May itt please yo’ Hono:rs.  Tanger 16:o Decemb:rs 1675
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This is onely to advise yo’rs y M: Mathews of Cadiz sent to this place a Ship (wch came from New England & was Consignd to him) that had on board Some 30 Indians,hee ord’ed that as many of them as should bee serviceable for his Ma:s Galley s[ ] bee delivered to mee and that hee would adjust the price of the[ ] w:Yo:’ Hono:rs I have therefore taken them, but 9 of them proveing w:bad usage on board are since dead Soe that 21 onely remayne whoe will prove very good men and in my opinion as good if not better then the Moorish Slaves, Soe that if there were every yeare a Recruit from those parts (after the Galley were once mand) itt might bee very advantagious for his Ma:s service: I have sent yo:’ hono:rs a if[ ] Acco:tt by the Mary Rose of the Galleys wants, I onely desire now that yo:’ hono:rs would bee pleased to send over money for y: paying off the Gallyes Arreares cleare, And alsoe money or Credit for the makinge of Bonavolios and y: buying of Slaves: And I think that itt were very requisct that there should always bee here a Fond for Extraordinary uses for the Galley: Att this p’sent wee have neither money nor Credit, and itt is necessary for y: Galley to bee Carreen’d for feare of y: Worms, I was forced to send ~ upon my owne acco:tt for Spaine to gett Stuffe for to burne her & am now forced to send for Tallow for her, In the Kings of ffrance & Spaines Galleys there is alwayes a sume of money allowed for extraordinary uses, as for makeing of Bonavolios in all Ports that they come, as alsoe buying of Slaves if need require as well as Provision for sick and wounded men, and for the Galley in case of want. Wee have here noe manner of Medicines for our sick men, and noe allowance for y: Chirugeon for the buying of them: The w:ch I hope yo:’ hono:rs will take into yo:’ Considerac País & give us a Remedy to itt: I hope yo:’ Hono:rs will not take itt amisse that I inform yo:’ of every thing that I take in my weake Judgem: fitt for his Ma:s Service: I have nothing more to trouble yo:’ hono:rs w:th but desire yo:’ hono:rs would bee pleased to lett mee have an answeare as soone as possible: Most of the people belonging to the Galley (especially Officers) have a great deale of Provisions due to them & are still demanding that they might bee victualled in kinde as all other Galleys are: Wee have a great want of Beds, Ruggs, and Sheetes for to lay our sick men in for att the p’sent in the Hospital they have noe such thing: I remayne rec’d & read
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I had almost forgott to recomend to yo:’ hono:rs Care & Consideration the provision for mens Quart:ns whilst in Harbour, and how the Quart:ns they have already had shall bee xxxxxxx satisfied this being a matter that requires as speedy redresse as any of the others An allowance is likewise ~ requitite for lights and fire for the Officers ~ Marriners & Soldiers in theire Quarters,
For his Ma:rt service ~
To the Right hono:ble the Principall ~
Officers and Com:rs of his Ma:lt Navy
att. the Navy Office in ~
London

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Cap'^ Hamilton – hath
rec'd 30 Indians from M't
Matthews at Cadix – 9 of
them since Dead – likes them
well – hath sent by y^ Maryrose
y^ Gally's wants. – want Mony
to cleare y^ Arreare of y^ Gally
& Buying Slaves – hath neither
Money nor Credit to buy burning
Stuff & Tallow – or to Secure
Buonavoghis – wants Medecins
for Sick men – prays excuse for
his giving a plaine Accot, & asks
an answer – Officers &c much
in Arreare for Victuals, they pray
to be Victualled in kinde – wants
Bedds ruggs &c for Sickmen – prays
Satisfaccons for Quarters -- & for
Fireing &c: