

John Whitfield cooke at £20 Richard Noldridge bricklayer at £20— Walter Farr chirurgeon at £48 Michell Millington Sawyer at £15— John Malyn at £20— Charles Elmor at £15— Henry Dickinson at £12— & Robert Palmer the governours Servant at £12 p. annum.¹

¹ These men, despite their trades, were eventually shipped aboard the *Shaftesbury* and the *Prince Rupert* as able seamen, although they also agreed to stay in the country for three years. Cf. p. 114.

May 25,
1674

At a Committee the 25th may¹ 1674 presente

Earle of Shaftsbury
Sr. James Hayes
Aldn. Dannett Forth

Ordred That Mr. Hawkins pay to the two Comanders of the two Shippes two monthes advance money for the Seamen belonging to the Sayd two Shippes respectively, whose names are particularly to bee brought in by the Sayd Comanders to the next Committee, & that £60- bee payd to the governour to make up £100- formerly ordred him for his advance money with £40 already payd him.

That £30 more bee payd to the governour for to bee issued out by him for advance money to the men who are to Stay in the Countrey whose names hee is likewise to bringe in to the next Committee.

That the Seamen & all others be obliged from any trade in all kinde of fures.

¹ The minutes of this meeting appear before those of May 21, 1674.

21th may 1674 *presente*May 21,
1674Earle of Shaftsbury
Sr. James HayesAldn. Dannett Forth
Mr. Hawkins

Ordred, That there bee a Committee upon Munday¹ next for dispatch of the Shippes & upon tuesday following for adjuſteing all tradesmens billes & for determeineing all businesses that may concerne this voyage.

Mr. Ireland & Mr. Bolton complaineing that they have made more gunns then are accepted, the Same is referred to the next Committee.

That Obadiah Coates his wages bee Settled by any two of the Committee & paid him accordeingly.

Agreed that Mr. Hawkins goe mate wth. Capta. Shephard.

That the Shallop bee not Sent this voyage, but kept at home or otherwise disposed of.

The orders of the Sub Committee of the 16th & 19th² may confirmed.

if the Shippes outward bound should chance to meete Captain Cole in the *Imploy* homewards bound it is referred to the consideration of the next Committee what to determine therein.

¹ For the meeting held on Monday, May 25, 1674, see p. 110. The meeting fixed for Tuesday, May 26, was presumably postponed until Wednesday, May 27, 1674. See p. 112.

² There is no record of the resolutions passed on this date.

May 27,
1674

27 May 1674 *presente*

Earle of Shaftsbury
Sr. James Hayes

Aldn. Dannett Forth
Mr. Hawkins

Ordred that Mr. Hawkins pay £20 : - to Mr. Holmes who is to bee accountable for the Same.

That a letter bee written to Mr. Bailey for his coming home, & that hee deliver all goods Stores papers bookes &c. belonging to the Company to Mr. Lydall upon his arrivall, & bee assistante to him in discovereing & preventeing private trade &c.

That the overplus of gunns provided by Mr. Bolton & Mr. Ireland more then was formerly allowed bee taken from them & Shipt with the reste for the Companyes use payeing for them at foure monthes time.

That £20 more bee paid to Capta. Draper in consideration of Service done by him; & £20 : - to Obadiah Coates in full of his account for wages.

It is referred to Sr. James Hayes & Mr. Hawkins to State & Settle all businesses relating to this Voyage, in order to the dispatch & cleareing the Shippes away.

That £5 bee payd to the Chirurgion for his Cheste.

*29th May 1674 presente*May 29,
1674Sr. James Hayes
Aldn. Dannett Forth
Mr. Hawkins

Ordred That in pursuance of a former order made the 25th of this moneth for payeing the Comanders of the two Ships two monthes advance money for the Seamen, Mr. Hawkins doe pay £90- to Capta. Guillam & £90 to Capta. Shephard for the purposes aforesaid which they are severally to bee accountable for & that Mr. Rastell or Mr. Heatley give warrantes accordeingly.

That Capta. Shephard have £30 paid him by Mr. Hawkins upon his own account.

That two quarter cask of Port wine bee provided & putt aboard the two Shippes & £10 apiece bee allowed to the Captains for fresh provisions.

That 50 fathom of netteing bee provided for fisheing for the two Shippes to bee afterwarde left in the Countrey.

That £20 bee paid to the husbnde for payeing carpenters worke & defrayeing other charges wch. hee is to bee accountable for.

Munday next at 5 alocke a Comittee to bee apointed at Mr. Hawkins house.

June 1,
1674

mo. June 1674 presente

Sr. James Hayes
Mr. Hawkins

Ordered That £5- bee paid to the wife of Solomon Saul in further parte of his wages hee beeing an able Carpenter now in the Countrey, & to Stay there one yeare more.

That accordeing to a former order of the 16th of May Last the persons hereunder named Shall bee Shipt for the Countrey at the Wages hereunder mentioned, & that accordeingly Capta. Shephard Shall receive aboard the *Shaftsbury* Wm. Lydall Esqr. Governour who wee order Shall bee treated with respecte & Walter Farr chirurgeon agreed with at £48 p. annum, John Whitfield cooke at £20 p.a. John Malin at £20- Charles Elmore at £15- & Robert Palmer the governors Servante at £12 p.a. & that Capta. Guillam Shall receive on board the *Prince Rupert*, Robert Wilkinson Smith at £20 p.a. Henry Rainsborough cooper at £20 : Francis Moseley tailour at £15- Richa. Noldridge bricklayer at £20- Michel Millington Sawyer at £15- & Henry Dickinson cooke at £12 p.a. all the aforesaid partyes beeing able Seamen as wee are informed, & agreed with to Stay there for 3 yeares.

