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Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 16th June 1803.

PRESENT.

Joseph Nutt, Esq: Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop, Esq: Dep: Gov:

Thomas Boddington, Esq:	Henry Smith, Esq:
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq:	Samuel Thornton, Esq:
Roger Boehm, Esq:	Stephen Thornton Esq:
Bicknell Coney, Esq:	Brook Watson Esq: Ald:
Edward Darell, Esq:	John Bowden, Esq:
Nath: Bogle French Esq:	Cornelius Buller Esq:
Thomas Lewis, Esq:	George Dorrien Esq:
Beeston Long, Esq:	William Manning Esq:
Sir Richard Neave, Bart:	Jeremiah Olive, Esq:
Charles Pole, Esq:	John Pearse, Esq:
Thomas Raikes, Esq:	Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq:
Edward Simeon, Esq:	John Whitmore Esq:

The Proceedings of the last Court were Read.

Ordered,

10 Guineas to Zach: Billing.

That Forty Guineas be given to Zachary Billing to relieve him from his Calamities during his late severe Illness.

Bank's Ans: to the Bill in the Ch: of Exch: of T. A Spenceley

The Answer of the Governor and Comp: of the Bank of England to the Bill of Complaint in the Court of Exchequer of Thomas Allen Spenceley, having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting, was read and sealed with the Common Seal in Court.

Sealed.

Resolved,

36 Clerks Elected.

That 36 Servants be now chosen.

Then the Several petitions of Robert Mathers, Richard Pamphilion, Thomas Giles, Thomas Jeyes, Raynes Kelly & James Godin Junr: recommended by the Governor pursuant to an Order of this Court, the 3rd January 1799.

Edmund

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Edmund Galton recommended by Mr. Bosanquet.
Edward Close Wilkinson recommended by Mr. Raikes.
Thomas Thurston recommended by Mr. Boddington.
Wm. Thos. Lyttleton recommended by Mr. Whitmore.
Thomas Morison recommended by Mr. Shelluson.
Basil Brown Righton recommended by Mr. Manning.
William Oakden recommended by Mr. Pearse.
Thomas Bott recommended by Mr. Puget.
Edward Bryant recommended by Mr. Lewis.
Geo. Bridges Moseley recommended by Mr. Mellish.
John Hawkes recommended by Mr. Simeon.
William Oxley recommended by Mr. Champion.
Edward Stanley recommended by Mr. Dorrien.
Richd. Thos. Corbould recommended by Mr. Harman.
Thomas Roberts recommended by Mr. Amyand.
Benjamin Hanbury recommended by Mr. Maitland.
Goodinch Murry Thompson recommended by Mr. Free.
William Humphreys recommended by Mr. Clive.
John Firth recommended by Mr. Boehm.
James Watt recommended by Mr. Winthrop.
Robert Dunell recommended by Mr. Ald. Watson.
John Fisher recommended by Mr. Coney.
Henry Allen Clarke recommended by Mr. French.
John Cope recommended by Mr. Pole.
Wm. Swiney Barnard Turner recommended by Mr. Smith.
Michael Harley recommended by Mr. Hy. Thornton
Nathaniel Rhodes recommended by Mr. Bowden
Samuel Baker recommended by Mr. Buller
Robert Jackson recommended by Sir Richd. Neave &
Alfred John Kempe recommended by Mr. Coney, for employment were read, and having been examined and approved by the two Committees appointed the 26th. May last, to enquire into the Abilities of the Candidates, they were all by the Ballot elected Servants to the Bank during pleasure at the Wages of £50 per Annum each, except James Godin Junr. Thomas Bott and Robert Jackson aged 18 Years at £20 p. Ann: each Thomas Giles and Edward Close Wilkinson Aged 19 Years

at

£30 p Annum each, Thomas Jeyes, Thomas Thurston, William Thomas Lyttleton, Basil Brown Righton, Richard Thomas Corbould, William Swiney Barnard, Turner and Alfred John Kempe Aged 20 Years at £40 p Annum each, and were Sworn.—

Ordered,

That Messrs Winter & Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in the Court of Exchequer at the suit of Thos Weston.—

Bank to be defended in the Ex. of Exch. ag.st Thos Weston.—

The Governor acquainted the Court, that the Bank had received £25,538.2.3 for taking in the Loan and Lottery for the last Year; and that if the Court should approve thereof, the Committee of Treasury proposed to make the following distribution among the Officers of the House, that had been employed upon the said Service.— Viz.t

Report of the allow.ce for the Loan &c.a of last Year.—

The Cashier's Department	£7822.
The Accountants	5070.
The Poor's Fund	1053.
	£13,945

£13.945 to be distrib.d among the Clerks.—

Resolved,

That the Governor be desired to order the said distribution to be made.—

The Deputy Governor laid before the Court, the following Minute of the Committee for Law proceedings, relating to the prosecution of Robert Aslett. Viz.t

"9.th June 1803.

"Resolved,

"That it is the opinion of this Committee "that it would not be fit or proper for the Bank to "enter into any terms, or Compromise, whatever, with the

Minute of the Comm.ee for Law Suits respect.g M.r Aslett.—

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"the prisoner; and that the prosecution
"ought to proceed, and the Law to take its
"course: and that it be recommended to the
"Court to accede thereto."

Resolved.

Resolution acceded to.

That this Court do accede to the said Resolution.

Resolved,

2nd Report of the Com.ee for the Cashiers Office approved.

That this Court do approve the Second Report of the Committee for the Cashiers Office; and that it be referred back to the said Committee to carry the same into execution; with such Alterations and Improvements, as the Committee shall find necessary and proper.

&c.

Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday the 23d. June. 1803

PRESENT.

Joseph Nutt Esq. Governor
Benjamin Winthrop Esq. Dep. Gov.

Thomas Boddington, Esq.	Henry Smith, Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet Esq.	Stephen Thornton, Esq.
Roger Boehm, Esq.	Brook Watson Esq. Ald.
Bicknell Coney, Esq.	John Bowden, Esq.
Edward Darell, Esq.	Cornelius Buller, Esq.
Nath. Bogle French Esq.	George Dorrien, Esq.
Thomas Lewis, Esq.	William Manning Esq.
Beeston Long, Esq.	Jeremiah Olive, Esq.
Sir Richard Neave Bart.	John Pearse, Esq.
Charles Pole Esq.	Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq.
Thomas Raikes, Esq.	John Whitmore Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Cut Cash right.

Mr. Bowden, for Mr. Stephen Thornton, reported the Cut Cash to have been taken in, and found right.

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that Robert Harrison a Security in £500 for Jn. Penn and Samuel Richard a Security in £300 for Thomas Parker, are both deceased.

Ordered,

Jn. Penn & Tho. Parker def. in their Security

That the said John Penn, and Thomas Parker do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Robert Harrison and Samuel Richard.

Ordered

Fr. T. Thomas £10. Rob. Jenkins £40 John Smith £8 Sam. Parnell £7 - for B. Notes pd. lost.

That £10 be paid to Francis Tracey Thomas in full satisfaction for a Bank Note, the sinister part of which is lost, £40 to Robert Jenkins for two Bank Notes, £8 to John Smith, for three Bank Notes, - and £7 to Sam. Parnell, for two Bank Notes

the

Wm Kerr & Geo Jones £5 for 2 Notes part lost

the dexter parts of which are lost, £10 to William Kerr and £3 to George Jones for two Bank Notes, part of which have been destroyed, upon their delivering up the respective remaining parts thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting; the Comm.rs of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.—

Resolved,

That a Cashier be now chosen.—

Henry Hase appd a Cashier

Then Henry Hase, Assistant to Mr. Newland being put up by hands, was appointed a Cashier; and he is hereby empowered to sign Bills and Notes, for the Governor and Company of the Bank of England.—

Ordered

To be advertised

That an Advertisement of his said appointment be inserted in the London Gazette of Saturday and Tuesday next.—

Ordered

to give addl. Secur.y

That the said Henry Hase, do give additional Security in £1000 as usual, and that his Wages be advanced £20 p.r Annum.—

The following Letter from the Chancellor of the Exchequer being read.— Viz.t

"Downing Street,
June y.e 22d. 1803."—

"Gentlemen,

Let.r from the Chan.r of the Ex.r

"I have to request that you will have the good nefs to represent to your Court, that it would be a material convenience to the public Service at this time, if the Bank would consent to receive Exchequer Bills to the extent of One Million; which sum will be repaid out of the Deposit, and the first Instalment of the Loan, for the Service of the present Year."—

"I have the Honor to be, Gentlemen,
"Your most obedient humble Servant,
"Henry Addington"

Resolved.—

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Resolved,

That this Court do comply with the request made in the above Letter.—

Chan.r's Letter complied with.—

Resolved,

That the Governor, Deputy Governor, and a Deputation from this Court, do wait on the Chancellor of the Exchequer, — to entreat him to reconsider that part of his plan for levying a Tax on the Income of the Country, as proposes the Mode of levying it, to be by Deducting its amount from the Dividend Warrant, at the time of payment of the Dividends to the public; — which appears to be impracticable in the Execution: and which it is feared by this Court will generally be considered a direct Tax on the Funds, and be deemed a breach of the Parliamentary Engagement — contained in all the Loan Acts, Viz.t "That the "Annuities shall be free from all Taxes, charges and "Impositions whatsoever", which, they apprehend will so shake the public Confidence in their Security, as may be attended with the most fatal Consequences.—

Deputation to wait on the Chan.r of the Exch.r respect.g the Income Tax.—

Resolved,

That the Governor, Deputy Governor and the Committee of Treasury do compose the said Deputation?—

Deputation appointed.—

J.—

30 June 1803.

A Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 30th June 1803

PRESENT.

Joseph Nutt Esq. Governor

Benjamin Winthrop Esq. Dep. Gov.

Thomas Boddington Esq.	Henry Smith Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet Esq.	Stephen Thornton Esq.
Roger Boehm Esq.	Brook Watson Esq. & Ald.
Bicknell Coney Esq.	John Bowden Esq.
Edward Darell Esq.	Cornelius Buller Esq.
Nath. Bogle French Esq.	George Dorrien Esq.
Thomas Lewis Esq.	William Manning Esq.
Beeston Long Esq.	Jeremiah Olive Esq.
Sir Richard Neave Bart.	John Pearse Esq.
Charles Pole Esq.	Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq.
Thomas Raikes Esq.	and,
Edward Simeon Esq.	John Whitmore Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Quarterly Gen. Court appointed.

Ordered. That a Quarterly General Court, and also on Special Affairs, be held at the Bank on Thursday the 14th July next, at eleven in the forenoon, and that the usual Advertisements be given thereof.

Report from the Comm. for the House & Servants.

The Deputy Governor reported from the Committee for the House and Servants, that the Comm. had ordered payment of the Wages of the Servants, amounting to £18.464.15.10, and the Tradesmen's Bills amounting to £13,207.18.3. for the Quarter ending the 5th July next; That Mr. Newland's Account of petty charges was examined and allowed, and a Warrant was given him on the Cashiers for £2000. for which he is to account; that the Storekeeper's Account of Pens and other Articles used in this House, was examined and allowed; and that the Gate Porter was examined as to the behavior of the Watchmen, and had no Complaint.

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Quarterly Reports &c. read &c.

The Quarterly Reports of the Committee of Treasury and the three permanent Committees of Inspection were read and approved.—

Ordered,

Gratuities to the Officers.

That the following Gratuities, be given to the several persons holding the Offices hereafter mentioned, Viz.t

To Mr. Hase Asistant to the Chief Cashier	£10.
The Deputy Accountant	10.
The Asistant Do.	10.
The Deputy Secretary	35.
The Asistant Do.	10.
The Secretary to the Committee of Treasury	35.

Ordered,

Bank to be defended in Chancery ag.st Mr. Maskelyne &c. & Mr. Munnikhuizen &c. &c.

That Messrs. Winter and Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in Chancery at the respective suits of Neville Maskelyne, and Charles William Munnikhuizen and another, and also in the Court of Exchequer, at the suit of Richard Shepherd.—

The Secretary acquainted the Court that Richard Hughes, a Security in £500 for Richard Hughes is deceased,—

Ordered,

Richd. Hughes def.t in his Secty.

That the said Richard Hughes, do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Richard Hughes deceased.—

Ordered,

Edw.d Hider £40 for 2 Bank Notes part lost.—

That £40 be paid to Edward Hider, in full satisfaction, for two Bank Notes, the respective parts of which have been destroyed, upon his delivering up the remaining parts thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting

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the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the Voucher relating thereto.—

Ordered

£15 ea to the Clearers

That a Gratuity of Fifteen Pounds each, be given to Joshua Pearson, John Sparkes Cox and George Nicholas Valintine, the three Clearers for one Year ending at Midsummer last.—

Ordered,

Exch.r Porters, £7.10

That the Exchequer Porters be paid their usual allowance of £7.10 for the half year ending at Midsummer last.—

Report from the Gov.r relat.g to the Bill for a Tax on the Div.ds

The Governor informed the Court, that the Deputation appointed at the last Court, had waited on the Chancellor of the Exchequer, on Monday last, and laid before him the Resolution of last Week, and had had some Conversation with him on the Subject of it,— In consequence of which, he had promised that the Bank should be furnished with some printed Copies of the Bill, as soon as possible: and he desired the Deputation would wait upon him again on this day, after the Court should break up.— The Governor farther stated, that the printed Copies did not come down until Yesterday Afternoon, when he had immediately referred them to Mr. Newland, Mr. Walton & Mr. Walsh, for them to consider the practicability of the measure as therein stated.— That these Officers had considered the Bill as well as the length of it, and the Shortness of time would allow,— and had reported to him in writing, that in their Opinion, the Bill so far as relates to the Tax on the Dividends cannot be carried into execution by the Bank.—

The Report having been read and Considered,

Resolved

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Resolved, That the Governor with the same Deputation be desired to wait on the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and lay before him the purport of what has been reported by the Officers of the Bank. And farther to acquaint him, that in respect to that part of the Bill which imposes on the Governors and Directors, the charge of acting as Commissioners for carrying the same into execution, — they find it necessary, tho' with great reluctance, to represent that the ordinary business of the Bank requires so constant an attend.ce and occupies so much of their time, that it is quite out of their power to undertake this new and very heavy charge. —

Resolution respecting Exch.r Bills. —

Mr. Manning laid before the Court the following Resolutions of the Superintending Military Committee. — Viz.t

"Military Committee 30 June 1803.

"Resolved, "That in the Opinion of this Comm.ee "it would be highly inexpedient to extend the Offer "of Service of the Bank Regiment to the whole of "the London District, with a View of obtaining "Exemption for the Officers or Privates of the Corps "from being balloted, under the Bill now depend.g "in the House of Commons" to enable His Majesty "to raise and assemble an additional Military "Force in England." —

of the Military Comm.ee —

"Resolved, "That Mr. Manning be requested to "inform the Court of Directors, of the above resolution; "and to acquaint the Court, that the Committee was led to this decision from a conviction, that it was not "only for the better security of the Bank, but also "for the better Regulation of the Civil Service "of the House, that the Services of the Bank "Regiment, should not be extended beyond the original

Offer

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"Offer, and at the same time that it kept the "Corps within the controul of the Commanding "Officer, it did not prevent, on any emergency, "the Regiment leaving the Bank: but as — "as this restricted Service will not exempt "the Regiment, from the Ballot, the Commtee "submit to the consideration of the Court, — "whether it may not be expedient to invest "the Committee with the discretionary Power "of indemnifying such Clerks belonging to the "Regiment, as may be balloted, and who, from "their Attendance, the Committee may think "entitled to such Encouragement." —

Resolved

That this Court do agree with the said Committee in the above Resolutions. —

Court agree to the Resolns of the Milit.y Commtee

The Secretary laid before the Court the following Letter from the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the East India Company. Viz.t

Ltr from the E.I.Co.

"Sir,

"As it is probable the Exchequer Bills, which the "East India Company expected to receive on Friday "next, will not be issued on that day, the Committee of "Treasury request that the Governor & Directors of "the Bank, will have the goodness to advance the "East India Company tomorrow the sum of £300,000 "upon their Bonds being deposited for the same "until the Exchequer Bills shall be issued and "deposited in the Bank in lieu thereof, which they "undertake to redeem at the end of two Months, if "the period of Repayment shall not be prolonged "by the Bank, & also that a further advance may "be made to them upon Exchequer Bills of £200,000 "more, upon the like conditions, as soon as the Exigencies "of the Company may require the same. —

"East India House
30th June 1803. —

"We are, Sir,
"Your most obedient humble Servants
"Jacob Bosanquet, Chairman
"John Roberts Deputy Chairman

Robt Best Esq. —

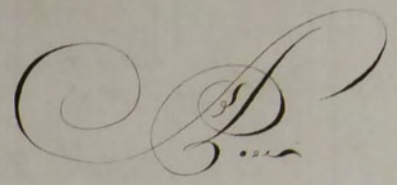
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Resolved,

Lre complied with.

That this Court do comply with the request made in the above Letter. —



7 July 1803.

A Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday the 7th July, 1803.

PRESENT.

Joseph Null Esq. Governor
Benjamin Winthrop Esq. Dep. Gov.

Thomas Boddington Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet Esq.
Bicknell Coney, Esq.
Edward Darell, Esq.
Nath.l Bogle French Esq.
Thomas Lewis, Esq.
Beeston Long, Esq.
Sir Richard Neave Bar.t
Charles Pole, Esq.
Thomas Raikes, Esq.
Edward Simeon Esq.
Henry Smith Esq
Stephen Thornton Esq.
Brook Watson Esq. Ald.
John Bowden, Esq.
Cornelius Buller Esq.
George Dorrien Esq.
William Manning Esq.
Jeremiah Olive Esq.
John Pearse Esq.
Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq.
John Whitmore Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Out Cash right

Mr. Coney reported the Out Cash to have been taken in and found right.

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that Joseph Royde, a Security in £500. for William Cuell, and Mary James, a Security in £500 for William James are both deceased; and that Robert Bignell desires leave to exchange the Security of Elizabeth Borrow in £500.

Ordered,

Mr. Cuell, Mr. James & Rt. Bignell def.t in their Sec.ty.

That the said William Cuell, William James, and Robert Bignell, do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Joseph Royde, Mary James and Elizabeth Borrow.

Ordered,

Bank to be def.t in the Ex.r of Exch.r ag.t Jos. Mathews.

That Messrs. Winter and Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, in the Court of Exchequer, at the suit of Joseph Mathews.

Ordered

Gen.l Grosvenor £20. H.G. Montagu £600 for B Notes parts lost.

Ordered

That £20 be paid to General Thomas Grosvenor in full satisfaction for a Bank Note, and £600 to Gerard Montagu for six Bank Notes, the dexter parts of which are lost, upon their delivering up the sinister parts thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in in waiting; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.

Bank's Ans.r to the Bill in Chan.r of Colin Mackenzie. –

The Answer of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, to the Bill of Complaint in Chancery of Colin Mackenzie, having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting, was read and Sealed with the Common Seal in Court.

Sealed. –

Gov.r Report's purchase &c.a of Exch.r Bills. –

The Governor reported, that Since the last Court, he had found it necessary to purchase Seventy Seven thousand, five hundred pounds of Exchequer Bills, on account of the depression in the Market, – and also that he had been induced by the great distress for money, during the last Week to advance to Mess.rs A & B. Goldsmid the Sum of Seventy Six thousand pounds for ten days on their Note; Exchequer Bills being deposited by them as a collateral Security for the same. –

Resolved,

..... approved

That this Court do approve the same.

Further Report from the Gov.r respect.g the Tax on Dividends. –

The Governor reported, that the same deputation which had waited on the Chancellor of the Exchequer last Week, had again attended him with the Minute of the last Court, and had had several conversations with him on the Subject of it; and he had the satisfaction now to acquaint the Court, that the Chancellor of the Exch.eq.r had abandoned his Scheme of collecting any part of the proposed Tax on Income upon the Payment of the Dividends, – or in any manner of checking or charging the Transfers with any impediment: but that he would adopt some other mode of levying the Tax thro' Commissioners to be appointed for that purpose. –

J. –

14 July 1803.

A Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 14th July, 1803.

PRESENT:

Joseph Null, Esq. Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop, Esq. Dep. Gov.

Thomas Boddington Esq.	Stephen Thornton Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet Esq.	Brook Watson Esq. & Alder.
Bicknell Coney, Esq.	John Bowden Esq.
Edward Darell, Esq.	Cornelius Buller Esq.
Nath. Bogle French Esq.	George Dorrien Esq.
Thomas Lewis, Esq.	William Manning Esq.
Beeston Long, Esq.	Jeremiah Olive Esq.
Sir Richard Neave Bart.	John Pearse Esq.
Charles Pole Esq.	Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq.
Edward Simeon Esq.	and
Henry Smith, Esq.	John Whitmore Esq.

The Proceedings of the last Court were read.

Court adjourned. — The Court adjourned till after the rising of the General Court.

held again. — The Court was held again pursuant to the said Adjournment.

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that John Yarnton a Security in £500 for Thomas King is deceased.

Ordered,

Thos. King def. in his Security. — That the said Thomas King do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said John Yarnton.

Ordered,

Bank to be defended in Chan.y ag.st R. A. Ribelle & Vers. & Geo. Vandyke & Vers. — That Messrs. Winter & Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the

the Bank of England in Chancery, at the respective suits of Rachel Alves Rebello and others, and Geoge Vandyke and others.—

Ordered

Jas. Woodmason £20 for a Bk Note dexter part lost.—

That £20 be paid to James Woodmason in full satisfaction for a Bank Note, the dexter part of which is lost, upon his delivering up the sinister part thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting;— the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the Voucher relating thereto.—

Ordered

Rd Sambourne, Thos Donovan, Jn. Hogben, Jn. Tilbury, Benj. Coles & Wm Hughes, appd Signers of Notes under £5 each.—

That Richard Sambourne, Thomas Donovan, John Hogben, John Tilbury, Benjamin Coles, and William Hughes, be appointed to sign Notes for the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, under £5 each.—

The following Letter from the Commees of Treasury of the East India Company being read, Viz.t

Ltr from the Comees of Treas.y of the East India Company.—

"Gentlemen,

"The Committee of Treasury "of the East India Company, request of the "Governor and Directors of the Bank, that the "payment of One Hundred thousand pounds "on account of the Loan of Seven hundred thousand "pounds, on Mortgage of £1,207,559.16.— "East India Annuities, may be postponed for "the further term of two months.—

"We have the honor to be, "Gentlemen, "Your most obedient "Humble Servants "Jacob Bosanquet "John Roberts."—

"East India House, "13th July, 1803.—

"The Governor & Directors, "of the Bank.—

14th July 1803.

Court agree thereto

Resolved, That this Court do agree to the proposal made in the above Letter.—

The following Letter from the Committee of Treasury of the East India Company was also read.— Viz.t—

Let. from Com.tee of Treas.y of the E. I. Company respect.g the purchase of Silver.—

"Gentlemen,

"The Committee of Treasury of the East India Company have been offered a Quantity of Dollars at the price of 5/2 1/2 p.r oz. "The Company's wants for the present Season having been fully supplied & the unexpected occurrence of the War & the consequent Depression of public Credit, having rendered it impossible for the Company to effect this purchase, or any future one which they may be inclined to make without deranging their Cash or throwing upon the Market an additional quantity of Exchequer Bills which the Company are desirous, in the present Moment to avoid;— they request the favor of being informed — whether the Bank would Consent to make a purchase of Silver for them not to exceed in amount the Sum of £100,000 upon the condition, that the Silver shall be redeemed by the East India Company about the Month of December next; The Company engaging, at that period to repay the Bank the Cost of the said Silver together with Interest untill the period of its redemption."—

"We are
"Gentlemen
"Your most obedient, humble
"Servants,
"Jacob Bosanquet
"John Roberts."—

"East India House,
"13th July 1803."—

Resolved, That this Court do comply therewith.—

The Court agree thereto

Lre of Credit S. Sea Comp.y. –

A Letter from the Committee of Treasury of the South Sea Company dated this 13th. Instant, addressed to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of England (being now read,) desiring that Mr. William Evans their Cashier, may be permitted to overdraw for any Sum or Sums not exceeding Fifty thousand pounds till the 13th. September next, and that all former Letters of Credit given by them on the said Company's Account may be cancelled; the same was agreed to and Ordered accordingly at the rate of 3 ℔ Cent. per Annum Interest. –

Com.ee for Law Suits to lay before the Ct a Copy of the proceed.s in the Case of the Fraud com.d by Rt. Aslett. –

Resolved,

That the Committee appointed to Superintend the Law Suits, be directed to lay before the Court, a Report of all the Proceedings, in the Case of the fraud committed by Robert Aslett. –

L.o D.e –

21 July 1803.

A Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 21st July 1803.

Present

Joseph Nutt Esq: Governor.
Benjamin Winthrop, Esq: Dep: Gov:

Samuel Bosanquet Esq:	Stephen Thornton Esq:
Bicknell Coney, Esq:	John Bowden, Esq:
Edward Darell, Esq:	Cornelius Buller Esq:
Thomas Lewis, Esq:	George Dorrien Esq:
Beeston Long, Esq:	William Manning Esq:
Sir Richard Neave, Bart:	John Pearse Esq:
Charles Pole, Esq:	and
Henry Smith, Esq:	John Whitmore Esq:

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Thanks of the Ct. to the Gov: Dep: Gov: & Deputn. to the Chan: of the Exch: rel: to Tax on Income upon paym: of Divid:

Resolved,

That the Thanks of this Court be returned to the Governor, Deputy Governor, and the Deputation, who waited upon the Chancellor of the Exchequer, relative to the Bill for imposing a Tax on personal Property, for their able and strenuous exertions, which appear to have induced the Chancellor of the Exchequer, to withdraw that part of the Bill, proposing a Tax on Income, upon the payment of Dividends at the Bank.

Cut Cash right.

Mr. Buller for Mr. Simeon, reported the Cut Cash to have been taken in and found right.

Banks Ans: to Bills in Chan: of C. W. Munnikhuizen & Ano: V R. A Rebello & Ano: Sealed.

The several Answers of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, to the respective Bills of Complaint in Chancery of Charles W. Munnikhuizen and another, and Rachel Alves Rebello and another having been examined by

two

two of the Committee in waiting, were read and
Sealed with the Common Seal in Court. –

Ordered,

That £120 be paid to Thos Barber
in full satisfaction for seven Bank Post Bills
lost above twelve Months ago, upon his giving
Security to indemnify the Bank against the same
to be approved by the Committee in waiting; the
Committee of Treasury having examined and
approved the Vouchers relating thereto. –

Thos Barber £120 for 7 B.P. Bills lost.

The following Letter from the
Chancellor of the Exchequer being read; – Viz.t

"Downing Street.
"July 21st 20th 1803. –

"Gentlemen,

"Under the present circumstances,
"it would be a material accommodation to
"the public Service, if the Bank would consent
"to a postponement of the payment + + + + + + +
"of the Sum of £1.500.000 remaining due on the
"advance made in 1798. – I have therefore to
"request that you will propose to the Court, to
"receive Exchequer Bills on the Aids of 1804, to
"the Extent of that Sum, in Exchange for those
"now held by the Bank on the Aids of the
present Year. –

Rec.d from Chan.r of the Exch.r –

"I have the Honor to be, Gentlemen
"Your faithful
"and obedient Servant.
"Henry Addington"

"To the Governor &
"Deputy Governor
"of the Bank. –

Resolved,

That this Court do Comply with the
request

Complied with

request contained in the said Letter, — And that the Governor and Deputy Governor be desired when they wait on the Chancellor of the Exchequer to announce the assent of this Court, farther to express to him the desire of this Court that he will name the period, at which he proposes the Sum so to be postponed, should be repaid. —

100 Guineas to be given to each of the Military Com.ttees of Cornhill, Coleman Street & Broad Street Wards —

Resolved,

That One Hundred Guineas be given to each of the Military Committees, of the several Wards, of Cornhill, Coleman Street and Broad Street, towards defraying the necessary Charges attending the Military Associations of the said Wards. —

Personal attend.ce of Directors required at the shortest notice —

Resolved,

That as long as the Threat of any Invasion continues; it is highly expedient that the personal attendance of every Director may be secured at the shortest Notice. —

Directors to avoid engaging in Situations to prevent their attend.ce at the Bank

Resolved,

That it is the Opinion of this Court, that it is necessary that the Directors, should avoid engaging in any Situations that may put it out of their power to give their attendance on the Business of the Bank when called upon. —

Directors required to leave their address with the Secretary when they quit London —

Resolved,

That the Secretary be instructed to communicate the above Resolutions, to those Directors who are absent, and that every Director shall be required when he quits London, to leave his address with the Secretary. —

Resolved. —

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Supplem.y Corps to be raised in this House referred to the Milit.y Committee.-

Resolved,

That it appears to be adviseable in the present state of public Affairs, that an additional Supplementary Force, should be established in this House; and that it be referred to the Military Committee to consider in what way it can be effected; -- and if the Committee think fit, that it be empowered to receive tenders of Service from the Directors and Clerks. -

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A Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday the 28th. July, 1803.

Present.

Benjamin Winthrop Esq. Dep. Gov.

Thomas Boddington Esq.	Henry Smith Esq.
Bicknell Coney Esq.	Stephen Thornton Esq.
Edward Darell Esq.	John Bowden, Esq.
Thomas Lewis Esq.	William Manning Esq.
Beeston Long Esq.	Jeremiah Clive, Esq.
Sir Richard Neave, Bart.	Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq.
Thomas Raikes Esq.	John Whitmore Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that John Anthony Chabaud, a Security in £500 for Theophilus Browne, and Bryan Troughton, a Security in £500 for William Dawes, are both deceased.

Ordered,

That the said Theophilus Browne, and William Dawes, do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said John Anthony Chabaud and Bryan Troughton.

Theo. Browne & Wm. Dawes def. in their Sec.

Ordered,

That Messrs. Winter & Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in Chancery, at the respective Suits of George Isaac Cohen, John Lousley and his Wife, and John Ross and others; and also in the Court of Exchequer, at the respective Suits of Ann Chaplain and Richard Hayes and others.

Bank to be defended in Chan. ag.st G. I. Cohen &c. & Lousley & his Wife & Jno. Ross &c. & in the Ex.r Ct. ag.st Ann Chaplain & R.d Hayes &c.

Ordered

That £30 be paid to John Grey, in full satisfaction for a Bank post Bill, which is alledged

Jno. Grey £30. for B.P. Bill lost.

alledged to have been lost, upon his giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in Waiting; the Comm.rs of Treasury having examined and approved the Voucher relating thereto.

Ordered,

That Thomas Rippon, be appointed Second Asistant to the Chief Cashier, in all matters and things that may be thought necessary. –

Tho.s Rippon app.d 2.d asist.t to the Chief Cashier. –

Resolved,

That a Cashier be now chosen. –

Then the said Thomas Rippon, being put up by hands was appointed a Cashier, and he is hereby empowered to Sign Bills and Notes, for the Governor and Company of the Bank of England. –

..... a Cashier

Ordered,

That an Advertisement of his said appointment, be inserted in the London Gazette, of Saturday and Tuesday next. –

..... to be advertised

Ordered

That the said Thomas Rippon do give additional Security in £1000, as usual, – and that his Wages be advanced £20 p.r Ann.m –

..... to give additional Sc.ty & Sal.y d.o £20 p.r An.m

Resolved,

That two House porters, be now chosen: –

Then the petitions of Thomas Shade and John Carter, two of the Watchmen, were read, and being recommended by the Governor the – said Thomas Shade and John Carter, were by the Ballot elected House Porters to the Bank during pleasure, at the Wages of £30 p.r Annum each and were Sworn. –

Tho.s Shade & John Carter app.d House porters. –

Resolved. –

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Jn.o Hay appd. a Watchman.—

Resolved

That a Watchman be now chosen.

