

M<sup>rs</sup> John Teller & Co<sup>o</sup> HCO56.1  
Six Philadelphia

London 10<sup>th</sup> of October 1789. 157  
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The prevent will be forwarded to your hands by our worthy friends  
and Neighbours M<sup>rs</sup> Burmester & Nash, and weave to acquaint you, We  
have Received from our Correspondent M<sup>r</sup> Manuel de Bergareche of Bil-  
bao a Letter dated 21<sup>th</sup> September who desire us to give order for fifteen  
hundred quarters of wheat of the very best Quality the mouthy weight, and  
the fuller cleaner and whiter the better, and of the best harvest of your Pro-  
vince which bee you will attend to, and execute this order in the best man-  
ner shipping the wheat on Board the best Ships so as they may arrive at  
Bilboa in the Month of April next, our friend supposes the price will  
not exceed from 25 a 30 p<sup>r</sup> Quarter measurement of this Country and  
the freight will not be more than from £2. 10. to £3. 6. p<sup>r</sup> Ton. if possible  
lower for your government. When this order is completed and shipped you  
will please to inform us the amount and transmit us the Bill of  
Lading as we are to make the insurance, and Valuing on us in Bills  
at 60. or 80 p<sup>r</sup> Cent. Relying in their meeting due honor. We are very happy  
in being the means of opening a Correspondence which we hope will  
be cultivated with mutual advantage & waiting the pleasure of  
hearing from you by first opportunity. we are very sincerely  
Y<sup>rs</sup>  
17 Oct. 1789.

Having an Opportunity by a Ship (the Lagan Smith) ~~ready~~  
ready to sail for your Port, we embrace it in sending you the Copy of our last of the 10<sup>th</sup> instant  
to the Packet which we confirm, and having nothing <sup>quitting</sup> at present to add we remain with  
great Respect.

Y<sup>rs</sup> most Obed<sup>t</sup> humble servants  
Garay Bergareche & Co<sup>o</sup>  
Since writing the above we have  
received a letter from M<sup>r</sup> Manuel de Bergareche  
of Bilbao dated 1<sup>st</sup> inst. whereby he says it is expected on consequence  
of recent account from France that American wheat will be much cheaper  
therefore expect you will purchase them as low as possible and ship them with all Expedition

HC 056

London 10<sup>th</sup> Oct<sup>r</sup> 1789  
Giray Bergarchet & Co  
Received the 30<sup>th</sup> Decem<sup>r</sup>  
answered the 4 Jan<sup>y</sup> 1790

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Messrs John Sellers & Co<sup>r</sup>  
of the Lyon  
Print Smith  
of 20 D. L.  
Philadelphia



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SHIPPED in good Order and well conditioned, by JOHN TELLES & COMPANY<sup>188</sup>  
 in and upon the good Ship ——— called the *Pennsylvania* whereof  
 is Master for this present Voyage *David Harding* ——— and now lying  
 in the *River Delaware* and bound for *Santander*  
 To say, ———

*nine Thousand and fifty Barrels and  
 Sixty four half Barrels of Superfine flour*

*TB 1050 Barrels  
 & 64 half do*

Being marked and numbered as in the Margin, and are to be delivered in the like  
 good Order and well conditioned, at the aforesaid Port of *Santander* ———  
 (the Danger of the Seas only excepted) unto *D. Manuel*  
*de Mazaraga* ——— or to his Assigns, he or they paying Freight  
 for the said Goods *Three hundred and twenty four Pounds, twelve Shillings*  
*sterling, to be paid in hard dollars at the rate of Exchange of Bills on London*  
~~*and in doing himself to be paid the same in Dollars at the rate of Exchange of Bills on London*~~  
~~*and in doing himself to be paid the same in Dollars at the rate of Exchange of Bills on London*~~  
 with Primage and Average accustomed. In Witness whereof the Master or Purser of  
 the said Ship hath affirmed to *five* Bills of Lading, all of this Tenor and  
 Date; the one of which *five* Bills being accomplished, the other *four* to stand void.  
 Dated in *Philadelphia 31 March 1790*

*David Harding*

B.1433

July 28<sup>th</sup>

HCOS 6.3

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Philadelphia 1 April 1790 — For L<sup>th</sup> 21<sup>th</sup> —

At Sixty Days Sight — Pay this our First — of Exchange  
 Second and third — to the Order of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Willing, Morris &  
 Swanwick — the Sum of Two Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty  
 four Pounds Sterling — Value received of them —  
 — and place it to Account of a peranza —

To Mess<sup>rs</sup> Caray, Brocard & Co  
 In London

John Teller &amp; Co

Per Bill of Demand 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>  
 & Cash for L<sup>th</sup> 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

M<sup>ss</sup> 28 July 1790  
 W<sup>ss</sup> 26 May 1790

As case of need to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Burnell  
 M<sup>ss</sup> 21 2



Pay the Contents to  
Messrs John Smith & Co  
Barrington Street  
Wilmington Delaware  
Willing Messrs Swanwick  
to

MCOS 6

25/28 October

Philadelphia 5<sup>th</sup> July 1790 For £ 108.4—

At Sixty Days Sight—Pay this our ~~First~~ of Exchange  
Second and third ~~are~~ paid to the Order of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Bunnister & Nash  
the Sum of One hundred and Eight Pounds, four  
Shillings Sterling—Value in Account—  
— and place it to Account of as per advice

To Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergareche & Co John Teller & Co  
London

W<sup>o</sup> 26 Aug<sup>r</sup> 1790 5/6 W<sup>o</sup> 28 Oct. 8<sup>r</sup> 1790 5/6

~~James M. Smith~~  
James M. Smith

MCOS 6

Invoice of 1050 Barrells of 64 half Barrells of  
 Flour Shipped on board the Ship Pennsylvania David  
 Harding, Master for Santander to the Address of Don  
 Manuel de Marmaraga of Bilbao & by Orders of & acc<sup>t</sup>  
 risk of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergareche. & Co of London vice  
 (as per Bill of Lading dated Philadelphia 31 March 1790.)

FB	1050 Barrells of Flour at 58¢ p barrell	3045	—	—
S	64 half Barrells D <sup>o</sup> at 29¢ p D <sup>o</sup>	92	16	—
	Commission 5 p p <sup>o</sup>	3137	16	—
	Commission 5 p p <sup>o</sup>	156	17	9
	LCurrency	3294	13	9
	Making at 145 p p <sup>o</sup> 1/2	2272	1/2	—
	John Sellers & Co			



Philadelphia 1.<sup>st</sup> April 1790 for L<sup>th</sup> 2164

At Sixty days Sight pay this our first of Exchange  
Second and third not paid to the order of Mess<sup>rs</sup>

Willing Morris & Swanwick the Sum of Two thousand

One hundred and sixty four pounds Sterling value

Copied received of them and placed to account of as per  
Advice

To Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergauche & Co

John Tetler & Co

In London

In case of need to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Beaumester & Marsh for J. Tetler

Pay the contents to Mess<sup>rs</sup> John & Francis Raring & Co on  
order Willing Morris & Swanwick

On the Twenty Eighth day of July 1790 at the  
request of Mess<sup>rs</sup> John & Francis Raring & Co, of London

Merchants, I William Newton, Notary publick, dwelling  
in London, duly admitted, and sworn, (acting on behalf  
of William Hammatt, Sheriff to Henry Hammatt, late  
of London, Notary publick, deceased, during his Minority)  
Exhibited the Original Bill of Exchange above Copied to  
a Clerk belonging to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergauche & Co, to whom

The same is directed and demanded payment thereof (The  
Ex<sup>ch</sup> 2164)

time limited for payment of the said Bill since the same  
was protested for non acceptance by me the said Notary being  
(Expired) who answered on behalf of the said Garay  
Bergancho & Co. that they would not pay the said Bill  
Whereupon I the said Notary at the request aforesaid, have  
and do hereby solemnly protest against the Drawers of  
the said Bill, and all others concerned, for all Change,  
Rechange, Costs, Damages, and Interest, already suffered,  
and to be suffered, for want of payment of the said  
Bill.

Thus Done and protested in London aforesaid in the  
presence of William Lejard and Richard Vining Witnesses



In Testimonium Veritatis  
M<sup>re</sup> Newton Not. Pub.

Afterwards on the same day, Month, and Year,  
I the said Notary, at the request aforesaid,  
Exhibited the said Bill to Mess<sup>rs</sup> Drummond & Nash,  
person and to the Addressment thereon, and demanded

payment thereof, who answered that they  
would not pay the said Bill. Whereupon I the  
said Notary have protested to protest in manner  
and form as before.

M<sup>re</sup> Newton Not. Pub.

Bills with their protests

Teller

15-00 in favor of  
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Produce of the  
D. & W. Co. L.

D. & W. Co. L.

Accepted by the  
D. & W. Co. L.



Philadelphia 5 July 1790 For L<sup>th</sup> 100.4

At Sixty days sight Pay this our first of exchange  
second and third not paid to the Order of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Beaumont &  
Nash the sum of One hundred and eight Pounds four  
Shillings Sterling Value in Account and place it to  
Account of as per advice.

To Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergeonche & Co John Tithes & Co  
In London W.D 26 Aug<sup>r</sup> 1790 3/6



Seal of the  
Notary Public  
of London  
1790

On this day the Twenty Eighth of  
October One thousand seven hundred and Ninety  
At the request of Messrs Broomfield & Nash of London  
Merchants bearers of the Original Bill of Exchange  
Whereof a true Copy is on the other side written I William  
Buckterlong of London Notary Public by Royal Authority duly  
Admitted and sworn went to the house of Mr Gervay Langrich  
from whom the said Bill is drawn situated in Old Broad  
Street in this City of London and then speaking to a Clerk I  
exhibited unto him the said Original Bill and demanded  
Payment thereof the time limited for Payment being ex-  
pired since the same was noted for Nonacceptance to which  
he made answer It will not be paid.

Wherefore I the said Notary at the request aforesaid  
have Protested and by these presents do solemnly Protest as well  
against the Drawers of the said  
Bill as all others whom it may concern for Exchange  
5/6 Re Exchange and all Costs Charges Damages and Interests  
Suffered and to be Suffered for want of Payment of the said

Bill Thus done  
and Protested in London in the presence of Samuel Crossly and  
Nathaniel Gore of London aforesaid Witnesses  
In fidem

William Buckterlong

1790.

Not. Pub.