JUNE 3, 1674

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3 June 1674 *presente*

June 3,
1674

Earle of Shaftsbury

Sr. James Hayes

Aldn. Darnet Forth

Sr. John Griffith

Mr. Millington

Ordered, That the orders made by the Subcommittee dated the 29th of may Last & the pmo. of this presente June bee confirmed.

That George Buck bee entertained in the Compaes. Service & bee received aboard the *Shaftsbury* to Stay in the Countrey three yeares at £10 p. annum.

That it bee referred to Captain Sheers to Suply what provisions hee Shall finde wanteing for the 13 men that goe passengers upon the two Shippes to Stay in the countrey, beeing three firkins of butter & a hundred of haberbin¹ for each Ship; & Such other provisions as hee Shall finde necessary for the endes aforesayd.

That the Accountante & the husbunde forthwith make out perfecte invoices & gett billes of Ladeing Signed by the two comanders for all goods & provisions that are Laden aboard the two shippes to bee delivered to the governour together with his instructions, copies of all which are to bee kept here, & to See that the Shippes bee forthwith cleared at the Customehouse here.

That Mr. Hawkins pay to the two Comanders what may bee needfull for payment of the halfe pay to the Seamen & others, & what more hee Shall judge necessary for cleareing the Shippes with the consent of Adn. Forth & Mr. Millington, or either of them.

¹ Haberdine is salt- or sun-dried cod. See p. 78 n. 1.

That Aldn. Dannett Forth & Mr. Hawkins or one of them bee desired to goe downe to Gravesende to cleare the Shippes from thence, & that Mr. Rastell Mr. Heatley & Mr. Holmes attende them or either of them herein, & what moneyes are necessary for dispatch of the Shippes Mr. Hawkins is desired to furnish & place it to the Companyes debt.

That £4 bee payd to Sr. James Hayes or Such person as hee Shall order for defrayeing the charges of writeing the instructions, & of his journey to Winsor to gett them Signed.¹

That the Comanders of the two Shippes Shall not receive any men aboard in Hudson's bay but by the governours apointment & accordeing to his directions, & that a clause bee added to the instructions to the two Comanders to that purpose.

That Captain Sheers Signe all tradesmen's bills for goods delivered upon his perusall & approvall thereof, or else objecte what he hath to Say against them in writeing to the Comittee or Some of them.

That Mr. Hawkins pay £10- to Mrs. Tatnum upon account of hir husbands wages who is to Stay in the Countrey.

That Mr. Hawkins pay £40- to Capta. Guillam by way of advance & for defrayeing his necessary charges which hee is to bee accountable for.

¹The Court was in residence at Windsor at this time. Cf. *The London Gazette*, No. 887, "Whitehal, May 20 [1674]. This morning their Majesties, their Royal Highnesses, and the whole Court, parted hence for *Windsor*, where their Majesties intend to pass some time."

June 25,
1674*25th June 1674 presente*

Earle of Shaftsbury

Sr. James Hayes

Mr. Millington

Aldn. Dannett Forth

Mr. Hawkins

Ordered, That the persons followeing bee presented to the next gennerall Courte, to bee admitted as further adventurers in the Company for theyr Severall & respective Stockes hereafter mentioned, Vizt. the Right Honable. Earle of Shaftsbury three hundred poundes new Stocke, Sr. James Hayes three hundred poundes new Stocke, besides what they have already in Stocke, John Bence¹ Esqr. three hundred poundes, & Richard Carew Esqr. foure hundred poundes Stocke; I say for Mr. Carew foure hundred poundes which in the whole is thirteene hundred poundes, upon payment of which said Summes the persons aforesayd are to bee admitted accordeingly into the jointe Stocke of this Company, upon approvall of the next gennerall Courte.

That there be a gennerall Courte apointed to meete at my Lord Shaftsburies upon munday next at three a Clocke & all the members of the Company to have notice thereof.

That it be referred to Sr. James Hayes, Mr. Kirke Aldn. Dannett Forth Mr. Millington & Mr. Hawkins or any two of them to examine & State all the trademens accounts for goodes delivered to the Companyes use, & that any three of them may order payment thereof accordeingly.

¹ John Bence, son of Alderman Alexander Bence, and father-in-law of Vere Fane, 4th Earl of Westmorland. He was Member of Parliament for Aldeburgh, 1659, 1669-79, 1679-81 and 1685-87; Commissioner of the Navy, 1646; Sheriff of Norfolk, 1664-65; Alderman of Bishopsgate ward, London, 1664-65; Master of the Grocers' Company, 1668-69; and one of the Royal Adventurers of England trading into Africa. He served on the H.B.C. Committee 1674-76. A.43/1, fos. 15-16, September 3 and 18, 1679, Bence disposed of his holding of £300 H.B.C. stock.