Then the Petition of James Hay, the Senior Supernumerary Watchman was read, and he being recommended by the Governor, — was by the Court, elected a Watchman to the Bank during pleasure, at the Wages of £25 per Annum.—

£5000 to be given for the Subs.n at Lloyd's Coff.e House

Resolved

That the Governor be empowered to Subscribe Five thousand Pounds, to the Subscription raising at Lloyds Coffee House, for the relief of those who may be engaged in Defence of the Country, and who may Suffer in the Common Cause; — and those who may Signalize themselves during the present most important Contest.—

Mr. Long to be added to the Com.e of Treas.y

Resolved

That Mr. Long be added to the Committee of Treasury.—

Dep.y Gov.r States Mr. Stirling's Debt.—

The Deputy Governor stated to the Court, the present State of Mr. Stirlings Debt.—

The following Report from the Superintending Military Committee was read, — Viz.t

Report from the Military Com.ee

"The Committee, to whom it was referred "by the Court of Directors on Thursday last, "to consider the best Mode by which the "Court might avail itself of the Services of "Such Directors and Clerks, as do not belong "to the present Regiment, — beg leave to "report that they have procured returns

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"of all persons in the Service of the Bank, not "attached to the Regiment, and they find the "Number to be as follows. - Viz.ª No.

"From the Age of 17 to 30	26
30 to 50	92
50 to 55	30
55 & Upwards	61
Incapable	5
Total	214 Clerks

"From this Number, great deduction must be "made for disqualification of various — "descriptions, but the Committee think it "right to State to the Court, that in addition "to the before mentioned Number, there are "persons, such as Door Keepers, Porters and "Watchmen, to the extent of 45, many of "whom may be employed as a Separate "Company. -

"The Committee are of Opinion that "three or four Supplementary Companies "may be formed, and for the sake of — "preserving Harmony in the Regiment "under the Command of Captains; to learn "to prime, Load and fire, and such other "Exercise as is necessary for relieving Guard "&c.ª &c.ª - but on no account to be Marched "out of the Bank for any purpose of Drilling "or exercising, except for Ball Firing. -

"The Committee think it extremely material "to State, that as nothing should be allowed "to interfere with the Encouragement and "good Discipline of the present Corps, it "is Submitted, that it would not be proper "to give the same Indemnities to the Men so "raised, respecting the Militia &c.ª which "are at present (according to the discretion of "the Military Committee,) allowed to the "Bank Regiment. -

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"The Committee beg leave also to Report, —
"that they have transmitted a Copy of the
"Resolution of the Court to such Directors
"who were absent from the last Court, as
"well as to the Ex-Directors; and that they
"have received Offers of Service from the
"Seven following Gentlemen, — Viz.t —
"Mr. Long, Mr. Pearse, Mr. Lewis, Mr.
"Champion, Mr. French, Mr. Pole and
"Mr. Smith. —

"Wm. Manning.
"John Puget. —
"Jer Olive. —
"Stephen Thornton.
"John Bowden
"Thomas Langley.
"John Whitmore
"George Dorrien".

"Bank of England,
"27th July 1803."

A Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 4th. August. 1803.

Present.—

Joseph Nutt Esq: Governor.—

Benjamin Winthrop Esq: Dep: Govr:

Thomas Boddington Esq:	Henry Smith Esq:
Bicknell Coney Esq: —	Samuel Thornton Esq:
Edward Darell, Esq: —	Stephen Thornton Esq:
Nathaniel Bogle French Esq:	Brook Watson Esq: & Ald:
Thomas Lewis, Esq: —	John Bowden Esq:
Beeston Long, Esq: —	Cornelius Buller Esq:
Sir Richard Neave Bart:	George Dorrien Esq:
Charles Pole, Esq: —	Jeremiah Olive Esq:
Thomas Raikes, Esq: —	John Pearse Esq:
Edward Simeon, Esq: —	John Whitmore Esq:

The proceedings of the last Court were read.—

Out Cash right.— Mr. Dorrien reported the Out Cash to have been taken in and found right.—

The Secretary acquainted the Court that Bryan Troughton a Security in £1000 for Richd. Andrews is deceased.—

Ordered,

Richd. Andrews &c. in his Security.— That the said Richard Andrews do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Bryan Troughton.—

Commrs. Notice.— The usual Notice from the Commissrs. appointed by Act of Parliament for applying certain Sums of Money annually to the reduction of the National Debt, appointing Mr. Abraham Newland, their Agent; to draw for such Sums

as

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as shall be wanted between the 1st. instant and the 1st. November next, not exceeding Thirty seven thousand Pounds, each transfer Day, (Saturdays and Mondays excepted) was read in Court.–

Ordered,

That the Transfer Books for Bank Stock be shut from Thursday the 1st. September next, till Thursday the 20th. October following; and that the same be published in the London Gazette of Saturday the 6th. instant.–

Transfer Books for Bank Stock closed.–

That a General Court to consider of a Dividend be held at the Bank on Thursday the 15th. September next, at eleven in the forenoon and that the usual advertisements be given thereof.–

Gen.l Court for a Div.d appt.

Ordered,

That £200 be paid to Letitia Dowager Baroness Clonbrock, in full satisfaction for Eleven Bank Post Bills, lost by the Post.– £20 to William Styan for a Bank Post Bill, and £50 to John Legge for a Bank Note, lost above twelve Months ago, and £10 to Henry Siddons for a Bank Note, the Sinister part of which is lost, upon their giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in Waiting, and the dexter part of the last mentioned Note being delivered up, the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.–

Letitia Dowager Baroness Clonbrock £200 Wm. Styan £20 for B.k P.t Bills lost. Jn.o Legge £50. Henry Siddons £10 for B.k Notes p.ts lost.–

Ordered,

That Messrs. Winter & Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company

Bank to be defend.d in the Ct. of Exch.r ag.st E. Montefiore.–

Company of the Bank of England, in the Court of Exchequer, at the suit of Esther Montefiore.

Bank's Ans. to Bill of Compt in Chancery agt G.I. Cohen.

The Answer of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, to the Bill of Complaint in Chancery of George Isaac Cohen, having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting, was read and Sealed with the Common Seal in Court. –

Sealed. –

Upon reading the following Letter from Messrs Edward Shewell and others, Viz.t

"To The Hon.ble the Governor, Deputy "Governor and Directors of the Bank of Engl.d

"Gentlemen,

Ltr from Edwards Shewell & Co.s –

"We the Undersigned on Behalf "of ourselves and our Employers, request the "favour of this Hon.ble Court to advance the "next and future payments upon the Loan "for the Service of the present Year, Subject "to the usual Terms and Conditions – Which "will very much oblige,

"Gentlemen

"Your Most obedient Servants,

"London 2.nd Aug.st 1803.

"Barwis & Ellis, –	"Edward Shewell
"Tho.s Roberts & Sutton,	"Anyon & Dawes
"I. Pilliner, –	"Mark Sprot
"Cha.s Hippuff, –	"Benj.n & Abr.m Goldsmid,
"Bruckshaw & Capel.	"Antrobus, Wood & Co.
"Templeman, Cole & Ede.	"Battyes & Shearer
"Towgood & Watts –	"W & H. Trower
"John Morgan, –	"Henry Vigne
"Ja.s Nich.s Maillard."	"Alm. Ricardo
	"Nathan Salomons,

Resolved,

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Bank to advance the next 4 Pay.ts on the Loan of £12.000.000 at 3 p.C. p Ann.m Int.

Resolved

That the Bank do advance the next four payments on the Loan of Twelve Millions for the Service of the present Year, on Condition that they be redeemed on or before the 9.th December next, at £3 per Cent. per Annum Interest, to such persons as shall desire the same, upon their depositing the receipts, and entering into the usual engagements for the repayment of the principal which shall be so advanced, and also the Interest which shall accrue thereon.-

The following Report from the Superintend Military Committee was read, Viz.t

"The Military Committee, Report to the "Court of Directors.-

Report of the Milty Comm.ee.-

"That they have received Offers of Servia "from 120 of the Clerks of the Bank, for the "Supplementary Corps, and which will not "allow the whole of the Directors who have "offered their Services, Rank equal to the "other Directors already Commissioned.- "The Committee therefore are willing to attach "these Clerks equally among the present eight "Companies, but upon the Conditions recomm.d "to the last Court, and on which they have "offered their Services:- unless any of the "Directors who have come forward on the "present occasion, can with Captains Comm.ns "divide them into two or more Companies.-

"The Committee also Report, that the "offer of Service of the Door Keepers, Porters "and others may also be accepted, to be employed "as Pike Men.-

"John Whitmore — "Jer. Clive
"Wm. Manning — "Corn.s Buller
"George Dorrien — "John Bowden
"E. Simeon — "Stephen Thornton.-

11 August 1803

A Court of Directors at the Bank,
on Thursday the 11 August 1803.

Present,

Joseph Nutt Esq: Governor.
Benjamin Winthrop Esq: Dep: Gov:

Thomas Boddington Esq:
Bicknell Coney Esq:
Thomas Lewis Esq:
Beeston Long Esq:
Sir Richard Neave Bart.
Charles Pole Esq:
Thomas Raikes Esq:
Edward Simeon Esq:
Stephen Thornton Esq:
John Bowden Esq:
Cornelius Buller Esq:
George Dorrien Esq:
William Manning Esq:
John Pearse Esq:
and
John Whitmore Esq:

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Ordered,

Bank to be defended in Chan: ag: Rt. Messenger & Jnº Birtles & Jors and J Dallaway. – and in the Cº of Exch: ag: J Morgan & Jors. –

That Messrs. Winter & Kaye do appear for, and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in Chancery at the respective suits of Richard Messenger, John Birtles and others, and John Dallaway, and also in the Court of Exchequer, at the suit of John Morgan and others. –

Ordered,

John Chapman £6 for 2 Bk Notes sinr. p.d lost. –

That £6 be paid to John Chapman in full satisfaction for two Bank Notes, the dexter parts of which are lost, upon their delivering up the sinister parts thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting, the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the Voucher relating thereto. –

Ordered,

Frs Rolls £16..10 for a Divid: Warr. lost. –

That the Accountant do make out a Dividend Warrant, 25th Divid. No. 26328 for £16..10 being ½ a Years Interest on £1100 3 p Cent Reduced Annuities due the 10th October 1793, in the Name of Francis Rolls, in lieu of

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one which is alledged to have been lost above twelve Months ago, and deliver the same to the said Francis Rolls upon his giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in Waiting: the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the Voucher relating thereto.-

Bank's Ans.r to the Bill in Chan.y of J. Rofs. & Wife. - Sealed.-

The Answer of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England to the Bill of Compl.t in Chancery of John Rofs. - and his Wife, having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting was read and Sealed, with the Common Seal in Court.-

Exch.r Bill Cont.t for £3,500,000.

An Agreement between the Right Honble the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, for and on behalf of His Majesty of the one part, and the Governor and Company of the Bank of England of the other part, dated the 5th. Instant, for exchang.g and circulating Exchequer Bills not exceed.g Three Millions, five hundred thousand pounds made or to be made forth, pursuant to several Acts of Parliament for that purpose now in force for one Year to end the 5th. August 1804, having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting was read and Sealed with the Common Seal in Court.-

Sealed.

Ordered

---to be advertised

That the usual Advertisements be given thereof.-

Owen Marden's proposition.-

A proposition having been made from Owen Marden of Southwark Tea Dealer, for the payment of Ten Shillings in the Pound, on the Bills discounted by him at the Bank.-

Resolved,

not Complied with

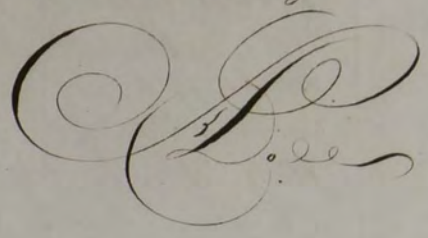
That the same be not complied with.-

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Opinion of the Ct respecting al — Supplementary Corps. —

The Court is of Opinion, that. — Supplementary Companies should be formed under the Command of Captains, to learn to Prime, Load, and Fire, and such other exercise as may be necessary; but on no account to be marched out of the Bank for any purpose of Drilling or exercising, except for Ball firing. — —



18 Aug: 1803

A Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 18th August, 1803.—

Present.—

Joseph Nutt Esq: Governor,

Benjamin Winthrop Esq: Dep: Gov:

Thomas Boddington Esq:	Samuel Thornton Esq
Bicknell Coney, Esq:	Stephen Thornton Esq:
Edward Darell, Esq:	Brook Watson Esq: Ald:
Nath: Bogle French Esq:	John Bowden, Esq:
Thomas Lewis, Esq:	Cornelius Buller Esq:
Beeston Long, Esq:	George Dorrien Esq:
Sir Richard Neave, Bar:	William Manning Esq:
Charles Pole, Esq:	Jeremiah Olive, Esq:
Thomas Raikes Esq:	John Pearse, Esq:
Edward Simeon, Esq:	and
Henry Smith, Esq:	John Whitmore, Esq:

The Proceedings of the last Court were Read.—

Out Cash right.— Mr. Lewis reported the Out Cash to have been taken in and found right.—

Ordered,

5 Guineas to the Door Keepers of the House of Com:s. That Five Guineas be given to the Door Keepers of the House of Commons as usual.—

Ordered,

20 Guin:s to Mr. Dorrington. That a Gratuity of Twenty Guineas be given to Mr. Dorrington, Clerk of the Fees, of the House of Commons, for his trouble in inspecting the Acts of Parliament, as they are passed, and selecting such as in any manner respect the concerns of the Bank.—

Fra:s Walsh Exec:r in his Security.— The Secretary acquainted the Court that John Freeman, a Security in £500 for Francis Walsh is deceased.—

Ordered.

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Ordered,

That the said Francis Walsh do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said John Freeman.—

Ordered,

Jno. Jerrington £10, Rd. Corballis £30, Eliz.h Bryant £10, & Tho.s Satterly £1 for Bk post Bills &c.a lost &c.a—

That £10 be paid to John Jerrington in full satisfaction for a Bank post Bill lost by the post. £30 to Richard Corballis, for three Bank Notes, and £10 to Elizabeth Bryant for a Bank Note, the sinister parts of which are lost, upon their giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting, and the dexter parts of the said Notes being delivered up; and also £1 to Thomas Satterly for a Bank Note which is alledged to have been washed to pieces, and the Date and Number thereof cannot be ascertained; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.—

Ordered,

Advance of Wages to Tho.s Rippon &c.a

That the Wages of Thomas Rippon, Willm Smart and Alexander Simpson, be advanced £20 per Annum each, to commence from the 28th July last.—

The Governor laid before the Court, the following Letter he had written since the last Court, to the Right Honble Lord Hobart his Majesty's principal Secretary of State, Viz.t

Ltr from Ld Hobart.

"My Lord,

"I am requested by the Court of "Directors of the Bank of England to transmit "to You the enclosed Resolution for permission to "to form a Supplementary Corps of the Directors and "other Persons in their Service, and to propose that the "following Directors may have Commissions for that purpose.

"Beeston Long Esq. Captain Commandant.
"John Pearse Esq. Captain.
"Thomas Lewis Esq. Captain. Alexander

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"Alexander Champion Esq. Adjutant,
"Nathl Bogle French Esq. Captain,
"Charles Pole Esq. ——— Captain.

"I have the honor to be,
"My Lord
"Your Lordships most obedient humble Servant,

"Bank of England
"11th Augt 1803. "Joseph Nutt. — Govr

to which he had received the following Answer Viz.

"Downing Street. 12 Augt 1803. —

Ltr from Ld Hobart

"Sir,

"I have had the honour of laying before The King the Minute of "of the Court of Directors of the Bank of "England, proposing to raise a Supplementy "Corps of Volunteer Infantry of Four "Companies, to be composed of Persons "in their Service, & I am Commanded to "signify to You His Majesty's Gracious "Approbation and Acceptance of this Offer.

"I have the honor to be
"Sir,
"Your most obedient
"Humble Servant

"To The Governor of the Bank of England. — "Hobart. —

"The following Report from the Committee of of Inspect.n from the Printing Office &c.a was read. — and approved, Viz.t —

Report from the Com.ee for the Print.g Offa &c.a — read & appd. —

"That in consequence of the great increase of the "circulation of Bank Notes, it has been represented to "The Comm.ee that a considerable Quantity of Paper will "be required more than what has been lately — "manufactured by Messrs.s Portal & Bridges. —

That Mr. Hase has been with Messrs.s Portal & Co. "at Freefolk, and stated to them that 10,000 Reams "of Paper for Bank Notes, would be required for the "Service of the Year instead of 7400 already ordered; "when Messrs.s Portal & Co. informed him, that by working "two Vatts all the Year, the Quantity required would be "obtained. — That 1100 Reams of plain, and 400 Reams

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"of One Pound Paper, would be sent up the first
"Week in August, and a much larger Supply in all
"the Month of October; and that he might rely on
"an adequate Supply being kept up. - That in
"order to regulate their mode of Supply, Mr. Hase
"had given them an account of the Monthly ——
"Consumption of the three kinds of Paper. -

"The Committee further Report, that it having
"been represented, that some Clerks have been
"employed as occasional Out Tellers, who have
"been only a few Months in the Service; - The
"Committee recommend to the Court, that in
"future no Clerk be employed as an occasional
"Out Teller, until he has been two Years in the
"Service, and is 21 Years of Age or upwards, -
"except those who have already been employed. -

"That whenever there shall be a Vacancy
"for an Out Teller, the preference shall be
"given to the occasional Out Tellers. -

"And it appearing by the Minute of the
"Court of Directors of the 4th. September 1800, that
"no Clerk should be appointed an Out Teller or
"an In Teller, till he had been five Years in the
"Service, and it having been stated by Mr.
"Newland on the 7th. Sept.r 1802, that there
"were not Clerks of five Years Standing who
"were willing to fill up the Vacancies of Out
"Tellers. -

"The Committee further recommend
"to the Court, that the Occasional Out Tellers,
"be allowed an additional 1/- ℔ Day, for the
"Days they are employed; and when a Clerk
"is appointed an Out Teller who shall not
"have been five Years in the Service, his Wages
"be advanced £20 ℔ Annum, and when he
"shall have attained 5 Years, his Wages be
"further advanced £10 ℔ Annum. -

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"B: Long
"Bicknell Caney
"H. Smith
"Wm. Manning
"John Bowden." -

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No Clerk to be an occasional Out Teller till he has been 2 Years in the Service &c.

Ordered.

That no Clerk be in future employed as an occasional Out Teller, untill he shall have been two Years in the Service, and is 21 Years of Age and upwards, except those who have already been in that employ, and that they have an extra allowance of 1/- per Day, for the Days they shall be employed.-

Out Tellers £20 pan. on their appointt &c.

Ordered,

That when a Clerk is appointed an Out Teller, who has not been five Years in the Service, his Wages be advanced £20 per Annm and when he shall have attained the five Years, that his Wages be further advanced £10 pr Annum.-

Report of the purchase of £63000 of Exchr Bills.-

The Governor reported that he had purchased Sixty three thousand Pounds of Exchequer Bills at 3/- Discount.-

B & A Goldsmid - £160.000 for 14 Days

Resolved

That Messrs B & A. Goldsmid be accommodated with the Loan of One hundred and sixty thousand Pounds, for 14 Days, upon their Note, and depositing Exchequer Bills to that amount.-

Mr Raikes & Ors requested to find Comrs under the Act relating to Income.-

Resolved,

That Mr Raikes, Mr Long and Mr Smith be requested to endeavor to find two Gentlemen who will accept the Office of Commissioners, and two to supply their places, under the Act for granting to His Majesty until the 6th Day of May after the ratification of a definitive Treaty of Peace, a contribution on the profits arising from property, professions and Offices.-

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A Court of Directors at the Bank,
on Thursday the 25th Aug.t 1803.

Present

Joseph Nutt Esq: Governor,
Benjamin Winthrop Esq: Dep: Gov.r

Thomas Boddington Esq:	Samuel Thornton Esq.
Nath.l Bogle French Esq.	Stephen Thornton Esq.
Thomas Lewis. Esq.	Brook Watson Esq. Ald.r
Beeston Long. Esq.	John Bowden Esq:
Sir Richard Neave Bar.t	George Dorrien Esq.
Charles Pole Esq.	Jeremiah Olive Esq:
Thomas Raikes Esq:	John Pearse. Esq:
Henry Smith, Esq:	John Whitmore Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Report of £250 Cons.ds car: to a wrong Acct & Sold.

The Governor acquainted the Court that on the 28 May 1800, the sum of £250 £3 per Cent. Cons: Annuities had been purchased in the Name of Ann Richards of Bromham Bedfordshire Widow, that by mistake one of the Clerks put down on the Ticket, the Folio of the Account of Ann Richards of Stafford, Spinster, to which the Stock was in consequence transferred. That on the 1 September 1801, Messrs.s Stephenson & Co.e by Virtue of a Power of Attorney from the latter Ann Richards transferred the said £250 £3 per Cents. together with £134.18.9 which had been before standing in her name, and also received the Dividends due thereon.
That the said Ann Richards of Stafford, Died in February 1802, and the whole of her effects, had been distributed according to her Will, among her Relations, who are said to be persons in low circumstances.
That the said Ann Richards of Bromham, is also deceased, and her Executors, now claim the said £250, which ought to have been originally transferred to her Account and which appears by the Transfer Ticket and the Receipt, to have been actually purchased and paid for.

Ordered.—

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Comtee of Treasy to make good the Stock & Divids

Ordered, That the Committee of Treasury be empowered to make good the said £250, £3 p 6 Cons: Annts and the Dividends due thereon, to the Executors of the said Ann Richards, late of Bromham deceased.--

M. Masken £10 & A. A. Steers £14 for Bank Notes lost &c.

Ordered That £10 be paid to Miles Masken, in full Satisfaction for two Bank Notes, lost above twelve Months ago, and £14 to Anna Amelia Steers for three Bank Notes, the sinister parts of which are lost, upon their giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting, and the dexter parts of the three last mentioned Notes being delivered up, the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.-

Bank's Ans.rs to the Bills in Chan.y of Van Dyke & Ors. & Abbott & Ors.-

The several Answers of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England to the respective Bills of complaint in Chancery, of George Vandyke and others, and George Abbott and others, having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting, were read and Sealed with the Common Seal in Court.-

Report resp.g Comm.rs under the Income Act.-

The Deputy Governor having reported that Mr. Raikes, Mr. Long and Mr. Smith, who were requested the last Court to find two Gentlemen to accept the Office of Commissioners and two to Supply their places under the Act for granting to His Majesty until the 6th Day of May after the Ratification of the Definitive Treaty of Peace a Contribution on the profits arising from Property professions and Offices, - had recommended Stephen Cattley Esq.r and Thomas Plummer Esq.r to be chosen

Commissioners

Commissioners and John Jeffery Esq. and John Plummer Esq. to be chosen to supply their Vacancies.

S. Cattley Esq. & Thos. Chosen Commissrs.

The said Stephen Cattley Esq. and Thomas Plummer Esq. were by the Court chosen Commissrs. and the said John Jeffery Esq. & John Plummer Esq. to supply their Vacancies under the said Act.

Resolved.

Secy. to acqt. them &c.

That the Secretary do write Letters to the above Gentlemen, and also to the Commissrs. of Taxes acquainting them of the said Appointments.

The Deputy Governor laid before the Court the following Letter from the Chancellor of the Exchequer. - Viz.t

"Downing Street Augst. 25th. 1803.

Ltr. from the Chancr. of the Exchr. -

"Gentlemen, "I think it proper to "acquaint you, that the Exchequer Bills, which "your Court have agreed to accept in lieu of "the Repayment of the Sum of £1,500,000. "being the residue of the Sum advanced "by the Bank for the public Service in the Year "1798, will be discharged on or before 5th. of "July in the ensuing Year". -

"I have the honor to be
"Gentlemen
"Your most obedient
"and faithful Servant
"Henry Addington".

The Deputy Governor laid before the Court the following Letter from William Manning Esq. - Viz.t

"Cheltenham Augt. 22d. 1803.

Ltr. from Mr. Manning resp.g Mr. Harman's offer of Service &c.

"Dear Sirs,

Mr. Harman having in the "present Circumstances of the Country considered "it necessary to offer his Services to join our Regim.t

&

25 Aug. 1803.

"& Captain Langley having very obligingly
"offered to make room for him by giving up his
"Company, I shall esteem it a particular
"favor if you will obtain the approbation of
"the Court of Directors on Thursday next
"for a Letter to be written in Your Name
"to Lord Hobart requesting a Commission
"for Captain Langley as Adjutant, & a
"Captains Commission for Mr. Harman.
"I am with great respect.
"Dear Sir
"Your faithful Obed.t Serv.t
"Joseph Nutt Esq.r "Wm Manning"

Commissions for Capt.n Langley & Mr. Harman to be written for.-

Resolved, That the Governor be desired to write to the Secretary of State for the War Department, to request a Commission for Captain Langley as Adjutant, and a Captain's Commission for Mr. Harman in the Bank Volunteer Corps.-

The Governor laid before the Court the following Letter from the Speaker of the House of Commons, and also the Thanks and Order of the said House to the several Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps of the United Kingdom, Viz.t

"House of Commons
"10th August. 1803."-

Ltr from the Speaker of the House of Com.s &c.a laid before the Court.-

"Gentlemen,

"By Command of the House of
"Commons, I have the honor of transmitting
"to You their unanimous Vote of Thanks to the
"several Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps
"of the United Kingdom, for the promptitude
"and Zeal with which, at a Crisis the most
"momentous to their Country they have
"associated for its Defence;- accompanied
"with an Order, That a return be
"prepared, to be laid before the House in the
"next Session of Parliament of all Volunteer and

Yeomanry

"Yeomanry Corps, whose Services shall have been "then Accepted by His Majesty, describing each "Corps; in order that such return may be entered "on the Journals of the House, and the Patriotic "example of such Voluntary Exertions transmitted "to Posterity. —

"In communicating this Resolution "and Order, I have the greatest Satisfaction at the "same time, in bearing Testimony to the Confidence "with which the House, is impressed, that the "same Spirit and exemplary Zeal will be "exerted throughout the present Contest, until, "with the Blessing of Providence, it shall "be brought to a glorious Issue. —

"I have the Honor to be,
"Gentlemen,
"Your most obedient
"humble Servant,
"Chas. Abbot.
"Speaker."

"To
"The Directors of
"The Bank of England."

"Mercurij, 10mo. die Augusti, 1803. —

"Resolved, Nemine Contradicente,

"That the Thanks of this House be given "to the several Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps "of the United Kingdom, for the promptitude "and Zeal with which, at a Crisis the most "momentous to their Country, they have "associated for its Defence." —

"Ordered, Nemine Contradicente,

"That a return be prepared, to be laid "before this House in the next Session of Parliament, "of all Volunteer and Yeomanry Corps whose "Services shall have been then accepted by His "Majesty; describing each Corps; in order that such return may be entered on the Journal of

this

this House, and the Patriotic Example of such Voluntary Exertions transmitted to Posterity."-

"Ordered,

"That Mr. Speaker do signify the said Resolution, and Order, by Letter, to His Majesty's Lieutenant of each County, Riding, and place, in Great Britain; and to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland."-

"J. Ley
Cl. D. Dom. Com."

Resolved,

Mr. Speaker's Letter &c. to be read to each Regt.

That the above Letter together with the Thanks and Order of the House of Commons be read to each of the Regiments of this House.-

Resolved

Com.ee appd. for the Supplementary Corps.

That a Committee be appointed to regulate all matters relating to the Supplementary Corps, to consist of the Officers, and the following Gentlemen not holding Commissions, Mr. Samuel Thornton, Mr. Boddington and Mr. Smith; and that they do meet every Wednesday at Eleven O'Clock; and it must at all times contain three Directors, to be competent to any Regulation whatever.- That the Senior Captain or Adjutant present, may of his own authority assemble the Corps, or any part thereof, and order them upon such service as he may think proper.

Commissions to be appd. for, for the Subaltern Offrs. in Do.

Resolved, That the Governor be desired to write to the Secretary of the War Department, to request Commissions for the following Persons, as Subaltern Officers in the said Corps, Viz.t. Henry Hase,- Thomas Reid, John Waldron, John Barnard, Lieuts. William Mullens, Thomas Boult, Chas. Norris, George Lawrence, Ensigns.-

J.

Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday the 1st Sept.r 1803.

Present.-

Benjamin Winthrop Esq.r Dep.y Gov.r

Bicknell Coney Esq.r
Nath.l Bogle French Esq.r
Sir Richard Neave Bar.t
Thomas Raikes Esq.r
Edward Simeon Esq.r
Samuel Thornton Esq.r
Stephen Thornton Esq.r
Brook Watson Esq.r & Ald.n
John Bowden Esq.r
Cornelius Buller Esq.r
George Dorrien Esq.r
William Manning Esq.r
Jeremiah Olive Esq.r
and
John Whitmore Esq.r

The Proceedings of the last Court were read.

Out Cash right.

Mr. Pole reported the Out Cash to have been taken in, and found right.-

Inc.e Thetford Deft. in his Security.-

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that Peter Salway Burrell Esq.r a Security in £1000 for John Thetford is deceased.-

Ordered,

That the said John Thetford do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Mr. Burrell.-

Ordered,

Gen.l Court to be held the 22.d inst.o instead of the 15.th-

That the General Court to consider of a Dividend, be appointed to be held on Thursday the 22.nd of this Month, instead of Thursday the 15.th inst.o as Ordered by the Court the 4.th August last.

Upon reading the following Letter from the Committee of Treasury of the East India Company, Viz.t-

"Gentlemen,

Let.r from the E.I Company.-

"The Committee of Treasury of the East India Company, request of the Governor & Directors

of

of the Bank that the payment of Three hundred thousand pounds, advanced on the 2d. July last, upon Exchequer Bills, may be postponed for the term of two Months from the 2nd. September next.

They likewise request that the payment of One Hundred thousand pounds, as a further advance to them, on the 22nd. July last, upon Exchequer Bills, may be postponed for the term of two Months, from the 22nd. September next.

"We have the honor to be
"Gentlemen
"Your most obedient
"humble Servants
"Jacob Bosanquet
"John Roberts".

"East India House
"30 August 1803"

"The Governor & Directors
"of the Bank of England".

E. I. Company's Lre agreed to.

Resolved,

That this Court do comply with the request made in the above Letter

Ja.s Thomas £100 for 14 Bank Notes parts lost.

Ordered,

That £100 be paid to James Thomas in full satisfaction for 14 Bank Notes, the respective parts of which are lost, upon his delivering up the remaining parts thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting; the Commrs. of Treasury, having examined and approved the Voucher relating thereto.

Mr. Aldn. Boydell accommodated with £16,000.

The Deputy Governor acquainted the Court, that Mr. Alderman Boydell, had requested that his accommodation might be extended to the Sum of £16,000 upon a Mortgage of his premises in Cheapside, Pall Mall and Hampstead; which the Court agreed to.

Mr. Thos. Andrews &c. with £60,000.

The Deputy Governor also informed the Court that Mr. Thomas Andrews, had applied for an accommodation, to the Amount of Sixty thousand pounds; - which the Court also agreed to.

D.

