has
appointed Sepain bawn Governor of Toun, Belawee
bawn Governor of Bawn, and has sent a Regent confin-
ing Mawcek bawn in the Government of Barmawa and
by a Regent to Sepain bawn we learn he was at Toun the
1st July last.

Advices from Mozandreen mentions that Sep-
tain bawn has coined money in the name of Timur Shah
who its said is at Shirahant.

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Combroon Letter 12

We suppose the Resident at Buporah is waiting on
your Honours of the Transactions of the Dutch with the
several Government and of thus creating a settlement on the
Island Oarock, agreeable to our repeated orders it will be
needful for us to trouble your Honours with a resolution.

Enclosed we send your Honours a price current of goods
and rates of loans at this place and have nothing further to
add at present but leave to Subordinate officers with respect.

May it please your Honours

your most faithful and obedient Servant

Combroon

4th September 1754

Alexander Douglas

Richard Nether

To

M^r William Ward

Resident

at Buporah

Sir

Since our last of the 3rd April we have received
your several Letters of the 23rd March and 21st of April, 10th May
20th June and 17th July to all which we shall now reply.

You do well in providing experienced Men to carry
our Orders to Murre but let it be a standing rule to use
the utmost dispatch in getting them that our Letters may
never with a little detention be refused.

You have already been advised that we
not send the Bales of Raiments stored here, by Agas-
della to Buporah till we have received your directions from
presidency unless he first paid his debt to the Honourable
Company, what Hooper there might tell you is of little sig-
nification he having had no Assurance from us that we
should alter our resolves.

We are glad to find Hooper's Account
settled & returned at Buporah as you will thereby have an
assurances of recovering his debt to the Honourable Com-
pany he saying he had no debt to Agasdella or Hooper
as he had no power from the Agent and brought here to
settle the Honourable Company's Accounts.

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Suppered

To take all laudable means to recover this debt.

We shall transmit to our Superintendant tomorrow a
piece of the letters you have wrote us relating to Mr. Butler's
proceedings and whatever directions they may think proper
to give us you shall be advised with.

Though you did not favour the Honble
Company's duties in the Prince Edwards barge at the time
of her departure owing to the high exchange of money at
that time yet we hope you will want to recover the business
on whatever goods was sold before her arrival.

You will be as much asked for as
would to win a race you this is a very loose way of writing and
you should always inform us of the real value when we have
judged whether it would be worth for our Honble Master to
trust to send them to Supperah or sell them here.

You are always to acquiesce the Honble
Company of the demand of Indian goods at Supperah and
the quantities you judge the market will take off when they
will comply with your demands this we mention to prevent a
dispute as what we need for is only sufficient for the
consumption of this post and indeed the soldiers much
different from those required at Supperah, and as we may
not always have it in our power to supply you, we have need
to the Prandizing for the debts you want and shall repeat
our request by the first conveyance.

You may always in future advance our
debts in this manner.

Forward the enclosed packet for the Honble
Company to his Majesty's Consul at Aleppo.

We are
Sir

your Loving Friends

Gombroon

September 9th 1754

Alexander Douglas

Richard Secher

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Suppered

Received a letter from our Exemore. Inquest advising
since the date of his last he had purchased a further

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Quantity seven hundred rounds shot, that he had, and two hundred loads of shot being, he had a hundred more which he had paid half carry and that the remainder was to be made good by us. He advised us that he had received the five hundred Tomawards from the 15th of the month. Advices from Cochin India under date the 1st Instant mention that good cause had been made the provincial agents in Government there to attend him at the great, that they were accordingly gone with large presents, the same advices mention that Daulat Khan, Saug, Khan, Bawny, and Mahomet Raja, have all been plundering the British about Cochin India.

Changed above amount
of his taking, they
had.

Answered the letter

Letter received from the same from Cochin India mention that Ahmed Khan had made himself Master of Mysore and had taken the post of Cannore for his house.

Imported the Septimus Captain John attending from Balaugh, by her we received a letter from the same, that of the 15th July as entered hereafter.

To the Right W. Alex. Douglas Esq. Agent
for the East India Co.

Superior letter
from

at Gombroon
Night W. 20th 1754

Was very full in my last address about which, there has been some time before this, and shall now proceed to acquaint you of all occurrences worthy your notice since that date.

About twenty days past, there arrived with a very singular instance of behavior, both in respect and regard for the English. It having arrived that a very provincial officer of the Household, purposed to salute me in his name who accused after a voyage of thirty five days, and by him were me a fine Turkish table with a very noble. These richly furnished with full furniture, with very extraordinary letters of commendation from the Bashaw of the (reput. Minister) and his private officers of the Household) and these under the name of the Bashaw.

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Tuesday 10

Beforah him
from -

Reluctation they conceived from the regular service
conduct of our Nation at all times in the East India Com-
ment and thereon expressed their readiness, not only to con-
form all former grants and presents but even to add to them
if need were, as they found at all times ready to proper a use
thereof, as to render us daily satisfaction of additional satis-
faction of their particular affection and esteem, accordingly on
the other officers arrival, they were fully satisfied in the
loyalty of them and thereupon a numerous assembly pub-
licly complimented by the English and British officers
in their master's name, in which they took occasion to set forth
his attachment to the Nation in general and particular es-
teem for they were pleased to find in person, which was accom-
panied with an invitation to visit in the East India Com-
ment during a personal acquaintance to compare our
friendships and that he might daily have occasion for they
were pleased to express themselves of observing this peculiar re-
gard and esteem to answer which as it increased I should need
to mention at the little notice, thus made of, and after a
personal and appearance of friendship and regard, which
was done when the East India House was presented to me to
the next, and next day the officer who brought him came to
visit me in person when I was consulted to present him in
a ship boat, being informed that such was the custom ob-
served among the Turkish Consuls for their wives having
been a former instance of the kind to any Europeans here
I could not find any precedent to go by. It will likewise be
informed and further needful to present him with some-
thing handsome on his departure all which, there there pro-
bably of charging to the Honorable Company's account
as it is the custom at all other places on such occasions.

By this report I must give notice of because
containing upwards of thousands of pounds and still
of sending to the East India House, and a further, him, I thought him
at present very little indebted to the Honorable Company's account.

Tuesday

Superior Court
open

Not hitherto received a single Ben from any of the Bengall Gentlemen but that extraordinary Temerity of the supercargoes of the Prince Edward for borrowing money has raised the Belief of them to is that besides the usual expenses which will not enable to receive any for the Huddle Company's Account, and the Debt is not fallen below a point at which they can demand the good Princes favor, such but notes that which is fear that it will be displeasing to your Highness and would not for that reason have sent it, but least you should think we delude them ever I am in hopes the Paper will be before the next leaves this, when I shall have collected the Bengall Gentlemen's accounts and by so doing must any possible assistance in my hands.

By this day Francis Walker from your agreeable to what formerly wrote your Highness and on his having sent all the necessary copies and original papers relating to this affair, which these will convince you of the Justice of your measure regarding this, I have been so full in my last address as leaves me nothing to add thereto, only that I understand the Bengallers give out their intention to have a dividend of their own sales here or at Bombay, and then will well show us how to treat them, and say we were Company's duties which is much of a piece with the Bravado Mr. Madrick made, the Evening Express to him of his affair, in the Factory, where he ever mentioned, that his Highness the Prince Edward was better paid than the King's, and married with a parcel of base Europeans, therefore if matters come to any extremity, the strongest must carry the day, to which I have but an answer, as it were, and that convinced me effectually, that what Captain Martin Esq. did the succeeding night in endeavouring to carry Walker forcibly away, was a concerted matter. This year your Highness will take the trouble of transmuting the Prince's time for some seasons past in the departure of the Bengall annual Freight ship is always mentioned, whence it will appear, this is as early

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Buxorah
from

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Dispatched his horses than the best for many past, though
you if yet will please to observe they wish the detention of this
Bupal a material point against me in their protest every ap-
tion of which there it will appear. There is only one more
M. John Holmes should agreeable to your order
have proceeded by this vessel but expected some little business
in the other Bungaloe, therefore expected to be obliged to
stay for the time, and as she will not be away soon, trusting you
M^{rs} G^o would have indulged him this journey had application
to you been probable and I have ventured to permit of his staying
till her departure which likely if you will be so kind as to
excuse.

The Dutch has just now completed their Fortification
at Barach and lately sent out two of his ships to stop up both
the mouths of this River and take a return such small craft as
others as they thought proper accordingly they seized several
Fringes and sent to Barach, but at last both Whittaby's vessels
along into his Fort at Barach he has recalled his two ships
and is at present making a piece of Whittaby's vessel immen-
ly satisfactory to the Government men and I suppose he will hence-
forward have his demand having such ample security in his
Fort as he has far he may be able to answer this action in the
case of paying the ground rent, but yet and Turkish expect the
best done even documents.

We understand for certain that the
M^{rs} G^o shake of Banderach was lately out of by his second
son M^{rs} G^o who at present governs in his room for
which various reasons are assigned, but as long as that son
has been there he doubtless can inform you M^{rs} G^o fully in this
respect to which I shall only add that some

Buxorah
July 30th 1754

Right Wth Sir and Sirs
your most obedient and very humble
Servant
William Shaw

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A Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alex^r Douglas Esq^r Agent
and M^r Richard Sicker

The Sentence being to sail in a few days for Bombay
a General to the Honble the President and Council's orders
to be drawn out and its agreed that we send by this Express
one set of our Consultations and Resolutions last night.

It was unanimously agreed that we refer the
dispute between M^r Shaw and Andrich to the determination
of about four or five at Bombay and that we transmit them
Copies of all letters and papers relating thereto.

M^r Murrin writes date the 7th July last having
in a particular manner requested that Francis Walker might
reside on the Ship going to Bombay to answer such questions
as the Honble the President and Council might judge necessary
to ask him, we acquiesce therein as we leave the affair entirely
to their determination.

Adjourned

A. L. Douglas
Esq^r & Co.

Saturday 14

A Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alex^r Douglas Esq^r Agent
and M^r Richard Sicker

Our former advice to the Honble the President
and Council at Bombay being drawn out the same
was read and approved the Secretary is directed to trans-
cribe them for us also other necessary papers.

Jacques Charles Mermut having several
times acquainted the Agent of his present exigencies and the
clawing sense of the necessity which from whom his family
borrowed money to bear their charges in this place, and so
that he hoped we would think of some method of assisting him
at this juncture if we did not come to any determination
about the gratuity, the same is taken into consideration
and as we humbly apprehend from our former and Direc-
tors by the Majority they will not disapprove of our offering

Mermut Jacques
Wishes money
from him

Saturday 14

Rem. some assistance and that full order has been issued
as therefore unanimously agreed to first have the necessary
things taking his and his two brothers trust and support
should for the same to run at interest at 4% per Month
of thirty Days.

Adjourned

Douglas
K. Zecker

Tuesday 17

At a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alex^r Douglas Esq^r Agent
and Mr. Richard. Keblet

Out orders to the Honble the President
and Council of Bombay as also the necessary papers being
first transcribed, enlarged and Decreted to be made up and
delivered to Captain John. Matherough.

Mr. William Keith ordered to take charge
of the Secretarieship.

And William
appointed Secretary

Adjourned

Douglas
K. Zecker

Bombay Letter

To The Honble Richard Bouchier Esq^r
President and Governor &c Council
on Bombay
Honble Sirs,

The 26th March last we received your
Honours &c Commands dated the 27th January by the Por-
tuge Galley who imported here that August sailed for
Superah the 4th April and being now on her return for Bom-
bay we embrace the opportunity of acquainting your Honours
wth all the material occurrences that have happened
since our last adverb of the 2nd December.

While the 26th March last arrived here the
Alice, Major, sence Edward and Bruce George from Bengale
with their usual cargoes and on the 4th May imported the three
Galley from Bombay bound to Superah as also the ships two
ships from Surat the 26th of the same Month and a Dutch cargo

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Bombay 54Ship from Thane & Taly which sailed for Bunder creek
Port the 9th.We receive your Honours 9th consigned us by the Ship
have received in good condition and for which the same
Bunder Bombay has due credit.

We give us great satisfaction of our
being able to advise your Honours that since the 1st August
1753 We have despatched of three thousand one hundred ninety
nine pieces broad cloth two thousand eight hundred & re-
centy two pieces of serge three hundred ten pieces of shalloon
two hundred ten pieces of band & muslin one hundred ninety
thousand eight three quarters and nine pence of Truss
as to the Broadas consigned this Agency in the year 1751
of Mameedog we have not yet been able to sell any piece
either have we any prospect of selling to this not being
proper pattern for the use of the Tabbies and Sallies
off very shortly, and even from their being much melted.

As our remains of Woollen goods in April 1753
were very considerable together with the distressed condition
of this Agency, induced us to under to our Honorable Masters
for only a small supply but as our sales for these last twelve
Months have greatly excited our Expectations We are there-
fore to request your Honours 9th will please to comply with
the proposal tendered for nearly 1000 Bales Broad Woollens
we hope to receive before the cold weather be over that being
the season our Merchants are with us.

By the Septime Galley we consigned
the Merchant at Supperah one hundred Bales of Broad cloth
the receipt of which he has acknowledged and by a letter of
his under date the 17th July last he repeats his request for
one thousand pieces of serge the several shipments of which we
transmitted your Honours 9th by the Speculation and as our
Orders to England in April 1753 was only for such serges
as are proper for the Market and in quantity no more than
we judge, We shall be able to send it will not be in our power to
comply with his request therefore desire your Honours 9th will

Tuesday 7

Sunday Letter

Be pleased to transmit them.

We have at present remaining in Madras six hundred Maunds of Armonia Steel which we shall send you Home as by the first good opportunity that offers.

Our Armonia Sengquist made date the 5th acquainted us of his having cut thousand five hundred M^{ts} Steel that he then sent us six hundred Maunds which we hope to receive in a few days, that he had also sold some of our thousand Annals in this account, and by a former Letter we received from him we were acquainted his being at the Bay of P^rimaud, and asked to know whether he might proceed in the purchase of the same, which being mutually considered as in the paragraph received from our Hon^{ble} Master and your Hon^{ble} M^{ts} in his letter made us come to a resolution to purchase as we find we may still continue to do although the price should still be advanced until your Hon^{ble} M^{ts} pleasure be known and satisfaction sent us. We have advanced the Sengquist on debt this year the amount three hundred thousand M^{ts} Steel. The Dutch and my two people at Armonia to purchase and their account which is of great testimony to us both in mind and spirit notwithstanding which we beg leave to assure your Hon^{ble} M^{ts} that we shall embrace every opportunity of sending as large a quantity as possible and in the most reasonable terms we are able.

We send your Hon^{ble} M^{ts} enclosed Invoice of the two parcels of Steel transmitted by S^r John and Guarion amounting to M^{ts} Steel one hundred twenty thousand five hundred thirty one lbs for 120231/3

Miller to us ship has arrived in from England but have shortly to see one with the commodity of Madras goods on board intended for in April 1793 when to carry away our large remains of Gunpowder.

Moolah Ally, Master Governor of this place being in continual fear of British troops in the Month of November last took possession of Coimbatore Castle and

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Whether his Family and Effects and in December following went thither himself where he remained till April, he is here with one of the Persian Ships the other he keeps at home and has used his endeavours to enter into an agreement with Shervazy and Abdul Maali to assist each other in case of being attacked, though we are pretty certain he will not attempt to withstand the Bawn should he come but immediately repair on board the ship.

We have already advised your Honours that Saffier Bawn was at War with the Marathas who having defeated part of his Forces in several engagements he was at last obliged in order to save himself in the Government to make peace with them he has since been endeavouring to reduce the City of Saffier to Submission but has hitherto found it too difficult a Task as they still continue their former disposition.

Sharrach Bawn Governor of Camara being unable to withstand the frequent attacks of Meeran Bawn (the former Governor) in the Month of April last applied for assistance to Saffier Bawn who sent him a body of Troops and he himself in May went to Meerage where Sharrach Bawn and he had an interview when Saffier Bawn obliged himself by the most solemn ties to assist him to the utmost of his ability but through the Indignity of his Enemies as Saffier Bawn was induced to break his oath they were giving him large sums of money to detain him prisoner when conquest the Bawn made for him which was accordingly done in the Night of their escape immediately after which Saffier Bawn laid siege to Surmenda and demanded of the Inhabitants ten thousand Tomans who not being willing to comply with his Demands the Siege lasted until Sharrach Bawn who had made his escape got into the City when it was raised he then finding any other attempt fruitless therefore marched by way of Boreen laying waste all the Country through which he passed, so that he is at last become watching the motions of Bad Bawn at Myrach and asks his

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Monday June
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Himself wrote the agent a few days ago had gathered together an army of about fourteen thousand men that recruits most daily coming to him as likewise that the Head of the Arab Tribes had joined him and that it was not known how many such numbers of Indians there both at Collier and Andacora they were such as to oppose him to the utmost should he attempt to enter Sora hower. Sora hower to prevent if possible this passage being the seat of this have sent him a large present.

Address from Calamania the Instant mentions that they have been that ordered the principal Men in the Government that to attend him at they ask and that they were extremely set out with large presents the name of the presents as that Arabian horses, Turkey horses, Drawing, and Muskiet, Kaza, brass are continually murdering the boundary round Calamania.

At the same time by our last address advised that Inhabitant was a profusion of dead brass which he took the 10th Instant he took a few days after his entering that city he began to tax those not only on its Inhabitants but likewise on those of Sappa and his importations daily increasing occasions and many substantial people to leave the place upon which this Taxes were to be upon and plundered of every thing though those who were unable to answer his demands in ready money were obliged to submit to have goods taken from them to much more than the amount their Taxes were taxed from one Town and to one hundred in proportion to their circumstances most inhuman punishments have been inflicted upon them and them, inasmuch that both Sora have been obliged to sell themselves to the Tribes and others in order to raise the sums demanded, in short every place he goes to suppress the like sale, gold is said to be almost ruined though his Exactions having demanded fifty thousand Tomounds of the Inhabitants, at least he has forced between four and five thousand People with out the least regard either to age or sex, and the like things.

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Monday Letter

Cruelties were committed at Indacoon he is gone at
Shagash with an army its said of about twelve thousand
Men, where he designs next week to meet my party but
by a letter the agent received the 7th instant from a Rajah
Caren he therein mentions of his having come to an agree-
ment with him and that he designs to pursue Caren's cause
to Begason and afterwards return to Spahoon which
we hope will prove true and proceed in this way.

Caren Caren has made several attempts
to root the Government from Spahoon but has been un-
successful in all his efforts and notwithstanding his fre-
quent defeats he still undertakes to raise fresh recruits he is
at present at Begason where he said the Inhabitants of Bheo
Suton, Begason and Spahoon have joined him and are
determined to make another effort.

Several disputes having arise between
Caren Caren and Mahan Caren and the latter always op-
posing the former's measures he at last grew weary of this
Thapan, that with ally Mahan Caren continued to have
so great an influence over him it was impossible for
us to get on without him with success but if he would quit him
I think he would then not only be of service to him himself
would get many other leading men to assist however before
was put into execution ally Mee-doo Caren got notice
thereof and he repeated immediately put out the boys of the
Mahan Thapan.

Caren Caren sometime past having
Mahomet Caren and Chacoo ally Caren joined to be able
to raise recruits and ally Mahan Caren doing his ut-
most to obstruct the execution thereof they at last resolved
to destroy him which they accordingly did and used im-
mensely sized his treasures which he said was beyond
those since ally Mahan Caren's death many leading
have joined them and have defeated Selim Pachay
Agas Caren's generals at Kamadore and designs a
to Spahoon.

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Friday 17

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On the 15th those last arrived at Bacmenia a letter had been received with advices that Ahmed Shah the Afghan King with a large Army had entered the Kingdom and taken Herat soon after we were informed of the King Master of the whole Persian Country and by a letter received from Bacmenia the 15th that we learn the said had submitted to him and that he had taken the rest of Bacmenia for Shahrooz at Herat were that Ahmed Shah was so generous he found a numerous treasure which he sent to Kandahar. He has appointed a Persian Court Governor of Herat, Sultan Mohammed Governor of Zuygen and by a message to Supperah has said that he is fully satisfied with him Beglerbeg of the Herat Country.

Advised from Alexandria mention that the Persian Court has turned money in the name of Ahmed Shah which is at Zetrakand.

At our last address by the Guards we acquainted them Ahmed Shah of the account of Mynhier Khan's arrival at this place and of his proceeding up the Ganges. He sailed directly for Supperah where on his arrival he landed several Warlike Stores and materials for Building and by his large presents to the late Mier Nisput (to whom the Island belonged) gave him leave to settle there and about him as much as possible in Building a Fortification which is now finished and is a regular Fort of four bastions each ten guns. The Dutch Embassador at the Port has obtained a Permission for them to Hoist a Flag at Supperah which they before did only by permission of the Bashah of Bagdad. Mynhier Khan has brought with him a letter from the General of Batavia for Sultan Bashah of Bagdad demanding immediate payment of the money taken from his Bahadur and mentioned that he had sent a power to compel him thereto in case of non compliance and to restore these affairs to Supperah to their former footing upon which the principal inhabitants of Supperah who are

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Tuesday 7
Bombay Letter
17 -

Who are said to be vaddy intolerant against the
petitioning the Bashaw on no account which does
him to return that if he did they would all leave the
expensing at the same time they had no objection
either Dutch Resident adding that they themselves
it was they would pay the money this added to
several of Bashaw's threats induced the Bashaw to re-
turn in answer that he would not be afraid of them
said return or refuse a single penny adding that he
been very favourable in not taking the whole amount
was promised for a Bashaw's at on but the British
and that he only wanted them on account the former
Friendship's between him and the Dutch and on the
reason and no other he was willing to reestablish the
Factory in case he would and any person excepting
Hinghla's was to be sent but then not by compulsion
this letter is not signed that Hinghla's might
his ultimate selves and take his measures accord-
This affair continued till July when Hinghla's
sent two Ships to Block up Suporah River and they
will not admit any Vessels belonging to the Company
neither here or in India to pass them, they have
two Shalloops two Ships at Corraich where they still
detain them on accounts and Difference between the
Dutch and Maich Kaper, they have quitted their resi-
dence at Suporah and retired to Corraich just destroying
their House and Garden.

On the month of March last 1733
the Council here sold 100000 to the amount of
Shugers ten thousand (10000) in Boston goods and
for security they took a parcel of Diamonds valued at
sixteen thousand (16000) Shugers which by their Council
taken under the 25th of the same month appears were
remain as a deposit here until the Resident at Sup-
porah gave them advice of his receiving the money when
the Diamonds were to be returned to whatever Person the

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Tuesday 7

Bombay Letter

The merchants might think proper or to be admitted to Buparah on his account and argue but they later received from our Resident he informs us that the Sen- of-aga Mulla's attorney will accept of no other conditions than those his Countersent agree to which he says was to be sent to Buparah on the Twelfth Comings account and argues either can he be brought to redress there upon any other terms we have had the Court inspected and find the Diamonds were to be sent to Buparah before they were redressed but not as the case on the Diamonds Comings argue however we have come to a resolution to keep them here until we receive your Honours ^{re} directions more especially as the late should not interfere under the 1st July 1753 and from the Character he heard of the Man he feared we must expect nothing more than what was deposited which he heard was equivalent to the Goods sent him and his representing now confirms our suspicion of what they were in.

Our Surgeon acquainting us by letter of his want of Medicines and that he would be of no assistance to the Garrison many of whom were dangerously ill we agreed to purchase a Box that was left here for sale at 1000 grandly not being persuadable we therefore have your Honours ^{re} will not disadvantage thereof.

Mr Williams there under the 7th July last having communicated to us of the Behaviour of Mr Robert Bultsack Surgeon ^{re} of the Prince of Wales, now at Buparah, we enclose your Honours ^{re} copies of such Letters and Papers as he has sent us relating thereto and shall defer saying any thing to Mr Sham until we receive your Instructions. He has particularly requested that Francis Walker whom he has sent from Buparah might proceed on this Voyage to Bombay in order to answer such questions as your Honours ^{re} may be pleased to ask him and as we refer the whole to your Honours ^{re} determination we comply with his request.

M. P. M.

Gombroon—September 1754

Tuesday

Sunday Letter

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Jacques Charles Hermet formerly Linguist at Spahavau has delivered us a petition, in which he says that in the year 1751 your Honours having been informed of the losses he sustained when the Noble Company's Factory was plundered, had permitted the Agent and Council here in your Honours' Command to pacify him and as such he hoped we would not put him under any execution we therefore took his regularity, consideration and Reference being had to such cases we had the sum to be given him not precisely but up to the Agent and Council discretion to satisfy him in proportion to his losses but in a several manner and as we were entirely unacquainted with the damages he sustained, which Messrs. Savages and Graves were not the latter being in the Fort though neither of them as we can find came to any resolution thereon, we have therefore agreed to wait your Honours' further directions thereon, more especially as he mentions the charge of only bringing his Family from Spahavau amounts to a very large sum, indeed a heap of said Nation's account.

Mr. John Parsons having commenced his business your Honours will admit him to a seat at the Board.

On the 5th Inst last departed this life the famous Boston Bay late supercargo of the Adventure Galley and on the 12th Inst Hermet our Linguist.