That it bee referred to Sr. George Cartrett Sr. John Robinson Sr. James Hayes, Mr. Kirke, Aldn. Dannett Forth, & Mr. Millington, or any three of them, to examine Mr. Hawkins his account, & that they give reporte thereof to the next Committee;¹ notice to bee given thereof to all the persons aforesaid to meet upon munday next at three a clocke in order thereunto.

That Mr. Heatley attende the Sayd Committee at the Said time, or Sende in his accountes to bee examined & audited by them.

That the followeing bills bee payd beeing now examined & allowed by us as followeth Vizt. the Salters bill No. 5: to him $\times \text{£}7:5:10d.$: the coblers bill No. 8 $\times \text{£}4:11:4$ the oare makers bill No. 11 $\times \text{£}6:2:6$: the blockemakers bill No. 13 $\times \text{£}12:16:11d.$ the combemakers bill No. 16: $\times \text{£}15:12:-$: the Joyners bill No. 17 $\times \text{£}4:16:-$: the painters bill No. 19 $\times \text{£}6:14:-$ the brasiers bill No. 24 $\times \text{£}5:5:6$: the turners bill No. 26 $\times \text{£}12:19:2$: the carvers bill No. 28 $\times \text{£}4:12:6$: the Lighterman's bill No. 32 $\times \text{£}3:3:6$: the woodmongers bill No. 33 $\times \text{£}12:-:-$: the bricklayers bill No. 34 $\times \text{£}4:7:8d.$ the habbardashers bill No. 36 $\times \text{£}7:15:-$ the mchants. bill for beades No. 40 $\times \text{£}12:2:10d.$ the Joyners bill No. 41 $\times \text{£}9:14:1$: the pewterers bill No. 43: $\times \text{£}6:8:6$: the Tinnmans bill No. 45 $\times \text{£}2:13:4$ the fishmongers bill No. 46 $\times \text{£}12:10:-$ the charges of the

¹ A General Court and a Committee meeting intervened before Hawkins' accounts were eventually reported on, on July 8. Cf. p. 125.

Ship rideing at the chaine No. 48 × £2 : 8 : 6 : amounteing unto in the whole £153 : 19 : 2.¹

¹ A.14/1, fos. 68d.-152, passim, April-June, 1674, Henry Manchester (cobbler) was paid for "pump leathers, Scuppers and other things dd. for ye use of the *Prince Rupert & Shaftsbury*"; Giles Clarke for "severall Oarrs dd. for the use of the *Rupert & Messenger Dogger*"; Thomas Gearing for "Blocks, pumpes, Fidds, Handspicks, & other things dd. on board the *Prince Rupert*"; William White for "2 Grosse of Ivory Combs at 8s. p. dozen & two grosse of ditto at 5s. p. dozen" (see p. 31); John Juars for "painting the *Prince Rupert* and *Shaftsbury* Pink"; Walter Onyons for "Brasse & Copper ware dd. & worke done for ye use of the *Prince Rupert & Shaftsbury*"; Edward Shepard for "Bricklayers worke done aboard the *Prince Rupert & Messenger*"; William Winch for "30 Mounteers Capps at 3s. a peece & 26 at 2s. 6d. a peece"; Samuell Lamott for "185 lb. of beads at 14d. p. lb. & 1½ grosse of Tinshoves at 18s. p. gross"; Mr. Daniell for "Joyners worke" done on board the *Shaftsbury* and the *Prince Rupert*; Jos. Parker for "a pcell. of pewter dd. for the Companies use"; Richard Owen for "Tinwork dd. on board the *Pr. Rupert & Shaftsbury*"; and Henry Wilson for "2 Ct. of Large Northsea Cod . . . at £6. 5s. p. Ct."

June 29,
1674

At a gennerall Courte the 29th June 1674 presente

The Earle of Shaftsbury
 Sr. James Hayes Mr. Hawkins
 Aldn. Dannett Forth Sr. John Griffith
 Mr. Millington Mr. Walker
 Major Baynes on behalfe of the Duke of Albermarle

In regarde it apeareth that there is a greate Summe of money owing to Severall persons for goodes bought & for Stores & provisions for Setteing out the Shippes this Voyage, & that the Companyes Credit is very highly concerned for payeing the same, & that it is not thought fitt to deferre it to a further time for rayseing the Same. It is ordred that Mr. Walker offreing to pay in fifty poundes Stocke more to this Company, upon payment thereof to Mr. Hawkins the treasurer, hee Shall bee admitted into the Company for Soe much more Stocke besides what hee is already concerned therein.

That the right honorable. Earle of Shaftsbury upon payeing in to Mr. Hawkins the treasurer three hundred poundes for the use of the Company, Shall bee alsoe admitted into the Stocke for soe much more adventurer besides what hee is already concerned, I say for three hundred poundes.

That upon payment of three hundred poundes to Mr. Hawkins the treasurer by Sr. James Hayes for the Companyes use hee bee alsoe admitted soe much more as an adventurer besides what hee hath already in this joynte Stocke.

That upon payment of three hundred poundes by John Bence Esqr. & of foure hundred poundes by Richard Carew Esqr. unto the Sayd Mr. Hawkins the Companyes treasurer, the Sayd John Bence & Richard Carew Shall both of them bee admitted as jointe adventurers in this Stocke for their respective Summes as they Shall accordeingly pay in Severally, & bee allowed as members of this Company.