A Court of Directors at the Bank

(on) Thursday the 8th. Sept.r 1803.-

Present.-

Benjamin Winthrop, Esq.r - Dep.y Gov.r

Bicknell Coney, Esq.r	Henry Smith, Esq.r -
Edward Darell, Esq.r	John Bowden Esq.r -
Nath.l Bogle French Esq.r	Cornelius Buller Esq.r
Thomas Lewis, Esq.r	George Dorrien Esq.r
Beeston Long, Esq.r	William Manning Esq.r
Sir Richard Neave, Bar.t	Jeremiah Olive, Esq.r
Charles Pole, Esq.r -	John Pearse Esq.r -
Thomas Raikes Esq.r	John Whitmore Esq.r

The Proceedings of the last Court were read.-

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that Fra.s Knight a Security in £300 for John Knight is deceased.

Ordered

That the said John Knight do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Francis Knight.-

Jn.o Knight to prov.e in his Security.-

Ordered.

That £5 be paid to Thomas Webb Whitmarsh, in full satisfaction for a Bank Note, the sinister part of which is lost, upon his delivering up the dexter part thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be appr.d by the Committee in waiting; and also £6 to Joseph Hawkesley for 5 Bank Notes, which have been washed to pieces, and the Numbers and Dates thereof cannot be ascertained; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.-

T. W. Whitmarsh £5, & J. Hawkesley £6, for B. Notes, p.d lost &c.a.-

Resolved.

That Mr. Ald.n Watson, Mr. French, Mr. Olive and Mr. Smith be appointed a Com.ee, to examine, if a case of Omn.s by Rt. Aslett can be made out sufficient to afford grounds for prosecuting Robert Aslett for embezzling the Omnium Receipts, in case he shall be acquitted on the present Indictm.t against him.-

Com.ee app.d to examine into the embezzlem.t of Omn.s by Rt. Aslett.

J.

15 Sept. 1803.

Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 15th Sept.r 1803.

Present.

Benjamin Winthrop, Esq.r Dep.y Gov.r

Thomas Boddington Esq.r	Samuel Thornton Esq.r
Bicknell Coney, Esq.r	Stephen Thornton Esq.r
Edward Darell, Esq.r	Brook Watson Esq.r Ald.n
Nath.l Bogle French Esq.r	John Bowden Esq.r
Thomas Lewis, Esq.r	Cornelius Buller Esq.r
Beeston Long, Esq.r	George Dorrien Esq.r
Sir Richard Neave Bar.t	William Manning Esq.r
Charles Pole, Esq.r	Jeremiah Olive Esq.r
Thomas Raikes, Esq.r	John Pearse Esq.r
Edward Simeon, Esq.r	
Henry Smith, Esq.r	and John Whitmore Esq.r

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Cut Cash right

Mr. Pole reported the Out Cash to have been taken in and found right.

Ordered,

Martha Best £15 for a Bank Note lost in part lost.

That £15 be paid to Martha Best, in full satisfaction for a Bank Note, the dexter part of which is lost, upon her delivering up the Sinister part thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in writing of the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the Voucher relating thereto.

The following Letter from the Commr.s of Treasury of the East India Company being read, Viz.t

"Gentlemen

Ltr from the East India Comp.y

"The Committee of Treasury of the "East India Company request of the Governor "and Directors of the Bank, that the payment

"of One hundred thousand Pounds on account of
"the Loan of Seven hundred thousand Pounds, on
"Mortgage of £1.207,559.16.- East India Annuit.
"may be postponed for the further term of two
"Months from the 15th Instant,"

"We have the honor to be,
"Gentlemen
"Your most obedient,
"humble Servants,

"East India House,
"the 14th September 1803.-

"The Governor & Directors
"of the Bank of England."

"Jacob Bosanquet
"John Roberts."-

agreed to.- **Resolved,** That this Court do agree to the proposal made in the above Letter.-

The Secretary laid before the Court,
the following Letter, Viz.t

"Sir,

Le. from Harvey & Co. relat.e to the Bk. receiv.g the ispe. Cash.

We are induced to take the Liberty of
"writing you, to request the favor of being
"informed if the Governors & Directors of the Bank
"of England, still Continue receive Cash, upon
"an engagement to pay Specie in exchange for
"their Notes, to the Amount of three fourths
"of the Sum received, agreeable to the times
"that may be expressed in such Contract.-
"Excuse the liberty we have taken, and are
"Sir,
"Your most obedient Servants,-
"Harvey & Co.

"Sandwich
"7 Sept.r 1803.
"Rob.t Best Esq.re

Ordered, That the Secretary do write to the said
Sec.y to Write to them.- Messrs. Harvey & Co. and inform them that the Bank
have discontinued receiving Cash upon the terms
mentioned in their Letter for several Years.-

A.

22 Sept. 1803.

A Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 22nd. September, 1803.

Present.—

Joseph Null Esq: Governor.—

Benjamin Winthrop, Esq: Dep.y Gov.r

Thomas Boddington Esq:	Samuel Thornton Esq
Bicknell Coney Esq: —	Stephen Thornton Esq
Edward Darell, Esq: —	Brook Watson Esq Gald.
Nath.l Bogle French Esq:	John Bowden Esq.
Thomas Lewis, Esq: —	Cornelius Buller Esq.
Beeston Long, Esq: —	George Dorrien Esq:
Sir Richard Neave, Bar.t	William Manning Esq
Charles Pole, Esq: —	Jeremiah Olive Esq:
Thomas Raikes, Esq: —	John Pearse, Esq:
Edward Simeon, Esq:	— and —
Henry Smithe, Esq:	John Whitmore Esq

The proceedings of the last Court were read.—

Report from the Com.tee for Acc.ts.— The Governor reported from the Committee for accounts, that having examined the State of the Bank's Accounts, the Committee are of opinion that a Dividend may be made of £3.10 per Cent Interest and profits for the half Year ending the 10.th October next; and the accounts having lain open for the inspection of the Directors.—

Agreed to.— The Court agreed thereto.—

Resolved,

Gen.l Court to be acq.d That the Governor do acquaint the General Court therewith as the opinion of this Court.—

Resolved,

Do.e with 127.th Sect.n of the Property Act.— That the Governor do acquaint the General Court, That it appears by 127.th Section of the property Act, that the Bank is bound to pay in the first instance the Tax, upon the whole

of its Gains and profits; And that the Bank is authorized to deduct from every Dividend Warrant the proportionate Amount of the said Tax.—

recommendation thereon.

That the Court of Directors recommends to the General Court, to Resolve, that the said Tax, shall be remitted on the present occasion, and not deducted from the said Dividend Warrants.—

Court adjourned

The Court adjourned 'till after the rising of the General Court.—

held again.

The Court was held again pursuant to the said Adjournment.—

Ordered,

Wm. Tolly £60 Wm. Richards £2. Chr. Eyles, £1. & Thos. Bolton £1 for Bk. Notes lost &c.

That £60 be paid to William Tolly, in full satisfaction for two Bank Notes, the Sinister parts of which are lost, upon his delivering up the dexter parts thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Comm.ee in waiting, and also £2 to William Richards, and £1 to Christopher Eyres for two Bank Notes which have been washed to pieces, and £1 to Thomas Bolton for a Bank Note part of which is alledged to have been burnt, upon their delivering up the remaining parts thereof, the Numbers and Dates of which can not be ascertained; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.—

Resolved,

Lords of the Treas.y £1,500,000 on Exch.r Bills &c.

That the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury may be accommodated with a Sum not exceeding £1,500,000 upon the Credit of an Act passed — the last Session of — parliament for raising the said Sum of One Million, five Hundred thousand Pounds, by Loans or Exchequer Bills, for the Service of the year 1803, at not less than £3 per Cent, p.r Ann. Interest.—

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22 Sept. 1803.

Agreemt. for Dc.

An Agreement between the Right Honble. the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury and the Governor and Company of the Bank of England dated the 16th. inst. for circulating & exchanging a Sum not exceeding £2,500,000, in Exchequer Bills, made or to be made forth upon the Credit of an Act passed the last Session of Parliament, for raising the said Sum of One Million five hundred thousand pounds, by Loans or Exchequer Bills, for the Service of the Year 1803, from the time or times of issuing thereof till the Expiration of the said Agreement, at the Interest or Premium of £3 per Cent. per Annum, having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting, was read and Sealed with the Common Seal in Court. —

Sealed. —

Resolved,

Thanks of the Court to the Deputy Gov.

That the Thanks of this Court be given to Benjamin Winthrop Esq. Deputy Governor of the Bank, for his constant attention at all the Meetings and Proceedings, in the Course of the prosecution of Robert Aslett; and for the able manner with which he has discharged this Duty, particularly imposed upon him by the necessary absence of the Governor from indisposition. —

Resolved also,

Dc. to Mr. Ald. Watson.

That the Thanks of this Court be given to Brook Watson Esq. Ald. for his constant attention during the Proceedings respecting Robert Aslett; And for the peculiar and essential Advantage that has been derived to the Bank, from his assistance in his Majesterial Capacity. —

D.

29 Sept: 1803.

Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday the 29th Sept.r 1803.

Present.

Joseph Null, Esq.r Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop Esq.r Dep.y Gov.r

Thomas Boddington Esq.r	Henry Smith, Esq.r
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq.r	Samuel Thornton Esq.r
Bicknell Coney Esq.r	Brook Watson Esq.r L.d Mayor
Nath.l Bogle French Esq.r	Cornelius Buller Esq.r
Thomas Lewis, Esq.r	George Dorrien Esq.r
Beeston Long, Esq.r	William Manning Esq.r
Sir Richard Neave Bar.t	Jeremiah Olivel, Esq.r
Charles Pole, Esq.r	John Pearse, Esq.r
Thomas Raikes, Esq.r	John Whitmore Esq.r

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Out Cash right. Mr. Pole for Mr. Buller reported the Out Cash to have been taken in and found right.

Upon reading the petition of James Owen (now under suspension) praying to be restored.

Ordered,

Ja.s Owen restored. That his suspension be taken off, from the 22.d Inst.

Ordered,

Bank to be defended in Chan: ag.st G. Dewdney &c.rs, and in the C.t of Ex.r ag.st C. Owen & T. Poynder. That Messrs. Winter & Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in Chancery, at the suit of George Dewdney and others; and also in the Court of Exchequer, at the respective suits of Charles Owen and Thomas Poynder.

Ordered,

Messrs Winter & Kaye's Bill ref.d to the Com.tee for Law Suits. That Messrs. Winter & Kaye's Bill for Law Charges amounting to £1866. 19. 1 be referred to the consideration of the Committee for the Conduct of Law Suits &c.a, and that they be requested to report their

their Opinion thereon. —

G. Palmer £10. and R.d Balm £5. Graves £4. for Bank Notes p.d Lost Vol.

Ordered, That £10. be paid to George Palmer and £5 to Richard Balm in full satisfaction for two Bank Notes, the dexter parts of which are lost, upon their delivering up the sinister parts thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting, and also £4 to Charles Graves for three Bank Notes, the dates and Numbers of which cannot be ascertained having been discharged by laying on Dung, the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several — Vouchers relating thereto. —

Com.ee of Treas.y to give Notice to the Public the Bank pay.s the Tax on Income on Bank Stock. —

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee of Treasury, to take into consideration what Notice should be given to the Public of the intention — announced at the last General Court, of paying the Tax on Income on the whole of the Profits of the Bank, by the Corporation, out of its general Funds, without deducting the proportions from the Dividend — Warrants; and to give Notice accordingly. —

Expediency of the attend.ce of Directors for Discount.g Notes on Wednesdays Vol.e

As it is highly expedient to secure the attendance of a sufficient number of Directors for the purpose of Discounting the Notes on — Wednesdays, and as the Report of a Committee dated the 29.th January 1800. recommended a plan by which this object could be obtained; and which has been only in part adopted by the Court. —

Com.ee app.d to Consider thereof. —

Resolved That a Committee consisting of, Mr. — Bosanquet, Mr. Raikes, Mr. Boddington, Mr. Whitmore and Mr. Pearse, be appointed to take this Business further into consideration and Report whether this plan should not be wholly put into execution

execution; or whether any alteration can be formed to attain the Object?—

The following application on the behalf of Messrs. Donaldson and Glenny being read.— Viz.

"To the Governor & Directors of the Bank of England."—

"Gentlemen,

applicat.n on behalf of Donaldson & Co. for the adv. of £60,000—

"At the request of Messrs. Donaldson and Glenny, we have taken upon Ourselves to "investigate the state of their Affairs.— The whole "amount of their Debts appears not to exceed — £287,827.— Their Assets, including Mr. Donaldson's "private Fortune, amount to £676,743; leaving "a clear Surplus in their favor of £388,916."—

Messrs. Donaldson & Glenny, from the good "opinion entertained by their Creditors of their "honorable Character, and ultimate resources, — "have been enabled to prevail on them to — "accept payment of their Debts by three equal "annual Instalments; and in Conformity to "this arrangement, have given acceptances — "payable at those periods, but their Assets — "principally consisting of Plantations and "Mortgages up on Plantations in the West Indies, "they have thought, and we are of opinion, that "it will be requisite for them to procure a Loan "of £60,000, and which if obtained will in our "Judgement be fully equal to prevent any — "probability of disappointment or future "embarrasment, which, if it did occur, could not "fail to inconvenience very materially many "Commercial Houses connected with the West "India Trade, and holding their paper.—

"As a Cover to such persons as might be "disposed to stand forward with their Credit to assist "them in raising the above Sum, they have proposed "to invest in the Names of Trustees securities to the

amount.

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"Amount of £300,000 and we, upon full consideration,
"being satisfied of the sufficiency of the securities
"offered, and conceiving the House to merit support
"beg leave to solicit the Bank to advance the said
"Sum of £60,000 upon Bills to be drawn at two
"Months date, for the Sums particularized opposite
"to the respective Names at foot, and to be renewed
"for a period of One Year and a half, and then to
"be discharged by the Acceptors."—

"We beg leave to add, that the Firm of—
"Donaldson & Glenny is about to be discontinued,
"except for the purpose of winding up past—
"engagements, and that Mr. Donaldson proposes
"to do such business only, on his own account,
"as is connected with his Contract for Victualling
"His Majesty's Ships of War at Jamaica, and which
"has been held by him for many Years."—

"We have the honor to be,
"Sirs
"Your Most obedient humble Servants
"Manning, Anderdon & Bosanquet.

"London
Sept^r 1803."— "Phyn Inglis & C^o."
"Dorin Thomson & C^o."

£ "5000— Messrs. Manning & C^o. on Phyn Inglis & C^o.
"5000 " Phyn Inglis & C^o. on Manning Anderdon & C^o.
"5000— " John Brickwood on Phyn Inglis & C^o.
"5000— " Jordaine & Shaw on Robert Bent
"5000 " Robert Bent on Jordaine & Shaw
"5000— " James Allan on Jordaine & Shaw
"5000 " William Christie on Robert Bent
"5000 " James Allan on William Christie
"5000— " John Robley & C^o. on Charles Brooke & C^o.
"5000 " Charles Brooke & C^o. on John Robley & C^o.
"5000 " James Brymer on Dorin Thomson & C^o.
"5000 " Dorin Thomson & C^o. on James Brymer"

Resolved

That it be referred to the Committee of—
Treasury, to carry the same into effect, with such—
modifications as the said Committee shall think
fit.—

Donaldson's & C^o. appl^n
referred to the Com^ee
of Treasury.—

6 Octo. 1803.

A Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 6 October, 1803.

Present.

Joseph Nutt Esq: Governor,
Benjamin Winthrop, Esq: Dep: Govr.

Thomas Boddington Esq.	Stephen Thornton Esq.
Bicknell Coney, Esq.	Brook Watson Esq. & Ald.
Thomas Lewis, Esq.	John Bowden Esq.
Beeston Long, Esq.	Cornelius Buller, Esq.
Sir Richard Neave, Bart.	George Dorrien, Esq.
Charles Pole, — Esq.	William Manning, Esq.
Thomas Raikes, Esq.	Jeremiah Olive, Esq.
Edward Simeon, Esq.	and
Henry Smith, Esq.	John Whitmore Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Report from the Com.ee for the House & Serv.ts

The Deputy Governor reported from the Committee for the House and Servants, that the Committee had Ordered Payment of the Wages of the Servants, amounting to £18,914.15.4 and the Tradesmen's Bills, amounting to £18,458.1.5 for the Quarter ending the 10.th instant: that Mr. Newland's account of petty Charges was examined and allowed, and a Warrant was given him on the Cashiers for £2000 for which he is to account; — that the Storekeepers account of Pens and other Articles, used in this House, was also examined and allowed; and that the Gate Porter had been examined as to the behaviour of the Watchmen, and had no Complaint.

The following Report from the Committee of Treasury was read and approved. — Viz.t

Report from the Com.ee of Treasury

Committee of Treasury, 6.th October, 1803.

"The Committee Report to the Court of Directors "that they have examined the Principal Officers and "Heads of Offices under their Inspection, regarding the "Conduct of the Clerks and the execution of the

business

"business and have found no instances of
"irregularity or neglect. — The Committee have
"therefore ordered the Quarterly Proportions to be
"paid to the Clerks according to their respective
"attendances and the Proportions to the Heads
"of Offices, to be doubled. —

Sundry House Porters & Watchmen, relieved from that Duty being Old and Infirm. —

"The Committee also report, That Nath.l
"Neele, Joseph Moreton, Thomas Wood, Joseph
"Upchurch and Thomas Shade, House Porters
"and Watchmen, appear to be too Old and —
"infirm to attend Strictly to these Duties; the
"the Committee therefore recommend to the —
"Court, to relieve them from their Duty, as —
"Watchmen, but Still continuing the Emoluments
"which they now enjoy. — That John Wheeler,
"a Watchman and Joseph Pikesley, William
"Wilders and James Wixley Supernumerary
"Watchmen, be Elected House Porters and
"Watchmen; and that George Wakeman a
"Supernumerary Watchman be elected a
"regular Watchman. —

"The Committee also recommend to the
"Court, that Joseph Edwards a Watchman and
"John Edwards, Thomas Gould and Ambrose
"Atkins Supernumerary Watchmen, who
"are all employed in the Armoury, be elected
"House Porters and Watchmen; And that
"Richard Bromage a Supernumerary —
"Watchman who is employed to assist in
"lighting the Fires in the Court and —
"Committee Rooms &c.a be also Elected a House
"Porter and Watchman. —

"The Committee further recommend that —
"instead of the following Gratuities which are
allowed the House Porters and Watchmen annually
"at Christmas. Viz.t

"Gratuity	£5.5.0
"D.o a Months pay as Watchmen	2.2.0
D.o allowance for Old pens, Venison at Dinner &c.a	2.2.0
D.o for Working the Engines	0.18.0
Total	£10.7.0

That

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"that the Court do grant the Sum of Ten Guineas
"annually at Christmas, and discontinue the Separate
"Gratuities".-

Nine House porters &c.ª chosen.-

Resolved, That Nine House Porters and Watchmen be now chosen:-

Then John Wheeler, Joseph Pikesley, William Wilders, James Wixley, Joseph Edwards, John Edwards, Thomas Gould, Ambrose Atkins and Richard Bromage, were by the Ballot elected House Porters and Watchmen to the Bank, during pleasure, at the Wages of £55 per annum each, to commence from the 10th. instant, and were sworn.-

a Watchman &c.ª

Resolved, That a Watchman be now chosen,

Then George Wakeman, was by the Court, elected a Watchman to the Bank during pleasure at the Wages of £25 p annum.-

10 Guineas to the House porters & Watchn. at Xmas in lieu of the Gratuities.

Ordered, That Ten Guineas each, be given to the House Porters and Watchmen, annually at Christmas, in lieu of the Separate Gratuities, which have usually been given to them at that time.-

Quarterly Reports read &c.ª

The Quarterly Reports of the three permanent Committees of Inspection were also read and approved.-

adv.ce of Wages to Sundries.-

Ordered, That the Wages of the several Servants hereafter named be advanced £10 per Annum each, from the 10th. instant, pursuant to an Order of this Court, the 18th. October 1790, they having been upwards of four Years in the Service of the Bank, Viz.t

In the Accountants Office.

George Watkinson, Alexander Holloway, James

Miles

Miles, John Watson, Richard Jones, William Becke Priddle, Rowland Richardson, Thomas Hemmans, George Sherer, Peter High, John Gibbins, Harry Rudall, John Search, John Parker, Richard Willis, Charles Pike, William James Jacob, Henry Miller, William Harvey, John Waylett, George Taylor, Robert Twitt, John Tucker, John Fish, George Turney, George Lavers, Philip Hammersley Leathes, John Edwards and John Watts. — In the Hall, — Thomas Bosworth, Richard Gwillym, James Ballard, Thomas Jobson, James Osmond, James Watts, William Thomas Strutt, John Philip Tudor, Charles James Jecks, Edward Lampert, Robert Tusk Thomas Passey, Thomas Clout, Thomas Dupree', William Chinner, John Mason, Joseph Trueman, William Barnes Rhodes, James Curry, James Dent, John Goddard, William Watson, Thomas Whitford and Joseph Smeed. —

Gratt. to the Gate Porters

Ordered,

That a Gratuity of £22..10 be given to Zachary Billing, and £20 each to James Elliott, Thomas Carter, and Joseph Bruce, the Gate Porters, for the half Year, ending the 10th instant, in lieu of perquisites. —

Alex.r Biset £10 for a Bank Note Sin.r part lost. —

Ordered,

That £10 be paid to Alexander Biset, in full satisfaction for a Bank Note, the Sinister part of which is lost, upon his delivering up the dexter part thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the Voucher relating thereto. —

Jas.s Barber Def.t in his Security. —

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that Joseph Barber a Security in £250 for James Barber is become insolvent.

Ordered

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Ordered,

That the said James Barber do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Joseph Barber

The following Letter from the Chancellor of the Exchequer being read. - Viz.t

Ltr from the Chan.r of the Exch.r for an adv.e of 1½ Mill.s on Exch.r Bills. -

"Downing Street, Oct.r y.e 5th 1803. -

"Gentlemen,

"Under the present Circumstances, "I think it material to the Public Service, to request "that you will have the Goodness to propose to Your "Court, to advance a Sum, to the extent of One Million "& a half, upon Exchequer Bills, charged on the Aids of "the ensuing Year & to be provided for out of the Supplies "of the next Session of Parliament." -

"I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,
Your most obedient
& faithful Servant,
"Henry Addington".

"To,
"The Governor
"and Deputy Governor of the Bank". -

Resolved,

Complied with. -

That this Court do comply with the request made in the above Letter. -

Com.e for Law Suits Report, Messrs Winter & Kaye's Bill. -

The Deputy Governor reported from the Committee for the Conduct of Law Suits, that having taken Messrs Winter & Kaye's Bill into consideration: the Committee are of Opinion it should be paid.

Ordered,

Ordered to be paid. -

That £4757. 5. 5 be paid to Messrs Winter & Kaye, being the balance of their Bill for Law Charges from Easter Term 1803 to the 24 September 1803, amounting to £4866. 19. 1. -

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Mr Manning reps plans respectg the removal of the Kings Guard by Mr Soane.

Mr. Manning having in pursuance of the Directions of the Military Committee, Reported that two Plans for the removal of the Nightly Guard from the Interior of the Bank, had been proposed by Mr. Soane, and that the said Committee recommended that the immediate attention of the Committee of Building be directed to the erection of Barracks for the Kings Guard in the present Buildings; but not communicating with the other parts of the Bank, except by a Strong and secure Door to be opened only in case it may be requisite to call the Guard in.*

Resolved,

Refd to Comee of Buildg

That the Committee of Building be requested to turn their attention to this important object, and to confer with the Military Committee thereon

* Memo:

This Subject was mentioned in Court by Mr. Manning on the 1 August last in consequence of a Minute of the Military Comtmee of the 3 Aug: but no entry was made on the Court Book, but the Comtmee of Building wished the matter to be referred back to the Military Comtmee for their further Consideration

A Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 13th October, 1803.

Present.

Joseph Nutt, Esq. Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop, Esq. Dep. Gov.

Thomas Boddington, Esq.	Henry Smith Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq.	Stephen Thornton Esq.
Bicknell Coney, Esq.	Brook Watson Esq. Ald.
Edward Darell, Esq.	John Bowden, Esq.
Nath. Bogle French Esq.	Cornelius Bowden Esq.
Thomas Lewis, Esq.	George Dorrien Esq.
Beeston Long, Esq.	William Manning Esq.
Sir Richard Reave, Bart.	Jeremiah Olive, Esq.
Charles Pole, Esq.	John Pearse, Esq.
Thomas Raikes, Esq.	and,
Edward Simeon, Esq.	John Whitmore Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Out Cash right

Mr. Bowden reported the Out Cash to have been taken in and found right.

The Governor acquainted the Court, that he had suspended James Triggey.

Ordered,

Ja. Triggey Susp.d

That his Suspension be continued.

Ltr of Credit from Hudson's Bay Co.

A Letter from the Committee of Treasury of the Hudson Bay Company dated the 11th Instant, addressed to the Governor, Deputy Governor and Directors of the Bank of England, (being now read) desiring that Mr. Alexander Lean, their Secretary may be permitted to overdraw for any Sum or Sums, not exceeding Ten Thousand Pounds, 'till the 11th December next, and that all former Letters of Credit given by them on the said Company's Account may be cancelled; the same was agreed to, and ordered accordingly at the rate of £4 per Cent. per Annum Interest.

Ordered

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Ordered.

R Cavendish £150.-
David Jones 15.-
James Wood 5.-
Geo. Sam.l Collyer 10.8
Joseph Pryor £10 for Bk. Notes lost &c.-

That £150 be paid to Richard Cavendish, and £15 to David Jones in full satisfaction for two Bank Notes Lost above twelve Months ago, £5 to James Wood for a Bank Note part of which has been destroyed, £10 to George Samuel Collyer, and £10 to Joseph Pryor for two Bank Notes, the dexter parts of which are Lost, upon their giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting, and the remaining parts of the three last mentioned Notes being delivered up, the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.-

Dan.l Bureau £15.-
for a Div.d War.t lost.-

Ordered,

That the Accountant do make out a Dividend Warrant 16.th Payment of the Imperial Annuities, for 25 Years, No. 2102, for £35 due 1 May 1802, in the Name of Count Phillip de St. Martin, in lieu of one which is alledged to have been lost above twelve Months ago, and deliver the same to Daniel Bureau, upon his giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the Voucher relating thereto.-

Bank's Ans.r to the Bill in Chan.y of Birtles &c.s Sealed.-

The Answer of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, to the Bill of complaint in Chancery of Sarah Budge Birtles and others, having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting, was read and Sealed with the Common Seal in Court.-

Tho.s Jones def.t in his Acct.

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that Thomas Jones, a Security in £250 for Thomas Jones, is deceased.-

Ordered,

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Ordered,

That the said Thomas Jones, do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Thomas Jones deceased. —

Le. of Credit from S. Sea Company. —

A Letter from the Committee of Treasury of the South Sea Company, dated this 13th. instant addressed to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of England, (being now read,) desiring that Mr. William Evans their Cashier, may be permitted to overdraw for any Sum or Sums not exceeding Fifty thousand pounds, 'till the 13th. Decr. next, and that all former Letters of Credit, given by them on the said Company's Account, may be cancelled; the same was agreed to, and ordered accordingly at the rate of £4 p Cent p Annum Interest. —

Ordered,

Nath. Allen quits the Service. —

That Nathaniel Allen, at his request have leave to quit the Service of the Bank. —

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Court of Directors at the Bank

on Thursday the 20th October 1803

PRESENT.

Joseph Nutt, Esq: Governor,

Benjamin Winthrop, Esq. Dep.y Gov.r.

Thomas Boddington, Esq.	Stephen Thornton Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq.	Brook Watson Esq. Ald.n
Bicknell Coney, Esq.	John Bowden, Esq.
Nath.l Bogle French Esq.	Cornelius Buller, Esq.
Thomas Lewis Esq.	George Dorrien, Esq.
Beeston Long, Esq.	William Manning Esq.
Charles Pole, Esq.	Jeremiah Olive, Esq.
Thomas Raikes, Esq.	John Pearse, Esq.
Henry Smith, Esq.	and,
Samuel Thornton Esq.	John Whitmore Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Bank to be defended in Chan.y ag.st C M Vincent Forz, and in the L.e of Exch.r ag.st R Everingham.

Ordered, That Messrs. Winter & Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, in Chancery, at the suit of Christian Macdougal Vincent and others; and also in the Court of Exchequer, at the suit of Robert Everingham

Rob.t Bryer def.t in his Security.

The Secretary acquainted the Court that William Bryer a Security in £500 for — Robert Bryer, is deceased.

Ordered, That the said Robert Bryer do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said William Bryer.

Jas. Triggey quits the Service.

Ordered, That James Triggey at his request, have leave to quit the Service of the Bank.

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A Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday the 27th October 1803.

Present.

Benjamin Winthrop, Esq: Dep: Gov:

Thomas Boddington Esq:	Thomas Raikes, Esq:
Samuel Bosanquet Esq:	Edward Simeon Esq:
Bicknell Coney, Esq:	Henry Smith, Esq:
Edward Darell, Esq:	Stephen Thornton Esq:
Nath.l Bogle French Esq:	Brook Watson Esq: Ald.r
Thomas Lewis, Esq:	John Bowden, Esq:
Beeston Long, Esq:	William Manning Esq:
Sir Richard Neave Bar.t	Jeremiah Olive, Esq:
Charles Pole, Esq:	John Pearsel, Esq:

The Proceedings of the last Court were Read.

Ordered,

a Security Bond for Geo: Corner to be Delivered up.

That the Security Bond of George Stainforth Esq: in £500, for George Corner, be delivered up to be cancelled, the said George Corner, having given other Security in lieu thereof above twelve Months ago, and the Accountants having certified there is no demand upon him.

The following Report from the Committee appointed the 29th September 1803, was Read, Viz.t

"The Committee appointed the 29th Sept.r "1803, to consider of a Plan for securing the "attendance of a Sufficient number of Directors, for "the purpose of Discounting the Notes on Wednesdays".

"Report to the Court."

Report of the Com.tee app.d the 29 Sept.r last relat.g to the attend.ce for discount.g the Notes on Wednesdays.

"That in Conformity to the instructions "of the Court of Directors, They have taken into "Consideration the Resolution of the Court of the "29th January 1800, as far as relates to the discounting "Notes, on Wednesdays. - And they recommend to "the Court, in order to facilitate this branch of

business

Com.ee of 6. to be appd from the whole Direction.

business, that a Committee of Six Directors, be appointed from the whole direction, which may be divided into three sets, according to Seniority; and two Directors to be taken from each set by Rotation, in order to form the Committee in the same manner as is practised in respect to the Committee in waiting".-

The Depy Govr to appoint two Tables.-

"And that the Deputy Governor, have power to appoint two or three Tables, out of the Committee summoned, and also to Select such Gentlemen as he shall think fit for each Table."

"This Committee, to be in addition to the Deputy Governor and Committee in waiting, and to meet precisely at twelve O'Clock, (any Member not being able to attend, to be at Liberty to find a Substitute.)

