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# Diary 1735

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may 28. About 11 a Clock we saw a Rain bow very perfect & the Colours well distinguished throughout so Lively as those seen in the Day, but before there whole Circle which we saw to the Horizon on both Ends, The Sky was Serene & Sereen Clouds but appeard to be a little thick & watery in the S. W. where the Rain bow was, The highest part of the Bow seemed to be about 24 degrees, We had a little wind d. South, and then in Latitude South 26. 34. & Longitude from the Grand Canary 00. 10 W. or from Teneriff by Ships Account 4. 30. W. continued about 20 minutes. It happend three day after the full Moon which was then above the Horizon 31. 0. her place in the Ecliptick was in Capricorn 26. 0 the Suns place in Gemini 17. 17. so that the Moons from the Sun was 218. 43 according to the Succession of the Signs, or 38. 43 past her opposition or full.

Sept 28. 1735. Before I went a shoar, I thought proper to leave orders with our Captains & officers to put them in mind of not presuming to sell at Gothenburg hinder Silke the Company had given up to the Manufacturers of Sweden

Ordre til Capitain Hennich Broemer samt officerarne af Skeppet Fredericus Rex Suecia

Medhavet Sådom ofvanbefalda Compagniet Kapper intagande til Silkes manufacturerne uti Sverige begifvet sig at icke til förhindra ting Cåla inkomma utaf Sorter af arbetade Siden Varor förr den stad Der här jemte förteckning på de Sorter som Compagniet befaller här medfölje icke mindre inforas nemligen

Bordaluser och Chagriner
Silkes Näsdukar af alla slags
Manschetter
Sammetter
Sammetter
Alla Sorter af Half Siden eller Tyger blandade med Silke och Bomull eller annan tråd
Alla slags Band
Alla slags Smala Band Såsom Juniper, Gehäng, Linningördlar, Sko Band, Strumpe band, Mössor, Franzar, Halsdukar och dylickt
Af Silke och alla slags Silkes tråd eller blandade
Om Bord af Skeppet Fredericus 28th Sept 1735

Copy Orders to Capt Hoheng & the officers of the Ship F. R.

Gentlemen Please to Subjoyn a List of such Sorts of wrought Silks as the Company leave orders themselves not to import & which you are desired to take care not to bring

Shagreens, Silk Handkerchiefs for men & women, Stockings, Velvetts, plush, All Sorts of Half Silks or Stuffs mixt with Silk, Cotton, or other Stuffs, All sorts of Ribbons, All sorts of small things or Tapes, Woven Belts for women, Garters, Lace Cane Strings, Gartering, Fringes, neck Cloths, & such like, as Sewing Silk, Twist, Silk Threads & Mixt

Aboard F. R. 28th Sept 1735

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# Journal
## or
# Diary

## Of Transpiering aboard the Ship Fredericus Rex Suecie bound from Gottenburg in Sweden To Canton in China beginning 15th February 1735

Saturday Febr. 15 At 4 a clock afternoon left Gottenburg with the other Super Cargo's Mr Charley Morford & Mr Gustaf Hoff, we took leave of our friends at major Chapmans whither they had accompany'd us & from thence took boat for Wargeha'la where the Ship Lay in Company of Mr Directeur Kening major Bitmars & we arrived at the Ship aboard a clock at night.

16 At 9 a clock in the morning Mr Koning & c left us and went to Gottenburg, I Saluted them with 8 Guns at their departure. winds variable from N. b. W. to S. W. & S. W. b. W. Foggy weather.

17 moderate clear weather. winds from S. W. b. S to W & W. b. N

18 Foggy weather winds chiefly S. W. In the evening a breeze at N. E

19 Dispatched my Servant Carl Kalbright his father having sent for him ashore. Cleard Ship in the morning. Cloudy weather, winds S. W. by, & in the Evening S. b. E.

20 At 4 in the morning wind at N. E. got up Lower yards & hauld in our hawsers, preparing to Sail, but at 7 a clock wind came about N. & N. b. W. and at noon N. W.

21 In the morning early wind S. b. E. prepaid to Sail, but the weather being very thick & foggy with much Snow, I called for the Pilots to know if they could venture out which they would not undertake, by reason they could not in such weather See their marks;

22 wind N. W. moderate clear weather So prepared the Ship for Sailing in hopes the wind would come more favourable, but proved very variable & kept to the Westward of the north. major Chapman came & dined with us & went back to Town after noon.

23 wind S. W. & S. S. W. fresh gale Clear weather

24 Same wind & the day before & rain. In the Evening came aboard Capt Usfalt & Mr Irvine being sick & crazy desired to go ashore, so I gladly discharg'd them. & stayed all night with us. The Butler make's Philadelphia

1735 Tuesday
March 25 At 4 in the morning wind S. E unmoord the Ship, got up over Anchor & about ½ an hour past 6 got under Sail, a moderate Gale & Small rain, about 8 a clock Capt Uffall & Mr Irvine left us. At 9 a clock the wind a Fore

By the Ships Book 26 p m

N E about 1 league distant. Thick Snowy weather.
Afternoon wind Northerly, about 4 a clock had got clear of Schagerriff lying distant S. 4 league. At 8 a clock A. M. we discerned Norway distant about 7 League, about W. E. & N. at 12. A. M. Marsdon about E. N. E. N.

27 wind Westerly & S Westerly, fair weather, About 9 a clock A. M. Came on board from old Hedge-land in Norway a fishing Boat with 2 pilots, they came 3 Leagues off to us in hopes to have brought us into Port, but as the wind was moderate & good weather I thought better keep the Sea, especially that I saw they lacking & about from time to time we had rather gaind ground since yesterday, I therefore sent the Pilots back & gave them 12 Shivers drink money for the trouble they had taken. The wind came about to the East of the South.

28 P. M. wind S E & S. & S S E. moderate Gales, hazy weather & Small rain.
wind as the day before to the Eastward of the South, hazy weather & Small rain

March 1st Sunday March 2d N. S. E & S. E. fresh gales but hazy weather, made 150 miles.

3d P. M. wind as yesterday & fresh gale Supposing our selves not to be far from Shetland we Shortned Sail, at 9 a clock Traced to & Ley by all night Sounded 60 fathom & found no ground, thick weather. At 5 a clock in the morning Set Sail, at 7 a clock Saw Fair Isle N. W & N. 6 Leagues, Shaped our Course W. & N. fair moderate weather & a fresh Gale, the sea not so high as for some days past.

4 winds variable but chiefly from the S. W. At 6 P. M. Saw the extreams of the Orkney Islands S. E. & E. next morning very hard weather.

5 wind as day before, weather variable sometimes squally, sometimes calm & little wind. Saw a Ship to the N. W.

6 wind came about to the N. W. chiefly Small wind & fair weather Saw a Ship to the N. W.

7 A. M. wind as the day before & same weather, A. M wind came about to the S. W.

8 wind & weather variable, Wind first S E & W then S. E. & afterwards S. E. & W. & sometimes fair weather otherwhiles foggy

9 Wind S. & S. E. & E. fair weather. A. M a little hazy.

10 wind variable sometimes S. & S. E. & W. & S. E. & E. thick weather

March 11 winds S. E by E & fair weather but little wind. next morning Cloudy weather.

12 wind variable but mostly from the E & the S. fresh gales & Squally, thick weather

13 wind first part of the day chiefly westerly & N.W. & Squally weather with rain the latter part variable sometimes E.N.E & E.S.E and little winds. A great Sea and much rolling. Mark Lind Sailor dyd having been some days bad of a fever.

14 winds S.E & Easterly, fresh gales with Squalls & Rain.

15 wind & weather as the day before

16 The first part wind & weather as the day before but at night & next morning wind came about to N.E & E.N.E.

17 wind Chiefly N.E & to the Eastward of the North, weather very variable Saw a small sail or Sloop to the Eastward

18 wind & weather as the day before, & Squally with rain

19 winds & weather pretty much as the day before.

20 P.M. wind N.E & E & E.N.E. variable Calm & cloudy weather. A.M wind E. & E & N. weather pretty moderate. As I expected soon now to come into the Mouth of Ships & especially the Sally men I ordered them to mount all our Guns & get everything in good order (which I had spoke to the Captain of some days before but he forgot it) that we might not be surprized. we Spoke with an English Ship Bound to the Northward

21 wind N.E. fine gales & fair weather, Saw at 8 A.M the Land of Portugal E.N.E. & E. Saw several Ships. At noon Saw the Rock of Lisbon S.E.b.E & E.b.S. high Land & has a long ridge Stretching a great way to the Northward

22 first part wind E. & N.E. but at night & A.M. S.E by S. Squally weather & rainy

23 P.M. wind S.E by S not much of it & fair weather. A.M. turned about N.E & E.N. & N.N.E very Squally in the night, At 9 A.M. Saw the Land N.E & E. At noon Saw Cape St. Vincent N.E & E ½ E 6 L. At the point of the Cape you See like an old Castle. while & from that the Land Stretches a great way to the Eastward & behind it some high hills

24 P.M. Wind N. by E. & N.N.E & to N. & N.N. & N. & fair weather ½ an hour past 5 Saw C. St. Maria N.N.E & N. 7 or 8 L. See several Sail a head about noon See the Land going into St. Lucar N.E. & E 3 L. In the night seeing a Ship pretty

near up to Windward keeping the same Course we did, & not knowing what She might be, I ordered everything to be got ready for defence, in case of an Enemy; our Matches to be lighted &c. Not knowing but it might be a Sally man who generally chuse the night to surprize large Ships, I sat up on Deck till 2 in the morning being loth to keep every body watchful & Carefull, but finding She went her Course and did not veer nearer us we were easy.

25 pmds N. N. W. Fair weather at 4 P.M. we anchored in the Bay of Cadiz among all the Ships. Mr Maine & Mr Major (Barry merchants at Cadiz) came aboard, stayed a little while with us & went ashoar again in the evening. Mr Gough the Comp.ys merchant here sent Mr M.ra Master of one the Ships in the Bay to invite us ashoar to his house; but having several things to do on board, I did not care to go that night. Capt Harvey of the St John Baptist came aboard & stopped with us he concerted our measures for bringing aboard the Goods & Provisions he had bought for us. At 8 a clock in the morning I went ashoar in the morning with the other Supercargo most soon after we left the Ship Mr Gough coming off in a Spanish Boat, we took him into our Pinnace & went ashoar together, & then to his house where he press'd us to lodge, which kind invitation we the more readily complyd with as being more at hand to dispatch the Business of the Company which was chiefly under his Care.

During our stay at Cadiz I daily press'd our merchant to make the greatest dispatch but he could not get all our white Ware aboard till the 5th April in the morning nor did we receive the Comp.ys Accounts from him till the same night. It fell out unluckily that it happened to be the time of many holy days, being the last week of Lent & which with the blowing weather that continued for some days after we arrived, did very much hinder not only Business ashoar but also in the Bay & the Boats from the Shore going aboard so hastily as we wanted them. To make the greater dispatch in the buying necessary ashoar for the Ship I took our 3d mate Mr Maul with me who having lived here formerly & speaking the Language made him very useful. We got the Provisions & merchandize that were brought us from London by Capt Harvey soon transported to our Ship. Being resolv'd to go aboard the morning after I had received the Company's Accounts, I ordered over night the Ship to weigh & get out of the Bay at least without all the other Ships & ply off & on till we should come aboard, She accordingly weigh'd & got out without all the Ships & came to an Anchor not being able to put to Sea with the S. W. winds that blow'd fresh, I repeated my orders to weigh & get out as soon as they saw it practicable & to send the Pinnace for us, but till the 8th in the morning early they could find no opportunity.

On the 8th Apr. Mr Corriole who had come hither to go the voyage as 1st mate came from Seville where he had been some time, whom I ordered immediately aboard the accordingly went next morning.

When we came in to the Bay, we hoisted the Kings Flag (which Kings Captains have a privilege to do) & also set a pendant at the mast head in order to pass for a Kings Ship to prevent some inconveniencies merchants Ships are often exposed to here by Imbargos &c. There were in the Bay 2 Dutch men of war 2 Frigates of the Sally men who had come lately in here,

The Commodore not being certain what we were (it being usual here for merchant ships of all nations to carry pendants & Colours as they think fit) sent aboard a Lieutenant to desire to know if the Ship was a man of war, or a Kings Ship, our people answer'd that we were not. He then ask'd what number of hands were aboard, the mate came down to me to know what answer to make, & I thought this a piece of Idle Curiosity I told the officer to tell him that I thought that was no business of his to inquire into, upon which he went back to his Ship. Reflecting afterwards on this incident I could not tell but the sending aboard was with a view to salute us if he was assur'd we were a King's Ship as is customary for the Dutch to do to all Crowned heads, what might induce him to suppose so might not only be our pendant but also seeing a Swedish Ship that lay in the Bay commanded by one Hosen been saluted up at our coming in, thereof by our returning him the same number of Guns they had reason also to suppose that we were no man of war.

Most of the British merchants here and all our own friends having strongly recommended one Mr Bagg an Irish young Man for his passage to Manilla, though at first I refus'd him his passage by reason of not having convenience for him and indeed chiefly that I was unwilling to take any Stranger aboard, yet upon their continued importunity, and his promise of loading a Good Quantity of Wine aboard (even as far as 100 Butts) paying 10 Wh Doll. Spanish each Butt, upon consulting with the other Super Cargo, I agreed to it, as hearing he was a modest inoffensive man who had been unfortunate, and going to Manilla to seek his bread and whither he had got perverted recommendations, and that it might be 1000 Wh Dollars got to the Company, He accordingly went to St Lucar to look for his wine, but sent me soon word he could not get above 20 Butts time enough for the time of our depar ture, which I had assured him would be very sudden, I gave an order to receive the said 20 Pipes aboard, but the Captain rude me word, which was it seems with the concurrence of Capt Pickering that there was no room in the Hold for them all being full already, As he had given out word to Mr Bagg that he should have his passage and that at least there would be got 200 Wh Dollars to the Compy by it, and that I could not apprehend the Ship could be so full going out as not to be able to receive 20 Butts of wine, I wrote aboard to the Capt & 2d Captain my thoughts of the matter & desir'd them if possible to find room for that wine, but if they thought it impracticable I should not trouble my self further about it upon which they dispatch'd the Hold & took them on Board, Indeed had they or I known sooner or before they had stow'd all away the quantity that was to come aboard, it would have sav'd them trouble, which was not in my power to prevent.

I saw no preparations during our stay here, of the Spaniards as to any Imbarkation or sending any Ships to Sea, There were indeed some in the Harbour but nothing extr aordinary going on nor orders about it as I could perceive.

A day or two before we Sail'd, one Da Rosyer Swedish Consul as he is call'd here came to ye Gough to demand Consulage & other Dues he imposes on all Swedish Ships that come hither, I desir'd ye Gough to tell him that we had nothing to do with him and did not think worth while to inquire into the Custom that he pretended other Swedish Ships follow'd, nor whether he had a right to Subject them to such a Custom or not, but that as ever Ship was upon the Loading of a Spring Ship and had the Kings own Commission, I would not allow him a farthing which none of the Company's Ships had hitherto payd him. This Consul it seems had been with the Captains of these officers to complain for as ye Gough & I walk'd out at the Gate the Evening before I went aboard some of them came to ye Gough & told him that the Consul had been with him and had inform'd him that our Ship was not the Spring Ship but the Company's &c and that therefore they expected we would pay Anchorage &c as other Company's Ships payd. He told them in Answer much the same he had done before to the Consul to that I heard no more of it. But supposing him a true Consul for the Nation as he can pretend to is a reasonable allowance as Consul & some small matter for his private Consul whom he also pretends to have & charge every Ship for as well as for him Self, but to pretend to exact National Duties & so much p Last from 4 even to 10 p day's place according to the value of the Goods) is unreasonable, as to National Duties which is charg'd by other Consuls it is founded on a very good reason as being design'd for the benefit of those who are objects of Charity belonging to the Nation there to whom the Ships belong and is actually imployd for that purpose with the Consent of the Trading people, as is quite otherwise where there are no Body here of the Swedish Nation to collect this Duty for, except he means himself, who it seems is indeed an object of Charity which I am told he begs here of Gentlemen (to the disgrace of the Nation whom he represents) some time publickly enough. As for taking so much p Last according to the Cargo is also unwarrantable especially when some Ships that don't unload here, for he exacts it promiscuously of all, At the same time Let it be considered that his Consul is of no manner of Service to the Shipping or Masters that come here, He has no capacity & no Credit or Interest, and never Ship out of here for to Serve any of them, and if he did attempt it he could do them no Service, He is in a word a poor Idle Drunken Sot. Such charges on Trade ought to be carefully look'd after especially in the Swedish Trade, which is as yet in its Infancy, and seldom affords Cargo of any value to allow such Charges as these are. I have spoke fully on this Subject & all other Affairs necessary to the Company to which I refer.

On the 5th in the morning the Pennove came ashoar to let me know that the wind was at N. W & that about 11 it would be Flood & fit time to go to Sea, I sent the Pinnace back ordering to weigh at the time they thought proper & get windy Sail & send me the Pinnace back, and we would come directly on board, but the wind soon shifting to S. W. Answer was sent me that they could not Sail that day I therefore returned them the same orders as before, to weigh as soon as they thought adviseable & put to Sea & I would come on board, we stayd therefore ashoar that night. Next day the wind continuing in the same quarter the Ship lay still, the Pinnace came ashear which I kept till after dinner in hopes

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the wind would change but seeing no appearance of it doing so, and that the Post was expected that Evening, I thought better send the Pinnace back & stay a hour to see what news might come from our friends, At the same time repeated my former order to Sail if possible by break of day, The Post accordingly in the Evening arrived, & some Letters were delivered me that night Late from the Comp.ys friends, which I got up early next morning to Answer, Soone as we were up we went up to the Fort & saw the Ship under Sail & the Pinnace towing her out of the Bay, we expected the Pinnace some time, but not seeing her leave the Ship concluded they had occasion for her, so hired a Spanish Boat to Lose no time, and left the Fort about 6 a clock in the morning, and got Soon on Board the Ship which had got out of the Bay and clear of the Diamond & other Rocks. Mr Gough accompanyd us to the Landing place where we took leave.

from Cadiz Tuesday 8th April 1735 to the Cape of Good Hope 1735 April 8th

We put to Sea the wind E. b. S. small wind, & that we advanced but little, At ½ h. past 4 Fort St Sebastian bore S. S. W. ½ W. Dist. 2 or 3 L. And at noon the Body of the Town of Cadiz bore S. E. b. E. ½ E. Dist 3 or 4 L. As the post should depart about 2 a clock afternoon our Friends at Cadiz could have an opportunity to advise the Comp.ys of our being out at Sea 5 or 6 Leagues off, The wind shifted to the S. W.

9th The same afternoon for the 9th P. M. fly Ships A. & C. joined Some, as before, all towards the S. W. but fair weather till the later part of A. M. grew hazy & rainy.

10th Cloudy weather & small winds which shifted very much these 24 hours, Sometimes W, then W. b. N. then N. W. & ended S. W. & S. W. b. S. made but 59 miles;

11 hours S. W. at 2 P. M. saw the Coast of Barbary from E. b. E. to S. E. b. S. about 10 L. about 5 P. M. had a hard Squall which brought the wind about to N. W. where it shifty continued near it for the rest of this day. About 5 a clock A. M. Captain Stibbing waked me with the News that there was a Sail to Leeward bearing down upon us, I got up & seeing her at no great distance, and as we were now off Sallee, we Suspected it might be a Sally man, & therefore got our Selves immediately in a posture of defence, our Guns Loaded, Matches Lighted, our Small Arms on Deck & other places, & the Hammocks up when She came a little nearer & saw us Still keeping our Course She hoisted Dutch Colours & a Pendant, but as we could not tell what She might be & that this might be only a Feint, we thought best to keep an English Jack, as Eng. Land is at peace with Sally & we are not in order to prevent their bringing up, But as She was resolved to Speak with us & kept a while Same Course with us But not being able to come up with us She went on another tack to See if She could get nearer, and find Shank to wind about in order to speak with us, but as we had no Signes with her we continued our Course the Chaser, Resolved again her Dutch Colours & bore English which we soon took down & Shall wear our Course, which She perceiving and that She could not come up with us, She bore off that to Leeward to make up Sing to, As we had heard there was a Dutch man of war on this Coast Cruizing in quest of the Sally men we began to believe this might be She, & therefore Resolved out two of Colours & bore down to Speak with her. The Dutch man sent his Lieutenant on board (who happened to be a Swede born the Dutch Service his name van der meyen) to inquire after News, and if there were any Dutch men of war at Cadiz, The Captain told him where we were and whither bound & whither Found and that there were two men of war Dutch at Cadiz, one of which came out with us & was to convoy some Dutch Ships to Lisbon, The other as we believed needs soon go out to Cruize against the Sally men, He told him the reason of our not caring to discover what we were, and not being desirous to speak with him for fear he might have been a Sally Pirate, The Lieutenant soon left us & returned on board his own Ship. we took leave of them with 8 Guns they returned 5. This was a Ship of about 20 Guns and had been out some weeks a Cruizing, But had met with no Sally men, who I suppose won't Stir out while She continues on this Coast.

12 & Afforn of the Dutch Lieutenant left us about 1 a clock P. M. we made Sail, winds N. W. N. b. W. Formerly at the 24 hours Squally, at noon we See most land from the maste head about 10 or 12 Leagues off, & Easter most of which we take to be Cape Santa S. E. about 15 Leagues off.

from Cadiz to the Cape

April 13 winds E.N.E. N. b. W. & fair moderate weather, About 8 A.M. miss'd N. b. E.
found to decy over below 30 miles further to the Southward by Account than by Observation
— 14 wind N.E. fine weather & a fresh Gale. At 5 A.M. saw a Sail a head about
2 Leagues going to the Southward, we hyp'od it to be an English Galley (by its
— 15 swift sailing) bound for Guinea. At 6 A.M. saw Isle Teneriff S.W. & S. 10 or
12 L. And at 8 A.M. saw same Island S.W. b. S ½ W about 6 or 7 L.
— 16 P.M. wind N.E. & N.N.E. & fair weather & a fresh Gale. At 2 P.M. saw
the Great Canary S.S.E. about 6 L. we past about the middle between both Islands
(which seem'd to be about 10 Leagues distant) At 5 P.M. the Southermost
part of Teneriff bore N ½ E 9 or 10 L. off & the Westermost of the Great Canary bore
S.S.E ½ E about 5 or 6 L dist. At 2 P.M. we saw a high Peak all cover'd
with Snow on Teneriff & in the Evening again saw it again or the same Peak
we saw after Dinner, telling us there are two high Peaks one over the
call'd Pic Teneriff very high, for our Officers Suppos'd this not to be the same
Cruz a Town in the Island & which way the first we saw, & the last to be
the Pico Peak, for my own part I was not clear Sighted enough to see
the difference but take both to be the same only shewing differently at different
distances. we saw a Small Boat with a Spritt Sail stopping from one Island
to the other. we reckend the Isle Teneriff which we run down from one End
to the other to be 14 Leagues in length.
— 17 Same N. & by winds & fine weather fresh Gales, run 180 miles these 24 hours
— 18 Same as yesterday, & run 139 miles
— 19 Same winds as the day before; but not so much, run only 101 m. Azimuth about 6. 44.
— 20 winds much the Same & fine weather, run 111 m.
— 21 wind N. & by. fair weather. run 119 m. Variation pr Evening Amplitude 4. 53.
Though now between the Tropicks yet no flying fish appear, nor Dolphins or other
fish
— 22 wind from N.b.E. to N. run 113 m. no observation to decy of Latitude being almost
under the Sun. Variation pr Even. Ampl. 4. 42. See now some flying fish. & Boobies
for the first time
— 23 wind N. & N.E. & by Small Gales, run only 91 m. past the Sun, but do not find it
so hot as might expect, but very moderate.
— 24 Same wind as yesterday & moderate
— 25 as before & sometimes to the N.W.
— 26 wind N. & moderate weather
— 27 wind N. & N.E. & N.E.b.N. & moderate
— 28 Same as before & sometimes wind N.N.E. Some thunder & Lightning
— 29 wind mostly S.E. & S.E.b.S. fair weather

from Cadiz
to the Cape

1735
Apr. 30 Wednesday winds chiefly from N E to N E b N & sometimes E. variable with some rain
run but 41 miles
May 1 winds variable from N E to N & N.W & S.W. Cloudy & small rain, Lightning
run but 17 miles
— 2 winds variable, with a good deal of rain, run but 22 miles
— 3 winds from W to W S.W. & S.S.W. rain & lightning run 21 miles
— 4 the first part winds as yesterday, last part from S.E. to S.S.E. hazy, squally & rainy
run 36 miles
— 5 winds first W N W & N. & last S E & S.S.E. run 23 miles, but little rain
— 6 winds as yesterday with a good deal of rain. run 21 m.
— 7 first part winds Westerly & S.E last part W & N b.E & E squally & a great deal
of rain. run 37 m.
— 8 winds westerly & S.W. squally & Rainy run 54 m.
— 9 winds S. & S E by E. Cloudy run 52 m.
— 10 windy S E by E. fair weather, a great Swell from the Southward run 64 m.
— 11 winds as yesterday, run 57 m. passd the Line. From the losing of the N E winds
in about Lat. we have had very indifferent winds and small rains, not to good as
former voyage, when from Cadiz to the Line we were but 30 days, whereas we
have taken 3 days more.
— 12 winds as yesterday & fair weather run but 62 m. variation 2.5
— 13 winds as before squally & Rain run 77 m.
— 14 winds same. & weather variable. run 105. m.
— 15 Same winds & weather as before run 109 m.
— 16 winds & weather as yesterday variation p Evening Azim. 30 p D Ampl. 28 m & proceeding
Amplitude 43 E
— 17 winds same as yesterday & fair weather
— 18 winds & weather as before, but small gales run but 50 m.
— 19 wind fore part E. & afterwards E b N. fair weather Course S.E. & run 94 m
Variat. p Even. Az. 1.3. E p D Ampl. 59 m.
— 20 Wind E & E b S. fine weather run 105 m
— 21 winds & weather much the same as yesterday var. p Ev. Ampl. 1.32
— 22 winds from E b E to E N E latter part E & E b S. variable weather run 111 m.
— 23 winds from E b N to E N E. variable & squally run 111 m.
— 24 wind & weather as yesterday run 112 m. N E.
— 25 wind & weather much as yesterday, Strobe main top gallant yard run 116 m Alt. p Az. 32 24
— 26 winds & weather as before, but wind more northerly part of the day latter part N. N E. p Ampl. 3.45
Though we have met very fresh gales since past the Line yet as they have been pretty
well to the E & Northward it cuts off a great deal of our way so that we reckon
to day we are above 100 Leagues more to the Eastward than we were in the same
Latitude last voyage. Lat. this day 22.24. As we are now putting our selves
in order for bad weather that we must expect about the Cape we have fixed up new
Thrends seen to day 131 m. var. p Ampl. 4.20 E
for Az E 4.