Upon Mr. Holmes the Companyes husbandes alleageing that Some billes may yet bee brought in which hee knoweth not of, it is now proposed that his grace the Duke of Albermarle upon payeing in one or two hundred poundes more to Mr. Hawkins the treasurer may bee admitted if hee pleaseth Soe much more Stocke in the Company as hee Shall accordeingly pay in.

That there bee allowed to Mr. Raddison one hundred poundes p. annum from the time of his Last arivall at London, in consideration of services done by him, out of which to bee deducted what hath bin already paid him Since that time, & if it Shall please God to blesse this Company with good Successe hereafter that they Shall come to bee in a prosperous condition, they will then reassume the consideration hereof.

That it bee referred to Sr. John Robinson Sr. James Hayes, Sr. John Kirke, Aldn. Dannett Forth Mr. Millington & Mr. Hawkins, or any three of them to examine & allow & Signe Mr. Holmes, Mr. Heatley & Captain Sheers his accountes, & all accountes and demandes of all officers & other persons relateing to this Company, & to order paimente recompence & Satisfaction as they or any three of them under theyr handes Shall allow, which Mr. Hawkins is to pay accordeingly.

That the sayd Comittee Shall alsoe inspecte all the Companies accountes from the beginneing, & take care that the same bee putt into an intelligible & orderly method.

The sayd Comittee is alsoe to examine Mr. Hawkins his account & allow of the Same under theyr handes as they Shall See cause, which allowance Shall bee to him a Sufficiente discharge & to meete every fryday afternoone at three a clocke for the purposes aforesayd.

July 6,
1674*At a Committee the 6th July 1674 presente*Sr. James Hayes
Mr. MillingtonAldn. Dannett Forth
Mr. Hawkins

It is ordred upon an agreement now made wth. Captain Robert Morris for the Shallop in the condition as Shee is now that Mr. Holmes deliver the Same to him with the two tackes formerly belonging to the Dogger, hee payeing to Mr. Hawkins the treasurer £24 for ye same.

That the followeing Summes bee payd to the Severall persons hereafter mentioned upon account of moneyes due to them from the Company, Vizt. to Mr. Eames the Shipwright upon account of his bill No. 1 × £40: to Mr. Wm. Hooker ropemaker upon his bill No. 3 × £80- to Mr. Neale the cheesemonger No. 4: × £30:-: to Mr. Purser blockemaker No. 7 × £13: to Mr. Mew¹ the mealeman & baker No. 9⁷ × £100-- to Mr. Whitpaine² the butcher

¹ A.14/1, fos. 88d.-149, passim, between July, 1674, and March, 1675, Eames was paid a total of £103. 8s. od. for "Shipwrights worke done & goods dd."; Robert Hooker a total of £155. 19s. od. for "severall quantities of Cordage dd. on board the *Prince Rupert & Shaftsbury Pinke*"; Edward Neale a total of £57 for "a quantity of Butter at 25s. ye firkin & cheshire cheese at 35s. ye Ct."; William Purser a total of £23. 15s. od. for "Blocks, Sheaves, deadeyes & other things"; and Richard Mew £222. 10s. od. for a "quantity of Bisquet & flower dd. on board the *Prince Rupert & Shaftsbury*". All the work was done or the goods delivered in the spring of 1674.

² *Ibid.*, fos. 85d.-86, Richard Whitepaine.

Dr. 1674		£200	Cr. 1674	
July 24	To cash	107	April 23	" By 189 Ct. of Pork & Beefe . . . 31 311. p. Ct." £292. 19. 0.
Oct. 20	" " an abatement	1. 2. 0.		" By 122 bushells & ¼ of Salt at 2s. 6d. p. bushell " £15. 3. 6.
				" Agreed to abate " £1. 0. 2.
		<u>£308. 2. 0.</u>		" So remains " <u>£308. 2. 0.</u>

The errors in calculation occur in the ledger.

No. 10 × £200— to Mr. Raimond¹ the brewer No. 12 : ×
 £30 : -- to Mr. Goram² the cooper No. 14 × £40 : --
 to Mr. Buckler³ the powder maker No. 15 × £40— to Mr.
 Sleeps for Shott No. 18 × £40— to Mr. Baker oyleman
 No. 20 × £20 : to Mr. Gore Slopseller No. 21 × £25 : --
 to Mr. Man the grocer No. 22 × £15 : -- to Mr. Young
 the Stiller No. 23 : × £30-- to Mr. Sellers⁴ the
 compasmaker No. 25 × £15 : -- to Mr. Skepper Brasyer
 for kettles No. 27 × £70 : -- to Mr. Joice Saylemaker
 No. 29 × £60 : -- to Mr. Wood mastmaker No. 30 ×
 £20-- to Mr. Bacon chandler No. 31 × £14— to
 Mr. Bartlett baker No. 35 × £40— to Mr. Wiltshire
 ironmonger No. 37 × £50 : -- to Mr. Long boatemaker
 No. 38 × £40— to Mr. Hinkes ironmonger for hatchetts
 No. 39 : £40 to Mrs. Love for duffalls No. 47 × £15— &
 to the gunsmithes as followeth Vizt. to Mr. John Shaw

¹ Ibid., fos. 108d.-109, May 9, 1674, John Raymond was credited with £63. 18s. 6d. on account of "Beere and Malt. dd. on board the *Prince Rupert*", but the £30 to be paid on account referred to in the above resolution was not paid. A.14/2, fo. 67d., November 15, 1675, he was paid £63. 18s. 6d. cash.