After viewing this for Jacques Charles Hermet has applied to us requesting that since we would not come to any determination about the gratuity he hoped we would at least afford him some assistance in his present exigencies as some of the creditors from whom his Family borrowed money to bring them here, were very clamorous and importunate Honours' Command by the Mainwodey. We humbly apprehend you would not disapprove of our assisting him. We have agreed to lend him six thousand five hundred (6000) taking his and his two Brothers Joint and separate Bonds.

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Tuesday 17

Bombay letter

For the same which we will take care to secure when we receive your Honours &c. Commands about the quantity to be given him.

We now forward you Request &c. one set of our General Orders and Survey cuttings July last and Sunday Request as part of the Order.

Yours with respect,

Wm. H. and Son

Gombroon

your most obedient humble servants

September 17 1754

Alexander Douglas

Received twenty loads of Steel from our Linguist at

Cannonia.

Wednesday 18

Friday 20

Saturday 21

Monday 23

Received the above

Bengal letter

Visited the Portage Battery for Bombay.

His request that good houses keep have improved the habitations of persons on account of their having visited

The above request from Cannonia the 17th instant weighs not less than one and nine hundred ninety two and a half pounds (899 1/2)

Received the High Prince George Captains Indian letter from Supurab, by which vessel we received a letter from the President there dated 30th of June as enclosed herewith. To the Right Wth Alex Douglas Esq Agent for affairs of the British Nation in the Gulf of Persia &c. &c. &c.

at Gombroon

Right Wth H. & Son

My last request to you Wth &c. was for a chest of treasure containing one thousand (1000) rupees that resulted you, and by the Prince George, who will touch here to receive aid in her way down the Gulf. Touching at Gombroon thought it would be best to send it to you Wth &c. to make a further remittance of Cash on the Honble Company's account, though I am sorry for

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Monday 23

Buporah Sultan
P. M.

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Advise, Begias are not yet fallen below of plant looking
from the demand of that species, by the superior goods, and the
choice for Bengall, therefore have only laden on this shore
the thousands, Bree, Shum, as you are here, they will fall here
or before the Bree departure, upon which I feel very certain
of the little Company's loss shall be committed you, and
for you will likewise receive the annual Bree and access
of this sherdony which will waste you in a few days, and the
Indiansation those have laboured under has hindered me
from completing.

Halfway to acquaint you, that we have not been
able to make a purchase of Bree, until now, but now the
weather was approaching, I have no doubt of finding a
quick and advantageous sale, as the quality and colour
are quite adapted for the market.

I have no news from my Sister, since
my last, and communicating to your Highness, therefore by
leave to subscribe myself with the utmost respects.

Respect W. for and for
Buporah ^{your most obedient and humble}
30 August 1754. Servant
P. S.

William Shaw

Having before omitted through mistake, to send the ar-
riment of the saltine concerning M^{rs}. Bulwer and Wth.
derived protest against me, in the affair of Francis Wal-
ter, I now enclose it you, as I have been glad to be known by
the Captain, I shall be glad of some speedy instructions, as
M^{rs}. Bulwer's estate seems now more necessarily standing now
than before, so, I have methods to disturb us, even to such a degree
that when I lately took the opportunity by a private friend, to
address the Company, even after M^{rs}. G. was arrived, in my way
ing to M^{rs}. G. for the Sum of 10,000 in weight, and for the
money without even viewing the quality of which it was
all to advise them, on a Bree arrival, M^{rs}. Bulwer to pre-
sented him against it, falsely declaring it contrary to custom
that it was with some difficulty, and after fully examining of

Monday 23

Confidential Letter
from

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The matter is the one that should proceed it. It has also recommended into his service, all which people as it can disquiet at the Factory and in particular, the two mentioned in my remonstrance against Mr. Balthus, who went with the Petition against me, to attempt to cause the Government in Holland's behalf, which however has come to my knowledge so lately, that I have not had leisure from this dispatch, to speak to the one, who I doubt not, will immediately ascertain them, when informed of this Retrocession. The docters likewise had with high raised a great disturbance, between us and the Government, by bringing me a false message, from the Muscovites, in regard to the anchorage of the Prince, Edward, which it afterwards plainly appeared, he was mistaken. The Government, having made a transfer of possession, the usual anchorage, to that Port, Mr. Balthus repeatedly refused paying it, without an order, though never customary, and he too the Government never brought what was due, immediately, and he sent his factors to Zurich, being many times backward, and forward to the Government, till at last, the Muscovites displeased, made a demand on him for 1000 roubles, in the room of one, and insisted on this coin, when he sent to me, and on my returning from thence, and desiring him to pay the 1000 roubles, and none more, and to tell the Muscovites, that I desired him to do so, the Government returned the money, still insisting on 1000 roubles, and as he told me acquainted him, very roughly, that it was not capable of protecting him against his demands, in such a trifling matter, as 1000 roubles, it strongly expressed me, particularly being against custom, and he too, had only in my sending a message a few days before, entirely given up, the anchorage of the Prince, Edward's ship, of 1000 roubles, and here that he should insist on 1000 out of all reason, surprised me, that I sent my own linguist to know the truth in both cases, and the Muscovites on the first message, still insisted on the 1000 roubles, having an order for it from the Government, however he never fully paid, having sent away my page, but also insisted on the 1000 roubles being paid, as his custom was.

Gombroon ⁵⁻¹⁸⁵ September 1854Monday 23
Bulwer's letter
from—

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A piece of Assurance, which might have put him and his
by the ears, had I sent him word, as might have been the case,
that if unable to protect the English, I had no business here,
but taking it a little freely, brought the truth immediately
to light, however I have hitherto pleased myself in this
dispatch, to evade any enquiry until I receive your High
instructions on my former proceedings which I impatiently
await for, and he and his People are ever willing to do what
me, though I should lead to no bad effect, and on my send-
ing a second line, the Governor has also his demands
too for the 1500 men, but I am not having the go between
punished, who have really caused to be much from this
master—
Them at—

Your very obedient servant
William. Hall

Tuesday 24
Admiral's
bulletin at
Bengal

Admiral's from Bunder with mention that they have
how sent 1000 men with a body of men to be given
where they have made good numbers of their sent people,
that the 1000 men of the 1000 men have joined the 1000
of Bunder with 1000 men making the necessary preparations
to defend himself in case of being attacked, that upon the
report of the 1000 men, Bunder is now a much better
Bunder of 1000 and 1000 men of the 1000 men
men and 1000 men their effect to be each.

Thursday 26
Arrived at Bunder
from—

There is a large Dutch ship from Batavia which
the 1000 men, August last, she has brought the usual
cargo of sugar, from Java, and much pepper &c.
which the 1000 men Prince George for Bengal.

Saturday 28
Left the 1000 men
from—

Monday 30

at a consultation present
The Right W. Alex. Douglas Esq. Agent
and Mr. Richard. Nichol.

Examined and passed the statement
account of disbursements for last month amounting
to Rs. 40,931.11

Account of

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Gombroon ⁵⁻¹⁹¹ September 1754

Monday 30

An account remanent of Woollen Goods, Tabbies and
 Tatties delivered by Richard. Nichol to John Parsons, is
 now laid before us and ordered to be entered after the
 valuation.

Adjourned

J. A. Douglas
R. Becker

Account remanent of Woollen Goods, Tabbies & Tatties

Drage P. Prince Henry & Meier eighty seven pieces
 Tabbie P. Salisbury ninety nine pieces
 Madhays P. Salisbury ten pieces
 Coarse cloth P. Salisbury one hundred fifty pieces
 Madloons P. Salisbury ninety pieces
 Riquas P. Salisbury one hundred twenty pieces
 Romete P. Salisbury four hundred thirty seven pieces
 Tabbies P. Monroedey five pieces
 Tabbies P. Prince Henry & Meier fifteen pieces
 Tatties P. Monroedey two pieces
 Tatties P. Prince Henry & Meier thirty nine pieces
 Breccates P. Monroedey one hundred thirty six half 1/2

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Delivered by Richard. Nichol
 Received by John Parsons

Abstract of the Stewards Disbursements for August 1754

Table Expenses	10487	7	
Garrison Charges	9077	8	
Charges Miscellaneous	723	5	
Fullery Accounts	3106	7	
Stable Charges	220	0	
Charges Extraordinary	2823	4	
Indants Wages	1700		
Open Garden	400		
Mrs. Mallow	2873		

Total 10487 7 1

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Wednesday 2

Alfari Cruise advises the Agent of his being confirmed by the King of Siam by Lord Cruise who has directed him to march towards Rappah to chastise such Subjects as assisting and joining barren boats.
We know Lord Cruise was at Bazaroon 10th September.

Friday 4

At a Consultation Point
The Right Wth Alex^r Douglas Esq Agent
and M^r Richard Fisher
Examined and passed the Cash Account for
last Month the balance of which is Shillings one Million
three hundred twentyone thousand seven hundred and one
60th 1321094.1 and the general Receipts ending July last being
balanced were were laid before the Board and signed.
Adjourned

Account of

Wth Douglas
R. Fisher
The Honble Company's Cash

1754

September 7

To Balance for last Month	1201104.1
To Subsidy of the King of Siam	60000.-
To India	50000.-
Shillings	1321094.1

The Honble Company's Cash

1754

September 30

By Balance	Shillings 1321094.1
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Saturday 12

Advises from Mycash mention that Lord Cruise is at Bazaroon and that barren boats if within two days march there
so that we may expect shortly to hear of our engagements being there.

Sunday 14

Marraich Cruise Governor of Baramia has written Mr. Alex^r Douglas that he is conveying the Feet of Baramia
and that Nedje Mahomet becoming is fled with his Family
to Nedje Abasat.

Mr. Alex^r

Tuesday 15

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Moshahilly Shaw has received a Letter from Ahmed
Shaw acquainting him of his being near Moshah and that
so near as he is master of that City designs to march to
Spahowen, he directs Moshahilly Shaw to keep the Garrison
that in good repair as he promises soon after his arrival
at Spahowen to send it to him.

Letters to several Merchants in Town advise of Ahmed
Shaw's being near Moshah and that he has built a City
within three Leagues thereof calling it Ahmabad.

Wednesday 16

Charles & John
Shaw

Inspected a Dutch Ship from Surinam which she
left 12 August last, she has on board the usual Cargo of
Sugar, Iron, Turkeys, and is to sail for Barbadoes in a few Days.

Thursday 17

Advised from Bayath Mountain that Bradshaw is at
Green, having been at Moshah and before town at
Roxbury watching the motions of each other.

Saturday 19

Memorandum
from

Received a Letter from our Brother Benjamin Longest dated 7th
advising as of his sending seven hundred Fifty Miannds
barramund Seed, & desires a remittance of three hundred
Tommunds that since his last advice he has purchased a
further quantity of five hundred Miannds. He has also writes
that the Dutch Consull makes large presents to the Govern-
ment as also lends them money for their assistance in his
purchase of Seed and that thus by the purchase of the
change for his Account that the said Consull has lately ad-
vance the Dutch Merchants five hundred Tommunds which is of
great advantage to us both in price and quantity that as the
Dutch Consull makes presents to the Government he has been
made him obliged to do the like to prevent any impositions
from them, that if we are in want of Seed for the next year
it will be necessary for us to consult him as soon as we conven-
iently can the sum of one thousand Tommunds that he may
advance the Merchants Money in due time and before the
Crop comes in.

Advised from Barramunda Mountain that Ahmed Shaw has been
near to Moshah and built a City within a League and a half
of the place where he said he designs to winter this season.

Goulbourn ^{S = 184} October 1754

Sunday 20

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At a Consultation Present
The Right W. Alexander Douglas Esq. Agent.
W. Richard Necker

Our Carmonia August having wrote us of his being in want of three hundred. Linnation accords this years Investment of Neel agreed that the business be-
 hould be immediately directed to get bills to draw on easily
 and that they be sent away this afternoon. He to his request
 for money on account the next year. Neel thought it is agreed
 that it be continued him from time to time and in such sums
 as our Brethren are able to procure with.

Adjourned

A. Douglas
R. Necker

Remittance to
 Carmonia -

This evening dispatched a letter to Carmonia with
 bills of exchange for August, six thousand in four curren-
 August.

Tuesday 22
July's a Short
Month

The ship which imported here the 16th instant sailed this
 day for Carmonia.

Friday 23

The Agent received a letter from Bash. Mahomet Ben-
 talon advising that some people have advised him that
 there had been an engagement between the forces of Assad
 Bawn and his own house, and that the former lost about
 four thousand Men, others say, only four hundred, and
 that he is retired to Sahyrah, that Assad Bawn is at this
 place, and that Saffar Bawn is returned to Shi.

Assad Bawn
 Saffar Bawn
 Saffar Bawn
 Saffar Bawn

Tuesday 20

Neel's Cruise wrote the Agent that the bringing so large
 a body of troops was pay as he has been obliged to for some
 time past was a great burden to the Subjects, he had intreated
 Assad Bawn to return to Bahawan and that he would take
 care to prevent any disturbances in the Province of Fars
 that Assad Bawn agreed to his request had appointed
 Isahak Bawn, Sayet, Suedar of Fars, Mirza Musavi Sahab-
 ber and himself Esq. to go.

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Thursday 31

All officers belonging to Native town came into Town this Day on a piece of the request that they had been before this time is returned to Savannah.

November 1754

Saturday 2

At a Consultation Present
The Right W. Alex. Douglas Esq. Agent
W. Richard Secher

Examined and passed the last accounts for last month the balance being that we had three pounds six pence and twenty one thousand nine hundred and one (1321094.1) as also the Newards account for September amounting to that sum thirty six thousand two hundred and twenty five and a half (36217.5.2)

Adjourned

W. Douglas
R. Secher

The Honble Company's Cash

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1754

October

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To balance of last month

Shahs 1321094.1

The Honble Company's Cash

£

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By Balance

Shahs 1321094.1

Abstract of the Newards Subsidiments for September 1754

Table Expenses	9563 6
Garrison Charges	9023 2
Ship's Wages	3534 6
Servants Wages	1760
Almon Garden	400
Stable Charges	2255
Charges Extraordinary	5144 4
Carried over	33460 6 2

Gombroon November 1754

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Factory Stores
Charges Merchandise

Brought over 33460.62

2174.9

584.5

Shall 36217.82

- Friday 8 Advices from Myrauh mention that good news for that place last month for bad news that he lost many of his soldiers in the several encounters he had with the enemy in the mountains of Cameriger.
- Wednesday 13 Received twenty five loads of rice from the Cameriger linguist.
- Friday 15 Received our Cameriger linguist bill of exchange for ruyas two thousand and twenty.
- Sunday 17 Arrived from Barach a large ship, he is fully loaded with ruyas 9th and is to sail in a few days for Batavia.
- Monday 18 The West received the 13th instant from Cameriger weights at 30.5 lb.
- Thursday 21 The letters sent to Bupench the 7th September returned this day and brought us a letter from the Resident there dated the 6th instant as entered herewith.

To
The Right Wth Alex^r Douglas Esq^r Agent
His Council

at Gombroon

Right Wth Esq^r Sir

Your two letters arrived here a few days ago, with your letter of the 5th September. This is the only one I have been favoured with since the September arrived, though several times have passed your Post for this place, which rendered me anxious for the safety of my several letters to you not before acknowledged, your Packet therein enclosed for our Honble Minister was immediately forwarded to M^rg^rg^rfather. I recommended its instant dispatch as usual to his Majesty's Council, and at the same time advised them the necessity regarding their residency here, at all times you may depend upon your letters having the quickest possible signal all from me, which I have hitherto made my study well knowing of how much benefit

Bupench
Letter from

Gombroon ¹⁹² November 1754 ^{s-197}

Thursday 21
Superior
letter from

Timely Advice is to our Honourable Company.

Morrell last by the Prince George, who is Three long
ago arrived you by which I feel I provided for thousand (1000)
Rupias on the Honble Company's account, as I had the like done
by the Neptune (Galley) which I have you received and that it
being out right though you are not pleased to note the Service
thereof I send you that I will receive the annual account of
this Factor's under S^r J^r J^r account Current 11th and 3rd of the
Sale of Madras Goods and other Tallow, S^r J^r J^r account Consulate,
and S^r J^r J^r letter Book to the Honble Company and make up to the
31st July last) and there remains in the present only twenty three (23)
Bales of the coarse cloth received at Madras in May last past
which I account will there prove best and satisfactory, the sum
of pounds this year, though not quite so large as last, are I think
still to be considerable, arising chiefly from the arrival of the Dutch
new Minicass and the Dutch ships which brought so many of
the Dutch and Spanish great guns, better than the Dutch, and
and further occasioned great profits, letters to and from the Dutch
Town extremely useful, has been improved in a house, when the low
state of the Market has considerably reduced the Consulate ac-
count that it is still able to bear such an expense, which though
great in all respects, has yet have to assure you has been conducted
by the very most possible rule of frugality in every respect, as no one
can be more careful than to put the Honble Company to the least
expense, and I procure some greater benefits, as out a great many
commodities, and when it becomes absolutely necessary for all which
reasons I hope you will be pleased to assure them, this I assure to
be very moderate, as we are not likely to have
any changes in Government, but not ought of consequence
now from hence and those great hopes the Consulate will prove
beneficial, as I find it more what better than last year, and
a great demand for small goods of which vast quantities
lay on Hand last year, and what was sold, brought chiefly
of goods formerly valued by 10th this which he believes the
Tallow though unsold and this greatly increased the Consulate
more 1753 and as much reduced last year, which I properly account for.

Thursday
Exmouth
Letter from

21 I am very to oblige you, Judge me different in my address
about the case. I might have, as I am ever cautious for the
right of my Honble Employer, which I have to approve in all my
actions. I had once mentioned this matter, and thought I sup-
posed after to give my request for them, by saying the amount
was great, which has I believe been the usual method of my Ac-
dressers, as the more I say well, the more they cannot give.
By way, in a place where the greatest trust for them is not small
however I shall be very exact in future, and you desire it, and have
the pleasure to advise, that as for the Judge they may bring
them in to a new price, if good and of the best sort, I am
for.

Hodges Abraham is with me, and tells that he has
the original Bond for his Out to the Honble Company in his
possession (which he has not) and that he could not deny
paying one Abraham Archer the amount on his producing the
Bond, and depending it off, he has only got the original,
and can give the payment made to him. He is damn'd for
telling him to pay it, and again, however he does not think of
satisfying himself. I shall therefore wait you further news
and beg you to think only, suspect the Abraham Account, as
he pretends to have paid part of it before the Factory was made
known, you were before acquainted we were with it. I was
from the Factory, and regarding the Duke's right to the demand
with you, and I only acquainted you with what you thought
was a private thing, as the Frenchman declared in Conjunction
with the Register to the end that the Honble Company
might not be so long out of the account, for if what these two
will allege to be true, in what they say the Factory Company do
concur with them, the more has Heaven in demanding his
due, and I the rather thought it my Duty to advise of the
same, as none of you were present in the last, at the Transaction,
and therefore the longest time I can, that I can give you
only be that of the Company, I have heard nothing from him
now, since my last, but shall wait you further advice regarding
the same.

Yours

Thursday 21
Gombroon
Dear Sir

You have never thought proper to give me Directions, whether agreeable to honest Humane and severe, I should attach in the hostile humours, to count my goods thought good here being sent to L^d Muller the Swedish Merchant, who to be sure has pocket last hasen, as formerly advised to answer with business Damages as may be recoverable of him, on that account the hostile Company, was greatly to be calmed themselves as therefore as L^d James ment works me, and the matter is amply secured, I am therefore to request your immediate return in this matter, were particularly as I am given to understand, there will be some effects of this, very soon in the Hands of a certain Merchant of this place, any answer me no, twice of the Stationary you were allowed to forward me of the place, should not enter in the account, however with the agency as usual, I am much obliged by your representing Mr. Balthasar's affairs to the Honble the President & Council, of whom I doubt not, shall obtain redress.

The Dutch have at length made on their Request with this Government, upon receiving the sums formerly taken from them, liberty and a permission to recover all their outland debts, and to recover their other Goods, for they would not want to have any thoughts of meddling here, but are very intent on considering their Fortifications as barriers, which are almost finished, on receiving their demands from the Government, they released both shellsaps, those who are vocal men after and brought back Freight bargees of boats, those goods and skins, Hoes, and the like on the common account, and in the Dutch Capital who means to receive their money from the Government, have also the Staff Dutch Freight bargees from time with a very considerable Freight bargee of about a score bargees, and only a little less in the common account, the Goods have been raised as usual in the Dutch name, but neither their Company, nor any of their knowers come up the River, but in the Dutch Medway where the money was sent them, the Company is so impatient for this matter, that I have not time to enlarge further, but will write you were fully of this matter by the next or after next Dutch ship, who both sail Dutchly by the first of June.

Gombroon November 1951

Thursday
Before
Lunar Moon

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Which shall reside the Honble Company's business and
and in the States in remain with all due respect.

Right W. Sir and his

Respectable your most obedient and very humble servant

November 6 1754

William. Mearns

P.S.

I have and advised these matters

in answer agreeable to your commands.

Saturday 23

At a Consultation Present
The Right W. Alexander Douglas Esq Agent
M. Richards Miller

At being of importance to our Honble Masters
thus having early advice of the demand there is for Hadenfrees
and as we find our letters do not agree at Aleppo so soon as
we judged they would, its agreed to prevent any disagreement
most that we make an indent for such goods as we judge will
will answer, and that our factors with such Island Merchants
as are at present in town be consulted as to the instruments.

Adjourned

A Douglas

R. Lecker

Tuesday 26

At a Consultation Present
The Right W. Alexander Douglas Esq Agent
M. Richards Miller

Our indent and put thoughts of our orders to
the Honble Company being drawn out and read and approved
and ordered to be put transcribed and that we demanded two
letters with them to the President at Aleppo with directions
to him to forward them immediately to his Majesty's Council
at Aleppo.

Adjourned

A Douglas

R. Lecker

Signed at Dutch
Town

Signed the Dutch then which arrived in the Ship for Batavia

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Thursday 27

At a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq^r Agent
M^r Richard Baker

The Indent and address to the Honourable
Company as also a letter to the President at Surinam being
first transcribed are signed and decided to be made up
that the Messrs may proceed with them this evening.

Examined and passed the Messrs account dis-
bursements for October amounting to Nether p^{ts} nine thousand
and four hundred eighty four p^{ts} and 10 s^{rs} 6 d^{rs}.

Accounting

Adjourned

A Douglas
R Baker

Europe letter

To
The Hon^{ble} the Court of Directors
for Affairs of the United Company of
Merchants of England trading to the
East Indies
& May it please your Honours

Under the 6th September last addressed your
Honours the Dispatch which the President there informs us he
has duly forwarded to his Majesty's Command at Surinam.

On the 27th September arrived here from
Batavia a large Dutch ship with a cargo of sugar, seed, rice,
iron, steel, pepper, Turmeric, and eighty six other Nether goods.
They were taking in a returning cargo of pepper, Brimstone,
King, Sassa, Saltpetre and is to sail in a few days on the 18th of October
another Dutch ship imported from the same place and on the
22nd loaded for Batavia without landing any part of her cargo
here. The 17th of this month one of the Dutch ships which came into the
Gulph on October 17th is returned from Batavia and after taking
in some Wood and Water sailed the 28th for Batavia.

Our last reports of which the Enclosed is Duplicate in-
formed your Honours of the smaller reasons than in Warehouse
and that we should intend to the Presidency for sundry free Dutch
Bills

Thursday 25
 Nov 25
 to —

Broad cloth which the quantity we wrote your Honours for in April 1753 was what we judged would be sufficient. The English Merchants till we received the goods Indented for under the 7th February last, and a Merchant I feel, sailed from hence the 17th September last for Bombay, we embraced that opportunity of writing our Honours very fully on that Head and requested they would send us the cloth before the 1st October. We were over that being the time the greatest part of the Indian Merchants generally came down so that we daily hear of one or two from Bombay not only with the money for Goods but a further quantity both of broad cloth and Ropes as informing us. This has arrived us from England.

We have at present a quantity of Woollen Goods few Bales beaver cloth, heavy stuff and a Half Bales Drap, twelve Bales, Ropes, and one Bales, Maltouns and one Bales, Madras, and as we recd from Bombay what already mentioned here to give your Honours advice of their turning to good account.

The 17th February last we wrote your Honours for seven hundred and thirty Bales of Woollen goods which we have will arrive in about 1st September next and now inclose an Indent for seven hundred and twenty Bales and being in expectation of their turning to good account, therefore we are your Honours will be pleased to send them.

We and your Honours enclosed Muster of the Dutch Woollen Goods mustered here the 27th September last, and at the same time have the satisfaction to advise you they are not liked by the Dutchmen and while we have any to supply the Merchants, we have great reason to believe the Dutch will not be able to sell them, though not so well they will winter sell as if possible in order for a Card, however we shall be very vigilant in this respect and take all methods in our power to prevent their receiving any benefit by this their new branch of Trade, and therefore should be glad of seeing a vessel from Bombay with the returns, we want advice to carry away your large quantities of flannels and what is in India Wool is here ready.