Tuesday may 27 1735 winds N. & N.E.b.N & N.N.W weather Squally run 148 m.

—28 winds S.W. & W.S.W. & W. Some rain. At 11 a clock at night Saw a Rain Bow Go to the Beginning of this Voyage p. 1. for an Account of it

—29 First part wind as yesterday, Latter part S.E.b.E & S.S.E.

—30 wind S.E. & S.E.b.S, Latter part weather & Squally. at 11 a clock at night, Saw a perfect Rain Bow from one end of the Horizon to the other, made by the Moon, only the colours not so bright, It was on the West quarter opposite the Moon, It was cloudy where the Rain Bow was, where no doubt there was Rain, the Moon was bright & a few days after the full. It is the first Rain Bow I ever Saw made by the Moon

—31 wind E & E.b.S. weather Squally with rain run 82 m.

June 1 wind E & E.b.N. E.N.E. moderate weather & warm run 80 m

—2 winds N.E & N.E.b.E fair weather & warm run but 60 m. If we are now in Lat we had reason to expect for some days past much better winds at this time of the year & more to the Westward, whereas we have had them always Easterly which is a great hindrance to us. Var. pr a.E. 3.24 pr amp. 3.28

—3 for winds & weather Course, variation Latitude &c See the Journal for them Still Small winds

—4 Saw a Sail standing to the Eastward about 3 leagues off She shewed Colours which we Supposed to be French, & a Ship that Sailed from Cadiz about a month before us bound for Conchichemi, She seems by her Course to design for the Cape.

—5 A fine Gale at N.W. run 154 m. for 7 days past we had but poor winds, now I hope we Shall have them as they Should be

—8 A Good run to day 187. m. weather a little Squally & wind come about N.E.b.E & N.E.b.E.

—13 pretty good run all to day but 91 m. & wind come about yesterday & to day at N.W. & W.N.W.

—15 Winds westerly but variable & Little of them, only run 54 m.

—16 A poor days run of 27 m. wind come about N.E.b.E & N.E.b.E & with Calms

—19 These 2 days past poor winds for such Latitudes, to day something better having run 126 m. wind variable from S.E.b.E to S.E.b.N.

—23 had the wind Since the 19 very unfavourable at S.E & Small Winds, to day Supposing our Selves off Cape L'aguilla we Sounded at 8 A.M with 150 fathom but found no ground we are well for fortunate as last voyage, when we got in Sounding 2 months after Leaving Cadiz and now we are 2 months & 14 days from Vleeve so that we are here Later then last voyage by 10 days having Visited ground last voyage the 13th June

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which is poor Comfort to us & makes our passage to China this year very precarious if we don't meet with better winds & more of them now we have past the Cape than before. our variation being now about 16 1/2 we must be off the Cape.

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June 24 wind come about N. b W & N N W. Sounded in the Evening with 145 f. Line no Ground & next morning with 130 f. & no Ground so that we suppose we past the Soundings before we sounded on the 22d. A most unlucky accident happend this morning at 10 A.M. The wind came about all of a sudden from N W to S W a hard Squall with rain, just the moment we had 5 or 6 of our men upon the top mast yard & top mast head to take down our top gallant yard, which carry'd away our top mast which broke short by the and unluckily quartermaster and Gustaf Bergstrom Sailer who were a top fell down with the top mast & were drown'd, 3 others were savd they having been able to keep their hold by the mast & came down along with it. I am afraid our officers did not look out so well as they ought to have done & were not prepard for the Squall by Clewing their Top Sails &c though Capt Kitching warnd them of the approaching Squall when he went off the watch. I doubt that as many Accidents happen to Ships at Sea by carelessness or Ignorance of officers as by bad weather &c

— 25 wind come about again to N. W fresh gale & Squally, Cleard our Rigging & got down our Top mast

— 26 Squally & a great Sea, wind much the same as yesterday. About 3 a clock in the morning the great rolling of the Ship & blowing weather wak'd me and made me get out of Bed to look out, where I saw it blew a violent Storm, and found they had just furld our Fore-top Sail & main Sail, being uneasy of it were Capt Freemer of watch I went upon Deck to call Capt Kitching in case of need, But very luckily he had got out of bed some time before and finding all the Sails out (notwithstanding of the Storm) he made them furl them immediately, other wise we had been in danger of loosing our masts or Rashing with some other Ships, for I am sorry to see that the officers of this watch are very Careless or very Ignorant, nor dont know how to prepare against Accidents. The Storm lasted very violent for 2 or 3 hours & a great Sea which made me order a part of the dead Lights to be put up in the Great Cabin. When the Storm abated I sent for the two quarter masters Frederick & Thomas, who I believe know more than their officers, and incouragd them desiring they would continue to be very careful & look well out, & gave them some bottles of white wine. I shall be obligd when it is bad weather to order some Body to wake Capt Kitching when it is not his watch for I dont know how to trust the other watch any more.

— 27 Weather more moderate but Still rainy & Squally, I thought it necessary to speak to Capt Freemer & advise him to make his officers Look well out, & not to leave out Sails a Clewing when there is too much wind &c

June 28 weather much as yesterday, with a great deal of Lightning to westward

—29 very Squally, rain, thunder & Lightning

—30 moderate weather

July 1st fresh Gale & fair weather.

— 2 very variable weather, much thunder, Lightning & rain, & squally.

— 3 weather much as yesterday, but not so much wind, & the latter part Several heavy Calms, at last wind came about to S. E with a great sea. To morrow being the Queen of Sweden's name day Gordon had a Hog to be killd for the people

— 4 a very Stormy Day with rain & a great Sea that we were oblig'd to hand over Cantey & ly by most of the 24 hours under a mizen, wind variable from S. E & E. & E. S. E. about the latter part came about to S. E. N. being the Queen of Sweden's name day I went upon deck about 11 A.M. and drank to the Superscription & success a glass of wine to her majesties health & order'd a drum extraordinary to all the Ships Company to do the Same, and 2 bottles of white wine to every mess to their dinner. hung out the Flagall day. [Smoak Thunder & Lightning]

— 5 Rainy & Squally wind & very variable, a Sea Lumpy & Irregular like one, which to me appeared right against which we Sailed, & a Sea Lumpy & Irregular like one, which to me appeared right against of yesterday about latter part wind about to N & N. N. E.

— 6 winds variable but mack easterly moderate weather

— 7 Squally & rainy wind about westerly.

— 8 fine wind at N. W. fresh gale. Saw a fish about 5 f. long by the Ships Side with a head like a Sudle a large fin right in its back Small neck & tapering low and the Tail which was pinch'd up like a Dogs of the Ingress a man of ship Mr Colour Black.

— 9 Squally with rain winds variable

—10 we have got up again our topgallant mast, most of these 24 hours Calm, so that we made but 16 m.

—11 wind about to N E. moderate weather and a pretty good gale

—12 wind about to N. N. Squally & rainy

—13 wind about to N. N. Squally & rainy

—14 wind as yesterday a fresh gale.

—15 wind the same & fair weather a good gale

—16 wind the same a fresh gale but Squally & rainy

—17 wind about to S. & S. E. began Squally then variable & calms.

—18 wind variable began S. S. W. & then to S. W. & W. & latter end to N. W. little wind & fair weather. This being his majesty's name day kept it in the same manner as we did the Queens gave the Ships Company 3 sheep & some fresh Cow with 2 bottles of wine to a mess & drum extraordinary.

—19 wind again at N. W. with fine rain a small gale. we are looking out for S. Paul being a head of us already by Accot about 30 leagues

—20 wind the same as yesterday Squally & fresh gale at 6 A. M. See S. Paul about 8 or 9 l. off.

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from S. Pauls to Java head ~~July 21~~th 1755

July 21th wind has come about to S.W fresh gale. we find the foremast faulty in the Carrer
So resolved to ease it by taking down top gallant mast. A fresh gale

July 22 wind again at N W & W N W. fresh Gale cloudy & rainy

July 25th latter part of the day wind about to S.W. & W b S. fresh gale, rainy & squally. for these 6 days
past we have had very good runs wind generally N Westerly, with hazy & squally weather with
some rain.

26 variable winds from S W to N N E & N Easterly Calms & faint gales
— 27 wind from N N E to N b. W small gales
— 28 wind at N W good run Squally & rainy
— 29 same sort of weather wind variable from N W to W & S. W moderate gales
— 30 moderate weather sometimes calm & little wind wind about from W S W to W. W
— 31 weather as yesterday not much wind & variable but chiefly N W

August 1st & 2d small winds & Calms winds from W b S to S E & E. fine weather
— 3 wind to N. E & N E b E. fine weather but very little wind. Capt. Shitling being informed a day or
two ago that the Steward used to sit up with Candle light in the Lazaretto with Company sometimes
till midnight resolved to find out the truth & to night about 10. P.M. found him there lockd up with
one of the Quartermasters with him with a Lamp before them, He immediately orderd them out of the
Lazaretto & reprimanded him severely for keeping lights there, & advis'd me of it, I desired him
to acquaint his uncle Capt Breemer with it & for the future to take the key of the Lazaretto
- also every evening from him as soon as it grew dark. He told Breemer of it but as I found he
was not very willing to believe it or made light of it (as being his Relation) I thought it necessary
to take notice of it in order to put a stop to such Conduct for the future which might be the occasion
of very fatal Accidents, in case of a light falling near any of the Casks of Brandy or oyl or such
like. I therefore next morning sent to Capt Breemer & the Steward to come to me to the Cabin
& there reprimanded him, he pretended it was only that one time he had done so & that he was
making out new Books &c This I knew to be a Lie, & orderd Capt Breemer to send for the
key from him every evening & that he should have no light there any more. In the evening
— 4 doubting whether Breemer would take the key from him as I had orderd, when I came up in the
evening I inquired & found he had not, I therefore sent to Breemer to desire he would send to
the Steward for the key of the Lazaretto, he came out and sayd as soon as prayers were over
he would, this was a sort of sham he having not thought more of it, I sayd no more at that time
but resolved to see how he would behave in this Affair
— 4 wind N W and little wind. In the Evening I put C Breemer in mind to take the key from
the Steward which he accordingly sent for but by his talk seemd not to believe that he had been
ever with lights in the Lazaretto at night but the time that Shitling catchd him & seemd to
be not a little angry at Shitling having found him out or having told [illegible] of it, this happening
upon Deck & that he begun to get into a Passion with Shitling (which he has been of late subject
to) I was obliged to interpose ~~and~~ tell him that, I wonderd that notwithstanding the Steward
had been found as was told & that we were well assured he had done so often yet he would not
believe it & wanted Evidence to appear, I told him they should appear if he insisted on it but
if it was proved against him, he would repent the Inquiry for I would then turn him out of his
place, upon this he grew cool & sayd no more. I heard afterwards he had been inquiring of
the Boatswain & others if they had ever seen the Steward do so more than that once, they assured him

they had seen him do so many times, He excused himself very cunningly against those that informed him of it (which they did I suppose being afraid to complain to Breemer himself being his Relation) This made me resolve to talk once more to him, being very ill pleas'd with his partiality & carelessness in an affair of such consequence, I therefore next morning sent to Capt Breemer to speak with me & open my mind to him on this subject & to let him know that for the future I would leave it on Capt Hilsley that the Portugal should deliver him the Key of the Larcenta after it was dark, this he promis'd & to look carefully after every thing &c

Aug 5 Wind at N.W. fine weather but little wind. The Gunner having been order'd to reveal the Compass on account of one of our Quartermasters being sick, last night refused to do so though Capt Breemer had order'd him & told him it was none of his business & the Captain told me of it, I therefore sent for the Gunner to come to me while I was alone (not being willing Breemer should be present for fear he should fly out in a passion against the fellow) and ask'd him how he came to refuse the Captains order to stand upon the watch at the Compass in such a necessity when our Quartermaster was sick, & advised him to take care for the future not to refuse but to assist when not employ'd about his proper business with good will in what was necessary and when the Captain might order since he saw it was not out of any intention to give him trouble but out of necessity which I would not refuse to do my self if no other could be had, The Gunner on my speaking to him appear'd very willing but pretended the other Quartermaster wanting him to keep watch longer than his return, & something to this purpose which I knew was in order to escape himself, However he promis'd that for the future he would not refuse to assist in any thing necessary &c

— 6 Wind same as yesterday, fresh gale & squally

— 7 Wind to S.W a fresh Gale, which is the first time we have had S.W. wind & fair weather

— 8 Wind from S to S.E & S.E.E. fine weather & a good moderate Gale

9 & 10 Same wind & weather as yesterday & fine Gale See some weeds & pieces of bamboo

— 11 Same wind & weather as before. This afternoon unfortunately one of my men fell over board & was drown'd, which I dare say might have been prevented had the Captain & Officers been more careful & immediately brought the Ship too But as Breemer thought of no such thing as to cast out Ropes at the same time the Ship run 5 knots, The poor man swam after the Ship a good while, I call'd out to bring to & a passenger we had spoke also to Breemer of doing so but he pretended very falsely they could not bring to and when I called I could neither see Breemer nor his mate being imployd about running out Ropes & then coops without thinking of bringing to on which I call'd for Capt Hilsley who had gone to nap, He order'd immediately the Ship to be brought to & to get the Boat out, but it was too late, for the man was almost under water before it was ready. I could not help being very uneasy to see the carelessness & stupidity of the Captain on this occasion, to let a man be lost when we could easily have sav'd him, & he knew how to swim & kept up above water a good while.

12&13th our S. E. Trade continues fair weather & moderate good Gales. As we expect soon to see Land we are getting ready our Anchors &c

—14th Same wind & moderate weather but cloudy & hazy At 9 PM saw the Land of Java bearing N. 4 or 5 Leagues. Seemd to be pretty high Land & shelving a good way from E to W which reckoning by the Sailing 31 deg. we made from Sumatra Pt Baule and our Acct ought to be about the middle of the Island, which we found to be so afterwards by our run from thence, as we knew the Land better, and probably was the hilly mark'd in the map to the E of an Island there called Nordra Canibas &. As I was very well pleasd with the Sight of Land, I was no Less surprizd at Captain Shelvings mistake & uneasiness, who came & told me very seriously we were fallen to the westward & it must be a certain Island Layd down in a Map of his S. of Java Head call'd Money, I asked what reason he had to dream it was any thing else but Java he Said it could not be Java because of the Latitude having made that deg. I told him I could not see what it could be else, and that it might be the Eastward of Java where would very well agree w.t our Latitude; He was positive it could not be, & another reason which was an effect of his prepossession was that the Land did not Shelve up Java as it Shut I was end with him & confuted all his objections as well as I could, Even to Shelving of the Land I told him that was not to be depended upon since he could not pretend to know how it all Shelved never having seen the half of it & could judge of Shelving but what he had seen before, and as for the other Island he had imagind only from seeing a Speck put down to the Eastward of Java Head in a Large Map I could not see it was possible to be that since we had seen this Land all the morning & run Sailing it already (now it was about 6 in the Evening when he still persisted in his Error) 40 odd miles So that it seemd to be an Island 20 Leagues in length which I thought could be in the fair way & so near Java Head without ever hearing been heard off or seen by any Ships he knew passing this way many of whom have fallen to the westward but we never knew that any of them saw such an Island. At last telling me his strange opinion of his I could not tell what to think of it, So only answer him that if it was not So but that we were to the Eastward and that as he Sailed on he would see better able to judge, but when about the Evening I Sail'd more Land in Sight and even plain afterwards in Some places & like double Land or Land beyond the first within the main, I was convinced it was Java, & perceiving him strangely confused & resolved to Ly by all night in order to know it better in the morning, I did all I could to convince him of his mistake & told him positively that it was Java & that I was sure of it, as we all were of the same opinion but himself, but all our reasoning was in vain, For as he is of so timerous a temper when he comes near Land which I saw by this voyage, as well as the last that he never knows & instead of thinking we might according to our reckoning & Course always find out without Shine or reason that we must be out of the way either too much to the westward or too much to the Eastward, So that in short I was obligd to let him follow his own foolish way, that is to Ly by & drive all night, which we did by an Easterly Sail as against his a great way & had the same Land to run over next day we had seen the day before, this losing time was the more provoking as we were to take in the Lascars and that it being a fine Steady gale from S. E. all night. However since I could do no more with him I told him before went to bed to make Sail early in the morning about 4 a clock which he promised. next morning or the 15th A.M. about 6. he set Sail (which he ought to have done earlier) but still persisted in the same odd imagination as yesterday. We had a good wind & day's run, S. E. by E.

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Augt for the bearing & soundings See the Table of Course &c

16 — round S.E. & E.S.E. Land full in sight & next morning or 16th 6 A.M. it bore from N.E. & E. to N.W. ½ W. And at noon saw in it Land with 2 peaks bearing N.N.E. 5 or 6 L. which I take to be the Island marked by Mr Pike in the map of Java to be in Lat. 7. 40. before you came to the E. part of nine Coopers hills.

17 same wind & fine weather 6 A.M. See a long ridge of Hills rising above one another into the Country very unequal & irregular, which as I could judge by the Map of Java must be the beginning of the nine Coopers Hills & proved to be so afterwards / Ship Stole standing who now from one to another till into the opening & believed the ways east way more to the Eastward, I judged by the map having found the Situation & appearance of the Land hitherto very conform, but he pretended to be sure of the contrary & that they could not be nine coopers hills because they should rise regular one a top of another & not unequal here & there as these, I persisted in my opinion having now very little regard to his knowledge of the Land /

— 18th in the Evening See the same Hills and at the W end a bluff point or head which I supposed to be nine Coopers head as we knew it to be before noon / Stole standing so but he would no means allow it, Insisted it could not be by his reckning & Situation & appearance of the Land &c but about noon he was convinced when we came up with it, which he might have easily been Satisfyd of at first seeing it, for it is very remarkable by a small Island lying South of it with 4 trees upon it & marked in the map Eyland mit de boomen But he had no regard to map or Island, nor would convinced till he saw Java Island, which we did the same evening or the 19th P.M

— 19th we passed Java Island & got up at 4 P.M with Cape Island soon after saw Java head which I was very desirous to push for that night as we had a fine westerly current all day with a fresh gale & clear light till 3 a clock in the morning, but Capt Stibbing being of another opinion not thinking it safe to run in for fear of it proving dark & that we might miss it & fall to the Westward I was satisfyd & agreed with him to ly by till the morning & to set sail time enough to reach the head by day light or near it so we lay by all night till 2 A.M. Set sail again, but the weather proving very Squally & dark with thunder & lightning we lay by again from 4 to 6 a clock, then made Sail & got up with Java head about 9 a clock, being in the Streights of Sunda saw an English ship lying off new Island which we supposed to be the late ship bound from England to Bencoolen, She shewed English Colours & we fired ~~a gun~~ the 2d ~~Flag~~ ~~again~~ ~~shewed~~ ~~English~~ ~~Colours~~ at noon saw Cracatoa Island N. ½ E. the 2d

20th ~~Flag again shewed English Colours~~ point E.N.E. 4 m Small winds & Calms, At 1 pm Set Cracatoa Island Fore N. & the 3d point E.N.E. 4 m found a Current setting against us a knot & ½ so that we were obliged to come to an Anchor in 42 fathom ½ an hour after noon at 3 got up anchor again at 6 A.M the 3d point Fore S. 2 L. off. at 12 a noon observed in Lat. 5. 52 S. Long. 104. 30 E. a Sail which we Suppose to be Dutch

21st At 2 P.M. Calm, we came to an Anchor in 20 fathom the Current setting from ½ a knot to 6 fath. Westerly. At 7 P.M. heard Thunder very weather & small winds at 11 at night Sailing Calm & Current against us 1½ knot we came to an Anchor. we have hundy boats come off all along of we purchased fresh fish & some Cocoa nuts & few pumple muses & fowls & Durks one of our Dutch master knowing the place where we were (which the Dutch call St Nicolas Bay) in the map

Augt 21st A.M. called negry Cafferang & that there was there fresh water, thought as we could not have time our passage might be, to China to take in fresh water (though we had enough for a months Consumption here) to scrub the Long Boat there; & Mr Mead along with him with the Quadermaster. At day light the 4th point bore NE ¼ N, the Ship we had seen before hoisted Dutch Colours, & we our own, At 10 A.M. we had a Anchor & sail with a Malay Lay by for our Boat which came aboard before noon with her Cask filled with good water which they had very easily the river lying just by the Island, the People there behaved quietly. we were obliged at noon to come to an Anchor again

22d — At noon the people had liberal leave the Long Boat ashore again to the same place for water which came back in the Evening, they got there 150 gall & some rocks off those but easy to be avoided in day light, there came aboard boats every day with fruit refreshment & some small monkeys, which I purchased, At Long calm & Light airs, Ends the Long Boat ashore again for water at 4 A.M. & about 10, weighed with a gentle gale at N N W. we see a Ship a good way a head standing as we suppose towards the Sumatra shore but seem we altered our course again

23d — At 4 P.M. were obliged to come to an Anchor again having past the 4th point, we got up with near the Dutch man who had continued at Anchor from the time we first saw him, he hailed up & we returned him proper answers, He was called the Medenblick Capt Name he had come from Bencoolen & was bound for Batavia, He saluted us very civilly with his Drums & Trumpets which we returned him & continued playing in answer to one another for some hours, At proving calm about 10 at night, & Light airs we were obliged to come to an Anchor again to windward of the Dutchman (who had weighed with us) where we continued till about 11 A.M. In the morning about 8 a clock the Dutch Captain left his pinnace & came along our Ship with a Mate with him who asked us about the Affairs of Europe &c we invited him aboard but the Mate answered he durst not come, He soon after rowed the Ship to view her & then went back to his own Ship, perceiving at last that the Captain was in the Pinnace we saluted him with our Trumpets & English Horns we had a Pleon a Ship coming up with a pretty good gale, which we suppose to be the English man we left in the Bay of Bengal, At 11 A.M. we weighed Anchor after the Dutchman who

24. — the English Ship came up with us a little after noon.

Sunday 25 — The English Ship afforn up & came near showed her Colours as did the Dutchman & we while we were at Dinner, She put out her Boat & came aboard the Dutchman, we saluted him with our Trumpets. He put out his Boat & came with her, the Captain answered from the Dutchman Trumpets as the Ship came near & spoke with her, the Captain answered he left Gadam from whom we knew that he was Capt Maund of the Cumberland He left Gadam in January & St Helena 11 weeks ago was going to Batavia & from thence to Bencoolen where he loaded up he was informed by the Dutchman that they were there in great want of every thing & that the Dutch had a Ship sunk lately there which the Dutchman in Company had gone to assist being sent from Batavia for that purpose, He asked if we were bound to Batavia And answering no but that we were bound to London he told us it would be impossible to get there this year if being too late & we told him we must try for it. He reached up Readily a good voyage and we did the same to him. Among other news from the Dutchman we were informed that the General was deceased & succeeded by Mr Roon who was Governour of Batavia when I was there, was dead & he succeeded by one of the Principal, & that Baron Imhof who was Secretary when I was there was made one of the Council of the Regency, & that mamus who was Commander of the Fort when I was there also dead, we continued the 3 Ships in Company till day

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24 6 a clock in the Evening & hearing a pretty gale there off from them to keep our Course that
as I was willing that Capt Bowers should know we were in good health, that he might be
able to send the same to my friends in England in case we should lose our passage, I
was willing once more to speak to him now that he was aboard his own Ship, to order
to back our Sails a little & wear nearer him, we add him & gave my service to him
(with an Intent to let him know that I was alive abroad) He answer'd he did not know
me I made them reply that though I had not the honour to know him yet with all
him a good voyage, and after I saw he did & all his people, He answer'd as very
well & had not one man sick we told him the same that we were all in good
health, he replyd he was glad of it & bold us again if it would be a hard voyage to windward
this year, we replyd it was very late but we were resolved to push for it, He said
that Capt Baldam had one, past here later but past by it & was obliged to return
& winter at Batavia. He then ask'd if we were Mr Campbell that had formerly at
Madjay, we answered yes & then took leave & saluted him with our Musick, &
steer'd over on Cuttle N N E. Saw the other Ship that we had seen before on a
head steering towards Batavia. At 8 A.M the Brothers N ¼ E 2 L. we made a
good Sheila line yesterday we weighed being 17 or 18 L. Sumatra bearing at same
time N & N 6 or 7 L. At noon the Northermost of the Brothers bore N E ½ E
& the other N E & E 2 M. off. They seem to be two rocks cover'd all with wood
but they say there is no fresh there nor nothing else to be found but Coal amongst
the Rocks.

— 25 And at 1 P.M. E. & E.N.E. Fearing to be too much driven to Westward by wind & current
as we suppose again I up came to anchor at 5 P.M. in 8 fath weake the Northermost
of the Brothers bearing E.S.E ½ S. & southermost of E.S.E & about 7 M. dist. and the
Northermost part of Sumatra in sight N W ½ W. and dist from the nearest Shoar 7 or 8
leagues. At 9 A.M weigh'd a small breeze at E.S.E
Came to anchor again at 2 P.M. wind Variable from E & E b S to E. & E b N & E N E
— 26 and Something calm, but a great Swell from the East. at 11 A.M set Sail with wind
at S.E & small gale but in an hour or at noon anchor again in 7 fath. soft ground.
Lay at Anchor the whole 24 hours wind variable, but about midnight found no current
— 27 against us I would gladly have weigh'd the wind being at E & E & E but our officers opposing
we must always Sail to windward thought better by at Anchor which I was forced to
time to us. At 6 in the morning Came out several Canoes to warp the Ship further
from the Sumatra Shore by which we got removed off 2 or 3 miles & anchor'd in 8 fathom soft
ground the 2 Brothers bearing S ½ W 6 or 7 Leagues & being uneasy to ly so long at Anchor & the
to E. Resolving to take the first opportunity of the Land wind for to run without a fresh gale
two near the Bank to the Westward is a pass & venturing without a fresh gale
winds variable from E.N.E & Northerly to E & about 11 P.M. perswaded them to weigh with the
— 28 wind at E & E but it falling calm cast anther again an hour after. And at 2 A.M. came
to Sail again a little wind at S.S.W & after 4 it proving calm to Anchor again. At 10 A.M
wind being at E & E. got up Anchor again. Hazy weather that we cant see the Land. Keep on
mostly Sounding
wind continuing E & E & S. Tastely kept under Sail all these 24 hours & made 62 miles.
— 29 though the wind fair as yesterday yet they did not care to make the best of their way but shortened
— 30 Sail at 9 P.M. and at 3 A.M. came to anchor again. & at 6 A.M. made Sail, Lucipara
in Sight N.W. 2 miles off. now they find themselves above 20 miles to the Eastward of the coast

Augt 30 notwithstanding of their being so positive of their being always to the westward, which hindered them often from sailing when they might, & did all I could to perswade & Fielding to lye of the at Anchor as practise & but to lye sounding, especially as we had one mood light, but I never met with so timerous a man when he is near Land, then he is always for keeping that we must be out of the way, & more so that Night where the danger is than we really are and when he gets his ship in his head, he will neither hear reason nor his Accounts nor any Body, I have often during these Calms & little winds been speaking to him that we ought to make the most of the Land & wind since it was very probable we should have no other in this latitude, but if seems he wanted to wait for a S. W wind to take him off the Bank to the westward which tho it was far enough from, his make me very uneasy and made me get up 2 or 3 times in the night when we lay at Anchor to see if the wind was any thing in favour, in order to take the first puff, well knowing how careless & generally are in such occasions & testimony of opportunity this through negligence & drove me off, as I found by experience too often having called them all a hour more than once when I got up to find the wind come about, or blow fair in the night we should lost all advantage of it, Fielding indeed had fatigue enough and got up in his own watch as well as the Captain, but after as he went to sleep the rest of the officers trusted themselves little about it, which made me get up so often & make them rouse them when a Pulling when I saw any probability of making anything of it, and gave the officer a severe reprimand for their carelessness, which made them more watchful afterward, being afraid they getting upon them unawares while they were asleep.

At 12 A.M. the first point of Sumatra S.E.½E. & the furthermost of that shore in sight N.N.E. and the Northermost of Banca N.W.W ½. and distant from the nearest Sumatra shore 2 ½ miles

—31 This wind & Easterly and a good moderate gale & got past the 3d point of Banca by 10 at night. At 4 A.M. they came to an Anchor again I dont know for what reason since they had moon light & their Lead to imploy, but our people are poor Sailors, & dont like the night Sailing at all. At 6 A.M. got to sail again, & past the 4th point of Sumatra & at noon Monopin bore N.E.E ½E & the westermost Land of Banca N.W. & distant 4 leagues. we see 3 Dutch Sloops in sight one of them made for us, there Dutch Colours we showed our own, the came under our Stern, & told us they & the other we saw were entering further this ship to pilot them up Palembam river they offer us Per Recon which we had not, this is what they generally look for when they meet any ships & sometimes trade with the English as I am told, they soon bore away towards the shore, I after them about some French at Batavia they seem little about it, only told me that the former General van Kloon died but made & one of the Council called Castaing had succeeded him, They told us also that the 3 English ships bound for China had passed in the month of June but they had seen no French Ship.

Sep 1st Spe another Sloop of Palembam river, which bore in shore as we got up with her, There being so many of them entering here at present make me believe they are expecting about this time Ships bound for Palembam. Same good wind as yesterday with which got clear before night of the Straits of Banca, and at sun rise see the Southermost of the 7 Islands S.E.½E & 5 or 6 leagues, & at noon the Northermost of the 7 Islands S.E.½S 3 leagues & Pulo Leyca N.W.W ½ W. 7 leagues. Blessed be God we have had very great luck in getting the Straits of Banca without Calms, being obliged to come to an Anchor but once, which was only for a couple of hours for which all there was no occasion,

ships incouraged me to hope that we shall still be able to make our passage Good before this month is out for I dont suppose the N.E. Trade will set in till October and though in this month we meet sometimes with good winds too contrary winds, yet we may hope also to meet sometimes with good winds too which if we make the best use of I make no question we shall do very well, I must beg for my own part I might more in the Divine Providence than in the knowledge or skill of our people or in any thing else, for I find the best of them are very often at a nonplus & run themselves into difficulties which they needed not, & which they would faine avoid but through their confusion & fearfulness bring themselves into them, I remember it was thought impossible by most people that I should make my passage last time having left Cadiz 6 days later than I did this time & got up the coast of China notwithstanding the 25th of August indeed now there is a very great difference our passage so far having been very unfavourable being above 3 weeks later in passing here than last voyage though set out from Cadiz a week or 6 days sooner, so that we have lost already a month of last voyage, but if we meet with any favourable winds by 20 or 25 days a month of last voyage, but if we meet with any favourable winds by 20 or 25 days
reaching the Straights I shall fein no fear of getting to Canton this year.

There is Island of Banca has a great many Hills of Callamy Hills & Mongin & several others, but Sumatra & this Hills is all low & mud with trees growing by the shore a good way in the water. It being so very shoal water all this Strait & mud Flats on both Sumatra & Banca side (excepting some few banks here & there) makes me believe that these 2 Islands have formerly been one, but that by time & the ocean the Sea has forced it away over here, which very likely has been the occasion also of the Strait between Malacca & Sumatra.

Sept 2 winds continue Southerly sometimes to the Eastward & sometimes to the westward of it at 6 in the Evening Pee. Pulo Taya N. W ½ W dist. 3 L. much lightning. At 6 next morning or A.M. See the Pontine Islands (lying off Lingen) N. by E. ½ E. but weather being hazy dont See Lingen. we reckon our selves at noon or 12 A.M. past the Line a few miles.

weather Equally

3d wind there Sly & Easterly a moderate gale, weather Cloudy & a drizling rain

4 wind come about more Southerly & to the westward of the South. At 4 P.M. in Pee. Pulo Auroe bearing W. N. W 9 or 10 Leagues, I had 2 high Summocks, the Southermost highest as you may See in the draught taken last voyage. we think we have a current carry us to the northward. At 6 A.M. See Pulo Auroe again S. S. W about 14 Leagues, and at 7 A.M See Pulo Timaon N. W. by W 10 or 11 Leagues appearing as you may See in the draught of last voyage with 2 Summocks. Having run about 45 M. since we first saw Pulo Auroe, the Island must be large, & about 130 or 14 Leagues distant from Pulo Timaon we dont See Pulo Lingang lying I believe more westerly. At noon we reckon the Sun past up to the southward about 10 miles. we have had much better Weather than we could have expected since leaving the bank where we were some days becalmed in sight of the Brothers always a good wind & Easterly & past the Strait of Banca without coming more than once which we also more than we needed have done, since we got out of Banca & near to the Island & our water deepens very gradually from 13 fathom to 39 to day at noon.

Friday 5th Sept. wind and weather same as yesterday S. Westerly. Soundings very gradual to 40 & 41 fath.

— 6 Same. Good wind, Soundings in the morning decrease gradually to 30 ½ which they will do till we come to Pulo Condore

— 7th Same wind & fresh gale. Soundings from 30 gradually decrease to 22½ & 21 f.

— 8 wind as yesterday but fresher, P.M. Equally ill westerly but squalls of short continuance at 5 P.M. See Pulo Condore N N W & N W ½ N about 7 or 8 leagues dist. appearing like several Islands (ride draught taken last voyage) Soundings now about 20 f. & now begin to increase from 20 to 21 & 22 to 30. We seem to have got a very favourable fast South west Trade wind ever since came in sight of Pulo Timaon, which has prevailed every day since & since the Sun got to the Southward of us. Sounded at 8 P.M. but no ground.

— 9th at Sun set See Pulo Capala N N W 5 l. & the westermost of the Cambricks from the mast head N N W 7 or 8 l. Same fresh S.W wind & S W b W

— 10th very fresh gales 1st part from S W to S S W latter part W & W S W Squally with Thunder Lightning & Rain.

— 11th Same winds & weather as yesterday.

— 12th winds to day more Southerly Sometimes S. & S S W & S. b W. moderate weather At midnight Sounded with 75 f. for the macclesfield Sand but found no ground. Sounded again at 4 P.M but no ground, Sounded again at 8 with 75 f. but no ground, as we did again at 10 & 12 but without finding ground. At this late Season of the year when people find here often westerly Currents (I mean Currents setting to the westward) it is Safest to take a due Easting for fear of falling to the westward on the Coast of China which may occasion the loss of our passage, in case there should come Easterly winds, as may be expected in this month, for it would be impossible to beat up against them, as has been the case of many Ships, by not keeping enough Easterly from Pulo Condore; It is therefore not safe to make this macclesfield Sand if you can, for finding it you will be better able to direct your Course for Macao, but shitching not finding Ground Supposes he is past it to the Eastward, especially as we Same Easting from Pulo Condore as we have now we found the wind on this Sand last voyage he would therefore now bear away N, but as I think there is no danger of being to the Eastward, and as I rather suppose there may be Currents have set us to the westward more than we imagine, I think it better still keep to the Eastward for 3 or 4 hours which performed then to bear away & Sound again, to that we Steered E N E till 2 a clock (13th p.m.) & then N E till 4 a clock p.m. then Sounded with 75 f but still no ground. As therefore the reason why we keeping so far to the Eastward, and that we Ships we are 2 degrees more Easterly now than we was last voyage, I concluded we have Easting enough & must be to the Eastward and of said Sand, I therefore complyd with his desire of bearing away our Course to the northward which he accordingly did. Latter part wind came about to the W of the North

— 14 wind from W to W b N & N W & N W b W for the first 12 hours the last 12 hours due W, Though we steer N W b W can make better than a North Course, for one day we found that we were several miles to the South ward of Account, & not improbable that the Curr

Sept 15 felts to the S.W. as they been often found here. we indeavour now for the Northward as much as the wind will permit, Capt Kilsding being afraid to be carrid too much Easterly on Acct of the Traders Rocks & Islands lying about 21 deg. ) which I believe are more to the Eastward than any Coasts can make, In short this is the only danger we have to abord now, & must not be Ran being too much to the Eastward for fear of them.

Same winds as yesterday at last due N, a good gale & moderate weather Sounded with 110 fath. but found no ground, which makes our officers think us a great way to the Eastward But as I knew they are not acquainted with any thing out of the ordinary tract or what they have been us'd to, So that if we should be now but 5 or 6 Leagues more Easterly than usual they cant tell whether there is ground or not, & therefore give my self no trouble on this Score believing still we are no further Easterly than we ought to be at this time of the year when we are to expect Change of winds & more Likely Easterly than any other.

16 Winds much the same, no ground with 125 f. At 12 A.M. or noon next day found ground at 72 f. This confirms our officers that they must be a great way to the Eastward in this Latitude of 21 d. where they Suppose they should have 40 to 45 f. I continue in my first opinion that we are very wide.

17 At 2 p.m. Ground at 68 f. Sand & broken Shells, we have found a great many weeds as on the Sea for some days past, & Sundry Sorts of Birds as Boobies, Noddies a sort of Linnets & wag tails, some of them they about the Ship, as Swallows and a little yellow Belly'd Bird with a long tail which is enough now Bell which I kept in the Cabbin & called the Ship, sounded every 2 hours, The water grows more Shoal from 68 to 58 f. at noon. Little wind but still S. Westerly. Several pretend to see Land but if there we are to the Eastward of the Ladrone if it is impossible the nearest Land being 20 Leagues off for we are now but in 21 deg. & ½ Indeed if we are to the Westward of Pedra Blanca they might be seen, but what they have been yesterday & this morning we only Sounded Dry'd the Barometer found it first time to fall this 3 days past time out of 24 hours.

18 Calms & Little wind, but what ip of it is still Westerly have decreased our Water by 22 hours to 44 fath. At 10 A.M. See Land from the mast head, And at noon Seeke it plain enough from the quarter Deck making like Several Islands & Rocks the most N by W ½ W 14 Leagues & the Easternmost N W ½ W 12 L. and the nearest N W ½ N 10 Leagues.

19 Mostly Calms & Such winds as yesterday. See the same Land as yesterday, & from the mast head a white Rock lying before one of the Islands which proved afterwards to be Pedra Branca, So that we have fallen in very well, notwithstanding of the great Easting we made, and that we found also Currents setting Sometimes to the Eastward, which ought to be a warning to people that come here at this time of the year when variable winds & Easterly or Calms as Currents Setting Easterly may be expected, for notwithstanding we have been favoured always with westerly winds & Currents yet are we not too far to the Eastward of our officers dreaded & had we met with Easterly winds must have fallen to the Westward & to perhaps have lost our passage, and I take the reason of people losing their passage in this month or the latter end of August to be owing to this mistake of not taking Easting enough but going perhaps a direct Course for the

Cadzoeng or Mercabusse, if they meet with Easterly wind or Current they must of Course fall to the westward, for I believe no Ship ever kept to much Easterly Ground per Canton as we have now done

Sepr 20th Small wind & variable but always westerly, Sometimes to the Southward & Sometimes to the Northward of it. The Pedra Branca & the other Island we saw yesterday, as also the range of Island running N E from the Isles East of which the Isles of the most Southerly & also the most westerly ende draught.

—21 Most fair Sel appeard very dark Cloudy & much thunder & Lightning to the northeast, which made our Swedish officers & those that knew no better apprehend a Typhoon, but as the Sun Set Clear enough & there seemd more appearance of Rain than wind from the Eastward I had no fear about it, however we put our Selves in readiness expecting a change of weather & wind, at 7 a clock or an hour after the wind shifted to E b N & E N E & N N E & then to about 3 hours came back to N N W & next morning our old wind S. Westerly. The expected Typhoon ended in a heavy Shower & Calm for half an hour before the wind came about which almost ran but 2 knotts. we had the latter part of the day more rain & Squally weather but nothing extraordinary

—22 wind S Westerly, very gradual decreasing of our water 2 per Log, In the night the wind came to S E & continued so till morning which helpd us to the Northward. The wind having been much westerly though moderate we cannot get to the Westward as we propose, and if we should make for the Cadzoeng the Common Trad we must lose a great deal of time I here therefore propose to Capt Pitching to endeavour to get in amongst the Island & the first good Channell we see, We hop aggreed to so in to the right of the Isles East if we can make so far westward which we are not sure to do in haste.

—23 Had 10 at night while we were at Anchor, being in the Calkin with the Lyer Loop & fell little Calm, so that I expected they would get up Anchor, but finding they did not mind it & that it blew from the S E I went upon Deck & spoke to Capt Sweeney & the officers of Ly watch about it, who told me there were no wind, for they had never thought of it, I went for more Certainty on the Poop to see what there was & found a little Breese from the S E So order the Anchor up immediately & Set Sail, which proved very Beneficial to us For though it was but a little wind yet it brought us before morning pretty near the Island (running N E from the Isles East) So that we had it in our power to go in amongst them as I had been always advising since we came upon the Coast & would have Pitching try to have gone in to the Northward of them all almost west from Pedra Branca, to the N of Pulo Ac Chiem (as it is called in the Portuguese draught) that is between that & the main, which had we attempted could have got in 2 days ago, for it appears to be a large clear passage but Capt Pitching not Daring any thing for want of not venture, but said he would rather go in by the Isles East, but as I Changed in the morning that the wind still continued S Westerly & that it was impossible to get to much to the Southward of the proper with such a wind I was resolved

along rate now to go in at any of the passages that lay open before us, thinking it much better than keeping the Sea at this season when perhaps Tysoons or Strong Winds at East might happen & thereby indanger our passage especially that I knew both the Portugueze & Chineze make no Scruple of running in amongst the Islands when they come upon the Coast as they find water enough every where, Soon as it was Break of day I got up & asked Capt Pilsbury what he intended to do, He to my Surprize told me, he thought of indeavouring to get about the Ladroen & go in the ordinary road, This nettled me, after he had himself agreed with me from the first time we saw the Land that it would be too much out of our way to make so much to the Westward of the Ladroen & especially if afterwards an Easterly wind should come we should not be able perhaps this year to get to Canton, and that therefore he thought of going in by the West Ear, I asked him his reason for changing his opinion & how he could think of striving to go round the Ladroen when he saw that he could not even get to the West Ear notwithstanding striving all this Smuggling so much for it Since ever we had come upon the Coast and that he had convinced himself that he believed one he were in amongst the Islands he could know the way we went East & could by the remarks he then made carry the Ship to Macao He now told me that there lay off the West Ear the Peter & some other Rocks which made it not to Safe a going in by the Ladroen, I could not help telling him with some emotion that I would no longer run up & down Coasting along the Coast when we could go in amongst the Islands & that therefore he would immediately get in some passage or other & for that purpose send the Pinnace before to Sound that we might avoid all danger, This made him at last (though contrary to his Inclination) comply & steer for a passage that lay open before us between an Island where we anchored last voyage (though on the Northside of it called by the Chineze Tam coon & [illegible] a mile on the right hand) & Island called by de Lelre on the left hand of the Passage, it's a small Island or Rock near the Island of Tam Coon, we Sent accordingly the Pinnace to Sound all along the Passage while we followed, They came back & acquainted us they found the passage clear & from 20 to 18 & 18 1/2 Fathom water all along, coming nearer we saw a great while & rippling of the water like breakers, sent the Pinnace again to the Channell where it was & found it was a Current setting to the Eastward, so we kept to the side of Tam Coon & passed through very safe in Soundings as before mentioned, the passage is but narrow but Good, However I take it to be much Safer on such occasion to venture the most Northerly Channell to Westward of Island Ao leme, where it is vastly wider & more room to tack or go out again in case of Contrary wind or any other hendrance, & had we done so at first as we might with the wind we had, we might now have been in the River of Canton But I find the Skill of most of our Seafaring people is no more than just to go the

Trust they have been us'd to though never so much out of the way them to follow
Common Sense or Chart, that directed them to a better, and this is Capt Stirling's
misfortune, though he is a very Good Seaman & Careful yet of so fearful a temper
that he is afraid of venturing an Inch where he is not sure, so that he is not fit to come
on this Coast but when there is more danger of loseing one's passage by delay & loss of
time than there is by running in the first place we come to, and had I not insisted
upon it this time (as I have done often before) & therefore taken it upon my self
he would not have ventured up I have him almost forc'd him to do several
times & I must say much to our advantage. I make my Judgment by the wind
I find & by his own Reckoning & Course he has steer'd, & by such winds as may be
probably expected at this time of year, and also don't Right such Charts as we have
which I have found hitherto good especially that of the Coast of China which I got
Capt voyage when there, & now know to be very Exact, but this is what your
Seaman Laugh at even when they have no rule of their own to guide them
by. Another thing may be observed by the great Easting we made from
Pulo Condore, how little Variation there is of Sailing on the Braces (which by the
by is the only danger that is in keeping to the Eastward & their only reason against
Easting) which we have not so much as seen, so that they by very probably more
Easterly than they are set down in the Mapp.

Sept 24 when entered the Passage about 2 m within amongst the Island you see a small Island
like a shoe or wedge, bearing from you N.E. 3 L. wide draught for other marks
ning till 8 p.m. in chiefly S. Easterly then calm most of the night. At ½ an hour past
4 in the morning finding there was a little wind from the Eastward I got up & near upon
Deck (as I use often to do in the night especially when at an Anchor being sensible of the
Officers Carelessness on those occasions) and tell the officers of C. Breeney Watch there
was a fair wind though little of it, they took no notice of it so I waked C. Stirling
& got him to weigh, & carried us only about 6 miles, and being Calm & a Foul
Current Setting to the South East we were oblig'd to come to an Anchor again. Could
not help being very angry with C. Breeney & Watch who have mine in two days been
so Careless up to neglect these little Airs of wind (which is all we are now to like to
have amongst these Islands) and that I should be oblig'd to be always looking
out & the first to tell them there is a fair wind, I complained to C. Breeney of this
and told him I thought it was the Officers Business & not mine to look after the
wind & weather & to neglect no opportunity of making use of them when favourable
without my being oblig'd always to put them in mind of it, He was asham'd of
the Very reason of him self as well as both the Officers of his watch, for if the Head is
not careful there is little to be expected of the others.
When you are got in here you are quite Surrounded with Islands with Land of Lantau
on your right hand, which has also some Islands before it. The mark you are to observe for
Steering in for Macao or Linting are these, viz. Island Lamcoon or passage we came in at

bearing from the Ship (or place where we Ly when in) S.S.E. ½ E. 2 m. Great Ladroen
N. b E. ½ E. Southerly 6 L. West East S.W. ½ S. 3 L. when we further in amongst the
Illands we were about noon next day, being about 4 L. from Tamcoon or the
Passage we came in at, to find the Channell which Lyes west before you about 3 or
4 m. The West East bear S. ½ E & E. or E. L. the Body of the Great Ladroen
& the high Land or Peak of the main Land of Lantau N.N.W. ½ W. the Low Land
of it being dist. 2 or 3 m. The Channell appears shut up by Illands but this is
a mark easy to know it by Close to the main Land of Lantau Lyes an Island, of it
appears (though there are 2 or 3 of them) and seemd to be a passage between that & the
main but this is not the true Channell but on the left or Southermost part of said
Island is the true Channell, you see as it were a long Rock (at 2, or 3 Rocky)
shutting it up & Illands before & to the left of it you steer then directly west
for that Rock that shuts it up & it soon opens & shows a clear channell, for
which vide draught

Sept. 25 was Calm all day, Afternoon we had din'd we sent the Pinnace a head to sound the
Passage we design'd to go through, they went as far as the Square Castle on Lantau
& brought up word that there was all the way to the said Castle from 10 to 9, 6 & the
least 5 to 5½ Fathom. finding it continue Calm & that were but a little way from
the passage I spoke to C. Kikching to try what we could do by warping if possible
to the Gut, which he aggreed to, and begun to warp at 1 in the morning & got a head
about 3 mile, & then by the help of the tide & a little wind got through about ½ an hour
past 9, but continuing Calm & the Tide setting on the Shoar, we were oblig'd to anchor
about ½ a mile from the Castle. vide draught Sept. 25th. It being Calm the greatest part
of these 24 hours, and that I was willing to save time as much as possible, and seeing
no great appearance of moving that day from Anchor amongst the Illands, I thought
best to send the Pinnace to Macao for a Pilot that in case any wind offer'd in the
mean time we could go on & meet them in the said way for Lirling, & chose to send
them in the night on account of the Coolness. They left the Ship betwixt 11 & 12 at night
our Passenger Mr Bagge went alongst with them to pass some time at Macao, we
Supposed Macao not above 6 Leagues but by the time we found they had taken to row
thither it must have been 9 or 10 Leagues, for they did not get there till 11 a clock next
morning, I order'd them a Compass, Lanthorn, Live Arms, for fear of the Ladroens & par-
-ticular they had also a fine moon Light night. I ordered Mr Maul the Mate that went
not to Sleep a moment after he got the Pilote.

— 26 At 2 P.M. weighed with a Small breeze at S. by E & steer N.W & N.W. to
keep in the fair way but edged a little nearer Macao than we intended in order to let our
Pinnace see us, Finding the Pinnace did not come we Ly too at 6 P.M. the Peak of
Linting bearing N.N.E. 6 or 7 m & Peak of Lantau E. ½ N. 2 L. & the Peak of Great
Ladroen S. & Macao. but hearing not any light of the Pinnace thought best
come to an Anchor at 7 P.M. we put out a Couple of Lanthorns for the Pinnace one

at the foremast Head of the other at the Fly Boat, but the did not come on Board till ½ an hour past 10 at night, the left Macao at 2 a clock & it Seems mist the Ship seeing the Ship & our Lights till about an hour before the got on Board, we were very much Surpriz'd they did not See us Since we were Seen from Macao early in the morning from their place of Signal & Several Sampans came off to us with Provisions, but the not Seeing us at Sailing out from Macao, made directly for Lantao Supposing us to be Still at Anchor where the had left us whereupon the crossed over the Fair way the must have met us, the brought us Home the same Pilote we had last voyage. But we had got a Pilote before who had left Macao in the morning & was with us a little after dinner & not being sure if the Pinnace Sheuld bring one nor what Accident might happen in the mean time till the other came aboard, & that he desird to stay with us I consented to keep him on Board. But this waiting so long for our Pinnace made us lose Several hours of a fine wind, which would have carryd us past Linting Could we have made use of it. The wind came afterward about Easterly & E b N & northerly just ag- ainst us, So that we could not Get till 10 a clock next morning & then we weighd with the Tide but made no more than a few Knots & were oblig'd to come to Anchor in an Hour after.

Sept 27 remaind at Anchor till 3 P.M. and finding a breeze South Easterly we weighd oblig'd to Anchor again at 6. & at 9. P.M. weighd with S.E but little of it, to come to anchor again at 12 P.M.

Sundecy 28th Sept Pilot At ½ an hour past noon weighd with a small breeze at N.N.W. & anchord again at 6 P.M. the pilote being unwilling to go up near Boca Tigris till the moon Shuld come up. The moon being up about 11 a night got to Sail by 12 with wind at S.S.E, but the Pilote not caring to go through the Boca Tigris we anchord again at 2 in the morning (Sundecy morning) and Lay at Anchor till noon S.E being Calm & then the Tide against us.

Munday 29th Pilot For Father Sundecy afternoon the 28th Came aboard a Boat from the Castle on Boca Tigris with Some of the Chinese Hoppo men to take an Account of the Ship, They had seen us from the Castle these 2 days past, & had Sent up to Canton to let the Mandarin know of our Arrival, & they Sent the Same person back who wrote down our number of Guns Swords, pendeys & muggetts, he Sent back his Boat & Staid with us, I treated him with wine & Tea & gave the people of his Boat 4 Catties of wine for which they return many thanks. The Hoppo officer told us (according to the Chinese Civility) that the mandarin would be very glad to See Foreign Ships. The tide being now with us though but little wind from the S.W we got up anchor about 1 a clock after noon at 2 past the Castle on Boca Tigris on the Starboard side & at ½ an hour past 3 past by the Fort on the Larboard Side on a small Island. At 6 anchord again below the first pyramid. At 5 A.M weighd, at ½ past 6 were oblig'd to come again to an Anchor, the 1st pyramid bearing N.N.W ½ a m. dist. The same day after Dinner at 1 a clock I and the Super Cargos left the Ship in order to get to Canton before night, we were Saluted at parting with 8 Guns.

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Beginning 28th January 1736 or 29th by Ships Stile

Wednesday January the 28th — At 8 A.M. I and the Supercargos came aboard, Same day weighd Anchor or by Ships Stile. We weighd at 3 P.M with the wind at W N W fair weather, at 7 we

— 29 passd Boca Tigris, & Soon after the 2 Dutch Ships who were at Anchor, We hald the don Dam which Lay nearest & ask'd after Mr Affleck & the other Gentlemen aboard, Mr Affleck ask'd if I was aboard and if we would not come aboard their Ship, Being resolv'd to lose no time we wish'd them a good voyage & safe arrival at Batavia & proceeded our Course, but at 8 p. m. were oblig'd to come to Anchor in 5 fathom mud at N E. And at 6 A. M. weighd again, Cloudy weather

— 30 Having got as far as Macao by 4 P. M, we discharged the Pilote, stood N & N N E hazy weather & dark which oblig'd us to drop Anchor at 10 P. M. At 6 A M. Set Sail pass'd as before mentioned At 8 the Peak of the Great Ladroen Bore E. dist 3 Leagues, we soon lost the Dutch Ships water Pyle in the morning & Soon after pass'd a Chinese Junk bound for Batavia

— 31 winds North Easterly, fresh Gales Dark & Squally

Sunday 1st Febr. winds as yesterday fair weather & moderate

— 2 much Same winds & weather as yesterday

— 3 winds & weather as yesterday, Believing we might be upon the Macclesfield Sand, we Sounded Several times with 50 & 55 fathom but found no ground

— 4 Still Same wind & weather

— 5 as yesterday.

— 6 a fresh Gale at N N E.

— 7 Wind & weather as the day before. At 3 P. M. Saw from the Mast head Pulo Sapata about 7 L. dist. bearing S. W. b. S. At 6 it bore N 3 Leagues. At 6 A M. Sounded found Ground with 33 fathom. At 12 found with 26 fathom.

— 8 wind & weather much as yesterday, found Ground from 26 to 20 fathom

— 9 moderate weather wind at N E & N E b E found Ground from 28 to 38 fathom

— 10 Light winds & hazy weather Sounded from 39, 40, to 35 fath. found always ground

— 11 wards it increas'd from 27 to 36 fath & then depend to 30 f. At 11 p. m. Saw Pulo Timoan bearing N. 5 or 6 Leagues. And at 6 A M. it bore N. N E & N ¼ N 10 Leagues At 7 Saw Pulo Aurore W S W 7 or 8 mile, when we saw a large Proa to the Northward for Said Island. we Sounded with 30 f. but no ground

— 12 moderate weather but hazy wind as before, Sounded from 30 to 20 f. At 12 A. M Saw the Bomine Islands S. W. 7 or 8 L.

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Febr. 13 Wind N. E. b. N, N. & N. N W to W. & W. N W. At 9 A.M. saw Pulo Taya W. 3 l. At ½ past 5 P.M. saw the 7 Islands N. E. 8 l. At 8 o'clock saw Menopin bore S. & S. W. 5 or 6 Leagues & the Coast of Sumatra S. W. by S. 40 or 8 l. At noon Menopin bore E. by S. 4 l. & Sumatra nearest shore 5 m. from us. Weather thick dewy variable as the wind, & hazy towards Sumatra. Sounded & found the Water lessening gradually from 18 f. to 7 & 6 b. See a large Prow or Malley & found the Water lessening gradually from 18 f. to 7 & 6 b. See a large Prow or Malley steering a head. Hearing same Course as we do.

— 14 Weather rainy & hazy, Wind very variable, from N. W. & W. N W. to N. & N. W. E. & the Latter part of these 24 hours. S. N. E. S. & N. S. W. & S. W. b. W. At ½ past 3 A.M. anchored in 11 fath. Found a Tide or Current very strong all day against us. At break of day saw the 2d Point of the Streights of Banca S. W. 2 l. & Pulo Nanca Island 2 l. E. by S. & weather raining & mostly Calm.

— 15 Weigh'd at 8 P.M. but in less than an hour anchored again at 6 P.M. weigh'd again N. N. E. & wind coming to the Southward anchored again at 3 A.M. At 7 A.M. set Sail & stood the Ship Course with us, a small wind between the N. & the N. weather Raining. At noon the 4th point bore 1½ M. & Lucepara S. by E.

— 16 At 1 A.M. came to an Anchor, weighed at 3 wind at N. W. b. N. made 6 dewy 90 miles run

— 17 The 1st part of the day wind opposite, a good Gale & fair weather. At 6 A.M. saw the north Weather S. S. E. 6 l. & sum the most head like 2 Brothers S. W. ½ W. 7 or 8 l. At ½ an hour past 10 Calm, we anchored the Current setting E. by E. At 6 wind westerly set Sail At 12 had the 2 Brothers in one N. 5 m. & Southermost part of Sumatra W. S. W.

— 18 The first part of the day wind variable from N. E. to N. W. & W. easterly. At 10 P.M. fell Calm & the Current against us, we anchored. At 8 A.M. weighed wind westerly at 8 saw North Island N. W. ½ N. 3 m. & the outermost part of one of the Natuna Islands S. W. by W. At 9 A.M. it falling calm we anchored in 23 fathom, the Natuna bearing W. by S. 3 m. We saw a Ship come up the Straits on the Bantam Side & turn Bantam point round for Batavia. At ½ an hour past 11 A.M. weighed with wind at N. & at noon it falling calm came to an Anchor again.

We expected to have met some Dutch Ships either here or in the Straits of Banca & Pork our for the 2 Dutch Ships expected from China, but having seen neither Ship we hope or Ship probable they have not yet received the news of the misfortune of those Ships last year.

— 19 At 2 P.M. a small Gale S. W. & S. we weighed & got a little nearer the Sumatra Shore & under the Natuna Islands, & at ½ an hour past 3 P.M. were obliged to come to an Anchor in 12 f. North Island bearing N. E. by E. 1½ m. & the outermost of the Natuna Islands S. by W. ½ W. & the northermost part of them in the way S. W. we were distant from the Sumatra Shore 2 m. weather rainy & Squally, wind at S. W. we set Sail at 8 A.M.

— 20 At ½ past 12 A.M. were obliged to come to an Anchor in 19 fathom off the Natuna Islands. Sent Lieutenant Grant in the Pinnace to sound off said Islands, found gradual Soundings into the Shore where it is rocky. At 7 in the morning weighed wind at S. W. & backed Southward for several hours.

Febr 21st weather very hot & fair, wind variable the first part of the day S.W. & then to the N.W. then to the S.S.E. & S., N.N., S.W., S.E. & E. At midnight came to an Anchor at 6 days Light. See Cracatoa Island N.W. ½ W. & the 2d point of Java S.W. ½ W. 6 m. At 6 A.M. weighed, Wind S.E. & Easterly. At noon Prince Island Peak

Fore N.E. & E.½ E.

22 wind N.E. moderate, weather rainy & hazy. Finding the winds here very variable & no hard blowing as a Monsoon I consulted with Capt Hitching which way best either to go to Prince Island or to new Bay for wood & water, he being of opinion that as there was no danger at present of Both S.W. winds, and that it was much easier watering & wooding in new Bay than at Prince Island (which is Good for that purpose in the height of the N.E. monsoon in order to get through the Straits) we therefore steered for new Bay where we came to an Anchor at 6 P.M. in 14 f. ½ about a mile off new Island & same distance from Java, the 2d Point bearing N.E. & the Easternmost part of Prince Island N.N.E. ½ E. we moored the Ship.

In the morning early sent People to new Island to cut wood & to Java to water. I went a shoar about ½ a clock in the morning to new Island to the place where our people were cutting of wood. The whole Island seemd to be an intire wood of various Trees unknown to me except Banians & mangos, several Horse Trees & a Tree with a fine Red Leaf. I went a little into the wood where I found another place where Ships have also cut wood, and found several lately cut, & just by a fine small Stream of water fresh & Good, but could meet with no Sport, the Birds being very shy here I suppose on account of people frequenting this part of the Island pretty much, I heard them often but as soon as I approach the Place where they were, they were immediately gone, so that I could not have an opportunity so much as once to discharge my piece, from thence I went over to Java which is all wood as new Island. I had the same fate here as at the Island. I went into the wood after the cry of the Birds but could see none of them, I then went down to the watering place, where is a very large Stream of water pouring down as a Cascade from the Rocks into the Sea, where a fleet of Ships may easily water, bringing the Casks to the very Stream. A little way further to the Northward is another Stream pouring of the Rocks of the former. I came aboard to dinner. After dinner I rowed ashoar again towards the bottom of the Bay, but could not get far by reason of Sands & a Ledge of Rocks that stopt over above half way from Java to the Island, so that we were oblig'd to be carryd ashore on the Java Side, I went almost to the West point of the Land where was a large plantation of Coco nutt Trees & mango Trees, Betel, & Mecca Trees as well as Banian & others, but could find no Sport but saw some Peacocks, Doves, & a fine yellow Bird with a long Tail about the bigness of a Perrokite, there were other Red Birds & Swallows & other Small Birds, but could come at none of them, I returned aboard in the Evening. All the while we lay here there came Boats every day from Prince Island & Java

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with Sundry fish, & a great quantity of Fruit, some of them very large. A great many Coco nuts, a few plantans, some Cucumber very good & one or two other fruit a good quantity of Fowls & Eggs. Here they brought up Coco nuts the inside all hed, the first of the kind I ever saw, the Liquour tasting the same as the whole ones. one of the Raja's came over from Princes Island, a Civil mean would make a present of plantans &c he brought also some Fruit & fish but refused to take money chusing rather old Guns & powder of which they seem to be very fond of here a great deal. A Soldier Handkerchief, & Lloyd out all the money I had with them, & gave them bottles & needles, for some of their Coco nuts. They offered to go shoot wild Buffalo's for us if we would give them muskets & powder, of which they say there is a great quantity on the Java Side, a great many Hogs, but I saw none where; some of our people saw their footsteps, & also monkeys on the Trees which were very shy also & fled as soon as they saw us.

23d As we expect every moment the English Ships to pass this way, which we are inform'd are not yet arrived, which must be owing in all probability to their keeping company with the 2 Dutch China Ships which they proposed to do as far as Banlam point, But as they are resolved to wood & water here at Princes Island, I gave the Raja a Letter for Mr Newnam Chief Super Cargo of the 2 Ships, with an Intent to let our Friends in Europe know how we having past safe so far in case the English should arrive at Home before us, The Copy is as follows

Aboard the King Frederick in Bencoolen Bay 23d Feb 1736

Sir

The Tide having served Sooner than I expected the night I left you at Campo obliged me to go aboard, & deprived me of the pleasure of seeing you again in the morning as I intended.

We arrived here the night before last, & hope to be ready to set Sail this Evening or to morrow morning if the wind permits

All the news we can learn here is that Capt de Mondelet left this Bay about a month ago.

Please offer my humble Service to Capt Boodle and all your Gentlemen with you, and to Mr Pratt & the Gentlemen aboard the Houghton.

Wishing them heartily a Good voyage. I am Sir

Your most humble Servant

E E

Mr Mosford & Mr Roff joyn with me in their Good wishes

24th Having got on board last night all our wood & water, about 7 Tun of wood & 50 Tun of water we unmoored this morning by Break of day & got under Sail by a clock A M with the wind (of which but little) at & moderate weather & loved the Ship all day, there came Country Boats off to us when even under Sail with Coco nuts Gourds or Cucumbers, Fruttles, Limes, & one that had been with us last night went ashore to Dole & Bought us more of the Buffalo's & wanted my Boat to go & bring it which we did not care to do, He went back & cut it up in quarters & brought it us. I disposed of 10 old muskets here & all the money I had being about Dollers and made them glad to take empty Gloss Bottles for their Coco nuts &c I got a Creese or malay dagger from one of them for 2 old muskets. They did not like our

pistols, but took willingly the muskquets & powder, they always measurd the muskquets
esteeming the Longest the best. All the people that came aboard of us came from
Princes Island & seem to be a civil quiet people. Formerly there was a small Habitation
on New Island, where some of the Malluyans of Princes Island had settled & planted Rice
Coco nuts mangos &c but in the year 1720 were plundered & driven of the Island
without the least provocation by an offending Ship commanded by a mad Englishman
called Capt Trannell. They not only took away all they could, & Coco nuts mangos
rice Cobbaby, but also all their Tools of Iron for grinding their Rice, in short every
thing they could catch, & destroyd several trees & set fire to the houses, since which time
there has no body lived here. And it is a wonder they come ever near any Europe
Ships after such treatment, which we doubt in former times they have often met
with the like (I mean the Indians in General) from some of our European Brutes
of Commanders, which has made them so suspicious of Strangers & in some parts
so Savage as to destroy all they meet. To this day even here in the Island of
Guade they Shun always to go aboard the Dutch Ships with any provision
because they Shun always to go aboard the Dutch Ships with any provision
because they Some times take any thing they please & if they refuse what they
think fit to give them beat them to Cool & then kick them out of the Ship.

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25 All day very little wind the fore part of the 24 hours S. Westerly, the Last part E. N. E. made
but 24 m. At noon the High Land to the Eastward of Java head bore N E ½ N 11 or 12 l.
—26 wind & weather very variable Sometimes Fair Sometimes Squally with rain Sometimes
made but 38 m. At 6 P M See the high Land to the Eastward of Java head N N E
½ E 13 or 14 l.
—27 wind & weather very variable as the day before, the wind Sometimes to the Northward
& 28 of the East & Sometimes to the South ward of it & very little of it.
—29 wind mostly S E & S S E very Squally weather with rain, but what Squalls we have had
as yet continue but for a moment, & at other times Little wind.
March 1 much such wind & weather as yesterday
— 2 weather more moderate & more wind Still S E. or E S E.
— 3 wind & weather as yesterday, but more wind
— 4 Fair weather & a pretty good wind chiefly E & E b S or E S E. In the morning turned
to E b N
— 5 weather variable with Squalls of rain wind variable Veering mostly to the Northward
of the East.
— 6 fair weather & a fine moderate Gale of wind Sometimes E b N Sometimes E & E b S.
— 7 wind & weather as yesterday
& 8 9 wind & weather as yesterday The wind is now come to where the Trade wind should be since yesterday morning, from E b S
—10 to E S E & S E a good Gale & fine weather
—11 Fine weather & a brisk Gale Same wind as yesterday
—12 wind & weather much as yesterday but more wind with a few light Squalls
—13 wind S E. & S E b S. a fine gale, Run 180 miles a few Light Squalls with rain

March 14 } 15 } 16 } 1736 } Same fine wind & weather most of the time with great Rung.
17 } 18 } 19 } indifye
— 20 Wind begins to be variable, the latter part of these 24 hours S.W. or near it, & but little of it
Variable to day per ampl. 13. 6 N.W. & moderate weather
— 21 Same wind & weather as yesterday & but small Rain
— 22 Latter part of the 24 hours wind again at S.E. a moderate gale
— 23 & 24 Wind a little variable S. & S.E. & S.S.E. & often Squally, but of short Continuance & but small rung
— 25 Wind S.E. or near with Some sharp Squalls & rain but a fresh Gale.
— 26 to 31st Wind much Same wind & most part Good weather, Sometimes a Small Squall with a little rain, but great Rung being fresh Gales. The Latter part of these 24 hours the wind hauled Shifted to E. b. N. & E.N.E. & near it
April 1 Wind very variable from N.E. to W. & N.b.W. & N.W. & then to W. & so to S.W. & very Squally.
— 2 & 3 Wind in the S.W. quarter & often Calm, very small rung
— 4 Wind Shifted from the S.W. quarter to the S.E. & thence to E. & E.b.N. & E.N.E small rung
— 5 & 6 Wind much as yesterday N. & or near it and fine fresh Gale & fair weather Good rung
— 7 Wind very variable, a hard Squall at N.N.W with much Thunder & Lightning, wind about to the S.W again or near it, we have made very little way
— 8 Weather to day clear up & wind again at S.E. & from thence to E.b.N. & E. moderate Gales
— 9 & 10 Wind very variable from N.E. to N.W., W. & S.W. & N.W. &c so that we have made but little way.
— 11 Wind variable & weather ye.
— 12 Wind most in the N.W quarter & several hard Squalls with Rain & Sometimes with Hail
— 13 Wind & weather very variable & Squally, make little way; mostly in the S.W quarter
— 14 Wind about to S. & S.S.E. much Calm. At 11 P.M. founded on the Bank of the Cape of Good Hope & struck Ground in 67 fath. Sand & after wards in 60 fath. Sand we have had a very favourable & quick passage from Java Head so far and if we get well after the Cape & meet with as favourable winds on the other side to this we soon to the Trade. There we shall get Home before any of our friends expect us. And if I find the people healthy & that we have water enough I am resolved to touch no where but to make the best of our way to Gottenburg, though I dont think proper yet to let our People know this.
Variation of the Compass by Azm. 17. 34
Variation by Amp. 17. 35
— 15 Fair weather & wind much as yesterday in the South East quarter & a fine moderate Gale Sounded again in 53 & 50 Fathom & at noon next day in 12 fath. in 130 fathom
— 16 Wind & weather variable, Sometimes Squally & Rain, wind almost all round the Compass. Sounded 160 fath.
— 17 Wind about to the S. Squarder but rid. very Settled. moderate Gale, with little rain
— 18 Wind S.S.E. b. S. fair weather & moderate gale, Steering var. per Ampl. 14. 4. W.
— 19 Wind a little variable, moderate, & mostly S.S.E.
— 20 Wind mostly in the S.E. qr or near it. fair weather, moderate gale, we have come about the Cape very fair without any hard Gale or bad weather
— 21 Wind moderate but variable fair. E.S.E. & E.S.E. to E.b.N. & N.E. & N.b.E. &c fine weather
— 22 Fair weather but wind about to N.E.b.N. & N.W. and at last to W. & W.S.W. & W.b.S. till noon
— 23 Wind & weather much as yesterday but chiefly in the S.W. quarter
— 24 Fine weather & wind at S.S.E. & S.S.E. & near it

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Apr: 25 now the wind seems to be settled at S.E. by E. or there about, so that we hope have got the Trade
Winds, moderate Gales & fine weather
— 26 Same as yesterday
— 27 At noon we were expect to meet soon with the Light of Ships we are putting our Selves in a
posture of defence & getting up all our Guns & plueing them on the Decks
May 1st Since the 25th of last month the wind has been pretty near the same; but moderate seldom
a Run above 100 miles.
— 2 See the Island of St Helena from the top mast head bearing W b N ½ N 10 L. weather
a little squally with Rain At noon 6 A.M. Body of St Helena Eve S.S.E. ½ E. 7 L. Now
did not go very near it we could not see their Colours nor they ours which however we
Shewed, & having passed the Road in the night could not discern if there was any
Ships there
These two days much the same wind & weather. As I have examined our Accounts of Water
now in the Ship & find there is above the half of what we brought from Mens Island being
now about 24 Gun & the Casks in Good Case, I calculate at the rate of our Consumption
to meet Home for 3 months & a half. I am resolved to make a push directly Home
without touching at the Island Fernando Noronha or any where else, for we were
Sick for nothing. However to deny the People of their Allowance of Water I thought
— 4 proper to call the Purser & 2 Captains & called them & asked them what they thought
of it, They all agreed with me that it was the best resolution we could take, & therefore
order to steer their Course accordingly. Raphael long before concealed his Acquaintance with
Capt Kissling who was always for it, and in that as well as being civil to Strangers I have
found him consult the Company's Interest on all occasions. I suspected that some others
had a mind for a little Land Air which made me conceal my design till now
& depend thinking to do the same. It is a great Happiness that our People all appear
are in good health, and I must say I see no occasion for any of our Ships
for the time to come to touch any where after leaving the Straits of Sunda where
they may take in water enough for 6 months provided they take care where
Casks, We had always Ship in my view I took Care to buy some Casks at Cadiz
& leaving there was not yet I prevailed with Capt Boodle at Camden to spare me
some of his.
Since the 4th same wind & weather, but the wind rather Esp. At 9 A.M. see the
— 8 Island Ascension from the top mast head bearing N. N-b W about 18 or 19 Leagues off we
found afterwards our Run to it
Same wind & weather. See at Sun set S. Ascension the W extremes of land W W ½ W
— 9 & the Northermost N W ½ W about 4 L. dist. It is a moderate high Island but not so
high nor so large as St Helena. At noon it bore S.E. b.S. ¼ S. about 20 L.
Since the 9th the same wind & weather but the wind a little further about 120 m. run
— 13 At ½ an hour past 1 P.M. saw a sail W W S dist. about 3 L. At 3 P.M. saw another
about 4 L. beam. W W dist. The Ship to wind ward hoisted Portuguese Colours
& fired a Gun, which was either with a design to speak to us, or occasioned by our people
firing some of the small Arms which might make her think we fired to salute, we hoisted
our Swedish Colours She seemed to bear down upon us & made several Signals with her
Sails but we took down our Colours & kept on our Course to let her know we did not
want to speak with her upon which she bore away to the other Ship to see you
we suppose they were Consorts belonging to the Brazil Fleet now come from Portugal
They were both very large Ships but as we could not be sure what they were we had all
our Ports clear Hoisted, & also our small Arms, & hammocks up in the Quarter

June 14 & 15 winds & weather much the same but veering the 15th a Little to the Northward of the East

— 16 winds & weather variable & Calms & Rain

— 17 wind to the westward of the South, variable, Squally with Rain & Calms

Saw in the night a rain bow, the moon was about 45° high to appearance, the night after her full, but it being very Cloudy & her body hid by the Clouds the Rainbow appeard dim tho' we could distinguish the different Colours, tho' not near so Lively of that we saw the out voyage may 28 1735

— 18 to — 23 & Great deal of Calms & variable weather, & small winds & variable sometime from the S.E, S.W & northward of the west

— 24 Have got the N.E Trade w^t fair weather & winds moderate which continued so to the

to 31 end of this month, Run about 120 miles a day

June 1st much same winds & weather as before, but Calms smaller which continued about the rate of 100 m.

to 4th a day till the 6th when had Little wind & some Calms & continued so till the 9th when the

to 8th wind came about westerly & N.b.W but Little wind & Calm, & the same the 10th

11, 12, 13 & 14 winds mostly in the N.E. quarter, & but Little of them, variable weather w^t drizzling rain

— 15 winds veer about more Easterly & S.E. with Calms

16, 17 & 18 winds mostly Southwest fair, & Calms

19 to 22 winds mostly as before S.W moderate Gales & fair weather about 120 m. a day

23 to 26 winds very variable mostly N.E. but Little of them

— 27 winds S.E. very variable but fair weather & Calms, & so continued for 2 days

— 29 wind S.E. but Little of it with fair weather. See a Ship bearing to NW we made signals of speaking with her, but she pushed her Course, nor did we think proper to make for her not knowing how the Affairs of Europe Stand at present, for which reason should be glad to meet some Small vessell, which we might oblige to speak with us and inform us

— 30 Little wind & Calms, See the Ship Still at close of day E by E about 5 L. off seems bound to the Channell

July 1 winds come to the SW with fair weather. Last month we have had very bad Luck in regard of winds, and indeed ever we came the length of the North Tropick have had very ordinary Seasons,

— 2 A fine fresh Gale at W.N.W run 175 m. at the beginning of the day saw a Sail bearing N.b.E from us At 4 P.M as they appeard to be a Snow we resolvd to speak with her, which she observing waited for us, we inquired after the news of Europe she told us the peace was made up between France & the Emperour 4 months ago & that all was well in Europe, she is an English vessell come from Barbadoes & bound to Belfast in Ireland

— 3 wind much as yesterday but much less of it & the latter part of the 24 hours veer'd to the

& 4 South & S.E. next day came about to S.W moderate Gales with Rain & fog, saw a Sail

— 5 winds variable & Calms & fog from the S.E.