A Rotation List to be hung up.-&c.-

"That a regular Rotation for this Committee be written out and hung up by the side of the List for the Rotation of the Committee in Waiting, and that the Door Keeper, do mark off the Names of the Gentlemen, as they come in at twelve O'Clock, in the same manner as is done for the Court of Directors; and that no Gentleman who forms one of the Committee be permitted to leave the Tables, until the Notes be finished, unless he provide some other Director to take his place."-

The Depy Govr to report the names of the Gentn summoned for the preceding Day

"This Branch of Business, being considered by the Committee, as peculiarly under the management of the Deputy Governor, they think he is in some measure responsible for the due execution of it.- And that it will be the duty of the Deputy Governor, to report to the Court of Directors every Thursday, the Names of the Gentlemen summoned on the Committee of the preceding day; and if there should be any neglect of Attendance, to report the Names of the Defaulters."-

That

The Comtee to be an open one. –

"That notwithstanding these Regulations which "are for the purpose of securing at least a "sufficient attendance for the discounting the "Notes; it is understood that this Committee be "an open one, and that all the Gentlemen of the "Direction, be invited to attend it, and are intitled "to have voices at each Table accordingly. –"

Report approved

Resolved,

That this Court do approve the above Report. –

Chr. Bolt £20. Ja.s Rule £10. M.y Hazelgrove £10 & Peter Wetten £1 for Bank Notes parts lost &c.a –

Ordered,

That £20 be paid to Christopher Bolt, in full satisfaction for two Bank Notes, parts of which have been destroyed by Mice; £10 to James Rule and £10 to Mary Hazelgrove for two Bank Notes, the Sinister parts of which are lost, upon their delivering up the remaining parts thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting; and also £1 to Peter Wetten for a Bank Note, which has been washed to pieces, and the Date and Number cannot be ascertained, the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto. –

Ordered,

Bank to be defended in the Ct. of Exchr. ag.st Jn.o Maughan & his Wife

That Messrs. Winter & Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in the Court of Exchequer at the Suit of John Maughan and his Wife. –

Upon reading the following Letter from the Committee of Treasury of the East India Company, Viz.t

Viz.t

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Viz.

Gentlemen,

Ltre from the Commrs. of Treasury of the East India Company.

"The Committee of Treasury of the East India Company request of the Governor "and Directors of the Bank, that the payment "of £500,000 advanced upon Exchequer Bills "on the 2d. & 22d. July last & 12th. instant, may "be postponed for two Months from this day".-

"We have the honor to be,
"Gentlemen,
"Your most obedient,
"humble Servants,

"East India House"
27th. October 1803.

"The Governor & Directors "of the Bank of England".-

"Jacob Bosanquet
"John Roberts".-

Resolved,

---Complied with.

That this Court do comply with the request made in the above Letter.-

Ordered,

Election of Clerks.- appointed.-

That this day fortnight be appointed for the Election of one or more Servants.-

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A Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday the 3rd November 1803.

Present,

Joseph Mutt, Esq: Governor

Benjamin Winthrop, Esq: Dep. Gov.

Thomas Boddington, Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq.
Bicknell Coney, Esq.
Nathl. Bogle French, Esq.
Beeston Long, Esq.
Sir Richard Neave, Bart.
Charles Pole, Esq.
Edward Simeon, Esq.
Henry Smith, Esq.
Samuel Thornton, Esq.
Stephen Thornton Esq.
John Bowden, Esq.
Cornelius Buller, Esq.
George Dorrien, Esq.
William Manning, Esq.
Jeremiah Olive, Esq.
John Pearse, Esq.
Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq.
and
John Whitmore Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Commissioners Notice

The usual Notice from the Commissioners appointed by Act of Parliament, for applying certain Sums of Money annually to the reduction of the National Debt, appointing Mr. Abraham Newland their Agent, to draw for such Sums as shall be wanted between the first instant, and the first of February next, not exceeding Forty thousand pounds, each Transfer day (Saturdays and Mondays excepted) was read in Court.

Ordered,

Bank to be defended in Chan. ag. F. De Tastet.

That Messrs. Winter & Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in Chancery at the Suit of Firmin de Tastet.

Wm. Plestow Deft. in his Security.

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that Thomas Berners Plestow Esq: desires to withdraw his Security in £1000 for William Plestow.

Ordered

3 Nov. 1803.

Ordered,

That the said William Plestow do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Thomas Berners Plestow.-

Resolved,

a Bullion Porter Elected.-

That a Bullion Porter be now chosen in the room of James Triggey, lately resigned.-

Then the petition of James Hookham one of the House Porters and Watchmen was read, and being recommended by the Governor, the said James Hookham, was by the Ballot elected a Bullion Porter to the Bank during pleasure at the Wages of £30 per Annum.-

Ordered,

C Schindler £40 Thos. Grove, £5 John Clarke £5 J. Robertson £5 pr Bk Notes parts lost.

That £40 be paid to Christian Schindler, in full satisfaction for a Bank Note part of which has been destroyed, £5 to Thomas Grove, and £5 to John Clarke, for two Bank Notes the sinister parts of which are lost, and £5 to James Robertson for a Bank Note, the upper part of which is lost, upon their delivering up the respective remaining parts thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting; - the Committee of Treasury, having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.-

Reports from the 3 Com.ees of Insp.n read & approved.-

The following Reports from the three permanent Committees of Inspection were read and approved, Viz.t

"The Committee of Inspection for the Stock Offices, - Report to the Court of Directors.-

"That the Chief Accountant has applied for two New Clerks for the Stock Offices in the room of Thomas Worsley of the Consols, and George Armstrong

"Armstrong of the L.1 & S.s Cents who are both
"deceased; and at the same time represented
"that they were indispensably necessary for
"discharging the Duties of the Offices. the same
"Statement was made by the heads of the respective
"Offices: — and the Committee having Conferred
"with the other Committees of Inspection, were
"informed, that no Clerks could be spared
"from the Offices under their Direction. —

"The Committee therefore recommend
"to the Court to comply with the Chief Accountants
"application for two Clerks to fill up Vacancies
"in the Stock Offices. —

"Edward Simeon.
"John Pearse.
"Bank of England, "George Dorrien
"3rd. November 1803. —

"The Committee of Inspection for the —
"Printing Office &c.a

"Report to the Court of Directors. —

"That they have examined Mr. Newland
"and Mr. Walton as to the Number of Clerks,
"necessary to be chosen at the ensuing Election,
"and from the Report of Mr. Newland, in
"consequence of the great increase of the issue
"of Small Notes it appears that fifteen —
"additional Clerks are required to be placed
"in the Bank Note Office. —

"That Mr. Walton informed the
"Committee it will require Six Clerks in the
"Accountants Office, Viz.t One in the room of —
"Vaughan Brewster deceased, two in the room of
"Mr. Drewe and Mr. Thompson, who are both in
"a Decline, and not likely to recover and three
"Vacancies, which were not filled up at the last Election. —

"The Committee therefore submit to the Court
"the expediency of electing Twenty one Clerks,

as

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as requested by Mr. Newland and Mr. Walton.

" B. Long.
" Bicknell Coney.
" H. Smith.
" John Bowden".

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"The Committee of Inspection for the Drawing Office &c.a

"Report to the Court of Directors.

"That pursuant to their recommendation "Your Committee has examined Your Chief "Cashier, Deputy Accountant, and the Heads "of the several Offices under their Inspection, "as to the necessity of a new election of Clerks, "and upon a conference with the other "Committees finding that no permanent "assistance can be given from the Offices "under their Inspection, is under the necessity "of applying to the Court for three new Clerks. "Viz: 1st One for the Cheque Office, in lieu of "Thomas Fairbrother deceased".

2nd One additional for the Discount Office "by reason of the very great increase of business; "and here Your Committee beg leave to state "that they are assured by Mr. Rogers, the Head "of that Office, that even with this addition "the business will bear very heavy on them; "but, owing to the want of room in the Office, a "larger Number cannot be accommodated.

3rd An additional Clerk in the Inner Drawing "Office, owing to so many Infirm persons "being there, incapable of performing the "Duty required of them, and two others so "frequently absent from the Office, who have "before been reported to the Court, Viz.t Reginald "Parker (although a Clerk long in the Service "and very efficient when present) but is allowed "to pass much of his time at Doctors Commons "and where he is engaged in other business;

and

"and William Byrne who is now reported
"to be Sick, but Your Committee is inclined
"to attribute his frequent absence to other
"Causes; having often had reason to —
"reprimand him, and even more than once
"to report him to the Court, — but Your
"Committee will take care that further
"enquiry be made after him. —

"John Whitmore
Com.ee Buller
Nath.l Bogle French "C. — Pole.
"Jer.h Clive
"Stephen Thornton. —

Resol.n of the 4th Sept.r 1800. — read. —

The Resolution of this Court of 4th Sept.r — 1800, relative to the appointment of two Committees to enquire into the abilities and situations of — Clerks proposed to be elected into the Service, — having been read.

Resolved,

The Name of the Director nominating a Clerk to be concealed from the examining Com.ee &c.a —

That whenever such Committees do meet, it be an Instruction to the Secretary, and to the other Officers who may attend them, to conceal the Name of the Director by whom any Clerk coming forward to be examined, has been nominated, and if it shall appear, that any person so examined is unfit or unqualified to be a Clerk, the Committee discovering the same is requested to report its opinion — accordingly to the Court, and to state the Cause of his disqualification. —

To extend to Sons of Clerks. —

This Regulation is to extend to the Sons of Clerks in the Service, recommended by the Governor under the Order of the Court the 3rd. January 1799, as well as to those persons, who are nominated in the ordinary way. —

Resolved,

Candidates to produce a Certificate of their Age. —

That the Secretary be further instructed to require in future, a Certificate of the Age of every Candidate for a Clerk's situation in the — Bank. —

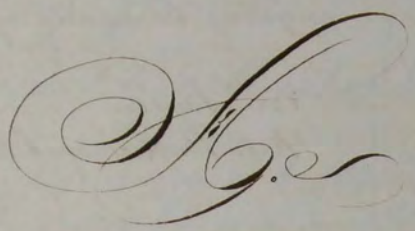
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Comm.ee pr exam.g Candidates appd.

Resolved,

That Mr. Coney, Mr. Manning and Mr. Simeon be appointed one of the Committees to enquire into the Abilities and Situations of the Candidates for the ensuing Election of Clerks; and that Mr. Pearse, Mr. Porrien and Mr. Clive do compose the other Committee. –



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A Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 10th. November, 1803.

Present.

Joseph Nutt, Esq: Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop Esq. Dep.y Gov.r

Thomas Boddington Esq.	Samuel Thornton Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq.	Stephen Thornton Esq.
Bicknell Coney, Esq.	Brook Watson Esq. Vald.
Nath.l Bogle French, Esq.	John Bowden Esq.
Beeston Long, Esq.	Cornelius Buller Esq.
Sir Richard Neave Bar.t	George Dorrien Esq.
Charles Polel, Esq.	William Manning Esq.
Thomas Raikes, Esq.	Jeremiah Clive, Esq.
Edward Simeon, Esq.	John Pearse, Esq.
Henry Smith, Esq.	John Whitmore Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Out Cash right

Mr. Bowden reported the Out Cash to have been taken in and found right.

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that Benjamin Tomkins a Security in £500 each for Samuel Tomkins and Edward Tomkins is deceased.

Sam.l & Ed.d Tomkins Def.t in the Security

Ordered, That the said Samuel Tomkins and Edward Tomkins do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Benjamin Tomkins.

Tho.s Chenery £5. Jn.o Scott £2 for Bk Notes pt.s burnt &c.a

Ordered That £5 be paid to Thomas Chenery in full satisfaction for a Bank Note, part of which is burnt, upon his delivering up the remaining part thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting; and also £2 to John Scott, for two Bank Notes, which have been nearly destroyed by Vermin, and the Numbers and Dates cannot be ascertained; the Committee of Treasury having

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having examined and approved the Vouchers relating thereto.

Resolved.

That 19 Servants be now chosen.

19 Clerks elected.

Then the several Petitions of William Crawford, Henry Caulier and Robert Browning Junior, recommended by the Governor, pursuant to an Order of this Court the 3rd. January 1799.- John Baylis Jones recommended by Mr. Langley, William Hoole recommended by the Governor, John Luson recommended by Mr. Darell, Robert Owen recommended by Mr. Bosanquet Joseph Gummer recommended by Mr. Raikes Samuel Wightman recommended by Mr. Samel. Thornton John Frith, recommended by Mr. Boddington Thomas Robert Begbie recommended by the late Mr. Boehm James John Rogers recommended by Mr. Long, Thomas Jenvey recommended by Mr. Manning Henry Bock recommended by Mr. Pearse Charles Gurney recommended by Mr. Lewis Thomas Tudor recommended by Mr. Simeon Stephen Catterson recommended by Mr. Dorrien Charles Christmas recommended by Mr. French & John Sparks recommended by Mr. Pole, for employment were read, and having been examined and approved by the two Committees appointed the 3rd. instant, they were all by the Ballot elected Servants to the Bank during pleasure at the Wages of £50 per Annum each, except William Crawford, Henry Caulier, William Hoole, Thomas Robert Begbie and Thomas Jenvey Aged 18 Years at £20 p Annum each, John Luson and John Frith Aged 19 Years at £30 per Annum each, and John Baylis Jones Aged 20 Years at £40 per Annum, and were Sworn. -

The

10 Nov. 1803.

The Governor acquainted the Court, that he had Suspended William Plestow.-

Wm Plestow Susp.

Ordered

That his Suspension be continued, and that Notice be given him to attend on Thursday next.-

Application from Simpson & Co. for accommodation.

Messrs. Simpson & Davison having made application to the Court for an accommodation of Forty thousand pounds for twelve Months, on the Notes of the following persons, at two Months, to be renewed every five succeeding two Months.- Viz.t

" John Taylor Esq	£ 3000	£ 6000.
" A Geledneki Esq	3000	
" Henry Traile Esq	3000	6000.
" Henry Waddington Esq	3000	
" Messrs. John Tate & Son	3000	6000.
" Francis Tappenden Esq	3000	
George Bogle Esq	2000	4000.
" James Walker Esq	2000	
" Alexander Begbie Esq	2000	4000.
" James Jopp Esq	2000	
" Holroyd & Jackson Esqs	2000	3000.
" James Jopp Esq	1000	
Caldcleugh, Boyd & Reid		2000.
" John Tunno	3000	9000.
" Thomas Hughan	3000	
" Thomas Gordon	3000	
		£ 40,000.

Resolved,

Complied with.- That this Court do comply with the said application, and that it be referred to the Committee of Treasury to carry the same into effect.-

The following Letter from Messrs. Ayton & Dawes and others being read.- Viz.t " London

10 Nov. 1803.

London 8th Nov.r 1803.-

Ltr from Ayton & Dawes & Co.s respt. to extent of the Loan for the present Year.

"To the Honble the Governor, Deputy Governor
"& Directors of the Bank of England.-

"Gentlemen,

"We the undersigned on behalf of "Ourselves and our Employers request the "favor of your Honorable Court to extend "the time for redeeming the Omnium, which "is now fixed for the 6th of December, to such "periods after Christmas as your Court in its "wisdom may think proper, at the same time, "hoping that the last part of the redemption "may not be required untill after the Dividends "are paid in April next, which will very much "oblige.

"Gentlemen,

"Your most obedient Servants

"Ayton & Dawes.
"Antrobus Wood & Co.
"Tho.s Roberts & Sutton.
"W.m Hammond.
"Mark Sprot.
"John Granville.
"Barwis & Ellis.
"J. Pilliner.

"Steer & Jones.
"O.H Hancock.
"Benj.n & Ab.m Goldsmid.
"Templeman, Cole & Edw.d Hb.
"Ab.m Ricardo.
"Joseph & Isaac Laporta."

Resolved,

Complied with.-

That the time for the repayment of the Sums, which have been advanced on the Instalments of the Loan of the present Year, and which shall be advanced on the payment of the present Month, under the resolution of this Court, of the 4th August 1803, be postponed; and the Amount be taken by three Instalments, Viz.t

£40 per Cent on or before the 26 January.
£30 per Cent on or before the 17th February,
£30 per Cent on or before the 10th March 1804.

the Proprietors of the receipts, making the payment of the Instalment of £15 per Cent, to be made on the 23rd December.-

Ordered.

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10 Nov. 1803.

Bank to be defended in Chancery agt. Grace Ann Williams Vors.

Ordered, That Messrs. Winter & Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in Chancery, at the suit of Grace Ann Williams and others.



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Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 17th November 1803

Present.—

Joseph Nutt, Esq: Governor,

Benjamin Winthrop Esq: Dep. Gov.

Thomas Boddington, Esq:	Edward Simeon Esq:
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq.	Henry Smith Esq:
Bicknell Coney, Esq:—	Brook Watson Esq. & Alderman
Edward Darell, Esq:	John Bowden Esq:
Nath.l Bogle French Esq:	Cornelius Buller Esq:
Thomas Lewis, Esq:—	George Dorrien Esq:
Beeston Long, Esq:—	William Manning Esq
Sir Richard Neave Bar.t	Jeremiah Olive Esq:
Charles Pole, Esq:	John Whitmore Esq:

The proceedings of the last Court were read.—

Ordered,

Bank to be def.ts in Chan.y at.t ag.t Rich.d Postlethwait, & in the Court of Exch.r at ag.t Ann Chaplin.—

That Messrs. Winter & Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor & Company of the Bank of England in Chancery at the suit of Richard Postlethwait; and also in the Court of Exchequer at the suit of Ann Chaplin.—

Ordered,

£10 each to the Superin.ts of the Transfer Offices

That a Gratuity of £10 each be given to the following persons, being Supervisors of the several Transfer Offices, for one Year, ending the 16th Instant, Viz.t: Bank Stock and Long Annuities, Richard Gale, Thomas Gibble, and John Richter; £4 per Cents & £3 per Cents Navy Annuities, William Taylor, William Giles, James White, John Oswald Trotter, Samuel Kipp, Henry Vonholte, Nathaniel Martin, Thomas Batteman, Wingfield Turner and Mark Haggard, £3 per Cent Consols. Thomas Crockford, Thomas Carpenter, Thomas Nisbett, Lawrence Poppleton, and Samuel Leigh, Reduced Annuities, Edward Bamford, William Plestow Rogers.

Roger Parry, John Holloway, Richard Bowtell and George Bourchier Walker. £3 per Cents 1726. William Newcombe, Short Annuities, Thomas Brennand, Imperial Annuities, Thomas Reid, Irish Annuities, Thomas Francis; £3 p Cent, 1797. Silvester Lowden, Isaac Cooper and Charles Robert Neate.—

Ordered, That £3 be paid to Robert Bartrop in full satisfaction for three Bank Notes, £25 to Mary Wright for a Bank Note and £5 to Bridget Wilmot, for a Bank Note, the dexter parts of which are lost, upon their delivering up the sinister parts thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting; and also £1 to William Gill, for a Bank Note, and £3 to Thomas Walker for two Bank Notes, the greater part of which is alledged to have been burnt, and the dates and numbers thereof cannot be ascertained; — the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.—

Rob.t Bartrop £3.
Mary Wright £25.
B. Wilmot 5
W.m Gill 1
Tho.s Walker 3
for Bank Notes part lost &c.

The Answer of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England to the Bill of Complaint in Chancery of Christian Vincent and others having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting, was read and sealed with the Common Seal in Court.—

Bank Ans.r to the Bill in Chan.y of Vincent & ors Sealed.—

The following Letter from the Committee of Treasury of the East India Company being read, Viz.t

"Gentlemen

"The Committee of Treasury of the East India Company, request of the Governor & Directors of the Bank, that the payment of One Hundred Thousand

Let. from the E. I. Comp.y

"thousand Pounds, on account of the Loan
"of Seven hundred thousand Pounds on
"Mortgage of £1,207,559..16..- East India
"Annuities, may be postponed for the further
"term of two Months, from the 17th instant.
"We have the honor to be,
"Gentlemen
"East India House "Your most obedient
"the 16th Nov.r 1803". "humble Servants

"The Governor & Directors" "Jacob Bosanquet
"of the Bank of England". "John Roberts".-

Resolved,

That this Court do agree to the proposal made in the above Letter.-

Complied with

Messrs. Sushingtons and Mavor having made application to the Court for an accommodation of Twenty thousand Pounds, for twelve Months, on Bills, upon the following persons, at two Months, to be renewed every five succeeding two Months, Viz.t

Applicn. fm Messrs Sushingtons & Co. for accommodation.-

Ralph Leycester Esq. South Audley Street	£5,000.
Richard Barwell Esq. Arlington Street	5,000.
David Scott Esq. New Bond Street	5,000.
Edward Russell Howe Esq. Fitzroy Square	5,000
	£20,000

each of the Bills to be mutually drawn in favor of Messrs. Sushingtons and Mavor, and to be endorsed by them.-

Resolved,

Complied with.

That this Court do comply with the said application; and that it be referred to the Committee of Treasury, to carry the same into effect.-

24 Nov. 1803.

A Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 24th Novr. 1803.

Present

Joseph Nutt Esq. Governor.
Benjamin Winthrop Esq. Dep. Gov.

Thomas Boddington Esq.	Samuel Thornton Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet Esq.	Stephen Thornton Esq.
Bicknell Coney, Esq.	Brook Watson Esq. Ald.
Edward Darell, Esq.	John Bowden Esq.
Thomas Lewis, Esq.	Cornelius Buller, Esq.
Beeston Long, Esq.	George Dorrien, Esq.
Sir Richard Neave Bart.	William Manning Esq.
Charles Pole, Esq.	Jeremiah Olive, Esq.
Thomas Raikes Esq.	John Pearse, Esq.
Edward Simeon Esq.	Nath. Bogle French Esq.
Henry Smith, Esq.	John Whitmore Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Out Cash right.

Mr. French reported the Out Cash to have been taken in & found right.

Quarterly Gen. Court appd.

Ordered, That a Quarterly General Court be held at the Bank on Thursday the 15th December next, at eleven in the forenoon: and that the usual advertisements be given thereof.

Thos. Thompson Def. in his Security.

The Secretary acquainted the Court that Thomas Lawrence, a Security in £500 for Thomas Thompson, is deceased.

Ordered, That the said Thomas Thompson do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Thomas Lawrence.

Edw. Smith £35.

Ordered, That £35 be paid to Edward Smith in full satisfaction

Chas. Box £5. Thos. Evans £1 for Bank Notes &c. part destroyed.—

satisfaction for a Bank Post Bill and three Bank Notes, the sinister parts of which are lost, and £5 to Charles Box for a Bank Note, part of which has been destroyed, upon their delivering up the respective remaining parts thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting; and also £1 to Thomas Evans, for a Bank Note, which is alledged to have been burnt, the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.—

Bank's Ans.rs to Bill of Compl.t in Chan.y of Jno. Ross &c.rs and Firmin De Tastet

Sealed

The several Answers of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, to the respective Bills of Complaint in Chancery of John Ross and others, and Firmin de Tastet, having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting, were read and Sealed with the Common Seal in Court.—

Ordered

Bank to be defended in Chan.y at Jno. Chinnery's suit.—

That Messrs. Winter & Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in Chancery at the suit of John Chinnery.

Resolved,

7 Servants Elected.—

That Seven Servants be now chosen.

Then the several petitions of John Bentley, recommended by the Governor pursuant to an Order of this Court, the 3d. Jan.y 1799. John Bradney Rippon recommended by the Dep.y Gov.r William Hilton Price, recommended by Mr. Ald.n Watson William Slack recommended by Mr. Thellusson Richard Smith, recommended by Mr. Clive, Thomas Mose, recommended by Mr. Smith & James Kearsley recommended by Mr. Buller, for employment were read, and having been examined and approved by one of the Committee, appointed

appointed the 3d. instant, they were all by the Ballot elected Servants to the Bank during pleasure at the Wages of £30 ℔ Annum each, except John Bentley, John Bradney Rippon and Thomas Rose, Aged 18 Years at £20 ℔ Ann. each, and James Kearsley Aged 20 Years, at £40 per Annum, and were Sworn.

Wm. Plestow Discharged

Ordered, That William Plestow (now under Suspension) be discharged the Service of the Bank.

Refer. to the Commee. of Treas. respect. Silver Coinage.

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee of Treasury to consider the present State of the Silver Coinage, and that they be empowered to confer with his Majesty's Ministers, if they deem it expedient, with a View of promoting so desirable an Object, as the increase of the Silver Coinage of the Kingdom.

Do. respect. Copper Coinage.

Resolved That the Committee be requested also to direct their attention to the Copper Coinage; and to endeavor to promote the increase of it, if found necessary: and to report their opinion, when Convenient to this Court.

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1 Dec.r 1803

Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 1st Dec.r 1803.

Present.

Joseph Nutt Esq. Governor.
Benjamin Winthrop Esq. Dep.y Gov.r

Thomas Boddington Esq.	Samuel Thornton Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet Esq.	Stephen Thornton Esq.
Bicknell Coney Esq.	Sir Brook Watson Bar.t Ald.n
Thomas Lewis Esq.	John Bowden Esq.
Beeston Long Esq.	Cornelius Buller Esq.
Sir Richard Neave Bar.t	George Dorrien Esq.
Charles Pole Esq.	William Manning Esq.
Thomas Raikes Esq.	Jeremiah Oline Esq.
Edward Simeon Esq.	John Pearse Esq.
Henry Smithe Esq.	John Whitmore Esq

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Tho.s Reid & Jn.o Rogers def.t in their Securit.y

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that Thomas Hills, a Security in £500 for Thomas Reid, and Daniel Fenn, a Security in £1000 for John Rogers, are both Deceased.

Ordered,

That the said Thomas Reid and John Rogers do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Thomas Hills and Daniel Fenn.

Bank to be def.t in the C.t of Exch.r

Ordered,

That Mess.rs Winter and Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in the Court of Exchequer at the respective Suit, of Abraham Ergas and Nathaniel Robart, and another.

Rev.d J. Southan £15
Edm.d Farmer £40

Ordered,

That £15 be paid to the Rev.d John Southan in full satisfaction for a Bank Note lost above twelve Months ago, £40 to Edmund Farmer

Sarh Stokoe £5 & J.C. Prentice £5 for Bank Notes lost &c.

Farmer, and £5 to Sarah Stokoe, for two Bank Notes, the dexter parts of which are lost, and £5 to John Chibnell Prentice for a Bank Note, the sinister part of which is lost, upon their giving security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting and the respective remaining parts of the three last mentioned Notes, being delivered up; the Committee of Treasury, having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.

Application from Coleman St. Ward Association.

An Application having been made from the Alderman, and Military Committee of Coleman Street Ward, for an additional Subscription towards defraying the Expences of the Association.

50 Guins Subscribed.

Resolved, That the Governor be empowered to Subscribe Fifty Guineas, to the Military Committee of the Ward of Coleman Street, towards defraying the necessary Charges attending the Military Association of the said Ward.

Report respg. Wm Byrne's absence.

It having been reported that William Byrne of the Drawing Office in the Accountants Office, had been sometime absent from his Duty without leave,

Suspended &c.

Ordered, That the said William Byrne be suspended; and that Notice be given him, to attend on Thursday next.

8 Decr 1803.

A Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 8th Decr 1803

Present.

Joseph Nutt Esq. Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop Esq. Dep. Gov.

Thomas Boddington Esq.	Samuel Thornton Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet Esq.	Stephen Thornton Esq.
Bicknell Coney, Esq.	Sr. Brook Watson Bt. Ald.
Beeston Long, Esq.	John Bowden Esq.
Sir Richard Neave Bart.	William Manning Esq.
Charles Pole Esq.	Jeremiah Olive Esq.
Thomas Raikes Esq.	John Pearse Esq.
Edward Simeon Esq.	Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq.
Henry Smith, Esq.	John Whitmore Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Cut Cash right.

Mr. Coney reported the Cut Cash, to have been taken in and found right.

Exchr. Bills &c. Rep. reported by Mr. Dep. Gov.

Mr. Deputy Governor reported Mr. Gimingham's account of Exchequer Bills, Notes and Cash, the Exchequer Bills in circulation on account of Government, in the Iron Chest, and also the Bank Notes in the Custody of the Cashiers, to have been examined by himself and divers Directors and found right.

Howel Davies Stewart for. Dft. in their Sec.y

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that Richard Price, a Security in £1000 for Howel Davies Stewart, Samuel Andrews Senr. a Security in £250 for Samuel Andrews, Stephen Jarvis a Security in £500 for Peter Pineau, and the Revd. Edward Phillips a Security in £500 for Timothy Scott, are all deceased.

Ordered,

That the said Howel Davies Stewart Samuel Andrews, Peter Pineau and Timothy Scott

Scott do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Richard Price, — Samuel Andrews deceased, Stephen Jarvis, and Edward Phillips. —

Ordered,

Rob.t Turner £15
I.T Pack — 15
I. Shepcut — 75
I. Weston — 18
W. Duck — 5 — for Bank Notes &c.a lost &c.a —

That £15 be paid to Robert Turner in full satisfaction for a Bank Note and £15 to John Thomas Pack for two Bank Notes, — lost above twelve Months ago, £75 to James Shepcutt for ten Bank Notes, £18 to John Weston for three Bank Notes and a Bank Post Bill, and £5 to William Duck for a Bank Note, the sinister parts of which are lost, upon their giving security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting, and the dexter parts of the said Bank Post Bill and fourteen Bank Notes being delivered up; and also £2 to Cornelius

C Bockley £2
A Stubbs £1 for Bk Notes lost &c.a —

Bockley and £1 to Ann Stubbs for two Bank Notes which have been washed to pieces, and the — number and dates thereof cannot be ascertained, the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto. —

Banks Ans.r to 2 Bills in Chancery

The several Answers of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England to the respective Bills of Complaint in Chancery of John Chinery and Grace Ann Williams and others, having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting, were read and Sealed with the Common Seal in Court. —

Sealed

Upon reading the petition of David price,

Ordered,

David Price quits &c.a —

That the said David Price at his request have leave to quit the Service of the Bank, and that he be allowed £200, per Annum during pleasure in consideration of his infirm State of

Health

Health, and faithful services of upwards of thirty Years.—

Ltr from Hudson's Bay Co.—

A Letter from the Committee of Treasury of the Hudson's Bay Company, dated the 7th Instant, addressed to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of England, (being now read) desiring that Mr Alexander Lean, their Secretary, may be permitted to overdraw Ten Thousand pounds, in addition to the Ten Thousand pounds already granted making together Twenty Thousand Pounds, till the 7th February next;— the same was agreed to and Ordered accordingly, at the rate of £4 per Cent. per annum Interest.—

agreed to.—

15 Dec.r 1803.

Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 15th. Dec.r 1803.—

Present.

Joseph Nutt Esq.r Governor.
Benjamin Winthrop Esq.r Dep.y Gov.r

Thomas Boddington Esq.r	Sir Brook Watson B.t Ald.n
Samuel Bosanquet Esq.r	John Bowden Esq.r
Bicknell Coney Esq.r	Cornelius Buller Esq.r
Edward Darell Esq.r	William Manning Esq.r
Charles Pole Esq.r	Jeremiah Olive Esq.r
Edward Simeon Esq.r	John Pearse Esq.r
Henry Smith Esq.r	—and—
Stephen Thornton Esq.r	John Whitmore Esq.r

The proceedings of the last Court were read.—

Court adjourned.— The Court adjourned till after the rising of the General Court.—

held again. The Court was held again pursuant to the said Adjournment.—

Wm. Byrne discharged. Ordered, That William Byrne now under suspension, be discharged the Service of the Bank.—

Thos.s Middleton & ors. Def.ts in their Sec.s The Secretary acquainted the Court that Richard Mullens, a Security in £500 for Thomas Middleton, and Robert Thornton, a Security in £500 for Thomas Baxter, are both deceased, and that Harry Hale, a Security in £500 for Samuel Turner is become insolvent.—

Ordered, That the said Thomas Middleton Thomas Baxter and Samuel Turner, do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Richard Mullens, Robert Thornton and Harry Hale.—

Ordered

15 Dec.r 1803.

Ordered.

Bank to be def.d in the C.t of Exch.r

That Messrs. Winter and Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, in the Court of Exchequer, at the suit of William Spencer and others.

