

*At a gennerall Courte tuesday the 24th february
1673 at Whitehall presente*

N.S.
February
24, 1674

	his Highes. P. Rupert
Earle of Shaftsbury	Mark Hildesey Esqre.
Lord Ashley	Aldn. Dannett Forth Esqr.
Sr. Robert Viner	John Kirke Esqr.
Sr. Paul Neale	Mr. Hawkins

Ordred That upon my Lord Shaftsburyes reporte that Captain Draper & Captain Shepheard have bin thought fitt by the Committee to bee employed in Comande of the two Shippes to goe this next yeares expedition & that Charles Bayley the presente governour in Hudson's bay bee Sent for home the Same is by the Courte confirmed, & further ordred that it bee referred to the Committee for the choise of a governour & other officers & men to goe the voyage or to Stay in the Country there in the Companies Service, & to agree with them by the moneth or by the yeare as they Shall judge best for the Companies advantage but with expresse order for Suppressing all manner of private trade whatsoever.

N.S.
February
24, 1674

*At a Committee at the Excise office tuesday 24th febra.
1673 presente*

Earle of Shaftsbury
Sr. James Hayes

Mr. Kirke
Mr. Forth

Ordred That upon examination of major Beckford's¹ bill amounteing to £147 the particulars therein beeing found to bee in the Companyes Invoices examined by Mr. Kirke & Mr. Dannett Forth, Mr. Hawkins bee ordred to pay the Same.

Mr. Henry Williamsons bill of £20 to be payd accordeingly and alsoe Mr. Margretts the ropemakers bill of £143 : 10 : -
& Mr. Goslin the Shipchandlers bill of £129-
& Mr. Blundells bill for iron hoopess £29 : 10-
& Mr. Graves the Shipwrighte's bill £96-
& Mr. Winchurst's¹ bill for iron worke £141 : 10
and to Mr. Ewin admr. to Captain Newman [*sic*] £60 : 3 : -

Thomas Wakefield Seaman in the *Messenger* dogger to have his wages payd as is agreed in the booke of wages abateing £5 for tenn Skins acknowledged & the rest of his trade allowed him.

Nicholas Adams Seaman in the *Messenger* dogger to have his wages payd him alsoe, abateing £8 for the Skins traded for by him & the rest of his trade allowed him.

¹ A.14/1, fos. 93-126, *passim*, October, 1671-June, 1672, Major Thomas Beckford supplied cloth suits, kersey suits, gowns " & other Slopsellers ware "; Henry Williamson supplied slops; John Margetts, " By severall Cables hawsers and other Cordage dd. for ye use of the *Prince Rupert Messenger & Employ*", £143. 10s. od.; John Goslin, " By severall quantities of Ammunition dd. on board the *Prince Rupert, Messenger and Employ*", £129; Edward Blundall supplied iron hoops; John Graves, " By severall quantities of Timber, planke, Deales & other things dd. & worke done on board the *Prince Rupert &c.*", £96; and Jeffry Winchurst, " By severall Anchors and other Ironworke dd. on board the *Prince Rupert, Messenger and Employ*", £141. 10s. od.

*At a Committee at the Exise office the 26 februa. 1673
presente*

N.S.
February
26, 1674

Earle of Shaftsbury
Sr. James Hayes
Mr. Kirke

Mr. Aldn. Forth
Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Prettiman

Ordred, That there bee payd forthwith to Captain Guillam & Captain Morris fifty poundes apiece, & to Mr. Sandford mate of the *Prince Ruperte* thirty poundes, upon account which Mr. Hawkins is ordred to pay them & charge the same upon the Companyes account.

That if Powers¹ Shall bee arrested at the Suite of Tatnam concerneing beaver Skins brought home this Voyage, Mr. Hawkins is desired to bayle him & mannage the Suite on his behalfe upon the Companyes account.

¹ There is no record of Powers; apparently he was an employee of the Company who impounded the beaver which James Tatnam had traded on his own account. Tatnam had not only conducted private trade himself but had also (cf. p. 77) got another seaman, Cuthbert Winter, to bring home furs for him.

N.S.
February
28, 1674

Excise office 28th febra. 1673

Earle of Shaftsbury	Aldn. John Forth
Sr. James Hayes	Mr. Hawkins
Aldn. Dannett Forth	Mr. Prettiman

Ordred, & it is now agreed by & between the Comittee & Captain Draper & Captain Shepheard that they Shall have two hundred poundes a piece for the Voyage to goe & come or by the yeare & that in case they Shall make the voyage & returne the same yeare, & Shall bee putt by the Company upon any other imployment in the interim of theyr returne, & goeing on upon the next subsequente voyage, then to have one halfe of what is usually given to other masters or Comanders upon Such or the like voyages.

That twenty poundes of the wages belongeing to Francis Tubbe if Soe much bee found due to him, bee payd to Sarah Porter upon hir letter of attorney from him.

Upon the recomendation of Sr. John Robinson on behalfe of Wm. Boulton gunsmith in tower Street who was imployed by the Company the former voyage for Surveyeing & tryeing the gunns then made for the Company which he did gratis, it is ordred that the Sayd Boulton make & prepare fifty gunns for this next expedition upon the tearmes as Shall bee agreed upon.

*At the Excise office London the 5th March 1673
then presente*

N.S.
March 5,
1674

Sr. James Hayes
Aldn. Dannett Forth

Mr. Hawkins
Mr. Prettiman

Ordred, That Mr. Heslop the Surgeon bee payd five & twenty poundes upon account of his wages untill further order bee taken therein.

That Mr. Rastell attende my Lord Shaftsbury to know his pleasure what time & place hee will apointe to bee attended for Settling buisnesses for the Company.

N.S.
March 12,
1674

Excise office the 12th march 1673 presente

Earle of Shaftsbury
Sr. James Hayes

Mr. Millington
Mr. Hawkins

Ordred, That Mr. Millington give order forthwith to Plimouth for haveing the beaver & other goodes Sent for up from Plimouth to bee consigned here to Mr. Hawkens the treasurer for the Companies use.

And if my Lord Shaftsbury pleases that hee alsoe write to Mr. Lanyon in Plimouth to See that the Same bee putt in execution.

That Mr. Palmer of whom is a certificate brought from the gunsmith in the Companies Service in Hudson's bay, that upon tryall there, the gunns which hee made the last voyadge were the best of any, it is ordred that the sayd Mr. Palmer Shall make fifty gunns for this presente expedition for the Company of Seizes as hee Shall bee directed, & that Mr. West also of whom there is the like information make fifty gunns more, & that Mr. Irelande bee ordred by the husbände to make nor prepare any more gunns then hee hath already done, untill further order bee taken therein.

That Captain Guillam & Captain Morris have fifty poundes apiece payd them upon account, & that Mr. Rastell attende my Lord Shaftsbury to know his pleasure when some members of the Committee may attende him to putt a finall issue to the Said two Captaines accountes.

Agreed with Mr. Tompson to goe mate with Captain Draper at five poundes a moneth.

John Hawkins who hath gone to Hudson's bay all the three voyadges from the first, in this Companyes Service, & Speakes the Language of that countrey very well, offering his Service to goe & Stay in the countrey for three yeares or more, & referres himselfe to the Companyes tearmes, is accordingly entertained to Stay abroad.

Job Hawkins is alsoe agreed with to goe the voyage & returne, or to Stay in the Countrey as the Company Shall thinke fitt, & referres the tearmes to them Selves.

Mr. Flewellen who hath bin formerly boatswaine in Severall Kinge's, & marchants Shippes offers his Service to goe boatswaine with Captain Draper.

N.S.
March 19,
1674

19th march 1673 presente

Earle of Shaftsbury
Lord Ashley
Sr. James Hayes

Aldn. Dannet Forth
Mr. Hawkins
Aldn. John Forth

Mr. Aldn. Forth & Mr. Hawkins make reporte of theyr auditeing Mr. Palmers accountes in the Countrey, & deliver in a charge of what goods have bin delivered by him to the frenchmen in the Countrey to trade with, & of what hath bin traded for there, & of what remaynes; which is aproved of by the Comittee.