² A.14/1, fos. 94d.-95, July 11 and August 15, 1674, Francis Goram was paid £40 and £48 respectively on account of "Caske dd. and work done" in April, 1674.

³ See p. 104. A.14/1, fos. 146d.-147, July 11 and August 5, 1674, William Buckler was paid £40 and £27. 9s. 0d. for "46 barrills. & $\frac{1}{2}$ of fine powder at 58s. p. barril. dd. for the use of the Company & 15s. charges" in May, 1674. This account is written clearly in the ledger, but it is clear that the account must have been for 46 half-barrells.

⁴ A.14/1, fos. 99d.-150, passim, between July, 1674, and March, 1675, Mrs. Margaret Sleep was paid a total of £70. 18s. 0d. for "severall parcellis of shott"; John Baker a total of £27 16s. 0d. for "severall pcellis. of Oyle Vinegar sope & other things"; John Gore a total of £43 for "Stockings Sutes, shirts shoes mit-taines & Hammocks"; Samll. Mann a total of £23. 13s. 0d. for "Fruit Suger & Spice"; Samuell Young a total of £47 for "three pipes of Nantes Brandy qt. 368 gall. at £32 p. Tonn & charges 6s."; and John Sellar a total of £25. 13s. 0d. for "Compasses, Cards & other things dd. for the use of the *Prince Rupert & Shaftsbury*". All the goods were delivered in May, 1674.

gunsmith No. 1 × £40- to Henry Blanyer¹ No. 2 × £14-
 to Wm. Palmer No. 3 × £25- to Wm. Bolton No. 4 × £20-
 to Thomas West No. 5 × £30- to Edward Ireland No. 6
 × £25- to Joseph Stacey No. 8 × £35- & that × £7-
 bee paid to Mr. Plumme the bargeman for hyre of his barge
 to Gravesende.

¹ Ibid., fos. 90-152, passim, between July, 1674, and March, 1675, William Joyce was paid a total of £115 for "Sailes &ca. dd. Capt. Gillam, Shepard & Cole"; Philip Bacon a total of £24. 13s. od. for "severall pcells. of Candles & other things dd. to Capt. Gillam & Capt. Shepard on board the *Prince Rupert* and *Shaftsbury*"; Joseph Bartlett a total of £70. 15s. 3d. for "83 Ct. 1 qr. of Bisquett"; Christopher Wiltshire a total of £106. 15s. od. for hatchets and other ironmongery; William Long a total of £71 less an abatement of 7s. od. for "a Sloop of 30 foot Long valued at £36 Two flemish Longboats at £21 Two Pinaces at £12:8 Some other things £1:19"; Mrs. Mary Love a total of £28. 12s. od. for "182 yds. of blew & red course cloth call'd Duffil . . . at 3s. 2d p. yd. abateing in ye whole 4s. 4d."; and Henry Blanyer a total of £24. 7s. od. for "severall Firearms & other armes". All the goods were delivered from April-June, 1674.

At a Committee the 8th July 1674 presente

July 8,
1674

Sr. John Robinson	
Sr. James Hayes	Mr. Millington
Aldn. Dannett Forth	Mr. Hawkins

Ordred That upon examineing Mr. Hawkins his account of Cash now produced before the Comittee, Wee have Stated & allowed the Sayd account & doe finde $\text{£}4000$ received by him of Mr. Glover & $\text{£}4021 : 18 : 3$: by him payd to Severall persons & by us allowed, Soe that wee finde due to him $\text{£}21 : 18 : 3$.

That $\text{£}7 : 7 : 8$: bee payd to Mr. Joseph Thompson's wife for halfe pay due to him from the 12th of march to the 10th may followeing is $\text{£}4 : 16 : 8$: & $\text{£}2 : 11$: for expences & dyett for 8 weeks & 3 dayes is in all as aforesayd $\text{£}7 : 7 : 8d$.

That $\text{£}10$ bee payd to Mr. Radison upon account.

That Mr. Heatley bringe the bookes of accountes to the Comittee upon fryday next, & that Mr. Rastell & hee propose to them then Such a method as they Shall thinke best for the bookes to bee kept in, & receive Such directions as the Comittee Shall then give therein.

July 22,
1674

At a Committee the 22th July 1674

Aldn. Dannet Forth
Mr. Millington
Mr. Hawkins

That Mr. Skipper¹ the brasyer bee payd £137 : 10 : 6 : due to him in full of his account.

That Mr. Palmer the gunsmith bee payd twenty five poundes in full of money due to him.

That Mr. Shaw the gunsmith bee payd fourty poundes in full of his account.

That Mr. Bolton the gunsmith bee payd tenn poundes to make up thirty poundes with what hath bin formerly payd him for thirty gunns delivered in to this Companyes use.

That Mr. Stacey the gunsmith bee payd Soe much money as wth. what hath bin payd him formerly will make up £70 : 18- in full of his bill.