Philadelphia 5<sup>th</sup> July 1790 for L<sup>th</sup> 108. 11.  
 At sixty days sight, pay this our First of  
 Exchange, Second and third not paid to the Order  
 of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Burmeister & Natch, the sum of One  
 hundred and eight Pounds four Shillings. Money  
 Value in Account and placed to Account of  
 per Advice

To Mess<sup>rs</sup> Baranet & Greenchill  
 In London

John Teller

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By the  
Honble  
the  
Bartholomew

On this day the Twenty-sixth -- of  
August One thousand seven hundred and Ninety  
At the request of Messrs Brewster & Nash of London Merchants  
bearers of the Original Bill of Exchange  
Whereof a true Copy is on the other side written I William  
Ouchterlony of London Notary Publick by Royal Authority duly  
Admitted and sworn went to the House of Messrs Jaring Berghards &  
Jessen whom the said Bill is drawn Situated at 834 Old Broad Street  
in this City of London and there speaking to a Clerk Exhibited unto  
him the said Original Bill and demanded Acceptance thereof  
to which He made Answer It will not be accepted

Wherefore I the said Notary at the request aforesaid  
have Protested and by these presents do solemnly Protest as well  
against the Drawers of the said  
Bill as all others whom it may concern for Exchange  
Re Exchange and all Costs Charges Damages and Interests  
Suffered and to be Suffered for want of Acceptance of the said

Bill Thus done  
and Protested in London in the presence of Samuel Wesley and

5/6 Nathaniel Ford of London aforesaid Witnesses

In Fidem  
William Ouchterlony

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Not. Pub.



M<sup>rs</sup> John & Francis  
Gentlemen

According to the general  
given you at the request of thro' the introduction  
M<sup>rs</sup> Welling Morris of Warwick, We now take the  
with regards to same further transactions We have depend  
We find by the advice received by the J<sup>r</sup> Packet, the  
Berguiche & have protested for non acceptance another  
L<sup>ds</sup> 108, 1/- being for ballance due to us of the Place shipped on  
under their Orders & confirmed Credits. We make no doubt it will be paid  
that for non payment & we shall in course forward the same to you to collect  
to pay their just dues. — We have also to acquaint you, that by the same  
We have advice from M<sup>rs</sup> Durometer & Nash of their having received the  
Amount of a bill drawn on John Core & Co for L<sup>ds</sup> 1500 due of Mr Bandiera  
of Lisbon, & that they had also paid out drafts for L<sup>ds</sup> 1050 there retaining  
in their hands L<sup>ds</sup> 450 to secure them in the payment of L<sup>ds</sup> 1500. If  
this was due to them as also for Amount of Wines consigned to us by these  
House in Porto, at that time they could not have of our having remitted  
them the 2<sup>d</sup> August a bill of L<sup>ds</sup> 350, 12/- on John M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> for balance  
due on their Wines, which we have not yet paid. We are rather apprehen-  
sive that our bill will be dishonoured by advice received from M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>rs</sup>  
of the 14<sup>th</sup> August, which if it should be the case, We desire M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> M<sup>rs</sup>  
& Nash to give the Packet to you, in order that they may be paid for it.



on their compound Credit to us, of which we shall furnish you with the  
necessary documents in due time. We likewise request of Messrs. Brewster  
& Nash to account with you for such sums as may be due to any of them, &  
being the present necessity. We truly Remain &c

Sirs

Philadelphia 1 February 1791

We inform the foregoing Copy of our last respects were  
when it came to hand, the Bill mentioned therein with protest for non payment  
drawn by us on Messrs. Carey, Bergham & Co. & which with that of Mr. B. (in  
favor of our Statute for Messrs. Willing, Morris, & Associates) was  
for want of the Seal of the Pennsylvania as per our former Invoices.  
We therefore enclose herewith that Protest with which you will please  
to do the residue in recovering with the other Creditors for the same.

We have the greatest confidence in your exerting yourselves in  
our just claims against them, & are sorry to be obliged to observe  
that they deserve to be chastised. We are not the only House they attempt  
in that Manner, as we find they have acted like Scoundrels in  
their Orders to this Country last Spring, by their having ordered sev-  
-eral Cargoes from many Houses here, for which they have been  
obliged to send Powers to sue them.

We are anxiously waiting the opinion of Council on the  
business against Messrs. Carey & Co. in which from the justice  
of our claims & your exertions towards the attainment thereof,

We have every hope of Success & in the Interim truly Remain  
Sirs your most Obedt Servts

John T. Miles & Co.

Philadelphia Feb 1791

John Teller Esq

Wed 17 March



PAID 4  
Mrs J. Teller  
3/7  
London



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Handwritten signature or name at the bottom left.



On the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August 1790 Before me Clement Biddle  
 Esq. Notary Public for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania &  
 a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of Philadelphia  
 duly Commissioned & qualified dwelling in the City of Philadelphia  
 personally came Maurice Hufferdy Clerk or Book Keeper to Messrs  
 John Telles & Company of said City Merchants and being duly Sworn  
 on the Holy Evangelists of Almighty God did depose and say that  
 the Writings hereinbefore Contained are N<sup>o</sup> 1 a true Copy of an  
 Original Letter signed "Garay Bergareche & Co." dated  
 London 2 December 1789 which Letter was received by the said  
 John Telles at Philadelphia by post with the mark of the  
 British December packet on the 10<sup>th</sup> February last; N<sup>o</sup> 2 a  
 true Copy of another Original Letter signed "Garay Bergareche & Co."  
 dated London 6 January 1790 which Letter was received by the  
 said John Telles at Philadelphia by Post with the marks of  
 the British January packet on the 5<sup>th</sup> of April last; and N<sup>o</sup> 3 a  
 true Copy of another Original Letter signed "Garay Bergareche & Co."  
 dated London 3<sup>rd</sup> February 1790 which was received by the said John  
 Telles at Philadelphia by Post with the marks of the British Febru-  
 ary Packet on the 13<sup>th</sup> of April last; And that the Writings N<sup>o</sup> 4  
 and 5 hereinbefore Contained are true Copies of the Letters from the  
 said John Telles & Co. to the said Garay Bergareche & Co. of the 22<sup>nd</sup>  
 March & 1<sup>st</sup> April last, and the Originals of which were forwarded to

them, the same being copies from the Letter Book of the said John  
Telles H<sup>c</sup>. And I the said Notary together with the said Mau-  
rice Huxley have carefully compared the said copy N<sup>o</sup> 1. 2. 3.  
with the said Original Letters to me produced & the said copy  
N<sup>o</sup> 4. 5. with the Letter Book of the said John Telles H<sup>c</sup>. & have  
found them to agree with the same respectively.

Maurice Huxley

In Testimony whereof I have  
hereunto set my hand & Notarial Seal the day  
Year first above written

Clement Biddle  
Notary Public  
1790  
C.B.

To all to whom these presents shall come I Thineas Bond

Esquire his Britannic Majesty's Consul for the  
State of New York New Jersey Pennsylvania  
Delaware & Maryland do hereby certify that  
Clement Biddle Esq<sup>r</sup> who Signs & certifies  
the Certificate contained on the first Record

Pages hereof is a Notary Publick for the State of Pennsylvania  
and a Justice of the Court of Common Pleas for the County of  
Philadelphia residing in the City of Philadelphia, a person to  
me well known & deserving of faith & credit. In Testimo-  
ny whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal of Office at  
Philadelphia this fourteenth day of August 1790

J. Bond  
Consul.



Correspondence of Jaray  
H.C. with Teller H.C.



London 2 December 1789.

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Messrs John Sellers &amp; Co

Philadelphia

Gentlemen

Confirming our last of 4 November, since which are without any of your favors to answer, we have now to hand you an Order we have received from one of the first Houses of Commerce in Spain for 1200 Quarters whitish Wheat (Trigo Blanquillo) perfectly clear without mixture and the heaviest weight - 13000 Barrels of the best Flour which must be of excellent Quality and fresh. - pray attend to these Instructions - The whole to be sent in two or three Ships from Philadelphia to Santander, stipulating that in case the Owner of the said cargoes should prefer their being landed at Bilbao rather than at Santander, the Captains shall oblige themselves to follow the directions they will receive from our worthy Friend Dr Manuel de Manzanaga of said Bilbao for whom the two or three cargoes are intended without demanding any thing but such freight as shall be agreed in at Philadelphia. - The Wheat is to be shipped in bulk and therefore the greatest care imaginable must be taken that the Vessels be very staunch stout and every precaution must be taken to prevent any damage from Water in the Hold or otherways, and if the two quantities aforesaid should not be sufficient to complete the cargoes, you will please to add to the Wheat 200 Quarters and of Flour as many Barrels as the ship will carry. Both cargoes to be consigned to our said Friend Dr Manuel de Manzanaga expressing the same in the Bills of lading and our said Friend will take particular care to appoint a person at



Sanctander to be there when the Ships arrive and either unload them at that port or dispatch them to Bilbao. As we are to make the Insurance here you will be pleased to send us a Bill of Lading and Copy of the Invoice for our government - Our Friend has not limited any prices, therefore from the great Character we had of your House we place the utmost Confidence that you will execute this Commission on the lowest Terms and with every possible Attention to our said Friend's Orders, which if conducted to his entire satisfaction may we dare say will procure much larger Orders annually which we should be heartily sorry to lose - For the amount of the Invoices you will please to value on us at 60 or 90 d<sup>ts</sup> depending on due honor being paid them for Account of our said Friend with we shall understand for the same. We have only to add that we beg you will be as expeditious <sup>and exact</sup> as possible and that we hope soon to have the Satisfaction of hearing from you - Interim we remain with very great esteem Gentlemen your most obedient humble Servants

N<sup>o</sup> 2.

Paray Bergareche & Co

Messrs Am Teller & Co.  
Philadelphia

London 6 January 1790

Gentlemen The foregoing is copy of our last respects of the 1<sup>st</sup> Ult. which we confirm in every particular and we have now to desire you will with all possible dispatch forward to our good Friend Dr. Manuel de Bergareche of Bilbao five hundred quarters of Wheat besides the 1500 ordered in our Letter of 10 October. - We also confirm our Letter of 10 October with an Order for five thousand bushels of Wheat for our Friend Dr. Francis de la Jang of San Sebastian which we hope you have provided and forwarded as therein directed - Interim being without any of your Favours we have only to add our best Wishes for your health & happiness during the course of the present & many succeeding Years remain with much respect Gentlemen your most obedient humble Servants

Paray Bergareche & Co

N<sup>o</sup> 3 London 2<sup>d</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup> 1790  
Philad<sup>a</sup>; Messrs Am Teller & Co.