Upon the petition of Walter Farr to goe as Chirurgion & Apothecary & to Stay three yeares in the Countrey, & upon readeing his proposalls concerneing private trade except for beaver, It is ordered that whatsoever private trade Shall bee allowed Shall notwithstanding bee brought into the Companyes warehouse for the use of the proprietors, & Soe bee delivered to them, & no other private trade to be allowed.

That there bee noe more then 300 gunns provided for this voyage, & that Mr. Holmes the husbnde goe forthwith to Mr. Irelande, Mr. Stacye, Mr. Shaw & his partner, Mr. West, Mr. Boulton & Mr. Palmer, & See what gunns they or any of them have ready made, & give order that no more bee made without further order & that no gunns or other goods bee hereafter provided but by the husbnde as hee Shall be directed by ye Comittee.

That Captain Guillam have his full wages payd him & alsoe the full of his account to bee Stated by Mr. Heatley the accountant without any defalcation for private trade.

That Captain Guillam deliver possession of the Ship *Prince Rupert* to Mr. Holmes the Companys husbnde with hir

rigging & Stores &c., whose receipt Shall bee his discharge for the same.

That Captain Morris have his full wages paid him, & alsoe the ballance of his accounte (beeing first to bee Stated by Mr. Heatley the accountant) together with fifty poundes in money in full satisfaction for his beaver at Plimouth in the Companies handes.

That Captain Morris deliver the *Messenger* Dogger to Mr. Holmes the Companies husbnde wh. all hir rigging & Stores &c., whose receipt Shall bee his discharge for the same.

That the consideration of Mr. Palmers Service & accountes bee referred to the next Comittee when Aldn. Forth & Mr. Millington are desired to bee presente.

That Mr. Sandford & Mr. Heslop bee paid theyr full wages.

That a Comittee bee apointed on munday¹ next in the afternoone at the Excise office.

It is agreed now with Samuell Hinkes ironmonger in Whitechappell for 900 hatchets of lb. $1\frac{1}{2}$ each & 500 of lb. $1\frac{1}{4}$: & 500 of lb. 1 each at 10/- the dousin, one with another.

Upon Mr. Farr's proposall it is agreed with him to goe chirurgeon to Stay in the Countrey at $\text{£}4$ p. moneth.

¹ March 23, 1674. The next meeting was recorded as being held on March 24, 1674, i.e. on a Tuesday.

N.S.
March 24,
1674

*a Committee at the Excise office the 24th march 1673
presente*

Earle of Shaftsbury
Sr. James Hayes
Mr. Hawkins

Ordered That a letter bee written to Mr. Pierce of Plimouth in answer to one from him with order to him for Sendeing all the beaver there p. the first good conveyance by Sea hither to bee consigned to Mr. Hawkins, the Custome to bee payd there, & to bee charged by bill of exchange together with all other charges thereon upon Mr. Hawkins here for his reimbursement, which is accordeingly written & Signed by this Committee & recommended to Mr. Rastells care to bee Sent away & to gett Mr. Millington's hande to it.

That Mr. Holmes forthwith gett patternes of brasse kettles & the Lowest prices, as well ready made up, as unmade up, for better Sattisfaction of the Committee.

That the *Messinger Dogger* bee forthwith turned into a pinke¹ & to bee fitted with 3 mastes & Sayles to them proportionably by Mr. Yeames² the Shipwright, & that Mr. Holmes the husbände with the advise of Captain Shephard & mate Thompson take care & agree about it, & alsoe take Speedy care for fitteing up the *Prince Rupert*, & reporte to the Committee upon thursday next what the charge may bee thereof.

¹ As a dogger, the *Messenger* would have only two masts, a main and a mizzen. As a "pinke" she would have a foremast, mainmast and mizzen. In both cases she would have a square blunt stern. See Introduction, pp. xxx and lv.

² A.14/1, fos. 88d.-89. The account is in the name of "Mr. William Eames or Yealmes Carpenter".

That 200 hatchetts more bee provided wth. Square heades for tryall.

That Mr. Thompson who Surveys & examines the gunns for the Eastindia Company bee desired to attende the Committee next thursday.