Thursday
November 28

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Our last respects informed your Honours of our barman's in-
quiry advising us of his having one thousand two hundred
Mounds of Wool in Warehouse since when he has acquainted
of his having purchased further Quantity of one thousand Mounds
that he was using his endeavours to get it picked and cleaned
as soon as possible in order to be sent us and we have now the
pleasure to acquaint your Honours that we have by already this
by two Bales which shall be forwarded to Bombay by the first
Vessel our Superintendent may send us with what further Quantity
we receive in the mean time from Barman's, our Linguist writes
that the Dutch Vessel has made in the presence to the Company
Government as also last three money for their Assistance in
the occasion of Wool which government has being likewise
obliged to make some presents to prevent their putting a stop
to his treatment, this proceeding of the Dutch will in the end
be attended with many inconveniences and give the Govern-
ment an opportunity of drawing money both from their Re-
sult and ours.

It has been added we acquainted your Honours
of a bad man being at Shyash from whence he proceeded to
Boravon in quest of Baron's men who had gathered together
about one thousand men with whom he kept in the mountains
of Gombroon where he had several skirmishes with Agad's men
where men being unacquainted with these mountains were
generally defeated and he sending daily many of his men to
Boravon and that he had but small hopes of reaching Baron's
came to a resolution to return to Shyash from whence last month
he proceeded to Subavon where upon Agad's men disbanded
his troops and retired to Shyash having first obtained a bargain
for the September. Thus of Fort Baron's men has likewise tak-
en the rout of Shyash in hopes still of being able to make
head against Agad's men of which we are in much doubt as
he has by all accounts an army of forty thousand men con-
sisting of Offshoots and women slaves.

The latest accounts from Boravon
mention that Ahmed Shaw had seized Nushad and of his
family

Gombroon

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Thursday 25

Current day

Having built a bridge within about four miles thereof
calling it Omadabad where it said he designs to winter and
in the spring bend his march towards India, what time
this may give to assault or what success he may have, I am not
certain.

We have no news from India to be transmitted to
your Honours, nor any thing like material, so I leave to sub-
scribe ourselves with great deference and respect.

May it please your Honours
yours most faithful and most-
obedient humble servants

Gombroon

Alexander Douglas

The 25th November 1754

Richard Rich

To

M^r William Mordaunt
Resident at Bussorah

Sir

Since our last of the 24th September we have received
your several letters of the 23rd September and 1st October
with the enclosures, to which we have and shall more readily than

By the 1st instant we received the sum of 4000^l. we
transmitted to you and by the Prince George for the amount of
hundred pounds (100^l) for both which sums we have given
you bills.

On the 1st instant we have continued Mordaunt
and Mordaunt's freight on money you loaded on board that vessel
which greatly surprised us finding you had charged the same
on your Invoice here we are assured us he never received it. He
agreed to pay it and took his receipt accordingly, the like happened
on the Prince Georges arrival, Captain Lewis declaring you
paid him no freight and the Agent assured us he received
nothing for the bills of lading, though both are charged on your
Invoice you are therefore to credit this Agency for both the 4000^l
and Prince Georges freight and to be more careful in fu-
ture that we may have no disputes with the Commanders. We
asked the Commanders and Agents to be present when we

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Thursday
28th Nov
1754

Counted the money which they absolutely refused, alleging they had no business with it as not answerable for the contents.

We are not to be dissuaded when to answer your letters, such of them as require an immediate reply we take care to send you, and the others which are of no importance we will send you later.

Our last packet was closed before the ship could arrive and delivered the letters and though the boat might stay a day or two after yet we did not think the answering your letters of so much importance as to open the packet.

Had you received our letter of the 7th February last with the carefulness you might have been expected, but you would have written us in so complying a manner, of our not answering you before that we should have been excused. Directions concerning the 10th of this demands, we have in future you will be more cautious in what manner you write remembering at the same time to not to your Defenses but to your rights.

We are greatly surprised to find George Abraham backchurch should have been sent off his debt before the Treasury was made known from which when at the same time we have before us the backchurch Books of that Treasury signed by the late Mr. Francis to the 1st of August 1750 which was after his quitting Spiburn when the said George Abraham backchurch appears to be indebted to our Noble Masters in the sum of thirty eight seven thousand five hundred eighty and five (38,750 & 5) he has had time enough to send for his Bond which he says he has and from the equity of this answer he gives we are affraid he is using some other means to obtain the Bond.

We will give us great pleasure to hear of the removal of the Indian Goods remaining at Buxton.

Forward the accompanying Packet to his Majesty's Council at St. James.

Gombroon

November the 28th 1754

We are Sir

your loving Friends

Alexander Douglas

Richard. Heber (Abstract)

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Thursday 28 Abstract of the several Disbursements for October 1754

Table Expenses	0072	4	
Garrison Charges	8017	4	
Table Charges	3000	-	
Servants Wages	1760	-	
Green Garden	443	-	
Charges on Merchandise	620	5	
Charges Extraordinary	5478	4	
Factory Repairs	1010	0	
High Shelters	7102	4	¹ / ₂
	<u>30480</u>	4	¹ / ₂

December 1754

Monday 2

His Constitution Present
The Right W. Macrauder Douglas Esq Agent
Mr. Richard Fisher

Assessment

Examined and passed the Cash Account for
last month of which is Shewes one Million three hundred and
one thousand nine hundred and one pounds 21000

Adjourned

P. Douglas
R. Fisher

The Honble Company's Cash

1754

December 7 To Balance of last month - Makes 1321094-1

The Honble Company's Cash -

November 30 By Balance - Makes 1321094-1

Thursday 6 Imported the Indian Quare Captain John Swaine of
Alexander Ross's India barge from Bombay

Wednesday 4 The Commissioners of the Indian Quare informing the Agents
in his having some Indian Goods and 2000 in 6 and 12 lbs

Gombroon—December 1754

Wednesday

To the Honble Company he was directed to send them
and the Warthoescheque's orders to happen and account
of every thing landed from her.

Friday

It is reported in Town that the Dutch ships have entered this
Harbour.

Saturday

This day much talk being there and the Agents a letter he had
received from Thack Sapeer of Bosphore who writes that he
was taken after his defeat near Bradman and is to be sent
from whence he immediately dispatched his messengers to the head
men of Bass as he wrote to Thack Sapeer for assistance at the
same time came advice of the said Bradman being come to Bosphore
where after staying a few days he was sent on to Badkharzava
this greatly alarmed the said Bradman who immediately retired
with about few followers to head to the Mountains of Barchi
at the same time wrote to Thack Sapeer for a number of sol-
diers who sent him such a number as were ready and to him
self in a few days after he was sent with a supply of food there
and there, that soon after his joining Bradman's house, Brad-
man came within three leagues of Barchi, summoning the
Head men of Badkharzava to appear before him and demand
the payment of the taxes for the two last years past, and
while they were sitting that effect six thousand of his men
advanced and were as Bradman and Thack Sapeer who be-
ing unable to resist, to retreat a battle ensued which lasted
from midnight till night, when Bradman had few men
left, and he killed one thousand taken prisoners and many
lost by their precipitate retreat from the mountains, he is
the day following Bradman broke up his Camp and
marched directly for Barchi where after staying a few days
he proceeded on to Bradman.

Received a letter from our Brethren a long and ac-
knowing account of the six thousand troops sent him the
10th of October and advice of his sending twenty loads of Wood
King six hundred thousand that he is unable at present
to send the balance of this years purchases owing to his having
it in small quantities, and at different times from the Sultan.

Had Bradman
sent by Bradman
and had
retreat to Bradman

On day
received
from

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Sunday

People with whom he has not yet settled his accounts, but that we were depend on having it so soon as he possibly can.

Advices from Bravernia under date the 1st of March mention that a shipper arrived there from Mushead with intelligence that the Juggahs who were taken off by Jaffer, have been, and that the whole between hunting according to Mushead and what has submitted to Ahmed Shah, who supposed that the Juggahs of Mushead likewise to yield but they refused they had no reason in the place for peace, and while that lasts they were determined to hold out, which Ahmed Shah ordered his soldiers to begin firing round the camp being determined to winter there. The same advice mention that Mirza Mehsum whom Shamsah Khan sometime sent out to Ahmed Shah was returned with a fresh bullet and a broken conforming, and that Shamsah Khan in the government of Bravernia.

We learn that the Juggahs have taken the fort of Beron.

We read that about seven thousand Galleasses were at present by the 10th of Ultime, and that it was judged they would be at present with us.

A Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq^r Agent
Mr Richard Secher

The Indian Queen being to sail in a day or two for England we at the British agreed that we send on her the duplicate of our last address to the Noble Company as also the Indent for Western Goods at the same time that we acquaint them of such resources as have happened since the last thereof.

Adjourned

A Douglas
R Secher

Advised that the
Governor of the
Bravernia Company
and George Smith

Monday
Galleasses were
from

Tuesday 10

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Gombroon 5-1899 December 1734

Wednesday 18

A Consultation Present
The Right Hon^{ble} Alexander Douglas Esq^r Mayor
M^r Richard Secker

Signed the Duplicate of our last address to the
Hon^{ble} Company as also a letter under this date.

Examined and signed the same as an
account of Subsidements for Members amounting to Shales
thirty eight thousand two hundred and ninety six and seven pence
(38296⁷/₁₆)

Adjourned

A Douglas
R Secker

To
The Hon^{ble} the Court of Directors
for Affairs of the united Company of Merchants
of England trading to the East Indies
May it please your Honours

That since we gave notice to our last humble
request and petition and to request your Honours that by
private address we should from Bombay under date the 15th of Feb^r
we learn by the March and Wandsworth arrived there the 26th
last that from England that the Sandwich was returned
from Mecca and the Trade returned from Batavia that the
Company's ships of the Sandwich have not only purchased
a full loading of coffee for their own use but a sufficient
quantity to complement the Tonnage for another Ship which
they freighted to Bombay on Merchants ships the same
order for further mention that it was thought the Hon^{ble} the
Directors and Council would dispatch the Dispatch the Prince
Edward and Worcester about the latter return for England
or Bombay with the Sandwich, news of his Majesty's ships
arrived at Madras the 28th August last

Our Trustees have sent us on the Indian Queen
a boundary ship which arrived here the 3rd Instant one hun-
dred seventy five Sars Madras Goods the rest was
sent at present

Gombroon^{S 700} December 1754Wednesday 11
Gombroon Letter to

The accounts the said Mr. Francis Wood was to have
came on the aforementioned ship in order to send at least
rich but by some accident was left behind, however we have
not hitherto had thought of relieving the said Mr. Wood
have an opportunity of coming on the Queen's Ship.

The enclosed address advises your Honours of
our having thirty two loads of Wool in Warehouse and
a letter received from our barrower, inquest a few days
past he acquaints us of his receiving six hundred Maunds
which we hope to receive in a few days, and as soon as it ar-
rives we shall immediately pack it up.

By Advice from Bombay to Madras City
thence we learn the Ballooches have entered the Kingdom
that seven thousand of them were at Kaveri the 15th in-
stance were they stayed for days laying waste the country
round and that if we judged they would be at Turage the
9th instant whether they intend to march on further this way
we can't say positively however the army has applied to
Madras City for assistance who has sent them one hun-
dred men with some powder and lead, and if we get further
intelligence before the country this assistance in which
we send this to Bunderick we shall not fail to acquaint
your Honours thereof.

Not having any further advice regard-
ing the Ballooches and the Indian, when being now en-
terprising for Bunderick, we beg leave to subscribe our-
selves with respect.

May it please your Honours
Gombroon your most faithful and most Obedt. Servt.
11th December 1754

Alexander Douglas

Richard. Fisher

To Mr. William Mavor

Sir

Enclosed you have have Duplicate of our last to which
we have nothing to add but only to direct by the accompanie
the said Masters be forwarded to

Gombroon Letter to

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Gombroon December 1754

Wednesday 11

Magistis Consul at Mysore.

We are, Sir

Gombroon
New Number 1754

your loving friend
Michael Seng
Richard Fisher

Abstract of the Standard Tribunal for November

Table Expenses	0150	6	8
Garrison Charges	920	3	7
Table Charges	240	1	9
Garrison Wages	1760		
Alman Gardens	400		
Charges on Merchandise	782	3	
Charges (Ordinary)	501	3	9
Factory Charges	222	3	6
Ship Sunk	713	6	4
Total	3820	3	7

Thursday 12
Listed the Indian
Tribes

Ballistics then
arrived at day

Listed the Indian Tribes for August 90. Put up the
Moolah, Ally Shaw, and the Agents copy of a letter wrote
Chandernand Ballistics of the quest to the survey who asked
the table Ballistics that were arrived at, by that day from
Moor that they are commencing by that day from
Moor of the survey who they made the survey
through which he passed.

Island 14
Missions to
Barren

This survey is about having passed at table to the amount
of the Standard Tribes in force of the Standard Tribes
they were that day and to have by the survey.

Monday 15

Two or three loads of Wood from the Standard Tribes

Monday 16

Missionary arrived Moolah, Ally Shaw that the Ballistics
have planned the survey from Moor to Standard Tribes
as there is a quest from Moor that they have taken such num-
bers of the Standard Tribes as also such quantities of the table
they are not able to march more than two or three leagues
a day.

Friday 20

This day Moolah, Ally Shaw saw the Standard Tribes

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Friday 20

Who writes that the Bulloches sent the plunder to their own boundary and are returned back and two days more they were at Hoggung which is two days from thence that they burn and destroy every thing before them.

Saturday 21

Loaded a Dutch ship for Amst and Rotterdam.
The Wind renewed the is Instant from bearing and weighs at 3040 lb

Sunday 22

Arrived the Dutch ship, John Dick, Commodore from Bombay.

At a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq Agent
Mess^{rs} Richard, Fisher and John Parsons

Met to open and read the letters from the Honble President and Council of Bombay under date the 1st October and 15th November last.

Our Honours having directed that Mr John Parsons be admitted to this board, he was called in and took his seat accordingly.

Agreed that we have letters to carry to Buthugh the Archer and send us for our Honble Masters and that we later be aware not misusing their letters relates to their affairs first.

Adjourned

A Douglas
R Fisher
John Parsons

To the Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq Agent
of Council
at Gombroon

Yesterday came to board your orders under the Wth William with several answers as I sent but which the Justice Secretary of the Nation Queen presented not requiring particularly to

It with great pleasure we observe the sale you

Bombay letter
from

Gombocron December 1154

Monday 25

His Front
Instructions to

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Heretofore mentioned, and all such others as you shall
from time to time receive from us or the Agent and Council
at Gombocron, who have our Instructions to give you, their best
advice and assistance, whenever necessary.

2^d Your utmost abilities and attention must be all the
while be exerted to promote the betterment of the British
Woolen Manufacture at Dunfermure, which is the chief rea-
son of your being employed there, in order therefore to comply
to make yourself well acquainted with the persons, that
are most proper for that Matter and bring your Orders
to Gombocron accordingly.

3^d Large sales though at a moderate price, will
always meet with the little Company's approbation, you
are therefore to take all possible methods to hinder the mer-
chants from dealing in Foreign or any other Foreign Woollen
Manufacture, and likewise to discourage the Native Ameri-
cans from dealing in these Commodities as much as possible.

4th No bounds or limits will be allowed, suffering
any person to send goods or money to the Government

upon the little Company's account, and all your bargains
with the Merchants must be for ready money only, receiving
the amount of the goods before they are delivered, whereby all
bad sales and bargains will be effectually prevented.

5th Embrace all opportunities of advancing the Agent
and Council at Gombocron, with the State of Affairs under
your Direction, transmitting an account of your sales, sums
in the House, and Balance of Cash by every conveyance, if
you receive hearing any quantity of money by you, but en-
hance every good opportunity that offers for conveying it to
Gombocron.

6th As to the little Company's Credit and
Revenues, and a means of alleviating their Expenses, to better
business at Dunfermure, you must insist on this Privilege
from the British Government, and we hereby empower you
to lay a Duty upon all Supplies and Goods by single traders
under the little Company's Protection, in the same man-

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Gombroon 20th November 1754

Monday
22nd Franch
Instructions to

25 At Gombroon, of which a particular account must be
immediately sent, whether agreeable to the practice of the
court at Buxtehude.

7th Upon 11 years or more as sundry much the number of your
running must be notified to do, which is given now in the
pleasant and quiet manner, that no dispute may arise
hereafter through misunderstanding, and all conformity
republic with the Government at Buxtehude, who have a great
influence in the courts, must be carefully considered, and some
do not at present think it necessary or reasonable, that the
Honorable Company should have any thing such at this place,
you are to have one of the most comfortable houses in the town,
into which may be added such conveniences of furniture
in moderation may appear necessary, so that the Honorable
Company's lords and servants may have a soft and pleasant
lodging.

We wish you success in this undertaking and are

Your loving Friends

Monday last	Richard Bouchier
15 th October 1754	Hugh Symonds
Made ready	William Seagrave
William Andrew	Thomas Bisset
Secretary	Benjamin Ellis
	William Henry
	William Andrew Price
	John Spencer

Copy of sundry Paragrapths of the
Honorable Company's Commands under the
April 1754 & March 1754 relating to Buxtehude
& Agency

20 We are well informed, that the Commissioners of
such of our Serene Highness as are employed in Buxtehude
lead them with their own private trade, in a most unconse-
nable manner, hence in a great measure have arisen the
Anarchy and of the Buxtehude, this is to be seen, and it

Paragrapths from
Honorable Com-
pany

Gombroon^{S. 245} December 1734Monday 23
Paragraph from
Mable's Journal

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Ships, and the Paper the Company have generally obtained, by paying more for the Tonnage, than has been received by those Owners; you are therefore to take notice, that we have a Right, naturally to the Charter party, Freight, and to the Tonnage of the whole. Now, accepting the three last, allowed the Commanders, Pilots, and their Company, for each one hundred tons as stipulated in Charter party, and as we do, we shall insist upon such Right, you must have particular care, to prevent all such encroachments upon them; if the Commanders and their Company, shall make use of more Tonnage, than they are as aforesaid allowed, you are to cause the surplus to be taken out, and you are hereby directed to transmit us an exact Estimate of the Tonnage of the several Trade Loaders upon, or received from each Ship, that we may be able to do the Company Justice, as we certainly will, against such Officers who shall overreach upon our just Rights in this particular.

26. -- We frequently acquaint you, that a Company was formed, to trade under the Protection of the King of Great Britain, to trade to the East Indies and China. We are now therefore to acquaint you, that several Ships have been fitted out for China this Season, and one, if not more for India, and that the Factors are Englishmen, residents on one of them, as their Company's principal Agent, to the Board of Commanders and the Bay of Bengall, we give you this notice, that in case any of them should encroach upon our Rights and Privileges, and that the Agents of the said Company may not meet with Success against from any Persons whatsoever under our Protection.

44. -- Whenever you find the least Backwardness in the Commanders, or the Incapacity of those Ships for preventing their Delays, you must insist regularly, justice against them, that we may be secured, from paying Tonnage, and from any ill consequences, that may be the result of such Incapacity, or Backwardness.

Gombroon²²⁶ December 1754Monday
Paragraphs from
Hutchinson's213

60 - The Agent and Council at Gombroon have advised us that Ten may be disposed of to advantage, at that time taken care you this Town, three several Sorts of Hyal (viz) Some Chappans in Grain, Common Ten, and then some, and Common Ten in Fibre, as to the Quantities and prices we refer you to the Treasurer, you must be good the said Ten to Gombroon, and give Instructions to our Agents there to inform us particularly how it sells, and what Quantities may be annually vendid.

71 - As you find by the last Report from the Agent and Council at Gombroon, that there are considerable remains of Widen Goods at that place, we have not thought it proper to stock them with any more at present, by retaining one of our Ships to receive them in this season, we shall therefore leave it to you, to supply that market out of the present stock at such times, and in such Quantities, as you may think fit.

73 - We sent you a Copy of Lord S^r George three Lists of the Treasurer, to be provided at Standing for the Ships going out this Town, we were to answer others of the same Tenor to you, to which as we have been very full and exact in our Instructions, and Directions with regard to most Goods, but diammonds, because Wool and Cotton yarn, we have little else to add than to recommend the discharge of them, with the greatest care and attention.

76 - You must recommend it to our Agent and Council at Gombroon, to use their utmost Endeavour, to procure as much of the Diammonds Wool, ordered in our List of Investment, from you to you as possible, we are sensible of the truth of what we have been frequently acquainted with, that the Restrictions in that unhappy Kingdom have been the occasion of the great Increase in that Commodity, which has been experienced for some years past, however as it is a profitable article, and so causes them, must exert themselves to get what they can.

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We continue in the same opinion we were then, of the expediency of settling us on the Island of Whidney.

Gombroon December 1754

Monday

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Paragraphs from
Mather's sermon

And other places in the Persian Gulf, and therefore the
notes set them out must be observed, as an answer to what has
been writ by you, and our friends at Gombroon, with regard
to the South end of Sumatra.

90

Mr Ellis late Resident at Surabaja has required
that we should be advantageous to us to be at it, as we are
reside at Bunderwich, as he is now at Bunderwich, you are to
examine him particularly by description, and if you find it so
advantageous, as he has represented, you may send a com-
missioner to reside there, — at least to make a trial for
some time.

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The Interest of the Company depends so much upon
the Integrity, Frugality, and decent Behaviour of their
Factors in general, that it is incumbent upon us not only
to intimate the same to you, but also to enforce it by our
Commissions, which we now do by directing as we have done
to our other Residents.

120

That the Governors and Councils and all the
rest of our Agents both civil and military be constantly and
regularly attend the Divine Service at Church every Sunday,
unless prevented by sickness, or some other reasonable cause,
and that all the Governors, Soldiers likewise, who are not on
sick or prevented by sickness, be also obliged to attend.

121

That the Governors and Council do carefully attend
to the morals and manners of life of all our servants in ge-
neral, and correct and admonish them when and wherever
it shall be found necessary.

122

That all our Governors be well do as well as
much as their social Nations will allow of it, an expensive
manner of living and consider, that as the Representation
of a Body of Merchants, a decent Frugality will be much
in Character.

123

That you take particular care, that our young
Persons do not launch into Luxuries beyond their Income,
especially upon their first arrival, and we lay it down as a
standing and positive Command, that no vices be allowed.

124

That you take care that our young Persons be well
during the time of their residence.

Monday 25
 Paragraphs from
 the Middle Company

Gombroon ²⁻²⁰⁸ December 1754

His Wisdom, thin we are sensible, that although this last
 prohibition is necessary at all our sufferments we have had
 occasion, to blame any of our servants for such a piece of
 extravagance at your Prudency.

124. — That you set apart this day in every quarter of
 a year, and often if you find it necessary, to enquire into the
 general conduct and behaviour of all our servants to be in-
 bonned, and enter the names thereof in your diary for our
 direction.

125. — We do not think it necessary to prescribe a direction
 with regard to our servants in general, because we are, and
 always can be, well acquainted with their character, with-
 out a formal enquiry.

126. — The Directors is positively given, that we sur-
 chandise whatever should be laden on our bottoms, having
 been represented as carrying a blacking, which reduces the
 Commanders to a total Dependence on their Wages without
 benefiting our service, we are induced to forbid your load-
 ing on our vessels occasionally, on account of the Purchase
 of our Goods, and what belonging to us, as also to carry some
 Merchandise on private account of the Commanders, and
 officers, as we never in any case put the profits out of their pro-
 per sailing Time, or encumber them so, as to render them in-
 able to carry on trading (you regulating the same as to
 Secured Freight, as to you may now please) and that
 this our Indulgence, may not operate to our Regard, the
 Superintendant or master attendant, must remain on board
 every vessel when put on this departure of a voyage, or return
 for having her conduct, as to Truth of Rates and Charges
 for action, and at the same time to be noticed to the Gover-
 nours and Council, and transmitted to us annually, together
 with an exact account of the Qualities and Services of
 the Merchandise laden outward and homeward, in such
 vessels respectively, in account of the Commanders, officers, &c.
 as is taken in or delivered out at any other place or places
 distant from Bombay, and a Register Book for the use of

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Gombroon ^{S 209} December 1754

Monday
the 25th
the 21st

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Friday

To be sent on board each Vessel, to be signed by the first and second Lieutenants and Boatboard, to be delivered to you on coming into Port, and sent as according to and not do. Strictly in your taking effectual care, in preventing abuses on the above, or in any other manner, and meaning is that under no pretence, may the Captains or Commanding Officers be liable for the services required of them.

London 15th October 1754
A short copy

William Andrew Chicheley

At a Consultation Present
the Right W^{ts} Hon^{ble} Douglas Esq^r Agent
M^{rs} Richard Fisher & John Parsons
Read and signed our advices to the Hon^{ble} Company under this date, and the order is directed to be made up directly and delivered the Masters for Supercargo.

J^r Douglas
R^r Fisher
John Parsons

Adjourned

To the Hon^{ble} the Court of Directors
for Affairs of the United Company of
Merchants of England trading to
the East Indies

May it please your Honours

We last under past your Honours under date the 17th instant of which the enclosed at Singapore, and have just-ly to forward a Packet received a few days ago by a boat-ly ship from our Supercargo at Bombay.

On the 18th ultimo his Majesty's Ship in the East- and Sailing under command of Admiral Watson arrived from Port St. David's at Bombay where they design to leave and return as soon as possible to the Commanded Boat, your Honours that the Sandwich and Prince Edward were to be dis- patched from Bombay directly for England the latter and the

Come from a

Gombroon 3-210 December 1754

Friday
Evening 27

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And the Harwich to sail at the same time to fill up at
Teddisherry.

We, the hundred Mounds of harmonica No. 1
which we acquainted your Honours in our last and have
daily expected, we have now the pleasure to advise that
that we shall have in readiness to send to the Honours in
the first good convenience Forty two Bales.