Ordered,

Rob.t Kite £10.
S.N Barber. 10.
J. Rogers. 10.
H Lloyd ... 5.
R Whitmarsh - 5 for B.k post Bills &c.d lost.

That £10 be paid to Robert Kite, in full satisfaction for a Bank Post Bill lost above twelve Months ago, £10 to Stephen Nicholson Barber, for a Bank post Bill the sinister part of which is lost, £10. to John Rogers and £5 to Hugh Lloyd for two Bank Notes, the dexter parts of which are lost, and £5 to Robert Whitmarsh, for a Bank Note, which has been washed to pieces; upon their giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting, and the respective remaining parts of the said Bill and Notes, being delivered up; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers, relating thereto.

Bank's Ans.r to a Bill in Chan.r

The Answer of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England to the Bill of complaint in Chancery of Richard Postlethwaite, having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting was read and Sealed with the Common Seal in Court.

Sealed.

Release to Geo. Stanley resp.g a Bill of Exch.r

A Release from the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, to George Stanley, one of the Cut Tellers of the Bank, from all Claims and demands, against the said George Stanley in respect of a Bill of Exchange for £235. 3. 6 dated 11 June 1803, drawn by Sanderson Turner Sturtevant, upon Samuel Webb of Wheeler Street Spital fields, Tallow Chandler; in order to render the said George Stanley a Competent

Witness

Witness for the Bank in an Action, to recover the amount of the said Bill; having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting, was read and sealed with the Common Seal in Court.—

A Letter from the Chancellor of the Exchequer being read, Viz.t

Downing Street.
Dec.r 14.th 1803.—

Let. from the Chan.r of the Exch.r relat.g to adv.s on the ann.l Tax Bills.—

"Gentlemen,

"I have to request that you will have the Goodness to propose to "Your Court, that the usual Advances should "be made on the annual Tax Bills, as soon "as they shall have receiv'd the Royal "Assent.—

"I have the honor to be, Gentlemen,
"Your most obedient
"& faithful Servant
"Henry Addington.—

"To the Governor
"and Deputy Governor
"of The Bank.—

Resolved,

agreed to.

That this Court do consent to make the usual advances for the ensuing Year, on the Malt Tax, and other Annual Duties, as soon as the Bill shall have received the Royal Assent, and the necessary Contracts for the same shall be signed.—

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22 Dec.r 1803.

A Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 22.nd Dec.r 1803.—

Present,

Joseph Nutt Esq.r Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop Esq.r Dep.y Gov.r

Thomas Boddington Esq.r	Stephen Thornton Esq.r
Samuel Bosanquet Esq.r	John Bowden Esq.r
Bicknell Coney Esq.r	Cornelius Buller Esq.r
Thomas Lewis Esq.r	William Manning Esq.r
Beeston Long Esq.r	Jeremiah Olive Esq.r
Charles Pole Esq.r	John Pearse Esq.r
Edward Simeon Esq.r	and,
Henry Smith Esq.r	John Whitmore Esq.r

The proceedings of the last Court were read.—

Cut Cash right.— Mr. Simeon reported the Cut Cash to have been taken in and found right.—

Ordered,

Usual Gratuities at Xtmas.— That the following Gratuities be given to the several persons hereafter Named. Viz.t

Edward Bentley, Joshua Pitt, and Nicholas Pamphilion £10 each, for their Services in the Library.—

Charles Triquet £10, for his Services in the Bill Office.—

Samuel Cooper, 12 Guineas.—
George Banks, £10.
Joseph Shackell £8.
Mr. Walton the Accountant,— his Maid 5 Guineas
The Housekeeper's Maid, 2 Guineas.—
The eight Bullion porters £82.
The eight Bullion Porters, and the four Gate Porters, 5 Guineas each, in lieu of Perquisites and Christmas Boxes, which have usually been received by them from the Clerks.—

The

The 24 House Porters and Watchmen, and the four Watchmen, who are not House Porters, Ten Guineas each, in lieu of the Separate Gratuities which have usually been given to them at this time, pursuant to an Order of this Court the 6th October 1803.–

Benjamin Goodwin the Watchman in Bartholomew Lane, 2 Guineas.–

John Griffin £10 for carrying the daily Chancery Accounts to Chancery Lane.

Ordered, That the Exchequer Porters, be paid their usual allowance, of £7.10, for the half Year ending the 25th instant.–

Exch.r Porters £7.10

Ordered, That £100 be paid to Thomas Evans, in full satisfaction for a Bank Post Bill lost above twelve Months ago, upon his giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in Waiting;– and also £2 to Thomas Smith, and £1 to David Hughes, for two Bank Notes, which have been washed to pieces, and the Numbers and dates thereof cannot be ascertained; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.–

Thos. Evans £100.
Thos. Smith 2
David Hughes 1
a Bk Post Bill &c. lost.–

Resolved, That the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury may be accommodated with a Sum not exceeding Two Millions, upon the Duty on Pensions, Offices, Personal Estates &c. 1804 (instead of the Land Tax,) at not less than £4 per Cent. per Ann: Interest.–

Lords of the Treasury 2 Mill.s on annual Duties.–

An.

agreem.t for the 2 Mills.—

An Agreement between the Right Honorable the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, and the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, dated this Day, for exchanging and circulating a Sum not exceeding two Millions in Exchequer Bills, made or to be made forth upon the Credit of an Act of Parliament lately passed, for granting and continuing the Duty on pensions Offices, and personal Estates &c.a for the Service of the Year 1804, from the time or times of issuing thereof, to the expiration of the said Agreement, at the Interest or Premium of £4 p Cent. per Annum, having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting, was read and sealed, with the common Seal in Court.—

Sealed

Resolved,

That the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury may be accommodated with a Sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty thousand pounds upon the Malt Duty 1804, at not less than £4 per Cent. per Ann. Interest.—

Lord of the Treas.y £750.000 on the Malt Duty.—

Agreem.t for D.o—

An Agreement between the Right Honble the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, and the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, dated this day, for exchanging and circulating a Sum not exceeding Seven hundred and fifty thousand pounds in Exchequer Bills, made or to be made forth upon the Credit of an Act of Parliament lately passed, for granting and continuing the Duties on Malt &c.a for the service of the Year 1804, from the time or times of issuing thereof, to the expiration of the said Agreement, at the Interest, or Premium of £4 per Cent. per Annum; having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting.

Sealed.

22 Dec. 1803.

waiting, was read and Sealed with the Common Seal in in Court.—

Ordered.

Geo. Watkins adv. £10.—

That the Wages of George Watkins be advanced £10 per Annum, to commence from the 10th. October last, pursuant to an Order of this Court, the 18th. October 1790, he having been upwards of four Years in the Service of the Bank.—

Upon reading the following Letter from the Committee of Treasury of the East India Company, Viz.t

Le. from the East India Comp.y.—

"Gentlemen,

"The Committee of Treasury of the East India Company, request of the Governor and Directors of the Bank, that the payment of £500.000 advanced upon Exchequer Bills, on the 2nd. 22d. July last, and 12th. October, may be postponed for two Months, from the 27th. instant.—

"We have the honor to be,

"Gentlemen,

"Your most obedient humble Servants,

"East India House 25st. December 1803."

"The Governor and Directors of the Bank of England."—

"Jacob Bosanquet

"John Roberts."—

Resolved,

Complied with.

That this Court do comply with the request, made in the above Letter.—

Report from the Com.ee for the Print.g Office &c.a.—

The Quarterly Report of the Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office &c.a was read and approved.—

The

22 Dec.r 1803

The following Letter from the Directors of the London Dock Company, being read. Viz.t

Le from the London Dock Comp.y

"London Dock House,
December 21.st 1803.-

"Gentlemen,

"We are desired by the Court "of Directors of the London Dock Company, to "apply to you, for a Sum not exceeding — "Fifty thousand Pounds, and we request — "you will permit us to draw for that Sum — "upon our Notes at two Months date, with "the liberty of renewing the Notes for two "Months more if it should be required." —

"We have the honor to be
"Gentlemen,
"Your most obedient
"humble Servants
"E. Forster
"W.m Devaynes
"Cha.s Mills
"Sam.l Turner
"Philip Sansom
"Tho.s King.-

"B. Long
"Tho.s Boddington
"Alex.r Champion.

"To the Governor, Deputy
"Governor & Directors of
"the Bank of England."-

Resolved,

That this Court do comply with the said application, and that it be referred to the Committee of Treasury to carry the same into effect. —

Complied with &c.

Gov.r reports a Deputation from the Bankers on the Silver Coin.-

The Governor acquainted the Court, that a Deputation of Bankers, from Lombard Street, had waited on the Committee of Treasury, to represent, the extreme difficulty and inconvenience which has occurred in transacting their business, through the want of Silver and small Coin; and requesting that the Bank, would take some measures to relieve them, either by issuing Dollars, or in any other way — which the Court of Directors, may think best.-

Resolved.-

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Resolved.

The Govr & Dep. Govr to wait on the Chanr of the Exchr respg the issue of Dollars

That the Governor and Deputy Governor; be requested to wait on the Chancellor of the Exchequer, to know his Opinion, whether it would be adviseable for the Bank to issue Dollars, for the accommodation of the public; either with or without a Stamp, if any Quantity can be procured; and to consult with him, at what rate per Dollar, it will be adviseable that they should be issued.—

Resolved,

a Comee appd to examine into the State of the Discts

That a Committee be appointed to examine into the present State of the Discounts; and to report their opinion to the Court:— That the Committee do consist of Mr. Manning, Mr. Simeon, Mr. Dorrien, Mr. Smith and Mr. Bowden.—

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A Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 29th December, 1803.

Present.—

Joseph Nutt Esq.r Governor.—

Benjamin Winthrop Esq.r Dep.y Gov.r

Thomas Boddington Esq.r	Sir Brook Watson Bt.t Ald.n
Samuel Bosanquet Esq.r	John Bowden Esq.r
Bicknell Coney Esq.r	Cornelius Buller Esq.r
Thomas Lewis Esq.r	George Dorrien Esq.r
Beeston Long Esq.r	William Manning Esq.r
Charles Pole Esq.r	Jeremiah Olive Esq.r
Edward Simeon Esq.r	John Pearse Esq.r
Henry Smith Esq.r	and
Stephen Thornton Esq.r	John Whitmore Esq.r

The proceedings of the last Court were read.—

Quarterly Reports of the Com.ees of Insp.n

The Quarterly Report of the Committees of Inspection for the Stock Offices, and the Drawing Office &c.a were read and approved.—

Resolved,

Gratuities to Edw.d Bentley & ors.—

That the Gratuities to Edward Bentley & others for posting the Bills and Notes into the Discount Ledgers, be referred for consideration to the Committee for the Drawing Office &c.a

The Governor and Deputy Gov.r waid on the Chancellor of the Exch.r regarding a proposed issue of Dollars.

The Governor reported, that in conformity to the Resolution of the last Court, in Company with the Deputy Governor, he had waited on the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and had laid before him the Resolution of the last Court, respecting a proposed issue of Dollars; and that the Chancellor of the Exchequer, had expressed his Approbation of the Measure: and proposed that the Dollars should be issued at Five Shillings each, and with a Stamp such as should be fixed on, and that he had farther

informed

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East India Co - will accomodate the Bank with Dollars.

informed them, the East India Company would accommodate the Bank, with the Dollars, they have lying there, in order to increase the quantity to be issued. —

Amount of the East Ind. Comp^y's Dollars. £90 000 purch^d.

The Governor informed the Court, that the East India Company's Dollars amount to about 325,000, — and that he had lately purchased 90, 000, in the Market. —

Resolved,

Refered to the Commee of Treas.

That it be referred to the Committee of Treasurry to consider of the best mode of issuing these Dollars, for the accommodation of the — Public, and of such others as can be purchased, and to take the necessary Steps therein. —

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Court of Directors at the Bank

on Thursday the 5th January 1804.

Joseph Null Esq: Governor,

Benjamin Winthrop, Esq: Dep: Govr:-

Thomas Boddington Esq:	John Bowden Esq:
Samuel Bosanquet Esq:	Cornelius Buller Esq:
Bicknell Coney, Esq:-	George Dorrien Esq:
Thomas Lewis, Esq:-	Jeremiah Olive Esq:-
Beeston Long, Esq:-	John Pearse, Esq:-
Henry Smith Esq:-	~, and ~
Stephen Thornton Esq:-	John Whitmore Esq:

The proceedings of the last Court were read.-

Out Cash right.

Mr. Bowden reported the Out Cash to have been taken in and found right.-

Report from the Comrs. of Treasury.-

The Quarterly Report of the Committee of Treasury was read and approved.-

Report from the Comrs. for the House & Servants

The Deputy Governor reported from the Committee for the House and Servants, that the Committee had ordered payment of the Wages of the servants amounting to £19,127.14.10 and the Tradesmen's Bills, amounting to £18224.14.2 for the Quarter ending this 5th instant: That Mr. Newland's account of Petty Charges was examined and allowed and a Warrant was given him on the Cashiers for £2000, for which he is to account; That the Storekeeper's account of Pens and other articles used in this House was examined and allowed, and that the Gate Porter, had been examined as to the behaviour of the Watchmen and had no Complaint.-

Ordered.-

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54 Guin.s to the Officers of the Exch.r

Ordered,

That the New Years Gifts amounting to Fifty four Guineas, be given to the Officers of the Exchequer.

Wm Dickinson Def.t in his Security.

The Secretary acquainted the Court that William Bates a Security in £250 for William Dickinson is deceased.

Ordered,

That the said William Dickinson, do forthwith, provide other Security in the room of the said William Bates.

Jos.h Fortescue £100.
Jas Barnett £1, &
Jn.o Limbrook £1, for
Bk Post Bills &c.a

Ordered,

That £100 be paid to Joseph Fortescue Esq.r in full satisfaction for ten Bank Post Bills lost by the post, upon his giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting: — £1 to James Barnett, for a Bank Note, part of which is burnt, and £1 to John Limbrook for a Bank Note, part of which is destroyed, the Numbers and Dates thereof cannot be ascertained, the Committee of Treasury, having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.

Bank to be defended in Chan.y

Ordered,

That Messrs. Winter & Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in Chancery, at the suit of William Winter junior.

Refer.d to the Com.tee for the print.g Office &c.a

Resolved,

That it be referred to the Committee of Inspection for the printing Office &c.a to enquire, whether any and how many Clerks can be taken from the Accountants Office, by relieving that Office of the Posting the Bills and Notes discounted into the Discount Ledgers

Ordered

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Ordered,

Gratuities to Edwd Bentley &ors. –

That £800 be given to Edward Bentley and others, being 30 in Number, for their Services in Posting the Bills and Notes into the Discount Legers. –

Ordered,

That an additional Gratuity of £500 be given to Edward Bentley and others, for posting the Bills and Notes discounted, in consideration of the increase of that branch of business in the Course of the last Year. –

Lres from the Chan. of the Exch.r & The E.I. Comp.y relatg to Dollars. –

The Governor laid before the Court the following Letters, from the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the Chairman of the East India Company, relating to the Mode of issuing of Dollars, which was referred to the Committee of Treasury by the last Court. – Viz.t

Downing Street
"January y.e 2.d 1804." –

"Gentlemen,

"In consequence of the
"Inconveniences occasion'd by a deficiency of
"Silver Coin, it appears to be desireable to resort
"to a measure, similar to that which was
"successfully adopted in the Year 1797. – I should
"therefore recommend that Dollars, previously
"mark'd at the Mint, should be issued to
"such persons as may be willing to receive
"them, to an extent not exceeding £250,000. –
"The Dollars should of course be payable
"at the Bank at the rate at which they may
"be issued: and that Rate should be such, as
"may on the One hand, avoid the probability
"of their being melted down into Bullion;
"or on the other, of giving occasion to

the

"the circulation of Dollars, on which the Mint
"Stamp may be counterfeited."-
"I have the honor to be,
"Gentlemen
"Your most obedient,
"and faithful Servant
"Henry Addington"-

"The Governor,-
"and Deputy Governor
"of the Bank.-

"Gentlemen
"Having consulted with His
"Majesty's Government, on the Subject of
"your application to me of last Week,
"desiring that the Secret Committee would
"accommodate the Bank, either with the
"Loan or Sale of the Dollars belonging to
the East India Company, now in their possession;
"I have the directions of the Secret Committee,
"to inform you, that under the representation
"that has been made to them, of the great
"accommodation which the use of these Dollars
"would prove to the public interests at the
"present moment, they have consented to
"accommodate the Bank with the Loan of the
"same."-

"But I am desired at the same time to
"represent, that as the wants of the Company are
"in the present Moment very urgent, for
"Silver both for India & China, they entertain a
"confident reliance, that every exertion will be made
"by the Bank to replace the same, on or before
"the middle of March, without cutting off by their
"purchases in the Market, those resources, upon
"which the Company have a good deal depended,
"for a further supply of their wants."-
"I have the honor to be, Gentlemen
"Your obedient humble Serv.t

"East India House
"31 December 1803.

"Jacob Bosanquet.-
"Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank"-

The

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Report respecting the Comm.ee for the Notes

The Deputy Governor informed the Court, that the Names of the Gentlemen appointed to form the Committee for doing the Notes Yesterday, were Sir Richard Neave, Mr. Darell, Mr. Coney, Mr. Whitmore, Mr. French and Mr. Pole.— and that the following Gentlemen attended by themselves, or Substitutes.— Viz.t Mr. Darell, Mr. Coney, Mr. Whitmore and Mr. Smith for Mr. French.—



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Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday the 12th. January, 1804.

Present.—

Joseph Nutt, Esq: Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop Esq: Dep: Gov.

Thomas Boddington, Esq:	Stephen Thornton Esq:
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq:	Sr. Brook Watson Bart. & Ald.
Bicknell Coney, Esq:	John Bowden, Esq:
Nath. Bogle French Esq:	Cornelius Buller, Esq:
Thomas Lewis, Esq:	George Dorrien, Esq:
Beeston Long, Esq:	William Manning Esq:
Sr. Richard Neave, Esq:	Jeremiah Olive, Esq:
Charles Pole, Esq:	John Pearse, Esq:
Henry Smith, Esq:	and
Samuel Thornton Esq:	John Whitmore Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Thos. Crockfords and ors deft. in their Sec.

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that James Fenoulhet, a Security in £500 for Thomas Crockford; John Cross a Security in £500 for Joshua Harris; and Thomas Swann a Security in £500 for Walter Fardinando, are all deceased.—

Ordered,

That the said Thomas Crockford, Joshua Harris and Walter Fardinando do forthwith — provide other Security in the room of the said — James Fenoulhet, John Cross, and Thomas Swann.

Bank to be deft. in Chan. & Exch.

Ordered, That Messrs. Winter and Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in Chancery at the Suit of Thomas Corlett; and also in the Court of Exchequer, at the Suit of Robert French.—

Wm. Allinson £1 for a Bank Note mutilated

Ordered, That £1 be paid to William Allinson, in full Satisfaction for a Bank Note, which is in a mutilated.—

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— mutilated State, and the number torn away, the Committee of Treasury having examined — and approved the Voucher relating thereto.—

The following Letter from the Committee of Treasury of the East India Company, being read, Viz.t

"Gentlemen.

Let. from the East Ind.a Company.— "The Committee of Treasury of the "East India Company, request of the Governor — "and Directors of the Bank, that the payment "of One hundred thousand pounds, on account of "the Loan of Seven hundred thousand pounds, "on Mortgage of £1,207,559. 16.. — East India "Annuities, may be postponed for the further "term of two Months, from the 17.th instant.—

"We have the honor to be.

"East India House "11.th January 1804". "Gentlemen "Your most obedient, "humble Servants, "Jacob-Bosanquet "John Roberts.—"

"The Governor and Directors of the — "Bank of England.—

Resolved, That this Court do agree to the proposal made in the above Letter.—

— agreed to.

P.r Havell Suspended The Governor acquainted the Court, that he had suspended Phillips Havell.—

Ordered, That his Suspension be continued; and that the Committee for the Printing Office &c.a be requested to enquire into the cause of his Absence.—

Referred to the Com.ee for the Printing Office.

Report fm Com.ee appd 22d Dec.r A Report from the Committee appointed the 22.nd December 1803 being read, Viz.t—

"The Committee appointed the 22.nd December "1803 to enquire into the State of the Discounts."

"Report to the Court.

That

"That it appears upon an examination of the "Proceedings of the Court of Directors, from the earliest "period that the attention of the Court has been "repeatedly called to the business of the Discounts; and various Orders have been adopted in consequence:— "Some of these Orders are extracted for the information "of the Court.—

"In the Year 1694 it was required, to know "particularly, the Discounter and the Acceptors of "all Bills and Notes, brought for Discount.— "By an Order of the 1st. May 1700, No Notes, are "to be discounted to pay other Notes due, by the "same persons. (These two Orders have been "frequently repeated from time to time.)— By "an Order of the 30th. August 1711, No Bills which "have been once refused, shall be again offered "for Discount.— By an Order of the 15th. June "1732, No Bill or Note, to be discounted by "procuration, unless a Copy of such procuration "be left at the Bank."—

"So early as the 28 June 1699, all Inland "Bills, were required to be of £20 and upwards, and "no Subsequent Order can be found to alter that "regulation, although the practice of the Bank "is different.— In 1715 and 1718 Discounting was "intirely suspended for short Periods, but no "reason was assigned.—

"The Committee have caused to be made "out Six different Statements, Viz.: No. 1, a "General List of Discounters, classed according to "their Trades, and the Amount of their Separate "Accounts, as well as the Amount of each branch of "Trade with the Bank, on the 1st. July 1803, and the "1st. January 1804".—

"No 2. The amount of each branch of Trade "in Discounts, with the Bank of England, in the "Months of January and July 1800, 1801, 1802, 1803."

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"No. 3. Account of the increase and decrease of each branch of Trade, in Discount with the Bank of England, from the 1st. July 1803. to the 1st. January 1804.

"No. 4. Account of the Number of Bills and Notes discounted 1800, 1801, 1802, 1803.-

"No. 5. Account of the increase of Discount of Six of the most extensive Lines of Business, between January 1800, and January 1804.-

"No. 6. Account of the particular Houses which have had a constant Discount,- exceeding £10,000, at the Periods of January 1800, July 1803 and January 1804.-

"From these Accounts, it will appear, that the total Amount of the Discount, in January 1800, was £6,602,972,- in July 1803 £11,013,084:- and on the first of the present Month £12,556,068,- that the Number of Discounters in Jan.y 1800 was 1185,- and on the first of this Month 1340.- That in the course of the last six Months, 52 branches of Trade, have increased £1,925,662.- And 15 Branches of Trade have decreased £382,678, making the Total increase of the last Six Months, more than One Million and a half.

The Committee have selected six of the most extensive Lines of business as in Schedule marked No. 5, which have increased in Discount since Jan.y 1800, a period of 4 Years £2,900,000 and have also added a List of such Houses, in the above branches of Trade, who have had a constant Discount of more than £10,000 at three different periods within the last four years.-

"The Committee were desirous of ascertaining whether the proportion of the increase of the total amount of Discounts had arisen from the Notes or Bills? No such account, could be made out, but

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"but in Schedule, No. 1 the number of the Bills and "the number of the Notes, at the different periods, "are there Stated, and it is found that the number "of the Notes, is generally one fifth of the number of "Bills. —

"The Committee submit these — "Statements for the Consideration of the Court, and "forbear to make any remark upon them, until "they have learned the inclination of the Court "as to the general or partial reduction of the "Discounts: the propriety of enforcing the "established Orders of the Court: or as to the "necessity of forming new Regulations." —

"Wm. Manning,
"George Dorrien,
"Bank of England "H. Smith,
"12th. January 1804." — "John Bowden." —

Resolved,

Report referred with further instructions

That it be referred to the said Committee to collect such other documents, as they may find necessary for the further information of the Court. — particularly,

The Amount of the Acceptances of all the Bankers in London, in the hands of the Bank

The proportion of Discounts in Notes and Bills. —

Average amount of Bills under £20. —

The following Report from the Committee of Inspection for the Stock Offices was read, Viz.t

Report on the Forgery by Ann Hurle. —

"The Committee of Inspection for the — "Stock Offices,

"Report to the Court of Directors,

"That they have investigated the late Forgery "in

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"in the Reduced Annuities, and it appears that "a Transfer of £100 was made on the 1st. December "last by Ann Hurle, who personated her Aunt "Jane Hurle, in whose Name the Stock stood, "that Mr. Marter was the Broker, and signed "the Transfer Book, vouching the Identity "of the Transferrer. –

"Upon inspecting the Transfer, there "is a Blot completely obliterating the "Signature of Ann Hurle, which evidently "appears to have been done intentionally, by "a finger dipped in Ink: and from Answers "to Questions put to Mr. Newcombe, one of the "Heads of the Office, and Mr. Strickland the "Witnessing Clerk, the Committee are convinced "the Blot was so made between the Morning "of the 22nd. December, and Noon of the 23d. –

"The Book has not been used for Transfers "since the discovery of the Forgery; but has "necessarily laid on the Counter for the current "business of the Office. – On the 21st & 22nd "December, the Clerks worked late in the Office "but neither Mr. Newcombe nor Mr. Strickland "attach suspicion to any of them. –

"The Committee conceiving that a Broker "of the Name of Francillon, might give some "Suggestion on the Subject, examined him "closely thereon; but were not able to collect "any useful information from him. –

"The Committee upon the whole, have "to lament the Improbability of tracing "this Matter to its Author; and they are "in justice bound to Report, that they do not "find any cause to attach blame to any of "the Clerks in the Office: but have manifest

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"reason, to blame the Conduct of Mr. Marter,
"the Broker, who so identified the person of
"Ann Hurle, when personating Jane Hurle,
"with whom it appears, he is totally unacquainted".

"Brook Watson,
"John Pearse
"Bank of England. "Thos. Lewis
the 12 January 1804.- "George Dorrien". -

Resolved,

Report to be considered. That the above report be taken into consideration on Thursday next. -

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Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 19th. January 1804

Present.-

Joseph Nutt Esq: Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop Esq: Dep.y Gov.r

Thomas Boddington, Esq:	Sr. Brook Watson Bar.t Gald.a
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq:	John Bowden Esq: -
Bicknell Coney, Esq: -	Cornelius Buller Esq:
Edward Darell, Esq: -	George Dorrien Esq:
Nath.l Bogle French, Esq: -	William Manning Esq:
Thomas Lewis, Esq: -	Jeremiah Olive Esq:
Beeston Long, Esq: -	John Pearse Esq: -
Charles Pole, Esq: -	And,
Henry Smith, Esq:	
Stephen Thornton, Esq:	John Whitmore Esq: -

The proceedings of the last Court were read.-

Cut Cash right. Mr. Bowden reported the Cut Cash to have been taken in and found right.-

Report of Ann Hurle's Forgery considered. The Report of the Committee for the Stock Offices, respecting the Forgery committed by Ann Hurle, being taken into Consideration. -

Resolved,

The Broker to be applied to, to make good the same? - That Mr. Marter the Broker who signed the Transfer Book, vouching the Identity of Ann Hurle, who personated Jane Hurle, not having any knowledge of her person, be applied to, to make good the £100 Reduced Annuities - transferred from the account of the said Jane Hurle. -

Ltr. from the South Sea Company. - A Letter from the Committee of Treasury of the South Sea Company, dated the 17th. instant. addressed to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of England (being now read) requesting that Mr. William Evans, their Cashier may be -

permitted

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permitted to overdraw for any Sum or Sums not exceeding Fifty thousand Pounds, till the 17th March next, and that all former Letters of Credit given by them on the said Company's Account may be cancelled; the same was agreed to and ordered accordingly, at the rate of £1 per Cent. per annum Interest.

H Gardiner £10, T Postlethwaite £100, T. Evershed, £15 N. Warren, £5 for a Bank post Bill &c.

Ordered

That £10 be paid to Henry Gardiner, in full satisfaction for a Bank Post Bill, and £100 to Thomas Postlethwaite for a Bank Note, which have been lost above twelve Months, £15 to Thomas Evershed, for seven Bank Notes, and £5 to Nicholas Warren, for a Bank Note, the dexter parts of which are lost, upon their delivering up the sinister parts of the eight last mentioned Notes, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting; and

Ja.s Knight £ors to be paid for £1. Notes burnt &c.a

also £1 to James Knight for four Bank Notes, and £1 each, to Joseph Smith, Isaac Wright, William Dovey and William Daines for four Bank Notes, which have been partly burnt or destroyed, and the Numbers and dates thereof cannot be ascertained; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.

Papers from the Discounts Commee

Several Papers relative to the Discount of Bills and Notes, being laid before the Court by the Committee appointed the 22nd December 1803, to enquire into the State of the Discounts.

Resolved

Referred to the Commee &c.a

That the said Papers be referred to the said Committee, and that they be requested to prepare a Report on this Subject, to be taken into consideration on Thursday the 2nd February next, and that the Court be summoned to meet on that day, at 10 o'Clock.

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Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 26th January 1804.

Present

Joseph Mutt, Esq: Governor
Benjamin Winthrop Esq: Dep.y Gov.r

Thomas Boddington Esq:	Stephen Thornton Esq:
Samuel Bosanquet Esq:	John Bowden Esq:
Bicknell Coney, Esq:	Cornelius Buller Esq:
Nath.l Bogle French Esq:	George Dorrien Esq:
Thomas Lewis, Esq:	William Manning Esq:
Beeston Long, Esq:	Jeremiah Olive Esq:
Charles Pole, Esq:	and
Henry Smith, Esq:	John Pearse Esq:

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Ordered

Dan.l Fisher £5 & Ralph Currey £10.

That £5 be paid to Daniel Fisher, in full satisfaction for a Bank Note lost above twelve Months ago, and £10 to Ralph Currey for a Bank Note, the dexter part of which is lost, upon their giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting, and the sinister part of the last mentioned Note, being delivered up; and also £6 to Thomas Magee for three Bank Notes, which have been washed to pieces, and £1 to David Morgan for a Bank Note part of which has been destroyed, and the Dates and Numbers thereof cannot be ascertained; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.

Tho.s Magee £6. 4 D Morgan £1 for 3 Bk Notes lost &c.

Ordered

Bank to be defended in Chan.y &c.

That Messrs Winter & Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in Chancery, at the respective Suits of John Downes and another, and John Ilderton Burn, and also in the Court of Exchequer at the respective Suits of the Minister and Church Wardens of the Parish of Cockermouth and John Harkness.

2d Feb. 1804

Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 2nd Feby 1804.

Present:-

Joseph Nutt Esq: Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop Esq: Dep. Gov.

Thomas Boddington Esq:	Samuel Thornton, Esq:
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq:	Stephen Thornton Esq:
Bicknell Coney, — Esq:	Sir Brook Watson Bart. D. Gov.
Edward Darell, — Esq:	John Bowden, Esq: —
Nath.l Bogle French Esq:	Cornelius Buller, Esq:
Thomas Lewis, — Esq:	George Dorrien Esq:
Beeston Long, — Esq:	William Manning Esq:
Sir Richard Neave, Bart.	Jeremiah Olive, Esq: —
Charles Pole, — Esq:	John Pearse, Esq:
Thomas Raikes, — Esq:	Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq:
Edward Simeon, — Esq:	— and —
Henry Smith, — Esq:	John Whitmore Esq:

The Proceedings of the last Court were read.

The Second Report of the Committee appointed the 22nd December, 1803 to enquire into the State of the Discounts being read, Viz.t

2d Report of the Com.tee app.t 22d Dec.r last.-

"The Committee appointed the 22nd December "1803, to enquire into the state of the Discounts,

"Report to the Court of Directors,"

"That since their first Report of the 11th "January 1804, they have presented the following "papers, Viz.t

No. 7. Banker's Acceptances
" 8. Account of Notes & Bills, discounted, 1803.
" - The Average of Notes, discounted p.r Month.
" - The Average of Bills, discounted p.r Month.-
" 9 Account of Notes, discounted unpaid 16th Jan.y 1804.