That Mr. Rastell or Mr. Heatley give noates to the gunsmithes that are agreed with for the quantities of gunns they are to make, that is 50 Mr. West, 50 Mr. Palmer, 50 Mr. Boulton, 50 Mr. Ireland, & 100 Mr. Shaw & his partner.

March 26,
1674

*A Committee at the Excise office the 26th of March
1674 presente*

Earle of Shaftsbury
Sr. James Hayes

Aldn. Forth
Mr. Hawkins

Ordred, That Mr. Yeames goe on forthwith fitteing the *Prince Rupert* in caulkeing graveing & trimmeing of hir, hee promising to bee very reasonable therein, & to referre himselfe to my Lord Shaftsbury for the tearmes & conditions.

Orders agreed upon by Sr. James Hayes Mr. Millington & Mr. Hawkins upon the 7th of march¹ Last for the number of men & quantity & quality of goodes to bee Sent this voyage is now confirmed.

Ordered & it is agreed with Mr. Justice Wood to Maste the *Messenger Dogger* with three mastes alloweing him the Missen Maste to Stande at the price of £19- in the whole excepteing & with condition that the Mayne Maste now Standeing bee left to the Company for theyr use & at theyr disposall.

That the Captaines of the two Shippes doe forthwith provide cordage for the riggeing & other necessaryes of the two Shippes for this voyage upon the best & cheapest tearmes of Mr. Margetts the ropemaker who Served the Company formerly, & that the Sayd two Comanders together with the husbände doe consulte together & forthwith reporte to the Committee under theyr handes what Stores may bee wanteing to the two Shippes for this voyage, with due consideration of the old Stores remayneing of the Companies, in order to have what is wanteing Speedely Suplyed.

That those who Served the Company formerly bee employed againe before any others, upon tearmes as cheape, with

¹ There is no record of a meeting on this date.

consideration of the quality of the goodes for ready money.

That Mr. Holmes forthwith deliver possession of the two Shippes to theyr Severall Comanders, vizt. the Ship *Prince Ruperte* to Captain Shephard, & the *Messinger* to Captain Draper who are accordeingly to take charge of them.

April 2,
1674

*A Comittee the 2 aprill 1674 at the Excise office
presente*

Earle of Shaftsbury
Lord As[h]ly
Sr. James Hayes,

Aldn. Dannett Forth
Mr. Millington
Mr. Hawkins

Ordered, That Mr. Holmes take the advise & direction of Captain Sheeres in provideing Stores & provisions for the two Shippes, & the people in the Countrey, the Sayd Captain Sheers beeing a person in whom the Company reposeseth greate truste for manning that buisnesse.

That it bee referred to Mr. Millington to advise with Captain Sheers for the quantity of provisions for 32 men for 16 monthes; & 20 men for 12 moes. & 17 men to goe & come for 3 monthes, & that the husbände doe attende Mr. Millington & Captain Sheers in order hereunto.

It is referred to Mr. Millington to take care with Captain Sheers for provideing a Shallop of about 10 tunns in quarters with materialls belonging to hir upon the best & cheapest termes.¹

That thursday next² bee appointed for choice of a governour for the Countrey & notice to bee given to all members of the Comittee thereof.

That £20 be payd to Mr. Yeames upon account of worke done to the *Prince Rupert & Messinger*.

¹ The shallop was made and paid for (cf. pp. 104, 124n.), but the Committee finally decided not to send it to Hudson Bay (cf. p. 111) and sold it to Captain Morris (cf. p. 122).

² The choice of governor was recorded on Monday, April 13, 1674.

That Captain Shephard & Captain Draper doe advise with Captain Sheers as well about what may bee necessary for fitteing out the two Shippes, as for takeing men into pay for this voyage, & that they certefye the same from time to time to Mr. Millington, to whom it is referred to advise & determine therein.

That Mr. Palmer have his full wages payd accordeing to agreement at his goeing to Sea, & alsoe that the beaver Skins & coates belonging to him bee delivered to his use, as well in respecte of his owne discovereing the same himselfe, as for other good Services done for the Company.

April 13,
1674

Excise office the 13 april 1674 then presente

Earle of Shaftsbury

Lord Ashley	Mr. Millington
Sr. George Cartrett	Mr. Kirke
Sr. John Griffith	Aldn. Dannett Forth
Sr. James Hayes	Mr. Hawkins

Ordred That Captain Sheers take care to provide a Shallop to be Sent by the ships now bound to Hudson's bay, & Such other things needfull for the two Ships for this voyage accordeing to a memoriall¹ by him delivered in.

That Mr. Holmes give an account to Captain Sheers of what caske is remaineing of the Companyes, in order to provideing Such a quantity more as may bee necessary for this expedition, & iron hoopes proportionable.

Ordered that there bee provided 7 mo. beare & 9 mo. mault for 32 men for the two Shippes out & home, & more 3 monthes beare for 17 men passengers, vizt. 10 outwards & 7 homewards, & 16 mo. mault more for 20 men that are to Stay in the country.

It is referred to Captain Sheers to agree for all provisions & Stores needfull for the voyage with the advise of Sr. James Hayes Aldn. Dannet Forth, Mr. Millington, & Mr. Hawkins or any two of them.

That a more then ordinary quantity of Salt bee Sent in hopes of Some benefitt by fisheing.

¹ Sheers' "memorial" has not been preserved as a separate document, but the purchases suggested in the memorial form the basis of the accounts printed pp. 98-9.

It is agreed with Mr. Wm. Lydall & hee is now chosen by this Committee to bee governour in Hudson's bay, to give £1000 Security for his true Service for three yeares at £100 p. annum, whereof £100 is to be advanced to him for fitteing himselfe for the voyage, & hee is to follow Such instructions as hee Shall receive from time to time from the Company, all manner of trade in beaver to bee forbidden; & all other private trade beaver excepted to bee mannaged openly, & by & with the knowledge of the Company or theyr agents or Servantes.

April 14,
1674

the 14th aprill 1674

Aldn. Dannett Forth
Mr. Millington

Mr. Kirke
Mr. Hawkins

Accordeing to an order of the Comittee of yesterday it is now ordred that Captain Sheers provide the followeing goodes accordeing to a memoriall by him delivered in for this next voyage to Hudson's bay, & first Such a quantity of caske as hee Shall finde necessary & iron hoopes proportionably alsoe

22 Tunns of beere for 32 men for 7 mo. at 28 dayes to the moneth &

5 tunns more for 17 men for 3 mo. in all
27 tunns of beere at 3 quartes a man p. diem

28 quarters of mault for 32 men for 9 mo. &
31 quarters of mault for 20 men for 16 mo.
59 quarters of mault in all, & more

128 C. of bread for 32 men for 16 mo.
13 C. of bread for 17 men for 3 mo. &

80 C. of bread for 20 men for 16 mo. in all
221 C. of bread, & more

23 C. of flower for 32 men for 160 dayes
2 : 2 qrs. more for 17 men for 30 dayes &
14 : 2 - more for 20 men for 160 dayes
40 - C. of flower in all

C.	lb.	
45	: 2	: 24 of beefe for 32 men for 160 dayes
4	: 2	: 6 for 17 men for 30 dayes &
<u>33</u>	: 3	: 20 for 20 men for 160 dayes in all
84	: 0	: 22 of beefe &
84	: 0	: 22 of porke for the same, in all
<u>168</u>	: 1	: 16 of beefe & porke

5	: 3	: - of currans & other fruit for 32 men for 160 dayes
2	: 14	more for 17 men 30 dayes &
<u>3</u>	: 3	: 14 for 20 men for 160 dayes
<u>10</u>	: 1	: - of fruite at $\frac{1}{2}$ e. p. messe

7	quarters	of pease for 32 men for <u>16</u> mo.
1	do.	more for 17 men for <u>3</u> mo. &
<u>12</u>	$\frac{1}{2}$	for 20 men for 24 monthes in all
<u>20</u>	$\frac{1}{2}$	quarters of pease more

512	lb.	of butter for 32 men for <u>16</u> mo. &
96	lb.	for 17 men for <u>3</u> mo. &
<u>320</u>	lb.	for 20 men for <u>16</u> mo.
<u>928</u>	lb.	of butter

1024	lb.	of cheese for 32 men for <u>16</u> mo.
192	lb.	for 17 men for <u>3</u> mo. &
<u>640</u>	lb.	for 20 men for <u>16</u> mo.
<u>1856</u>	lb.	of cheese

Alsoe a Shallop of tenn tunns or thereabouts & Such other provisions & Stores for the two Shippes as hee Shall finde needfull by & with the advise of the Committee or any two of them & particularly, to bee provided for the countrey a grinde Stone &

4 grosse of tinn Lookeing glasses & Mr. Radison to goe with the husbände to choose beades & flintes, & gett patternes of combes.

Ephraim Busie beeing recommended by Sr. Robert Viner to goe & Stay in the Countrey, it is ordred

That tuesday come Seven night bee apointed to treat as well with the Seamen for the two Shippes as alsoe with those that are to goe & Stay in the Countrey.

Christopher Jeffe } pretendeing wages due to them it is ordred
Wm. Frasier & } that the accountes of their wages bee
John Saunders } Stated.

Agreed with Richard Whitpaine the butcher for $\frac{1}{2}$ beefe & $\frac{1}{2}$ porke at 31/- p. C. & Mr. Sheers to See to the goodnesse of it :

Ordred that Mr. Goram make up the old caske & Suply what new caske may bee wanteing if hee will doe it as cheape as any other, els that Mr. Sheers take care to gett it where to bee had cheapest.

*Excise office 28 april 1674*April 28,
1674Mr. Millington
Mr. KirkeAldn. Dannett Forth
Mr. Hawkins

Proposed to have provided 3 hheads. of Vinegar $1\frac{1}{2}$ tunn of brandy, a bushell & a halfe of mustard Seede, 3 hheads. of oatmeale, 18 gallons of Sweete oyle, 60 douzin poundes of candles, 27 gallons of trayne oyle, 30 lb. of cotton weeke, 9 gallons of neates foot oyle, 40 gallons of Lymejuice, a proportionable quantity of onyons; two firkins of Salt for the two Shippes, & two barrells for the Countrey, 9000: of firewood for the two Shippes, two firkins of Soape for the Countrey, which Captain Sheers is to take care to gett provided,

& it is proposed for wages for the Mates $\pounds 4$ p. month Carpenters $\pounds 3 : 10 : -$ boatswaynes $\pounds 2 : 10 : -$ gunners $\pounds 2$ p. moneth but 20/- p. moneth more to each if they returne the Same yeare, & to the Seamen 30/- p. moneth, or 40/- p. moneth upon the aforesaid conditions.

May 4,
1674

Excise office 4 May 1674 presente

Earle of Shaftsbury

Sr. James Hayes	Ald. Dannel Forth
Mr. Millington	Sir John Griffith
Mr. Kirke	Mr. Hawkins

Ordred, That the Captaynes may Ship theyr Seamen upon the best tearmes they can not exceedeing 36/- p. moneth for able Seamen & to enter upon halfe pay from the time that they begin & Soe continue to doe Service upon the Shippes.

The Carpenters to have £4 : 10/- p. moneth if not to bee had under & the boatswaines £3 : 10/- p. moneth, & the gunners £2 : 10/- p. moneth, Captain Drapers mate agreed with for £5 p. month, & Mr. Hawkins mate to Captain Shephard £4 : 10 p. moneth, one chirurgeon onely to goe at £3 p. moneth besides him who is agreed with to Stay in the countrey, in regarde hee who is there already is to returne upon the first ship or Shippes.

That Mrs. Bailey's account bee Stated.

That Mr. Kirke Aldn. Forth Mr. Millington & Mr. Hawkins or any two of them take care to deliver the beaver to Mr. Hawkins to morrow morneing at Seven a clocke.

That Mr. Hawkins pay to Captain Sheers what money hee may wante for necessary occasions for the Company.

That notice bee given to all members of the Company for a gennerrall Courte upon fryday morneing next at 9 a clocke at the Prince's Lodgings in Whitehall.