Gent<sup>l</sup>

We are this day favored with your Letter D<sup>ts</sup> of Jan<sup>y</sup> last acquainting us with the Impossibility you are in to execute our two Orders the one for 1500 q<sup>rs</sup> of Wheat for Dr. Manuel de Bergareche of Bilbao and the Order for 5000 Bush<sup>ls</sup> for Dr. Francisco de la Jang of San Sebastian and this owing to the heavy rise in the price of that grain and to the extensive Orders which your province has received from various parts of our Continent. Gentlemen without entering into the merit of your reasons for giving us the above piece of News we must confess that we think ourselves a little hard done by, especially as you had our aforesaid Orders in good time before the rise, that you had them from us without any restrictions or limits, and further that it is come to our knowledge that a certain House of your place has lately dispatched a whole Cargo of that Commodity on its own Acre for a different house at San Sebastian which implies that there was Corn to be had. - We forbear Gentlemen enlarging any more upon the Subject only have we to regret the little share we possess of your good graces, hoping nevertheless that having at yet done Nothing which can possibly injure you will still give us our turn by some future Cession of your Abilities for the Welfare of our Interests & the increase of our Correspondence. We shall wait for the further News you promise to give us and in the Interim remain truly Gentlemen your most Obed<sup>t</sup> humble Serv<sup>ts</sup>

Paray Bergareche & Co



Messrs Garay Bergarech & Co  
London Sirs

Philadelphia 2 March 1796

Since the foregoing Copy of our last, We are furnished with yours of the 2<sup>d</sup> December on the 16<sup>th</sup> at it with further orders for 1200 quarters of wheat & 3000 barrels of flour to be shipped for St. Under with liberty to land at Bilbao if required by your friend D<sup>r</sup> Manuel de Manzanaga, the particulars of which order we have duly noted, I have to acquaint you that the orders for the last wheat, as well as the former, are every day getting more difficult to be accomplished, it cannot be now had at any price; Our River has been only a few days Navigable, & the price of flour is now at 60<sup>s</sup> per barrel, which with the Exchange at 16<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> p<sup>r</sup> £ for bills at 60 d p<sup>r</sup> £ makes it turn out high with you, but we do not think this price will last long, & in this expectation we are waiting to extend to the Comm<sup>o</sup> you give us for the flour, as well as many others we have for that Article, Wishing to give our friends every Satisfaction in our prices, by our exertions in procuring them the most advantageous prices, We shall take care to furnish you with Invoice Bill of lading in due time, for Sugar, & such on you for the same as you direct, by the first opportunity for England, We shall Acquaint you of what should



Oceana & in the Interior Remain truly —

Yours most Obedt Servt

no. 5

Messrs Garay Bergareche & Co

London

Philadelphia 4<sup>th</sup> April 1790

We beg leave to refer to the above copy of our last of the 9<sup>th</sup> November with yours of the 6<sup>th</sup> January giving us an additional order for 500 q<sup>rs</sup> of wheat to be shipped for your friend D<sup>r</sup> Manuel de Bergareche, besides the 1500 q<sup>rs</sup> ordered in yours of the 10<sup>th</sup> October for him & also confirming the order for 500 Bushels given under the 28<sup>th</sup> of the same Month for your friend D<sup>r</sup> Francisco Vicente de Laniz of St. Sebastian; you will find by our preceding advice to you the obstacles that occurred in the execution of those Orders on account of the scarcity & enormous price of that article, which we are sorry to inform you still continues, so that all hopes are gone of doing him at the time required, it has been sold this day at 13<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> p<sup>r</sup> bushel & will be shortly up to 15<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> p<sup>r</sup>, at such an exorbitant price, we could not think of sacrificing our friends Interest to put a Corn-broker in our way, as we believe the Orders were given on a supposition that the prices would not exceed what you quote in yours of the 10<sup>th</sup> October, but this at the same time you do not limiting, we

Would in conscience act for you as for ourselves, as we know it cannot answer at such prices, & hope that our proceeding is not exciting them will meet with your approbation, We have had several unlimited Orders & Private Accounts for the same principles have not sufficed them, the Only One We are now about performing is very extensive from Lisbon, in which we believe Government is concerned, they being positive to do so with the utmost expedition, We are making arrangements to that purpose. With regard to your Order for Flour, We have been since waiting for its closing in order to obtain the most favourable price possible for your friend but quite contrary to our expectations it holds up, so that We avail ourselves of a little fall to make the purchase of 1050 barrils & 64 half barrils of flour, which We shipped on the Ship *Pennsylvania* David Harding Master for Santander assigned to your friend D<sup>r</sup> Manuel de Manzanara of Bilbao amounting as per Invoice & bill of lading inclosed to £324.13.9 the Currency for your government in Insurance; We shall take the earliest opportunity of executing the remainder; the price is now 60<sup>s</sup> (we think will not be lower as there are considerable orders for it, We alone have upwards of 3000 Barrills to

Ship for Lisbon & as none has gone for Santander or Bilbao  
nor do we suppose will, We are in hopes it will answer. We have  
Wrote to D<sup>r</sup> Manuel de Navarrosa on the subject of the Capt<sup>n</sup>  
has entered into an obligation with us to send the same to Bilbao  
at his Own Expense if required by your friend. We have taken  
the liberty to call on you for the following sum vizt

£<sup>d</sup> 2164<sup>0</sup> - - - this due at 60 d<sup>y</sup>s to the Ord<sup>r</sup> & value  
of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Willing Morris & Co<sup>ys</sup> Swanswick, to which we  
make no doubt of your paying due honour, this sum is  
at 145 p<sup>cts</sup> 100 making 3137<sup>10</sup> for your government.  
Being what at present offers, We remain Sincerely.

Y<sup>r</sup>s your most Obedt<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>



1790  
 March 3. To Messrs. Saray Bergamotte & Co. of London in Account Current with John Telles & Co. of Philadelphia Cred<sup>to</sup>  
 1050 Barrels of Flour shipped by their orders on the Ship Penn<sup>y</sup> Curr<sup>y</sup>  
 Pennsylvania David Harding Master for Santonia  
 & to the Address of D<sup>r</sup> Manuel de Manarraga of  
 Bilbao 3.294.13.9

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 July 1 By Our Bill in favour of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Willino Morris  
 Juamwick for L<sup>ts</sup> 2164. - Each @ 1/5 p<sup>ts</sup> 1/8 3.137.16. -  
 July 5 By Our Bill in favour of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Burmester  
 & Nash for L<sup>ts</sup> 108.4. - Each @ 1/5 p<sup>ts</sup> 1/8 156.17.9

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Errors Excepted  
 Philadelphia 5 July 1790  
 John Telles & Co.  


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Lundreux.

Bilbao y Mexico 6 de N<sup>o</sup> 91-  
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Ter London. Mo &  
 Muos, mios: Milanna fice amio en 27 de Mayo. par, acompaña da  
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L. 120<sup>n</sup> . . . } Endor 2<sup>a</sup> poro<sup>n</sup> Juan Antonio de Endemano, a cargo de  
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L. 434 "4" 5. "Cota, con la que se ovienan mandar procurar lo necesario,  
hasta que se verifique su cobranza, y en su cantidad unida con la de  
la expresada L. 434 "4" 9. componen L. 434 "3" 5. y por  
congruente Nulca cubierto el producido liquido de dicha venta  
devenata, sin alcanzar de parte, aparte, en esta conformidad.



podrian anotar, a falta del grano de cargo y ha uno de estas  
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para el vino como fuerza anadia varacion en las particular,  
uno que el precio aque en lo que se venden de ha de anotar, asido  
el mas venturoso que podia prometerse en la ocasion de anotar  
actual, y suplico que concurran paradas fijas y de suplico  
calidad no se podria conseguir mas que el de 166 rs. Baril,  
viendo Regular que aun Vase en alguna cosa de esta Continuar  
por lo que celebre o hubiere disminuido en parte el que de anotar  
de ha de Feller y Comp<sup>a</sup>, en el Negocio, a las conveniencias de  
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De U. de N. m. ruma. Sep. 17

Manuel de la Cruz

M. C. Manzanaga

Bilbao 6 March 99

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London

Waring & Co  
Bankers  
15, Old Broad Street  
London

£200.00  
MR 21

nothing but bills Van Account  
J. Waring & Co.







Billva 6 March 1791  
M<sup>te</sup> du Hanzarraga  
Acco<sup>te</sup> Sale of the cargo  
of flour of the Ship  
Pennsylvania

Salon

No 28

Documents

re

John Lellis &amp; Co

Philadelphia

John Telles & Theodore Richter trading under the firm of  
John Telles & Comp<sup>y</sup> at Philadelphia.

Mr. Theodore Richter says he is not a partner  
against Manuel de Garay, Manuel de Bergareche & Bartholomew  
de Garay under the firm of Garay, Bergareche & Co of London.

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergareche & Co of London by Letter 10 October 1789  
gives order to John Telles & Co in Philadelphia for the purchase of 1500 quarters  
of Wheat to be forwarded to Bilbao in Spain on a supposition that it  
would not exceed a certain price, at the same time does not give any limit.

received

30 Dec 1789

Ditto by Letter 28 October orders another Cargo of Wheat for Sebastian  
from the price, but only expects it will be as low as their Neighb<sup>rs</sup>.

received

26 Dec 1789

Ditto by Letter 4 November 1789 expresses a wish for the  
Execution of the above orders.

received

26 Dec 1789

Ditto by Letter 2 December 1789 orders a further quantity of  
Wheat & 3000 barrels of flour to be forwarded to Spain to the Consignment  
of D<sup>o</sup> Manuel de Manrarraga of Bilbao, & mentions that having  
no limits to give them they have only to rely upon the orders being  
executed upon the lowest terms.

received

16 Feb 1790

Ditto by Letter 8 January 1790 confirms the Above Order & transmits  
a fresh one for 500 quarters of Wheat.

received

19 March 1790

Ditto by Letter 20 January 1790 confirms the Above.

Ditto by Letter 3<sup>d</sup> February 1790 complains bitterly in answer  
to that of John Telles & Co of 4 January of John Telles & Co's timidity  
in not having executed the orders for Wheat especially that they were  
given without any restriction or limitation.

received

15 April 1790

Ditto by Letter 20 February 1790 confirms the above of 3<sup>d</sup> Feb<sup>y</sup>.