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"No. 10. Account of Bills discounted unpaid
" under £20 the 16th January 1804.-
" 11. Account of Houses, which had upwards
" of £20,000 in Acceptances, upon their
" accounts, classed according to their
" Trades, on the 23rd January 1804.-

"The Committee examined the Chief of the Discount Office, whether the increase of the total amount of the Discounts, since the Year 1800 had been in a larger proportion of Notes, or of Bills of Exchange? It was his Opinion, that the increase was most in Notes and those chiefly between Traders".-

"Your Committee find this Opinion corroborated by papers before you, and therefore call the attention of the Court, in the first instance to adopt some regulation with respect to the discounting Notes in future".-

"The other points which they shall recommend to the Court, will be with regard to Banker's Acceptances, and to small Country Bills: with this View, they submit the following Questions, for consideration.-

1st That it be required to know particularly the Discounter, and Acceptor of all Bills and Notes, brought for Discount?

2nd That no Notes be discounted to pay other Notes due, by the same parties?

3rd That all Broker's Acceptances be limited to £30,000?

4th That Bankers and Merchants Acceptances be limited to £60,000?

"The third and fourth Regulations to take place from 1st May next".-

5th That no Bills under £20 be taken in for Discount?

With a View to furnish information to future Committees they recommend, that it be

referred

"referred to the proper Committee of Inspection,
"to enquire if the following Regulations could
"be made, without inconvenience to the Offices,
"and to report their opinion. -

" 1st " To have the account of the Notes, kept
" separate, from the Account of the Bills. -
" 2nd " That every Six Months, a List of those
" Discounters be made out, who, during
" the preceding three Years, have had a
" Constant accommodation in the way
" of Discount, to be divided into two
" Classes, the first Class, to consist of
" Merchants, Bankers and opulent —
" Traders, and whose Accounts have
" exceeded £10,000, at the several —
" periods when the General List of
" Discounters is taken. - The second
" Class, to consist of the remaining —
" Discounters who have had constantly
" £3000 on their Accounts, at the like
" periods. -

" Your Committee further recommend a
"revisal of the private Marks; and Submit to the
"Court, whether it might not be a useful Regulation,
"to order the Notes to be brought before the —
"Wednesday's Committee's, in their respective Lots
"in the same manner as is now done with the Bills.

"Your Committee is aware of the great —
"importance of the matter referred to them, and
"have given it the greatest attention, and wish
"it were in their power to state their opinion
"more at length upon the propriety of reducing
"the large amount of the advances upon Bills
"and Notes. - Every Director must be sensible
"that this branch of the Bank's business has
"grown to a very large extent; especially that part
"of it which comes before the Wednesday's —
"Committee, which on the 22nd December, 1803,
"amounted to £1,105,749-9-2 in Notes, passed
"and approved, besides those rejected. -

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"This has necessarily introduced a dispatch of "business inconsistent with the care and "circumspection formerly bestowed by the "Members of the Wednesday's Committees".—

"It is with a view to a gradual reduction "of the amount of Discounts, that Your Committee "have drawn Your attention to the Standing "Rules and Orders of the Court, and conceive "that if those Rules and Orders, had never "been departed from, that the different Accounts "would have been smaller, and the safest way "to effect the desirable purpose of reducing the "Discounts, would be by a strict adherence "to the Standing Rules of the Court: and such "new matter, as Your Committee have proposed "for Your deliberation".

"At a future period, the subject may be "taken up again, and further restrictions and "regulations made, adapted to the necessity of "the case".—

"Bank of England,—
"25th January 1804".

Opinion of the Court respecting Bills for Discount under £20.—

And It appearing to this Court, that the collection through the Discount Office, of so large a parcel of Bills under £20 is attended with a great increase of business to the House, without producing to the public an adequate accommodation.

And that it appears from the papers already delivered to the Court that the number of small Bills at present in the hands of the Bank amounts to 1156; and that the aggregate amount of them does not exceed the Sum of £16,969.2.3, under these circumstances,

Resolved,

Bills under £20 not to be discounted.—

That it is the opinion of this Court,— that no Bill under £20 should be received in the Office

Office for discount after the 25th of March next.—

Limitation of Discts to Bankers Drs &c.

Resolved, That it is the Opinion of this Court, that Bills on Bankers, or on any other Houses, discounted by the Bank of England, ought not to exceed the sum of £60,000 each House; Yet, as there may be particular cases and circumstances, the Court is willing to allow their Committees to extend the limit as far as £70,000 if upon deliberation they shall be of Opinion, such advance may be useful and proper; and that the Committees do report Weekly to the Court, their exercise of such discretion.—

Discts to be reduced.—

Resolved, That the Committees be desired to exercise their discretion in gradually reducing the accounts, to the above limits, and to report weekly to the Court, an account of their proceedings herein.—

Discts to any one House not to exceed £30,000 &c.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Court, that the accommodation of Discount, for any one House, ought generally not to exceed Thirty thousand pounds; but if a Committee shall think it may be proper to exceed that Sum on any particular occasion, such Committee shall have Liberty to do so; and in such case must report their proceedings, with their reasons to the next Court.— And that the Committees do reduce gradually the Accounts to the above extent.—

Report to be further considered &c.—

Resolved, That the further consideration of the Report of the Committee on the State of the Discounts be adjourned to the next Court, and that the Court be summoned

summoned to meet at 10 O'Clock.—

Comm.rs Notice.— The usual Notice from the Commissioners appointed by Act of Parliament, for applying certain Sums of Money annually to the reduction of the National Debt, appointing Mr. Abraham Newland and Mr. Henry Hase their Agents, to draw for such Sums as shall be wanted between the first instant, and the first May next, not exceeding thirty seven thousand pounds, each Transfer Day (Saturdays and Mondays excepted) was read in Court.—

Ordered, That the Transfer Books for Bank Stock, be shut from Friday the 2d. March next, till Friday, the 20th. April following.

Bank Stock Books to be closed &c.— That a General Court to consider of a Dividend be held on Thursday the 22d. March next.—

That printed Lists of the proprietors for the Election, be delivered on Tuesday, the 20th. March, next.—

That a General Court for the Election of a Governor and Deputy Governor, be held at the Bank on Tuesday, the 3d. April next, and of Directors, on Wednesday the 4th. of the same Month.—

That the usual advertisements be given thereof.—

Ordered, That £10 be paid to John Davis in full satisfaction for a Bank Note the Sinister part of—

Jn.o Davis £10 for a Bank Note.—

which

which is lost upon his delivering up the dexter part thereof and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting; and also £1 to Nathan Dixon, for a Bank Note, part of which has been destroyed, and the number thereof cannot be ascertained; - the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto. -

Ordered,

Bank to be defended in the Ex.r of Exch.r &c.a -

That Messrs. Winter and Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, in the Court of Exchequer at the suit of John Pycroft. -

Bank's Ans.rs to Bills in Chan.y -

The several Answers of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England to the respective Bills of Complaint in Chancery, of Thomas Corlett and Thomas Downes and another, having been examined by two of the Committee in waiting, were read and sealed with the common Seal in Court. -

Sealed. -

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A Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday the 9th Febr.y 1804.

Present.

Joseph Nutt Esq.r Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop Esq.r Dep.y Gov.r

Thomas Boddington Esq.r	Stephen Thornton Esq.r
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq.r	Sir Brook Watson Bar.t & Alder.n
Bicknell Coney, ... Esq.r	John Bowden.t, Esq.r
Edward Darell, ... Esq.r	Cornelius Buller Esq.r
Thomas Lewis, ... Esq.r	George Dorrien Esq.r
Beeston Long, ... Esq.r	William Manning Esq.r
Sir Richard Reave, Bar.t	Jeremiah Olive, Esq.r
Charles Pole, ... Esq.r	John Pearse, Esq.r
Thomas Raikes, ... Esq.r	Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq.r
Henry Smith, ... Esq.r	—, and, —
Samuel Thornton Esq.r	John Whitmore Esq.r

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Ltr from Hudsons Bay Company.

A Letter from the Committee of Treasury of the Hudsons Bay Company, dated the 1st. instant addressed to the Governor, Deputy Governor and Directors of the Bank of England, (being now read) requesting that their Credit for Twenty thousand pounds, which expired on the 7th. Instant, may be extended to the 1st April next; and that Mr. Alexander Lean, their Secretary, may be permitted to overdraw for any Sum or Sums not exceeding the said Sum of Twenty thousand Pounds, for and on Account of the said Company; the same was agreed to and Ordered accordingly, at the rate of £4 p.r Cent per Annum Interest. —

agreed to. —

Peter Lister Exr.s dept. in their Security. —

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that Bateman Saddington a Security in £500. for Peter Lister, and Samuel Osmand a Security in £500. for Samuel Osmand, are both deceased. —

Ordered

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Ordered,

That the said Peter Lister and Samuel Osmand do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Bateman Saddington and Samuel Osmand deceased.

Ordered,

That Messrs. Winter & Kaye, do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in the Court of Exchequer, at the respective Suits of Nicholas Gearing and his Wife, and Josiah Monnery and another.

Bank to be defend.d in the Court of Exch.r

Ordered,

That £100 be paid to John Paulin in full satisfaction for a Bank Note, lost above twelve Months ago, and £20 to Christopher Cross for a Bank Note the Sinister part of which is lost, upon their giving Security, to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting, and the dexter part of the last mentioned Note, being delivered up; and also £5 to Major James Cuninghame for a Bank Note, which has been washed to Pieces, £2 to Rebecca Sheldrake, for a Bank Note, which has been destroyed by a Dog, and £1 each, to George Hutfield and Thomas Starey, for two Bank Notes, parts of which have been destroyed, and the Numbers and Dates thereof cannot be ascertained; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.

Jn.o Paulin £100
C. Cross 20
J. Cuningham 5
R. Sheldrake 2
G. Hutfield 1
Thos. Starey 1
2 Bank Notes lost &c.a

Resolved,

That the Governor be authorized to purchase One hundred and fifty thousand pounds, of Exchequer Bills, of Messrs. B. & A. Goldsmid, at the premium of two Shillings per Cent.

£150,000 of Exch.r Bills to be purchased

The,

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Report from the Com.ee on the Dis.ts further considered.—

The consideration of the Second Report of the Committee appointed the 22.nd December 1803, to enquire into the State of the Discounts, being resumed,

Com.ee to be appointed to inspect Discounters Accounts.—

Resolved,

That it will be expedient, that a Committee be appointed every Six Months to inspect the Accounts of such persons, as appear to have been Constant Discounters with the Bank, during the preceding three Years; to be divided into two classes, — the first Class to consist of Merchants, Bankers and opulent Traders, whose accounts, have constantly exceeded Fifteen thousand pounds, — the second Class to consist of such other Discounters, as have had constantly, more than Five thousand pounds on their account, during the same period: And that the Committee be requested to make a Report, and suggest such regulations, as may appear to them from time to time to be expedient on this Subject.—

Renewed Notes to be reported.—

Resolved,

That in all cases of renewed Notes, between the same parties, the chief of the Discount Office, be directed to mark upon the Weekly List, delivered to the Court, the number of times that such Notes have been offered for Discount.—

Acc.t of Notes to be separate from the Bills.—

Resolved,

That the Account of the Notes, be kept separate in future from the Account of the Bills.—

Report to be further Considered.—

Resolved,

That the further consideration of the Report of the Committee appointed to enquire into the State of the Discounts, be adjourned to the next Court.—

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Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday the 16 Febr.y 1804.

Present.

Joseph Nutt, Esq.r Governor,

Benjamin Winthrop Esq.r Dep.y Gov.r

Thomas Boddington, Esq.r	Stephen Thornton Esq.r
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq.r	Sir Brook Watson Bar.t Ald.n
Bicknell Coney, Esq.r	John Bowden, Esq.r
Thomas Lewis, Esq.r	Cornelius Buller, Esq.r
Beeston Long, Esq.r	George Dorrien, Esq.r
Sir Richard Neave, Bar.t	William Manning, Esq.r
Charles Pole, Esq.r	Jeremiah Olive, Esq.r
Thomas Raikes, Esq.r	and
Henry Smith, Esq.r	John Pearse, Esq.r

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Out Cash right.

Mr. Olive for Mr. Whitmore reported the Out Cash to have been taken in and found right.

Ordered,

That One Hundred pounds be paid to Thomas Billinge in full satisfaction for a Ticket that has been received in the Hall, for a Bank Cheque, and afterwards lost, £10 to John Lamb, for a Bank Note, and £5 to Christian Elston, for a Bank Note, the sinister parts of which are lost, and £20 to James Downton for a Bank Note, the dexter part of which is lost, upon their delivering up the respective remaining part thereof, and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting; and also £1 to Thomas Keith, and £2 to William Russell for two Bank Notes, which have been nearly destroyed, and the Numbers and Dates thereof cannot be ascertained, the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.

Thos. Billinge	£100,
John Lamb	10,
C. Elston	5,
J. Downton	20,
Thos. Keith	1,
Wm. Russell	2 for a Ticket & Bank Notes, lost &c.a

A Letter

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Letter from B. & A. Goldsmid

A Letter from Messrs. B. & A. Goldsmid — requesting a Loan of Three hundred thousand Pounds, on the Credit of Exchequer Bills, and for a very short period, being read.

Complied with but the mode of application not approved.

Resolved, That the request be complied with; — the same to be repaid within fourteen days. — And the Governor was desired to inform Messrs. Goldsmid that the Court do not approve this mode of application, and that they are not to expect any farther accommodation in this way, unless the application be made by the Chancellor of the Exchequer. —

The following Letter from the Directors of the London Dock Company, being read, Viz.t

"London Dock House,
"February 14th. 1804. —

Letter from the London Dock Company requesting further sum of £20,000.

"Gentlemen,

"We are desired by the Court of "Directors of the London Dock Company to apply "to you for a farther Sum not exceeding Twenty "Thousand Pounds, and we request you will permit "us to draw for that Sum upon our Notes, at two "Months date, with the liberty of renewing the "Notes for two Months more, if it should be "required." —

"We have the honor to be,
"Gentlemen
"Your most obedient
"humble Servants,
"Alex.r Champion
"Rich.d Neave
"Tho.s King. —
"E. Forster
"B. Long. —
"Tho.s Boddington
"W.m Devaynes." —

"To the Governor Deputy Governor, Directors of the Bank of England. —

Complied with, and referred to the Committee of Treasury

Resolved, That this Court do comply with the said application, and that it be referred to the Committee of Treasury to carry the same into effect.

The

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Consideration of the Report of the Commee for Disc.ts resumed.

The Court resumed the consideration of the Report of the Committee appointed the 22.nd inst.o of December to enquire into the state of the Discounts.

The several Resolutions read.

And the several Resolutions of this Court; of the 2.d and 9.th of February, regarding the manner of conducting the Discounts, having been read, and some alterations having been suggested to be made therein.—

Resolved,

That the said Resolutions do stand as follows.—

That after the 25.th inst.o of March next, no Bill under £20 be received in the Office for Discount.—

That it is the opinion of this Court, that the Discount of Bills, accepted by Bankers, or by other Houses, ought not to exceed the Sum of Sixty thousand pounds on each House; yet as there may be particular cases and circumstances, the Court is willing to allow their Committees to extend the limit as far as Seventy thousand pounds; if upon deliberation they shall be of opinion, such advance may be useful and proper: and that the Committees do weekly report to the Court their exercise of such discretion.—

That the Committees be desired to exercise their discretion in gradually reducing the accounts Upon, to the above limits: and to report weekly to the Court, an account of their proceedings herein.—

That it is the opinion of this Court, that the accommodation in Discount, for any one House, ought generally not to exceed Thirty thousand pounds; but if a Committee shall think it may be proper to exceed that Sum on any particular occasion; such Committee is at liberty to do so: and in such case must report their proceedings with their reasons to the next Court.—But the Committees in waiting are desired.—

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desired to be very cautious in their endeavours to bring down any of the Accounts to this limit, this ought to be done very gradually; and their proceedings reported weekly to the Court.-

That it will be expedient to appoint a Committee to inspect every Six Months the accounts of such persons, as appear to have been constant Discounters with the Bank during the preceding three Years; to be divided into two Classes, the first to consist of Merchants, Bankers and opulent Traders, whose accounts have constantly exceeded Fifteen thousand pounds in the three preceding Years: the second to consist of such other Discounters as have had constantly more than Five thousand pounds, on their accounts, during the same period. And that the Committee be requested to make a Report, and suggest such regulations as may appear to them from time to time, to be expedient on this Subject.-

That in all cases of renewed Notes, between the same parties, the Chief of the Discount Office, be directed to mark upon the Weekly List delivered to the Court, as far as he is - able to do so, the Number of times the said Notes have been renewed.-

That the account of Notes discounted, be kept separate in future, from the account of Bills.-

Resolved,

That the Governor be requested to give directions for carrying the foregoing Resolution into execution.-

Resolved,

That the following Gentlemen do form the Committee, Viz.t Mr. Manning, Mr. Simeon Mr. Dorrien, Mr. Smith and Mr. Bowden.-

Resolved

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Resolved,

That the Thanks of this Court be given to the Committee appointed to examine into the state of the Discounts; for their exertions in examining into the State of the Discounts, and for the able Reports they have made to this Court.-

Mr. Manning, laid before the Court the following Minute of the Superintending Military Committee. Viz.

"Superintending Military Committee
"Bank of England, 10th. February 1804.

"Resolved,

That the Chairman of this Comm.ee "be requested to make known to the Court of "Directors the general good conduct and attendances "of the Bank Volunteer Regiment, from its being "enrolled on the 1st. June last, to the present time. "And to request of the Court, that the Military "Committee may be permitted to present an "Undress Suit of Uniform (not to exceed "£6..6..-) to such of the Bank Regiment, and "in such a manner, as the Committee shall "think fit".-

Resolved,

That this Court do approve the request of the Military Committee, and refer it back to them to carry it into effect, in such manner as they may deem expedient.-

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A Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 23rd. Febr.y 1804.

Present.

Joseph Null, Esq: Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop, Esq: Dep.y Gov.r

Thomas Boddington	Esq.	Henry Smith	Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet	Esq.	Samuel Thornton	Esq.
Bicknell Coney	Esq.	Sir Brook Watson Bt.	Ald.n
Edward Darell	Esq.	John Bowden	Esq.
Thomas Lewis	Esq.	Cornelius Buller	Esq.
Beeston Long	Esq.	George Dorrien	Esq.
Charles Pole	Esq.	William Manning	Esq.
Thomas Raikes	Esq.	Jeremiah Olive	Esq.
Edward Simeon	Esq.	John Pearse	Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Ordered, That £5 be paid to Lewis Thomas, and £5 to George Batty, in full Satisfaction for two Bank Notes, the dexter parts of which are lost, upon their delivering up the sinister parts thereof, and giving security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting and also £2 to Henry Leonard, and £1 each, to Robert Hugh Kennedy, Thomas Joseph Boutelet & Desperriers, and William Kerr, for four Bank Notes, parts of which have been destroyed and the Numbers and Dates thereof, cannot be ascertained; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.

L.r Thomas £5.
G. Batty — 5.

Henry Leonard £2.
R. H. Kennedy — 1.
T. B Desperriers — 1.
Wm Kerr — 1.
for Bank Notes lost.
Vo.r

Upon reading the following Letter from the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the East India Company, Viz.t

Le. from E. I. Comp.y

"Gentlemen,

In November 1802, under the expectation

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"of the continuance of Peace, We paid off the Sum of
"£100,000 which the Bank had been so obliging
"as to advance to the East India Company, upon the
"Security of the Company's bond. –

"The pressure in the present moment
"being considerable upon the Company's Finances
"in consequence of the late additional heavy Duty
"upon tea, which has materially reduced the
"price & the consumption of that article; of the
"unexpected retardment of the Company's
"other Sales from the interrupted communication
"with the Continent, and of their desire of
"supplying their Settlements in India &
"their Factory at China, in a liberal manner
"with Silver; – We have to request, that the
"Governor & Directors of the Bank, will have
"the goodness to renew the said Loan to the
"Company untill the present temporary pressure
"shall have been removed. –

"We have the honor to be,
"Gentlemen
"Your most obedient humble Servants,

"East India House
"the 20th. February 1804.

"Jacob Bosanquet,
"John Roberts. –
"The Governor & Deputy Governor of the Bank of England. –

£100,000 to be adv. to the E. I. Comp.a at £4 p Cent. –

Resolved,

That the Sum of One hundred thousand pounds, be advanced to the East India Company, upon their depositing Bonds, under the Seal of the Company to that amount, at the Rate of £4 per cent. p ann: Interest. –

Upon reading the following Letter from the Chairman & Deputy Chairman of the East India Company. – Viz.t

"Gentlemen

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Let from the East India Comp.ª on the adv. of £500,000 on Exch.r Bills.–

"Gentlemen,

"It the period will expire on the "27.th instant, for which the Governor & Directors "of the Bank were so obliging as to advance to "the Company in July and October last, the sum "of £500,000. on the Security of Exchequer Bills, "issued in part payment of the Debt due "from Government to the Company, and as "the period has elapsed during which His "Majesty's Government, expressed a wish we "would endeavor to keep them out of the "market; We have to return thanks to the "Bank for the accommodation afforded to the "Company upon this occasion.–

"We now wish these Exchequer Bills "to be sold by the Bank, on account of the "Company, in the Public Market, unless it "should be the wish of the Bank to be the "purchasers of them, themselves, in which case, "we hereby do ourselves the honor to make "a tender of them."–

"We have the honor to be,
"Gentlemen
"your most obedient humble Servants

"East India House, "Jacob Bosanquet.–
"23 February 1804." "John Roberts."–
"The Governor & Deputy Governor of the Bank of England."

Resolved,

That the Governor be empowered to purchase the said Exchequer Bills at the price of the Market.–

The Gov.r to purch.e the S.d Bills.–

The following Letter from Mr.r Puget being read.– Viz.t

Let from Mr.r Puget on a credit of £400,000 for the Irish Governm.t

"Gent.n"

"To enable the Irish Government

to

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"to fulfil its engagements here, I was Yesterday
"applied to by the Chancellor of the Exchequer
"of Ireland, and the Treasury of London, to
"take the Drafts of the Lords of the Treasury of
"Ireland on the Paymasters General of England,
"to be accepted by them to fall due at different
"Periods as far as the 31st. May next; I informed
"them that without a Credit from Your Court
"for Four hundred thousand pounds part of the
"Sum required, it would be impossible for me to
"raise the Money".-

"I can assure your Court that Your
"compliance with the following request will
"materially accommodate both Governments
"and I should have procured a Letter to this
"effect from the Chancellor of the Exchequer
"of Ireland, but I have not seen him since
"the conference Yesterday, and the Question presses
"for an immediate answer".-

"The request is, that my House, may be
"permitted to discount at the Bank, detached
"from its other account £400,000, in Bills drawn
"by the Treasury of Ireland on the Paymasters
"General of England and accepted by them, say,
"£200,000 due on or before the 16th. May next
"£200,000, due on or before the 31st Do.
"no part of the above to be discounted before the 20th.
March.-

"The last Credit given by Your Court to the
"Government of Ireland for £400,000 was of
"great Service though only £250,000. was used.-

"I have the honor to be,
"Gentlemen,
"Your most obedient
"humble Servant

"London,-
"23 Feb.y 1804.-

"John Puget."

The Governor, Deputy Governor,
& Court of Directors of the Bank of England.-

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Resolved

That the request contained in the above Letter be complied with; and that it be referred to the Committee of Treasury to carry the same into effect.—

The Governor laid before the Court the following Letter from the Trustees of Messrs. John & Samuel Liptrap. Viz.t

"London 23rd. February, 1804.—

"Gentlemen

"We take the liberty of acquainting "you that the house of John & Sam.l Liptrap — "Distillers have Stopped Payment, and called "a meeting of their Creditors."—

"It appears on investigation that "their Assetts will produce from 12 to 14 Shillings "in the Pound, if properly managed, and that "in a contrary Case, little will be saved from the Wreck."—

"The annexed Paper shews that the "quantity of Wash in the Still House, which "is about 130,000 Gallons, Stands indebted to "the King for nearly £18,000 of Duty.—

"An Application has been made to "the Commissioners of Excise for indulgence in "the payment of the same, but altho they — "expressed every wish to serve the Creditors, they "stated that having 15 Millions of Revenue to "collect, and having in no instance granted — "indulgence, they could not make a precedent.—

"Under this circumstance we are — "compelled, as representing the Creditors at large "to entreat the assistance of the Honble Court of "Directors, and to solicit from them a temporary "Loan, to the extent of £18,000 on the Security of

"of the Trustees appointed by the Creditors – Viz.t –

"Messrs. Jordaine & Shaw
"Messrs. Simeon &c.
"Messrs. Stein Smith & Co. } £12000.
"Mr. Ralph Keddy –

"The Notes to be made at 2 mos/d. in any way the "Bank may point out, jointly or separately. – "It would be taken up in such Weekly Sums as "will satisfy the Excise, and it is by no means – "probable that more than one renewal would be required." –

"The Trustees are not without great – "hopes that a less Sum would answer the – "purpose. –

"Upon examining the Books, it appears "that the Bank are considerable Creditors, "and greatly interested in the Dividend to "be drawn from the Estate of Messrs. Liptrap, "the amount of which will very much depend "upon keeping the Concern together until – "the materials on hand and in process are "worked up – the outstanding Debts collected, "and the whole Subject converted to the best "possible account. –

"We have the honour to be, with the greatest respect,

"Gentlemen,
"Your most obedient humble Servants,

"Jordaine & Shaw
"Stein, Smith & Co. } on behalf
"of the other Trustees and Creditors
"of John & Saml. Liptrap". –

"To the Honourable
"The Governor, Deputy Governor & Directors of
"the Bank" –

Resolved.

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Resolved,

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That the accommodation requested in the said Letter be complied with on the joint and several securities of Messrs Jordaine & Shaw, Messrs Simeon & Co. Messrs Stein Smith & Co. and Mr. Ralph Keddy; and that it be referred to the Committee of Treasury to carry the same into effect. —

Mr. Long laid before the Court the following Minute of the Supplementary Military Comm.ee Viz.t

"Military Committee for the Bank "Supplementary Corps, on Wednesday "the 22d February 1804. —

Minute of the Supplem.y Military Com.ee —

"Resolved,

"That the Chairman of this Committee "be requested to make known to the Court "of Directors, the general good conduct and "regular attendance of the Bank Supplementary "Corps, from its being enrolled on the 12th August "last, to the present time; and to request of the "Court, that the Military Committee for the "said Corps, may be permitted to present an "Undress suit of Uniform, (not to exceed £6. 6.) "to such of the Supplementary Corps, and in "such manner, as the Committee shall think "fit. —

Resolved,

approved & referred back. —

That this Court do approve the request of the Supplementary Military Committee, and refer it back to them to carry it into effect in such manner as they may deem expedient. —

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1 March 1804.

A Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday the 1st March 1804.

Present.—

Joseph Nutt Esq. Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop, Esq. Dep. Gov.

Thomas Boddington Esq	Samuel Thornton Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet Esq.	Henry Smith, Esq.
Bicknell Coney, Esq.	Stephen Thornton Esq.
Edward Darell, Esq.	Sir Brook Watson Bart. & Ald.
Nath. Bogle French Esq.	John Bowden, Esq.
Thomas Lewis, Esq.	George Dorrien Esq.
Beeston Long, Esq.	William Manning Esq.
Sir Richard Neave Bart.	Jeremiah Olive, Esq.
Charles Pole, Esq.	and
Thomas Raikes, Esq.	John Whitmore Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.—

Cut Cash right.— Mr. Whitmore reported the Cut Cash to have been taken in and found right.—

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that Luke Graffley a Security in £500 for John Fleetwood Jr. is deceased.—

Ordered, That the said John Fleetwood Junr. do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Luke Graffley.—

J. Fleetwood Jr. to give in his Security

Ordered,

T. B. Hugo £30
A. Duff — 20£
J. Limer — 1 for
B. P. Bills &c. lost &c.

That £30 be paid to Thomas Byrdall Hugo, in full satisfaction for five Bank Post Bills lost by the Post, & £20 to Archibald Duff, for a Bank Note lost above twelve Months ago, upon their giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting, and also £1 to Joseph Limar, for a Bank Note part destroyed

and

and the number and date thereof cannot be ascertained
the Committee of Treasury having examined and
approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.-

Ordered,

Rob: Aslett discharged. That Robert Aslett, be discharged
the service of the Bank.-

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8 March 1804.

A Court of Directors of the Bank,
On Thursday the 8th. March 1804.

Present.

Joseph Nutt Esq: Governor

Benjamin Winthrop Esq: Dep: Gov:

Thomas Boddington Esq:	Samuel Thornton Esq:
Bicknell Coney, Esq:	Stephen Thornton, Esq:
Edward Darell, Esq:	Sir Brook Watson Bt. & Ald:
Thomas Lewis, Esq:	John Bowden, Esq:
Beeston Long, Esq:	Cornelius Buller Esq:
Sir Richard Neave Bart:	George Dorrien, Esq:
Charles Pole, Esq:	Jeremiah Olive, Esq
Thomas Raikes, Esq:	John Pearse, Esq:
Edward Simeon, Esq:	and
Henry Smith, Esq:	John Whitmore Esq:

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Ordered,

Bank to be defended in Chancery &c.

That Messrs. Winter and Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England in Chancery at the suit of John Ilderton Burn, and also in the Court of Exchequer at the suit of John Branch and another.

Ordered,

Thos. Wild £ 15.-
I Benhacok - 25.-
I. Flowry - - 5.-
W Watkins - - 5.-
I. Burgess - 5.-
A Inglehart - 2 5
Hopkins - - 1.-
for Bank Notes lost &c.

That £15 be paid to Thomas Wild in full satisfaction for two Bank Notes which are alledged to have been burnt, £25 to Joseph Benhacok for 9 Bank Notes the respective parts of which are lost, £5 each to Jane Flowry and William Watkins for 2 Bank Notes the dexter parts of which are lost, and £5 to Joseph Burgess for a Bank Note the sinister part of which is lost, upon the respective remaining parts thereof being delivered up, and their giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting and also £2 to And.w Inglehart ..... for a Bank Note which has been washed to pieces, and £1 to Edm.d Hopkins for a Bank Note part of which has been burnt, and the numbers and dates thereof cannot be

ascertained

ascertained; the Committee of Treasury, having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.—

The following Report of the Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office &c.ª was read and approved.— Viz.t

"The Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office &c.ª

Report to the Court of Directors.

"That having considered the Reference of "of the Court of the 5th. January 1804. "To "enquire, whether any, and what number of "Clerks can be taken from the Accountant's "Office, by relieving that Office of the Posting "the Bills and Notes into the Discount "Ledgers?

"The Committee beg leave to represent, "that several of the Clerks are employed in "the extra business of the Discounts, at the "regular hours of the Accountant's Office: and "consequently if the business of the Discount "Office, was done in any other manner, there "would naturally be a less number required "in the Accountant's Office."—

"The Committee being informed that "Mr. Fleming late one of the Heads of the "New Accountant's Office was deceased, they "beg leave to recommend Matthew Plestow "to fill that situation".

"B. Long,
"John Bowden,
"Bicknell Coney,
H. Smith.—

"Bank of England,
"8th. March, 1804".

Ordered

8 March 1804.

Ordered.