*At a gennerall Courte at Whitehall the 8th may
1674 presente*

May 8,
1674

his Highnesse Prince Rupert

Earl of Shaftsbury

Earle of Craven

Sr. George Cartrett

Sr. John Robinson

Sr. John Griffith

Sr. Robert Viner

Sr. James Hayes

Mr. Kirke

Mr. Young

Mr. Prettiman

Mr. Walker

Mr. Forster

Ordred That Mr. Linsey haveing Long Since paid in £300 into this Companyes Stocke the Same bee allowed him as his Stocke & adventure in the Company, & hee bee admitted as a member thereof.

That no private trade bee allowed in any kinde of fures, & that all other private trade which may bee allowed in any other comodities, Shall bee by publicke License & brought into the Companyes warehouse to the ende that they may have cognisance thereof.

That Strict charge bee given to the Comanders of the two Shippes now outward bound for discovereing any manner of privacy that may bee in the Sayd Shippes for Stoweing private trade in order to prevente the same.

That it bee referred to Sr. John Robinson, Sr. John Griffith, Mr. Kirke, Mr. Prettiman, & Mr. Young, or any two of them to examine all papers relateing to Mr. Palmer's accountes & trade, & to compare the Same with his oath & make reporte thereof to the Committee.

May 12,
1674

At a Committee the 12th may 1674 presente

Earle of Shaftsbury
Sr. George Cartrett
Sr. John Robinson
Sr. John Griffith

Sr. James Hayes
Mr. Kirke
Aldn. John Forth
Mr. Hawkins

Ordred That Mr. Hawkins pay to Mr. Long for the Shallop, two Long boates, & two pinnacyes, as followeth, vizt. for the Shallop at 24/- a foot, for the two long boates at 12/- a foot, & 8/- a foot for the two pinnacies, accordeing as hath bin agreed with him by Captain Sheers, & it is left to the care of Mr. Holmes to See that the Shallop bee putt on boarde the Shippes as may bee most conveniente.

That it bee referred to the Sub comittee apointed the 13th of aprill last or any two of them, to Signe Such billes as Captain Sheers Shall bringe in, for provisions & Stores needfull for the voyage, which are accordingly to bee payd by Mr. Hawkins, & in the interim that £30 bee paid to Captain Sheers, which hee is hereafter to give account of.

The prices of powder & Shott are now proposed by the husbunde, & it is agreed unto, for 58/- a barrell the powder in $\frac{1}{2}$ barrells caske included, great bristow¹ Shott at 17/6d. Small bristow at 16/6d. cast shott 17/10d. muskett & pistoll Shott 16/10d. Small Shott 15/6d. p. C.

That Mr. Rastell draw up instructions for the Governour Comanders & others, & attende Sr. James Hayes for his directions therein.

A draughte of a bonde to bee entered into by the governour with Security for performeing the conditions thereof read &

¹ I.e. Bristol.

agreed unto & upon Sealeing thereof Mr. Hawkins to pay to Mr. Lydall the governour £100 by way of advance.

That it bee referred to Sr. John Robinson, Sr. James Hayes, Mr. Kirke, Aldn. Forth, Mr. Millington, & Mr. Hawkins or any two of them to take care that all the provisions & trade goods bee forthwith putt aboard, & that the Shippes bee dispatcht; & that all other things that concerne this voyage bee alsoe referred to them or any two of them.

That there bee a Committee upon tuesday next.¹

That Mr. Glover's debt bee adjusted for the whole parcell of beaver Sould him; to bee reported to the next Committee, & that an abatement bee made him in consideration of damage upon the beaver, & otherwise not exceedeing £149:—²

That the £300— Stocke of Mr. Hawkins his in this Companies bookes, bee & is now by this Committee ordred & confirmed to bee & belonge to the Sayd Mr. Hawkins or to his assignes to all intents & purposes as if he had bin originally by name mentioned in the pattente.

That £20 apiece bee paid to the two Comanders by way of Advance, & one monthes pay advancemoney to the Severall Seamen of the two Shippes, & Mr. Hawkins to pay the Sayd £20— apiece to the Comanders & one monthes advance money to the Seamen accordeingly, & £10— to Sr. John Robinson for Soe much paid by him formerly to Captain Shephard, to bee placed to the Sayd Capta. Shephards debt with this Company.