Ditto by Letter 19 March acknowledges receipt of that of 12 Feb<sup>y</sup>  
from John Telles & Co (which mentions that they were obliged to delay  
the execution of the order of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergareche & Co for wheat on  
account of the high price & the scarcity of the article) & cancel the order  
but prior to John Telles & Co receiving this Letter of 19 March from  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergareche & Co they had purchased (per Letter dated  
first April 1790) for account of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergareche & Co 1050 quarters  
& 64 half barrels of flour & had forwarded them a gruel to the  
directions of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergareche & Co to D<sup>o</sup> Manuel de Manrarraga  
of Bilbao by the Ship Pennsylvania David Harding Master  
for S<sup>t</sup> Ander, at which port this Ship arrived & delivered her Cargo  
in good condition; but the prices in Spain having fallen very  
considerably in the mean time, Manrarraga refused to receive  
the Cargo for his account, & Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergareche & Co of London  
in consequence refuse to accept & pay the Bills drawn by

received

20 June 1790



John Tilles &c for the amt. being £216.8 dated 1 April  
 at 60 days Sight order of William Morris of Jamaica for  
 Manzanilla after delaying the sale of the flour. Sometime  
 sells it by order of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergauche &c of London &  
 remits the Amount to Mess<sup>rs</sup> J. & L. Baring &c being £1319.3.5.  
 on Account of the above mentioned bill of £2154 & endorse to  
 them by Mess<sup>rs</sup> William Morris of Jamaica, this payment  
 deducted there remains a ballance due from Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay  
 Bergauche &c of £1167. 0.7 as per Account annexed &  
 which Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergauche &c refuse to make good

query, if prices  
 in Europe known  
 the first April to  
 be low.

for the reasons assigned by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergauche &c  
 in support of their refusal (see their Letter dated 2 June) which  
 are frivolous, they in this Letter even admit that their orders  
 were without limits, which being the case John Tilles &c had  
 a right to execute their own judgement & they certainly did  
 for the best, notwithstanding all that is asserted by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay  
 Bergauche &c which is only mentioned with a view to get  
 rid of the loss which this affair carries with it. did not  
 Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergauche &c transmit this order 2 Decem<sup>r</sup>

The Letter of  
 Feb<sup>r</sup> 1800  
 of the firm Tilles &c  
 of 4 Jan<sup>r</sup> advising  
 a great advance  
 in the price of flour  
 Wheat was  
 then 9/3  
 Oriskany  
 in which  
 proportion  
 flour is worth

confirm it by subsequent Letters & in one dated 3 February  
 upraid John Tilles &c for taxing upon themselves to decide upon  
 the propriety of executing their order at advanced prices when  
 no limits were given after receipt of such a Letter as that of  
 3 July could John Tilles &c not otherwise than they did  
 on receiving the order for flour, for Mess<sup>rs</sup> Garay Bergauche &c  
 had explained themselves therein, as much as if they had  
 said you are to follow the order we give you, without considering  
 whether they are likely to be attended with loss or gain, besides  
 which John Tilles &c observations in their Letter to Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
 Garay Bergauche &c of 2 February had only reference to  
 Wheat as being a perishable commodity, & one that must  
 be sold on arrival whether the Market was good or bad; Flour on  
 the contrary is not liable to such inconvenience, it may be kept  
 a length of time without Injury, & if one Market is not favorable  
 it may be exported to another in consequence John Tilles &c

on receipt (16 February) of the order from Messrs Gray Borgearche & Co of 2 December for 3000 barrels flour prepare to execute it on the best terms possible; at the time the letter was received the price was quoted 60s 8d no flour to be had, believes that date to the first of April it lowered to 55s 8d of this fall John Sellers & Co avoided themselves to execute part of the order for 3000 barrels & being the large in dispute.

John Sellers & Co bought the large of Messrs William Morris of Norwich to whom they paid the amount by their draft on Messrs Gray Borgearche & Co part of which has been reimbursed from the Proceeds of the large to Messrs J & F Baring & Co holders of the draft for £2164. John Sellers & Co are since become insolvent but are willing to lend every assistance in recovering the balance from Messrs Gray Borgearche & Co which consists not only of the difference between the sum advanced by Messrs J & F Baring & Co the amount of the above draft for £2164 but there is besides another draft for £108.4. in the hands of Messrs Phoenix & Co Bank.

Messrs Gray Borgearche & Co. Dr To Messrs John Sellers & Co drafts  
for the first of 1050 barrels & 60 half barrels of flour of the  
Ship Pennsylvania, on and refused by said Gentlemen  
one dated first April 1790. due 28 July 1790 for £2164.  
one dated fifth July 1790 due 28 Octo 1790 for " 108.4  
lost of protests " 1.4.  
damages on the bill £2164. @ 20 p 100 512.16  
deduct returned from Dr Samuel de Q 258.14  
Mazamaya the net proceeds } 1319.3.5  
Balance due £1467.0.7



Condições de Sociedade, e Ajuste entre Nós feito

Nós abaixo assignados João Telles Negociante em Philadelpia da America do Norte, e presentem: nesta Cidade de Lisboa, e Theodoro Richter Negociante da Praça desta Cidade, declaramos, que temos feito huma Sociedade de todas as Commissoes, que o D.<sup>o</sup> Socio Theodoro Richter poder alcançar p.<sup>o</sup> o Estabelecimento de huma Casa de Negocio em Commissoes na dita Cidade de Philadelpia, extendendo-se o Commercio das mesmas em todo o Continente sendo preciso; e isto na forma seguinte.

Que o dito Socio Theodoro Richter será interessado em todos os lucros resultantes das Commissoes que puder adquirir tanto desta Praça, e das mais deste Reyno, como de todas as mais que poder obter dos Reis, Estrangeiros, isto em metade de todos os lucros que dellas resultar, depois de abatidas as despesas que se possão fazer com Carteiro, portos de Cartas, ou quaesquer outras desta natureza, q.<sup>ue</sup> vierem a bem do D.<sup>o</sup> Negocio; assim como tambem ficará obrigado aos prejuizos que,



que possam acontecer por falta de pagamento de algumas Letras, e em todo o dano que houver, e prejuizos, sendo protestadas, isto em igual parte.

Todos os Lucros que se adquirirem nesta Negocio pertencentes ao D.<sup>o</sup> Theodoro Richter Giarão 1.<sup>o</sup> Fundo da mesma Caza; como tambem os que pertencerem ao Socio Joao Telles, abatidas as despesas q<sup>ue</sup> lhe forem precisas fazer com a sua Caza, cujas se ha de tirar dos lucros pertencentes ao D.<sup>o</sup> Joao Telles.

Outra qualquer Negociação que haja de se fazer, seja de conta propria, ou de interesse com outros, que seja annunciada de parte a parte por Cartas, terá tanto valor, como se fosse aqui mencionada; e a firma desta Caza correrá debaixo da Firma de Joao Telles & C.<sup>o</sup>

Como esta Sociedade não tem limitação de Tempo, Ella durará somente o tempo que a Ambos parecer conveniente, e querendo ambos que Ella se finde, se dividirão os ganhos e perdas, sem fazer violencia hum a outro, e com a mesma boa harmonia ajustaremos nossas

nossas Contas, conformando-nos communm.<sup>te</sup> a tudo o disposto nestas nossas Condições, que nos obrigamos a cumprir por todos os nossos bens, e a que daremos tanta Fé como se ellas fossem feitas por Escritura Publica.  
Lisboa 26 de Março de 1787

Theodoro Richter  
João Telles

Messrs John Teller & Co.  
Philadelphia

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London 4 July 1789

Gentlemen

Messrs Broomfield & Nash of this City having honored us with a  
Recommendation to your Honor in favor of that of our particular & very worthy  
Friend D. Marchet de Berguiche of Bilbao, who will write you from  
thence by the first Opportunity, we have no doubt you will in consequence  
pay due attention to his Orders, which we hope may be reciprocally  
advantageous — On our part we shall with pleasure honor your Bills on  
his account & do every thing in our power to promote the Interest of both  
Honors —  
We are with great Esteem

Gentlemen Your most obedient  
humble Servants  
G. Marchet de Berguiche & Co



Copys of John Felles & Co. Letters to Messrs  
Garay Bergareche & Co of London, taken from their  
Copy book of Letters. vers

Messrs Garay Bergareche & Co Philadelphia 21 September 1789  
London Sirs

We have before us your esteemed favour of  
the 1<sup>st</sup> July, & hold ourselves much indebted to our friends Messrs  
Burntaster & Nash for this introduction of theirs to the Corres=  
pondence of your respectable House, We are as yet without any  
advice from D<sup>r</sup> Manuel de Bergareche of Bilbao, but you may  
depend when we do, that the utmost attention & promptitude shall  
be paid to any orders he may give us, & we hope our first essay  
will give such satisfaction as to be productive of many transactions  
reciprocally advantageous, to which we shall contribute in all  
that may lay in our power — Our crops this year has been  
very abundant, We have not as yet any settled prices  
for wheat or flour, as the People in the Country still  
continue busy at their harvest & have brought little as  
yet to Market of either article, We are however of opinion  
from the Plenty there has been of wheat, that it will not exceed  
6 to 6½ p Bushel throughout the season & Flour in  
proportion, Nothing further occurring at present we  
very truly Remain Sirs  
your O<sup>b</sup> s<sup>rv</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
(Signed) John Felles & Co

Messrs Garay Bergareche & Co Philadelphia 14 January 1790  
London Sirs

Since ours of the 21<sup>st</sup> September (receipt of  
which you acknowledge) We have received copy of your  
favour of the 2<sup>nd</sup> October, & Original of the 14<sup>th</sup> November,  
per packet on the 26<sup>th</sup> Ult<sup>a</sup> as also yours of the 10<sup>th</sup> 17<sup>th</sup> October  
per the Lyon on the 30<sup>th</sup> Ult<sup>a</sup>, We observe the two orders you  
give us for wheat, the one for 10 hundred quarters to be  
shipped for your friend Don Manuel de Bergareche



of Bilbao, & the other for 5000 Bushels (100 more or less)  
for D<sup>r</sup> Francisco Vicente de Llanza of San Sebastian with  
directions to forward you in due time bills of lading &  
Invoices for Insurance valuing on you for the same in  
bills at 60 or 90 d<sup>ts</sup>, all which we duly Note. We are sorry  
to Acquaint you that the prices of wheat & flour since  
our last have risen to such a degree as none would have  
in the least imagined Occasioned by very extensive orders  
from France & other parts of Europe, inasmuch that it  
is thought there will not be sufficient produce in the  
Country to compleat the demand for it, wheat is here at  
90 c<sup>ts</sup> p<sup>r</sup> Bush & scarce any coming to Market, by being so  
far advanced in the season & the apprehension of bringing  
it by Water for fear of the Vessels being detained here by  
the Ice, in Maryland Virginia &c it has risen in the  
same proportion, as they are facing every quarter to execute  
their Orders, We have wrote to these parts to try what can  
be done for you, We are as yet without any Answer from  
them, & shall in course advise you of the result, We are  
glad to find you have not limited us to any price, on  
account of the fluctuation of the Markets, & you may  
depend on our ~~constant~~ endeavours in giving you as  
much satisfaction as any House in this Continent,  
by our exertions in obtaining the lowest prices, We  
have had many Considerable Orders for wheat in  
most of which We have been limited, which has  
prevented us from serving our friends as we would  
wish, & we apprehend they will have to repent of  
so doing, as we make no doubt (notwithstanding  
the high prices here) that it will answer in the  
European Markets, as the Accounts from your Island  
& every other part all corroborate in a great want of that  
article. Ever devoted to your Services We truly Remain  
(Signed) John Telfer & Co