That Mr. West bee payd Soe much money as will make up with what hee hath received £56- for gunns delivered for the use of the Company.

¹ *Ibid.*, fos. 129d.-151, *passim*, July, 1674, to December, 1675, John Skipper was paid for "a parcell of brasse Kettles"; Mr. Shaw's unbalanced account was credited with £31. 10s. *od.* (May 13, 1674) for "30 Fowling peeces at 21s. p. peece"; William Boulton was paid a total of £50 for "Fifty fowling peeces . . . at 20s. a peece"; Mr. Stacey a total of £70. 18s. *od.* for "60 Gunns at 20s. p. gunn, 16 Snaphans Musqts. at 10s. p. peece 8 doz. of brasse bands at 2s. p. doz. & 6000 of flints at 7s. p. thousand"; and Thomas West a total of £56 for "fifty fowling peeces at 20s. each £50 & for Gunstickes brasse bands wormes & Scowerers . . . £6". All the goods were delivered in the spring of 1674.

That Mr. Ireland¹ bee payd five poundes in full for gunns delivered by him.

That Mr. Hinkes² have the residue of his money to make up the full of his bill £85:18— for hatchetts & nayles delivered to the Companyes use.

That Mr. Rastell or Mr. Heatley certefye if the moneyes aforesaid bee due that Soe the Same bee payd by Mr. Hawkins the treasurer for the Companyes use.

¹ Ibid., fos. 122d.-123, Edward Ireland's account shows that he and William Palmer jointly supplied 105 fowling pieces at £1 each in May, 1674. They were paid as follows:

1674—July 11	Palmer	£25
„ 13	Ireland	£25
„ 25	Palmer	£25
Aug. 27	Ireland	£5
1675—Dec. 20	Ireland's widow	£25

² See p. 89. A.14/1, fo. 145, May 26, 1674, "Mr. Samuel Hincks" was credited with £85. 18s. on account of 2,000 "hatchetts . . . at 10d. a ps. £83. 6s. 8d. Nails & other things £2. 11s. 11d."

APPENDIX A

THE ROYAL CHARTER INCORPORATING
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APPENDIX A

THE ROYAL CHARTER INCORPORATING THE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY, A.D. 1670.¹

CHARLES THE SECOND By the grace of God King of England Scotland France and Ireland defender of the faith &c To ALL to whome these presentes shall come greeting WHEREAS Our Deare and entirely Beloved Cousin Prince Rupert Count Palatyne of the Rhyne Duke of Bavaria and Cumberland &c Christopher Duke of Albemarle William Earle of Craven Henry Lord Arlington Anthony Lord Ashley Sir John Robinson and Sir Robert Vyner Knightes and Baronettes Sir Peter Colliton Baronett Sir Edward Hungerford Knight of the Bath Sir Paul Neile Knight Sir John Griffith and Sir Phillipp Carteret Knightes James Hayes John Kirke Francis Millington William Prettyman John Fenn Esquires and John Portman Cittizen and Goldsmith of London have at their owne great cost and charge undertaken an EXPEDICION for Hudsons Bay in the Northwest part of America for the discovery of a new Passage into the South Sea and for the finding some Trade for Furr's Mineralls and other considerable Commodities and by such their undertakeing have already made such discoveries as doe encourage them to proceed further in pursuance of their said designe by meanes whereof there may probably arise very great advantage to us and our Kingdome AND WHEREAS the said undertakers for their further encouragement in the said designe have humbly besought us to Incorporate them and grant unto them and their successors the sole Trade and Commerce of all those

¹ H.B.C. Archives.

Seas Streights Bayes Rivers Lakes Creekes and Soundes in whatsoever Latitude they shall bee that lye within the entrance of the Streights commonly called Hudsons Streights together with all the Landes Countryes and Territoryes upon the Coastes and Confynes of the Seas Streights Bayes Lakes Rivers Creekes and Soundes aforesaid which are not now actually possessed by any of our Subjectes or by the Subjectes of any other Christian Prince or State NOW KNOW YEE that Wee being desirous to promote all Endeavours tending to the publike good of our people and to encourage the said undertakeing HAVE of our especiall grace certaine knowledge and meere mocion Given granted ratified and confirmed And by these Presentes for us our heires and Successors DOE give grant ratifie and confirme unto our said Cousin Prince Rupert Christopher Duke of Albemarle William Earle of Craven Henry Lord Arlington Anthony Lord Ashley Sir John Robinson Sir Robert Vyner Sir Peter Colleton Sir Edward Hungerford Sir Paul Neile Sir John Griffith and Sir Phillipp Carterett James Hayes John Kirke Francis Millington William Prettyman John Fenn and John Portman That they and such others as shall bee admitted into the said Society as is hereafter expressed shall bee one Body Corporate and Politique in deed and in name by the name of the Governor and Company of Adventurers of England tradeing into Hudsons Bay and them by the name of the Governor and Company of Adventurers of England tradeing into Hudsons Bay one Body Corporate and Politique in deede and in name really and fully for ever for us our heires and successors WEE DOE make ordeyne constitute establish confirme and declare by these Presentes and that by the same name of Governor & Company of Adventurers of England Tradeing into Hudsons Bay they shall have perpetuall succession And that they and their successors by the name of the Governor and Company of Adventurers of England tradeing into Hudsons Bay bee and at all tymes hereafter shall bee persons able and capable in Law to have purchase receive possesse enjoy and reteyne Landes Rentes priviledges libertyes Jurisdiccions Franchisyes and hereditamentes of what kinde

