

of the Mary Gally, Capt^m Hunkin Comander with Boil of Ladings for a Barrel of Tin
Plates and a Box with 2 Cloakes & a Seriviq, & Invoices of the Same importing
with you a 20^g. Cent £25:10:03^s, wee much admire at such usage, that when
wee write for a small Matter for our owne use, or for a friend to pleasure him, that
wee cannot have it come upon our owne acc^t, The Plates are for the Bunges of the
Pipes wee ship off, and the Cloakes are for two Particular Persons, that wee cannot
have the face to charge them any Advance,

Wee once more desire you not to send us any Goods, but upon our owne Acc^t
unless you are contented with what wee have proposed, if you are not, please to
send them upon our acc^t wholly, because wee have agreed to deliver them upon
the same Terms as formerly, only that they allow us the Difference ~~between~~
the Insurance between Peace & War — and make insurance for us as you
would for your selfe —

you write us that wee have had severall India ships with us, its probable they
might designe to touch here, but here came none but Two Men of War, the
Burlington & New Castle —

The 27th ultimo came to anchor at Coito Sancto 27 Saile of French Men, whereof about
Six were greate Ships, the rest of different Bigness, wee could not learn whether
they were bound, nor how many were Men of War, wee understand they came from
Rocheforte or Rochel, they staid about 24 Houres & saild to the Southward, it is
supposed by some discourse, that happened, that they were designed to intercept
our India Ships at the Cape Verde Islands, but wee wish they have not some
other Intent to goe as far as s^{ta} Helena — they know our Strength there, & can
fight us with more advantage, then they can to the Northward, they know
wee brought home a greate many India ships last year with 6 Men of War,
and they can as easily know how many are now sent out, on the same designe,

W^{ch} intends for England & the first good Conveyance, & is not willing to embroyle
his concerns in this place more then they are, for w^{ch} reason he requests you
as wee have written for the Goods on the other Side that wee may have noe
dispute about them, and rather then there should be any, please to desist
from sending us any Goods, and if this reacheth your hands before you have
bought them, wee positively & absolutely forbid the buying any part
or parcel of them, more or less, rather then to have soe much writing, about such
Concerns that need not give us any the least Trouble, & wee therefore think you will
doe us the greater kindnes not to buy or ship us any Goods either joyntly or severally
& wee promise you that when wee can serve you more to advantage wee shall
readily doe it & remaine

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Your most humble Serv^{tt}
W. Robertson