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Caray Bergareche & Co Philadelphia 5 April 1790  
London Sirs/ We beg leave to be referred to the foregoing  
Copy of our last by Ship, & the present serves to make duplicate  
Invoice & bill of lading of the flour for the Pennsylvania &  
nothing further Occurring at present, We truly Remain  
Sirs (Signed) John Telfer & Co

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Caray Bergareche & Co Philadelphia 4 May 1790  
London Sirs/ We had this pleasure on the 1<sup>st</sup> ult. & confirmed  
the same with Copy on the 5<sup>th</sup> by Packet, enclosing duplicate  
Invoice & bill of lading for the 1032 Barrells of flour shipped for  
your friends in Baltimore to which we beg leave to be referred, We  
have been since favoured with yours of the 3<sup>rd</sup> February on  
the 15<sup>th</sup> ult. & yours of the 20<sup>th</sup> March on the 30<sup>th</sup> ult. on receipt of  
your first, We were much hurt at your mentioning you thought  
yourselves hard done by, in our not executing the wheat it does  
you gave us, which you thought was owing to a disconfidence on  
our part, be assured Gentlemen that no such Idea ever occurred  
to us, the warm introduction given to us of your respectable  
House by our mutual & worthy friend Mess<sup>rs</sup> Burmester  
& Nash was such as to render your Correspondence very worthy  
our attention, & in justice to ourselves & friends, We could not  
hesitate in exercising every means to please you, We are  
however extremely glad to find by your last that our  
operations have met with your approbation, & shall therefore  
defer doing any thing more in your Orders for the flour, which  
we would have soon done had the prices lowered, as we  
always wish to obtain the most favourable ones, where we  
find the least prospect of a fall, wishing to give our friends  
every satisfaction in our power, but quite contrary to our  
expectations they are much higher as you will find by the  
prices We just forwarded, so that we are extremely



happy at not having effected it as we are certain the  
loss would have been great. We shall take every opportunity  
of advising you of any favourable attention that may  
occur, & wishing for many opportunities of rendering you  
any agreeable services, We very truly Remain

Sirs -  
(Signed) John Selles &c

Messrs Garay Doergareche & Co  
London Sirs

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Philadelphia 2 February 1792

We Confirm the foregoing Copy of our last  
Respects, since which We have received Accounts from  
Virginia of Wheat being there at 8/6 that Currency  
equat to 10/7 this Country for the single load, & that a  
Cargo could not be procured at any price, several  
Vessels had arrived there from England with very  
considerable orders, but would be obliged to go without  
it, as the whole of the Wheat in the Country had been  
engaged by the Millers, from Baltimore & New York  
We have the same advices, & in this Market We  
Miss Garay labour under the like difficulties, Wheat is up here  
at 10/ p Bushel & Flour at 50/ p barrel, so that  
under these circumstances We are sorry We cannot  
at present put your Orders in execution, & must  
wait for the Spring to see if any favourable alterations  
might then take place, which we have little hopes  
of, as it is expected it will continue to rise, unless the  
issue of the vast quantities shipped for Europe should  
be so unfavourable as to occasion a fall, We believe  
that what has been sent off for there from this Continent  
only in quantity these exorbitant prices took place, will turn to  
a bad Account, as the prices far exceed the bounds of  
any prospect of Profit by such speculations, & had  
it been in our power to complete the cargoes you  
desire, We should be timorous in executing them, for  
tho' you do not limit us, We imagine your Orders  
were given on a supposition that the prices would  
never get so high, which are much above the  
expectations we all had some time ago, & nothing  
would be more foreign to our Manner of acting with  
our friends than to have them run the least risk

at this period  
the order from  
Miss Garay labour  
was only  
for Wheat

what has  
only in quantity  
do Wheat



by our proceedings, as our Commission is no object  
to us, whilst we make it our constant Study to  
have their Interest at heart by giving them every  
satisfaction in our power, our Echo (in consequence  
of the shipments made & the orders there are from  
England to buy up certificates here) is falling every  
day & is now down to 160 p<sup>er</sup> 100 for 50 d<sup>en</sup> bills which  
makes our produce stand very high with you. Being  
the present needful We very truly Remain. Sirs &c  
(Signed) John Felles &c

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Caray Bergariche &  
London Sirs Philadelphia 2 March 1790

Since the foregoing Copy of our last,  
We are favoured with yours of the 2<sup>d</sup> December on  
the 16<sup>th</sup> ult<sup>o</sup> with further orders for 1200 q<sup>rs</sup> of wheat  
& 3000 barrels of flour to be shipped for Santander  
with liberty to land at Bilbao if required by  
your friend D<sup>n</sup> Manuel de Manzaragaz the  
particulars of which orders We have duly noted  
& have to acquaint you that the orders for the  
last wheat as well as the former are every day  
getting more difficult to be Accomplished, it  
cannot be now had at any price, our River  
has been only a few days navigable & the price  
of flour is now at 60 p<sup>er</sup> 100 which with the Exchange  
at 145 p<sup>er</sup> 100 for bills at 60 d<sup>en</sup> makes it turn out very  
high with you, but we do not think this price will last  
long, & in this expectation We are waiting to execute the  
Commission you give us for the flour, as well as many  
others We have for that article, wishing to give our  
friends every Satisfaction in our power, by our Exertions

in procuring them the most advantageous prices. We shall  
take care to furnish you in due time with Invoice & bill of  
lading for Insurance, & value on you for the same as you direct,  
by the first opportunity for England We shall Acquaint you  
of what should Occur in the interim Remain -  
Sirs &c  
(Signed) John Felles &c

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Caray Bergariche &  
London Sirs Philadelphia 1 April 1790

We beg leave to be referred to the above Copy  
of our last & are since honoured with yours of the 6<sup>th</sup> January  
giving us an additional order for 500 q<sup>rs</sup> of wheat to be shipped  
for your friend D<sup>n</sup> Man<sup>de</sup> Bergariche besides the 1500 orders  
in yours of the 10<sup>th</sup> October for him & also confirming the order  
given under the 28 of the same Month for your friend Don  
Fran<sup>co</sup> Vicente de Lanir of San Sebastian, you will find by our  
preceding advice to you the obstacles that occurred in the execution  
of them orders on account of the scarcity & enormous price of  
that article which we are sorry to inform you still continues, so  
that all hopes are gone of doing them at the time required, it  
has been sold this day at 13<sup>th</sup> p<sup>er</sup> 100 bushel & will be shortly up to  
15<sup>th</sup> at such an exorbitant price we could not think of sacrificing  
our friends Interest to put a Comm<sup>ee</sup> in our way, as we  
believe the orders were given on a supposition that the prices  
would not exceed what you quote in yours of the 10<sup>th</sup> October, but  
tho' at the same time you do not limit us, We would in conscience  
act for you as for ourselves, as we know it cannot answer  
at such prices, & hope that our proceedings in not executing  
them will meet with your approbation. We have had several  
unlimited orders on Private Accounts for the same



principles have not affected them, the only One We are now  
about performing is very extensive from Lisbon, in which We  
believe Government is concerned, they being very positive  
it to be done with the utmost expedition. We are making arrange-  
ments to that purpose, with regard to your Order for Flour We  
have been since waiting for its loading in order to obtain the  
most favourable price possible for your friend, but quite contrary  
to our expectations it ~~is~~ holds up, so that we availed ourselves  
a little before to make the purchase of 1500 barrels of 64 lbs Flour  
which we shipped on the Ship Pennsylvania David Harding  
Master for Santander consigned to your friend D<sup>r</sup> Men<sup>d</sup> de  
Manzarraga of Bilbao amounting as per Invoice & bill of  
lading included to £3294. 13. 9 this sum & for your government  
in Insurance. We shall take the earliest opportunity of  
executing the remainder, the price is now 60s if we think will  
not be lower as there are considerable orders for it. We alone  
have upwards of 30 m barrels to ship for Lisbon & as none  
has gone for Santander or Bilbao nor do we suppose will.  
We are in hopes it will answer. We have wrote to D<sup>r</sup> Manuel  
de Manzarraga on the subject & the Capt<sup>n</sup> has entered into an  
obligation with us to send the same to Bilbao at his own  
expense if required by your friend. We have taken the  
liberty to value on you for the following Sum vizt—

£2164 this day at 60s d's to the order & value of  
Willing Morris of Swainwick. to which we make no  
doubt of your paying due honour, this Sum is at  
145 p<sup>er</sup> cent. making £3137. 16 for your governm<sup>t</sup>  
being what at present offers. We remain Sincerely

S<sup>r</sup>s Signed 8<sup>th</sup>  
John Selles Esq<sup>r</sup>

London February 1 - 1792

Enclosed are the Letters of Mess<sup>rs</sup> Gasey & Bergarche  
of with the whole of our Correspondance to them, but  
We Understand that their Objections to pay<sup>for</sup> the Flour  
are founded on our Letter of the 2 February 1790 -  
wherein We say that both Wheat & Flour are very  
high & are sorry We cannot at present put their  
Orders in Execution & must wait for the Spring, to  
see if any favourable alterations might then take  
place &c. In Answer to this, or any other objection  
that these Gentlemen may Make, We have to say  
that our Letter of the 2 February has no Connection  
with the Order & Shipment of the Flour; for it was  
written on that day & their Order for the 3000 Baricells  
of flour did not come to hand, but on the 16<sup>th</sup> of the  
same Month of February, 14 days after We wrote the  
Letter & consequently cannot be understood with  
respect to the said Order of the Flour; the reason that  
We Mentioned the price of flour in that Letter is, because  
in America the price of Flour in general governs  
that of Wheat, & to convince these Gentlemen of it  
We Mentioned the price, for in our first Letter of  
the 21<sup>st</sup> September 1787 We Make mention of Flour & in  
ours of the 4 Jan'y 1790 We say, We are sorry to Acquaint  
you that the prices of Wheat & flour since our last  
has risen to such a degree as none would have in the  
least imagined &c. here it shews again that the  
Mention of flour was only made to verify the price  
of the Wheat. In our Letter of the 2 March 1790