— 6 to the 13th winds chiefly South Easterly & foggy weather every day, & but little wind did

to the 13th not run above 60 m a day, to day wind N.E or here calms little wind & hazy weather Saw 2 Sails, as we would gladly speak with one but they bound to be concerned in the news we had before & to increase our distance from Land we made for the an English

July 13 vessell bound for Philadelphia, the holdy we were 50 Leagues from the W^t of Ireland which bore E b S from us. As the did not pass us very near & we did not care to harbor sail we had not time to ask more questions.
—14&15 wind N W Cloudy & rainy moderate Gale
—16 wind variable from W to S W & c & little of it
—17 fair weather wind from S W to W by N. Lee 2 or 3 Leags. At 4 A M. saw Land bearing E S E & W ½ N about 12 L.
—18 Lee At 4 P M. See the same Land again which is the South most part of Shetland The wind is in our Teeth at S E so that we found it very difficult to pass between Orkney & Shetland, & could not go between Fair Isle & Orkney. We saw also saw the Orkneys distant 4 or 5 m about S S E from us
—19 Calm in the night between Schetland & Fair Isle wind till S E but fair weather See several Doggers a sailing, we made for one of them which keeped Dutch Colours & sent the Pinnace aboard which returned soon with some fresh herrings & Cod & gave us the news that all Europe was in Peace & that Hanoverian war being declared, which we received with a great deal of satisfaction. the Dutch men of war had been out these 6 weeks to look for their Batavia fleet but none had yet passed, when we passed the Straits of Dunda we were told they were then at Batavia. The men of war people being sickly they had gone in to Schetland
—20 wind still S E & very cold, we have had very bad wind this great while & a great deal of Frost & very cold weather since we left the Norths Coasts
—21 Wind came about more favourable to S W, fair weather & much warmer a fine Gale.
—22 our Good wind lasted till about 7 in the morning when it fell almost Calm. At 10 A M. saw the Land of Norway E S E. 16 Leagues
—23 much the same wind but very little of it.
—24 About midnight the wind veered to S S E & S E b E. but little of it
—25 Same bad wind but fine clear weather
—26 S E & E b S weather, See a ship to the Eastward which we stood to speak to which we did to speak, which we much wanted Sent the Pinnace aboard which returned with the master Jont Pieterson bound for Copenhagen, Gott d'Lim an Anchor of Red wine & a hogshead of White & some other necessaries, & gave him a bill on the Company for the money being in all 64 ½ Rix Dollers Current Dance payable at sight. He gave us a good deal of news which we found clatter from the Dutchman that spoke with us before. meaning to meet a Ship bound for England in order to write by her, we to day accordingly spoke with one bound to Newcastle called the Good will come from Dram in Norway & [illegible] one Lind to her Master a Quaker. wrote by him to my wife to Mr Archibald Kerr & to Messrs Knox Craighead & Knox
—27 5 a clock A M. being a Dance come from Bordeaux, We Suppose she might have nine name Thomson by profession a
—28 Still bad wind but come to the Northward of the East our People now begin to talk down though fine weather, & have been very healthy all along till this time, but they are quelly sick of Cloudy & rainy & mouldy at Sea Space we were at any Land the Country begins to come a mongst them, which makes me desirous to meet with some Ships from England in order to get some greens of them which is the only thing now that can do our People any Good. In the mean time we gave them wine, & make Soupe of Bread & other

1736 Rings in which we give them nine & sugar. We bought too Peran English ships but
the way come from Bram & had nothing yt serv'd, they bound for London, called the Hopson
master's name Chapman. Spoke with another from Rega bound to Lynn
July 29 To our great Joy the wind hes veer'd about 9 A.M. to S.S.W. and hes bought close cloudy
weather with ye S.W. & S.S.W. sometimes See a great many ships every Day coming from the
—30 wind S.W. & Eastward & going thither, we spoke with an English man pretty near us bound from London
to Petersburg come 6 days ago from Falmouth who spend us some Cabbages & Artichoke
& other Greens & Roots & Parsnips, call'd the Prince Frederick the master's name Seaman
much about Time now 4 P.M. Sean Sullard E.b.N. 4 or 5 L. we find our sounding to day
decrease very gradually from 23 to 15 fathom if this wind holds we hope see Ringo to
night or to Morrow morning at furthest
At 9 A.M. See a great part of the Land that runs to Schager Riff with the point call'd
Robbe Knut which has a white Rengo or Pyramide upon it, the same we saw when we return
Last voyage.

# Journal or Diary of Transactions aboard the Ship Stockholm in Company with the Frederick Rex Sueciæ bound from Gottenburg in Sweden to Canton in China Anno 1737 & 1738

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Dec.r 29th About 10 in the morning I left Gottenburg & went by Land to where I took boat & got aboard the Stockholm (lying below the new Castle) about 1 a clock after noon, but wind being at S.W. we could not get Sail.

Friday 30th About 8 in the morning finding the wind at S.b.E. we weighed & got out to Sea a breast of ningo by 11 a clock A.M, of which I advised the Directours by Schipper Bogman & the Pilot. The Ship Frederick weighed at same time & kept up Company according to orders. we were not long at Sea before I perceived that the Frederick Sailed much better than the Ship I was in, which was the more disagreeable as the Stockholm is the Commanding Ship and that the Frederick was to obey all Signals & orders from me. According to Ships Stile we must call the afternoon of this day the 31st P.M. the Frederick kept up Company all day & in the night we put up Lights for her in order to keep together, which she neglected to answer.

— 31st P.M.

1738

Jan.r 1st About 8 P.M. the wind came about to S.W. next morning at 8 saw the Frederick S.b.E. of us about 3 leagues, we shortend Sail for that she might come up, but she kept to windward and seemed to have no inclination to come near us.

— 2 wind same a great Sea & a very Rolling Ship. Saw a Sail N.N.W and believing her to be the Frederick made a Signal for to let her know us but she did not answer us, whether she saw our Signal or not I can't tell we saw another Sail N.E of us

— 3 windy variable & thick hazy weather with Rain, At last the wind came to the W.

— 4 windy variable the fore part of the day N.E. then Calm and shifted to the Westward & W.N.W.

— 5 wind variable but all againstly mostly westerly, & bad weather with rain & hail & Squally

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Jan 6th [illegible] Ile
winds S. S W fore part of the day & latter part Calm

—7 Calm till 7 A.M. then wind S.W. About noon Calm again

—8 wind W b. S. & W. & latter part N W & W N W.

—9 wind al N. W till 6 P.M. at S. O. & E. S. E. at last S. & S.W. Sounded with 100 fathom but no ground

—10 wind S.W easterly till 10 A.M. then calm till 7 P.M. then wind at N.W. E at 10 A.M. See North Fero Island N W b W about 13 L.

—11 Winds N W. & W N W. & N. variable At 4 P.M. Fero Islands the S. westermost bearing S. W 4½ L. Ship from nearst W. 3 L. Squally weather with Snow & Hail. we See a Long range off Islands lying in a range from E to W. one of them resembling a Ship a Table looking quite flat others like a Steeple & a Roof of a house pretty high & all coverd with Snow. wind very fresh.

—12 weather Squally with Snow winds mostly N W easterly till about 6 A.M at N W E then E b. N & E.

—13 wind at E. & E. b. S. & N E. Small Gale

—14 wind at N E & E & S E. & S. variable Latter part S. b. W. & S. S W

—15 winds mostly S W easterly hazy weather & Rain, sometimes Calm, little Wind.

—16 first part wind of yesterday Rain Gale with a S W Swell thick weather & Rain all & P M wind at N W easterly quarter mostly

—17 winds variable W & W b S. and latter part N W easterly Some Rain

—18 wind N W W an hour or two about noon S. E. all the rest of the day Calm made no more than 16 M.

—19 Continued Calm till about 3. A.M. then wind at S. E & S E easterly Small Gale

—20th wind of yesterday but not much of it Small Showers thick weather

—21st wind at S b W & S W. & fine weather we reckon our Selves now South of the Canary

—22 winds variable S W & W b S & S W b W. thick weather & Small Rain

—23 winds most S. Westerly easy weather at 8 A.M. See a large Ship to wind ward about N W b S. 4 L. believing it to be the Frederick made a signal for her which She did not answer. It being the Queens birth day we had our Colours, & the Ship showed Dutch Colours, and seemd to want to speak with us, when we came near one hailed one another & She sent her pinnace aboard us, we found her to be an Englishman called the Ship Captain by Adrian van Reinsen & the same that was Chief mate aboard the Ship that conducted me my first voyage in the Frederick to Batavia and back again? N.B. killed two Hogs for the people & gave them a Tub of Punch to drink the Queens health

Janr 23d The mate told us they had been from the Texel since the 25th 8br N.S.
they were 4 Ships in Company from the Texel of which this was the
Commodore but soon parted, he supposed the other 3 went through the
Channell but this was obliged to come round North by Feno Island
which he had left the 25th Dect N.S. He complaind of very bad
weather & Storms with westerly S. Westerly & N W winds, they
had about 300 men aboard at leaving Holland (including Soldiers)
they were bound to Batavia had 35 or 36 men dead & above half
sick. They met with such bad weather that they had one 2 foot
water in the Hold & between Decks and the Sea had beat in the
windows of the Great Cabin & filled it with water. In the same Ship Mr
John Archer (who had formerly been partner with Messrs Clifford at
Amsterdam) was going Passenger to Batavia with his Daughter a Girl
of 18 or 19 years of Age, and of the mate told us was very sick & troubled
with head ach & Staranguary & was light headed. I wrote to him to desire
to know if he wanted any thing that we could help him with, & sent also
my Compliments to the Captain, The mate came back with a great many
Compliments, & the Captain sayd if we kept Company he would pay me
—24 a visit next day, I sent them some fowls Ducks Geese & Turkies, Sago
& Apples. After the Pinnace was gone we made Sail & soon left him
a stern, & at day light saw him 4 or 5 L. off.
At 2 P.M. saw another Ship to leeward but not near enough to make
her a Signal. Fine weather & wind Forepart S. westerly, at 2 A.M. came
about to S. & then S.b E & S S E. easy weather
—25 wind mostly as latter part of yesterday variable weather sometimes Small
showers & foggy, & Calms run only 5 2 m.
—26 Calm all day made but 5 m.
—27 wind mostly S E easterly little of it mostly calm made but 29 m. Saw two Ships
to the westward
—28 wind mostly S E. W & S westerly sometimes calm. Spoke with a French Ship
come from Guadaloupe loaded with Sugar bound for Bourdeaux, See two more
Ships one to the S W another to the S E. having appearance how of fair
weather put up our top gallant masts & yards run only 31 m
—29 winds variable sometimes S westerly & then N westerly & great part of the
Day Calm Spoke with an English Brigantin bound to Lisbon, she had been
12 days from Falmouth & sailed from thence in Company with 5 or 6 Sail that had
been there wind Easterly run 35 m.
—30 wind in the westerly quarter S W. and mostly calm run but 17 m
—31 wind come about to N & N E & N E fair weather run 90 m. See 4 or 5 Ships
standing different ways.

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Jan Febr. 1st wind at E & E.N.E. a good brisk gale weather variable some times thick w[th] small rain & sometimes fair. run 150 m. See a ship to the S.E.

— 2 winds from N.N.E to E.N.E and but little of it run only 55 m. fair weather See an English Brigantine to Eastward

— 3 winds N & E.N.E & N.E but little run 58 m. cloudy weather See a ship a stern & another a head

— 4 winds N & N b W & a head N E fine weather run 95 m. Saw two sail a head standing to the westward both English spoke with one of them, They told us they had been 7 days from Cadiz and had left no large Swedish ships there that had been there above a month, The ship we spoke to was bound to Falmouth

— 5 wind N.N.E & N.E fine weather & a pritty gale run 121 m. about 8 A.M. See the Land off the Lizard or N side of C. Vincent At noon the Cape bore S.E ½ 4 Leagues before you see the true Cape you see another high point with an old Fortification upon it which seems to be pretty large & inhabited & from that stretches a long ridge of Land (not low) to the Cape S. Vincent on which you see also a large fortification, Some new Works built to it, When we saw the first point we also saw high hilly Land behind it.

— 6th winds variable N.b W. N.N.E. then to the South Eastward, saw a ship to the S.S.W going before the wind, fair weather, but wind in our Teeth

— 7 wind got against us into the E.S.E & E[t] See. Some ships bound our way, shaped one an English ship bound to Marseilles had been from London 22 days, The second to have passengers on board both men & women. Have a great sea from the Eastward

— 8th wind still against us which has disappointed our hopes of being in Cadiz before this time mostly in the E[t] quarter & sometimes Calm but fine weather. See more ships

— 9 still same bad wind but fine weather. At 4 P.M See C. S. Mary N.N.E ½ about 8 L. off. See Several ships going before the wind

— 10 winds variable but mostly from the N East quarter fine weather At 6 A.M See the Granada hills E.b.N. tack'd mine.

— 11th 3 P.M. See the Town of Cadiz 4 or 5 L. off. winds N.E & fair weather, See a Dutch man of war coming out of the Bay.

12th (Sea Phile) or 11 ½ a clock after dinner came to Anchor in the Bay of Cadiz were Saturday saluted by two Swedish ships 4 Guns each, one way from Stockholm the other from Carlscrona, Mr Gough came aboard & I went ashoar with the Super Cargo's, did not find our Companion in the Bay as we expected nor have we any news of her.

Feb[y] March

Lying in the Bay of Cadiz

15th 0. S Sent Henry Spanish Caulkers aboard to Caulk the Ship
found people & Country here on our arrival in a miserable Condition by reason of
a famine in the Country having had no Rain this winter, so that the Streets of
Cadiz were full of the Peasants men Women & Children begging their Bread.
16th 3/4 P M rain'd which brought rain to the great Joy of the Inhabitants. They make
the same Complaints from Barbery, which Scarcity has brought no small advantage
to England from whence vast numbers of Ships have come (& are coming daily) with
Corn.
I gave immediately orders to all our Merchants to get our Silver ready to send
19th aboard as soon as our Officers were in condition to receive it, which they began to
do the 19th & sent Water same day from L. St Maries
21 the Commodore of the 3 French Cruisers (that came against Sally) went out to cruize
of Ld on the 24th the other two.
24 Arrived the Ulrica Capt Marshal from Bakerfund in Norway where he left the
Ship Frederick repairing her Rudder which had the misfortune to be damag'd
in the North Sea days after she left Gottenburg which oblig'd her to put
in to the 1st Port she could find. Capt Marshal had left Gottenburg 6 weeks
before up that way [illegible] to put in Soon after to Norway where he had Lay'd a
great while
March 2d Arrived the King Frederick
7th & 8th 9 P M & P M rain'd with Rain
& 10
19 Sent an order to the Captains of both Ships to get out from all the [illegible] Ships
& Ly at the Entrance of the Bay till 9 of the Clock Capt Ayres come aboard in order
to sail with the first wind.
21st after noon I and the other Gentlemen left Cadiz & went aboard our respective
Ships in order to sail that Evening or next morning if wind should permit
22 at 5 in the morning (wind at [illegible]) we got up Anchor & put to Sea we were saluted
by the three Swedish Ships in the Bay with 8 Guns which we returned Shot
for Shot made 22 Guns

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March

Departure from Cadiz Anno 1738 march 22d O.S. in the morning

22d O.S.
Wednesday The wind being at E.N.E. got under Sail about 8 a clock, & made 22 miles
these 24 hours
— 23 wind & variable from S.E. to E.N.E & Eest. fine weather Run 125 miles
saw a Ship to the N.W. which seemed inclined to speak with us but we were both fast
ahead and did not care to lay by further the Prince Englebert, came from the Straits.
— 24 wind variable the latter part of the came about from the S.E. to S. & S.b.W.
and westerly little wind see several Ships coming from the Southward, the Frederick
yaul came aboard
— 25 Little wind & variable from N.b.E, N.N.E. S.E & then W.S.W again weather
hazy wind at W & thence to W.S.W & to that quarter weather as day before run 112 m
— 26 see a Sail to Larboard. weather pritty Cool
— 27 Same wind as yesterday & fresh, fine weather. Run 178 m.
— 28 Same wind & weather At 5 A.M. see the Grand Canary S.E.b.E. 5 Leagues &
the Eastern S.E. & E.b.S. the Peak of Teneriff S.E.b.S
1/4 S, to S.S.W. Island Gomera & N.N.W 1/2 the North west point of Palma
Run 154 m.
— 29 Same wind & Clear weather at 8 A.M See Island Ferro N.b.E 3 L. At 6 P.M.
See the Pick of Teneriff N.E 1/4 E. Run 144 m.
— 30 wind & weather as yesterday, See the Pick of Teneriff about 20 L. off. Run 169 m
— 31 wind & weather as day before Run 140 m
April 1 Same wind but not so fresh, weather hazy Run 97 m.
— 2 Small wind & hazy weather Run 115 m The Frederick yaul came aboard
— 3d A fine fresh Gale at W.S.W & W.S.b.W. Run 132 m. Var. per Az. 4.44. N
— 4 Same Good wind & fine weather wind more Northerly
— 5 fine Gale at N.E. Run 164 m.
— 6 Same wind from N.N.E to N.E. but hazy weather Run 137 m
— 7 wind as yesterday fine weather Run 129. m. finding a great difference in
our Sailing & that of the Frederick we tryd if bringing more weight a stern
might not help the Ship (her Guns before being so very sharp) so brought her
Guns & Anchor a little more aft
— 8 Light wind at N.E but latter part of the day turnd to the Southward & S.E. with
rain Run 68 m.
— 9 wind variable sometimes S. & W.S.W & E.b.S. Run 82 m. variable weather
with Rain Var. per Az. 3.28 W & per Ampl 3.30.
— 10 wind variable much as day before & some Rain Run 103 m.
— 11 wind in the South East quarter E.S.E. & S.E. & S.S.E b.S. Run 88 m. weather
Cloudy & a little Rain.

1798

Apr. 12 wind as yesterday, Good weather Run 107 m

— 13 wind mostly S. E. & pretty fresh Good weather. To day passd the Line about Noon, & performd the usual Ceremony of Ducking some & washing others. Run 123 m.

— 14 wind as yesterday, weather Variable & sometimes Squally Run 134 m.

— 15 wind keeps much in the S. E. good gales weather variable & some small Rain. Run 127 m.

— 16 Same wind & fine weather, Run 135 m. we have had a very quick passage hitherto from Cadiz, & no Calms very little Rain & not any great head, from Cadiz to the Line we have been no more than 23 days. var. p Az - 1. 32. W. Appl. 1. 50 W.

— 17 Same wind & fine weather, this being the King's Birth day we hoisted our Colours gave the people a Hog to Dinner & after it a Tub of Punch. 106 m

— 18 much Same wind & weather Run 104 m.

— 19 Same wind fine weather Run 71 m. Saw a Sail about 2 L. to W. a small one of 2 mast. Shearing fine Accounts with the Gentlemen aboard the Frederick & went aboard & dined there & came back in the Evening. found them all in pretty good Health. we have 6 or 7 Sick aboard of us but not dangerous

— 20 Same winds S. E. weather variable. See a Sail from top mast Head a great way to the S. E. of us. Run 64 m.

— 21 much Same winds & little of them Run 53 m.

— 22 wind & Same fine weather with some Small Rain Run 68 m. Ever since I left the north Tropick have I case seen any Birds or fish not so much as a flying fish or Shark Custom or mine nor no Tropick Birds.

— 23 Same wind & fine weather At 6 A M. See the Land of Brazil N. W W about 8 L. It lies very low, parted into Small risings like Islands to the Northward of C. S. Salvador, here and there large white spots like Chalky Cliffs. At noon I suppose C. S Antonio W b S. 12 L. Sounded but no ground with 100 f.

— 24 winds S. E & fresh Gales & fine weather. no ground with 100 fathom. Small winds & Calms

— 25 Same wind as yesterday fair weather. Saw a Small vessel going down the Coast to the north ward Supposd for Bahia we shewd our Colours & she shewd Portuguese Colours

— 26 winds much Same as yesterday but little of them & attended with Rain & Squalls.

— 27 wind N. E & very but Lightly fair weather

— 28 Same wind as yesterday & a little more of it & fine weather

— 29 wind as yesterday a little more to the northward & the East & fresh gales fair weather

— 30 wind as yesterday & moderate & fine weather

May 1st wind & weather as yesterday

— 2 wind & weather as before & fresh gales

— 3 Same as yesterday

— 4 wind Variable N. W. & N. N W & N mostly North westerly, weather variable, some days fair sometimes Squally with Rain fresh gales Run 185 miles

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May 5 wind Variable N. W. & W NW & W. & W. with hard Squalls & Rain, Thunder & Lightning & Sometimes fair weather fresh Gales

— 6 wind N & N b. E. & N E fresh Gales, Squally & Rainy

— 7 wind much as yesterday & more Southerly close weather & inconstant

— 8 wind very variable from S. W b W & b W & W N W & W & W E & at last W N W little wind but fair weather

— 9 windy from W N W to W b E then N & N b W. fresh gales & clear weather Run 193 miles

— 10 windy much as yesterday fresh gales & heavy rain

— 11 wind from W b W to W & then to S W & S S W. fresh gales & clear weather

— 12 wind & weather variable from S W to S S E & S. E. & Easterly moderate gales

— 13 wind mostly S. Easterly variable weather

— 14 wind about to the S W & b. S W & W. very variable as the weather

— 15 wind from W b W to N W fresh gales & fine weather, Latter part wind N W. Squally & Rainy

— 16 wind & weather very variable, Squalls, Rain & Thunder & Lightning wind mostly betwn NW & W

— 17 wind at W & W b S & S W & S. S W. moderate gales very variable weather

— 18 wind most S westerly & moderate gales weather variable with Squalls of hail & Rain & fogs

— 19 wind as yesterday fresh gales & Squally, Sprung our main Topmast [illegible]

— 20 windy from S westerly to W & N W. moderate Gales variable weather

— 21 wind from N W to N E. clear weather & moderate Gales Tacking over below near the Cape of Good Hope Sounded but no ground with 130 fathom

— 22 wind from N b E & N N E to N W & W. fresh gales & clear weather. Joined the Fleet Admiral Frederick to go a head & found which he did & found ground with 90 fath. we have been just 2 months from Cadiz to the Cape

— 23 wind W westerly & b W. & at last W S W. fresh gales weather variable

— 24 wind very variable from W to W S W & W b W & W S W again fresh gales weather variable with Thunder & Lightning & Rain

— 25 wind from S. westerly to W W westerly moderate gales & Squally with Rain

— 26 wind mostly S. W. fresh gales weather variable Squally & rainy Run 194 miles

— 27 wind as yesterday a little more to the Southward, pretty good weather Run 194 m.