Our Honours are pleased to acquaint us
they have paid you Mr. Francis Reed to settle a Battering at
Bunderich, he arrived here a few days since and is to proceed
thither by the first convenience that offers.

We received by the first of June, eighty three
Bales of Broad Cloth but as our Honours had not in their
house all the bales and as before we received, they write
us they could only convey with us without as much as possible.
Four Bales and one half are much asked for as present of the
former we have received in Bales of broad cloth and of the latter
we have not yet when the French Navy and the British Navy
are we they will be able to furnish us with the materials wanted.

The twenty two Bales of your Honours sent to
Bundary for this Spring we have received and are of an opinion
we can supply of about two hundred hundred more in a year, at
the following prices the first sort in Bales at Twenty eight Shillings
the second sort in Bales at Twenty six Shillings, the
third sort in Bales at Twenty four Shillings but as the Merchants
offer them in Bales to others we should be glad to have them
at that Price, and if your Honours should judge proper to send
the first sort we should have a better chance for a second than of the
third.

We are with great respect

May it please your Honours

Your most faithful and most obedient humble Servant

Gombroon

27th December 1754

Alexander Douglas

Richard Secher

John Parsons

Gombroon ⁵⁻²¹ December 1754

Friday 27

Refers to notes

To Mr William. Mow

Sir

This is merely to direct that the accompanying packet be forwarded to his Majesty's Consul at Calcutta.

We are

Sir

your loving Friends
Alexander Douglas
Richard. Licker
John Parsons

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Gombroon
27th December 1754

Saturday 28

This day we had a very hard frost in which we lost one of our Fowls.

Sunday 29

This day the late dilly ship arrived as board the Tegraberry in order to go to Amoy.

Monday 30

The Tegraberry went out anchor and stood to sea.

Tuesday 31

Committees
to Government

Our Factory Brokers having received bills to the amount of three thousand two hundred in favour of our Company's Agents, they have dispatched two Messengers with them.

January 1755

Thursday 2

A Consultation Present
the Right W. Alex. Douglas Esq. Agent
Mr. Richard. Licker and John Parsons

Examined and Report the Cash amount

to last month, the Balance of which is Shewen and Written
Three hundred eighty five thousand three hundred fifty and
nine pence (\$385,557.9) as entered hereafter.

Adjourned

A. Douglas

R. Licker

John Parsons

The

Thursday	2	The Honble Company's Cash	D ^r
December	1	To balance of last month - - - - -	132109 4
	3	To Estates of deceased persons with as follows	
		From the Agent and Richard. Nichol	
		on account the Estate of Robert Smith 1025 5	
		To - - - - - James Burnidge - 6329 3	
		To - - - - - William Arndal - 1041 2	
			010 2
		From Richard. Nichol and	
		John. Chasens on account the	
		Estate of William Judgrouche - 61256 8	
			61256 8
		Mathews	1322350 9

The Honble Company's Cash C^r

December	3	By balance - - - - -	Mathews 1322350 9
Monday	6	He reported in terms that baron. James douglas to address Napier's house and that he has left the cash and is arrived at Hapel -	
Wednesday	8	He Baron. James Napier's house is receiving troops with the utmost consideration, in order to withstand the attempts of baron. James -	
Sunday	12	He said that baron. James having notice of his relation Mathews being taken prisoner by agent James Lewis near Hamadan, has reassured his returning back to Hapel -	
Wednesday	15	He reported that Napier's house has agreed to pay baron. James annually a sum of money upon which he returned to Hapel -	
Friday	17	At a Consultation Present The Right H ^{on} Alex ^r Douglas Esq Agent M ^r Richard. Nichol & John. Roberts Examined and report the baron's account James. account for last month amounting to Mathews forty six thousand one hundred forty seven and three pence and a half (4547 ³ / ₂) -	

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He Baron. James
Napier's house

He Baron. James
Napier's house

He Baron. James
Napier's house

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Friday

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Adjourned

J. Douglas
Esq. Clerk
John Parsons

Abstract of the Memorials Concerning the

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Table Expenses	10734 6
Expenses Charges	0606 1
Table Charges	3049 7
Account Cattle & Horses bought	1000
Servants Wages	1760
Spice Gardens	400
Charges Extraordinary	3336 8
Factory Repairs	2549 0
Charges on Merchandise	1456 5
High Swallow	2853 7
Total	45147 3

Monday
Arrived the ship
Ganges

20

Imported the Ship Ganges Captain John Gould M^{rs} John Adams, arrived from Bengall and Madras.

Tuesday

21

The Company's ship of the Ganges informed the Agent that one Riddle Master says the London, Holcher and their sailed from Madras the 17th October for Bengall, that the ship is now taking in a large chulladrage for England, and that his Majesty's ship the Bridgewater and King Fisher Regiment at Madras the 12th October has designed for Bengall.

Wednesday
Arrived at the
British

22

Advises from Bunderich mention that Mrs. Manner has invited the Government of that place from his Brother Mrs. Hopson whom he has confined, and cut off several bearing them who favoured him.

Accounts from Baphin informs us that Baphin being design for Madras and has wrote that it is for to send a twenty Baphin to place at Baphin during his absence. The Agent having applied to M^{rs} John Adams for a cargo and was owner of the Ganges for a passage for M^{rs} Hard to Bunderich, and for making many excuses for refusing the same, the secretary was directed to write

Gombroon⁵⁻²¹⁴ January 1735

Wednesday 22

Run a letter upon the subject to which he returned
the following answer.

To
Mr. John Adams

Sir

As the Honble the President and Council
of Bombay have appointed Mr. Francis Head President
for the Honble Comings Affairs at Bunderch and
you being bound thither, has directed by the Right Honble
Alexander Douglas Esq. Agent for the Honble to request
you a passage for him and his wife.

Yours

Gombroon

22 January 1735

Wm. Nash Esq. Agent for the Honble

William Nash

Secretary

To

Mr. William Nash

Secretary to the Honble
Comings Settlement
at Gombroon

Sir

I received your letter wherein you acquainted
me you are directed by Mr. Douglas and the other gentlemen
of the Honble Comings Settlement in this place to desire
a passage for the three (four) persons (four only called the Company)
for Mr. Head to Bunderch in answer to which I have only
said what Mr. Douglas some days ago, and without
I have not expected he would have been satisfied, that my going
to Bunderch was by no means certain for I was upon a
trading voyage, and proposed touching at all the ports in
the Gulf, so as to be in doubt of my being able to return even
whenever it happened, so also there was no accommodation
for any body especially a gentleman in a publick manner.
The ship was all taken up by the Comings and officers,
and I had no right to suppose of nothing but my table, which
he should be always welcome to that we had no room

James Fisher
letter to

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James Fisher
letter from

Gombroon ⁵⁻²⁵ January 1755

Wednesday 22

James John
John Ford

A concourse of most other Ships here, and were obliged to divide the barking for the boats and myself the barking was small and all the servants baying in it.

I should and always shall reckon myself happy being any way serviceable to the Honble. Directors and Council of Bombay and the Honble. Company's Affairs every where I have been according to my duty. I believe they had the least doubt, but the accommodations of the Ship not sufficiently large at Bombay to prevent any wrong interpretation being received in this affair.

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Gombroon

22 January 1755

Sam.

Sir

your humble servant

John Johnson

Sunday 26

Baroness John
John

Received a letter from our Portuguese linguist advising of his sending eight hundred forty mounds of Wheat, and promissory warrants for accounts to, even as he respectfully can furnish them. He returns one of the Bills for ten mounds being drawn in his favor the 1st November, as the rest are on which it was drawn should pay now.

Admiral's request at Macao was that the Dutch from Boracoe mention that they still were the Sir. Jaffer being of the leading men in Mashad finding the place almost destitute of provisions, presently sent to Jaffer house and Magdalen to acquaint them that if otherwise there would give the place that he would commit no violence nor plunder the Subjects, they would deliver up the city to him. However this affair was not so readily managed but Mirza showed the English got notice thereof and immediately sent Sharrakh with requests likewise which being favorably received he directly wrote Mirza showing to come himself he was at first entertained by Ahmed Shahr with great respect but at night he gave private orders to have him cut off, and the morning following the leading men in Mashad sent to Ahmed Shahr to order the city which he refused doing himself but sent Sharrakh back with four thousand

Ahmed Shahrakh
of Mashad, returning
to him

Combroon—³⁻¹¹⁶ January 1755

Sunday 26

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of the same form
and shape by
Mason & Co.

Effluents to take possession thereof, and he designs to stay in his house without the city till after November, he has imagined, that such shall rise by of tomorrow, and that besides, there shall be several of his business who in word is arrived at Antwerp with fifteen hundred Effluents. His own design after November to set out for Germany, however that such cause has not to attend there to visit some of his friends to prevent this business coming. He is not able to mention that Effluents have given rise of his business has made peace with others there.

Advises from business men that Lloyd Brown had ordered that his train to ascend a large sum of money which he was sending to England and that on his way he was met by Mathew Brown at the Head of eight thousand dollars who secretly, on the way and took Lloyd Brown's money. The same advice inform us that Lloyd Brown is going to march against Brown Brown and that he has sent his baggage to descend on the other hand is said Brown Brown designs to face him and for that purpose has likewise sent his baggage to descend.

Monday 27

Arrived the
Harrison March

My dear Mr. Small Love Must Enfall in the Offing with Love
Wish Belovance

At night came on shore the commander of the vessel above-mentioned, he proved to be the Warren "Beach" from Brooklyn sent to relieve the Swallow.

*It is Consultation Presents
The Right W. Allen Douglas Esq. Agent
Messrs Richard Richer & John Parsons*

At 11 o'clock and more our business commands received this night p^r Warren Huchinsworth here after agreed that the Commodore of the Swallow be desired to get his vessel in readiness for sailing as soon as possible and that we send on her all the provisions that in Wiscow with ninety thousand Rupees in Silver and what Gold we have as also such quantity of old Copper as the Commodore can take in.

Supine

Gombroon ²²⁴ ⁵⁻²⁷ January 1755

Monday 27

Adjourned

H. Douglas
R. Jecker
John Parsons

Bombay Letter
from

To
The Right Wth M^{rs} Douglas Esq^r Agent
for Affairs of the British Nation
in the Gulf of Persia &c^t Bombay
at Gombroon

Wth Sir and M^{rs}

We wrote you last by the Dutch Ship,
but were then so much engaged with the business of the town
thats that we could not particularly reply to your letter of
the 17th September received by the Spanish.

Taking into consideration the length of time
which the boatman has lain at sea, and that she con-
sequently must have considerable repairs, we have determined
to release her, but as none of the Vessels belonging to us are now
at this juncture to serve, we have freighted the Warren
Ship for that purpose, and take the opportunity to send you by
her Sunday letters and provisions for the use of the boatman
to account himself.

It seems so probable after the Warren's arrival
you must discharge the boatman with us, we purposing to return
her to you before the chance of it should be too small.

Eighteen European Men and a detachment
of soldiers are sent on the Warren to relieve that with you, who
must come over in the boatman, account of us, and send
us in the Dutch.

We agreed to the purchase of Comenias Seed,
as it is an article in Demand in Europe, and the Vessels com-
ing have not limited the Seed, we must have it your Dis-
cretion to purchase it on the most reasonable terms necessary.

We think that not with standing the Obligation
Bond does not expressly require that the Vessels employed
for payment of the purchase of Indian Goods, should be sent.

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Monday
Bromley Letter
from

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At Superior at the Gentleman's request, you will
have forwarded them to the President there, and which we
name you to do by any safe conveyance that offers, directing
him to deliver them to the proper persons duly entitled to receive
them, in payment of the amount of stolen Goods and value
and giving a proper discharge, for all future claims
sums whatever.

You will receive three hundred hundred & weights
three quarters and an eighth pound of steel (see ¹⁰ 11) three
hundred hundred & one quarter ounce for powder (see ¹⁰ 11)
of iron, and a half bushel Blank Japanned to give Lustre to
England, and another as above, was sold of Sading Indians
to France last March and three hundred weight three, two
quarters and thirty eight pence (¹⁰ 11 12 13) on this subject be-
hind for the present, on account of what money has been ad-
vanced, and so inclosed, and there is inclosed, and the bar-
nister with you must return on the business.

You omitted sending an account Dutch Stock
by the 4th of June, which must not be repeated.

Worcester, Mass. 1834
 Dear Sir,
 I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, &c.
 Richard B. Sewall

Brabazon Ellis (Book)

Tuesday
Jan^y the 28th
Gombrone

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Sailed the Ganges for England & went up the Gulph.
& anchored in the road the Master M^{rs} Nicholas
heads from Bombay.

Thursday
Jan^y the 30th

30

The Secretary was directed to write a letter to Captain John
Blough to acquaint us what quantity of sold horses he could
take on board the Ganges to which he returned the follow-
ing answer.

Blough John
letter from

To the Right Wth Alex^r Douglas Esq^r Agent
for the

Gombrone
Gentlemen

I received your letter and shall be so far
able to comply with your request as to take on board the
whole quantity of Carriages that you wish, but must at the
same time beg leave to acquaint you that as of so bulky a
nature as to loading the better part of my Ship's hold, that I
have lately room for the large quantity of Water and provisions
which I am obliged to carry as a necessary on account of
the Detachment that I am your place this for I must
recommend the proper for some other conveyance, therefore
use to it with all respect.

Gentlemen

Gombrone
January the 30th 1755.

Your most Obedient Servant
John Blough

Friday
Jan^y the 31st

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At a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq^r Agent
M^{rs} Richard Nichol & John Parsons

Read our few answers to the Writ
The President and Council of Bombay designed & resolved
and the Secretary is directed to get ready the necessary
papers that we may submit the same to the Court.

Adjourned

A^d Douglas
R^efecher
John Parsons

Gombroon ^{S. 220} February 1755

Saturday 1

At a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq^r Agent
M^{rs} Richard Acher & John Parsons

Our past Advances to Bombay being just
transcribed and signed and Captain Wright having put on
on board the necessary provisions for his passage and all the
8th being all shipped off the Secretary is directed to make up
the packet and deliver it him with his loading orders.

Examined and passed the Cash account
for last Month the balance of which is thirteen one million
four hundred eighty two thousand four hundred fifty and
nine C^{rs} (13,42,350.9) as entered before.

Adjourned
A. Douglas
R. Acher
John Parsons

To
The Hon^{ble} Richard Bourchaire Esq^r
President and Proprietors of Council
at Bombay
Hon^{ble} Sir and Mrs.

Since our last address by the
Hazarder we have been favoured with your Honours 8th bene-
volence of which is dated 15th December and 1st January is to
which we shall pay a due obedience.

The following Vessels have imported here since
the 1st September last. The British George from Buparah, The
Indian Queen and Judith Rich from Bombay, The George
from Buparah, The Dutch Boon from Batavia, and one from
Barcho.

We have received the Merchandise and stores con-
signed us by the Indian Queen, and for which your Honours
8th has due order. The Goods on board the Western Dutch
will be landed as soon as the brattle is sailed, our boats
attendants being employed by her.

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Sunday letter

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As the Merchants at present and usually after meetings and Fair Month we have your Honours &c. will be able to supply us with some of their wares agreeable to our demand since we find from the navigators of our Honble Winter Commissions by the Hindosteeke no more was shipped in as really from England we enclose your Honours &c. a balance bill of these goods we judge the market will take off till August or September next when we expect a supply from England we humbly request your Honours &c. will please to send no other instruments or orders than what is used in the order account and if you have not a Dutch case the wares at some ports and harbours we desire the opportunity in great to make up by another balance bill.

On the 20th we have received forty two whole bales and one half whole bales of muslin from the satisfaction to deliver your Honours &c. that our Surgeons acquaint us of the having ready eight hundred forty more which must not will arrive as soon we have to this time remitted our Surgeons on account the next from our hundred thirty five thousand five hundred and thirty thirty supply you with a further sum and we beg leave to assure your Honours &c. of our exerting our selves to the utmost in securing as large a quantity as possible and on the worst occasions we are able but the sudden and frequent commotions inland as well as our competitors the Dutch prevent our getting as large a quantity as we could wish, the Dutch this year made large payments to the Commodity Government for their assistance and in consideration thereof they sent their own people with the Dutch to the several villages in order to obstruct our purchases, but by application being made to the Dutch Governor and a present given him it had not the effect the Dutch wished for, and he assure the Town of his countenanceing our Surgeons.

By the enclosed I enclose your Honours &c. will please to observe we have received now of the Commodity that at the price the last year we were unable to purchase from

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February 1753

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The true account of the best and bluest paper for want of me not having received the accounts from him, and he being by the great inconvenience to do it.

It is our humble opinion as merchants we shall be able to diminish of about two hundred thousand weight of iron in one year as it about the following prices the first sort in bars at twenty eight shillings per ton, second sort in bars at twenty six, and the third sort in the form of iron plates, but as the merchants prefer that we can to suggest we have accordingly made mention thereof to our Honorable Masters.

Since our last voyage we received that how long an engagement between Great Britain and France having the Monmouth of which we said the former lost many men and was obliged to retreat with great precipitation to St. Marks where he stayed only a few days and then moved to Spahana, and since his arrival there it seems he has laid most of his talent. There are the Mahabads and is continually sending his sons he was sent to his own country. However, the reported his designs are soon to march against Great Britain, and that he has sent his baggage to America, on the other hand Great Britain does not seem to be endeavoring to make head against his being, several of Great Britain's soldiers having joined him, and he is in agreement in strict alliance with the Shah of Sulphure and the inhabitants of Tachistan, and is master of Myrach and the Country round, and by advice from an old English we learn he designs to march towards Spahana and that he has wrote to Shah Nisfur to send a trusty person to place in Myrach during his absence.

By advice received at Larance the 15th inst. we learn that Ahmed, Shah is master of Mushad near which place he has built a city calling it Ahmadabad where he designs to winter, and after that has march further into the Kingdom. He has made several new regulations in the province of Larance and has detached as is said

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February 17

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Mrs Boulton. Mrs Boulton with family has
men to be quarrel of business, however, the result is
has sent him large presents to endear our friendship
direct this design of his.

Upon that house is coming to him
Sapora have abandoned his house but obliged to be
tenually on the watch for fear of a surprise from one of
of the confederate parties a difference lately arose between
him and Sapore Boulton but was at last amicably settled
upon a payment as the price of his staying him annually
sum of money.

The British have been Sapore of Sapore
are at war amongst themselves Mrs Boulton who cut
father has been the government from his brother the
Union whom he has imprisoned, and cut off several off
the leading men who favoured him.

Advices from Sapore inform us of the
having made an their demands with the government who
has paid them the sums formerly extorted from Sapore
Boulton, they have liberty and assistance to recover
all their outstanding debts and report their efforts, in some
ing their demands from the government they released
with Sapore Boulton who were at Sapore when we last
heard from thence, they are completing their fortifica-
tions at barack, and by the accounts we have received from
men and British Merchants are gone to reside there,
and we are apt to believe it will prove a beneficial settle-
ment to them in a few years.

We were when Sapore Boulton with his
detachment who have covered their way to the 21st January
1765, and as many of the Sapore now live in a bad state
of health we request your Honours to will please to relieve
them, not for power, rewards in this office and has received
his pay to 21st January 1765.

M^r William Hughes agrees to pay
Honours to Sapore Boulton

Gombroon 5th 22nd February 1755

May 1
1755

Has received his Salary to 31 January 1755 and has
been paid his passage money, we received the Resident at
Bamberside to send Mr. Helmer to the town being in the ven-
dome, but he acquainted us of his desiring to stay till the depar-
ture of another homeward bound ship, and which
with the gentlemen of the Bangall Shipping and which
has occasioned is long stay there.

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Mr. Francis Wood is now here on the
Judith which and were only waits a homeward bound ship to carry
him to Bamberside, we were unable to procure him a pas-
sage on the Bangall, Mr. John Brown, Secretary of the
Company of the ship is an excellent

Our Honble Masters by the then Salisbury
sent us two bales of goods of one and quarter yard wide
for a trial which we have shown the merchants who did
not offer near enough for them, therefore we took this op-
portunity of consigning them to you. These goods as also
three bales more of one and half yard wide received by the
Indian Ship which we will not sell for more than
the others.

Conformable to your Honours 8th directions
we have received into the Honble Company's Cash the sum
of Madras sixty one thousand two hundred fifty six and
eight pence 61256⁸ 9. In account of the State of William
Mansfield, Robert Hunt, William Perival and foreign
knowledge as per account enclosed.

Enclosed we forward your Honours 8th
Invoice of sundries laden on the Indolite amounting to
Madras one million four hundred eighty nine thousand
and ten and hundred other papers as per list of the Indolite.

Gombroon

We are respectfully
Humble Sirs,

Your most obedient humble Servants

1st February 1755

Alexander Douglas
Richard Fisher
John Parsons

Gombroon⁵⁻⁷²⁵ February 1755

day 1

To Captain John Clough
of the Swallow
Sir

Kind and welcome receiving
you are hereby ordered to weigh anchor and make the
best of your way for Bombay and on your arrival there
deliver the accompanying packet and box to Mr. Thistle
Richard Bruchier Esq. Resident and Governor's Secy.
handed on Bombay. Writhe you safe and speedy passage
and are

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Sir
Gombroon Your Obedt. Servant
1st February 1755 Alexander Douglas
Richard Secher
John Persons

The Thistle Company's Cash D

1755
January

1 To balance of last Month - - - Shewes 1582.550.9

The Thistle Company's Cash - - - C^t

1755
January

5th By balance - - - - - Shewes 1592.550.9

Sailed the Swallow

Wednesday

Thursday
Remittance to
Bombay

Friday
Remittance to
Bombay

1 Sailed the Ship Swallow for Bombay
2 Will currently reported in town that barrow house had fifty
each and is now at Portobello.
3 The Agent dispatched letters to the Governor with bills of
exchange in favour of our Government for payment to the amount
of four thousand five hundred and six of the West India Bank.
4 Received a letter from Mr. Robert Simpson at the Governor's
advising that the bills of exchange for the sum of five thousand
five hundred and six have the 21st December are ready to be
paid as he knows it difficult to procure bills in his power
from the great scarcity of money in all parts. He had therefor
taken up three thousand three hundred and six on account

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Saturday 8

Gombroon^{S-227} February 17⁵⁵

Thursday 20

Bingall the 5th Xmas Eve last at which time his Majesty
 His Lordships and King's Ships were there, as also the
 following Ships belonging to our Hon^{ble} Masters (viz)
 Elizabeth, Newcastle, anson, London,
 Menford, designed for England
 York, designed for the St. Leger Coast and England
 St. George, designed for China
 Bedford

Saturday 28

Monday 23

Thank Mamma
Love Papa

[illegible]

that he has received from Mahomet Dandary.
Taher has made personally of him, that he cannot believe him
in Sultan's favor. Tahir Mahomet Dandary are with
him, and have intimated that Mahomet Dandary is with
which he makes himself assured of not doubting of his fidelity.
That he has wrote to his Governor of Bombay on the 14th inst.
Sultan's and to Tahir of Salt and direct that Mahomet

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Tuesday

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To forward them, that he has left, by post and is arrived at
Gib. barger from whence he intends to depart, and the orders is
every one and that when Shash Mahomet receives them he
then to gather the people of Gohor, and to be dressed, each
tent, & baggage, and all the places subject him, and send them
to him under command of one of his friends that the above
people are to obey Shash Mahomet, and he intends to accom-
pany every man according to his merit.

Wednesday

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Thursday

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Wrote the Signatures, sent Captain, Second Master for some
Mordak ally, Shash sent the Signatures, began he received
from Gohor, cause which he has to take care of the above
flat and consult Shash Mahomet on all occasions, he further
writes Mordak ally, Shash that he designs himself to come to
Goudroon.

March 1735

Sunday

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Impressed the Cadaver's Captain, John Atkinson, caught
from Gohor.

A Consultation Present
The Right Wth Walter Douglas Esq^r Agent
M^r Richard Lether & John Parsons

Met to consult our respective commands under the
1st Chamber and 1st February last, as also a letter from the Chief
and Factors of Gohor as before hereafter, and agreed that a
General letter be drawn out to our Hon^{ble} Masters advis-
ing them of all occurrences since the date of our last, and
that we forward it by the Cadaver, as also the two packages
received from Gohor.

Examined and paid the Cash account
for last month the balance of which is that we have received
from the thousand, seven hundred, fifty and nine, 1735, as
entered hereafter.