We acknowledge the receipt of the order for the flour  
pay are waiting for a fall to execute the commission they  
had given for it, & consequently as soon as flour fell  
from 60 to 58. We sent the large quantity, & had it  
continued at this price or lower, We certainly would  
have complied with the whole order, for there is  
a great difference between these two articles of wheat  
& flour, wheat is a more perishable one & must be  
sold immediately for whatever price it will bring,  
but flour can be kept, besides we know that a  
great deal of the flour shipped from America to  
Spain goes from thence to the West Indies, Havana,  
Porto Rico &c and we did not know but this  
flour might be for the same purpose, therefore we  
conceive that we did our duty in every respect, for  
it plainly shews that our complying with part of  
the order was not for sake of the commission, as it  
was in our power to comply with the whole, not being  
limited to price, therefore we cannot look upon what  
they alledge as an excuse or not paying, in any other  
light than a mere evasion — to avoid the loss.

We give the following Copy of their Letter of the 3 Febry  
1790 to shew how strenuous they were to have their  
orders executed —

Chas<sup>d</sup> M<sup>o</sup> In<sup>o</sup> Telles & Co

Gentlemen

London 3 Febry 1790

We are this day favoured with your Letter  
of 14<sup>th</sup> January last, acquainting us with the impossi-  
bility you are in to execute our two orders the one  
for 1000 q<sup>rs</sup> of Wheat for D<sup>o</sup> Manuel de Bergareche of  
Bilboa and the order for 5000 Bush<sup>es</sup> for D<sup>o</sup> Fran<sup>co</sup>

Vicente de Tania of San Sebastian, and this owing to the  
heavy rise in the price of that grain and to the extensive  
orders which your Province has received from various parts  
of our Continent, Gentlemen without entering into the  
Merits of your Reasons for giving us the above prices of  
Wheat We must confess that we think ourselves a little  
hard done by, especially as you had our aforesaid orders  
in good time before the rise, that you had them from us  
without any Restrictions or Limits and further that it  
is come to our knowledge that a certain House of your  
Place has lately dispatched a whole Cargo of that commodity  
on its own Account for a different House at San Sebastian  
which implies that there was Corn to be had, We  
forbear Gentlemen enlarging any more on the subject,  
only have we to regret the little share we possess in  
your good graces, hoping nevertheless that having as  
yet done nothing which can possibly forfeit your Esteem,  
You will still give us our turn by some future exertion  
of your Abilities for the Welfare of our Interests and the  
increase of our Correspondance We shall wait for  
the further news you promise to give us and in the  
interim remain truly Gent<sup>ls</sup> your m<sup>o</sup> C<sup>o</sup> & C<sup>o</sup> Bro<sup>rs</sup>  
(Signed) Gray Bergareche & Co



Messrs. Garay, Bergareche & Co. of London  
by Letter dated 2<sup>d</sup> December 1809, writes  
to John Veller & Co. of Philadelphia as  
follows.

¶ We hand you an order we <sup>have</sup> received  
from one of the first Houses in Spain  
for 1200 Quarters of Wheat and 4  
3000 Barrels of flour which must  
be of excellent Quality and fresh.  
the whole to be sent in two or three  
Ships from Philadelphia to St. Ander,  
Stipulating that in case the owner of  
the said Cargo should prefer their  
being landed at Bilbao rather than  
at St. Ander, the Captains shall  
oblige themselves to follow the  
Directions they will receive from our  
worthy Friends D<sup>r</sup> Manuel de  
Manrarraga of Bilbao for whom  
these two or three Cargoes are  
intended, and to whom they are to  
be consigned, expressing the same in  
the bills of Lading. as we are to  
make the Insurance here you  
will be pleased to send us a bill  
of lading and Copy of the Invoice.  
Our Friend has not limited any  
prices therefore from the good  
Character of your House. We  
place the utmost Confidence that  
you

you will execute this Commission, on the lowest terms and with every possible attention, and for the amount of the Invoices you will be pleased to value on us at 60 or 90 Days sight depending on due honor being paid to your Drafts for account of our said Friend with whom we shall understand for the same.

We have only to add that you would be as expeditious and exact as possible.

The above letter was received by John Tetlow & Co. at Philadelphia 16<sup>th</sup> February 1790. and which they answered on 2<sup>nd</sup> March, as follows.

¶ We are favoured with yours of the 2<sup>nd</sup> December on the 16<sup>th</sup> ult with further orders for 1200 quarters of Wheat and 3000 barrels of flour to be shipped for Santander with liberty to land at Bilbao, if required by your Friend D<sup>r</sup> Manuel de Manzanagga, the particulars of which Orders, we have duly noted, and have to acquaint you that the orders for the last Wheat as well as the former are every day getting more difficult to be accomplished, it cannot be now had at any price,

our

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Tetlow & Co. in attestation of their Conducts advance that any thing they wrote in the said Letter of 2<sup>nd</sup> February could have only reference to Wheat because at that period they had only received orders from Garay & Co. for Wheat which being a perishable commodity and one that must be sold on arrival whether the Market was good or bad, was subjected to much greater risk than flour, which may be kept along of time, if one Market was not suitable, might be sent to another, on this ground therefore Tetlow executed the order afterwards received for flour at a higher price when he refrained from executing any for Wheat.

Garay & Co. by Letter 16<sup>th</sup> March came this order they had given for Wheat and flour but the Cargo in dispute was shipped 31<sup>st</sup> March consequently prior to the possibility of receiving the said Letter of 16<sup>th</sup> March.

Garay & Co. by Letter 3<sup>rd</sup> February acknowledge receipt of a letter from Tetlow & Co. dated 14<sup>th</sup> January in which they stated that Wheat was 9/3 and give their opinion that notwithstanding the high price it would answer in Europe which



which certainly Garay & Co. likewise  
expected for in their answer they  
upbraided Sellers for not having  
executed their Order and expect  
they will still have done it, being  
without Restrictions

"The Ship with the Cargo of Flour arrived  
safe & the Captain delivered the Cargo  
agreeable to the tenor of his Bill of  
Lading viz. to Manzanarra, who as  
soon as the Cargo was delivered to him  
wrote to Garay & Co. refusing to accept  
it for his Account & desiring directions  
how to act - Garay & Co. for some time  
refused to give any directions but  
called upon Messrs. Baring & Co. who  
were Holders of the Draft for £2164. -  
that was passed on Account of the loss  
& wished to persuade them to give  
Orders for the Sale of the Cargo stating  
to them that the Cargo was in the hands  
of M. Manzanarra who would conform  
to any Orders that Baring & Co. might  
give about the sale, but Baring & Co.  
considering the Cargo to belong to Messrs.  
Garay & Co. refused to give any Orders -  
Garay & Co. some time after wrote to  
Manzanarra & directed him to sell the  
Cargo & remit the Proceeds to Baring  
& Co. as Holders of a Bill drawn on  
Account of the loss - Manzanarra  
did sell the Cargo in consequence of  
Garay's Orders & remitted the Proceeds  
to Baring & Co. who received the same  
on Account of the Bill, but falling  
short of the Amount, the Shipper

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of the Cargo claim the difference of  
Messrs. Garay & Co. who refusing to pay it  
they wish to bring an Action against  
him for the Recovery

Our River has been only a few days  
 navigable and the price of flour is  
 now at 60/p barrel which with the  
 Exchange at 115 p/p for bills at 4  
 60 d/p makes it turn out very high  
 with you, but we do not think this  
 price will last long, and in this  
 expectation we are waiting to  
 execute the Commission you give  
 us for the flour, as well as many  
 others we have for that Article,  
 wishing to give our Friends every  
 satisfaction in our power, by our  
 exertions in procuring them the  
 most advantageous Prices, we shall  
 take care to furnish you in due  
 time with Invoices and bills of  
 Lading for Insurances and value on  
 you for the same as you direct, by  
 the first opportunity for England  
 We shall acquaint you of what  
 should occur and in the interim Dec  
 Veller writes again first of April  
 " we have availed ourselves of a little  
 fall to make the purchase of 1050  
 whole and 64 Barrels of flour which  
 we have shipped in the Ship Pennsylvania  
 Captain Harding, Santander consigned  
 to your friend Dr. Manuel de Churruarín  
 of Bilbao amounting as p invoice and  
 bill of Lading inclosed to £3294.13.9.

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currency on account of which we  
have drawn £2164. Order of Messrs  
Morris & Swanwick D 145 <sup>per</sup> cent 3137.16.  
the balance they drew in another bill  
afterwards for £108.14. Each <sup>per</sup> cent 145 <sup>per</sup> cent  
£y 156.17. 9. The bills of £2164. <sup>per</sup> cent 108.14 }  
thus drawn on Garay & Co. on account  
of the cost of this cargo of flour were  
protested for non acceptance and  
non payment, Garay & Co. refusing  
to acknowledge the cargo for their  
account, the prices in Spain having  
fallen so much that it was likely to  
produce a very heavy loss.

Garay & Co. defence are understood  
to be grounded upon the letter they  
received from Teller & Co. dated 2 of  
February, in which Garay & Co.  
contend that Teller & Co. put that  
construction upon their order, as  
which they wished and intended.  
Viz: that tho' their order was ~~an~~  
unlimited it could not be interpreted  
to extend to extravagant and even  
unheard of prices, and <sup>besides</sup> that at the  
time they shipped the flour it was  
generally known in America that  
the prices in Europe were very  
inadequate to that at which they  
purchased the flour.

Teller



Mr. John Teller & Co.  
Philadelphia  
Gentlemen

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London 28 October 1789

We had the pleasure of writing to You the 10<sup>th</sup> Instant under cover of our worthy Friends Messrs. Buxton & Nash of this City, giving you an Order for fifteen hundred Quarters of Wheat, which we confirmed by our Letter of the 16<sup>th</sup> Inst by the Ship Lion, Capt. Smith and by this ~~same~~ Opportunity we again write You to desire You will immediately on receipt hereof ship in one Vessel if You can procure one to take so small a Quantity as five thousand Bushels (one hundred more or less) for San Sebastian to the Address of our good Friend D. Juan Vicente de Tania of said place, or if a Ship should be loading for that port and can take in the said five thousand Bushels of Wheat conveniently, we beg You will immediately ship them, and transmit to us the Bills of Lading with the Amount for our government in making the Insurance and at same time valuing on us in Bills at 60 or 90 days sight which will meet due Honor. We do not fix the price because the Markets are continually fluctuating, but we rely on your charging us the very lowest that it may not be in the power of anyone to undersell our Friends, whose Order if well executed, may be very considerable.

We wait impatiently the pleasure of hearing from You that we may inform our Friends when they may expect to receive their Wheat, and prepare for its reception. In the mean time we remain very respectfully & sincerely Yours<sup>rs</sup>. Your most obed<sup>t</sup> humble Son<sup>s</sup>.  
Garayzarache & Co.

Messrs John Telfer & Comp<sup>y</sup>

Philadelphia

Received of Messrs



Mess<sup>rs</sup> John Teller & C<sup>o</sup>  
Philadelphia  
Gentlemen

London 28<sup>th</sup> October 1789  
HC056.25

We had the pleasure of writing you in the 16<sup>th</sup> Instant under cover of our worthy Friend Mess<sup>rs</sup> Burmister & Nash of this City, giving you an Order for fifteen hundred Quarters of Wheat which we confirmed by our Letter of the 16<sup>th</sup> Inst. by the Ship Lion Captain Smith, and by the same Opportunity we again write you to desire you will immediately on Receipt here of ship in one vessel if you can procure one to take so small a Quantity as five thousand Bushels of Wheat (one hundred more or less) for Sam<sup>l</sup> Coartian, to the address of our good Friend D<sup>n</sup> Fran<sup>co</sup> Cicente de Laniz of said Place, or if a ship should be loading for that port and can take in the said five thousand Bushels of Wheat conveniently we beg you will immediately ship them and transmit tous the Bills of Lading with the amount for our government in making the Insurance and at same time valuing on us in Bills at 60 or 90 days sight which will meet due honor.

We do not fix the price because the Markets are continually fluctuating but we rely on your changing the very lowest that it may not be in the power of any one to undervell our Friends whose orders if well executed may be very considerable

We wait impatiently the pleasure of hearing from you that we may inform our Friend when they may expect to receive their Wheat and prepare for its Reception. Interim we remain very Respectfully and Sincerely,

Gentlemen

4 November 1789

The above is copy of our last of the 28 Instant, which we confirm, and are since furnished with your most esteemed of the 21 September, and observe with pleasure your  
readings

readiness to execute the Order we may receive from our Friends in Spain  
which we flatter ourselves will be very considerable, if well executed.

By this time your Harvest must be well got in, and we are  
glad to find the Crops have been very abundant and we can only  
repeat what we have already wrote on the Subject relying entirely on  
your utmost attention and Caution to convincing our Friends that no  
House in your Province can serve them better, or even so well.

We have had very tempestuous Weather for some time past but as  
we hear nothing of the Lyon, by whom we wrote you the 28 Inst  
hope she is safe and well on her Voyage.

We shall be glad to hear you have received Advice  
from D<sup>r</sup> Manuel de Bergasche of Bilbao, and that his orders  
are in great forwardness. In mean time we remain with all  
possible Respect

Gentlemen Your most Obedient  
Humble Servants  
Gonzalo Bergasche



London 28<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>bre</sup> 1789

1789.

James Bergauche &

Received the 26<sup>th</sup> Decr 1789

Answered the 4<sup>th</sup> Jan'y 1790

Wm. Adam & Co

Printed for

Mrs John Teller & Co  
Philadelphia

London 2 December 1789

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Gentlemen

Confirming our last of 11 November, since which  
are without any of your favour to answer, we have now to hand you an Order we have  
received from one of the first House of Commerce in Spain for 1200 Quarters whitish Wheat  
(Trigo Blanquillo) perfectly clean, without mixture and the heaviest Weight  
& 3000 Barrels of the very best Flour which must be of excellent Quality and fresh  
pay attend to these Instructions. The whole to be sent in two or three Ships from  
Philadelphia to Santander, stipulating that in case the Owner of the said Cargo should  
prefer their being landed at Bilbao, rather than at Santander, the Captain's shall  
oblige themselves to follow the directions they will receive from our worthy Friend  
D<sup>r</sup> Manuel de Manzanaga of said Bilbao for whom the two or three Cargos are intended  
without demanding anything but such Freight as shall be agreed on at Philadelphia  
The Wheat is to be shipped in Bulk, and therefore the  
greatest Care imaginable must be taken that the Vessels be very staunch & stout  
and every precaution must be taken to prevent any damage from Water in the Hold  
or otherwise, and if the two Quantities aforesaid should not be sufficient to complete  
the Cargo you will please to add to the Wheat 100 Quarters and of Flour as  
many Barrels as the Ship will carry. Both Cargo to be consigned to our said  
Friend D<sup>r</sup> Manuel de Manzanaga expressing the same in the Bills of Lading  
and our said Friend will take particular Care to appoint a person at Santander to  
be there when the Ships arrive and either unload them at that Port or dispatch  
them to Bilbao. As we are to make the Insurance here you will be  
pleased



pleased to send us a Bill of Lading and Copy of the Invoice for our  
government. Our Friend has not limited any prices, therefore  
from the great Character we have had of your House we place the utmost  
Confidence that you will execute this Commission on the lowest terms, and  
with every possible attention to our said Friends orders, which if conducted  
to his entire satisfaction may, and we dare say will, procure much larger  
Orders annually which we should be heartily sorry to lose.

For the Amount of the Invoice, you will please to  
value us at 60 or 90 % depending on due honor being paid them for  
Account of our said Friend with whom we shall understand for the same.

We have only to add that we beg you will be as  
expeditious and exact as possible, and that we hope soon to have the  
satisfaction of hearing from you - In town we remain with very great  
Esteem

Gentlemen Your most obedient  
humble Servants  
Garay Bergareche & Co

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Gaiay Berganche 4<sup>e</sup>  
Received the 16<sup>e</sup> Fevrye  
Answered the 2<sup>e</sup> March.



Mr John Jones

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Philadelphia

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Miss John Teller & Co.  
Philadelphia

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London 2<sup>d</sup> December 1789

Gentlemen,

Confirming our last of 4<sup>th</sup> November since which and without any of your to am. wex, we have now to hand you an Order we have received from one of the first Houses of Commerce in Spain for 3000 Quarters Whitish Wheat (Trigo Blanquillo) perfectly clean without mixture and the heaviest weight.

3000 Barrels of the very best Flour, which must be of excellent Quality and fresh. - pray attend to these Instructions.

The whole to be sent in two or three Ships from Philadelphia to Santander without any delay, that in Case the Owners of the said Cargo should prefer their being landed at Bilbao rather than at Santander the Captains shall oblige themselves to follow the Direction they will receive from our worthy Friend D<sup>n</sup> Manuel de Manzanara of said Bilbao for whom the two or three Cargos are intended without demanding any thing but such freight as shall be agreed on at Philadelphia. The Wheat is to be shipped in Bulk and therefore the greatest care imaginable must be taken that the Vessels be very staunch and stores and every precaution must be taken to prevent any damage from water in the Hold or other ways. and if the two Quantities aforesaid should not be sufficient to complete the Cargo, you will please to add to the Wheat 3000 Quarters, and of Flour as many Barrels as the ships will carry. both Cargos to be consigned to our said Friend D<sup>n</sup> Manuel de Manzanara expressing the same in the Bills of Lading - and our said Friend will take particular care to appoint a person at Santander to be there when the ships arrive and either unload them at that port or dispatch to Bilbao. As we are to make the Insurance here, you will be pleased to send us the Bill of Lading and copy of the Invoice for our Procurement. Our

Friend has not limited any prices. therefore from the great character we have had of your House we place the utmost confidence that you will execute his Commission on the lowest terms and with every possible attention to our said Friends Orders which if conducted to his entire satisfaction may, and we dare say will procure much large orders and greatly which we should be heartily sorry to lose for the amount of the Invoices you will please to value ours at 60 or 80  $\frac{d}{s}$ . depending on the Flour being paid them for account of our aforesaid Friend with whom we shall understand for the same

We have only to add that we beg you will be as expeditious and exact as possible & that we hope soon to have the satisfaction of hearing from you. In the mean time we remain with very great Esteem.  
Yours  
Gent.

M<sup>rs</sup> John Tetler & Co.  
Philadelphia Gentlemen

London 6 January 1790.

The foregoing is a copy of our last Request of the 2<sup>d</sup> Ult<sup>o</sup> which we confirm in every particular, and have now to desire you will with all possible dispatch forward to our good Friend Dr. Manuel de Berguereche of Bilbao, Two hundred Quarters of Wheat besides the 1500 ordered in our Letter of 10 October. We also confirm our Letter of 10 October with an order for Five Thousand Bushels of Wheat from Friend Dr. Juan de Salazar of San Sebastian, which we hope you have provided & forwarded as therein directed. Intermixing with all any of your favours we have only to add our best Wishes for your Health and Prosperity during the course of the present and many succeeding years. I remain with much Respect

Gentlemen

Yours most obedient  
humble Servants  
Manuel de Berguereche & Co



London 6<sup>th</sup> January 1790  
Caray Boscawen Esq  
Received the 19. March  
Answered the 5. April

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Ms. John Seller 1790  
Philadelphia



Mess<sup>rs</sup> John Teller & Co.  
Philadelphia  
Gentlemen

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London 6 January 1790

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The foregoing is Copy of our Last respects of the 2<sup>d</sup>. ult. which we confirm in every particular and have now to desire, you will with all possible Dispatch forward to our good friend M<sup>r</sup> Jean se Bergareche of Bilbao five hundred Quarters of Wheat besides the fifteen hundred ordered in our Letter of 30 October.

We also confirm our Letter of 28 October with an order for five thousand Bushells of Wheat for our friend M<sup>r</sup> Fran<sup>co</sup> Vicente de Zañave of S<sup>ra</sup> Sebastian which we hope you have provided & forwarded as therein directed. Interim being without any of your favour we have only to add our best wishes for your health & happiness during the course of the present and many succeeding years and that we are with much respect.