nature and quality soever they bee to them and their Successors And alsoe to give grant demise alien assigne and dispose Landes Tenementes and hereditamentes and to doe and execute all and singuler other thinges by the same name that to them shall or may apperteyne to doe And that they and their Successors by the name of the Governor and Company of Adventurers of England Tradeing into Hudsons Bay may pleade and bee impleaded answeare and bee answered defend and bee defended in whatsoever Courtes and places before whatsoever Judges and Justices and other persons and Officers in all and singuler Accions Pleas Suites Quarrells causes and demandes whatsoever of whatsoever kinde nature or sort in such manner and forme as any other our Liege people of this our Realme of England being persons able and capable in Lawe may or can have purchase receive possesse enjoy reteyne give grant demise alien assigne dispose pleade defend and bee defended doe permitt and execute And that the said Governor and Company of Adventurers of England Tradeing into Hudsons Bay and their successors may have a Common Seale to serve for all the causes and busshesses of them and their Successors and that itt shall and may bee lawfull to the said Governor and Company and their Successors the same Seale from tyme to tyme at their will and pleasure to breake change and to make a new or alter as to them shall seeme expedient AND FURTHER WEE WILL And by these presentes for us our Heires and successors WEE DOE ordeyne that there shall bee from henceforth one of the same Company to bee elected and appointed in such forme as hereafter in these presentes is expressed which shall bee called The Governor of the said Company And that the said Governor and Company shall or may elect seaven of their number in such forme as hereafter in these presentes is expressed which shall bee called the Committee of the said Company which Committee of seaven or any three of them together with the Governor or Deputy Governor of the said Company for the tyme being shall have the direccion of the Voyages of and for the said Company and the Provision of the Shipping and Merchandizes thereunto belonging

and alsoe the sale of all merchandizes Goodes and other things returned in all or any the Voyages or Shippes of or for the said Company and the manning and handling of all other busnesse affaires and things belonging to the said Company AND WEE WILL ordeyne and Grant by these presentes for us our heires and successors unto the said Governor and Company and their successors that they the said Governor and Company and their successors shall from henceforth for ever bee ruled ordered and governed according to such manner and forme as is hereafter in these presentes expressed and not otherwise And that they shall have hold retheyne and enjoy the Grantes Libertyes Priviledges Jurisdiccions and Immunityes only hereafter in these presentes granted and expressed and noe other And for the better execucion of our will and Grant in this behalfe WEE HAVE ASSIGNED nominated constituted and made And by these presentes for us our heires and successors WEE DOE ASSIGNE nominate constitute and make our said Cousin PRINCE RUPERT to bee the first and present Governor of the said Company and to continue in the said Office from the date of these presentes untill the tenth of November then next following if hee the said Prince Rupert shall soe long live and soe untill a new Governor bee chosen by the said Company in forme hereafter expressed AND ALSOE WEE HAVE assigned nominated and appointed And by these presentes for us our heires and Successors WEE DOE assigne nominate and constitute the said Sir John Robinson Sir Robert Vyner Sir Peter Colleton James Hayes John Kirke Francis Millington and John Portman to bee the seaven first and present Committees of the said Company from the date of these presentes untill the said tenth Day of November then alsoe next following and soe untill new Committees shall bee chosen in forme hereafter expressed AND FURTHER WEE WILL and grant by these presentes for us our heires and Successors unto the said Governor and Company and their successors that itt shall and may bee lawfull to and for the said Governor and Company for the tyme being or the greater part of them present at any publique Assembly commonly called the Court

Generall to bee holden for the said Company the Governor of the said Company being alwayes one from tyme to tyme to elect nominate and appoint one of the said Company to bee Deputy to the said Governor which Deputy shall take a corporall Oath before the Governor and three or more of the Committee of the said Company for the tyme being well truely and faithfully to execute his said Office of Deputy to the Governor of the said Company and after his Oath soe taken shall and may from tyme to tyme in the absence of the said Governor exercize and execute the Office of Governor of the said Company in such sort as the said Governor ought to doe AND FURTHER WEE WILL and Grant and by these presentes for us our heires and Successors unto the said Governor and Company of Adventurers of England trading into Hudsons Bay and their Successors That they or the greater part of them whereof the Governor for the Tyme being or his Deputy to bee one from tyme to tyme and at all tymes hereafter shall and may have authority and power yearly and every yeare betweene the first and last day of November to assemble and meete together in some convenient place to bee appointed from tyme to tyme by the Governor or in his absence by the Deputy of the said Governor for the tyme being And that they being soe assembled itt shall and may bee lawfull to and for the said Governor or Deputy of the said Governor and the said Company for the tyme being or the greater part of them which then shall happen to bee present whereof the Governor of the said Company or his Deputy for the tyme being to bee one to elect and nominate one of the said Company which shall bee Governor of the same Company for one whole yeare then next following which person being soe elected and nominated to bee Governor of the said Company as is aforesaid before hee bee admitted to the Execucion of the said Office shall take a Corporall Oath before the last Governour being his Predecessor or his Deputy and any three or more of the Committee of the said Company for the tyme being that hee shall from tyme to tyme well and truely execute the Office of Governour of the said Company in all things concerneing the same and that Ymediately