Adjourned

Wth Douglas
R. Lether
John Parsons

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Gombroon ^{S-220} March 17³³Sunday
Bombay 17³³To the Right Wth Alex^r Douglas Esq Agent
for all affairs of the British Nation in the
Island of Socatra &c Council
at Gombroon

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Wth Sirs,We write to you the 16th Instant of the present Month
and this is purposely to enclose a Letter for our Honble Masters
which you are to forward by the first Ship of force

Dear

Bombay Castle
2nd December 17³²

Your loving Friends

Richard Bourdier

Hugh Symonds

William Ridgwick

Thomas Wyllie

Andersen Ellis

William Henry

William Anderson Price

John Spencer

Bombay Castle
readTo
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq Agent
for all affairs of the British Nation in the
Island of Socatra &c Council
at Gombroon
GentlemenOur last was forwarded by this Ship to
enclose a Letter for our Honble Masters, and
the readiness for the benefit of a conveyance has afforded us an opportunity of addressing them again, which you are to transmit as soon
as possible.Having received twenty five Sheets of Tins by the
Warren for your Plate, we now consign them to you, amounting
to Ninety three thousand six hundred and seventy four, five
hundred and thirty three (2674533) as per accompanying Invoice and
Bill of Lading.Mr John Dixon having represented to us an
omission in the Gombroon and Socatra accounts of Ninety
four thousand three hundred and twenty (2620) John Repulse, 1733

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On account of a bill of exchange payable to Messrs Douglas and discharged by Nathaniel Bonfret out of money belonging to Mr. Haison, we have therefore agreed to credit him that amount, and enclose you an abstract copy of his last our accountants report, and the balance relating thereto, in the Indian book which will fully explain this transaction, and enable you to adjust regularly with those books, which it appears from this has not been yet done.

We are
Your loving friends
Richard Bouichues
Hugh Johnsons
William Hodgkiche
Thomas Byfield
William Henry
William Andrew Price
John Inveres

Great Letter from

To
The Right Hon^{ble} Mr Douglas Esq Agent
for Council
at Gombroon
W. H. & his

This serves to give notice to a Notice received
some time since for you from the Hon^{ble} the President and
Council of Bombay, in which we have not to note but that

We are
Your most humble servants
Bradaxen Esq
Robert Hofferd
Samuel Court

1755
February

The Hon^{ble} Company's Cash
To balance of last month

The Hon^{ble} Company's Cash
By account current Bombay 1755
By balance

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Wednesday 3

No Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq Agent
M^{rs} Richard Lickers John Parsons

Read our joint address to the North Company
which are directed to be paid to our order

Our Surveyors in their communications of the 18th & 20th
last having permitted us to send M^{rs} Douglas demand of the
monies to the Treasurer of the North Company that they be paid
overed by the Treasurer of the North Company, and
that a letter be drawn out to M^{rs} Douglas advising him thereof

Examined and agreed the Accounts of the
Subsistence for January last amounting to the sum of
the thousand three hundred and fifty three pence (16^s 5^d 3^d)

Adjourned

A. Douglas
R. Lickers
John Parsons

Abstract of the Accounts of Subsistence for January 1755

Walt's Expenses	11426 6
Expenses Charges	10120 8
Charges Extraordinary	3382
Charges Merchandise	645 6
Walt's Charges	2995 6
Walt's Garden	455
Factory Supplies	3261 0
Expenses Wages	1810
Walt's Wages	9102
Account Income	520
Account Expenditure	320
Walt's Account	10343 4

Walt's Account sent the Agent a copy of a statement of the
from the accounts who demands him to pay him as soon as possible
with all the soldiers he can raise, he likewise advises of the being
arrived at the Garrison.

Thursday 6

No Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq Agent
M^{rs} Richard Lickers John Parsons

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M^r Francis Wood by letter having requested that the sum of three hundred pounds may be advanced him towards defraying his expenses at Banderah agreed at the amiable committee with—

Signed our advices to his Honourable Company as also to the Resident at Banderah—

D^r DouglasR^r Zeeckor

John Parsons

Adjourned,

To
The Hon^{ble} the Council of Directors
for Affairs of the East India Company
of Merchants of England Trading
to the East Indies.

May it please your Honours

A Country Vessel being bound to Bango-
rall we could not take the opportunity of forwarding your Honours
two packets received the 2^d Instant from our Superiors at
Banderah which duplicate from last humble remissal and to
advise you of such circumstances as have happened since the date
thereof—

On the 20th January arrived the Ganges a Country
Ship from Bango-rall and sailed the 27th for Baiter on the 28th the
1st of the same month arrived the Western Fleet from Bango-rall
to relieve the Swallow which we dispatched the 1st William on the 21st.
It came in the 2^d Instant from Bango-rall and returned the
26th and on the 2^d Instant departed the Cadastre and was bound
to Banderah—

We learnt from the Commander of the Sloop which
that your Honours Ships Elizabeth, Winchester, Prince, London,
Montfort, York, and St George were at Bango-rall the 2^d Instant
last that the gentlemen designed to depart in the Montfort
for England the 28th in the Malabar boat and that the Sloop
was freighted for China—

His Majesty's Ship Bridgewater and King
Fisher were likewise at Bango-rall—

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On the 11th inst. we conveyed our letter to your Honor's account and brought forty two whole Bales and one half Bales (28) of Harmonia Wool, viz. 12000 pounds, five hundred fifty three pounds and five hundred fifteen (three hundred sixty six) pounds, in short, five Bales, nearly as some old Bales, the whole amounting to thirteen and a half, four hundred eighty one thousand and four hundred and five, we design to have, and on his part of our Ambassador of old Copper has the Commodore acquainted us that he could only take in the Wool.

The Dutch Ship arrived at your Honor's under the 28th November left this place the 1st December for Surat and Batavia and we leave the Dutch Ship wither about one thousand five hundred Harmonia Wool.

We have the satisfaction of advising your Honor that we daily export eight hundred fifty six pounds of Wool from Harmonia and by leave to assure you in our utmost endeavor shall be used to secure a large quantity and in the most reasonable terms possible we have hitherto supplied our Harmonia Agent on account this year near two hundred thousand Bales per cent but as the trade does not come on till after new year we are unable to acquaint your Honor at present with the quantity that may be expected.

Adress received at Harmonia the 15th January from Boracou mentions that Ahmed Shah has made himself Master of Mashad near which place he designs to winter, and after the first of November march further into this Kingdom the same address mentions that Hapson, former Governor of Meyanour, has made peace with Ahmed Shah.

Aziz Khan still continues in possession of Bahawal and by accounts we have still, from the Subahdar in as severe manner as ever and the Emperor he desires he sends his own Country Men, he said there has lately been an engagement between him and Mahomet Khan, where, success was vented.

Even after Aziz Khan's retreat to Bahawal

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6 Carem bawn took possession of Shigauk where he remained for some time consulting his army, and in the morning some of his most trusted to give him advice the following appeared, after which he came to a resolution to meet the Government of the West Coast, and from Nippon bawn, and for that purpose marched to Garry on the other Hand Nippon bawn left Shigauk and came to Kham, but as Carem bawn approached Nippon bawn retreated, and by a letter the Agent received a few days ago from Shau Mahomet we know Carem bawn was at Kham, and Nippon bawn in the Mountains in order to obstruct the other passage, so that we doubt much to hear of any engagement. Should Nippon bawn be defeated, we have reason to believe there will be the greatest confusion imaginable, this way Carem bawn has no doubt resolved to return, and Shau Mahomet will send several others to persuade them to return from their retreat, to Nippon bawn, making them large promises, and telling them of his design to come this way.

Mr. Francis Reed now practices to Government he has written here that he is reading a paper before Government Mr. John Wilson, Secretary of the Governor, alleging the same up of the right and other frivolous excuses for not restoring him. The Agent has just now received a letter from Shau Mahomet who sent him a large sum from Carem bawn advising him to be on guard at Kham, and to be on guard to give him as soon as possible, with what number of soldiers he can raise.

Nothing further offering at present we beg leave to subscribe our selves most respectfully

May it please your Honours
Your most faithful and most
obedient humble Servants

Gombroon

March 6/55

Alexander Douglas
Richard Secher
John Parsons

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To Mr William Shaw

Sir

This you will receive by the hand of
Capt. John Allenborough to whom we have delivered a bill
of lading enclosed in a packet but in which is a small parcel of
the amount being Capt. Allenborough's deposit for Master Lewis's
which packet is to be delivered to the proper persons duly entitled
to receive it in paying you the sum of ten thousand pounds and
taking and giving a proper discharge for all future claims
as demands whatever. The said packet is sealed with the Honble
Commissioner's Seal as also the Honble's therefore take particular
care not to break them.

Captain Allenborough has demanded
one and a half pound for his bill which you are to pay him being
Shaw's one hundred 1000 1000.

The enclosed packet for our Honble
Master you are to forward to the Honble Council at Albany.

We are

Sir

Gentlemen
6th March 1755

Yours Loving Friends
Alexander Douglas
Richard Keith
John Parsons

To the Right Wm. Douglas Esq. Agent
of Council at Gambrooke
W. to G. 1755

Wm. Douglas
Agent for Shaw

The Expenses which must unavoidably be
incurred in performing the Public Service from now on
to enter an obligation to require that the sum of two thousand
pounds be of money to advance out of the Honble Company's
treasury as should be appointed the Honble President and Council
have entrusted the direction of this affair entirely to your W^{ts}
Judgment and Discretion.

Gentlemen
6th March 1755

Yours with great respect
W. to G. 1755

your most obedient humble Serv^t
Francis Wood

Thursday
Arrived the
Indian Queen

Friday

Saturday
Left Gombroon
for Borneo

- 6 Arrived the Ship Indian Queen Capt John Kemere from Borneo.
- 7 Sailed the Eastward bound Ship Albenborough for England.
- 8 The Agent received a letter from Rajah Borneo who writes thus notwithstanding his several favours bestowed on Mr. Ash Mead Kemere (quitting) he has left and goes to Borneo with a design of bringing him to Banjarmasin which province they design to ruin as well as the inhabitants only to gratify their bad wishes to him, that is even as he bears of Borneo Borneo designs for the good of the Subjects as well as his desire of tranquillity to settle there and went to Kam and turned out his residence, and sent his army to join him, that he has at present with him no choice bold soldiers who have requested him to give to an engagement, but ask preferred never to give a battle, and said that must be Borneo Borneo to tell him not to give but to men interfere nor come to Gombroon for to be the ruin of poor inhabitants, and that if he did he might be afraid he would repent it, but that before said Mr. Kemere arrived at Borneo Borneo had quitted it and was arrived at Borneo Borneo, where he received the King's letter, evening well pleased with them, and desires of peace, and to confirm his good designs and bring Borneo Borneo as hostage of peace, on the other hand Rajah Borneo sent Rajah Borneo Governor of Borneo and Chao Mansur Beg as hostages on his part, notwithstanding which Borneo Borneo through the King's favour of some, has declared that and returned the hostages in return, that he (Rajah Borneo) took two thousand choice bold soldiers and went to Borneo to stop the passages in the mountainous which when Borneo Borneo heard off he began to repent his declaring that and was afraid to advance, which he perceiving and that Borneo Borneo might be encouraged in his undertaking he immediately retreated and left Borneo Borneo in order that the other might advance into the presence of Gombroon where he now is, but knows not how to proceed further at present, being unable either to advance or retreat as Rajah Borneo people have cut off

Saturday

9 All communication with the Indians which surprised
Baron Bousso's Camp with provisions. That he is come to
Shor and hopes shortly to be able to inform the Agents of the
last situation of Baron Bousso's affairs.

Tuesday

arrived the
new gally

11 Transported the new gally Capt. Edwards & his men from
Buffsrah.

Wednesday

12 A Consultation Present
The High W. Alexander Douglas Esq. Agent
M^r Richard Fisher & John Parsons.

As the Indian Queen and the new gally are both
to sail in a few days for Buffsrah agreed that a general letter
be drawn out informing our superiors of all occurrences
since the date of our last.

Reading letter from the President of
Buffsrah dated the 10th January last and received this day.

W. Douglas
R. Fisher
John Parsons

Adjourned

To
The High W. Alexander Douglas Esq. Agent
at Gondroon
High W. A. and his

Make this opportunity to return your
grace letters by which received your several letters dated
1st November and 4th December, they arrived all together three
alliance in a package from Buffsrah for your perusal for the
Kittie Company, dispatched by two different Messengers, as
I judged one to be duplicate, your favour of the 15th December
came also yesterday to hand, and the Packet enclosed shall
go forward in a day or two to Buffsrah, M^r Holmes now takes
his passage on the ship for the Presidency agreeable to your
former order, and has received his full money and salary
to the 1st last month. The freight of a money transmitted
by Captain, and Anne George, lately paid but as charged,
The Kiteships freight, his wife had not the management
of but it and its due notice in the British Magazine.

Delivered from
from

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Wednesday
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By her and as before said, I was indebted to me much more than the amount paid. The General wrote him by my desire, to deliver for the same and bills of lading, therefore, I am not ready to deliver the order of these until the bills are, the one shown different, shall break the agency in my next account. I shall not set on record words and answers, they you will expect my not enlarging further at this time, I am with all due respect,

Respectfully, Sir, I am

Yours truly
Wm. Shaw

Thursday

13

This day the eldest daughter an answer to her own letter.

Friday

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At consultation of the President
the Right Hon^{ble} Mr. Douglas Esq^r Agent
Mr. Richard Lister & John Parsons

Agreed on a plan of action designed for the
purpose of the duplicate to be sent to the General both
which the Secretary is directed to make up and deliver
to the respective Commanders

Adjourned

Wm. Douglas
Richard Lister
John Parsons

Saturday

15

The Hon^{ble} Richard Bouchier Esq^r
President and Governor of the Council
of Bombay
Hon^{ble} Sir, I am

The Hon^{ble} Sir, I am being very
pleased to comply with the opportunity of forwarding
duplicate of our last humble request for the allowance and to each
wordage, account of your Hon^{ble} & Commanders of the
25th March and 1st February last.

On the 25th March we received the Hon^{ble} Sir's
letter from Bombay and dated the 25th March, which we
the day after and ruled for the day after, on the 6th March only

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The Indian Swan and the 14th these (polly) from Bombay
both which were returned to Bombay.

The monthly price of 1000 cowrie shells in
Bombay we have received and for which we have not
Bombay has due credit.

The eight hundred of the 1000 of
which mentioned in our last address is not as yet received us
however as we learn the Buffalo left this morning and
we are in daily expectation of its being with us we have
this time renewed our barmanoa. Singait. Whiasbrothman
thousand (see 80) for the purchase of this year's crop, and shall
take care to supply him with such things as he may want.

Which is hereby his benevolence to
have to able to purchase your. The 1000 80th is true. In view
of the purchase of the 1000 in the 1000, but as our barmanoa
Singait has not as yet transmitted us his account, we have
your. The 1000. It will not concern the English.

Had. Baun. still continues in possession
of Mahon and by accounts we have still feared the 1000
brought us, where a number is seen. It is reported there has
been an engagement between him and Mahon. Baun.
which is not said to be entirely ended.

Our last hundred's respects informed your Hon^{ty}
that Baun. Baun. designed a March towards Mahon, and
when he has altered his resolution at the instigation of some
of the 1000 about Guadalupe, one of the 1000 Baun. prince
not officers, and is determined to endavour to wrest the
government of the 1000 from Baun. Baun. He
has wrote circular letters to the 1000, 1000, 1000, 1000,
and several others to persuade them to revolt from their
allegiance to Baun. Baun. making them large promises
telling them of his danger to come this way. He has likewise
wrote the Agents on the same subject. He has had the good
fortune of being joined by several of the 1000, 1000, and is
said some of the 1000 Baun. officers are gone over to him.

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Gombroon

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Mr. Francis Wood reported he has a Supervisor to send to the
barron and what confirms us therein is by the letter received
to his text at this thought by his letter to the Agent in fact
Days past he seems to be under no doubt and wishes that
he has with him a body of five thousand slaves then, that
he has guarded the passages in the mountains so that bar-
barron can't be supplied with provisions nor can he either
advance or retreat without being seen this way were true
should he be defeated we have all the reason imaginable
to expect great confusion and the barron have in all prob-
ability is in want of money to pay his army as well as to satisfy
his greedy officers they will undoubtedly take all methods to
get it which the barron always was very particular in
not to who brought the report a letter from Captain Barron
5th instant reports that barron have now at Janico few
days journey from them.

Mr. Francis Wood remarked on the
barron to Sunderland and Mr. Nelson were given the
galley to Gombroon. He has received his pay and salary to
1st January inclusive.

The two packets received by the barron
from the little Woodstock we have duly forwarded to the
Post at Supersab.

We are with respect
Yours truly
Noble Sirs

Your most obedient humble servant

Gombroon
14th March 1735

Alexander Douglas
Richard Fisher
John Burrows

Letter to the
Agent of the
Gombroon
Gombroon
Gombroon

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Sailed the Indian Queen Captain John Tenare and
the galley Captain Edmund Chandler for Bombay
Mallah Ally More came over this day from Penang and
had a conference with the Agent at Supersab relating to the
barron's proceedings he made many professions of friendship
and assured the Agent that in case of barron's coming
this way and sought the destruction of the place that we
depend on his going in all the assistance in his power with

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Saturday 15

The Arabian Ship, adding that he himself was determined not to submit to him but remain at Gombroon.

Sunday 16

Melach Ally More met the Agents a letter he just now received from said Joff Spaldry who writes that some but not all of the Arabian have went to Thame, the British Consul there says that of those who submitted to him, after which he marched to Debedahy where at first they refused to obey him but upon Melach's arrival they were persuaded to obey they should not be excited or driven off to sea but stay upon the coast but no vessel were allowed to come in or depart from Gombroon since a tax on the presence of five thousand Europeans will that he must be paid after wards the British Consul reached the Port and after several days to death the Governor, after which Gombroon became submitted to to Britishers but the Inhabitants having notice of his conduct at Thame, they refused to obey him, and he requested that some should proceed from the service of those at Thame, he immediately sent the Head Mulla with a force and though several small Gombroon gunboats were endeavored to force a passage yet he was unable to obtain it whereupon he immediately wrote circular letters that Gombroon had accepted the ruin of the Inhabitants and advised them not to obey him, but Mulla Ally having a relation of Gombroon houses who has taken the rent of Arab villages in country and except the rents in the like manner Gombroon houses, that Gombroon houses was Hoquey Agha, Sayyid Maza, Ahmed, Hoquey, Hoquey, Hoquey, Hoquey, Hoquey, and Hoquey houses, supposed to be a great number of houses that if he would continue in the Government of Gombroon he must pay him five thousand Annas in ready money and supply him with five hundred soldiers, whereupon Hoquey houses, Hoquey houses, Hoquey houses, and Hoquey houses, with his proposals to Gombroon houses who immediately returned them, telling him that he would make peace with Hoquey houses upon no other terms than what already proposed, but that if he was contented with the Government of Gombroon.

Gombroon houses
some several
places

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We must then pay him three thousand Annuities and furnish him with three hundred soldiers. The French said that Baron Chausse Minister had wrote Vapart saying that if he was desirous of peace he would only want one his terms and they would obtain it for him.

Thursday 20

Arrived a Dutch Country Ship from Nijmegen this Afternoon Maclachally there returned to Brussels for making the Agent a visit.

Saturday 22

Impressed the success Snow has taken John George from Den Haag.

Sapier Baron
Totten Baron

The Agent this day received a letter from Vapart Baron de 15. Instant advising of Baron Chausse being at Besedunes and that the Senate thereof as well as the independent have refused submitting to him and are retired into the Fort being determined to stand out to the last, though at the same time Baron Chausse is not wanting in sending words to glaze them of his Friendship and that they shall not suffer the least molestation however they absolutely refuse to listen thereto, upon which the Vapart Baron sent them a reinforcement of one thousand choice men that the soldiers he sent to stop the passages in the Mountains have been so vigilant in the execution thereof as to hinder Baron Chausse being supplied with provisions and that at present he knows not which way to turn, that with Gods assistance he hopes the people who have occurred, his troubles will be put to shame. That Vapart Baron has sent him a boat of horses as also a Regiment the instructions of which he has fully answered Maclachally there and doubt not but he will acquaint the Agent therewith however the only thing of Moment there in is that Mahomet Khan and having raised considerable towards his march towards the East Coast immediately sent Soltaly Khan with a body of five hundred and fifteen soldiers and sent him to come and protect him as far as Bagdad. That upon report being informed of Baron Chausse entering Guernsey he on the 17 February last dispatched a body of troops to the aid of Vapart Baron and on the 21 March he himself was to have followed and follow them.

Sunday 30

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And join Baron Charn with what troops he can raise and then acquaint him that Charnet beg defended Beshchere three days close siege and afterwards by means of Abdul Baron and Maach Mahomet he left the Fort and came to Charn Charn who demanded of him three thousand Tomars in money and thirty thousand Mounds of provisions for his Army with the surrender of the Fort and had permission given him to return to raise the sum demanded, but no sooner was he got back than he reversed the Siege of the place which hitherto held out.

Maach Mahomet writes Moolah Ally Shere that he sent him several letters for his personal and acquainted him that he desired sending five hundred men to the assistance of Sultan Cawad who has at last taken Beshchere and was on the march to Sher.

Monday 31

Moolah ally Shere
confered with

The Agent this day had a meeting with the Natchah and Moolah Ally Shere, the discourse was chiefly on the present situation of affairs this way and as we found that the Charn was daily advancing it was agreed that such as he him a letter and send proper people with the order to bring us true account of his proceedings.

April 17.53

Tuesday 1

Bagdad Agent
from

Imported the Ship belonging to Shallahy of Beirut from Bagdad by her we received a letter from the Consulate there dated the 25 February last as entered hereafter.

To the M^r Alexander Douglas Esq Agent
8th Council
Right M^r Grand Sec

By Shallahy Bagdad now under Dispatch, Make occasion to acquaint you M^r that the Kashaniz, Alkadar, is lately arrived here from Bagdad, with copy of a Memoir from Constantinople concerning

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Tuesday

Monday. 1 But Bashaw, in all his former governments, by the wisest
grand, Sep. Sultan Osman, besides to the late Sultan, who says
I have spent more about two months since. The library will be now
greatly scarce. Trade throughout the Turkish Empire, which is
much to be wished, for of late it has been very low. The in-

My Indemnitien just as the laws department occasion
my wishing to advise that these being under a homestead for
a trial of the little homestead, because that is a paper where
it all belongs in proportion to be wages for a laborer, and
the whole to be cleared up just from the date of the sale,
which rate will have been agreeable to you. It is also also
with so many changes in color and one piece yellow and 1/2 for
the delivery.

I have got no notice of the messenger, designated to
arrive in November last with your packet of the 5th September, but
doubt your first thought, in doing so, was that of him, whom I
should never the less have esteemed by this report, but that the
news I uncertain whether from the language of the letter, he
will leave of your place in which case, I have desired him, to
be watched by any family he may meet to find for your Port,
Georgeburg, Windsor, and barack, wherever just as when I
write you last, which leaves me only to add, that I have much to
do & must.

23 February 1755

Right W. Grand Sex

Your most obedient and most
humble servant

Wm. Munn

The Agent in Company with Mr. Fisher paid a visit to
Nicolai Mr. Shaw.

*At a Consultation Present
the Night W. Alex. Douglas Esq Agent
Messrs Richard Leher and John Parsons*

Sunday 2.

World
of

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Combroon ²⁴⁶

April 1735

Wednesday 2

Also the Stowards Account Subsumments for February last amounting to Madras Sixty thousand four hundred and four for (Book 5. 7)

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Adjourned

A. Douglas
A. Jech
John Parsons

The Honble Company's Cash D^r1735
March 5To Balance of last month Rs. 241730.91735
March 25

The Honble Company's Cash C^d
By Balance Rs. 241730.9

Abstract of the Stowards Subsumments for February 1735

Public Expenses	10550
Garrison Charges	7939
Charges Extraordinary	1863
Charges Merchandise	829
Public Charges	2406
Mean Expenses	100
Kitchen Squares	3092
Sevants Wages	1810
Heaven Kitch	1135
	<u>Rs. 30045</u>

Thursday
Combroon from

This day the Agent received a letter from our friend Anquet assuring that the bill of Exchange drawn in favour the 6th February last for Madras four thousand one hundred and thirty seven and as he was in want of money on that day's disbursement he had taken up at Combroon the sum of Rupees 780.5 and had drawn bill of Exchange on Factory Brokers for the amount which he hopes will be paid, that he encloses his annual account that he now has 25 loads of Well being Eye Medicines and that he has

Thursday

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Already advanced the Merchants on account of the imprisonment the sum of eight hundred Tomols, that as this has been a great success amongst the Agents this year he is therefore unable at present to advise for certain what success he may meet with, but expects the greatest diligence shall be used to secure as large a quantity as possible. That the vessel however has taken by way of ransom of the inhabitants of Sarawak upwards of one thousand Tomols for a reward to himself, which he has already received, and has also come to success for hundreds which he was obliged to comply with for fear of his being imprudent in the first instance.

Alfred, Agent
responding

Adverts from Muscat mention that the whole Persian province except Sijeh has submitted to Ahmad Shah which place he has now invested with seven or eight thousand men, that he has no objection to Abdul Wahid Shah, twenty miles to the west, that his forces be ready as Muscat has. They after this as he proposes to march to Baghdad soon after their purchase will further said that where he arrives at home even he designs sending Kapan Gentry down offhairs with twenty thousand men to Baghdad.

had been his
response

Adverts from Baghdad mention that Assad Khan still continues besieging the Inhabitant and has put to death many people.

Alfred, Agent
responding

Kapan Khan wishes the Agents under the 20 March that after several battles taking Dertiche he designed a march to Samarra and then by joining the Inhabitants of the several towns fortified themselves in the best manner they were able, and recommending to submit to him, he began to think of peace and for that purpose sent some of his principal officers to Kapan Khan who has agreed to pay him a sum of money and supply him with a body of soldiers when more peace was concluded and Assad Khan has given him the government of Bass, Gama and the several Borders, and on the 2 Instant he was to go to Bass, which the said country this for heretofore.

