

M^r Robert Heysham

Madaira 30th Novemb^r 1697

Our last was under the 18th ultimo v^o *Pushing*
copy whereof with addition of the 29th ditto v^o *Lix^o*
we have yours of the 18th August v^o the *Essex* Cap^m Foster Comand^r
with Bill of loading and Invoice of sundry goods which are now
landed - Please to note that in several of Guns we have hinted to
you that Haberdashery will not sell with us for any thing we
have stil by us the Britton^s you sent last year and wonder you
should send us any more we must be forced to send them down
to the West Indies -

Three dayes since arrived the *Shrewsbury* Gally in eight Dayes fro
England v^o whome we are favoured with yours of the 6th
October observe that you had freighted a *Sint* for 200 Pipes -
noting your order for making Provision we see what goods
you had loaded upon her which we had rather had not been
for if you please to observe what we writt you about y^e *Butter*
and *cheese* of *W^m Williams* you may conclude that we never made
one haste of the prime cost therefore wonder why you send us
any more which is just soe much throned away in ours of
the 21st last month we desired you to send us some hoops -
for our owne account in some vessel where freight would cost
little because it is noe commodity to sell but for *triming* our cast
when they goe aboarde ship for their better security we find you
have loaded 30 Mil on the *Sint* which you send us but if we
pay any more then the first cost we cannot receive them
you may please to be referred to what we writt you under y^e
15th May and 22th July that what goods were fitting to sell -
and that where you did send any without order that they
must be made of *Black* *Chester* *Bayes* *kenies* fine *black*
sayes long *ells* &c and not *Butter* and *cheese* and hoops
and *Haberdashery* and such like *Trash* which *Masters* of ships
bring freight free and sell for little or nothing -
we thanke your care of *W^m Children* and y^e *Punctuality*
in writing *Esq^r Bolton* about the £100 suppose it is paid and *Lorry*
his quarter *Cast* of wine should prove bad it was the little care aboarde
or ill management of the Comander we shall send him another of
Cap^m Foster this conveyance being as we suppose v^o *Adir* must refer
you to our next wherein we shall be more particular and a

M^r Robert Heysham Madeira 7th Decemb 1697

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The foregoing copy is our address p^d -
Santane of Cadix a Ketch from Lisbon put into this Road with
hans blowing winds bound for Roan makes this conveyance
The Shrewsbury Gally is sailed for Jamaica a Ship of New-
England bound with 150 Pipes for Barbados and where can
find a market a Ship of Bristol 60 Pipes for Jamaica a Ship
with 60 Pipes for Boston a Brigantine of Bermudas 150 Pipes
for Curissas another 130 Pipes bound home a Sloop ditto 60
for Curissas and Jamaica a Sloop from Neves about 45 Pipes re-
turned a Brigantine 60 Pipes for Antigua a Bark 100 Pipes for
Jamaica a Briganteen 70 Pipes for Boston all these are sailed in
seventeed dayes past which coming together and the newes of peace
have put these people into such a ferment that they know ^{not} w^h-
to ask for the few old wines that are left and besides a large
Portquire coming to land they buy at any price -
Two Dayes past arrived a Sloop from Bristol we have a letter
of the 10th Novemb in answer to ours of the 18th October we
went by a Mushingier a Snow and is the same that we mention
in the front of the copy on the other side soe that the Bills we
then sent you are without question come to hand -
we are at the 16th - the gth currth was cast away our Ship William
with some corne in her we shall have a loss altho we have
made insurance at Lisbon but knowe not how it will stand -
we are

Ditto 21 December 1697

The above is Copy of our last address - yesterday arrived Capp^m
Gravener with letters from your Brother M^r Gyles Heysham
and your selfe joyntly and soe for the future we shall
Correspond by same

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W. Robinson Comp^m