after the same Oath soe taken hee shall and may execute and use the said Office of Governor of the said Company for one whole yeare from thence next following and in like sort Wee will and grant that aswell every one of the above named to bee of the said Company or fellowship as all other hereafter to bee admitted or free of the said Company shall take a Corporall Oath before the Governor of the said Company or his Deputy for the tyme being to such effect as by the said Governor and Company or the greater part of them in any publick Court to bee held for the said Company shall bee in reasonable and legall manner sett downe and devised before they shall bee allowed or admitted to Trade or traffique as a freeman of the said Company AND FURTHER WEE WILL and grant by these presentes for us our heires and successors unto the said Governor and Company and their successors that the said Governor or Deputy Governor and the rest of the said Company and their successors for the tyme being or the greater part of them whereof the Governor or the Deputy Governor from tyme to tyme to bee one shall and may from tyme to tyme and at all tymes hereafter have power and authority yearely and every yeare betweene the first and last day of November to assemble and meete together in some convenient place from tyme to tyme to bee appointed by the said Governour of the said Company or in his absence by his Deputy and that they being soe assembled itt shall and may bee lawfull to and for the said Governor or his Deputy and the Company for the tyme being or the greater part of them which then shall happen to bee present whereof the Governor of the said Company or his Deputy for the tyme being to bee one to elect and nominate seaven of the said Company which shall bee a Committee of the said Company for one whole yeare from thence next ensueing which persons being soe elected and nominated to bee a Committee of the said Company as aforesaid before they bee admitted to the execucion of their Office shall take a Corporall Oath before the Governor or his Deputy and any three or more of the said Committee of the said Company being their last Predecessors that they and every of them shall

well and faithfully performe their said Office of Committees in all things concerneing the same And that imediately after the said Oath soe taken they shall and may execute and use their said Office of Committees of the said Company for one whole yeare from thence next following AND MOREOVER Our will and pleasure is And by these presentes for us our heires and successors WEE DOE GRANT unto the said Governor and Company and their successors that when and as often as itt shall happen the Governor or Deputy Governor of the said Company for the tyme being at any time within one yeare after that hee shall bee nominated elected and sworne to the Office of the Governor of the said Company as is aforesaid to dye or to bee removed from the said Office which Governor or Deputy Governor not demeaneing himselfe well in his said Office WEE WILL to bee removeable at the Pleasure of the rest of the said Company or the greater part of them which shall bee present at their publick assemblies commonly called their Generall Court holden for the said Company that then and soe often itt shall and may bee lawfull to and for the Residue of the said Company for the tyme being or the greater part of them within convenient tyme after the death or removing of any such Governor or Deputy Governor to assemble themselves in such convenient place as they shall thinke fitt for the eleccion of the Governor or Deputy Governor of the said Company and that the said Company or the greater part of them being then and there present shall and may then and there before their departure from the said place elect and nominate one other of the said Company to bee Governour or Deputy Governor for the said Company in the place and stead of him that soe dyed or was removed which person being soe elected and nominated to the Office of Governor or Deputy Governor of the said Company shall have and exercize the said Office for and dureing the residue of the said yeare takeing first a Corporall Oath as is aforesaid for the due execution thereof And this to bee done from tyme to tyme soe often as the case shall soe require AND ALSOE Our Will and Pleasure is and by these presentes for us our heires and successors WEE

DOE grant unto the said Governor and Company that when and as often as itt shall happen any person or persons of the Committee of the said Company for the tyme being at any tyme within one yeare next after that they or any of them shall bee nominated elected and sworne to the Office of Committee of the said Company as is aforesaid to dye or to bee removed from the said Office which Committees not demeaning themselves well in theirre said Office Wee will to be removeable at the pleasure of the said Governor and Company or the greater part of them whereof the Governor of the said Company for the tyme being or his Deputy to bee one that then and soe often itt shall and may bee lawfull to and for the said Governor and the rest of the Company for the tyme being or the greater part of them whereof the Governor for the tyme being or his Deputy to bee one within convenient tyme after the death or removing of any of the said Committee to assemble themselves in such convenient place as is or shall bee usuall and accustomed for the eleccion of the Governor of the said Company or where else the Governor of the said Company for the tyme being or his Deputy shall appoint And that the said Governor and Company or the greater part of them whereof the Governor for the tyme being or his Deputy to bee one being then and there present shall and may then and there before theirre Departure from the said place elect and nominate one or more of the said Company to bee of the Committee of the said Company in the place and stead of him or them that soe dyed or were or was soe removed which person or persons soe elected and nominated to the Office of Committee of the said Company shall have and exercize the said Office for and dureing the residue of the said yeare taking first a Corporall Oath as is aforesaid for the due execution thereof and this to bee done from tyme to tyme soe often as the case shall require And to the end the said Governor and Company of Adventurers of England Tradeing into Hudsons Bay may bee encouraged to undertake and effectually to prosecute the said designe of our more especiall grace certaine knowledge and meere Mocion WEE HAVE given granted and confirmed