Friday

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Merchandise, which has been returned to consign.

Adverts from Baghdad mention that Assad Khan still continues besieging the Inhabitant and has put to death many people.

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By a small Franchey from Sulphore we received a letter from Mr Francis Wood a noted hereafter.

Worship^l. Mr & Mrs

When I received my first humble address to your W^{or} by a small Franchey having lately upon this occasion as the opportunity of another consequence was not likely to offer in so short a time as this Franchey is upon

The 10th Instant I arrived at Sulphore when after the tenderest attention and most diligent enquiry concerning the state of Banderush I found that the place was brought to so high a pitch of confusion and poverty through civil discord that to venture thither would be very hazardous as well as unprofitable. I saw numerous of the chief Banderush come here with a numerous retinue about the manner of this month and had persuaded Mr. Black Squire to go with him into these bounds but to hinder the civil contentions from burning across the river and they set out together the 20th further notice I got for that purpose in the minds of these disagreeable combinations not to interfere the influence of the Dutch and the danger in such serious times for dwelling in an open town without Wall or Fortification I should judge it most advisable to remove at this place till your W^{or} could order.

And in my present circumstances perhaps it may not be improper to trouble you with a few lines relating to Bander Sulphore, the town though small is very convenient and Ample, it is situated upon a Peninsula square feet from the bottom of a Lake and Harbour, which with the low sandy plains adjacent renders it almost impregnable to any burning power, and Mr. Black having found it worth his while since Mr. Squires death to depart by every body many such merchants have resorted to it, whereby the place is become a mart for all commodities proper for the Trade of Secura, these circumstances have encouraged me to make such proposals to the Black Squire of your Satisfaction.

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Wood Francis
known person

Wednesday
First Frigate
came from

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Could have ventured to present duties, and he certainly
consented to grant them, with every kind of goodwill.
Friendship, but could not forbear remarking that among Eu-
ropeans who were esteemed to be the most reasonable and
Judicious part of the World, the Privilege of trading & un-
der free night, in his opinion, to be obtained a sufficient Indulgence,
without the additional advantage of buying Suttu at a high
price, it had never been usual, he offered that it would give
him the highest satisfaction to have his town honoured with
such an English Settlement, but this consideration he feared
would occasion the merchants to carry their goods to other
Markets, and if it should not soon give rise to that disagree-
lage, yet the buying people would demand a higher
price for what they bought, and in return to the Increase of
their charges, so that perhaps it made an equivalent allow-
ance to the uncertainty & drawback in the Indian Customs, the Al-
lowance for duty & drawback, rather important is expected by us
would come, so that I must never than they were before, The
Maid's argument, having nothing in it that offered matter
of objection, I moved rather to acquiesce not a point, but pro-
posed him to bring his argument to a fair and speedy conclusion,
that no disputes might afterwards arise, and after mentioning
my former Dutch Settlement he was at last by Mather per-
suaded, brought to a stipulation of 1200 Rupees per annum,
though an easy sum, I am sure, but that nothing of this kind could
be finally settled without great His previous approbation,
I recommended to either us a great Experience to try whether it
would answer the Gentile Community's purpose, to him a Resi-
dent here or not, and if it did, he should accept the above Con-
sideration to recompense the help he must unavoidably re-
ceive by means of our exacting Customs.

Inclosed is an Indent for 20 Boats of Cloth and 20
Boats of Permes, which they give 1000 will be returned to
comply with by the first opportunity.

The 20 Boats being the feast of Koorog, I ordered
that Suttu with sundry acceptable articles to the amount
of 200 Rupees, and Mather being very desirous to see it.

~~Gambro~~ ²⁵⁸ ^{s. 251} April 1755

90	Brown Paper	per 100 sheets	150
70	Perpetual	per 100 sheets	150
	Black	per 100 sheets	150
	Green	per 100 sheets	150
	Blue	per 100 sheets	150
	White	per 100 sheets	150
	Yellow	per 100 sheets	150
	Pink	per 100 sheets	150
	Red	per 100 sheets	150
	Violet	per 100 sheets	150
	Magenta	per 100 sheets	150
	Cyan	per 100 sheets	150
	Orange	per 100 sheets	150
	Brown	per 100 sheets	150
	Grey	per 100 sheets	150
	Black & White	per 100 sheets	150
	Colorful	per 100 sheets	150
	Specialty	per 100 sheets	150
	Customized	per 100 sheets	150
	High Quality	per 100 sheets	150
	Eco-Friendly	per 100 sheets	150
	Durable	per 100 sheets	150
	Recycled	per 100 sheets	150
	Non-Toxic	per 100 sheets	150
	Acid-Free	per 100 sheets	150
	Archival	per 100 sheets	150
	Professional	per 100 sheets	150
	Commercial	per 100 sheets	150
	Industrial	per 100 sheets	150
	Medical	per 100 sheets	150
	Legal	per 100 sheets	150
	Government	per 100 sheets	150
	Corporate	per 100 sheets	150
	Personal	per 100 sheets	150
	Artistic	per 100 sheets	150
	Scholarly	per 100 sheets	150
	Religious	per 100 sheets	150
	Historical	per 100 sheets	150
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	Technical	per 100 sheets	150
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	Construction	per 100 sheets	150
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	Finance	per 100 sheets	150
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	Media	per 100 sheets	150
	Entertainment	per 100 sheets	150
	Sports	per 100 sheets	150
	Hobbies	per 100 sheets	150
	Gardening	per 100 sheets	150
	Fishing	per 100 sheets	150
	Hunting	per 100 sheets	150
	Camping	per 100 sheets	150
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	Aviation	per 100 sheets	150
	Automotive	per 100 sheets	150
	Marine	per 100 sheets	150
	Aerospace	per 100 sheets	150
	Defense	per 100 sheets	150
	Security	per 100 sheets	150
	Intelligence	per 100 sheets	150
	Counterterrorism	per 100 sheets	150
	Homeland Security	per 100 sheets	150
	Emergency Management	per 100 sheets	150
	Disaster Preparedness	per 100 sheets	150
	Public Safety	per 100 sheets	150
	Fire Protection	per 100 sheets	150
	Police Department	per 100 sheets	150
	Fire Department	per 100 sheets	150
	Corrections	per 100 sheets	150
	Judicial System	per 100 sheets	150
	Legislative Branch	per 100 sheets	150
	Executive Branch	per 100 sheets	150
	Judicial Branch	per 100 sheets	150
	State Government	per 100 sheets	150
	Local Government	per 100 sheets	150
	National Government	per 100 sheets	150
	International Relations	per 100 sheets	150
	Foreign Policy	per 100 sheets	150
	Treaties	per 100 sheets	150
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Francis Wood

Friday

Wood's Tavern
Lynn Co.

10 The Wheel received from Casimiro on the 28th Ultimo weighs
net 5695 lb

April 1841. I have desired the 1st March we received your letter which surprised us a good deal to find that you had on our request of Brunswick being in trouble, which you have never before you of this place, deviated from the instructions given you by the Hon^{ble} President and Council. That you as well as our dear boys ought to proceed hither and find that we are in a measure able to with a history there you then have lived Bosphore and advised us thereof. Have given you such directions as we might deem good to the tolerance of the Hon^{ble} Company but I induce you to enter into any agreement with such before you was convinced Brunswick was not here ever as the principal cause of your being Brunswick was from the fact that we had there was a large quantity of stolen goods you were all seized at Brunswick and finding it either were necessary to return to Bosphore where you the same instructions as given you by the Hon^{ble} Council. To the Hon^{ble} Council was the same

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Friday
West Frigate
Letter to

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" We Warehouse therefore your not being obliged
but can be of no service, but if you should not intend
such lengths with Maish Nipor in regard to us the goods
as may make your return from Singapore
unreasonable to you, we then think it no matter to
able to stay where you are, and of which you findy that
it is indiligence.

Forward the accompanying
the Resident at Bencoolen by the first opportu-
nity.

We are

Gombroon
11 April 1755

your Loving Friends
Alexander Douglas
Richard Adair
John Buxton

To

Mr William Shaw
Resident at Bencoolen

Your letter to us was dated the 15. February the
and is read the 1. Instant and acquainted with the
demanding of 200000 Rixdaler specie under the signature and
last you gave us hopes of recovering by the Post of business
Balance of such than in your hands which which with the
the better thousand chances provided by the 1000 you want
Prince George after receiving the Bengall ship since that
would be upwards of 100000 Rixdaler thousand in
amount of what specie you may have since we
not omit transmitting us by the first safe convey-
ance.

We are

Gombroon
11th April 1755

your Loving Friends
Alexander Douglas
Richard Adair
John Buxton

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from Gombrook
recordings

This Evening arrived one of the Messengers whom the English dispatched the 10th of June with letters to Hassan Khan and Nizam Khan, on his having asked where the other Messengers were, and why he returned without any letters, he gave the following account to wit.

That he arrived in four days at Sher who delivered the English letter to Nizam Khan who took from him the one for Hassan Khan, saying that as Muzaffar Khan Hassan Khan's father, Shah Mahomed's son, his Son-in-law, they would instantly conclude the Matter had been with him, and make that a pretence for demanding a large sum of money both of the English and such as were formerly ally, Muzaffar and therefore he thought it best not to proceed that the letter should be sent to Hassan Khan, but that if he advanced it he deemed it convenient he would then forward it by the Messengers, that the day after his arrival it was reported that Hassan Khan was answered as far as money, whereupon Nizam Khan sent him a present of two fine horses one of them with gold furniture and that in three days after the Hassan Khan sent one of his relations and some other persons of distinction to Nizam Khan with a letter of Muzaffar Khan, in which at the same time that he sent him also Nizam Khan one of his relations as a hostage of peace as Nizam Khan had promised to send him Muzaffar Khan with five hundred soldiers and five thousand Emans and that on his arrival he agreed he would retain Muzaffar Khan, when Nizam Khan might likewise retain also Muzaffar Khan that upon receipt of said letter Nizam Khan wrote Hassan Khan that as Muzaffar Khan was not then with him he would for the present send him Richetta with four thousand Emans till Muzaffar Khan should arrive and demand that he would stay at Sher which proposal Hassan Khan accepted of and delivered the money and hostage might be sent which was accordingly done but no sooner was Richetta arrived at Hassan Khan's house than Muzaffar Khan's friends made objections to his being a hostage, saying that as Nizam Khan had sent his father he of course, at last

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Little value in the sea with several other of his officers who by every one except Whittish Wholes should have been considered as thought for last, however as having been distressed to some opinion but had he proceeded on how to return the party and rescue the ship, that on having heard of arrival of the ship which is two leagues from the shore, the latter desired to have to give him the letter for Captain Bower, and he had received, but Captain Bower told him he did not think fit to send it, but designed something how to send it, and the same night gave him the letter, that at 10 o'clock he was surprised by a party of seven Bower's soldiers, the Commissioners making their way who found him and found his ship's boat, which they opened and read, and sent it to one of their own people to deliver him, that they made him their guide to the mountain which place they attacked but in vain, from thence they proceeded to another place, found and plundered the country round, that in the night the latter made his escape for Providence, that the number of them were about four hundred.

Saturday

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At a Consultation Present
The Right Hon^{ble} Alexander Temple Esq^r Agent
Mess^{rs} Richard Lister & John Rogers

As Captain Bower is now with his whole party advanced as far as Shore and his soldiers ravaging the country round, and it being very probable that a body of men may be sent this day to extract money and plunder the place, this meeting is called in order to consider the means to secure our Hon^{ble} Master's property in case of an attack and as the Commander of the Warre is upon us he can take in every little severity of both the Commissioners it is needed for us all seems to think of the saving off our officers therefore in case of their coming we must endeavor to terminate affairs in the best manner we can, however that they may not find us unprepared or surprised as it is unanimously agreed that we make the necessary preparations for defending our self, and that we shall be ready

Sunday 12

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Commander of the Warren Plant to send a more
 better Europeans and six Savages and that signals be given
 in him in case of an attack to haul the Warren in then
 to defend the East part of the Factory. He further agreed
 that some salt fish and what other necessaries are wanted
 be provided and that we keep our men busy constantly
 at the Factory and that Hannum be likewise kept in
 order to help with the great guns.

Adjourned

Douglas
 Zecker
 John Parsons

Monday 13

Imported a Batch of Goods from Cassach.
 At five P.M. came into Town four Europeans from Cassach
 having with them the language to the Fort and find
 they have brought presents for the Dutch ally, then the Dutch
 which and the agent which they design to deliver to morrow.
 They bring an account of Indians being taken by Indians
 from Cassach (some from Cassach) and that they have a plot to
 assassinate. With the above said Europeans came out of Cassach
 William Mow as also one belonging to Mack Mahomet they
 delivered the language the following letters for the agent.

Mack Mahomet writes that Cassach has received from
 William Mow his Wife's Sebastian Beg and Dutch ally
 one of his people to go to Gambroore and get from the agent
 some salt and beads and advise the agent to comply here
 with as also to send a hundred men to Cassach to have
 hand over with many prisoners of Frenchmen.

Mack Mahomet writes the agent much the same as
 Mack Mahomet.

Monday 14

This day the Europeans waited on the agent and delivered
 him a letter from Cassach which writes that the troubles
 which have been for some time in the country has occasioned
 many Merchants to retire to other parts, but as he is now
 able his people he hopes the country will flourish again and
 desires the agent to be wiser in apprehensions of being visited
 as his intentions are to deliver his people in all that he

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Of most of the towns and villages between this and the
have left their habitations being afraid of the Indians to
any them large sums of money.

Yesterday about five hundred of the same Indians
were seen which is about eight leagues distance from the
The inhabitants still continue leaving this place for the
and return.

At a consultation present
The High^{ts} W. M. Douglas Esq^r Agent
M^{rs} Richard, M^{rs} S. John Parsons
Commenced and signed the following articles
of agreement for the peace and good of the
between the said five hundred Indians in and for the
(1755 &c.)

Adjourned
W. Douglas
R. Fisher
John Parsons
Witness of the above articles of agreement for the peace

Public Expenses	11075
General Charges	9587
Charges Extraordinary	437
Provisionary Expenses	368
Public Charges	110
Charges Merchandize	136
Warren Hatch	53
Grants Wages	176
Upon Gardens	4
	No. 3753

The said High^{ts} was to assure to the Agent at Albany
of the peace which was concluded with the Indians was
the Indians received from the same town and on the present
have of officers which being duly weighed and consulted
it was agreed that the said High^{ts} should leave the peace
and send to the said High^{ts} the same for the peace

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Sunday 20

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Choppers return each day and have presented which we think is not to be accounted as he is not so great as and what is asserted by all great men in this Kingdom, therefore should we omit it and he either sent this away or send part of his forces we judge we should not be able to make up affairs in the manner we have to do after this. The Dutch ship returned to the port to day finally in all affairs respecting the boundary between us and the British and that when we find the present we agree with each other with the same as well as what we give the Choppers so that we may have peace.

Monday 21

The Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alex Douglas Esq Agent
M^{rs} Richard Kichers Esq Barrister

The Agent responds he is tired with the conference he had with the Dutch ship he stands as from before and now attention to us we think we can't avoid making him a present being a customary long and more necessary in their perilous time when in case of any ship they have no one to supply it for redress it appears that we send him the same amount as the Dutch do which is about 1000 lbs, as also that the Choppers have the customary presents according to their Nations and that the Captain is in communication with the Dutch ship on the occasion of an anniversary between the two Nations in the present state of affairs may present many more and particularly addressed to in the year 1755 were concluded is agreed we follow the present.

Adjourned

John B

Tuesday 22

The Choppers who arrived here the 16th being the agent wrote a thoughtful

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The Dutch Ref. sent the Agent a rough draught of the letter he designed writing to our Consul, and at the same time a list of sundries he intended giving the two Orphans which amounted to upwards of three hundred £. to the Dutch design giving the two Orphans 100 pounds three hundred £. the agent this afternoon sent them a parcel likewise of about the same sum.

At night the two Orphans, as also the English Consul's camp; the Master dispatched to Basterah the 27th December last returned this night and brought us a letter from the Shipboard there dated 26th Moline as enclosed herewith.

At

The Agents W^m & M^r Douglas Esq^s Agents
8th Colonial

Night W^m & M^r Douglas

The foregoing is the draft of my last of 17th March, and which the attorney of the Dutch Agents has been very importunate with me, requesting his draft of 17th March, always insisting that his draft was to cover them of the Dutch Company's Resident here, but on my repeatedly insisting to him the impossibility of your covering the draft, and the loss he must sustain by his draft being at Gombroon, and being as he pretends to a much greater value, than the sum they were deposited for, at a time or two, when the expected call for them at Hambell, from the change of government there, would greatly enhance their value and demand. But length have prevailed on him to accept the request, rather and according he has given me a bond in Dutch, for the above sum, being of great value for your purposes, there is considering that the value of the Dutch Resident's draft to be on his draft, and that they are laden on any vessel bottom, such as his attorney is, Mr. Wm. Douglas, shall be content with, and all accidents whether at sea or otherwise, are to be his account. Therefore as he is a man of undoubted sense, character, and credit, I trust not you will send them by

Bay of Basterah, Basterah

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Colonel Tucker
Dear

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Affair of Consequence. Thought it necessary to despatch
your matters therewith, whom I have thus long detained
in hopes of advice from Aleppo. In order
I am lately advised, that the messenger dispatched the
2^d of November with your packet for our Honble Masters,
was some time ago, run by an Arab, seized here, very dan-
gerously. At a place called Chufra, about half way to
Aleppo, where he immediately perished, sending another
messenger, to have the truth sent forward the Turkish, should
I have unhappily been thus long detained there. The other
dispatched in January is it. I have hitherto no news of,
but daily expect him, however this is very sorry business for
us, should we detain the matters longer, than we have
thinking hitherto, that to be all natural before they arrived,
they complain greatly of their ready attendance of 5 hours
illness, and as they are obliged to pay greatest part of it for
their passage in a Frigate that were laid for 3 months, and
where they were me they have nothing to bear their charge
to 5 months, I was obliged to give them to know, that they
could not for a single be detained on this occasion, where did
much was a necessity, and have for their present, you would
furnish them with a small gratuity if they are Condemned,
every thing being accordingly done here. I was obliged to commit
them to the Maronites & Turcs and could wish if nothing
to prevent you would in future allow, that they be made
to remain here as formerly, for I never dispatched any of them
without without much trouble, and calumny, and I am
aware of the impossibility of their procuring a passage
and permission to Gombivon for 5 days, that I have ever
since your Satisfaction in this matter, allowed them a small
present out of my own pocket, besides what I have to our
Honble Masters account.

On this Government finishing the
Turkish affair as formerly advised you, the Turkish lately
sent I think a Fair heat to barack, such as is usually
given the Randan here, accordingly it is sent with

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A letter of invitation to scuttle here, which however has not as yet been given to it. However the business on that subject is returned, and the Dutch have sent a Private Person, sent in the beamwings, to see if he recover their outstanding debt here, and immediately returned again. - Nothing further at present. - I shall enlarge on, therefore conclude with assurances of being

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient Humble
 Servant

William Shaw

Budapest

25th March 1753

P.S.

I am sorry to acquaint you that the Purchaser has not hitherto sent down the Kottell beamwings block and since the Merchant have only sold a few pieces by retail at the same rate.

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As requested in Town that Baron Causa in an address he made a few days past at the Fest of St. George's day of the last year, and of the present year.

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Letter from Innsbruck in which it is dropped in the mention of the present Baron still being in the government of that city and of his continuing to lay heavy taxes on the inhabitants.

May 1753

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Friday 1

Received a letter from Mathewes Inquest at Hannover advising bills of exchange may be sent him for ten or twelve thousand thunders silver money, advising that if he could have got buyers from the Merchants there he would have taken the sum now wanted from them, and drawn bills on our Bankers for the amount but as they wanted chiefly to give him gold, on which there would be a discount when paid to the West Merchants he had therefore declined taking it, there hoping the agents would be able to procure him bills of the same amount.

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Never known. He further advises of his having received the first Merchants eighteen thousand Shillings and that on account of various causes, besides having plundered the country as far as Tekow, the vicinity being parts of which but some time ago remained in the hands of the British. That Mahomet Shaga Baume had plundered a buffalo going to Barmocet.

We learn that on the 15th of May arrived at Barmocet a Boatsman from various causes who desired assistance of Shaga Baume and is thought he designed sending a party of men to attack Tekow. About which various causes continued the rage of the.

Shaga Baume and his party towards Tekow

advised from Barmocet mention that on account of the great hostility of the Boatsmen at Barmocet Shaga Baume was gone towards Tekow and that he and Tophan Baume had joined their forces together with a design to attack Tekow. These the same persons further mention that Mahomet and Shaga Baume had received from Mahomet Shaga as also it was reported that some of his principal officers and ally Baume Shaga with several thousand men had joined Tophan Baume at Barmocet.

All the remaining Merchants for some time past have been at Tekow the Agents this afternoon sent a person over there in order to get bills of exchange for Silver money to the amount desired by our Barmocet Agents.

Friday

The person sent to Tekow yesterday returned this evening and acquainted the Agents that he had used his utmost endeavours to procure bills of exchange for Silver money but the Merchants assured him that their representatives at Barmocet had not only acquainted them of the great scarcity of money there particularly Silver but had likewise desired to be cautious for the present about drawing bills for fear they should not be able to pay them, on which we were they could not just comply with our request but gave assurance that as soon as they received advice of their correspondents having Silver money in their hands they would immediately

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Gambroon 27th May 1753

Saturday 3

Not being able to procure bills for more money the agents despatched two messengers to our baroness's singular attorney here thereof at the same time as he had already advised he could get fold, directed him to take up at baroness's the amount wanted and draw bills on our Factor's Brother which was judged much better than our offering to send ready cash at a time the country is in such confusion and the roads infested with Robbers.

Sunday

Agent's Brother letter from and in account of money sent and money sent

The Agent received a letter from Sir John Brown who writes that a peace is made between him and baroness's brother who sent thank Mr Brown to proceed to the performance thereof that in three or four days baroness's brother was to leave for Java as also that every thing was settled to the mutual satisfaction of both parties that it was agreed Mr Brown should be with baroness's brother and be Governor of the Government of Java.

Monday 3

Agent's paper

A Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alex Douglas Esq Agent
M^r Richard Nichol Esq John Parsons
Examined and paid the third account for last month the balance of which is that the three hundred and sixteen thousand five hundred forty nine (316,549)

Adjourned

A Douglas
John Parsons

The Honble Company's Cash - D^r

1753 April

1 To balance of last month - - - - - 241750-9
20 To Barons and Mannick rec'd from them 76700-
M^r 318540-9

The Honble Company's Cash - C^d

April 30

By balance - - - - - M^r 318540-9

Gombroon May 1755

- Wednesday 7 Received Twenty three Loads of Wood from Gombroon.
Our Factory Brothers having procured Bills of Exchange of the Multanny Merchants for Rupees five thousand fifty Mors among the Agent despatched two Brothers with them a one barmenta Linguit.
- Thursday 8 Received from Ahmed Bawa dated at Moulbad's Moulbad's who wrote that the whole began on previous had submitted to him and that after the case he designed to move to Jusham.
- Friday 9 Received a letter from Kishore Bawa advising that Bawa Bawa left for the 2^d Station for Kishore and that Major Bawa was gone with him.
He reported Kishore Bawa has paid Bawa Bawa four or five thousand Rupees.
- Saturday 10 Received a letter from Ahmed Bawa dated at Moulbad's Moulbad's who wrote that the whole began on previous had submitted to him and that after the case he designed to move to Jusham.
- Sunday 11 Received a letter from Kishore Bawa advising that Bawa Bawa left for the 2^d Station for Kishore and that Major Bawa was gone with him.
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- Monday 12 Received a letter from Ahmed Bawa dated at Moulbad's Moulbad's who wrote that the whole began on previous had submitted to him and that after the case he designed to move to Jusham.
- Tuesday 13 Received a letter from Kishore Bawa advising that Bawa Bawa left for the 2^d Station for Kishore and that Major Bawa was gone with him.
He reported Kishore Bawa has paid Bawa Bawa four or five thousand Rupees.
- Wednesday 14 Received a letter from Ahmed Bawa dated at Moulbad's Moulbad's who wrote that the whole began on previous had submitted to him and that after the case he designed to move to Jusham.
- Thursday 15 Received a letter from Kishore Bawa advising that Bawa Bawa left for the 2^d Station for Kishore and that Major Bawa was gone with him.
He reported Kishore Bawa has paid Bawa Bawa four or five thousand Rupees.
- Friday 16 Received a letter from Ahmed Bawa dated at Moulbad's Moulbad's who wrote that the whole began on previous had submitted to him and that after the case he designed to move to Jusham.

Combroon May 1753

Friday

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His design of taking Salt flatness as also that in a few days he proposed to proceed with the, for shipping to, left where he was to be joined with a sloop, the 7th belonging to, Mack Thorne and hence from the point under standing which subsisted between him and the English that the vessel would be the, however, Dutch proceed with him on his intended expedition, which the ship covered himself from doing in as, granted a manner, impossible, representing to him the ill consequences that might ensue from his bringing trouble, & near at hand that if he could terminate the affair in an amicable way, it would be much better for both parties, kinder as, Sijpers house was established only by permission of the, for the Indies he ought not to take measures, without his previous consent, however he would not mention to any, & as he was resolved to proceed in his intended voyage he the event as it would.