That the Chirurgeon belonging to the *Messinger* dogger have £3 p. moneth wages, & £5 paid him in hande by way of advance or for the cheste.

¹ There is no record of the meeting held on Tuesday, May 19, 1674.

² See p. 73, n. 1.

May 14,
1674

At a Sub Committee the 14th of may 1674

Sr. James Hayes
Aldn. John Forth

Ordred & it is agreed & allowed of that 5000 bricces, $3\frac{1}{2}$ chaldron of coales, 1000 tyles, 6 tunns of beare, & 5 tunns of meate, & the like quantity of the Same, are laden aboard the *Prince Rupert* & *Messinger Dogger*.

It is reported that the Seamen are all Shipt aboard the two Shippes, & doe enter upon halfe pay aboard the *Prince Rupert* the 11th & aboard the *Messinger* the 9th instante.

Mrs. Kethro's petition¹ & Capta. Guillam's letter on behalfe of Obadiah Coates, referred to bee considered by the next Committee.

John Malyn who was formerly gunner of the *Wivenhoe*, & usefull in mendeing the armes wch. were defective in the Country, is recomended by Captain Draper to goe & Stay in the country, which is alsoe referred to the consideration of the next Committee.

That 6 bushells of bay Salt & 2 bushells of white Salt² in all 8 bushells bee Sent besides what hath bin formerly ordred, & 4 bushells of the Severall Sortes of graine following bee

¹ There is no record of the petition, the letter or Mrs. Kethro: and the matter of Obadiah Coates was not dealt with until the Committees of May 21 and 27 (cf. pp. 111 and 112).

² "Bay salt" was coarse salt from the Bay of Biscay, got by evaporation from the sea. "White salt" was English salt, largely obtained from the salt workings in Cheshire.

alsoe provided for the Countrey, Vizt. of wheate, rye, barley & oates.

That the governour Shall goe wth. Captain Shephard.

It is referred to the governour to procure tenn men fitt for the Companyes Service to Stay in the Countrey, & also to view the gunns that are provided & make reporte of one & the other to the next Committee.

That a Subcommittee bee apointed to meete upon Saturday next at three a clocke, & notice to bee given accordeingly.

May 16,
1674

At a Subcommittee the 16 may 1674 presente

Sr. James Hayes
Mr. Kirke

Aldn. Dannett Forth
Mr. Hawkins

Ordred, That 300 gunns bee provided in the whole, Vizt. by Mr. Shaw 80, Mr. Palmer 50, Mr. Stacye 60, Mr. West 50, Mr. Bolton 30, Mr. Irelande 30: & that Mr. Holmes provide 4 pieces of duffalls, 1000 lb. weight of tobacco of Aldn. Jeffreyes, 200 lb. of glasse beades, 100 red cappes, 6000 flintes, 600 gunn Sticks, 300 wormes for gunns, & 300 bandes for gunnes, 100 lb. weight of red lead, 12 dousin of powder hornes, 15 grosse of tobacco pipes 100 penniston cappes, two grosse of Small lookeing glasses, 200 faddom of netteing, 200 lb. weight of Lines, foure grosse of ivory combes two grosse of box combes, 50 lb. weight of Smaltes;¹ 100 lb. weight of twine, a hhead. of Wooddenware of Severall Sortes, tenn poundes of blacke browne redd & blew thred, fourty Suites of clothes for the Seamen, a bushell of wheate, & of rye, barley, & oates, or a barrell of each in caske, Such Sortes of garden Seedes as the governour Shall advise, a bible, a common prayer booke, a booke of homilyes, Six pewter dishes, twelve pewter plates, twelve alchimy Spoones & Six pewter porringers:

That Captain Shephard have the ballance of his account payd him which is £4: 10: 6:

The persons followeing agreed with to Stay in the Countrey for three yeares upon the tearmes followeing, Vizt. Robert Wilkinson Smith at £20 p. annum, Henry Rainsborough cooper at £20 p. annum, Francis Moseley taylour at £15-

¹ A fine powder, used as a deep blue pigment. It incorporated "Smaltite", cobalt diarsenide.