— 28 wind as yesterday & at last S. fresh Gales & Squally

— 29 wind from S to S. E. W & at last S. E. & S. S. E. good gales close & unsettled weather

— 30 windy variable from S. to S E W & then to S. E & last Calm run only 46 m. Close weather with Lightning

— 31 wind from E to N E small gales & variable weather

June 1 wind N Easterly good gales & good weather

— 2 wind as yesterday fresh gales weather variable Sometimes Squally

— 3 wind as yesterday good gales & clear weather

— 4 wind N Easterly moderate gales & variable weather

— 5 wind as yesterday fresh gales pretty good weather

— 6 wind from N E to S E & S Easterly moderate gales variable weather with Rain Thunder & Lightning

— 7 wind very variable from S Easterly to N Easterly little wind & close variable weather

— 8 wind N Easterly weather Squally close & rainy

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June 9th Windy Variable from N. to N.N.W & East to W. fresh Gales & Sometimes Small Rain fine weather

— 10 winds as yesterday from W to N.W.by quarter fresh Gales but Squally & a great deal of Rain

— 11 winds & weather as yesterday. In the night about 2 A.M. saw the Island of St Paulo's fresh Gales & we had a fine passage from Sunday to St Paulo. made a Signal & fired a Gun to bring to which he did not, then Steering Chase

— 12 Wind variable from W to W.N.W & to W.S.W. at last to W. fresh Gales & variable weather

— 13 wind W. to W.b.S & W.S.W. & at last to W.b.N. fresh Gales & fine weather

— 14 wind about again to the N.W quarter and at last to W fresh Gale & Squally with Rain & Lightning

— 15 wind about to W.b.S & N.S.W. fresh Gale weather Squally & Rainy. one of our Sailors dyd to day of a Bloody Flux the first we have lost.

— 16 wind W.b.S. fresh Gale & fine weather but Cold

— 17 wind much as yesterday but a little varying Sometimes fresh Gale & fine weather

— 18 wind about again to the W & N.W & N.b.W. fine weather with Lightning & small rain

Boy in Irons - about Eight time fell over board young Boyman a Boy about 13 or 14 years old & was half an hour almost upon his back in the water Retained between was taken up by the Frederick & put into Irons

— 19 wind again to W & S.W. & S.S.W. weather variable

— 20 wind S.W b.S. very fresh Gale & fine weather most part

— 21 wind pretty much as yesterday at last came about to S.S.E. so that we Suppose we have got the Trade wind, weather as wind variable with Rain

— 22 wind to the S.E. quarter but variable & weather. we have the Cinlado Birds yet with us.

— 23 wind as yesterday moderate fine weather, rippling, See to day Tropick Bird the first we have seen the voyage

— 24 wind pretty much as yesterday but at last came about to E.b.N. fair weather

— 25 wind at E.b.S again & E.S.E. fine weather moderate Gales

— 26 wind as yesterday but weather very variable See Cinlado Birds yet

— 27 wind about to the Northward of the East & E.N.E. See Several pieces of Bamboo Tree, Scuttle Bone & man of war Birds. I had sometime before desired Mr Brown to come and dine with me the first moderate weather, he came aboard to dine & ordered to Stop on Shipin the Evening with Mr D. Campbell.

— 28 wind Still to the northward of the East an unusual wind here at this time of the year pretty good weather but variable

— 29 wind came about to E.S.E & E.b.E about ½ hour past 3 P.M. See the Land of Java about 10 or 12 Leagues off pretty high Land In the morning See it all along about 4 or 5 Leagues to the north of us as per draught I have taken. It Seems to me to be a little to the westward of what it Is in with the Lights of Java East voyage. we took 29 deg. Coping from St Paulo for Security but I believe a good deal less would have done & certainly 28 deg. if always Sufficient, tho' C. Neilson wanted us to take 30

— 30 Windy very variable from S.E. to N.E & East Calm run but 32 m. Mr Grime payd me a visit & dined with us. fair weather

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July 1 ... winds much as yesterday variable & little of them, fine weather
— 2 winds mostly S. E. & Easterly with Calms. weather as yesterday
— 3 former part wind & weather as yesterday, Latter part find at E.b.N. runs 7 m.
— 4 winds variable & not much of them from E.b.S. to E.N.E. & at 8 P. Ship being the Queen of Sweden's name day, I ordered a Hog & a Tub of Punch for the Ships Company. Count Taube let me know the night before that there were Guns loaded with which he would be oblig'd to fire off before we made. China & desir'd to fire them off about drinking the Queens Health after dinner, to which I consented, and accordingly fired 8 for the Queen & afterwards 8 for the King. They on the K. Frederick observing over loading our Guns in the morning (tho' Count Taube had told me they were already loaded) ask'd the Count if he intended to fire, he answered not, of which I knew nothing till afterwards, so that the Captain of the Frederick believing what he said did not fire. Such is the childish vanity of some people, to have the honour I suppose of doing more than their neighbours.
— 5 winds variable from ... & ... to E. & E.b.S. & the poor ninelgen Ship Coast hitherto with much rain & thunder
— 6 winds from ... to E. & E.b.S. & S.E. & S.S.E. & S. with Calms with Rain Thunder & Lightning
— 7 winds almost all round the Compass & little of them, with Rain & Lightning in the night.
— 8 Got into the Straits of Sunda, winds variable & little of them, with Calms
— 9 past the 2 d & 3 d points. Came a Boat from Bruce I Stood aboard the Frederick, which brought them some Fruit, we saw another Boat making for the Ship but it growing dark before she could reach us she made back again.
— 10 no Boats coming aboard with refreshment as usual, & Count Taube & others being very impatient to see some of them bring refreshments, and that I thought it would be no great Stop to Ly at Anchor all night in order to give the Javans an opportunity to come aboard next morning, Holl Capt Middleburg to come to an Anchor near Anger point, he accordingly came to Anchor in Copper Bay (where we had several Boats came off last voyage) but not near enough Anger point, as we found by experience for tho' we saw a great many Lights all along the Shore & next morning abundance of Proas a fishing yet very few came aboard, the Frederick going nearer than we to Anger point had better Luck, having had much better supply than we, & sent us some Boats, the most we got was pumplemuses, very few cocoa nuts 4 or 5 apiece and 9 or 10 fowls, the people appeard to be much fearer of coming into the Ship than usual which I suppose must be owing to some Ships having us'd them ill, very likely Dutch Ships for they were inquisitive to know if we were Dutch. Finding no great appearance of getting more refreshments I order'd the Anchor up & to make the best of our way which was not very aggreable to the Captain & some others who I believe would have been glad we had stayd here 2 or 3 days.
— 11 winds variable & very little of them, about noon see the 2 Brothers N.W.b.N 14 L.
— 12 Calm & at Anchor almost all these 24 hours
— 13 half of the 24 hours Calm & at Anchor, got up Anchor 3 P.M. made 14 m. wind S.E. the west end of Sumatra in sight N.N.E & N. 3 Leagues

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July 14 nmely Easterly but mostly Calms, so were oblig'd to ly at Anchor near 20 hours

— 15 nmely variable from E. & E b S. with Calms made 31 m. after dinner, spent aboard the Frederick. See three Ships a head after us we can see, or Sunday

— 16 Little nmely Variable from E E b E to E S. W E & a great deal of Rain thunder & Lightning See. Bianca, & Lucipara W b S. a mile, we Saw the 3 Ships at an Anchor whom we found to be 3 English Ships come from Batavia

— 17 nmely W. no but small with Calms about 11 at night got up with the English Ships, we hald the first which was the Captain Bathwell found that Mr Lane one of their Super Cargo was aboard of her, we got a little a head of the Foremost Ship which was Commodore & had a Broad pendant at his Main mast head, commanded by Capt Boothe we hailed him & inquired after his health, Mr Martin was Super Cargo aboard of him, he told us he had left England the 4th of February & had put into St Jago where he left the Dutch Ship with Mr Strachey that we had prophe loss on the W. of Ireland, they had all been at Batavia where they there was a great mortality, they informed us that there were only 4 Dutch Ships arrived there from Europe that the Dane was not yet gaffil but that 2 French were gaffil for China & 2 Batavia Ships a great while ago. In the morning we got up Anchor which the 3 English did soon after (the 3d was commanded by Captain Pulleston) we found to our great Satisfaction that we hailed as well as two of the English but the Endeavour Capt Boothe seemed to Sail well being oblig'd to spare Sail for the others.

— 18 Before night we had left the English almost 10 miles astern. After Sun set a Dutch Sloop one of the Cruizers in this Straits came near & hailed us, we desired him to come aboard but he being but a very small vessel begged we would send one aboard of him which we did, He came on board & brought with him Canes of which I bought 800 ordinary ones at 6 Doll. Spanish pr 100 & 300 better at 12 Dollers, he had 700 more at 20 & 25 Dollers 100 which I thought too dear, he carryd them back & intended to sell them to the English, to whom we saw him in Company in the morning we being oblig'd to Tack our Sails till we got rid of the Dutch man we lost 2 or 3 hours which gave opportunity to the English to get within 3 or 4 miles of us in the morning. There came aboard in the morning another Dutch man master of one of the Cruizers, here I bought up a good Fish, & soon after another this I chose for Calamban river, I dealed them as well as I could, gave them some Tobbacco wine Cheese & c with which they seemed to be very well pleasd & promisd great Civilities towards our Ships that pass this way. They informed us that there had passd but one French Ship, & that he had inquir'd of them for his Companion (with whom it seems he parted) 2 Batavia Ships & 2 Japan Ships passd near 2 months ago & a Portuguese for Manilla, we were informed by the English Ships that they had one Ship gone to Borneo with Mr Lille for Super Cargo. At being the Kings name day I ordered a Hog for the Ships Company, After dinner we fird 8 Guns for the Kings health & 8 for the Queens & the 2 Dutch masters were so civil as to order their Ships to fire also 8 Guns to the King & Queen each. I found by these Dutch men that they have always cruizing here to secure their Trade with Banca where it seems the Company have a Trade in Tin, & to prevent Smugglers, they told us that

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July 18 the Island of Banca belongs to the King of Palamban, and that the Inhabitants are quiet people but afraid to come aboard any Ships that pass for fear of the Dutch, but that if any will go ashoar near Menopia they can provide themselves very well with refreshments, At Palamban they took up the Company got pepper Sanguis Draconis & Tin, but no Gold. Every one of these Ships had several malay women aboard (their Slaves) we asked if they had their wives with them, one of them told us that they had them always to Sea with them but that they were only wives by the week, meaning their mistresses or whores. The Dutch pilot also informed us that he had been cast away in one of their Japan Ships on the Rock Frederick Hendrick on the other side of Menopia, He says it lyes more Easterly than Layd down in the map, & that there are very unequal Soundings about it sometimes deep water & in a moment Shoal & broken Ground & Rocks, & lyes under water & does not at all discover it self about 5pm the Land.

—19 Small Gales from S.E. fine weather but mostly Calms. Amongst other Accounts from the Dutch pilot, we were informed that there had happened a great inundation at Bengale River, where the Dutch Comp.y had Lost 6 Ships, the English several Ships & a great part of their Settlement & Lands all over flowed & vast number of Indeans as well as their Cattle drowned. The Dutch Pilot parted from us so well satisfyed that they promised all the Service they could to all Freedy Ships that might happ this way. They could give no Account of the Precia, not having cruised above 6 Degs. At Noon Pee Pulo Taya W b N ½ W & the Island S.E. S.E.

—20. Fair weather moderate Gales, winds Variable from S E b S to S b W. —

—21 Small winds chiefly S.E. & Calms which make the weather pretty hot. At 11 A.M. See Pulo Arowe, which at Noon bore N W b W 14 L. we have left the English Ships astern quite out of Sight

—22 winds of yesterday till about the latter part of the 24 hours, it Shifted to S.S.W which we suppose the beginning of the Trade wind, Gale moderate & fine weather. At 5 A.M. See Pulo Timaon which at 8 bore S W 10 L. The English Ship London appeard this morning a head of us to Leeward and the other two astern to Leeward, they having if Calms parted. They gaind upon us by our going out of our way to the Westward to make Pulo Timaon which it Seems they did not.

—23 In the fore part of the day winds variable, at last Settled in the S.S.W. fine weather & a moderate Gale. Having observed all yesterday that the Frederick could not keep up with us & that we got up with the London, I was in hopes the Rockingham would be able to outsail the London if we should not wait for the Frederick, She Sailing now much better than at her leaving Gellerong ) and finding that the London had left her Company & resolved to make the best of her way to Canton in order to get there before us, I thought proper to try what we could do & made all the Sail we could in order to get Canton the first if possible, we did not here Fore Rhedan fail to keep for the Frederick being resolved to leave her in case she did not get up with us before morning, And if She should & that I found She Sailed better than the Rockingham I resolved to go aboard of her (& leave the Rockingham)

1738 and do our utmost to get to Carden before the London. And now this morning Sunday
July 25th the Frederick got up with us, & that the London had shot a Head of us. I was convinced
that the Frederick was the likeliest to keep up with the London & perhaps get to Cadiz
before her. I therefore spoke with the Frederick desiring Mr Grime to come aboard
which he did after dinner, & went with him aboard the Frederick, recommending
a parting to the Super Cargo & Captains on the Stockholm to make the best of their
way to Campo after us, for which I had an order to the Captain.

Here follows the Journal on the King Frederick

— we soon left the Stockholm astern and are making after the London all we can
— 24th wind as yesterday moderate gales & fine weather. To make more sail shifted some of our
Sails & put up the largest we had, In the morning the London still a head. At 11 A.M. came
up with a Moore Ship from Surat bound for Cadiz, The London being a little way a head
had hopes with her before we got up with her, The Frederick to the London her top gallant
Sails, She did the same to us & even her main sail half down. We could see no Ensigns
aboard, nor was there any that seemd to understand English, they answered us when we
hail'd them in Portuguese, She bore a white flag with two red Crosses like the Leg
of a pr of Sheers in this form . We soon left her astern, & got nearer the London soon
after we saw the Stockholm get a head of the moor, whom we left out of sight
before night. Met with a Squall but of short continuance
— 25 wind as yesterday & moderate, weather variable & Squally. In the morning got close
by the London so that we could speak with her, and soon after left her a little astern.
The Stockholm being in sight we kept a light out for her all night. The London kept
all night much to windward
— 26 wind as yesterday, Cloudy weather. At 4 p.m. See Pulo Condore N b W 10 l. London
at some distance to windward. Stockholm still in sight, fearing our Lights might be more
serviceable to the London than the Stockholm we put out none in the night
— 27 wind as yesterday fresh Gale Run 187 m. The Stockholm in the morning out of sight
the London a little astern to windward. At 4 p.m. See one of the Rocks called Barn off
Pulo Scapola, & soon after Pulo Scapola N 8 W 2 8 2 Leagues
— 28 wind as yesterday & fresh. Run 150 m. The London astern to windward, we don't
gain upon her much.
— 29 Still same wind. Run 142 m. In the morning the London a good way astern to leeward
so that in the night She lost ground a good deal.
— 30 wind much as before from N E & to N b E. fresh Gales & some Squalls with Rain & Lightning
Run 137 m. In the morning the London a great way astern to leeward.
— 31 wind variable from S W to S & S S E little of it weather fair but sultry. we find
a N b E Current. Begin to paint the Ship. At Last with enough add we have
left the London quite out of sight.

Aug 1 Tuesday wind S & S S & S S E good Gale Run 126 m. Found ground at 47 Fath. grey sand & Shells
Fair weather. At noon in Lat 20.55. So that we expect to see Land before night.
— 2 At 3 p.m. See Land to westward from the top mast head about 14 or 15 l. distance which
we suppose to be the great Ladroon. The Captain not willing to enter among all the Islands
in the night, we shall keep off & on that means lose ground & give the London opportunity
to get up with us.

Augt. 3. In the morning found our selves of the great Ladroon, Afforn as we got in, there came off an old Pilote to us from one of the Islands with us for a Pilote too, He had a great many good Certificates from Several Ships of different nations, we were very glad to keep him with us & Saw'd up the harbour going to Macao Road for one as usual, He sent his Son back to look for other Ships, we design him to look out for another Swedey Ship, which would be here in a day or two. Before night we got up to Boca Tigris, but could not perswade the Pilote to venture in that night, for fear of being Bamboo'd by the Mandarins for passing the Fort in the night, So that we were oblig'd to come to an Anchor at the Boca. next morning we past the Boca Tigris & having a fine gale got to Vampo about noon. that is the 4th Ships Pilot But really the 3d August.

3d Afforn as we got to Vampo, there came officers aboard from the 2 French Ships that were there at Anchor to welcome me & offer me their Assistance, the one was call'd the Penheure commanded by Capt Morellet the other commanded by Captain Fourbelle. Besides the 2 French we found here 2 Dutch Ships from Batavia. Afforn as we had dined, I and the Supercargo went up in the Pinnace to Canton Creek & took up our Lodging at Pugueys.

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# Journal
## of the Voyage of the Ships Stockholm & King Frederick
## from Canton to Gottenburg Ao. 1739
### Aboard the Stockholm

Monday
Jan.y 15th D. having got aboard in the morning from Canton with the Gentlemen Super Cargos, gave orders to both Ships to weigh Anchor, which they did & set Sail from the 2d Bar. In passing the English the Frederick got foul of the Prince of wales but got from clear again, After having past them all we saluted them with 8 Guns (both Ships) which Capt Bowdle of the London took up & returned us 9. In the night hain with Squalls & Cold, wind from N. NW. to N. NO. In passing Boca Tigris there came no Body aboard to visit our Supercargos Chests.
As we had some Guns & other Stores to deliver to Capt Mooley (of the manilla Ship lying in macao Road) which we had sold him at Canton & aggreed to deliver in Sight of Macao, And finding the Frederick Sailed better than the Stockholm, I order'd Capt Neilson to make the best of his way towards Cabrita Bay in order to deliver said Stores, & there wait till I arrived.
— 16 Both Ships being arrived & cast Anchor at the place appointed about noon, we made the proper Signals for Capt mooley, who came off from Macao about 6 in the Evening with a Skoot & Long Boat, to whom delivered part of the Stores, But they not being able to take all in them we were obliged to continue at Anchor till they should return again, which they did early next morning, & having received all & taken their Leave, we weighed & set Sail with a northerly wind, fair weather & Cold.
— 17 Wind north & a little westerly, Small Gales, fair weather.
& — 18)
— 19 Fair weather, Little wind & very variable from N. b W. NW., W.NW., W.S.W. S.S.E. & S. & S.W. & c
— 20 Same weather as yesterday, Small Gales, in the north East quarter.
— 21 wind North Easterly & fresher than has been, weather variable, part clear, part hazy
— 22 wind N.E. Fair weather, & moderate Gales
— 23. wind variable from N.E. to S.E quarter & very Little of it, Fair weather. It being the Queens Birth day, we hoisted our Colours, & fired (after dinner) 8 Guns to her majty's Health & as many to the Kings, & treated the Ships Company with a Skoo & Punch.
— 24 wind mostly from the N.E. but Little of it. fine weather.
— 25 wind & weather as yesterday but fresher Gales.
— 26 wind & weather as before, Small Gales. Saw about 6. A.M. the Land of Cochinchina from the N.b E. & E.N.E to the S.W & b S. about 6 or 7 Leagues, but no ground with 50 fathom, we suppose our Selves drove so much to the westward by Currents.
— 27 wind variable from N. to NNE. At 6 P.M. Cochinchina Hill in Sight W. b N. about 12 Leagues. At 5 A.M. Pulo Scapala in Sight 2 L. S.E.E.
— 28 wind NE & fine Gales & good weather. Sounded all day from 30 to 20 fathom Ground.
— 29 & 30. wind as yesterday & fresh Gales, fine weather
— 31 wind north Easterly & moderate, clear weather. At 5. A.M. saw Pulo Timaon, Pulo Tipang, & Pulo Durve, the Cape about 6 miles off to the W.S.W.

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Febr 1 Wind N. b. W. Good gales, weather variable, with some Rain, found Ground from 26 fathom to 18.

— 2 wind at N. & variable weather, with Rain & Squally. At 4 P.M. saw Java Head & Pulo Taya, & half an hour afterward the 7 Islands, & at 8 A.M. the Land of Sumatra from the W to the S.E. b. W. 5 L. & at 12. Monopin bearing E. ½ N.

— 3 winds (from N.W. by W. to N.W.) & weather very variable, Squally, rainy & hazy. At 1 P.M. the Green Point of Sumatra at 8 the 5d point, when it turning came we dropt Anchor. At 10 A.M. set Sail again with wind at W.N.W. with much Rain.

— 4 winds mostly in the Western quarter with Rain & Calms, so that at 5 P.M. we were obligd to come to an Anchor (in the Straits of Banca) the 1st point of Sumatra bearing N.W. ½ W. 5 M. & Lucipara S.E. ½ S. 1½ M.

— 5 At 1 P.M. set up Anchor with a small Gale at N. which turned soon to the Westerly quarter, with some Lightning & Rain.

— 6 winds variable from N.W. to S.W. with Squally, Rain & Heat, but mostly Calm, so that we were obligd to come to an Anchor twice.

— 7 winds mostly in the S.W. quarter but little of them, weather variable, most part Calm set up Anchor about 6 A.M. with a N.W. wind very gentle. At noon saw the Westerly S.E. by E. 4 Leagues.

— 8 wind most in the Westerly quarter, & Calms, so that were obligd to come 3 times to Anchor. North Island bearing S.W. ½ S. 2 miles.

— 9 At 1 P.M. up Anchor. At 5 P.M. Calm & came to an Anchor, a strong Current against us, wind exceeding, pretty good weather, North Island bearing N.E. b. N. 4 miles.

At if was time to consider whether we should go for water to Mew Bay, or Prince Island, And though Capt Stibbing had been there in the year 1733 yet neither of us had been ashore on Princes Island, so did not know if it was a very good place to water at, Therefore thought best to order Mr Irvine & Capt Neilson (they having been there 2 years ago) aboard to consult with them, I knew Mew Bay to be an excellent place, & the only objection to going there was that Sometimes they found difficulty to get out again, whereas the winds Generl better at this time of year to get down the Straits from Princes Island, And tho' I was much more inclined to go to Mew Bay on Acct of the Goodness of the water & the easiness of getting at it as well as of wooding there (having been there last voyage) yet having consulted with these Gentlemen & Capt Stibbing in presence of Count Taube, and both Mr Irvine & Capt Neilson having told me that they had excellent water there, & especially the latter telling me that he had been all over that part of the Island & that there was no manner of difficulty in watering there, & much easier to get from thence than from Mew Bay, I aggreed to go to Princes Island, and accordingly ordered Capt Neilson to make the best way to the proper place, and we should follow him. next morning at break of day were a little surprized to see the 4 English Ships (whom we had left at Pardon) under Sail to the Eastward of us & in the Straits on the Java side & Dutch Ships. we went on with the Pursuit.

— 10 Came to an Anchor off Princes Island to the place Capt Neilson had directed, for he had fallen in too near the Land in the night, & could not get off till morning, he having weighd came soon to an Anchor near us, but both of us too far from the shore & watering place.