This afternoon came into Town two of, Sijpers house officers with a letter for, we did not, have demanding of him one thousand, & a half.

Saturday

Sijpers house officers

came from

17

Received a letter from Sijpers house accusing that, & as, had appointed him, & as, was not, & as, was gone with, & as, was gone.

Sunday

18

Two on, & as, who came here, the 10, & as, being to return this day, the Agent wrote him a complimentary letter.

Monday

Received a letter

from

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The, French ship which arrived here the 10, & as, for, & as.

Tuesday

20

Arrived, & as, & as, the, & as, in, to proceed on his intended expedition against, & as, & as.

Wednesday

21

Sailed the, & as, for, & as.

Thursday

22

Soldiers are daily coming from the Dutch shore to join, & as, & as.

June 1753

Sunday

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By a sloop which arrived from, & as, we, received

Gombroon

June 1755

Sunday

Bubonick
Large Stone

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Received a letter from the Honorable there as enclosed
herewith
to the Right W^o Alexander Douglas Esq Agent
84th Council
Right W^o 103rd Gas

The foregoing is duplicate of my last writing, since which your Father by the Cavalier is come to Thane, and that instead for our Kiddle Machine is hereby forwarded for Home.

The Sec^y of Treasury have received from Captain Monrograph and shall answer with his answer for the agreed freight of 100 busses agreed that your Solicitors the Attorney of the United States that you have not sent his Commissioner Bond, by this conveyance report. I request you will, the very first opportunity, that Congress delivers the Bill, and finish this affair

Mr. John Robinson has each still continues here, but instead
 of having discharged his debt and brings the money back
 in Asia, and excuse for his not being able to obtain the Bond
 there, and as there only attests copy of the Bond, the same here
 will not oblige him to pay the same until I can produce the
 original, therefore it was 10 days ago requested you to dispatch
 the Bond to England, I was later, thought that for the same reason, I
 again beg leave to repeat it without his bond or a proof of his bond
 to him the Debt after he pretends to have paid the same, I find it would
 be impracticable to oblige him to make good the answer here,
 as we have too much to fear that the bond is in being with us
 from the information which would be derived to be in the possession
 of his family at London, therefore I am once more required my
 former request that you will write immediately to Mr. Tuck-
 er, that there regarding this affair, as that is the only method
 the friendly Company can have a chance to recover their Debt,
 if it still remains here.

"Mc Intosh Affairs continue on the usual way
at present but more proceedings in future I shall leave to Mr
Wood to acquaint you of as his situation is contiguous to
Spain's Island, he is now sent by them to receive their contribution

Monday
Buckingham
Letter from

Wells, having finished his business here, is lately returned.
You have never been pleased to acquaint me, whether I might
place the Sequence. I was at an evening a Week from the Exchange
last season to the Wells Company's account, which however was
as usual so to do as all other settlements. There for the same I was
present on this occasion.

The Third Brother of Rogers having lately
come down hither on some publick business of the Bankers, and being
one of the Merchants great and small according to their abilities,
having made him considerable presents to ingratiate themselves
with his Brother, who entirely holds the Exchange. There was under
a necessity of making him up a present in the Wells Company's
Name, to the amount of thirty five thousand and seventy five pounds
(35,750) which through but an inconsiderable matter to him, who
received two thousand five hundred (2,500) in like manner from
one another, was very well received, and well. There be a means of
preventing our affairs in the usual good feeling they have hitherto
been of late, as his Brother is in such high favour at present that the
Bankers made him a present of one hundred (100) Pounds by a
Transfer in his favour here, which this made cause down to some
of our best Bankers by whom, and the Institution, he was treated
with the highest respect as they were sensible how much their
Interest depended on his favourable representation of them,
therefore here, you will observe of this is absolutely necessary
to some.

Since my last the Purchaser of the Cloth, has cleared
greater part of it, and there also disposed of some (2) double more
for ready money at the same rate.

Yours
Buckingham
5th May 1753

Yours

Gentlemen

Your most Obedient

Humble Servant

William. Thore

Monday
Buckingham
Letter from

Received a letter from our Merchant a long time, advising that
this is the time for his providing Wool and saying that we will
get full of Exchange on the Multinny Merchants for Summs
three thousand, five hundred as if they are not given in full.

Monday

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That we will then send him money from hence which I must doing that the want of Silver money will not turn the Dutch, Nicholl and Shawb Craftsmen according what he otherwise might get, that as the West Merchants will take no other money than Silver, he desires no bill may be drawn in his favor or money sent him but in that house and as the Multumins at Cannema will only let him have Obsequia which the West Merchants absolutely refuse, taking he was therefore unable to receive them, and desires we will think of some means of supplying him with Silver as he is at present indebted to the West Merchants six thousand which he has promised to pay in Silver money. That he has drawn a Bill of Exchange on our Factory Brothers for three hundred thousand which he desires may be paid, and acknowledges receipt of the bill of Exchange for three hundred five hundred, and sent him the 17th Instant. He further advises of his sending twenty two loads of Wood being six hundred sixty Mawds the Carrey being fifteen one thousand five hundred eighty one he desires we will pay when the West arrives at—

Advises from Cannema from Schawm mentions that Initially from has departed Mahomet Esau, and that they are designs to have justice for Schawm, and afterwards to come home to Cannema with an army of forty thousand Men.

Advises from Cannema mentions that Schawm, that a great number of Mahomet and that he has sent to Schawm for ten thousand Families to settle at Cannema.

Tuesday

June 1755

At a Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq Agent
M^{rs} Richard. Nichol and John. Parsons

The Agent called this meeting to acquaint the Board with the preceding letter received yesterday from our Cannema Inquisitor and at the same time informs us that the Factory Brothers have used their utmost endeavours to receive Bills of Exchange from the Multumins for Silver money but that they are unable to get any the Merchants informing them that from the great scarcity of money at present all over the Kingdom must particularly Silver money they could not

Gombroon.

June 17.53

Tuesday 5

Not Comply with our request not having any of their Com-
pendious hands at Gombroon. We are therefore now to consider
how to supply our Linguist and as there is no other method of ob-
taining it than by sending money from hence the same is debited on
our little master's Compendious as well as the interest received from
the Presidency laid before us by debit charges as in what a Stron-
gman makes the Provision of Wood is recommended to us and if
we could supply our Linguist at present with Cash this Com-
pendious will undoubtedly fall into the Dutch hands as likewise
a Man will be sent to the Dutchman's consideration thereof is
therefore unanimously agreed to send him ten thousand Rupees
(more or less) by our two Mules under the care of our Minister, two
Mulleys and a Mullasser and that Musquets be delivered them.

Examined and paid the Cash account
for last month the balance of which is, Mahas three hundred
eighteen thousand five hundred forty nine (Rs. 318540.9)

Adjourned

L. Douglas
John Parsons.

The Honble Company's Cash ————— D^r

May 1

To Balance last month ————— Rs. 318540.9

The Honble Company's Cash ————— C^d

May 5

By Balance ————— Rs. 318540.9

Wednesday 4

Our Minister being ready, our Mahomed Linguist at Gombroon
ten thousand Rupees (Rs. 10000) the Agent sending him the neces-
sary as also directing him to use his endeavours to get Bull of
Exchange for the two thousand Rupees he advanced us he further
promised. The Agent likewise wrote Resi Jind at Masjibabad
desiring he would send some balance with our Minister.

Tuesday 10

Resi Jind advised the Agent of his intention to go against
his Master's order for sending Rupees to be

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- Tuesday** 10 And afterwards spitting him with all their forces. He further mentions that he has wrote Mostachully there to proceed to Natar with the Division. That an order is already there sent by him and that he designs shortly for this place.
- Saturday** 14 Letter to the Merchants from Combroon mentions that Thomas there has left Combroon for Sandakans on account of troubles which have broke out in his own Dominions.
- Sunday** 15 Arrived a Dutch Brigantine from Cochin.
- Monday** 16 The Combroon Ship taken down for imported this day from Combroon and Mangalore.
- Tuesday** 17 The Dutch Ship which sailed for October last for Combroon returned this day.
- Saturday** 21 Sailed the Combroon Ship for Bango to load with grain.
- Sunday** 22 Imported the Prince Edward's boat Henry Wedderburn from Bango.
- Tuesday** 24 Captain Wedderburn acquainted the Agents of his design to sail this evening for Buprah, a letter to the Honble Com-pany was directed to be drawn out immediately.

A Consultation. Present
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq^r
Mr John Parsons
Mr Richard Stokes undressed

Best advices to our Honble Masters is also a letter to the President at Buprah being first transcribed and signed and the packet directed to be immediately under way.

Adjournd

L Douglas
John Parsons

To the Honble the Court of Directors
 for affairs of the United Company of Merchants
 of England trading to the East Indies

May it please your Honours

We have our last humble request to your Honours under the 6th March of which the enclosed is supplicated and the Prince Edward from Bango sent bound to Buprah and the Combroon Ship of Combroon this day.

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Tuesday 24

Sunday 25

Since our last the following Vessels have Imported here the
Indian Sugar from Surinam, the Rice, Pepper, & Dutch. There was a
Miss Vessel from Surinam, & Dutch Sugar and Brandy from
Cochin, the Scurvy and Scurvywort from Surinam, a
French Ship from Surinam, the Slave Scurvywort from Surinam, and
a Dutch Ship from Surinam, and we have received from Surinam, there
the Dutch Scurvywort from Surinam, the beginning of May for
Surinam, is also the Commandant of the Ship, Scurvywort and the
Slave Scurvywort, Scurvywort about the middle of May in the Malabar
Coast bound to China.

All his Majesty's Subjects were at Ma-
drid the 12th April last.

Our last month's report informs you that
your sending fifty two (52) pieces of half pence & a Guinea Steel
to the Treasury in the last month, which we have the satis-
faction of observing that we have now here of last years over-
one thousand five hundred thirty six pieces of half pence, which
will be sent here by the first good conveyance that offers. We
begin now to expect your Honours that nothing has or shall be
wanting to us, as large a quantity as possible but should we
not feel the same instance. We have the satisfaction that the
Honourable in well glad in our behalf, the new coin is come
in and from our Honours advises We are in great hopes of
giving your Honours to know that your notwithstanding the
inconvenience we meet with from our Honours the fact that
We have hitherto committed our longish amounts of thirty four
thousand (34,000) pieces for the provision of the new coin, and
shall take care to supply them with what more he may want
but from the greater scarcity of money at present in the
Country. We are unable to procure bills of Exchange as for-
merly and have been obliged this season to send money from
here to Surinam, or otherwise a stop would have been put to
to the Investment and from the present appearance we
believe we shall be obliged frequently to continue this method
and request the decline purchasing which from your Com-
mandants we can't think at present of doing, unless we re-
ceive contrary directions from the Board, we can't say any

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Tuesday
(Sunday before
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From Combroon were received the 2. Assistant Surgeons
beginning acquainted us of his ending up, we furnished every thing
ready of the new Regt. which we expect will be in a short time

We have received in further supply of which
than what arrived your Hon. I furnish the 1. and 2. Regiments
had no any clothing and fire cloth we have reason to think
from the demand we have there is for them at present. Indeed
they would not remain long in Warehouse.

Our last arrival from Barbours informs us of that
Barbour still continuing in the possession of that place, and
the adjacent country as also that he continues supplying
the inhabitants in a very easy manner, and that many of
them have been obliged to sell their children for a support,
and to pay his exorbitant taxes in consequence of the great dear-
th of provisions at that place he was obliged to leave the
place, and go towards the West, and is now reported with an
army of forty thousand Men, he designs to march towards
Savannah.

It is reported that Edward Munn has left business for
Barbours on account of troubles which have broke out in
his own business, however from his manner of proceeding
hitherto we have no great reason to believe he will bring
his country under his obedience, the merchants who have
been at his house give a very bad account of his transactions
and say that all the plunder he gets he sends away to some
distance which in some measure hinders us that he does no
business of establishing himself in this Kingdom. In short the
whole country is divided in such a manner and is in a state
of anarchy that it is impossible for them to support themselves.

Under the 6. March we acquainted
your Hon. of Baron Chancs March this way and his design
to assist the government of the 1st Regiments from a Regt.
Cause, accordingly he laid siege to Munn which he continued
for about a month, but finding he was unable to take the
place, and that he daily lost a number of Men, he at last retir-
ed to some of his settlements, and having burnt his ships

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Tuesday
June 1755

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will paid for thousand Tomaruts and appraisals before
that he would not affect his enemies, and further obliging him
that in those hours hours being attached by those hours that he
would furnish him with a body of Men. At last then the 15 May for
they were he sometimes at present whether he designs a march
farther into this Kingdom in order to face that hour, & only to
continue at Nagash. We are unable at present to advise your
Honors. During the siege of the fortress of Malacca were sent a
marching round the country doing great damage to the In-
habitants, they came within eight leagues of this place, where
which most of the Malacca were retired with their effects to
Cromie and Malacca but not yet returned, and we are not to
believe that if he had taken that and bene his March, having
as he at first designed it would have occasioned great confusion
and destruction, at present the hour is raising troops and
a design to attack Malacca and the other straits, who your
Honors have and was the occasion of his leaving that, making
him believe it would be an easy conquest, and that he would
find easy to conquer the place. The hour wishes the success
of his design to chastise the whole for their late behaviour and
of his intention to come to this place.

Monday 25th. More governors of this place
are arriving to assist the government of the Island from Malacca
and the South of Siam has joined him with a body of
about thousand Men who are now leaving Malacca with the
Malacca with the British that block up the place by sea.

We hear that most of the country that is in conjunction
with the Malacca in March last attacked some of the British forts
and that they have taken several work and some of the forts in
the Southward of it the names we have not learnt. We are like-
wise informed the country that is gone to Malacca.

Enclosed we send your Honors a more correct
and exact of hours. And are with submission

May it please your Honors

Your most faithful and most Obedient hum. Servant

Gambroon

Alexander Douglas

John Puckers

Gombroon

June 1755

Tuesday 24

Buzbarah
Letter to 1

To
Mr. William Mero
Resident at Buzbarah
Sir

We now enclose you Opa Abidullah's Bond to the
Honble Company and have only to desire that the accompa-
nying Packet secure Honble Masters to be presented without
Detention to his Majesty's Consul at Aleppo.

We are Sir

Gombroon

24th June 1755

Your Obedient Friends

Alexander Douglas

John Parsons

Sailed the
Prince of Wales

Thursday 26

Sailed the Prince of Wales

The Dutch Brigantine which imported here the 15th Inst^s
sailed this Day for Bussrah 80th Bussrah the Gulcher

July 1755

Tuesday 1

Account paid

A Consultation Present
The Right Wth Alexander Douglas Esq^r Agents
Mr. John Parsons

Mr. Richard Fisher Indemnities

Examined and signed the Cash Account for last
Month the Balance of which is that due two hundred and
ten thousand five hundred fifty nine (218509) Ru-
pees entered hereafter.

A. Douglas

John Parsons

Adjourned

The Honble Company's Cash ————— D^r

To Balance last Month ————— (218509)

The Honble Company's Cash ————— C^d

By Mahomet Lingard at Government's order

For an account the Mth Investment —————

By Balance —————

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Gombridge July 1755

Thursday 3
 Saturday 5
 arrived the
 Richard Galtley
 Monday 7

This Morning departed this life Mr. Richard Nichol
 Inherited the Southern Galtley Imptment Alexander Galtley from
 Mecha

At a Consultation Present
 The Right W^{ts} Alexander Douglas Esq^r Agent
 Mr. John Parsons

The Post of the said being vacant Mr. John
 Parsons is ordered to take charge thereof

Adjourned

A. Douglas
 John Parsons

Sailed the Southern Galtley for England

Received the Galtley from the Galtley by which we received
 a letter from the President dated 15th June as enclosed herewith

To
 The Right W^{ts} Alex^r Douglas Esq^r Agent
 &c^r Council
 Right W^{ts} G. S. T. S.

Since my last year's account of the 1st of
 is come to hand the Galtley being now bound down the Galtley and
 to South of Galtley, I take the opportunity to correct you the sum
 of which amount (16,000) pounds by her amounting with charges
 as follows and bill of lading enclosed to the same (20, 27, 50) for
 which there are due the (16,000) pounds of this is what I
 have to this received for the Galtley as formerly advised and
 the remainder is in part balance of my last account but remember
 as advised under the 18th August, I increased something you in full
 by the time but before that I had sailed great part of it was laid out
 in the current business of the year, as is since also any for that
 sum, I may receive in the Galtley (16,000) pounds before the
 1st of May, said 2nd which will be very shortly I shall likewise receive
 by her

Imaginatively send an answer to my last regarding the note
 of the Galtley as much as you can correct him here from Galtley
 which he now is to settle that office I shall likewise be glad of an answer
 to what that the same time note regarding the Galtley I shall likewise
 be glad to receive

Received John
 Parsons 1755

Received the
 Galtley

Received
 from

Monday
Buxorah
Came from

A few days past arrived here on a Frigate from Buxorah the Lieutenant of a Buxorah Frigate. This called the Buxorah. His ship is still at Buxorah but is expected shortly and by her the Government of Anticherry has sent one Monsieur Sadeux to remain here in quality of Resident. The Buxorah has brought about one hundred (100) Bales of white goods with him, but all his good to the amount of (1000) Buxorah he increased at Buxorah before he left that place.

Since my last nothing new has offered but the change of the Ship at Buxorah who has continued some years in that post and is thought will be succeeded by a Ship of War. The most considerable improvement in the City of our Buxorah it having been formerly a Buxorah. This will occasion a small present to his Majesty for the entire Government of affairs is otherwise in the State of Buxorah in which however the great fertility shall be noted.

Every thing regarding the Buxorah affairs Mr West will doubtless fully inform you of. Buxorah there not at present to give you further Information than to subscribe myself most truly &c.

Right W. Sir & Son
Your most Obedient Servant
William Shaw

Buxorah
10 June 1755.

Wednesday 9
Buxorah

At a Consultation Present
The Right W. Alexander Douglas Esq. Agent
Mr John Parsons.

Examined and passed the
Buxorah account John Parsons for April & May 1755 is
Buxorah forty nine thousand eight hundred nineteen six
pence (39,819,6) as before.

Adjourned

John Parsons.

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Wednesday 9

Abstract of the Merwards Debts & Payments for April 1755

Table Expenses	10607.5
Garrison Charges	10347.
Table Charges	2107.3
Charges Merchandise	636.
Charges Extraordinary	8175.4
Warren Hatch	1270.
Apenn Gardens	540.
Account Chattle	300.
Factory Repairs	3056.2
Servants Wages	1760.
Makes 50510.6	

Sunday 15

Visited the Gauges kept by John Gould, Mr. John Williams
Superintendent for Madras and Bengalee.

Monday 17

At a Consultation Present
The Right W^m Alexander Douglas Esq^r Agent
Mr. John Parsons.Examined and passed the Merwards
account Debts & Payments for May amounting to Shillings
thirtyfour thousand seven hundred and sixtyfour two pence.

Adjourned

John Parsons.

Abstract of the Merwards Debts & Payments for May 1755

Table Expenses	9091.
Garrison Charges	8606.5
Charges Extraordinary	3317.4
Charges Merchandise	367.3
Table Charges	2313.3
Servants Wages	1760.
Apenn Gardens	400.
Warren Hatch	1753.
Factory Repairs	3333.3
Makes 28263.3	

Saturday 10

Received from

Received a letter from our Cameroonian Inquirer asking for
 receipt of the ten thousand. Thomas sent him the following
 and advises he is still in want of ten thousand Thomas also
 besides the bills now drawn on account that quarter, threat-
 ened and in case a further sum should be wanted he will
 take care to advise in time. That he has now drawn bill of
 Exchange on our Factory Brothers to the amount of Rupees
 two thousand four hundred and twenty which he desires
 may be paid and as Major Mathews reasoning on where
 a bill of Exchange was drawn, some time past for Rupees
 one thousand is paid paying the same in Silver money he
 therefore returned it. That the five factors of Johnsons men
 and the twenty five loads of that cargo of out of them came
 which the Shona returned to Delahab and from thence to
 Cameroonia to inquire for the rest and as he found what
 they alleged to be true he has accordingly given them a
 certificate to remove any molestations here on that account
 and hence the War will cease as soon. He further adds that
 he now sends us a further quantity of twenty four loads being
 seven hundred fifty Mounds on which he has paid half the
 way and desires the remainder may be paid here.

Adverts received at Cameroonia from between mention that
 Alward Shaw has made the new Shaw King of that province
 leaving with him two thousand of his own soldiers, that he
 has left at Minas twelve thousand Men as Death teacher
 Bawand, and at Becora twelve thousand and that he him-
 self is gone to Mozambico and from thence prepares march-
 ing to Inhauri.

Letters from Cameroonia of the 3 Instant mention that advices
 have been received from Inhauri advising that Oyo has
 sent at Olorembele which is five days journey from Inhauri
 with forty thousand Men and prepared a march to Agorash.

Monday 11

Inquire only

At a Consultation Present
 The Right W^m Alexander Douglas Esq Agents
 M^r John Parsons

Examined and upon the Shona's
 account Delahab for some assistance to Major

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July 1733

Monday 21

thirty thousand nine hundred, seven hundred and seven (30,907) arrived hereafter.

Adjourned

John Parsons

Abstract of the Monarchs Expenditures for June 1733

Table Expenses	801 3
Table Charges	147 0
Garrison Charges	84 5 3
Charges Merchandises	577 3
Charges Extraordinary	45 4 1
Spice Gardens	100 -
Indians Wages	17 6 0
Warrens Wages	32 4 6 0
Factory Repairs	154 1 2
	<u>Nov. 30 017 9</u>

Tuesday 22

The Agent received a letter from Sir's house advising that ten Chaggers were arrived from Spad house with news from that Settlement that the and before with a body of twelve thousand men arrived at Charnichol and dangers for the people, and that some house was seen to follow them with a large number of ships.

Wednesday 23

At a Consultation Present
The Right Hon^{ble} Alexander Douglas Esq^r Agent
W. John Parsons

We were not entered to take into consideration our business. Sir's letter received that the ten Chaggers and our Factory. Before informing us they are unable to procure Bills of Exchange for their money, we are therefore to the of supplying him with cash as quickly as possible for as a step should be put to the Investment and the quantities might put into our competitors the Dutch thus. Hence it is therefore unanimously agreed that we send the Sir's ten thousand men by two ships and a Horse under the care of our sincere love. Before and see William all agreed and then

Saturday 25

Write letters to Mahomet Naza Kaur so through whose
 countries they must pass and that some presents be sent them,
 as a thing they will expect for their assistance in the journey.

Adjourned

A. L. Douglas
 John Parsons

Friday

25. This day sent our Esquimaux Linguist the sum of Sixpence Ten
 thousand (seven) under the care of our Interpreter.

Monday 25

Sailed a Dutch Ship and a Ketch for Labrador.

Wednesday 26

The Agent received a letter from Philip Mahomet advising
 that he had received orders from the British in Company
 with the necessary ally Settlers to collect the taxes in Barren
 which he shortly intends to do about the further news that
 ally knows thaty Saurer one of Barren houses officers, Shick
 Hutton and about twenty Gallatary have defeated the
 British forces and that he presumes that they have taken
 him having shut up all the passages to prevent his retreat
 to them.

Thursday 27

At a Consultation Present
 the Right W. Alexander Douglas Esq. Agent
 W. John Parsons

Examined and perfect the history
 of the day amounting to Shapoi being the number eight
 hundred ninety four and six pps (30 x 4 = 6) as entered here
 after

Adjourned

A. L. Douglas
 John Parsons

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Account salary due to the Seattle Company for command
brigades at Gombroon from 1 August 1754 to the 31 July 1755
Inclusive

Persons Names	Nations	Commencing	Ending	Days	Salary	Per Diem	Mileage	Trav
				1857	1857	1857	1857	1857
Alexander Douglas	Agent	July 1754	July 1755	12	150...	120...	12000	...
Richard Archer	Land Writ	July 1754	July 1755	18	30...	150...	1000	...
Wm	Land Writ	July 1754	July 1755	10	70...	364.6	2817	6
John Parsons	Writer	July 1754	July 1755	12	60...	300	1500	...
Wm	Writer	July 1754	July 1755	11	15...	1400	1160	...
Guinevere Holmes	Writer	July 1754	July 1755	12	55...	57.7	430	7
William Smith	Teller	July 1754	July 1755	12	50...	600	...	...
George Smith	Surveyor	July 1754	July 1755	12	80...	800	4700	...
Stephen Brown	Engineer	July 1754	July 1755	15	18	75...	971.8	7766
Wm. J. J. J.	Engineer	July 1754	July 1755	12	...	...	1200	...

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August 1755

Saturday 2

We took to explain that ally bawer, Brahmanan one of the same
Country joined with the joint forces of Shook, Hattom and Galindor
have defeated the ally bawer who with forty men only is fled to the
the landing came into town three men from ally bawer, Brahmanan
he said they brought letters for the ally bawer, the Agent and me
Dutch ship.

Monday 6

The Agents received a letter from Billy Brown, Madisiaman who writes that he was informed prisoners were shipped some months ago for Lower Canada and that he expects they be now delivered to the post he sends, and that he shall take care to forward them to Lower Canada. He has wrote much the same to the Dutch Chief and Madat Billy Shaw. Arrived the Government Store from Antwerp.

