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LIST of PAPERS from the Transport Office, presented to the HOUSE OF LORDS.

- N^o 1. An Account of all Bills for Freight of Transports, Contingencies for that Service, and for Miscellaneous Services incurred by Order of the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, entered on the Courfe of this Office between the 31st Day of December 1795, and the 31st of March 1796.
- N^o 2. Letter from Commissioners of Transports to Charles Long Esquire, dated 18th April 1796, enclosing,
- N^o 3. Copy of a Contract, for Five East India Ships to convey Troops to the West Indies, and to be employed as Armed Transports.
- N^o 4. Copy of a Contract of Nine East India Ships to convey Troops to the West Indies.
- N^o 5. Copy of a Contract for Two East India Ships to convey Troops to the West Indies.

No 37

Transport Office, 18th April 1796.

SIR,

IN compliance with the Directions of the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, signified to us in your Letter of the 14th Instant, we beg Leave to transmit to you, in order to their being laid before the House of Lords, the inclosed Copies of all Contracts entered into between the Commissioners of this Office and the Owners of various East India Ships, for conveying Troops to the West Indies.

We are,

Sir,

Your most obedient,

Humble Servants,

RUP^t GEORGE,
AMBROSE SERLE,
W^m H^y OTWAY,
JOHN MARSH.

CHARLES LONG Esquire,
&c. &c. &c.

LIST of PAPERS from the Transport
Office, presented to the House of
Lords.

Ordered to be printed 23^d April 1796.

No. 37.

London, the Twentieth Day of August One thousand seven hundred and ninety-five.

IT is this Day mutually agreed between the Commissioners for conducting His Majesty's Transport Service (for and on the Behalf of His Majesty) of the One Part, and Mr. George Brown on the Behalf of the Owners of the under mentioned East India Ships, of the other Part, for carrying Troops, Provisions, and Stores, from Portsmouth to the West Indies, and afterwards to be employed as Armed Transports, on the Terms and Conditions following; *videlicet*,

SHIPS NAMES.	MASTERS NAMES.	TONS.
Ganges,	Michael Pile,	778
Ponshorn,	James Clifford,	812
Valentine,	Henry Hughes,	797
Contractor,	John Nelson Whyte,	780
General Elliott,	Joshua Langhorne,	806

THE Ships are to sail, Wind and Weather permitting, on the Fifteenth of September next ensuing, from *Gravefend* to *Portsmouth*; provided their Cargoes are unladen by the *East India* Company.

THE said Commissioners (on the Behalf of His Majesty) agree to fit the Ships with Hammocks or Cabins for the Troops.

THE said Parties agree that each Ship shall carry Four hundred Troops, and as many more as she can conveniently stow, (to be regulated by the Commanding Officer, in Concurrence with the Resident Agent), at Twenty Pounds *per* Head for Freight and Victualling; to be paid at the Expiration of Two Months after the Time of their sailing from *Portsmouth*, on a Certificate being produced from the Officer commanding the Troops, of the Numbers of Men embarked on board each Ship.

THE Surplus Tonnage to be at the Disposal of Government.

IN

No. 2.

18th April 1796.
COMMISSIONERS of Transports,
with Copies of Contracts entered into
between them and the Owners of
various East India Ships, for convey-
ing Troops to the West Indies.

Ordered to be printed 2d April 1796.

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IN case the Troops are victualled longer than Two Months, either in Port or at Sea, the Owners are to be allowed One Shilling and Sixpence for each Man *per Day*, or else Government is to supply them with Provisions.

It is also agreed, by and between the said Parties, that the Ships aforesaid are to be considered as Armed Transports, in the Service of Government, and to commence Pay on the following Terms; on the Eighteenth Day of *November* One thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, and to continue from that Period, for Six Months certain, and as long afterwards as they may be wanted by Government.

FREIGHT, Twenty Shillings *per Ton*, Register Tonnage, *per Lunar Month*; and Five Pounds *per Man per Lunar Month* for the extra Number of Men over and above the Complement of Transports, (namely Five Men and One Boy to each One hundred Tons), and Seventy Men, exclusive of Officers, to be considered as the Ship's Complement.

THE Ships to be fitted at the Owners Expence, with each
 { 20 Guns, 9 or 12 Pounders, }
 { 6 Guns, 4 or 6 Pounders. }

GOVERNMENT to find them with Powder and Shot in the *West Indies*.

GOVERNMENT is also to find Provisions for the Troops that may at different Times be put on board, after disembarking the Troops from *England*, the same as if they were in regular Transports.

THE said *George Brown*, on Behalf of the Owners, is to provide Surgeons at his own Expence, but Government is to provide Medicines for the Troops.

Two Months Freight to be paid to the said *George Brown*, on the Behalf of the Owners, at the Expiration of Four Months after the Eighteenth Day of *November* One thousand seven hundred and ninety-five; and afterwards, in like Manner with other Transports.

IN case the Ships are captured or damaged by the Enemy, while in His Majesty's Service, the said Commissioners, on Behalf of His Majesty, agree to indemnify the said *George Brown*, on the Behalf of the Owners, for the Amount of their Value, or the Damage they may sustain; provided that such Loss or Damage did not arise through the Neglect or Fault of the Masters, or of their respective Ships Crews; and the Amount of

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of such Loss or Damage to be ascertained by the Officers of the said Commissioners.


It is furthermore agreed, that all Payments, to be made by virtue of this Contract, are to be by Transport Bills, with the Discount added thereto.

IN case the Masters of the before mentioned Ships should apply for their Discharge abroad, in order to prosecute any other Voyage, and it should be convenient for the Commanding Officer to comply therewith, Six Weeks additional Pay is to be allowed from the Day of their Discharge, otherwise to be discharged at *Deptford*.

THE Master of each Ship to account, and to be accountable for the Whole of such Stores, Provisions, &c. as may be put on board belonging to Government.

PENALTY for Non-performance of this Agreement to be Ten thousand Pounds for each Ship, to be recovered and paid by virtue of these Presents.

IN Witness whereof he the said *George Brown* (on the Behalf of the Owners) hath set his Hand and Seal to One Part hereof; and to the other Part hereof the said Commissioners (on the Behalf of His Majesty) have signed their Names, and caused the Seal of the Transport Office to be affixed, the Day and Year above written.

(Signed) GEORGE BROWN. 

Signed, sealed, and delivered,
 (being first duly stamped)
 in the Presence of
 (Signed) W. HARDING.

Attested,
 ALEX. WHITEHEAD Secy.

No 37.

London, the First Day of October One thousand seven hundred and ninety-five.

IT is this Day mutually agreed between the Commissioners for conducting His Majesty's Transport Service (for and on the Behalf of His Majesty) of the One Part, and William Moffat Esquire on Behalf of himself, and every the Part Owners of the undermentioned East India Ships, of the other Part, for conveying Troops, Provisions, and Stores, from Portsmouth to the West Indies, on the Terms and Conditions following; *videlicet*,

SHIPS NAMES.	COMMANDERS.	TONS.
Sullivan,	Samson Hall,	876
Dutton,	Samson,	761
Houghton,	Robert Hudson,	778
Raymond,	H. Smedley,	793
Middlesex,	Ramsden,	852
Phoenix,	Wymfs Orrok,	799
King George,	Timmins,	776
Rose,	John Smith,	801
Duke of Montrose,	Peter Burt,	755

The Ships are to sail immediately (Wind and Weather permitting) from Gravesend to Portsmouth.

The said Commissioners (on Behalf of His Majesty) agree to fit the Ships with Hammocks or Cabins for the Troops.

The said Parties agree that each Ship shall carry Four hundred Troops, and as many more as Government may think proper to put on board them, at the Rate of Twenty Pounds per Head for Freight and Victualling, to be paid at the Expiration of Two Months after the Time of their sailing from Portsmouth, on a Certificate being produced from the Officer commanding the Troops, of the Number of Men embarked on board each Ship.

The Surplus Tonnage to be at the Disposal of Government.

IN

CONTRACT for Five East India Ships
to convey Troops to the West Indies;
and to be employed as Armed Trans-
ports.

No. 3.

Transport Office.

Ordered to be printed 25th April 1796.

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In case the Troops are victualled more than Two Months, either in Port or at Sea, the Owners are to be allowed One Shilling and sixpence for each Man *per* Day during the Time of their being so victualled, otherwise the Provisions to be furnished by Government.

THE Premium of Insurance at the *East India* Company's Valuation of £. 19,200 for each Ship, at 11 Guineas *per* Centum, amounting to £. 2,217 12 for each Ship, for the Voyage from *London* to the *Leeward Islands*, and back to *London*, is to be paid by Government.

THE Ships to be confined in their Voyage to the *Leeward Islands*; but should the Urgency of the Case require their being sent on further Service, and should they in consequence thereof be lost, captured, or damaged, then the Value of such Loss, Capture, or Damage, to be paid by Government, according to the Rate above mentioned.

DEMURRAGE to be paid to the Owners at the Rate of Twenty Shillings *per* Ton *per* Lunar Month, commencing the First of *December* 1795, until the Time the Troops and Stores are landed in the *Leeward Islands*, and the Ships are discharged from Government Service; but in case the said Ships, after having completed the Service already stipulated for, should be detained, or ordered on any further Service, then Demurrage to be paid to the Owners at the Rate of Forty Shillings *per* Ton *per* Lunar Month, commencing on the 15th of *December* 1795, and so to continue until they arrive in the River *Thames*.

THE Payments for Demurrage and extra Victualling the Troops, to be made One Month after the Return of each Ship to *Graveland*, provided proper Documents be delivered into the Transport Office, accounting for all Government Stores that may be put on board them; and also a Certificate from the Officer commanding the Troops, of the Numbers of Men, and the Length of Time they were so victualled; and in case the Ships should be lost or captured by the Enemy, the Value is to be paid within One Month after such Loss or Damage shall be made known to the Commissioners aforesaid; provided that such Loss or Damage shall be made to appear not to have been caused through any Fault or Neglect of the Masters or Crews of the before mentioned Ships: And all Payments on this Contract to be by Transport Bills, with the Discount added thereto.

THE Master of each Ship to account, and be accountable for the Whole of such Stores, Provisions, &c. as may be put on board them belonging to Government.

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PENALTY for Non-performance of this Agreement to be Ten thousand Pounds for each Ship, to be recovered and paid by virtue of these Presents.

In Witneſs whereof he, the said *William Moffat* Esquire, (on the Behalf of the Owners), hath set his Hand and Seal to One Part hereof; and to the other Part hereof the said Commissioners (on the Behalf of His Majesty) have signed their Names, and caused the Seal of the Transport Office to be affixed, the Day and Year before written.

(Signed) WILLIAM MOFFAT. ○

Signed, sealed, and delivered,
(being first duly stamped),
in the Presence of
(Signed) W. HARDING.

Attested,
ALEX. WHITEHEAD Secy.

No. 37.

London, the First Day of October One thousand seven hundred and ninety-five.

IT is this Day mutually agreed between the Commissioners for conducting His Majesty's Transport Service (for and on the Behalf of His Majesty) of the One Part, and William George Sibley Esquire on Behalf of the United Company of Merchants trading to the East Indies, Owners of the undermentioned East India Ships, of the other Part, for conveying Troops, Provisions, and Stores, from Portsmouth to the West Indies, on the Terms and Conditions following; *videlicet*,

SHIPS NAMES.	MASTERS NAMES.	TONS.
Britannia,	Thomas Barrow,	770
Sir Edw ^d Hughes,	James Urmston,	960

THE Ships are to sail immediately (Wind and Weather permitting) from *Gravefend* to *Portsmouth*.