Mat.w Plestow appd One of the Heads of the New accountants Offce

That Matthew Plestow be appointed one of the Heads of the New Accountants' Office, in the room of Francis Fleming deceased, and that his Wages be advanced £10 per Annum to commence from the 15th January, 1804.

Upon reading the following Report from the Committee of Inspection for the Drawing Office &c.a

Report of the Commee for the Drawg Offce &c.a

"The Committee of Inspection for the Drawing "Office &c.a

"Report to the Court of Directors.

"That having ascertained the incorrect "daily Statement of the Discount Accounts, Your "Committee proceeded to enquire into the particular "management of that branch of the business, "and from the Report of the Heads of the Offices "and the Clerks employed, as well as their own "observations, they are warranted in stating to "the Court, that the present System of conducting "the business, altho' perhaps not objectionable "when first arranged, is now from its magnitude "become very inconvenient in the Offices, where "it is carried on; not at extra hours only, but "during the Course of the day, and materially interferes "with the more important branches of the Service, "to say, the posting the Bank Notes when Paid, "and in the Accountants Drawing Office, — in "both of which the business has rapidly increased, "in consequence of which increase, and also the "interference of the Discounts, there are several "balances not found in the Drawing Office; "and as to the inconvenience felt in the "Accountants' Office, Your Committee beg to "refer the Court to the Committee of Inspection "for that Office.

"In those Offices thirty Clerks are "employed on the extra Discounts, — Viz.t

twenty one

"Twenty one from the Accountants Office, and
"Nine from the Inner Drawing Office, and are —
"engaged as follows. Viz.t —

"8 Clerks enter the Payments With & Upon
from Article Books
into the 8 Journals.
"8 Clerks post the same into 18 Ledgers.
"2 Clerks enter and post the Notes
& Bills discounted With, in 2 Journals
"4 Clerks enter Bills discounted
Upon from the Discount Warrants
on Sheets. —
"4 Clerks post the same.
"4 Clerks examine the Accounts and
correct the Errors. —

30 Clerks employed, and 32 Books used.

Having proceeded so far, it became the
"next object of Your Committee, to suggest a more
"easy, and (if possible) a more correct mode of —
"conducting this business, — and having formed
"a plan they directed the Head of the Office to
"make a trial thereof, as far as relates to the Bills.
as extra Work. — Viz.t

"4 Clerks to enter the Bills, With & Upon, from
"the Warrants to the Days of their becoming
"due, in ..... 4 Dis = Books
"5 Clerks post above into ..... 6 Bill Ledgers
"2 Clerks more will be required for the — } 2 Note Ledgers

11 Clerks to be employed, and 12 Books used.

"The Court will however please to observe,
"that to prevent the inconveniences, now —
"experienced, the Accountants Office, and the
"Inner Drawing Office, should be disencumbered
"wholly of this business, and a separate Office —
"allotted for it, and it is the hope of Your Committee
"that eleven Clerks to be employed on —
"this Work, may be taken from the above
mentioned

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"mentioned two Offices, where thirty are now "employed for a great part of the day.-

"This Arrangement prevents the inconvenience "of taking from the Clearers their Article Books, - shews "at one View the Offs and Ups, and affords an easy "reference to the Bills, when required to be selected".

"Your Committee have the satisfaction to State "to the Court, that upon Trial it has been found "to answer their expectations, and they can therefore "with confidence recommend it for the sanction "of the Court, and if adopted, the Old System of "posting the Bills may be discontinued on "the 13th April next, - but the Notes will be "two Months after the Commencement thereof; "it may perhaps be found necessary when the "business gets to its full extent, - to work more "Books than now proposed, - and probably a "separate Ledger for the Bankers Accounts.-

"Your Committee forbear to state the "saving of expence, by the reduced number of "Clerks proposed, as it seems to them, those "now employed have been selected more for "the sake of benefitting old and faithful "Clerks, than with reference to any other "circumstances, and most of them having "enjoyed the advantage many Years, it may "perhaps bear hard to deprive them of it; it "is therefore suggested to the consideration "of the Court, to employ them on other extra "Service, which the increased weight of "business affords many opportunities of "doing. -

"Your Committee cannot close their Report "without acknowledging the very able and "active assistance of Mr. Bentley the Head "of the Discounts, as well as of their "Secretary, Mr. Smith, the One on the useful

information

"information given to them, and the other for
"arranging and forwarding the proposed plan.

"John Whitmore,
"C. Pole,
Bank of England, "Stephen Thornton
8th March 1804. "Jer. Clive,
"C. " Buller."

Resolved,

Report to be con.d That the above Report be taken into consideration on this day fortnight.-

The following Letter from the Chancellor of the Exchequer being read, Viz.t

Downing Street,
"March 8th 1804.-

"Gentlemen, "It will be a material
Let. from the Chan.r of the Exch.r "accommodation to the Public Service, if the
"Bank will consent to receive Exchequer Bills
"to the extent of One Million, to be repaid out
"of the aids of the present Year. I have
"therefore, to request, that you will have the
"goodness to propose to the Court an advance
"of Exchequer Bills to that amount. -
"I have the honor to be Gentlemen
"Your most obedient,
"and faithful Servant
"Henry Addington
"The Governor & Deputy Gov.rs of the Bank."

Resolved,

Complied with. That the request made in the above Letter be complied with.-

Upon reading the following Letter from Sir Stephen Cottrell, Viz.t

Office

8 March 1804.

"Office of Committee of Privy
Council for Trade, Whitehall,
6th. March 1804."

"Gentlemen,

Ltr. from Sir Steph: Cottrell.—

"The Lords of the Committee of Privy Council for Coin having had under consideration, a proposal made by Mr. Boulton of Birmingham, to Stamp the Dollars that are now put into Circulation, to answer the temporary purpose of Change, which was communicated to Their Lordships at the request of the Governors of the Bank; I have it in command from Their Lordships to express to you their approbation of the readiness shewn by the Directors of the Bank to accommodate the publick, by putting Mr. Boulton's Silver Tokens for change into circulation at Five Shillings each, but Their Lordships are of opinion that the following should be the Device and Inscription upon the Tokens or Dollars.— Viz.t

"That His. Majesty's Head with this Inscription, Georgius III. D. G. Rex, may stand on the Obverse of the Tokens intended for circulation, in the same manner as on the Specimen exhibited by Mr. Boulton; but that instead of the Royal Arms and Crown on the Reverse, the Arms or Seal of the Bank of England should be put there with the Words round them, Bank of England Dollar, a Token for Five Shillings.

"I have the honor to be,
"Gentlemen
Your most obedient
humble Servant
"Steph: Cottrell."

"The Governor and
"Deputy Governor of
the Bank of England."

Resolved, That the proposal made of the Privy Council, in the above Letter from Sir Stephen Cottrell, be acceded to by the Bank.— Resolved

acceded to.

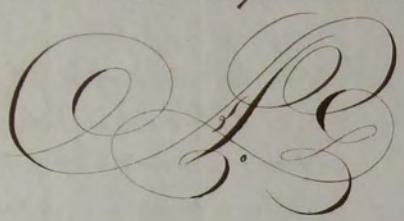
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Com.ee to enquire — respect.g advances to Government — &c.

Resolved,

That a Committee be appointed to enquire, Whether at any time since the Restriction Bill passed, there has been any Engagements — made with the Proprietors, that the Bank shall not advance to Government any Sums that shall exceed what was the amount of such advances at that Period? And that Mr. Manning, Mr. Pearse, and Mr. Pole, do compose the said Committee.



15 March 1804.

A Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday the 15th. March. 1804

Present

Joseph Nutt Esq. Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop Esq. Dep: Govr.

Thomas Boddington Esq.	Samuel Thornton Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet Esq.	Stephen Thornton Esq.
Bicknell Coney, Esq.	Sir Brook Watson Bt. Vald.
Edward Darell, Esq.	John Bowden, Esq.
Thomas Lewis, Esq.	George Dorrien, Esq.
Beeston Long, Esq.	William Manning Esq.
Sir Richard Neave Bart.	Jeremiah Olive, Esq.
Charles Pole, Esq.	John Pearse, Esq.
Thomas Raikes, Esq.	Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq.
Edward Simeon, Esq.	and
Henry Smith, Esq.	John Whitmore, Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Out Cash right. — Mr. Bowden reported the Out Cash to have been taken in and found right.

Ordered, That William Samuel Jurpin Baughan do assist Mr. Walton the Accountant, in signing the Warrants for Dividends and Interest hereafter to become due and payable for the Stock and annuities transferable at the Bank, in the room of Francis Fleming deceased.

W. S. J. Baughan appd. to Sign Divd. Warrants.

Ordered, That £35. be paid to Phillis O'Rourke in full satisfaction for a Bank Post Bill and a Bank Note, and £5. to Charles Tabor for a Bank Note, the sinister parts of which are lost £10. to John Brown, for a Bank Note, the dexter part of which is lost, and £5 to Mary Martin, for a Bank Note, part of which is burnt, upon their delivering up the respective remaining parts thereof,

P. O'Rourke £35.
C. Tabor ... 5.
J. Brown ... 10
Mr. Martin. 5. for B. Bill & Notes lost &c.

and

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and giving Security to indemnify the Bank — against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting; and also £2 to George Wade, for a Bank Note, and two pounds to John Inch for 2 Bank Notes, and £1 to William Cubit Howes, for a Bank Note, parts of which have been destroyed, and the Numbers thereof not ascertained; and £2 to Lawrence Mc. Dearman for a Bank Note, — part of which is burnt, and £1 each to Miles Clayton and Leo Levy, for two Bank Notes which have been washed to pieces and the Numbers and Dates thereof cannot be ascertained; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.—

The following Letter from the Committee of Treasury of the East India Company being read, Viz.t

"Gentlemen,

"The Committee of Treasury of the "East India Company, request of the Governor "and Directors of the Bank, that the — "payment of One Hundred thousand pounds, "on account of the Loan of Seven hundred — "thousand Pounds, on Mortgage of £1207,559 "16 "— East India Annuities, may be postponed "for the further term of two Months, from — "the 17.th Instant.—

"We have the honor to be,

"Gentlemen

"Your most obedient

"East India House.— "14.th March 1804. "The Governor & Directors, "of the Bank of England.

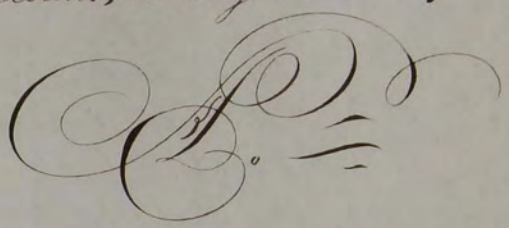
"humble Servants "Jacob Bosanquet "John Robarts.—

Resolved

That this Court do agree to the proposal made in the above Letter.— No.7

15 March 1804.

Mr. Manning from the Committee appointed the 16th. February 1804. for carrying into effect the Resolutions of this Court respecting the Discounts laid before the Court. A List of Merchants, Bankers and opulent Traders, whose accounts have constantly exceeded £15,000, in the three preceding Years; — and also a List of such other Merchants and Traders, as have had constantly more than £3000 on their accounts during the same Periods.



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Court of Directors at the Bank, on Thursday the 22nd March 1804.

Present.

Joseph Nutt, Esq: Governor.

Benjamin Winthrop Esq: Dep: Govr:

Thomas Boddington Esq:	Stephen Thornton Esq:
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq:	Sir Brook Watson Bt. Valor
Bicknell Coney, Esq:	John Bowden, Esq:
Edward Darell, Esq:	Cornelius Buller Esq:
Beeston Long, Esq:	George Dorrien Esq:
Sir Richard Neave, Bart.	William Manning Esq.
Charles Pole, Esq:	Jeremiah Olive, Esq:
Thomas Raikes, Esq:	John Pearse, Esq:
Edward Simeon, Esq:	Peter Js. Thellusson Esq:
Henry Smith, Esq:	and,
Samuel Thornton, Esq:	John Whitmore, Esq:

The Proceedings of the last Court were read.

Report from the Comm.ee for accounts.

The Governor reported from the Committee for Accounts, that having examined the State of the Bank's Accounts, the Committee are of opinion, that a Dividend may be made of £3.10.- per Cent Interest and Profits for the half Year ending the 5th April next; And the Accounts having lain open for the Inspection of the Directors.

Agreed to.

The Court agreed thereto.

Resolved,

Gen.l Court to be acq.d therewith.

That the Governor do acquaint the General Court therewith, as the opinion of this Court.

Resolved,

Do. respecting the Duty on the Dividend.

That the Governor do acquaint the General Court, that the Court of Directors recommends to the Court, that the Dividend due on the 5th April next, be paid to the Proprietors as at the last half Year, without deducting the £3 per Cent Duty upon Property from the Dividend Warrants.

Court adj.d

The Court adjourned till after the rising of the General Court.

The

22 March 1804.

Court held again.

The Court was held again pursuant to the said adjournment.

The Court having taken into consideration the Report of the Committee of Inspection for the Drawing Office &c.ª of the 8th instant.

Resolved,

Court approve the Reports made on the 8 inst. &c.ª

That this Court do approve the Reports of the Committees of Inspection for the Drawing Office &c.ª and the Printing Office &c.ª of the 8th instant, and that it be referred back to the said Committees jointly, to consider further, in what manner, the proposed plan for posting the Discounts in a separate Office, may be carried into effect.

Ordered,

I. Fromow £10,
W. Payne -- 10,
I. Chambers -- 5,
R Williams -- 20,
P. Astley -- 10,

That £10 be paid to John Fromow, in full satisfaction for a Bank Note, lost above twelve Months ago, - £10 to William Payne for a Bank Note lost at Sea, £5 to Jarvis Chambers for a Bank Note the dexter part of which is lost, £20 to Richard Williams, for two Bank Notes, the sinister parts of which are lost, and £10 to Philip Astley for a Bank Note, part of which has been destroyed by a Horse, upon the respective remaining parts thereof being delivered up, and their giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting; and also £2 to Henry Tollner for two Bank Notes part of which have been burnt, and the Number and Date of one of them not ascertained, £1 each to Mary Freeman, John Bryant, and Robert Saunders, for three Bank Notes, which have been washed to pieces, and £1 to Robert Pardy, for a Bank Note, part of which has been burnt, and the Numbers and Dates thereof cannot be ascertained. The Committee of Treasury, having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.

H. Tollner £2
M Freeman - 1
J. Bryant - 1
R Saunders - 1
R Pardey -- 1 for Bank Notes lost &c.ª

29th March 1804.

Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 29th. March 1804.

Present:-

Joseph Nutt, Esq: Governor.-

Benjamin Winthrop Esq: Dep: Gov:

Thomas Boddington Esq:	Stephen Thornton Esq:
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq:	Sir Brook Watson Bt. Alds.
Bicknell Coney, Esq:	John Bowden, Esq: -
Edward Darell, Esq:	Cornelius Buller Esq: -
Thomas Lewis, Esq:	George Dorrien Esq: -
Sir Richard Neave Bart.	William Manning Esq:
Charles Pole, Esq:	Jeremiah Olive, Esq:
Edward Simeon, Esq:	John Pearse, Esq: -
Henry Smith, Esq:	Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq:
Samuel Thornton, Esq:	John Whitmore Esq: -

The proceedings of the last Court were read.-

Cut Cash right.- Mr. Dorrien reported the Cut Cash to have been taken in and found right.-

Report from the Com.ee for the House & Serv.ts The Deputy Governor reported from the Committee for the House and Servants, that the Committee had ordered payment of the Wages of the Servants, amounting to £18.933.11.5 - and the Tradesmen's Bills, amounting to £15510.1.10 for the Quarter ending the 5th. April next, that Mr. Newland's Account of petty Charges, was examined and allowed, and a Warrant was given him on the Cashiers for £2000 - for which he is to account:- that the Store keeper's Account of Items, and other Articles used in this House, was examined and allowed: and that the Gate Porter had been examined as to the behaviour of the Watchmen, and he had no Complaint.-

Quarterly Reports read & approved.- The Quarterly Reports of the Committee of Treasury, and the three permanent Committee's of Inspection were read and approved.- Viz.t

Committee

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Report of the Comee. of Treasury –

"Committee of Treasury 28 March, 1804.

"The Committee have to Report to the Court of "Directors, that they have examined the principal "Officers and Heads of Offices, under their Inspection "regarding the Conduct of the Clerks, and the — "execution of the business; and have found no — "Instances of Irregularity or neglect. – They have "therefore Ordered the Quarterly proportions to "be paid to the Clerks, according to their respective "attendances, and the proportions to the Heads of "Offices to be doubled."–

Stock Offices.

"The Committee of Inspection for the Stock "Offices, on making this their final Report to "the Court of Directors, have the satisfaction to "state, "that on the examination of the Chief "Accountant, and the Heads of the several Offices, "it appears that the Conduct and attendance "of the Clerks under them, continue to be, in "general, very regular; and that the business is "executed with care and attention; but the — "Committee have to Report, that Thomas — "Hogsflesh of the Consols, has been absent from "time to time, in the whole, the greater part of "two Years from derangement of Mind, without "a probability of amendment; and the — "Committee are of Opinion, that the nature "of his disorder renders it improper for him "to be employed in the Service of the Bank: "He has been in the House about twelve Years, "and when in Sound Health, discharged his "duties to the satisfaction of the Head of the "Office: – Samuel Barnardiston Howes of the "Reduced Annuities has been absent nearly a "twelve month, being afflicted with a serious – "abscess: and John Berry of the L.A. & Cents. about the "same time occasioned by a paralytic Stroke. –

"To the Heads of the several Offices, and the "Clerks under them, The Committee have ordered

payment

"payment of the Quarterly Gratuities, agreeably
"to the Powers vested in them by the Court."—
"Edward Simeon "Brook Watson,
"George Dorrien "John Pearse,
Bank of England, "Thos. "Lewis.—
"29th. March, 1804.—

"The Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office &c.ª

Report of the Commee. for the Printing Office &c.ª—

"Report to the Court of Directors.

"That they have examined the Chief Cashier "the Chief Accountant and the Heads of the "several Offices under their Inspection, as to "the general conduct of the Clerks, which has been "very satisfactory:— But were informed that George "Watkins, "Thomas "Thompson, Richard Jones "Rowland Richardson, Robert Parkinson and John "Tucker, have been absent more than two Months "this Quarter, by reason of Sickness, and that— "Phillips Havell, who was suspended by the "Court on the 10th. January last, it appears on the "Evidence of Mr. Hazire is on a visit at a— "Friends at Northampton, and the Committee "apprehend that from the embarrassed State "of his Circumstances, that he will not be able to "return to resume his Duty at the Bank.—

"The Committee have Ordered the Quarterly "proportions to each of the Heads to be doubled, and those "of the other Clerks, to be paid as they stand in the "Books of the respective Offices.—

"There not being sufficient time for forming "the arrangements of the proposed plan, for posting "the Discounts in a Separate Office, which was "referred by the last Court for the joint consideration "of the Committee for the Drawing Office &c.ª and "this Committee; they Submit to the Court, that it "be referred, to the consideration of the Commees "to be appointed by the next Direction".
Bank of England, "P. J. "Thellusson, "Bicknell Coney,
"29 March, 1804.— "John Bowden. "H. Smith.—

Rept: of the Com.ee for the Drawg Office &c.

"The Committee of Inspection for the Drawing "Office &c."

"Report to the Court of Directors.

"That they have regularly every Month "examined the Absence Books kept in the several "Offices under their Inspection, and also consulted "your principal Officers, and Heads of Office "respecting the attendance of the Clerks, and the "execution of the business under them, and have "received no complaint, — but Your Committee "are concerned to observe, that the following — "have been (and still continue,) seriously ill. "Viz.t Brian Baillie of the Cheque Office, George "Lavers, Do. — John Taylor of the Drawing Office "(Hall) Joseph Smee Do. and John Pike of "the Dividend Warrant Office, is reported — "deceased. —

"Your Committee have also to observe that "of the Six Balances of the Inner Drawing Office "Ledgers, stated in the Report of the 8th. instant, to "have been in arrear, — three of them have since "been found, and they are proceeding in their "endeavors to set right the others."

"Your Committee after consulting Your Chief "Cashier, on the following Memorial presented to "them from the Bill Office, are induced to recommend "the extension of the equalization Money to that Office. Viz.t

"The Clerks of the Bill Office beg leave humbly to "represent to the Committee, that when they are fixed "in this Office Ten Pounds p.r Annum equalization — "Money (which they are entitled to in the Bank Note "Office) is deducted from their Salary by which — "change of Situation they sustain a Loss."

"They humbly presume the Committee are well "aware of the great increase of the business of "the Office, the Bankers of late having made "frequent applications to take up Bills due at "different periods, — as well as the increase in the "number of Bills discounted."

Having

"Having in many instances witnessed the impartial liberality of the Hon.ble Court of Directors, they humbly hope the Committee will take the same into consideration, and grant such relief as in their Opinion, may seem meet."

"The termination of the present Direction will not permit Your Committee to arrange the proposed alteration in the Mode of Posting the Discounts jointly with the Committee of Inspection for the Printing Office, - but they trust the next Direction will revive that reference to the succeeding Committees."

"Your Committee have as usual ordered Payment of the Quarterly proportions of the Morning Gratuities (Voted by the Court,) to the Clerks as described in the Books of their respective Offices, and that those of the Heads be doubled."

"John Whitmore.
"Corn.s Buller.
"C. Pole.
"Stephen Thornton.
"Jere: Olivef.

"Bank of England,
"29th March 1804".

Ordered,

Gratuities to the Secretaries.

That a Gratuity of £20 each, be given to Robert Best, William Dawes, William Smith, and William Shrubsole as Secretaries to the said Committees.

Ordered,

Equalization Money to the Bill Office.

That on the recommendation of the Committee of Inspection for the Drawing Office No.1 the equalization Money be extended to the Clerks in the Bill Office.

Chas. Pike Junr. def.d in Sec.y's

The Secretary acquainted the Court that Frederick Pike, a Security in £500, for Charles Pike, and James Nicklin a Security in £500 for Rob.t Haseldine, are both deceased.

Ordered

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Ordered, That the said Charles Pike and Robert Haseldine do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Frederick Pike and James Nicklin.

Ordered, That £21.12.4 be paid to John Steele in full satisfaction for a Bank post Bill, which is alledged to have been lost, £20 to Thomas Boycott for two Bank Notes lost above twelve months ago, and £5. to George Tryon for a Bank Note, the Sinister part of which is lost, upon their giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting, and the dexter part of the last mentioned Note being delivered up; and also £1. to George Jefferys, for a Bank Note, part of which has been burnt, and the Number thereof cannot be ascertained; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.

Adv.ce of Wages to the Clerks.-

Ordered, That the Wages of the several Servants hereafter Named be advanced from the 5th. April next, as follows, Viz.t

In the Accountants Office, Wm. Hutchison Deputy Accountant, Robert Bryer, Asistant, Charles Norris, Robert Bicknell, Edward Bentley & Silvester Lowden, Twenty Pounds a Year each, Isaac Cooper, Thomas Gribble, Richard Gale, John Richter, William Dartnall, Gilbert Burrington, Thos. Josh. Littlefear, George Rogers, Thomas Carpenter, Edwd. Martin, Nathaniel Hancock Towle, John Cartlitch, Wm. Frs. Eld, William Gibson, Edward George, Thos. Thompson, Leonard Harrison, George Gibbs, Robt. Haseldine, Edmd. White, John Thornton, John Turner Watts, Joseph Gunning, John Carnaby, Jno. Caldecott, Wm. Wastell, Robt. Stevens, Richard Welch, William Rea, Richard Vaux, William Christmas, William Pinner, Joseph Fearn, Stephens.-

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Stephen Groud, Richard Wimberley Jos.h Boardman, Wm. Henry Nelson, Willm. Atkinson, Willm. Knight, John Forster, George Urling, William Bridges Junr., Peter Boguet, John Thos. Bock, John Barnett, William Jones, Thomas Ord, John Willett, James Fenn, Charles Stuart Junr., John Richards, William Newcombe, Jno. Edward Hinde, Geo. Bourchier Walker, William Sutton, Reuben Browning, William Crippen, Thos. Fothergill, George Tomkins, Joseph Stanley, Saml. Fidoe, Joseph Newton, Thomas Bowman, Robert Bignell, Jas. Owen, Wingfield Turner, Samuel Ripp, John Oswald Trotter, Edward Robert Bradley, George Coltman, Richd. Elliott, Steventon Pepys, George Hutchison, Thomas Beeden, Frederick Ferdinando, William Parker, Jno. Taylor, Joseph Bullen, William Harman, Timothy Scott, John Fleetwood Junr., John Exeter, Steph. Pet.r Godin, John Cherry, George Whitley, James Baxter, Richard Fred.k Clarke, Joseph Wright, James Lucett, Thomas Pattrick, Jonathan Greaves, David Henry, Samuel Hulme, John Bray, Robert Gibbs, Thomas Bowyer, John Armitage, Thomas Hackett, Thos. Beardmore, Thomas Randell, Thos. Fr.s Gastineau, Henry Kuhff, Joseph Thos. Haslewood, Thos. Rich. Rob.t Ingram, Edw. Gibbon, Nathaniel Crawford, Thomas Clapton, Wm. Augustus Willis, Isaac Pilleau, Joseph Gritton, Richard Evans, Wm. Saml. Turpin Baughan, William Foster, John Swan, Matthew Preston, Geo. Neele, Thomas Ashton, William Allen, Jas. Petit, Wm. Edwd. George, John Hathaway, Willm. Maughan, James Worthington, Edmd. Gerard South, John Bradley, Lewis Edwd. Villette, Micah Corder, Wm. Henry Tatham, John Coston, Thomas Tripcony, Robert James Miller, William Smee, Thomas Ormes, James Gordon Mathers, Thomas Headworth, Robert Parkinson, Robert Dodge Barton, Wm. Geo. Pearce, Robt. Dikes Durham, Jonathan Ferguson, John Joseph Blake, Thos. Merle Triquet, John Drake, John Parker, John Lowe, Samuel Ruckards, William Beeby, Henry Percivall, Richard Child, Timothy Phillips Asperne, Robt. Bridger, Jeremiah Slipper, Wm. Derby, Wm. Kemp, Wm. Mellet

Bullock

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Bullock, Thomas Parker, Samuel Turner, William Turner Parry, Thomas Giles, Edwd Close Wilkinson, Wm Thomas Lyttleton, Basil Brown Righton, Thomas Bott, Richd Thos Corbould, Wm Swiney Barnard Turner, Robert Jackson, Henry Caulier, William Hoole, John Bentley, John Bradney Rippon, Thomas Mose, and James Kearsley, Ten pounds a Year each.

In the Hall, Henry Hase, 2nd Cashier, and Thomas Rippon, Asistant £120 a Year each, Obadiah Wickes Rogers, James Longman, and John Fleetwood, £30 a Year each, Josiah Knight, William Bridges, John Tilbury, Benjamin Coles, William Hughes, Thomas Clout, Peter Pineau, Thomas Triquet, Alexander Hooper, William Armitstead, William Smart, Samael De La Maziere, and Harry Diggles, £20 a Year each, Thomas Tilley, William Scorer, Richard Horne, Edward Fleming, Thomas Watson, Thomas Dupreé, John Holland, John Penn, William Hall, John Bewley, John Taylor, Jacob Clark, Ja. Durnford Capel, Thomas Reddish, Willm Powis, Henry Whiting, John Lincolne, Joseph Smeel, Thomas Bliss, partridge Greenslade, Jn. Champ, Edm. Richd Chicheley, Edward Mitchell, Thos Needham, Richard Ganthony, Willoughby Stoakes, Edward Staple, John Boyne, Thos Middleton, John Lees, John Clack, Richard Fawcett, Richd Sambourne, Thomas Donovan, John Hogben, James Thomson, John Partridge, George Lawrence, George Corner, Philip Broke, William Hepworth, John Butler, Richard Oakden, John Wakefield, Peter Cazaly, Robert Ackroyd, William Jefferson, Charles Tabor, Abraham Jackson, Henry Meritt George, Charles Clarke, Thomas Wragg, Nathaniel Stock, George Rutland, John Glazbrook, Willm Fuller, John Newton Hunt, George Clarke, Edm. L. Homersham, William Ansell, John Saunders, James Vautin, George Dawson, John Vanderpant, William Heriot, George Porter, Robert Fish, Richd Goodwin, Benjamin Jennings, Joseph Irving, Samuel.