Arrived the
Companions
Spots
Monday 5

*At a Consultation Between
The Right W. Alexander Douglas Esq. Agent
for the B. & N. Ry. Co.*

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Tuesday

5 The Government, there being to sail in a few days for Bombay
a general letter is ordered to be drawn out advising our Subjects
of all occurrences since the date of our last.

Adjourned

A. Douglas

John Parsons

My Cousin Mahesumari's people meeting on the 4th inst. this
day he took the opportunity of enquiring of them the number of Men
his late house lost in the late Engagement. They say they judge it was
about two hundred Men.

Wednesday

6 Advices from the mention that his late house is raising recruits
with all expedition.

He said that his late house has ordered his Regt. to lay a Tax
on Moulvi Abdul Gaffar of 5000 Rupees for hundred Men
and that he only offers to pay for hundred of it, this has occasioned
a misunderstanding between his late house and said
Gaffar.

Friday

7 At a Consultation Present
The Right Hon^{ble} Alexander Douglas Esq^r Agent
John Parsons

Agreed our advices to the Hon^{ble} the Directors
and Council of Bombay.

Adjourned

A. Douglas

John Parsons

Saturday

8 The Hon^{ble} Richard Bouchier Esq^r
President and Governor of Council
in Bombay
Hon^{ble} Sir and Sirs

Our last address was under date the 15th
March by the Indian Queen and the Government there being on
her return to Bombay we embrace the opportunity of acquainting
your Hon^{ty} of all occurrences which have happened since the
date thereof.

In March last arrived here a Dutch frigate with

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Friday
Remembrance Letter

8

And the Ship Sally belonging to Chittagong from Bussorah and
 sailed in April for Surat it French freight goods from Surat
 imported here in May and sailed the same month for Bussorah
 it Dutch Consignation arrived from Bussorah in June and sailed
 for Bussorah 24th Bore up the Gulf. The Chinese Schooner likewise
 arrived here from Bussorah the latter end of June and after her
 stays they sailed for Bussorah the seventh and eighteenth two
 schooners from Bussorah the former sailed in March and the la-
 ter in April the Nations boats from Arabah here in July and
 after taking in Wood and Water sailed for Bussorah the Gang
 from Bussorah came in here and after a few days they sailed
 for the Coast and Bussorah Dutch Ships and a Moor which came
 here from Bussorah in the 2nd of August for Bussorah.

As we have only twenty three boats of Ormus cloth
 and value of goods remaining and by the accounts we have
 there being great demand for Indian goods and especially
 indigo and fine cloth we have not long to see a ship from Bussorah
 with the quantities and assortment intended to our Honble Ma-
 jesty the 24th February 1754 but for fear we should be disap-
 pointed in our expectations of which year then we will be acquainted
 with (or no) we enclose you being of our Interest in hopes that if
 you find we have no then directly from England it will be in
 your Hon^{rs} power to supply us with the quantities and sort-
 ings and as some merchants will be long to serve, the sooner
 we receive them the better.

Besides the quantity of cloth expected
 from England we judge we shall be able to send variety boats
 over for next July and therefore enclose your Hon^{rs} our Interest
 for the same and humbly beg the Belous may be remitted with
 as near as possible.

Mr. Francis Reid under the 2nd March last
 indebted to us for one hundred fifty Bales of fine Indian goods
 which we were unable to supply him with not having the sort-
 ments in Warehouse and as the quantity we were not able to
 furnish for in February 1754, and what we were indebted to you

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Y^r Hon^r is only for the Consumption of this Matter we request your Hon^r will supply the Word as being of the Indian now enclosed.

We have the pleasure to advise your Hon^r that we have ready in warehouse twenty four bales and a half (18¹/₂) of Barrenia Wool being at one thousand four hundred thirty Minims (1530 lb^s) and our Agent has advised us of his having sent one thousand four hundred and ten Minims (1410 lb^s) which hath not as yet arrived, however we are the House will not be long before it does, we have received notice that a ship called Edward the first hath not our Wool bales and carried away one load being sixty Minims, but we hope in great haste the remainder will arrive us safe. At this time we have advanced our Company's Agent upwards of thirty seven thousand Rupees (77000) for the provision of the war here but from the great scarcity of money in the Kingdom and particularly here we were unable to procure Bills of Exchange for Silver in Barrenia as formerly and have been obliged to send Money from hence or otherwise a ship would have been sent to the Government and as our Hon^rle Masters last Remittance as well as those from your Hon^r in this Ward were very slow, we came to a determination to send our Company's ship back from hence and have the pleasure to advise that the first Remittance of ten thousand Rupees (10000) he has safely recd, as we hope he will do the like sum sent him the 2^d of June though it may be some days yet we can have any advice therefore and being unrelaxing we shall frequently be obliged to take the money of sending money to Barrenia we request your Hon^r to direct whether we may continue it or not, at the same time we beg leave to assure you that without this method we are apprehensive little progress will be made in the Wool Investment in future.

Our latest access from Spahawar inform us of the same still continuing in the Government of that city and the adjacent country and that in account of the great scarcity of provisions he went some months past towards badin, but accounts from Barrenia recd the 15th of June advise of his being returned to the same with a body of forty thousand Men.

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Friday
Evening
July 15

8. Most true that he readily intended for Singapore.

Mr Stone lost the Merchants recovered letters from that Island or correspondences mentioning that Thomas Stone in account of the trouble which had broken out in his own possessions had left Gombroon for Camatahar, but by advice recovered from the 15th of October from Gombroon he went on the other hand up north that he was gone to Mayandeen, and from thence designed a march towards Soubaher, that he had made Soubaher, then Chief of Gombroon, having with him ten thousand officers, soldiers, as also that he had left at Buth and Becara twenty four thousand men, in short the accounts are so various respecting him that it is difficult knowing the truth, but by the story which he has published made, and the sending all the plunder he got to Camatahar, makes us think in some measure he has no design of bringing this Kingdom under his obedience, however it must have more well undoubtedly known his real designs.

Our last express informed you that one of Baron Caron's design to assist the Government of the Hot Countries from Soubaher, Baron and his being joined by Rook Hadson and Gallatin, soon after the date of these advices he laid siege to the fort at Soubaher, he continued about a month but finding he was unable to take the place and the heats sitting on he retired to terms of accommodation, and the said Soubaher Baron gave him five thousand soldiers and agreed in future he would not assist his enemies, and that if he was attacked by a good town he obliged himself to supply him with a body of troops, and for the performance of what he promised he gave him his relation Moly Salteen as an hostage, upon which Baron Baron broke up the siege and left Soubaher the day for Singapore. During the siege Baron Baron sent parties of soldiers every day round the country doing great damage to the Subah's lands, they came within eight leagues of this place upon which most of the Subah's retired with their effects to ensure and Soubaher, but are now returned and it is not humble opinion that if he had taken Soubaher and sent his march that way as at first designed it would have occasioned great confusion and destruction. It was the eldest and eldest chief men during the siege and they were given

Friday
Evening June 10

Given to understand that large presents were expected and for which purpose he lent his liberality here, Mollah Ally Khan was obliged to supply him with powder, lead and Arrows, but by his returning sooner to Strynack than was expected he omitted sending a present.

After Baron Cavour departed for Strynack, Nijfir Khan began to raise recruits with an intent to attack Shah Station and Golludorey and the other towns which joined Baron Cavour and were the occasion of his attacking, this making him believe it would prove an easy conquest and that he would find easy treasures in the place, accordingly in June having gathered together about four thousand men he marched towards the confines of their territories, they on the other hand made the necessary preparations for their defence, sending emissaries to Baron Cavour informing him of the situation of their affairs and to beg he would send a body of men to their assistance, whereupon he sent Baron Cavour wrote several letters to Nijfir Khan desiring him for the present not to molest them, but stay till he had left Strynack and was gone further inland when he might act as he judged most for his advantage, he wrote so he was bent on having satisfaction for their joining Baron Cavour he returned no answer to several letters, and he still perceiving their real disposition of negotiating at an amicable way, pushed Baron Cavour for assistance remounting that their present troubles were entirely owing to the assistance they had given him, upon which and his receiving no answer from Nijfir Khan he determined to send ally Khan, Mothamund, with seven hundred men to see if it was not possible to divert Nijfir Khan from his present designs at the same time he gave orders that if he could not effect it, to join the drabs and endeavour to destroy Nijfir Khan, upon ally Khans arrival with Shah Station &c. he sent several messages to Nijfir Khan to endeavour an accommodation but he not hearkening thereto, he determined agreeable to the orders he had received on that subject, and on the 18th of June with the joint force of the drabs fell on Nijfir Khan who not expecting an attack his forces were soon routed and he with only forty men fled to Strynack where he remained raising fresh recruits.

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With all considerations, the said when this engagement happened, Sipsur's boats had not with him above six thousand feet of powder, thus the remainder of his being as different from the ally's boats. Mahasamans people who are now here say that the powder killed, wounded and taken of Sipsur's boats people do not amount to above two hundred, which if true and that his scattered boats are able to join him at short notice he will soon be able to raise further force to the effect and face them in the field.

Ally's boats Mahasamans had sent three people here to letters to his Agent, Dutch, English and Malak ally, that, writing to him as inference, they sometimes he designed, promises to have him and that he now expects they he intended to do people he was now and that he will take care to forward them to have him, but letters are made in a most elegant style, and the Malak ally, that was so enraged at the demands made on him that he had at first ordered the people to be hung over board, but by the recommendation of some on board he was prevented.

British Captain still continues at Singapore and he said designs a march towards Spahau to endeavour to win the Government of that place from Sipsur's boats.

Malak ally, there is endeavouring to ward the Government of the Island of Nakhos from Abdul Shakh, Shakh's boats of ships has joined him with numbers of three thousand boats who are now hanging left while Malak ally, there with the Chinese fleet blockade the place by sea, and though they have been engaged it upwards of three months yet have done little or no damage, and as it said, Abdul Shakh has a sufficient quantity of provisions in the fort, their success is much to be doubted.

But last and very important news, the 10th of 18th March preceding in the tendency to Banderah, but instead of going further to Stages at Banderah making such preparations to Shakh Sipsur as the Lord of your Highness's instructions directed him to do at Banderah, he acquiesces in what is March last of the Shakh's making many professions of friendship but when he came to the article of his taking business on all goods imported and exported by the English the Shakh alleges that the article of not trading business was caught in his mind to be not

Indian
Shipping Business

A sufficient indulgence without the additional advantage of
longing duties at a port where it had never been used and that
this innovation he feared would incite the merchants to carry
their goods to other markets and if it should not give rise to that
disadvantage yet the shipping people would of course demand
a higher price for what they brought in, more than to the increase
of their charges so that unless he made an equivalent allowance
to the our Country Merchants in the Indian Customs the masters
for all commodities other than those expected by us would become
so much less easy than they were before and instead of our being
indulged in longing Customs that he should be paying annually
the sum of Rupees one thousand five hundred (1500) and that he
would allow us a year's experience to try whether it would answer
the Trade Company's purpose to keep a Revenue there or not
and if it did he should be free to alter such provisions to recom-
pense the loss he must unavoidably sustain by means of our ex-
acting Customs we directly answered Mr. Woods letter writing
him that he might be sensible to your Hon^{rs} Instructions to have
permitted first to Brundwich and that he had found it imprac-
table or unadvisable to settle a Factory there he should then have
tried Bussiere however as the principal cause of his long return
to Brundwich was of wanting a large quantity of Western Goods
he might after make a trial at Brundwich and finding it unpro-
fitable be incumbent to settle there where he was
to follow your Hon^{rs} Instructions but that if he should have
gone such length with that object in regard to settling at Bussiere
as to make his return from Brundwich obliged disadvantageous
to him we then thought it most advisable to say where he was and
directed him to give us the quickest intelligence since when we have
received no advice from him but on the foregoing trial here we
were informed by M^{rs} Adams and Spaul of his having been at
Brundwich from whence he went to Carach where he stayed three
days and then proceeded a trading and proceeded to Bussiere at
his return for going thither we are entirely unacquainted with
as we have only received one letter from him which was soon after
his arrival at Bussiere. He was not returned thither the 1st of August

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Bombay 1840

8 As your Hon^{ty} will perceive by the foregoing that I have not
will not come of not collecting business at Buporah, which is a
ally paid the sum of Rupees one thousand five hundred and
we request you will be pleased to let us know what answer we are
give Mr. West on these heads as we suppose he will return and
stay at Buporah, in which supposition we have derived no
pregnant part of this account that I would please to remedy
his intent, but when the boundary returns from Buporah
shall know his intentions for certain.

We learn that Mr. James one of the Messrs. Radra, arrived
at Buporah to remain there on a party of French business.

Mr. M. H. Baker departed this life on
3rd Ulmo.

Enclosed we forward your Hon^{ty} running paper
as per list of the British.

We are with the greatest respect

Yours very obedient servant

Alexander Douglas

John Parsons

Gombroon

1st August 1840

Saturday

Monday

Tuesday

9 Sailed for Government here for Bombay.

11 Received twenty one loads of Carmonia (Hut) from one
of the six hundred thirty Miamas (Hut)

12 He arrived in Town that day came with fifteen thousand
of the year 1840, and that he has wrote to Sir John's Court to
give him who is said has left the but as we have no address
from there we can't say how true that may be. He likewise
sincerely said that Mr. James Macdonald is returned to
Buporah with the utmost expedition being ordered thither by the
Court.

Wednesday

15 Imported the Portuguese Commodore by Mr. Thomas King
from Surat and Bombay.

Returned into the head the Commodore here on acc. with
Southernly Wind.

Thursday

16 A Consultation between
The Right Hon^{ble} Alexander Douglas and John

Friday 14

As the *Antares* is to sail for Buporal in a day or two a general letter to our Honble Masters is ordered to be written and

Adjourned

L^d Douglas
John Parsons

Friday 15

The Dutch Ship which sailed hence the 2^d Ultime having met with bad weather in the Gulf and lost all her anchors have returned this day into Port.

The Week received the 1st Instant eight and four thousand fifty three pounds (843)

Saturday 16

At a Consultation Present
The Right W^{or} Alexander Douglas Esq Agent
Mr. John Parsons

Reported and advised to the Honble the Board of Directors as also a letter to the President at Buporal,

Adjourned

L^d Douglas
John Parsons

To
The Honble the Court of Directors
for Affairs of the United Company of
Merchants of England trading to the
East Indies

May it please your Honours

Our last humble respects were under date the 2^d June last and a Country freight ship from Bombay being bound to Buporal gives us an opportunity of addressing your Honours again, it gives us great pleasure of being able to acquaint your Honours that we have only remaining pretty three bales of broad cloth and ten of M^{er}ino, is likewise that we are informed there is great demand for Woollen goods and especially middles and fine cloth and as some Merchants are now here and more daily expected we are in great haste of receiving daily a supply from your Honours, and having reason to believe from our inland advice we shall be able to dispose of more Woollen goods within the next few days and will be

Saturday 16
Europe Letter to

The s^t Assistant desiring our licensors to send us ninety Cakes of bread bleth and we flatter our self if we receive that supplies in time we shall be able to give your Honours a good account of that sales.

We have now ready to send to the Honesty on the good consequences that effects two thousand one hundred and fifty (1703) Carmentia Wick and by a letter received that month from our singuist he acquaints us of his sending us a further quantity of good hundred fifty Carmentia (1703) which we here will receive as before and we beg leave to acquaint your Honours that we shall do our utmost to secure as much as we shall be able to collect in Carmentia singuist in account this year's Investment upwards of Rupees forty seven thousand (Rs 47000).

The Dutch and us got of this those which would house the s^t Alliance for Carmentia one thousand three hundred fifty (1703) Carmentia Wick.

But our success improved your Honours that we have heard about that you returned to Carmentia but by advice from the s^t Alliance for Carmentia it said he was gone to Mogadishu and from there designed a march towards Bushoon, that he had made there the same King of Carmentia leaving two thousand of his soldiers with him as also that he had left at Bulh and Bushoon twenty four thousand men, so that the accounts are so various concerning him that it is difficult knowing the truth tho we think a short time will show his real designs.

We acquainted your Honours in our last of Nijibee having peace with Carmentia and of his design of attacking Bushoon &c and the other states who joined him from Carmentia where he designed that accordingly in June having raised about four thousand men he marched towards the borders of their territories they on the other hand made the necessary preparations for their defence sending expeditions to Carmentia informing him of the situation of their affairs and to keep the same body of men to their assistance, whereupon it said Carmentia sent several letters to Nijibee having desired him for the prizes not to molest them but defer it till he left Mogadishu and was gone.

Saturday
August 29th 1755

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This advantage, however as he was bent at all events to destroy them if possible or oblige them to pay him a large sum of money he returned no answer to the letters wrote him and the Arabs perceiving there was no likelihood of recommending affairs, instantly prepared to leave Gombroon for a distance supposing that their ancient troubles were entirely owing to the assistance they had given him, upon which and his returning no answer from Rasput Gombroon he determined to send ally Gombroon, Mahomed with seven hundred men, to see if it was not possible to divert Rasput Gombroon from his present designs at the same time he gave orders that if he could not effect it to join Shakh "Hattouge" and endeavour to destroy Rasput Gombroon, when ally Gombroon, Mahomed arrived with the trade he sent several messages to Rasput Gombroon to endeavour an accommodation, but finding this same ineffectual, he determined to obey the orders he had received from Gombroon on the 14th, and on the 15th with the joint forces of Shakh "Hattouge" and Mordah, about seven hundred men, fell on Rasput Gombroon, who not expecting an attack was soon routed and he with only forty men fled to Sher. It is said when this engagement happened Rasput Gombroon had not with him one thousand five hundred men the rest of his forces being at different places ally Gombroon, Mahomed and people who were here say the number killed, wounded and taken of Rasput Gombroon men is not amount to above two hundred.

Upon Rasput Gombroon's arrival at Sher he directed orders to the several places under his Jurisdiction to raise fresh recruits which are daily coming to him and it said he suspected troops have likewise joined him, which if true, by some he must have a considerable body of men. There is a report that Rasput Gombroon is with fifteen thousand men, not far from Myrath and that he has written Rasput Gombroon to join him and it said has left Sher for that purpose, but as we have received no letters from thence this truly we cannot say, we cannot say how true this report may be, however it certainly affirms that ally Gombroon, Mahomed is returned with all speed to Myrath by Gombroon.

Autunday
Surrey House

16

Ally Caste Mahesamand has sent three people with letters to Moolah Ally Shaw the Dutch Chief and to the English and that he is informed they sometime ago designed to murder for the brass and that he expects they be delivered to the hands, he now sends as he shall take care to forward them his letters are written on a most elegant silk and Moolah Ally Shaw was so enraged at the demands made on him that he at first ordered Ally Caste Mahesamand's people to be flung over board, but by the prayers of some on board it was prevented.

Moolah Ally Shaw Governor of this place in conjunction with Shah Kanna will continue the siege of left to us we have about 1000 men and sufficient quantity of provisions in the fort their success is much to be doubted, although they have done little or no damage.

Several addresses from India mention that the Directors, Bombay and the East India Company in conjunction with the Marathas had taken Bombay and six other Forts, and that they were not returned to Bombay the 1st May last.

By a country ship which departed from the last month we learn a French country ship from Charnagat was there and that the Surragat goes off it is thought for Battulpochea in order to purchase a cargo of coffee.

Mr. Richard Richer departed this life the 11th inst.

We are with great respect
Most please your Honours
Your most faithful and most
Obedient humble servants
Alexander Douglas
John Parsons

Combroon

16th August 1755

To
Mr. William Shaw
President at Bapatnag
Sir!

By the Prince Edward which sailed hence in June we sent you Raja Abdulas bond and on the 7th ultimo arrived the Ganges with your letter is June, which this I could not see till

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Sunday 16
Arab date

Of treasure containing fifteen thousand nine hundred eighty one Rupees and three Annas (2081.3) the money was counted by two of the Commissioners, servants and at the feet of this you will receive an account hereunto of each day.

It goes as pleasure to find the Purchaser of Broad cloth had showed the greatest part and that you had sold a further quantity and we have by this time the whole is done off.

Let the enclosed packet to be sent out to his Majesty's Consul at Aleppo.

We are
Gombroon
16th August 1755
Your loving friends
Alexander Douglas
John Parsons

Sunday 17

Sailed the Capricorn to here for Bombay
Sailed the Antelope for Bassein.

Tuesday 19

The Agent received a letter from Mowreeh Caves intimating that on account of Mohammed Raza Caves continually plundering the Caffris to and from Bassein he was determined if possible to destroy him, and for that end he left Bassein with three men and was now besieging his fort which he hoped to take. He desired the Agent to supply him with some powder &c.

Wednesday 20

The Merchants Merchants have received letters from Bassein intimating that Ahmed Shams is at Bassein and that he has been at Bassein with an army of thirty thousand men in order to prevent Ahmed Shams progress in this Kingdom.

Thursday 21

Imported the Cambray from Bassein by this we received a letter from the Resident there as also one from M^r Wood.

The Rights Wth Alexander Douglas Esq Agents
S^r Council
Right Wth and. G^rs

My last adverb went of passage which P^r Bell, the Commissioner of the Customs who is just now arrived, tells me was coming to an anchor in Gombroon's Sound when he left.

Thursday
Belfast
14th June

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It which renders the Duplicate of that letter unnecessary. I have troubled you sixteen (1600) Hunses by her, in the Month of June, a recent which I have turned out right. I have not since made any sales, having only beaver blith, which is never used in this season of the year, but hope the Ship you expect from England will bring a supply for this Market, of every sort, agreeable to what I requested. I have in my past arrival here, in which case, I hope you will please send them just as they come, not up from Limerick.

I have received the Dublin Committee's Note of Demand, and will now instantly finish that affair, and remit the money to you, then that will be your first business, I am very sorry that I cannot be frequent, and the Packet for Glasgow shall instantly be forwarded, agreeable to your desire, every thing both here, and at Bristol being in perfect good order. There is not any considerable Interposition to give, only to advise, of the situation of the 6th June from Glasgow, that covered your Packet of the 11th and 17th December, by the last we are advised that peace with France was signed inevitable, but the other things advise that the French and Mercantile had accounts in May last, for two years Trust, which was not transferred by any English Letter (the French writes we rather that the danger came away) however as I am advised that dispatched with the advices received I have nothing there to be so quickly to write with more certainty on that point, and in the interim I remain with all due respect,

R. W. Esq and Sir

Your faithful and most humble servant

William Shaw

Belfast
14th July 1755

The R. W. Alexander Douglas Esq Agent
for Council at Glasgow

W. Esq and Sir

The 21st May I received your commands dated the 1st of April and in obedience thereto I hired a Frigate and proceeded to Bunderreck, where I arrived the 1st of June having been three days on my passage by reason of contrary Winds. The place was wholly destitute of Merchants or any other Inhabitants excepting Fishermen and I found Mrs. Tolson surrounded with soldiers upon the point of departing for Limerick, nevertheless

Thursday
August 1790
The first

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He deferred his journey three days out of benevolence to me and very freely granted all privileges that my Gentlemen desired to demand without making the least objection, but feared the bad appearance of his affairs might induce me to return and not stay together, he made me promise him not to do so before he came to him, which when all Gentlemen would be admirably benighted and he was certain that the trade of the English would very soon draw all the Merchants back again and restore the place to its former flourishing condition, these encouragements and the good affection the Merchants have for Bombaroon in preference to other ports in the Gulf, on account of the good climate and convenient situation for supplying from Bombay as well as the Southern Provinces of Persia, which are now supplied with Persian goods by way of Russia &c. This day made me conceive great hopes of establishing an advantageous settlement for the trade of British Manufactures, which as you will be pleased to remark was the principal cause of my being induced particularly to that place, and I am not doubt but in the end, the British Residents and Councils in Persia, through His Highness will be some time past.

The 21st of June 1790, Mr. Keffon set out for Smyrna, and after his departure the trade went so Insensibly that I was obliged to embark on my journey for Laraca, where the Dutch Government required me with great hostility, but not causing to be troublesome to them, I proceeded to Sulphur where many substantial Merchants engaged themselves to come down under the Company's protection, whom as I thought to properly settle, The Company being great I took the first opportunity of returning to Laraca in the morning when being informed that Mr. Keffon was not yet come back to Bombaroon and for this being to make in day at Sulphur, where, in this case, I was obliged to go, although it were better and advisable to purchase a Boat of the Dutch to transport my effects and servants to Bombaroon, when over a proper time to offer to go thither than to run the Hazard of being ill treated by Sheikh Keffon, who regards nobody but for the sake of what he can defraud them of, and no longer ago than the 15th of May last he was concerned with his own people in breaking in

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arrives this
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Into Coja's (the late) House where they robbed him of
by thousand rapiers, which the man has not recovered a
Shaher &c.

Rushier

Dec 8th August 1735

I am with great respect
Y^r Obedient Son

Your most obedient humble Son
Francis Wood

Friday

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A Consultation Pre
The W. W. Alexander & Douglas Esq^r App^r
M^r John Parsons

The bandy being to sail in a few days
Monday a General Order is ordered to be drawn out
Certificates of all papers and of Government. These are
prepared.

Adjourned

John Parsons

Sunday

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Received from Harmonia twenty one loads of M^o
being one hundred thirty Maumais (1735)

Copied by William Nash

Edw^d J. Parsons & H. Jones

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