THE said Commissioners (on Behalf of His Majesty) agree to fit the Ships with Hammocks or Cabins for the Troops.

THE said Parties agree that each Ship shall carry Four hundred Troops, and as many more as Government may think proper to put on board them, at the Rate of Twenty Pounds *per Head* for Freight and Victualling, to be paid at the Expiration of Two Months after the Time of their sailing from *Portsmouth*, on a Certificate being produced from the Officer commanding the Troops, of the Number of Men embarked on board each Ship.

THE Surplus Tonnage to be at the Disposal of Government.

IN case the Troops are victualled more than Two Months, either in Port or at Sea, the Owners are to be allowed One Shilling and Sixpence for each Man *per Day* during the Time of their being so victualled, otherwise the Provision to be furnished by Government.

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No. 4.

Transport Office.
CONTRACT for Nine East India Ships
to convey Troops to the West Indies.

Ordered to be printed 25th April 1796.

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THE Premium of Insurance at the *East India* Company's Valuation of £. 19,200 for each Ship, at 11 Guineas *per Centum*, amounting to £. 2,217 12 for each Ship, for the Voyage from *London* to the *Leeward Islands*, and back to *London*, is to be paid by Government.

THE Ships to be confined in their Voyage to the *Leeward Islands*; but should the Urgency of the Case require their being sent on further Service, and should they in consequence thereof be lost, captured, or damaged, then the Value of such Loss, Capture, or Damage, to be paid by Government, according to the Rate above mentioned.

DEMURRAGE to be paid to the Owners at the Rate of Twenty Shillings *per Ton per Lunar Month*; commencing the First Day of *December 1795*, until the Time the Troops and Stores are landed in the *Leeward Islands*, and the Ships are discharged from Government Service; but in case the said Ships, after having completed the Service already stipulated for, should be detained, or ordered on any further Service, then Demurrage to be paid to the Owners at the Rate of Forty Shillings *per Ton per Lunar Month*, commencing on the 15th of *December 1795*, and so to continue until they arrive in the River *Thames*.

THE Payments for Demurrage and extra Victualling the Troops, to be made One Month after the Return of each Ship to *Gravesend*, provided proper Documents be delivered into the Transport Office, accounting for all Government Stores that may be put on board them; and also a Certificate from the Officer commanding the Troops, of the Numbers of Men, and of the Length of Time they were so victualled; and in case the Ships should be lost or captured by the Enemy, the Value is to be paid within One Month after such Loss or Capture shall be made known to the Commissioners aforesaid; provided that such Loss or Capture shall be made to appear not to have been caused through any Fault or Neglect of the Masters or Crews of the before mentioned Ships: And all Payments on this Contract to be by Transport Bills, with the Discount added thereto.

THE Master of each Ship to account, and be accountable for the Whole of such Stores, Provisions, &c. as may be put on board them belonging to Government.

PENALTY for Non-performance of this Agreement to be One thousand Pounds for each Ship, to be recovered and paid by virtue of these Presents:

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IN Witness whereof he, the said *William George Sibley* Esquire, (on Behalf of the said Owners), hath set his Hand and Seal to One Part hereof; and to the other Part hereof the said Commissioners (on the Behalf of His Majesty) have signed their Names, and caused the Seal of the Transport Office to be affixed, the Day and Year above written.

(Signed) WILLIAM GEO. SIBLEY.

Signed, sealed, and delivered,
(being first duly stamped),
in the Presence of

(Signed) J. ATKINSON,
T. WHITEHEAD.

Attested,
ALEX. WHITEHEAD Secy.

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No. 5.

Transport Office.

CONTRACT for Two East India Ships
to convey Troops to the West Indies.

Ordered to be printed 25th April 1796.