Samuel Clark, John Beavington, Thomas Clarke, Thomas Donald, Christopher Hughes, Joseph Bright, Zechariah Uwins, John Griffith, William Frederick Mattocks, George Stanley, Wm. Millachip, William Everingham, Thomas Wickstead, Luke Sturley, George Griffith, George Bielby, John Bilson, Thomas Reynolds, Charles Jeffs, Charles Haskew, James Ashwell, Robert Bocquet, Charles Parry, Michael Willsdon, George Roberts, Benj.n Madden, Andrew Honey, John Henry, David Watter, John Larchin, Roger Clough, James Mawdsley, Richd. Foster, John White, James Ward, Andrew Feltham, William Williams, Samuel Sanigear, Wm. Watson, James Dickinson, John Pegg, John Thomson, Francis Bocquet, Henry Lowndes, Wm. Knight, John Sparkes Cox, Geo: Richd. Valintine, Geo: Kirlew, Charles Horth, Robert Hoddle, Charles Law, Wm. John Lynde, Stephen Leete, Richard Hughes, Manoah Sibly, John Hatfield, John Rudall, Joseph Trueman, Wm. Barnes Rhodes, Jas. Curry, Thomas Passey, Wm. Taylor Junr., Chas. Edw. Waller, Samuel Draper, John Willis, Thos. Woolley, Thomas Holland, Paul Whitehead, John — Fred: Bourne, Henry Dover, Thos. Smart, Thos. Allen, John Williams, Thomas Ieyes, James Godin Junr., Thomas Thurston, Wm. Crawford, John Baylis Jones, John Luson, John Frith, Thos. Robt. Begbie and Thomas Jenvey, Ten pounds a Year each, William Dawes, Dep: Sec: William Smith Asistant, and William — Shrubsole Sec: to the Committee of Treasury Twenty Pounds a Year each.—

Ordered,

Gratuities to Sundries

That the following Gratuities be given to the several persons hereafter named, Viz.t—

In the Accountants Office, William Walton Chief Accountant £100, William Hutchison Deputy Accountant £200, Robert Bryer Asistant £130,

Robert

Robert Browning £70, Richard Gale £20, Thomas Gibble £10, Thomas Landifield £70, Nathaniel Crawford £50, John Collins, Edward Lloyd and James Kemp £35 each, Edward Bentley £30, Joseph Hawker £30, Theophilus Browne and Jos.h Gritton £15 each, John Wm. Johnson £20, Thomas Nisbett for passing Powers for the Sale of Stock £60, Thomas Bateman Assistant £30, John Cotton and George Neele £10 each, Signers of Dividend Warrants, Isaac Pilleau, John Cotton, Fra.s Fleming (dec.d) Walter Fardinando, John Barnard, Jeremiah Slipper, Charles Lemage, Reginald Parker James Cooper, Robert Bicknell, Edward Bentley, Joseph Gritton, Theophilus Browne, Joseph Fenn, William Thompson, William Auber, William Derby, John Hoffmann, Joseph Hawker, and Charles Green, £20 each, Francis Walsh £120, Lawrence Poppleton, and Nath.l Hancock Towle £60 each, Joseph Gritton £20, Samuel Tomkins £60, William Newcombe £50, Nathan Dell £50, Thomas Reid £20, Charles Norris £50, Thomas Bateman £30, Brian Baillie £50, Jonathan Greaves £20, John Barnard £30, Wm. Auber and Isaac Pilleau £20 each, Charles Stuart £30, William Foster £20, Edward Bentley £30, Jona.n Greaves £20, Francis Walsh £20 & £20, Lawrence Poppleton and Nathan.l Hancock Towle £10 & £10 ea.h, Samuel Petit, Joshua Pitt and Tho.s Kennell £10 each, Edward Bentley £30, Theophilus Brownes, Joseph Fenn, Joseph Gritton, William Derby, William Sam.l Turpin Baughan, William Thompson, Wm. Kemp, William Mellet Bullock, Thomps Parker, Matthew Plestow, William Foster, Francis Fleming (deceased) and Robert Bicknell £20 each, Matthew Plestow and William James Jacob £15 each, Thomas Ashton, William Maughan, Joseph Walker, James Worthington, James Miles, John Moss, William Bowcer, William Davis, John Ford, Richard Lowe, John Gibbins and Joseph Ashton £8 each. —

In

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In the Hall, Abraham Newland, Chief Cashier £800, Henry Hase 2nd. Cashier £150, and for making out the Audit Roll £20, Thos. Rippon Asistant, £55 & £27.10.- William Smart £40, Thos. Bros £55, George Lawrence £40, John Coward £30 & £10, William Armitstead £30, Randolph Hobman £20, Thomas Rippon £4.11.- John Taylor £10.6.- Benj.n Kiddell £30, Robert Willis and John Hogben £30 ea. William Knight and Manoah Sibley £10 ea, Alex.r Simpson £40, William Church £30, John Pickett £20, Peter Lister £15, John Rogers £120 & £60, William Cuell £70 & £30, William Coleman £60 & £30, Thomas Tilley, Charles Cock, Jonathan Hopkinson, Will.m Score and Richard Horne £40 & £20 ea Step.n Pierssene Fatt £30 & £15. Edward Fleming £25 & £15, James Nash £20 & £10, Thomas Watson £9 & £4, Thomas Dupreé £8, Thomas Finden & John Coward £20 ea, William Hughes, Benjamin Coles, and James Lambert £15 each, John Gimingham £130, Benjamin Hadden £90.- And.w Honey £60, John Tilbury £20, John Henry David Walter, Thos. Donovan and Charles Bros £15 ea, John Larchin £10, Jacob Clark and James Gilbert £20 & £10 ea, Samuel De La Maziere £30, William Fuller £10, Anthony Mottley £20, Harry Diggles £20, Will.m Harris £20 & £10, James Fleming £20, Charles Law £10, John Penn £20, John Jarvis £40, William Seabrook £27, Benjamin Davis, Will.m Hall and Thomas Northover £20 each, John Bewley £7, Francis Salkeld £30, John Penn £24, John Jarvis £20, William Seabrook £13, Benj.n Davis, William Hall, Thomas Northover, John Bewley, and Charles Edward Waller £10 ea, Thos. Wragg £4, Thomas Bros £60, George Corner & Howel Davies Stewart £30 ea, William Rickard £30 & £10, Thos. Bliss, Thomas Glover, Partridge Greenslade, & Thos. Barter £20 & £10 ea, John Champ, George Raye, Edmund Rich.d Chicheley, Edward Mitchell, Willoughby Hoaker, John Leech, John Lees, Edward Staple, John Boyne, Thomas Middleton Thomas Needham

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and Richard Ganthony £20 ea.ch, William Keep and Richard Staines £10 ea.ch, Thomas Donald £5, John Humble £30, James Thomson £15, John Partridge £10, The Seventeen Cashiers £80 ea.ch, Signers of Notes under £5, William Garrett, George Nicholls, Wm. Caulier, Gerard Thomas South, William George, Rich.d Fawcett, Charles Phillips, Charles Watts, Isaac Booth, James Barber, John Clack, Sam.l Hulme, Josiah Knight, Will.m Bridges, and Obadiah Wickes Rogers £10 ea.ch, Nicholas Pamphilion dec.d £35. - Rich.d Sambourne, Thomas Donovan, John Hogben, Wm. Hughes, Benj.n Coles, and John Tilbury £15 each, Andrew Feltham £20, William Harris, Samuel Thompson, James Clapp, - William James, Robert Hoddle, Charles Horth and John Cole Baker £3. 15. ea.ch, John Pike, dec.d £2. 10. - The eight House porters £48. - Twenty two Watchmen £110. - Six Ditto £15. - The Eight Supernumerary Watchmen £32, Samuel Cooper £60, George Banks £55. - Joseph Shackell £45. - Robert Best, Sec.y £150, William Dawes, Dep.y Sec.y £100, Will.m Smith Asistant £60, and William Shrubsole, Secretary to the Committee of Treasury £100. -

Ordered, That £22. 10. - be given to Zachary Billing, and £20 each to James Elliott, Thomas Carter and Joseph Bruce, the Gate Porters, for the Half Year ending ending the 5.th April next.

Gratuities to the Gate Porters. -

Upon the Recommendation of the Comm.ee appointed to consider the State of the Discounts,

Ordered, That a Gratuity of £20, be given to Wm. Quell, and £10 to Jonathan Hopkinson, for their trouble in preparing the Books with the Statements of Discounts at different periods. -

D.o to Wm. Quell & Jan.a

Mr. Manning laid before the Court, The Report of the Committee appointed the 8.th instant

Report of the Comm.ee app.d the 8.th instant.

To

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"To enquire, Whether at any time since the Restriction
"Bill passed, there has been any engagements
"made with the Proprietors, that the Bank shall
"not advance to Government, any Sums that shall
"exceed what was the amount of such advances
"at that Period"? —

Report to be considered.

Resolved,

That it be recommended that the said Report be taken into consideration, this day fortnight. —

30 Guin.s to Wm. Shrubsole

Ordered,

That Thirty Guineas be given to William Shrubsole. —

Mr. Manning laid before the Court the following Report from the Superintending Military Committee, Viz.t

Rep.t of the Superintending Military Committee.

"The Superintending Military Committee
"appointed by the Court of Directors, on the 2nd
"June 1803", to regulate all matters respecting
the Bank Volunteer Regiment." —

The Do Report,

That the following is the present State of the Regiment, Viz.t

	No.
Lieutenant Colonel Commandant	1.
Major	1.
Captain Adjutant	1.
Captains	8.
Lieutenants	10.
Ensigns	6.
Quarter Master	1.
Surgeon	1.
Deputy Quarter Master	1.
Sergeants	16.
Corporals	16.
Drummers & Fifers	11.
Privates	418.
Total	491.

The

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"The Total of the actual Expence of the "Military Establishment of the Bank "Volunteer Regiment, between the 4th. of "June 1803, and 28th. of March 1804. is £7875.6.0

To which however are to be added,

"On account of the Undress "Suit, Ordered by the Court "to the Non-Commissioned "Officers and Privates of the "Corps £2822.8.-

"On Account of providing "Ball Cartridges & practising "the Regiment in Firing with "Ball 301.13.0

"On Account of providing "Substitutes for such Clerks "belonging to the Corps as have "been balloted for, and not "exempted from, the Militia "and Army of Reserve 81.15.0

3205.16.0

Total £11,081.2.0

"The Committee feel it to be their Duty to State "to the Court, that the Attendances and Conduct of "the Regiment, at the several Musters, have been "regular and commendable. - And, although it has "been necessary to have very frequent Drills and "Exercises for the purpose of regaining a suitable "proficiency in Military Duties, yet this has been "done with the strictest attention on the part of the "Committee to prevent any interference with the important "and essential Concerns of the Civil Departments of "the Bank; which, the Committee are happy to state, "have not been in any degree interrupted by the "Exercises of the Regiment."-

"The Committee recommend to the Court, that "the appointment of a Superintending Military "Committee be continued.-

"Signed by desire of the Committee

"Bank of England, "29 March, 1804."- "Wm. Manning "Lt. Col: Commandant."-

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Mr. Pearse laid before the Court the following Report from the Supplementary Military Committee Viz.t

Report from the Supplementary Military Committee.—

"The Military Committee for the Supplementary Corps of Bank Volunteers, appointed by the Court of Directors on the 25th. August 1803, to regulate all matters relating to the said Corps.—

"Report to the Court of Directors."

"That the following is the Return of the present State of the Supplementary Corps.— Viz.t"

"Captain Commandant	1.
"Captains	4.
"Adjutant	1.
"Lieutenants	4.
"Ensigns	4.
"Sergeants	8.
"Drummers & Fifers	7.
Rank and File	114
Total	143.

"And the Expence as follows.—

"Equipment of the Corps, the Bills of which have been discharged	£3305. 9. 6
"Undress Suit ordered by the Court 23 Feb.y 1804, to every Non Commissioned Officer and Private	560. 9. —
	£3865. 18. 6

"Your Committee has much satisfaction in representing to the Court the Constant Attendance and good Conduct of the Corps on every occasion when it has been thought necessary to assemble it, and Your Committee trusts it will be found qualified to perform every Service for which it has been embodied."—

"John Pearse,
"Thos. Lewis,
"Sam.l Thornton,
"C. Pole,
"Alex.r Champion,
"H. Smith,
"Thos. Boddington."—

"Bank of England,
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The following Letter from the Chancellor of the Exchequer being read, Viz.t

"Downing Street.
"March 29th 1804.-

Ltr from the Chanr. of the Exchequer.-

"Gentlemen,

"It being necessary to provide for "considerable payments at Home, & for a large "Advance for the Service of Ireland, & as Exchequer "Bills cannot be expected to find a favorable "Market at a time when the Sums for the discharge "of the approaching Dividends are collected in "the Exchequer, I am compelld to request that "you will propose to Your Court to afford the "accommodation of a further Advance, to an Amount "not exceeding One Million on the Credit of the "Exchequer Bills, the Issue of which has been "recently authorized by Parliament: - I think "it material to State, that this additional "Assistance will, I trust, have the effect of enabling "me better to consult the Interests of the Public "with respect to the time of Contracting for a "Loan for the service of the present Year."-

"I have the honor to be,
"Gentlemen,
"Your most obedient
"& faithful Serv.t
"Henry Addington."-

"The Governor and
"Deputy Governor
"of the Bank."-

Resolved

Complied with.-

That the Governor and Deputy Governor, be requested to acquaint the Chancellor of the Exchequer that the Bank will consent to advance One Million, on Exchequer Bills, as desired in his Letter, on the condition of his proposing to Parliament, that these Bills, shall be received in the payment of the first, second or third Instalment of the Loan of the Year 1804.-

Notice of Mr. Darell's quitting the Direction.

The Governor having informed the Court that he had received from Mr. Darell, notice of his intention to decline being any longer a Director of this House, on account of the ill State of his Health.-

Resolved.

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Resolved Unanimously,

Gov.r & Deputy Gov.r to express to Mr. Darell the sense of the Court on his resignation.—

That this Court deeply laments the Cause, which occasions the loss of so valuable a Member, and requests that the Governor and Deputy Governor, will express to Mr. Darell, its sincere regret at the circumstance which leads to his resignation, and desires to testify the high Sense this Court entertains of the important Services Mr. Darell has rendered to this Corporation, during a period of Thirty seven Years, since he was first Elected into this Direction.—

Ordered,

That the following Advertisement be inserted in five of the Daily papers, Viz.t

Advertisement of the House List.—

The following is the House List for Governors and Directors of the Bank of England for the Year ensuing.—

For Governors.—

Benjamin Winthrop Esq.r Governor.
Beeston Long, Esq.r Deputy Governor.—

For Directors.—

Thomas Amyand, Esq.r	William Mellish Esq.r
Thomas Boddington Esq.r	Sir Richard Neave Bar.t
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq.r	Joseph Nutt, Esq.r
John Bowden, Esq.r	Jeremiah Olive, Esq.r
Cornelius Buller, Esq.r	John Pearse, Esq.r
Alexander Champion Esq.r	Charles Pole, Esq.r
Bicknell Coney, Esq.r	John Puget, Esq.r
George Dorrien, Esq.r	Thomas Raikes Esq.r
Jeremiah Harman Esq.r	Peter Isaac Thellusson, Esq.r
Thomas Langley, Esq.r	Samuel Thornton, Esq.r
William Manning, Esq.r	Stephen Thornton, Esq.r
Ebenezer Maitland, Esq.r	John Whitmore, Esq.r

The Election for Governor and Deputy Governor will be held on Tuesday the 3rd. and of Directors on Wednesday the 4th. April next, from ten in the forenoon till four in the afternoon.—

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Directors,

elected the 4th April 1804.—

Thomas Boddington Esq:
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq:
John Bowden, — Esq:
Cornelius Buller, Esq:
Bicknell Coney, — Esq:
George Dorrien, Esq:
William Manning Esq:
Sir Richard Neave, Bart.
Jeremiah Olivel, Esq:
John Pearse, — Esq:
Charles Polet, — Esq:
Thomas Raikes, — Esq:
Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq:
Samuel Thornton Esq:
Stephen Thornton, Esq:
John Whitmore, Esq:

Sworn before the Gov.r & Dep.t Gov.r the 4th April 1804, except — Jeremiah Harman Esq: who being a Quaker affirmed.—

Thomas Annyand, Esq:
Alexander Champion, Esq:
Jeremiah Harman, Esq:
Thomas Langley, Esq:
Ebenezer Maitland, Esq:
William Mellish, — Esq:
Joseph Nutt, — Esq:
John Puget, — Esq:

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Court of Directors at the Bank
on Thursday the 5th April, 1804.

Present.

Benjamin Winthrop, Esq: Governor.

Beeston Long Esq: Depy: Governor.

Thomas Boddington Esq:	Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq:
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq:	Stephen Thornton Esq:
John Bowden, Esq:	John Whitmore Esq:
Cornelius Buller, Esq:	Thomas Amyand Esq:
Bicknell Coney, Esq:	Alexander Champion Esq
George Dorrien, Esq:	Jeremiah Harman Esq:
William Manning Esq:	Thomas Langley Esq
Sir Richard Neave Bart.	Ebenezer Maitland Esq
Jeremiah Olivier, Esq:	William Mellish Esq:
John Pearse, Esq:	
Charles Pole, Esq:	A. D.
Thomas Raikes, Esq:	Joseph Nutt, Esq:

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

The Standing Committees for the Year ensuing were appointed, Viz.t

For the Accounts and for the Treasury, for a Commee of Building, and also a Committee of Inspection for the Secretary's Office, the Chief Accountant, and Chief Cashier, the Exchequer, the Storekeeper, and the Bullion Offices.

Sir Richard Neave Bart.	Samuel Thornton Esq:
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq:	Joseph Nutt, Esq:
Thomas Raikes, Esq:	John Whitmore, Esq:

For the House and Servants.

Thomas Boddington Esq:	Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq:
John Bowden, Esq:	Stephen Thornton, Esq:
Cornelius Buller, Esq:	Thomas Amyand, Esq:
Bicknell Coney, Esq:	Alexander Champion, Esq:
George Dorrien, Esq:	Jeremiah Harman, Esq:
William Manning, Esq:	Thomas Langley, Esq:
Jeremiah Olivier, Esq:	Ebenezer Maitland, Esq:
John Pearse, Esq:	William Mellish, Esq:
Charles Pole, Esq:	John Puget, Esq:

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For the Inspection and internal Regulation of the different Offices, pursuant to the Resolution of the Court the 4th. September 1800.-

For the Stock Offices, Viz.t Bank Stock, £3 p.Cent Reduced, Consols, Interior Do., Irish £3 p.Cents, and £4 p.Cents.-

Mr. Coney,-
Mr. Thellusson,
Mr. Puget,-
Mr. Harman,
Mr. Annyand,
Mr. Clive.-
William Dawes, Sec:

For the Printing Office, Bank Note Office, Signers of Notes under £5, pay Clerks, In Tellers, Out Tellers, Clearers, Cash Books, Inspectors, Specie, and the Land Tax and property Tax Office.-

Mr. Boddington
Mr. Mellish,
Mr. Langley,
Mr. Maitland,
Mr. Steph.n Thornton,
Mr. Bowden,-
Robert Best, Sec:-

For the Drawing Office (Acct.s) Chancery, Cheque, Drawing Office (Hall,) Bill Office, post Bill Office, Dividend Warrant Office, Discount Office, and General Cash Book.-

Mr. Manning
Mr. Pearse
Mr. Dorrien
Mr. Champion,
Mr. Pole,
Mr. Buller.-
William Smith, Sec.-

Resolved, That Mr. Bosanquet, Mr. Boddington, Mr. Harman, Mr. Maitland and Mr. Clive be appointed a Committee for Law Suits, for the purpose of managing prosecutions, in future, and giving such directions as to the retaining of Counsel, and preferring Indictments, as they may judge expedient; and to report from time to time to the Court.-

Resolved, That Mr. Manning, Mr. Dorrien, Mr. Harman, Mr. Langley, Mr. Maitland and Mr. Bowden, be appointed a Committee to inspect every Six Months,

the

the Accounts of such persons, as appear to have been constant Discounters with the Bank during the preceding three Years, to be divided into two Classes, the first to consist of Merchants, Bankers, and opulent Traders, whose Accounts have constantly exceeded £15,000. in the preceding three Years; the second to consist of such other Discounters, as have had constantly more than £5000. on their Accounts during the same Period, pursuant to a Resolution of this Court, the 16th. February 1804.–

Resolved, That the three following Gentlemen, added to the Field Officers and Captains form the Superintending Military Committee.– Viz.t

Sir Richard Neave, Bart.
Mr. Whitmore,
Mr. Amyand,

Resolved, That the three following Gentlemen added to the Field Officers and Captains, form the Military Committee for the Supplementary Corps. Viz.t

Mr. Samuel Thornton
Mr. Boddington, and
Mr. Maitland.–

Ordered, That the Annual Election of the Servants be appointed for Tuesday the 1st. May next, and that they all have Notice then to attend.–

Annl. Elect.n of the Servants.–

By Laws read

The 7th. & 12th. By Laws were read as usual.–

Ordered, That Sixteen Guineas, be given to the Eight Bullion porters, for their Services in the Warehouse and Vaults as usual.–

16 Guins. to the Bullion porters.

A Letter

5th April 1804.

A Letter from the Commissioners for Taxes being read. – Viz.t

"Office for Taxes.
"31st March 1804.

Let.r from the Comm.rs for Taxes.

"Gentlemen,

"By the 6th Section of the Act for "granting to His Majesty until the 6th day of May "next after the Ratification of a Definitive Treaty of "Peace a Contribution on the Profits arising from "Property Professions, Trades and Offices. – The "Governors and Directors of the Bank of England are "empowered to appoint Two Commissioners for executing "the said Act in the City of London and two others "to supply Vacancies. – On this Subject we "beg to represent to You that from the late period "at which the Act passed the Assessments for the "present Year are not completed and it appears to us "it might be attended with great inconvenience if "different Gentlemen should now be appointed "as in that case the present Commissioners would "be superseded. – Under these Circumstances we "take the liberty of suggesting to you whether it may "not be expedient that the Commissioners now acting "under your appointment, should be reappointed "for the Year ensuing, and at the same time "that any other Gentlemen you may think fit "should be nominated to supply the Vacancy "that would arise in case the Commissioners now "acting should decline when the business of the "present Assessment is finished. –

"We have the honor to be,
"Gentlemen
"Your most obedient Servants

"Edw.d Medows,
"Horace Hayes.
"Hen: Hodgson."

"To the Governors and Directors,
"of the Bank of England."

Stephen

8th April 1804.

Commissioners appointed under the property act.

Stephen Cattley Esq: and Thomas Plummer Esq: were by the Court chosen Commissioners and John Jeffery Esq: and John Plummer Esq: to supply their Vacancies, under the Act for granting to His Majesty until the 6th day of May next after the Ratification of the definitive Treaty of Peace, a Contribution on the Profits arising from Property, Professions, Trades and Offices.—

Ordered,

To be acquainted therewith.

That the Secretary do write Letters to the above Gentlemen, and also to the Commissrs for Taxes, acquainting them of the said Appointment.—

Wm Wade dft on his Security.—

The Secretary acquainted the Court that Thomas Raybould, a Security in £500 for William Wade is deceased.—

Ordered,

That the said William Wade, do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Thomas Raybould.—

Ordered

Chas Piper £20.
Thos Saunders £4.
Susa Bow £1.
Edwd Hogg £1.
for Bank Notes lost &c.

That £20 be paid to Charles Piper in full satisfaction for two Bank Notes the dexter parts of which are lost, upon his delivering up the sinister parts thereof and giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same to be approved by the Committee in waiting; and also £4 to Thomas Saunders for four Bank Notes, and £1 to Susannah Bow, for a Bank Note, which have been partly destroyed, and £1 to Edward Hogg, for a Bank Note which has been washed to pieces, and the Numbers and Dates thereof cannot be ascertained; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.—

The late Governor's inform. respecting Mr.

The late Governor informed the Court, that in conformity to a resolution of this Court the 29th March last,

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giving Mr. Darell thanks for his long and eminent Services to the Bank; he had presented a Copy of the same to Mr. Darell, when he desired the late Governor would on his behalf make his Sincere — Acknowledgments to the Court, for the great honor they have done him; which would be to him a great consolation to the latest period of his Life.-

The following Letter from the Chancellor of the Exchequer being read.- Viz.t.-

Let. from the Chan.r of the Exch.r

"Downing Street.
March 30.th 1804.

"Gentlemen,

"Having considered the Resolution "of Your Court communicated to me Yesterday, I "feel no difficulty in acceding to the terms proposed, "with two slight Modifications, to which I am not "aware that any objection is likely to arise.- First, "that as the Amount of the Loan for the Service of "the Year 1804. is not yet fixed, it may possibly "prove inconvenient to provide for the Repayment "of the proposed Advance in less than four "Installments, which I should therefore — "propose instead of three:- Secondly, that it "having been found extremely convenient, & "satisfactory to the Public that a regular, & "invariable Order should be observed in the "Discharge of Exchequer Bills, I should propose "that instead of paying off the new Bills from "the Installments of the Loan, the Bills of the "earliest Date, Viz.t those issued in March 1803, "now held by the Bank, to the Amount of "about £1,200,000, should be received in the "four first Installments of the Loan".-

"I have the honor to be
"Gentlemen
"Your most obedient
"& faithful Servant

"Henry Addington".-

"The Governor
"& Deputy Governor of the Bank."

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5th April 1804.

Bank will advance to Govermt. 1 Million on Exchr.

Resolved,

That this Court will consent to lend One Million to Government, on the deposit of a like Sum in Exchequer Bills, provided the Chancellor of the Exchequer will engage to propose to parliament, that the said Sum shall be made payable to the Bank out of the first four Instalments of a New Loan. but that it cannot accede to the latter part of the proposition contained in Mr. Addington's Letter.

The following Amendment was proposed and Negatived. - Viz.t

Amendment thereon Negatived. -

Resolved,

That the Governor and Deputy Governor be instructed to acquaint the Chancellor of the Exchequer, that this Court will comply with the proposal, made in his Letter of the 30th. March: - but at the same time to tell him, that their advances on Exchequer Bills, are at an unprecedented height and ought to be considerably diminished. -

Original Question Carried. -

Then the original Question was put and carried in the Affirmative. -

Resolved,

Communication to the Chancr. respg. Exchr. Bills. -

That the Governor and Deputy Govr. in their conference with the Chancellor of the Exchequer, be desired to inform him, for his guidance in providing for the Supplies of the Current Year, that the Sum of Exchequer Bills in the hands of the Bank, is so great, that he must not calculate on any further accommodation until their amount is considerably reduced. -

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12 April 1804

Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 12th April 1804.

Present.-

Benjamin Winthrop Esq. Governor.

Beeston Long, Esq. Depy. Governor.-

Thomas Boddington, Esq.	Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet, Esq.	Samuel Thornton, Esq.
John Bowden, Esq.	Stephen Thornton, Esq.
Cornelius Buller, Esq.	John Whitmore, Esq.
Bicknell Coney, Esq.	Thomas Anny and Esq.
George Dorrien, Esq.	Alexander Champion Esq.
William Manning, Esq.	Jeremiah Harman Esq.
Sir Richard Neave, Bart.	Thomas Langley, Esq.
Jeremiah Olive, Esq.	Ebenezer Maitland Esq.
John Pearse, Esq.	William Mellish Esq.
Charles Pole, Esq.	Joseph Nutt, Esq.
Thomas Raikes, Esq.	John Puget, Esq.

The Proceedings of the last Court were read.-

Resolved,

Consideration of the Rept. of the Comee. appd. 8th March deferred.-

That the consideration of the Report of the Committee appointed the 8th. March 1804.- "To enquire, Whether at any time since the "Restriction Bill passed, there have been any "Engagements made with the Proprietors, that "the Bank shall not advance to Government, "any Sums that shall exceed what was the amount "of such Advances at that period?" - be postponed to this day Sennight.-

The following Letter from the Chancellor of the Exchequer being read.- Viz.t

Downing Street,-
"April y. 11th. 1804.-

"Gentlemen,

Ltr. from the Chan. of the Exch.r.-

"Having consider'd the late Resolutions of "Your Court, I request that you will submit to them "the following Arrangement, which will I trust "be satisfactory to them, without disturbing the

Order

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"Order of paying off Exchequer Bills, to which I "think it necessary to adhere".-

"It is intended that the earliest Bills held by "the Bank (being those issued in March, April "May & June 1803,) should to the extent of two- "Millions & a half, be received upon the Installments "of the Loan in Proportions as nearly equal as "convenience may admit.- It will be for Your "Court to consider whether, under these Circumstances, "they will think it proper to complete the advance "of one Million, which was the object of my last "Application".-

"I have further to express my Hope, "that the Arrangement, which I have stated, "may induce Your Court to consent to postpone "for another Year the repayment of the Sum "of £1,500,000, which remains due upon the "advance of £3,000,000 made in the Year 1798. "The Acquiescence of Your Court in this "proposition would be a very material Accommodation "to the public Service.-

"I have the honor to be,
"Gentlemen
"Your most obedient
"and faithful Servant
"Henry Addington"

"The Governor and
"Deputy Governor
"of the Bank.-

Resolved,

That this Court do accede to the proposition in the said Letter.-

Ltr. acceded to.-

Resolved,

That the Governor and Deputy Governor be desired to wait on the Chancellor of the Exchequer with the foregoing Resolution; and at the same time do acquaint him, that the Court in acceding to his proposition, has a firm reliance on his Declaration to the Committee which waited on him last Tuesday; That he had no intention of applying to the Bank for any farther accommodation.-

Communication to the Chancr. of the Exch.r

The

12 April 1804.

Wm Storry & Ors to be off in their Secty.

The Secretary acquainted the Court, that William Abbot a Security in £250 for William Storry is deceased, and that John Lenard, a Security in £250 for John Watson, and Thomas Watters a Security in £250 for George Lavers are both become insolvent.

Ordered,

That the said William Storry, John Watson and George Lavers do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said William Abbot, John Lenard and Thomas Watters.

Ordered,

2 Security Bonds to be delivered up.

That the two Security Bonds of Charles Morrall in £500 each, for Thomas Morrall, be delivered up to be cancelled; the said Thomas Morrall having quitted the Service above twelve Months ago, and the Accountant having certified there is no demand upon him.

Ltr from the So. Sea Compy.

A Letter from the Committee of Treasury of the South Sea Company, dated the 11th. instant, addressed to the Governor and Deputy Governor of the Bank of England, (being now read,) desiring that Mr. William Evans their Cashier, may be permitted to overdraw for any Sum or Sums not exceeding Fifty thousand pounds, 'till the 11th. June next: and that all former Letters of Credit given by them on the said Company's Account may be cancelled, the same was agreed to, and ordered accordingly, at the rate of £4 p Cent. per Annum Interest.

Bank to be defd. in the Court of Exchequer.

Ordered,

That Messrs. Winter & Kaye do appear for and defend the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, in the Court of Exchequer, at the Suit of John Alewyn.

Ordered,

Wm Adams £20 for a Bank Note lost

That £20 be paid to William Adams, in full satisfaction for a Bank Note, lost above twelve Months ago

£45

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M Hebdin £45.
R Griffiths £74

£45 to Mary Hebdin for four Bank Notes, and £74 to Robert Griffiths for 37 Bank Notes, the Sinister parts of which are lost, upon their giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting, and the dexter parts of the said Notes being delivered up

P. Eve £2, and
T Sage £1 — for
Bk Notes p.ts lost. —

and also £2 to Philemon Eve, for a Bank Note, partly destroyed, and the Number not ascertained, and £1 to Thomas Sage for a Bank Note, which has been washed to pieces, and the Number and Date thereof not ascertained; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereof. —



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19 April 1804

Court of Directors at the Bank on Thursday the 19th April 1804

Present

Benjamin Winthrop Esq. Governor

Beeston Long Esq. Dep.y Governor

Thomas Boddington Esq.
Samuel Bosanquet Esq.
John Bowden, Esq.
Cornelius Buller Esq.
Bicknell Coney Esq.
William Manning Esq.
Jeremiah Olivef. Esq
John Pearsef. Esq
Charles Polef. Esq.
Thomas Raikes Esq
Peter Isaac Thellusson Esq.
Samuel Thornton Esq.
Stephen Thornton Esq.
John Whitmoref, Esq
Thomas Amyand, Esq.
Alexander Champion Esq.
Jeremiah Harman Esq.
Thomas Langley, Esq.
Ebenezer Maitland, Esq.
William Mellish. Esq.
and
John Puget, Esq.

The proceedings of the last Court were read.

Consideration of a Report deferred. –

Resolved,

That the consideration of the Report of the Committee appointed the 8th March 1804, to enquire, Whether at any time since the Restriction Bill passed, there has been any Engagements made with the Proprietors, that the Bank shall not advance to Government any Sums that shall exceed what was the Amount of such Advances at that Period? – be postponed. –

Advances may be made on Gold shipped for this Country. –

Resolved,

That it is the opinion of this Court, that if any Gold shall be shipped for this Country and the parties, to whom the same belongs, shall apply to the Bank for an advance of a proportion of the value thereof, on depositing the Bills of Lading, and the policies of Assurance thereon, – it will be adviseable for the Governor, or Deputy Governor and Committee of Treasury for the period of three Months from the 1st April to make such advances if the parties applying for the same, are of such respectability and the Securities they offer are of such validity as the Committee judge satisfactory. –

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Thos. Triquet Junr. & Jas. Sneath Sec.s

The Secretary acquainted the Court that Thos. Fajson a Security in £500 for Thomas Triquet is become insolvent; and that Butter Hunnings. a Security in £250 for James Sneath is deceased.

Ordered.

That the said Thomas Triquet and James Sneath do forthwith provide other Security in the room of the said Thomas Fajson and Butter Hunnings.

J. G. Wild £10.
J. French - 30.
J. Davis - 7
Edw.d Francis - 5.

Ordered.

That £10 be paid to John Gregory Wild in full satisfaction for a Bank Note, which is alledged to have been destroyed by Fire, £30 to John French, for a Bank Note, and £7 to John Davis for two Bank Notes the sinister parts of which are lost, and £5 to Edward Francis for a Bank Note part of which has been burnt, upon their giving Security to indemnify the Bank against the same, to be approved by the Committee in waiting, and the remaining parts of the said Notes being delivered up, and also £1 to Richard Worswick, for a Bank Note, that is in a Mutilated State, and £1 to Louis Giraud, for a Bank Note which has been washed to pieces, and the Numbers and Dates thereof cannot be ascertained; the Committee of Treasury having examined and approved the several Vouchers relating thereto.

Richd. Worswick £1
L. Giraud £1. for Bank Notes burnt &c.