

436 You will receive three ~~articles~~ ^{articles} ~~there~~ ^{there} with a sufficient Guard to ~~bring~~
Baconish to be delivered to Capt. Rowings with the Letter enclosed.
Philip Thomas Esq.

In Council, 10th May, 1731.

437 Sir, Enclosed is a Copy of an agreement made with Mess^{rs} Steward and Company
for the Sloop Porpoise to go with a load of Flour from hence to the Havanna
and to return on Account of this State; you have also a Bill of Lading, and
an Invoice which has been delivered to us by M^r Steward. We have heard
this agreeable Intelligence that the Brigantine Fox had arrived safe at the
Havanna, but not a Line either from you or M^r Smith on the Subject.
You will observe that this Ketch, the Porpoise, is chartered on ^{near} the same Terms
as the Fox, only that the Porpoise is not to go to Ladys but ^{return} to Anna-
polis. You will as formerly carefully land the whole Cargo and dispose of
it to the best Advantage. One half of the proceeds is to be paid to the Captⁿ
for Freight. The Disappointment by the Loss of the former Ketch and Cargo
which were bound to the Havanna is very great, and lays us under great
Difficulties for want of the Supplies we expected in return of those
Cargoes. Wanting of all sorts we greatly want, Salt, Medicines, and Brown
and white Sugars. You will therefore exercise your Discretion in procuring
such of those Articles as are within your Power, possibly the friendly Interpo-
sition of his Excellency the Governour of the Havanna may assist you as to their
Cloathing or some part of it on easy Terms; but if you cannot get any of
the Cloathing and military Stores formerly directed on moderate Terms, then
we would have you send us, if to be had, as much Salt as will ballast
the Ketch, about one hundred Pounds of good Jesuits Bark, about 30 of
Galap, some good Wines of different Sorts, and indeed the rest in brown
and white Sugar of a good Quality.

Robert Darcy Esq.

In Council, 10th April, 1731.

Sir, It is our Intention to send a quantity of ~~cloathing~~ ^{cloathing} Provisions and Lumber
to New York to discharge ~~debts~~ ^{debts} from the Officers of this State
who have been and at present are Prisoners, there and on Long Island
and for the more decent Support of those who still remain in Captivity.
But think it our Duty first to apply thro' you to Congress for their