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Feb^r 11^th 4 2 P. M. Two of the English Ships came to Anchor close by us viz^t the
Capt Belly & the Capt Backwell, the other two the London &
went to mew Bay. See now 6 Dutch Ships in the Straits 6 bound for Holland
the 6^th came from Batavia with wood & water which they commonly deliver here
& wait till the Ships bound Home are out of Sight, & then the return to Batavia,
we are told they have been a fortnight from hence, dead Calm & Current &c
The English Ships left Campo 5 days after us, but have had a much more Success-
-full passage, not having been obligd to come to an Anchor till now, & had always
good fresh Gales, very much different from what we met with. we hear from
the Dutch that Tea was very dear at Batavia when they left it, no Junks having
then arrivd from Canton, the Dutch Ship we left there will probably be with
them in a fortnight hence, but whether they will send her Cargo Home this year
is uncertain, if at all it must Receive late in Europe. we are glad to hear that
they carry very little Tea, mostly Coffee & Sugar &c The Private have little or
none Some of their officers having been aboard the Frederick & the English
Ships to see if they could purchase any.
we stayd here till the 14^th taking in our water which we did with all Diligence, &
went ashear to see the watering place, which I dont at all like, the water runs
down from the Hills into a small Stream or Channell by the Sea Side, where the Sea
enters, & runs up a good way & no doubt mixes with it when it is high water,
so that one must be very Carefull when they fill it, Besides the people are obligd to
be up mid body in the water to fetch the Casks, & this being for several hours in
so hot a Climat must expose them to catching Cold & to Fluxes &c the consequency
of that, especially if they fill in the night time.
— 12 There being a small Gale at N. E. the Dutch weighd & put under Sail, having Saluted
-ed their Companion that convoyd them from Batavia, and got to the mouth of the
Straits, but finding bad winds there 2 of them came back to go to Sea round by the
westward of Princes Island, that is betwixt it & Sumatra.
I wrote to my Brother by Mr Thorp one of the Super Cargo's aboard of Capt Backwell's
Ship, inclosed to Mr Abraham Hume Merchant at London.
— 14 Both Ships having compleated their water, & having got several Refreshments as
Fish, Turtles, Cocoa nuts, & some few Fowls, & a great many Small Deer commonly
called Hog Deer &c we weighd & Sailed with the Current. About same time the
English Ships weighd (so did after Dinner) & we got out of the Straits before night.
The London not weighing so soon from thence Bay is a little a Stern.
mew Bay is certainly a much better place to water at than this for there they
go with the long Boat directly to the Spring on the Main Land of Java, & fill their
Casks without any trouble, the water falling from the Rocks in a very large Stream into
the Sea, & the Ships can ly very near it, and on the other side they have very little way
to row to mew Island to cut their wood. And as for the objection of being hard to get
out that is all Chance & certainly better run the risk of being detained a few days more
or less for a good wind to come out than to expose the men &c so much as at Princes Island
by the hazard of taking in brackish water there, And what they talk of some Ships
having been in danger & lost their Anchors in mew Bay I am assured by those that have
been with them there, that it intirely owing to their lying too far out, by which they are
exposd to the Cloning weather & Squalls that are frequent here.

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Febr. 14 About 1 A.M. had a little wind from the N.W. which soon veer'd about to S.E. & then to Calmy. See the 4 English Ships a little head & to Leeward. At 8 A.M. Java head N. & N.W. about 5 Leagues. weather variable, with Rain & Squally & very hot

—15 winds & weather very variable & mostly Calm, very hot. Java head N.½E. 7 L.

—16 winds very variable from N.W. to S.E. &c much Calmy & variable weather with Squalls & Rain, the English Ships out of Sight, to Leeward we suppose, there seemd only 3 of them to keep Company, the London Steering a different Course with intent we suppose to part with the others to save time, she being the best Sailor.

—17 wind & weather very variable with Calmy & Rain, so that we make very little progress.

—18 Small Gales from the S.W. pretty good weather. See one Ship to the N.O.

—19 wind & weather much as yesterday but more rainy & Squally.

—20 mostly Calmy & very variable weather with Squalls & Rain, wind all round the Compass.

—21 much Calmy, hazy weather, wind mostly from the S.E. we find that the Hochheim pen: Sails better than the Frederick, so that we are often oblig'd to spare her Sail.

—22 wind & weather much as yesterday & mostly Calmy, which if they last much longer may very much retard our Voyage. we catch'd some Dolphins.

—23 wind & weather as yesterday with Calmy, rainy & Heat, & Lightning, what wind there is from the N. & N.W.

—24 mostly Calm to day, & weather variable as the wind is. our people begin to fall down in Fluxes, owing very likely to the much hot rainy weather we have had, & perhaps Something to the Fatigue & Cold they may have receivd at Princes Isl. and, seeing desirous to know how our water provid. Ordered every Cask to be tryd with Wad, & found as far as we could come at it, that it was good, except 2 or 3 Casks a little Brackish, owing to the bad Bungs, which in rolling the Casks through the Sea to the Boat might admit some of the salt water. ordered the Surgeon to take all proper Care of the Sick & to give them Sago rice or anything else proper for them, The Casks of water most Suspected ordered to be given to the Cook for Boiling, & none of it for the mens Drink.

—25 winds & weather much the Same, & still chiefly Calmy. Struck some Dolphins.

—26 Fair weather but little wind & variable, & much Calmy.

—27 variable wind & weather & much Calmy.

—28 wind from N.E. to S.E. Light gales, Fair weather, Spoke with the Frederick, they begin to complain too of their people falling Sick.

March 1 A pretty good gale from the S.E. & Fair weather, run 108 m. which is about double to any run since we left Java.

— 2 wind again variable with rain, & Squalls, & not so much wind as yesterday.

— 3 Less wind than yesterday chiefly from the S.W. & Squally with Rain, obliged to spare Sail for the Frederick.

— 4 Little wind from the N.W. & variable weather, Spoke with the Frederick they told us they had several Sick, amongst the rest Mr Band Campbel, & Mr Ouchterlony, & Mr Okatt, I sent the Surgeon Mr Ruf aboard to see them & consult with their Surgeon, he brought back word that Mr Campbell had got a Rheumatism & a Small Looseness, that Mr Ouchterlony & Okatt were in very bad Flixes, & that Captain Neilson was also troubled with the same but that he made light of it & took no medicines for it.

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March 5 Wind N. Easterly but very Little of it, Fair weather
— 6 A moderate Gale to day from the S. E. & fine weather so that we Hope we have got the Trade wind.
— 7 The S. E. wind continues & freshens with fine weather, pretty Brisk Gale.
— 8 9 Same wind as before tho' requite so fresh, weather variable. Saw a Ship to the N. & S. Steering Same Course as we.
— 10 Wind Still S. E. & pretty fresh with Squalls & Rain
— 11 Same wind but not so fresh, & much Rain. Saw a Sail N N W 4 leagues. The Frederick
— 12 having made a Signal to Speak with us, we Shorten'd Sail, they told us that Captain
— 13 Neilson was very Bad, as was Okal & Coulterlony, I Sent our Pinnace with our Surgeon aboard. The Surgeon returnd before night, & advis'd me that Captain Neilson had a dangerous Flux & a Small fever, that he had given him Something to eat Him, but that he had his Senses almost from leaving Java head, but had taken no medicines Yet but very Easily, that Okal was at the point of Death, & that Mr Coulterlony was very Bad, that Mr Dan. Campbell was weak & had lost his Stomach but had no dangerous Symptoms. They have already lost Several men, & many more continue Sick, which is a misfortune we have also had. There having passd a Report that the Frederick water was Brackish, Mr Irvin having come aboard the I inquird of him, he Said they found, Soon after leaving Java Head Some Brackish, but that they took care, as Soon as they discover'd it to Scrub it for the peoples Drink, & of late after the necessary trials had found it all Good.
— 14 Wind Still S. E. moderate Gales & fair weather Mr Irvin came aboard in his pinnace who informs that Capt Neilson continues very bad of a Flux, Sent the Surgeon on Board to See him.
— 15 Wind a Little variable from the E to the Northward, & not much of it, fine weather
— 16 Wind E by E moderate & fine weather. Sent the Surgeon aboard the Frederick to visit Capt Neilson & the other Sick, he having found himself better by what he administred to him Capt.
— 17 Wind mostly E. & good weather with Some Small Showers.
— 18 Wind E by S. moderate, Clear weather
— 19 Wind from E. to E. S. E fresh Gale & fine weather
— 20 Wind S. E pretty good weather with Small Showers
— 21 Wind S E by E fine weather & fresh Gales
— 22 Wind much as yesterday & a fine fresh Gale & fair weather
— 23 Wind E moderate Gales & fine weather
— 24 Wind N E by E W E moderate & clear weather. Dyd one of our Sailors old Carlson.
— 25 Little wind & very variable almost all round the Compass, weather variable with Rain Thunder & Lightning

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March 26 very Little wind & variable, mostly from the South west quarter, fine weather & Calm

— 27 wind come back to S. E with Little of it & part Calm, Clear weather

— 28 wind as yesterday a good gale, & fair weather. Mr Irvin came aboard from the Frederick & chem'd all night. Dyd one of the Carpenter mates Jean Backe. The Bloody Flux rages in both ships, occasiond I believe from Cold & catch'd at Prince Iland, & the bad rainy hot weather we had for a Long time after we left it.

— 29 A Fresh Gale at S. E & E S E & good weather

— 30 wind moderate S & moderate fine weather. Sent our Surgeon aboard the Frederick to see their Sick people

— 31 Wind as yesterday & weather. Mr Daniel Campbell growing worse & believing it might do him good to come, & stay aboard the Stockholm some time, sent for him to come aboard & to make room for him, sent George Pilkington for aboard the Frederick. Mr Campbell is very weak & much extenuated, has no stomach nor appetite, complains of Rheumatick pains a little Cough of, & also troubled with a Cough, so that his habit of Body seems to be much spoiled.

April 1 variable wind & Little of it, from the North East to the N N W quarter good weather. Came aboard a Land Bird of an uncommen sort with a prodigious Large mouth & throat & Bristles sticking out on each side, about the bigness of a Thrush, he was quite spent with flying having probably flown a great way, Madagascar being the nearest Land and about 100 Leagues off.

— 2 variable weather & winds chiefly from N W to S E. Dyd another Sailor of the same disease, Carl Broman.

— 3 Good moderate Gales from E to N E. Fair weather. Dyd Olof Jonesson Sailor

— 4 winds very variable from N E to N W & S W & E variable weather with Rain & Calms, & Lightning. Spoke with the Frederick who told us that their 3d mate dyd yesterday, of what a Flemming of Ostend, some time ago dyd also their 4th mate a Swede. Capt neilson continues very bad.

— 5 winds from S E to N E moderate Gales, variable weather.

— 6 wind variable from N E to S W & N. & very indifferent changeable weather. we are obligd daily to shorten Sail for the Frederick

— 7 wind from W & W N to N W E & E & moderate, good weather

— 8 Little wind & variable from N W to S W. Clear weather & Calm. A Sailor fell off the main top Sail yard into the sea, it was well for him he could Swim, which he did till he got hold of a bench we flung over to him, sent our Pinnace out & took him

— 9 Little wind from S W to E. & S E, Clear weather, & Calm. Capt neilson continues very bad, sent our Surgeon aboard, & as Daniel Campbell shows no signs of recovery I intend to keep him here to do our best for him, & sent for George Pilkington to return aboard from the Frederick.

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April 10th wind from the N E quarter to the N W & W moderate, Cool but not Cold. At 10 A M. See Land (the Coast of Africa) from the N to N. E. Capt neilsen continuing very bad & they having left 2 Male, & Mr Ouchterlony Shll unable to do Duty, I sent aboard our 3d male Addeberg to act there as 2d male & to continue on that Station in case of Capt neilsen or ouchterlonys Death. sent our Surgeon to Visit them.

— 11 wind variable from W to S. E. mostly Calm. See a great many Sea Crabs &c

— 12 wind moderate from S S W to S. E & half a quarter. fine weather. See 5 Sail in Sight, 3 to the N W E & 2 to the S. 3 or 4 Leagues off.

— 13 wind chiefly in the S E quarter & moderate Gale, fine weather with some Lightning. 3 of the Ships are the English that came with us from Trail of Sunda, the other one of them Three French Colours which we take to be the China Ship Fulvia, & the 5th by what we could observe had Portuguese Colours, all Sound the same way with us.

— 14 Little wind mostly S W, Believing our selves on the Bank of Cape d'Agulas we Sounded found Ground with 70 Fathom.

— 15 variable wind & not much of it from S W to S. E. fine weather

— 16 wind chiefly S E moderate Gale & fine weather, About 11 A M. we saw the Frederick hoist her Flag half up, a sign that Capt neilsen was dead, we therefore Sail'd to speak with her, & found it was so, he dyd same time. Capt Pitching came to desire to know if we therefore Shew some regard to the deceas'd & we Gun all his Burying in case the Frederick should, I told him I would speak to Count Taube to do so, in the mean time Capt Pitching perswaded him to hoist the Flag half up, but he order'd it soon down again as I found afterwards, I told Count Taube that if the Frederick should give Guns at his Burying that I believed we ought to do the same, he Sayd it was not the Custom of Ships to do so for the Captain of another Ship except that he was a Commodore that is in men of war, I not caring to dispute his Reasons left him to do as he pleas'd, but found his reasons to shew any respect to Captain neilsons memory proceeded from a dislike of him, having at London as he alleg'd affronted him! It is certain tho' he deceas'd was an able diligent active & expert Officer, yet had a roughness in his temper, which was very disaggreable & made him many Enemies.

— 17 wind moderate mostly from the S W quarter, good weather. At 5½ P. M. they buryd Capt neilson & fir'd 8 Guns. At sun rise we hoisted our Colours for the 1st time this day. See a sail from the top mast head on our weather quarter

— 18 Fine weather not much wind chiefly from the S. W. we kept the 1st time this day & fir'd 16 Guns. Mr Irvin came aboard in the morning & went back at night, he told me Capt neilson dyd very sensible, had signd a will in favour of his Brothers & Sisters, & left Mr Irvin Sole Executor

— 19 wind fresh Gale from S W to S S E fine weather, See a sail from the top mast head steering as we do.

— 20 Fine fresh Gale from the S. E. & fair weather.

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April 21 ditto Wind S.E.B.E. fine fresh Gale & Clear weather. See a Sail to the NW. Fearing of we do.
— 22 Same fine Gale as yesterday & weather. See the Ship Still a head
— 23 Same wind continues & moderate Close weather, See two Ships a head
— 24 Little wind but Same as yesterday & Same weather
— 25 Wind S.E. but little of it & much Calms. Clear weather
— 26 Still the Same wind & a little more of it, fine weather. See two Ships a head
— 27 Dyd a Paler Even Little wind & weather as before
— 28 wind & weather as yesterday
— 29 Same wind but not much of it. fine weather. Mr Irvine came aboard
— 30 wind & weather as yesterday. Mr Daniel Campbell grows weaker every day So that in all appearance he cannot live long. His poor people continue Sick & some begin to fall ill of the Scurvy, I resolve to go to the Island Fernando noronha for Refreshment, if Mr Campbell could live So long, I should be in hopes that Being a Clear Some time & living on a milk Diet might do him Service.
May 1 Same good Trade wind & a good Gale, & fine weather. See a Sail ahead.
— 2 wind & weather as yesterday. At 3 P.M. See the Island St Helena N b W Bears from us about 6 Leagues off. See two Sail which we Suppose the English standing in for the Island. Daniel Campbell is So bad that we are afraid he will dye to night.
— 3 Same wind & moderate Good weather. Daniel Campbell dyd about 1 in the morning without any pain; the whole Day he was very bad & dos Before, In the after noon of this Day was taken Suddenly with an oppression of his Breast and falling in his Throat & lost his Speech, which made me apprehend he would immediately depart, but in a few hours by making him Swallow Some volatile Spirits he recovered his Speech Perfectly, I went to him & told him of his Condition & gave him the best advice I could to prepare for another world as I had done Some days before, He was Sensible & Said he had Recommended himself to the mercy of God in Christ &c I read prayers to him with Some of our Gentlemen, Soon after the Church of England Service) & Some of the penitential psalms, I attend to know if he heard what we read he Said he did. Apprehending his Death I had spoke to him Some days ago about his Affairs, & how he intended to dispose of his Effects, He told me he intended all for his Father which I entirely approved of) except a few Small Legacys for Some friends, Therefore desired to know if he would leave me draw up a will accordingly, which he aggreed to, Having drawn it up, I desired the Doctour to go & read it to him, to see if it was as he would have it, he Said it was, Having therefore drawn it out fair as well as I could, I carryd it to him & desired him to read it & Sign it in the Doctours presence & mine, which he did. He hesitated the Colonels half pay Court Martial came to me in the morning (as I formerly by Captain Hickman) to condole with me & tell me that He intended to shew all the respect to his memory he could, which I intended indeed to have ordered, But he was prevented me. I ordered him to be Layd out in the Cabin (Mr Feenloves) where he dyd & a Coffin to be made for him, which was accordingly done & painted Black

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May 4 Wind S.E moderate & fine weather.
We buried the deceas'd Mr Daniel Campbell about 5 P.M, appointed over
Swedish Chaplain to bury him after their Ceremony. we fired 8 half minute
Guns at his Funeral, which the Frederick answer'd as I had before order'd
Mr Irvine sent their yawl with a Letter to me to let me know that Mr Pandein
& most of their people were in hurry against going to the Island Ferdinando
Noronha, (for very frivolous reasons) & proposed to go to St Jago. This surpriz'd
me very much, to see Mr Irvin change of his opinion so soon after he & I had
but a few days before consulted & agreed with Capt Pickering who was the only
officer in either Ship that knew any thing of the Island or had ever been here,
and had all concluded it was the properest place to go to, However upon
receiving Mr Irvins Letter I consulted Captain Pickering once more what he
thought of St Jago, who he did not at all approve of as it was diff; cult to
make it & that we must keep too near the Coast of Africa for that purpose
& thereby be exposed to Calms Tornado's &c All this I knew before, but had it
been much nearer to make St Jago than it is, the ever people began to fall ill
the Scurvy & found it necessary to go to the first place we could fetch, and as
Ferdenando was the nearest & easy to make; & where I found very good water
& refreshments when there last, I continued my former resolution, & wrote to Mr
Irvine to, to keep up Company to Ferdinando Noronha.
— 5 Wind much the same as yesterday & moderate, with fine weather
— 6 Wind & weather as yesterday
— 7 Same Trade Wind but less of it.
— 8 moderate Gales & fair weather
— 9 A good Gale, weather a little variable & inclined to rain
— 10 Wind from the S.E quarter with some small variation, fine weather with a little rain
— 11 & 12 & good moderate Gales.
— 13 Wind as yesterday weather a little squally & some rain
— 14 Same Wind & moderate & fair weather
— 15 Wind as yesterday weather cloudy with rain & short squalls. Dyd Mr Cockell Carbery Sailor
— 16 Wind S.E by E a fresh Gale & fine weather
— 17 weather squally & rainy good moderate Gale from the S.E. quarter, As we are now
in expectation of seeing Land soon, we made all the Sails we could to go a head &
in 9 hours left the Frederick 7 Leagues a stern
— 18 Little Wind & fair weather. We see a great many Sea Birds as Boobies noddys & Man
of war Birds & at 1 P.M. See the Island Ferdinando Noronha bearing S.W. by W. ½ W. 12
or 14 Leagues off. The Frederick a stern about 3 Leagues we made a Signal of seeing Land which
she answer'd, & we therefore sail for her. At 12 A.M. We got near enough to see Colony
on the Fort on the top of the Hill where there was formerly a Fort built by the Dutch &
appeard to be now the French

may 19. wind S.S.E. to E.S.E. Squally & Raen, we were oblig'd to tack often & plye to windward to get in, till 6 P.M. the fort on the hill about a mile distant East of us.

At which I propose here to Enter in the year 1733 we Lay two Year off the watering place I ordered Capt Stelking to get as near the watering place as he could, which he indeavoured, they seemed a hoar to be alarm'd for we saw all along the Strand several Soldiers marching with their Arms (about 40 as we counted them) who advanc'd always as they offended we did, while we were getting nearer the place we dispatch'd to anchor at we saw them a hoar take down their Colours from the fort on the hill over the watering place & immediately after hoysted it again, & fir'd one Gun Blank, we perceyd the Colours they had now hoysted had some red in it which we could not comprehend the reason of, yet we still believ'd it to be French, but soon after they fir'd 3 shot one after another, I supposing it was to order our Pinnace a hoar (Capt of the Custom al's Helena) immediately had it put out & sent Mr Dens along with it, Assoon as they saw the Pinnace out they ceas'd firing, it beginning to be dark we came to an Anchor in 13 fathom water. I made by Mr Dens a short Line to the Commanding Officer (supposing him French) desiring him that we were come from China & wanted water, which I desir'd he would permit us to take, putting him in mind of the Good understanding betwixt the two nations & of our Queen his most Christian Majts leave to enter into all his Ports in Europe or the Indies, in case of need & I in a Couple of Lines Mr Dens returned & surpriz'd us with the news that they were Portuguese who were in possession of the Island, & that they had drove the French out about a year & ½ ago, sending them to Fernambuc & from thence to Europe, He found the Governour very Civil, but he told him that the water was Brackish (which I knew to be false) & not understanding French he sent for a Secretary who understood French to explain him my Letter, which he promis'd to answer, but Mr Dens finding it would take up time, & it growing late he begg'd leave to go aboard again which he permitted & sent us up some Cabbages. The Fyed erick came to an Anchor soon after us. Mr Dens (not being a person of much thought) committed a great Blunder in delivering my Letter which he ought not to have done when he found there were no French here, but the surprize he was in to find them Portuguese had no doubt put him in some Confusion, Another Blunder he made by telling the Commanding Officer (upon his inquiring) that we had lost Boat-al men by Sickness, which put them in some fear a hoar (as we found afterwards) In order to make amends & repair these mistakes I resolved to send a hoar the Pinnace in the morning, with another Letter by Mr Tewsloen who I supposed spoke best Portuguese, having lived in Lisbon some time. Mr Dens came aboard to hear news In the morning early I sent Mr Tewsloen with a Letter to the Commanding Officer in French (of which Copy I making an excuse for writing the night before to a friend Gover-nour (not knowing better) desired Liberty of taking water, & acquainted him of our having a Special leave from the King of Portugal to enter into his Ports in Europe or West Indies in case of need &c. (As Mr Tewsloen had been in Lisbon when they leave was employed by the Agent Backmanson (whose Book keeper he was) to solicit it, & being then at Portsmouth, I thought him the properest person to go with my Letter,

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May 19 not that I had any great opinion of that prudent Conduct he think himself master of. He soon made me repent my Choice even before I had wrote my Letter, for he was very averse to my writing, which I did not much regard, knowing his intolerable vanity & Selfopinion, which he convinced me of very fully, as I was finishing my Letter for he came to tell me that he thought it meet better I should not write to the Governour, that if I did it would argue a want of Confidence in him, & he would disappear with so much authority &c. I was oblig'd to tell him that a Letter from me was the only Authority he could have, & that I must act regularly & according to the Condition of the Company's Charter, demand permission for staying in a foreign Port for taking of water & necessaries, & that whatever should happen afterwards I was thereby sufficiently justify'd on my return to Sweden, when he found I was reputed to write, he then had the impertinence to tell me that he had drawn up a Letter in Italian for me which the Interpreter was going to deliver me, in order no doubt to sign it, but I cut him short by telling him my Letter was done & I gave it him with orders to deliver it, without reprimanding him as he deserv'd about his impudence.

Count Taulke by some Sailors had neglected to Salute the Fort when we came to Anchor the night before, the I spoke to him to do it. I therefore ordered Lieu to Salute as they Break with 8 Guns as I also had ordered the Frederick, which we both did, & the Fort on the Hill returned 7 Guns.

Mr Feurloven returned soon with a very Civil Answer from the Governour (wrote in Portuguese) mentioning the strict orders he had from his master about the Forts of America but as he found we wanted water (which he hinted in my Letter to be Brackish) he would allow us to do so, provided we came with the Ships under the Guns of the Fort, & as quick as possible, & then to send an officer ashore to remain as hostage till we should send some aboard to examine our wants according to their Custom in Brasil. This Island it seems being under the Jurisdiction of Pernambuco from whence they sent a landing officer & all the people now here were sent. By Mr Feurloven's report they were much alarmed with our backing so often as our coming in (which they suspected was with a design to find out some proper place for Landing) & that we did not Anchor nearer the Fort, but it being explained to them, that the wind being contrary was the cause of our backing & that we were striving to come nearer the Fort till they fir'd at us, with which he was easy. He had it seems got a Letter drawn up in French in answer to my first to the French Governour (if I may believe Mr Feurloven) telling me that finding mine we were in so good an understanding with his most Christian Majesty we had better go to Martinique where we would find water & more refreshments &c. But upon the receipt of mine he dispatch'd another Letter as above mentioned. As to our people sickness I had depend Mr Feurloven to let him know that we had very few sick & only those a little affected with the Scurvy, owing to their living so long on salt victuals with which he was satisfyd.

Mr Swan & Mr Vanderin having come aboard I called them in to the Round House with the other Super Cargos & 1st & 2d Captain, & communicated to them the Governours Letter, to hear their opinion about anchoring under the Fort of he had required, As we could perceive no danger in it from people we were at peace with, & that finding we had come here it would be very improper to lose more time (especially as our people began to leave the Scurvy) to look out

1739 for another place, we aggreed to comply, & gave orders to weigh & anchor under the Fort assoon as the Tide would permit (which here ebbs & flows every     hours) which we

May 20 did after dinner, & anchord in     fathom the fort on the hill bearing          the high Peak bearing

Count Taube went ashoar with Mr Teurloen & carry'd the 4th male with him to leave as an hostage in room of those the Commanding officer intended to send aboard to examin the Ships, but he not thinking so low an officer on a par with those he intended to send aboard desir'd to have one of our highest officers, or Mr Teurloen (whom he suppos'd to be a person of some Consequence) & it being late in the evening he sayd it would be time enough next morning to send the officer ashoar & that assoon as he came he would immediately send aboard 2 of his officers, He was very Complaisant to Count Taube & promis'd us what assistance he could afford as to refreshments, & to send his hunters to kill Goats for us &c he sent us by Count Taube out of his own Garden some Cabbage, Endive, Sugar Canes & water melons, He made an excuse forgiving us the trouble of weighing again & coming to Anchor where he desir'd us, which he pretended was that being nearer he could be more at hand to assist us; but the true reason I were not only the strict orders they have from Portugal about their American Ports, but that also they were under some fear about us, as also I believe to prevent their people coming aboard or we going ashoar out of sight of the fort, for they would allow us to land at no other place but just under the Fort; we observ'd all night Lights along the Beach where their Soldiers kept watch.

— 21 By break of Day sent Mr Teurloen ashoar for Hostage, & immediately came off in our Pinnace (for they have no Boats here of their own nor will allow any to be here) a Captain & Ingineer a Portuguese, & another who call'd himself Capt. Morat, of French Parents, but born at Lisbon, & who I found was Provedore & a sort of secret—ary to the Governour & his Council, They went about the ship for form sake but took no written Account of any thing; Morat speaking French I inquired of him about the French that were here, He told me that last October was a year (there having been orders before from Lisbon to the Governour of Pernambuco to turn out the French & to take possession of the Island & that he was sent from Lisbon (came with the new Governour of Pernambuco who brought the same dispatches) they sent from Pernambuc several Sail of ships with 2 or 3000 men to drive the French out believing them much stronger than they were, from the mis information of a vessell sent before to reconnoitre them, who did not go into the Road but kept at a distance & fancy'd he had seen a great number of French ashoar, when their Troops came here they found out the mistake & found only 25 men of which one was a Priest, one a Surgeon, & a midshipman or a sort of Ensign Commanding officer, all the rest common men as Sailors or Soldiers amongst whom they had only 15 musquets small Arms, & this was all the Artillery or Arms they had, They made no resistance, & the Portuguese took quiet possession of the Island, first desiring the French to take down their Colours which they excusing themselves from, the Portuguese took it down delivering it with respect to them, & hoisted their own Colours, that having stay'd 2 months with them, the Pernambuc fleet returning to that Port carry'd the French thither, from whence soon after they were sent to

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Lisbon in order to return to their own Country. While the French were here which was about 22 months they had built a house on the brow of the hill over the watering place of one story & of wood, where they all lodg'd, where now the Portuguese Governour lives, they had also laid the foundation for a Chappell which has been since finish'd by the Portuguese of brick & cover'd with Tyle; Since the Portuguese have been here no French ship has been seen, but some time before they turned them out A vessel had brought them some ammunition & provisions which fell into the Portuguese hands of 20 hogsheads of wine &c when they took the Island. The King of Portugal having given strict orders to fortify the Island as well as possible, they have already finish'd three Forts one on the top of the Hill (where an old Fort was) where is the principal they pretend they have there 24 Brass Guns — of 18 & — of 24 pounders, it is call'd Fortaleza de Misericordia, Another Fort to the South point of the Island (call'd St Antonio) at the point of the Beach where I got some water when I was here in 1733) which seems to be pretty large, Another small Fort having 6 or 8 Guns, within almost musket shot of the Landing place or Retreat the watering place & the Beach, They propose to build also 2 other Forts to the northward of we come in. Having treated the 2 Portuguese Gentlemen with Chocolate & having made them some small presents, (as also desired them to carry from me to the Governour a few Cannaries of fine Sea) they desired leave to go aboard the Frederick which they did with Mr Irvin who had come to see me early in the morning, I begg'd of the Governour to see to provide us fowls, Hogs, Goats, Turtle, Fish &c He promis'd to do what he could.

It being Sunday we see the Soldiers coming all along the Beach from their out posts (where they had been to hinder our Landing) to go to Church, there did not appear to be above 70 of them, which with the others in their Forts I dont suppose amount in all to above 200. A small Sail appeared to the Northward of the Island, which we hoped was Bound in (none but they take away, seeming to steer for Europe.

The Portuguese have been so much taken up with fortifying themselves here, that they don't seem to have minded any thing else, for they have made very few improvements, a few ordinary wood houses with Earthen floors for the few officers they have; & some small huts of earth & wood cover'd with Goats skins a top, for their Soldiers & Slaves. They have very good water melons & Cabbage, & Endive (which is all the Sallading we saw) some Plantans, Cucumbers of a small kind & round, Indian Wheat or Maiz which grows well here, Hogs, some Cows on the other side of the hill where they meet with good pasturage, A few Cocks & Hens, a very few Turkeys, but no Geese nor Ducks &c I am apt to think that the Greens & Fruits they have here were planted by the French. As to the Goats which were here in such plenty when I was here before, they say now they are very scarce; the last Portuguese Ships that were here having destroyd above 1000 to salt, and that they having retired to the other parts of the Island, it is very hard to come at them, There is also Sea Turtle & Fish in abundance though we got none notwithstanding they had promis'd to send us some. As for the natural productions, I can hear no more than what we knew when we were here before, Abundance of Small trees fit for nothing but fire wood, one very particular of which we had the experience my first voyage by the people that cut wood here, ill juice or sap being very pernicious, if it touches one Skin inflaming it & making it swell immediately, Some of our people observ'd also here a small tree or shrub which bears Beads which grow in Clusters, of which they

1739 here quantity at Jamaica, & where they make from them a very good oil for burning
in their Lamps &c but we don't find the Portuguese know yet the use of them.
There is no doubt but all sorts of Indian Grain, & even those of Europe, or Grapes &c might
do very well here, but they is not a nation to make much improvement. For even in
Brasil they have no wheat yet, the Commanding officer here having assured our Gentlemen
that he had not tasted a piece of Bread or Biskey all the time he had lived there, about
25 years, & we found he liked our China Biskey I sent him a Bag of it with other
presents. They have got from Tercera (one of the western Islands) about 20 Persons they
call Moradeiros to whom they allow a spot of Ground with the use of Tools & Instruments
to Labour with, for whom they maintain & they do the Garrison, which is chiefly on Salted
Goat, & Indian wheat (the Ground having produc'd two Crops & sufficient to subsist
them without other allowance, and upon this incouragement they expect some more
Inhabitants from the foresaid Islands & from Brasil. Their Slaves consist of negros
of Africa & some native Brasilians who are a large robust people. Their children here
are chiefly mulattos or mestizes from Brasil, amongst whom are several Boys of about
15 or 16 years old.

May 22 The Providence moral kept Mr Flandein, Mr Feenboen, & Palaf to dine with them.
After Dinner Count Taube & Mr Roff & we went ashoar and having Leave of the Governour
we sent our Sick ashoar this Morning, on condition to return at night. As they have
not taken care to make any alteration for bettering the Landing place (which I found to
be very indifferent when I was here before) As Count Taube & Mr Roff were coming off
there happend to be a very great Swell, so that they had enough ado to get safe into our
Pinnace, and having brought the Fredericus pinnace to the rocks to help them to go
to the other, assoon as they had got out of it into the Stockholme, the Fredericus pinnace
over Sett, and all that were in it were thrown into the water, However with the
assistance of the negros who went into the water to help them they waded all safe
to Land, but a Sailor of the Stockholm (who it seems was drunk) was not to be found,
so that we conclude he is drownd. It having been very Squally weather & a great Sea
of which the Governour being sensible, he suffered the Sick to stay ashoar all night,
& wrote a Letter to our Master men, having permitted 6 from each Ship, & promis'd to set a
Guard upon them that no body should molest them.

23 Having wrote to the Providence moral to see what he could provide us, whether Goats
Fowls, Turtles, a milk Cow, or milk Goat &c He went to the Governour & call'd a Council
of his officers, to see what they could do, the repell was to furnish us a few Hogs. After
Fowls moral wrote to me, that they had taken Account of what were upon the Island
which amounted to no more than 35 Fowls, which they were oblig'd to keep for the
Sick, of whom they have a good many, the Disease they chiefly Labour under is
the Colick, The Governour promis'd to send his hunters to kill Goats & Doves of
which they have full plenty, & his Fishers to look for Turtle & Fish. He sent us
3 or 4 dozen of Doves some Cabbage & Endive & water melons, & pumpkans which
grows here wild all over the Island.

1739 may 24th The Governeur being desirous we should depart as soon as possible I ordered Mr Flanderin to settle Accounts with the Traverdore, & get all the provisions & refreshments he could & to pay him, Mr Flanderin came aboard to let me know that they had provided about 15 Sheep & a few Hogs, but could get nothing else, and that the Governeur would be very glad we could pay them in money (because he must give an Account to the Governeur of Fernambuc of every thing) but that if we had no money, he would give leave to the Traverdore to take some pieces of silk, but desired to take care to let none of our people to carry any Goods ashoar, I accordingly gave the necessary orders, but notwithstanding they did carry in their Pockets some Silk Handkerchiefs in order to buy for themselves some refreshments, the Captain of the Guard seized a Couple of pieces from one of our Sailors, but the Governeur was Civil enough to restore them, intreating that he would be no such thing done any more. It seems they have some people of other nations here which are brought from Brasil, Dutch or French whom they have taken (as we believe) ingaged in a clandestine Trade upon their Coasts, and being probably afraid of their deserting, the Governeur thinked there were some disconsented people upon the Island, & therefore begged to receive no body aboard in case they should attempt to form off to us. Being in hopes to be able to get away in the Evening, I muttered up all the Spanish Dollers I could but not having enough, made the rest up in Silks to pay for the Sheep, & sent Mr Flanderin ashore with them & some presents to the Governeur the officers, to the Surgeon & 2 Priests particularly who were very Civil to our Sick ashoar, by him I wrote a Letter of thanks to the Governeur for his Civilities & for the kind reception all his people had shown ours, promising our utmost endeavours to get Sail to day if possible, but I hoped if that could not be done, he would not take it ill if I sayd till next morning, when I assured him I would depart by break of day &c to convince him of my being in Earnest, I ordered all our men who were ashoar to come aboard. The Commanding officer wrote me a very Civil Letter in answer to mine, thanking me for my Presents &c which he distributed a part of amongst his officers, He hinted at same time to Mr Flanderin that he would be very glad he would Sail to day.

Count Taube getting it in his head (or at least pretending so) that it would be a great Security to our people to take up Anchor to day, spoke to me to stay till next morning, which I, rather than give room to foolish Reflections, consented to tho' against my own opinion & inclination. About 9 of Mr Flanderin came aboard, I depend him to tell Count Taube how earnest the Governeur was we should depart before night &c In fine upon his & Capt Hitchings arguing with him he grew easy upon the Head, which Capt Hitching soon advised me of, Having got all our people aboard, I therefore ordered to weigh with all Speed in order to get under Sail before Sun set, that we might have an opportunity to salute the Fort at our departure.

The Sailer's Body was found who was drowned the night before last, & the Governeur ordered the negros to bury him ashoar.

1739 while we lay here we must acknowledge that the Commanding officer as well as all the People were extremely Civil to us, & tho' they pretended (that is on the Commanding officers part) at first many difficulties about the number of our people to have leave to come ashoar as also of their continuing ashoar in the night yet they being more accustom'd to us & having no reason to find fault with our behaviour amongst them, they became easier every day, & made no Scruple about the number that went ashoar from time to time nor of their remaining there in the night, they were complaisant enough to give leave to the Sick to walk about (which they refus'd at first) and even to take them to the place where they kept their Cows (on the other side of the hill) and give them milk, and took care to lodge them in the night in the Surgeons House at his own desire, They had always an officer or under officer alongst with them wherever they went. And Count Taube & our Gentlemen when they were ashoar met with all Sort of Civility from the Commanding officer & all the rest of the officers there. It is certain that at first they were afraid of us not knowing what Sort of people we were, And tho the Commanding officer knew Something more than the rest of the Foreign Comming, having read a good deal of our Gentlemen tell me, yet upon account of the Strict orders from Portugal with regard to Strangers entering their American Ports he was obliged publickly to shew more averseness to our being there than he was inclined to do, especially that all the officers there are Spies upon his Conduct, and would be ready to make a Strict report to his Superiours did they observe any thing irregular in his Conduct, This was hinted to us, and to avoid all Jealousy, He always call'd a Council upon what resolutions Should be taken with regard to us, & for the Small presents he was pleas'd to receive from me, he had them produc'd before his officers & told them that I had sent them as such & even distributed some of them amongst them as before related, this was to give no room to any Suspicion of trading with us, which is expressly forbid by their Court, so that he desired we would pay money if we had it for what Provisions were sold us, & that for no other reason but that of our want of money he could allow his people taking any sort of Goods for what was provided us, of which he said he must give an exact Account to his Superiours, As for Stores he was willing to let us buy timber & nails &c in case we wanted them for repairing the Frederick's Sinnace, for he would not have us leave it ashoar, for fear of people making use of it or ~~deserting~~ giving an opportunity to any of their people to desert & quit the Island. They expect every day some vessells from Pernambuc with Provision & Stores & a new body of troops to relieve them. It is to be observ'd by all the Governours Letters to me, as well as by his discourse with our Gentlemen, & some other part of his Conduct, that so far from being desirous to see any foreign Ships here, he did what he could in a Civil manner to dissuade us from ever attempting it again; for the Chief belief that we expected and which they could have help'd us to, was not given us as was promis'd, to wit Goats (of which they sent us but four or five & very sorry ones) Turtle, & Greens or Scorbutick Plants, &c

1739 And they took care always to complain that it was very poor Island & could afford us nothing and that the water was all Brackish &c as also that they were put to some Charge, on account of the Climate, what they say they wanted Rain generally 9/10 of the year, so that things did not grow well. upon the whole it is evident that it will not be worth while for any Ships to go there another time, there are so few things to be had & that with difficulty, and their unwillingness to let them stay any time to give the Sick time to recover, besides that as they allow taking of water only at one place, where it is not only difficult to Land, but that the Casks are also exposd & take in Sea water, by rolling them to the Long Boats through the Surf, which sometimes is very violent there & Swells over the Boats & gets into the Casks, besides the fatigue & Cold it exposes the People to, who are oblig'd all day to be wading in the water, by which no doubt, they catch cold. And had I Suspected the Portuguese had been here (from whom I could not expect such Liberty & relief as from the French) I had never thought of coming to this place, but rather have ventured to make St Jago if possible, for as our Sailors began to fall ill of the Scurvy it would have been necessary to have touch'd Some where, And I am afraid that our Ships will be always be under a necessity to touch Some where betwixt the Straits of Sunda & Europe, tho' I was of another opinion the voyage before & did not touch any where, our people having kept their health extremely well So that I did not lose one man by Sickness the whole voyage, I can see no other reason for the great difference I find this voyage & the last, but that a great many I have now met be raw people little us'd to Sea, as also that they are very dull & lazy, & tho' I have often recommended exercise to them, especially dancing (which our people us'd every day almost last voyage) yet have I no bringing them to it. In Short that depends chiefly on the Leader master & under officers who last voyage were very brisk & not only incourag'd the men but also forc'd the lazy ones to dance often, whereas this voyage they are quite otherwise, So that I apprehend we shall have a great many on the Scurvy before we get Home, and more on the Stockholm than on the Frederick, where as yet none have the Scurvy.

May 24. Having got our Boats & every Body aboard we weigh'd Anchor, & got under Sail before Sun set, we contriv'd that the Stockholm should Salute first, & that the Frederick should delay Saluting to See if the Fort would first answer the Stockholm, according ly we Saluted with 8 Guns, which the Fort answerd by 7 Soon after, then the Frederick gave them 8 which the Fort return'd with three.
A moderate Gale at E b S & E variable weather Something Squally & Rain

25 wind as yesterday & Fair weather. In the night were a little alarmed by a Ship being near us to the N.O we shewn'd Sail for the Frederick to come up with us, having hail'd the Ship, found her to be from Guinea a French man bound for Martinique, She seemd to be in no small fear, nor carry to come near us, that we might talk with him & ask him news, we call'd to him to come under our Lee which he with Some difficulty at last went very unhandily about, & indeavouring as we take to run from us upon the Frederick who was afterd & call'd out Hearkily to him, which frightend him more & made him immediately tack & gain & run away before the

1739 All we could learn from him was that he was carrying Slaves to Martinique, & that
he had been a year out of Europe. we could not observe he had any Light in his Ship.
May 26 wind much as before a good Gale & fine weather. when we came fairly out from Freplen
- ando, the Frederick seem'd to edd sailing, but now she is got into her old trim
& we are oblig'd to shorten Sail for her.
— 27 wind and weather as yesterday.
— 28 wind much as before, but weather variable, & less wind.
— 29 wind from E & E S E but little of it, Clear weather. Noon Ret 50 m.
— 30 wind varies from E S E to E S & E & N E & little of it but fine weather.
— 31 wind is getting to the N E Trade, but as yet little of it, sometimes Calm, Squally & a
good deal of Rain
June 1st The Trade wind not yet quite settled tho' mostly from the N E. quarter, & not much
of it. weather variable.
— 2 N yet variable weather & winds & little of it tho' chiefly N & N E.
— 3 wind & weather very variable, with Rain, Squalls & Lightning, we lost sight of the
Frederick in the night, supposed by our often tacking & that they bore a different way,
Captain Shilding came to advise me of it & we agreed to fire a Gun or two to
let her know where we were, soon after we had fir'd we perceiv'd her Lights.
— 4 The wind now at N E & N E b N & seems to be settled, a moderate Gale & fine weather
— 5 wind N E & N E b E a good moderate Gale & fine weather
— 6 wind E N E a good gale & fine weather, we find the Frederick now keeps up
pretty well with us, being upon a wind, we spare here but a top gallant Sail.
— 7 wind N E b E a good gale & Clear weather. spoke to the Frederick, and glad
to hear they are all well aboard.
— 8 & wind as yesterday, fresh Gale, weather a little variable, sometimes short Squalls
9 & 10 with Rain.
— 11 A fine gale from E N E & E b N fine weather.
— 12 The wind comes more to the Eastward, fine weather & a moderate Gale
— 13 fine weather wind a little variable but most in the N Equarter & E N. E a good gale
— 14 fair weather wind most at E & a fresh gale
— 15 good weather, & by wind from E b N
16, 17, 18 & wind still a little variable from the E to the North East & not much of them, weather
& — 19 sometimes rainy, mostly fair
— 20 wind now at N. E so that we kept up except the Trade wind, & little of it.
fine weather
— 21 wind & weather as yesterday & sometimes calm
— 22 wind from N N to W fair weather, spoke with the Frederick
— 23 wind from N to N & W weather as before
— 24 variable weather but a fine fresh Gale at N & N & W
& 25

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June 25 ℔ moderate weather sometimes small rain, fresh Gales from W & W b S & that quarter
pand & weather as yesterday, but less wind. our people fall down daily in the Scurvy, one
Jan Bean Seaman dayd to day. The Frederick people keep yet free of that distemper
— 27 ℔ moderate Gale from the S. W but most part very foggy weather, so that we lost sight
of the Frederick tho' very near us, we fird a Gun which she answer'd. we lose a great
deal of time with her by being oblig'd to spare so much sail. dyd Cooper make of Scurvy
— 28 same weather as yesterday, we spoke with the Frederick, wind come about to NW moderate
— 29 fine weather wind mostly in the S W quarter but not much of it
— 30 variable weather & wind but fresh gales from the S W to the NW with rain.
July 1 variable weather, moderate wind from the S W mostly, Whip been very Cold with these
Westerly winds of it still continues
— 2 fresh Gales, sometimes squally first part S E then to the S W. Lost another Sailor in the
Scurvy. Saw a small vessell coming from the westward we fird a Gun to make her speak
with us Shewd our Colours, She shewd English, a Snow from Carolina bound to London, he
told that they had news in Carolina 4 months ago that all was in peace in Europe
we waited to speak for the Frederick to let her know the news. At this near spoke
very fresh nor certain I would be glad to speak with an outward bound Ship and to be
the more certain of the truth in case we meet with English vessells intend next to Shew
English Colours, in case there be a Quarrell between Sweden & England, we shall in
this manner easier know from them how affairs are
— 3 winds from S W to W N W fresh Gales & squally, with small Showers
— 4 wind chiefly from the S W & W S W very fresh & squally & a great Sea, Sold
Being the Queens name day, Gave the people a Pint of French & fresh meat, but could
Give no Gun by reason of the great Swell
— 5 wind & weather as yesterday fine gales see a Ship to the N E
— 6 wind & weather as yesterday
— 7 wind & weather more moderate wind chiefly W. Saw a small vessell coming our
way, fird to make her speak to us, & Shewd English Colours, She had been 20 days
from Bergen bound to London day, told us all was at peace at Home and no
alteration as to strength of death of Crown Heads since we went out, telling her where
we came they asked where we belong'd to, we Struck the English Colours & set up
our own & told them we belong'd to Sweden. Being now pretty certain of there being
no war with Sweden, I resolved (as we have lost of late a great deal of time & are
by sparing Sail for the Frederick) to make the best of my way with the Portuguese
for Gottenburg, if possible to save a day or two perhaps more by sending news of our
Cargo aboard a pest day sooner &c I therefore sent the pinnace for Mr Gross, & told
him my opinion, which he approved of, He tells me they made St Kilda this
morning some 10 leagues off, I am sorry to find by him that they have a great many
down on Corsengles since the cold weather, but very few in the Scurvy, and
that their making to little sail of late owing to that cause, we are both in a
very sickly condition and can't help one another with hands, so that the sooner

1759 people Some the better. After dinner Mr Irwin went aboard the Frederick
again, & we made the best of our way
June 8 Fresh Gale from W.S.W & Equally very Cold, The Frederick carrys more Sail than
She us'd to do & keeps pretty well up with us
— 9 See several of the orkney Islands ag.t west.o & north Ronaldshaddle at 8 P.M. bore
S.E.N.E 4 Leagues Fine fresh Gale & good weather han 1600 m See a Sperm Dogger
— 10 Good weather & fine fresh Gale from S.W. The Frederick hep Lost much since
yesterday, before night a great way astern, & next morning could only See her from the
top mast head Shortened a little Sail to keep in Sight, a great alteration of weather
Since we got into the North Sea not near So Cold as it was. See a Portuguese going
to the westward. meet with no Ships here about one or two Sperm
dogger
11 wind continues Still good & fresh gales & that we hope (if it continues) to bear our
Lost by to morrow night. At 6 P.M. the Frederick in Sight, but next morning She
did not appear. weather variable hazy & raing. At 7 P.M. See the Lands of Jutland
bearing from the S.W to the S.O. about 2 or 3 Leagues off, Hill Low and Sandy
beach, Rounded head 12 fathom. At noon the Scan Ore E.S.E & N.N.W 2 Miles 6
Leagues & nearest part of Jutland 3 L. S.S.E. See several Ships
— 12 over hopes of getting to our Lost before the post Should go away quite vanished
for the wind left end, & at 6 P.M began to Shift with Some calms & then wind
to S.E & E & kept in the S.E quarter, Early in the morning See about 40 Sail
all but one or two bound to the westward, they having come out of the Sound with
the S.E wind, Spoke with an English vessell bound to Copenhagen, commanded
by one French, 9 days from Hamburg, He gave us no other news but that they
were meeting for Seamen much in England, talkd much of a war with Spain
who Still continue their hostilities in the W. Indies. weather variable Sometimes
Fair but in the night Equally & raing & Sometimes Calm. Equally & thunder
and lightning much in the night. wind at S.E till about 10 A.M came about to the
S.W., then N.W. Land to the Southward of between 4 & 5 Leagues off. no catch
here a good deal of mackarel
— 13 wind S.W till about 9 P.M then calm almost till 4 in the morning when we got
it at N & then to N.N.W & N.N.E. a strong current all night to the Eastward
Sweden & Norway, we fired a gun & made Signals to Some Swedish boats to come
on board, which they not minding we Sent the pinnace at 3 P.M. to bring
one of the fishermen aboard to pilote us to wingoe, there came one who was
well acquainted with these parts & lives upon the Coast near Maestrand. At
2 P.M first Saw Maestrand Castle S.E & S. 6 or 7 Leagues off, weather a little
hazy a fine little gale from 4 in the morning, a little Cool, See the Peter Wessel
& all the Coast about Maestrand at 8 A.M See wingoe right a head about S.E

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