Madeira 24th October 1701

Wee have yours of 11th July p. Capt. Stephenson, note that all our Bills were
Mr. Thomas wapp of Barbados to whom wee have written upon your former advice
hat on Mr. Edward Carleton for £46:07:03e to whom wee now write p. this Conveyance
wee note that the Bill on Capt. Morgan was accepted, which was the last that came
hand; Since which wee sent you Capt. William Evertons Bill on Mr. Anth. Merry for
83:10:04e our Bill on Capt. Bullard Kirkham & Co. of Barbados for a Small Ballance
12:03:00 and our Bill on Mr. David Nimer Sierra £17:09:02e with second & third vias
p. Sundry Conveyances —
and now wee send you Coln. Ab: De Peyster's Bill on Mr. Joseph Maxtine for - £200:00:00
Our first Bill on Mr. George Peck for - - - - - - - - - £27:13:04
our first Bill on Mr. Robert Hackshaw for - - - - - - - - £36:01:06

you have herwith Invoice of Twenty Pipes of wines Laden p. the catherine Sloope Capt.
Zachary weekes comander for newyorke Consigned to Mr. Richard willett, the freight taken
by him there 5790501 reis which wee place to your Debet
Our vintage is Small this year the wines according to a generall Opinion will prove
good, not many Old wines left upon the place —
wee note that you were not timely informed of this ship Comeing for Madeira, that
you could not sent the small things, wee had written for, you will meete with some other
Conveyance —
you write us that you had ordered us 100000U— reis in the hands of Messr. Stepney & Comp.
and not the 140000U reis as wee desired, because you say the whole amount of this
years wines was not more if you please to loofe into our acct. you will find that you
might have done it without your prejudice altho the goods p. Parranor Davison &c.
Came to £1037:06:09 which makes about 34550U reis and not £3455— as you say in
your Letter therfore please to rectifie this mistake, that it may not create a future
Doubt, and wee shall rest satisfied and endeavour to accomodate our affairs.
according to our Circumstances, it might have been a prejudice to us, if wee had
drawn the our Bills for the whole 140000U reis, wch as yet wee have not done, and therfore
shall remedy your occations another way —
[illegible] thankfull to you that you will do for us as for your selfe, and considering
[illegible] of a League made [illegible] France & Portugal, wee shall bee better
[illegible] not remitt[illegible] mony to Mrs. Clarke & Comp. because wee
[illegible] Bills for our honour, and before they
[illegible] time to remitt them the money
[illegible] a vessel from St. Michaels brings some Letters from
[illegible] none fr[illegible] our Nation, some say that Portugal hath made
[illegible]e with France & Spaine, and that there is preparations for-
[illegible], soe that wee know not how to governe our selves for the present
what measures to take for the future here is a Brigantine in Porte
[illegible] or Ho[illegible] and by whom I shall write you and the rest of our friends & remaine

Ditto 7th November 1701

Wee confirme the aforegoing Coppy, & now send you second vias of the three Bills therein
mentiond vizt Coln. Abraham De Peyster on Mr. Joseph Maxtine £200— our Bill on Mr
George Peck £27:13:04d; another on Mr. Robert Hackshaw £36:01:06d —

Wee are now passing our Bills for Lo[illegible]
that our Bills may find due honour, & [illegible] se y[illegible]
to Mess.rs Clarke & Comp.y that you hav[illegible] advised them
that upon Notice you wil doe it, that we may suffer noe [illegible]
if Mess.rs Hackshaw & Comp.y or Mess.rs Brooke & Gulston or a[illegible]
you that they shall want Effects to discharge what wee orde[illegible]
to them what they beeneccessary, we draw in this Occation upo[illegible]
& hope we shall not want anything —
Please to speake to Mr. Samuel Eyre, who we hope hath put current [illegible]
wee advised him that wee should draw on his acct. on Mess.rs Depuy & C[illegible]
wee may receive noe prejudice — in a little Time wee shall be able
of the Wheate past wherof stil remaines unsold, wee never had such Pr[illegible]
Corne before now — Wee write you after this Manner because Some
may think that it is nothing to have a Bill protested, more then to pay [illegible]
another occation, with us it is 18 ⅌ Cent upon the Bill, besides the Disc[illegible]
Wee cannot tel how Matters may governe in this Conjuncture, it seemes to
if a Warr with Portugal is unavoidable upon the makeing of the Leagu[illegible]
France &c, and if so, wee may run a greate Hazard in our Persons & Co[illegible]
wee trust to Providence & remaine —

Yr. most humb. Servts.
W.m Bolton & Comp.y

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