Gentlemen

London 20 January 1790

Without any of your always esteemed favours to answer, the present serves to hand you copy of an last of the 6<sup>th</sup> Inst which we confirm — & waiting impatiently the pleasure to hear from you we salute you and remain perfectly —

Gentlemen

Your most obedient  
 humble Servants  
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Jaray Bergareche &



London 6<sup>th</sup> 20 Jan<sup>y</sup>  
1790

Paray Bergareche &

Received of 5 June

Answered of 1 April

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11<sup>th</sup> June

My dear John Seller & Co

By the Carrier Philadelphia  
Carewell

Philad<sup>a</sup> Messrs J<sup>n</sup><sup>o</sup> Folles & Co

London 3 Feb 1790

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We are this day favour'd with your Letter 4.<sup>th</sup> of June last acquainting us with the impossibility you are in to execute our two orders the one for £500 of 2<sup>d</sup> of wheat for D<sup>r</sup> Juan<sup>e</sup> de Borgeareche of Bilbao and the order for 5000 Bush<sup>es</sup> for D<sup>r</sup> Joseph<sup>e</sup> de Yanez of San Sebastian and this owing to the heavy rise in the price of wheat grain and to the extensive orders which your Province has received from various parts of our Continent. Gentlemen without entering into the merit of your reasons for giving us the above Piece of News we must confess that we think ourselves a little hard done by, especially as you had our aforesaid orders in good time before the rise, that you had them from us without any restrictions or limits and further that it is come to our knowledge that a certain House of your Place has lately dispatched a whole cargo of that Commodity on it's own acct<sup>l</sup> for a distant House at San Sebastian which implies that there was Corn to be had. We forbear Gentlemen enlarging any more upon the Subject, only leave us to regret the little share we possess in your good Graces, hoping nevertheless that having as yet done nothing which can possibly forfeit your Esteem, you will still give us



give us over turn by some future exertions of  
your abilities for the welfare of our interests  
and the increase of our correspondence  
We shall await for the further news you  
promise to give us and in the interim remain  
Dear Sir

Gentlemen

Yours most obliged  
& humble servant  
Garay Bergareche & Co

London 13<sup>th</sup> July 1170

Gray Benger & Co



Received the 15<sup>th</sup> April

Amount the 4<sup>th</sup> May

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Mr John Taylor & Co



Philadelphia

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Mess<sup>rs</sup> John Feller & Co  
Philadelphia G. M

London 3 Feb<sup>y</sup>. 1790. (23)  
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We are favoured with your Letter of the 1<sup>st</sup> Inst<sup>t</sup> Requesting us with the  
impossibility you are in to execute our two orders the one for the 5500 L<sup>rs</sup> of  
Wheat for J<sup>n</sup> M<sup>rs</sup> de Berguereche of Bilbao, and the order for 5000 Bushells  
for J<sup>n</sup> Fran<sup>co</sup> Vicente Juniors of S<sup>t</sup> Sevestian and this owing to the heavy  
rise in the price of that Grain and to the extensive orders which your  
Provinces has received from various Parts of our Continent.

Gentlemen Without entering into the merit of your Reasons forgive us  
the above piece of news We must confess that we think ourselves a little  
hard done by especially as you had our above said orders in good time before  
the rise that you had them from us without any restriction or limits and  
further that it is come to our knowledge that a certain House of yours has  
has lately dispatched a whole Cargo of that commodity on it's own acc<sup>t</sup>.  
for a different House at S<sup>t</sup> Sevestian which implies that there was  
Coun to be had We forbear I am enlargin in your good graces ho-  
only have we to regret the little share we offer in your good graces ho-  
ping never the less that having as yet done nothing which can possibly  
forget your esteem your will still give us our turn by some future  
expectations of your abilities for the well fare of our Interest and the  
increase of our Correspondence.

We Remain Truly

Mess<sup>rs</sup> John Feller & Co  
Philad<sup>a</sup>

London 20 Feb<sup>y</sup> 1790

Gentlemen  
above you have the copy of our last letter since which  
have not been favour'd with any of yours and therefore  
have nothing to enlarge upon at present, We hope to receive  
soon some further orders from you better than the last  
and in that expectation remain allways truly

Gentlemen

Your most Obedt<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Gavay Berguereche & Co

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Messrs J<sup>rs</sup> Telles & Co  
March 11

Philadelphia  
By the Ark, Cap<sup>n</sup> Squires (w<sup>th</sup> g. p.)



Mess<sup>rs</sup> John Teller & Co.

HCO 31

London the 19<sup>th</sup> March 1770.

Gentlemen

We Confirm our Letter to you of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Inst by Packet, and Yesterday has come to hand your favour of the 2<sup>d</sup> same month by which we observe your impossibility of executing any Order for us in Wheat & Flour which we now admit to be the Truth and therefore you need not trouble yourself any more about them. The Spanish Market is supplied by the different Cargoes that have arrived from your Provinces and the Prices of Course are reduced so far that Yesterday we refused a Cargo of best Philad. flour on the of 38<sup>s</sup> per Barrel delivered free to any of the Spanish Ports if any material alteration should happen <sup>you</sup> with respect to prices beg you will tell us know and believe us allwais Truly.

As you have the Copy of our Last since which are deprived of your favours therefore have nothing material to add We Remain  
Your most humble Serv.  
London the 21<sup>th</sup> Apr<sup>l</sup> 1770.

Jarvis Wargrave & Co.

London 19 March 1792  
Parcy Bergauche & Co  
Received the 20 June  
Answered the

To 1.8  
Messrs P. T. & Co  
Paris  
Bergauche & Co





Messrs John Tullis & Co  
Shilders & Co

HCO 56. 32  
London 20th Nov. 1790

Sir

We confirm our letter to you of the 3<sup>d</sup> July last by  
packet, and yesterday has come to hand your  
favours of the 2<sup>d</sup> June month by which we observe  
your impossibility of executing any order for us in  
wheats and flour which we now admit to be the  
truth and therefore you need not trouble yourselves  
any more about them; the Spanish market is  
supplied by the different cargoes that have arrived  
from your Provinces and the prices of flour are  
reduced so far, that yesterday we refused a cargo of  
best Shilders Flour on the terms of 35<sup>s</sup> per barrel  
delivered free to any of the Spanish Ports  
if any material alteration should happen with you  
with respect to Prices, beg you'll let us know  
and believe us always &c truly

Sir

Yours most ob<sup>l</sup>g<sup>d</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Jas. Berquede & Co

London 20 March 1849  
Garcay Bergaiche & Co  
Received the 30 April  
Answered the 4 May

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Mr. J. C. Wallat & Co  
March 25

Philadelphia



Philad<sup>a</sup>. Messrs J<sup>r</sup>. Telfer & Co

London 2. June 1790,

Gentl<sup>men</sup>,

We beg leave to confirm our two last Letters of July & 14<sup>th</sup> in which last the purport which went to cancel all the orders we had given you for Flour & Flour, in consequence of your advice and of your estimation that you could not, by any means execute them consistent with our Interests and your own profits, both on account of the Scarcity and of the extravagant Prices at which the above articles of produce have been carried with you. Now it comes to pass Gentlemen that you have so quickly deviated from your former Sentiments. We know not, but certain it is you have done very wrong in purchasing for Mr. Montourra the identical two Barrels & 6<sup>th</sup> half B<sup>ts</sup> of Flour which were intended for some other Friend of ours at St. Sebastian, but which we must willingly excuse & generously rap'd to Land, on their Knowledge they had and which you must have had yourselves that the Price of Flour in Old Spain in the Months of June & July last, was not, by any means correspondent with yours; that Flour was to be had there at Nine Dollars per Barrel whilst you could not land the article there at less than Eleven & a half Dollars even exclusive of Insurance & other small Charges, if our orders have been given to you without Limits it is because we knew your Prices to be moderate at

at the time we gave them, and should have been  
very thankful had you executed them immediately  
even at a moderate advance in Price, which you  
might easily have effected had you been willing to  
do it, but your Prices having got up so exor-  
bitantly high from our Expectations, you might at  
least have waited for our Reply to your Letter to  
Paris, before you ventured on a Purchase in the  
month of April or upon any Purchase at all.

On these Considerations therefore We think ourselves  
warranted to refuse accepting your Service and  
of course your Draft on us of £2165. 10s.  
order William Morris & Swanwick, shall  
nevertheless strongly recommend your Interest  
to our Friend Sir Isaac Garrard and doubt not  
but he will do it following whatever directions  
you may give respecting the aforesaid <sup>1056134</sup> £65 1/2  
of Bill. We have the honour to  
remain Sincerely

Yours<sup>th</sup>

Yours<sup>th</sup> &c  
Giray Berguechey & Co



London 2 June 1790  
Garaay Bergauche & Co  
Received the 3 August  
Answer the

To  
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PAID  
Messrs. J. J. Talbot & Co  
Messrs. J. J. Talbot & Co  
Messrs. J. J. Talbot & Co  
Philadelphia  
Backet

Philad. Messrs. J<sup>r</sup>. Vellies & Co. London 7<sup>th</sup> July 1790

HL050.34 (15)

Gentle

We have received your favour of the 21<sup>st</sup> May to which  
have no further reply to make, than what we have fully  
said to you in our last letter of the 2<sup>d</sup> June by Backus  
which we beg leave to confirm, — our Friend D<sup>r</sup>. Juan D.  
De Manzanaraga continues to persist in his refusal of the  
1050 P<sup>as</sup> of Silver, and therefore by the desire of Messrs  
Burmester & Nash of this Place we have wrote on the  
4<sup>th</sup> June to M<sup>r</sup>. Theod<sup>r</sup>. Richter at Lisbon, telling him  
of the circumstance and that he may give immediate  
directions to said Manzanaraga for the disposal of  
that Parcel on your acct, which was supposed to be  
by this time effected — We remain truly

Gentle

Yours most obed<sup>t</sup>  
Obed<sup>t</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

Jaraj Vergarechea



London 7 July 1790  
Jaray Bergauche Esq  
Recd the 4<sup>th</sup> Apr 1790  
answered the

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Philadelphia.

Mr T. J. & Co

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London 7<sup>th</sup> July 1790

Philas<sup>r</sup> Mose<sup>r</sup>, Jr<sup>r</sup>, Teller & Co

Gentl<sup>r</sup>

We have received your favour of the 11<sup>th</sup> May to which have no further reply to make, than what we have fully said to you in our last letter of the 2<sup>d</sup> June by Packet which we beg leave to confirm: our friend D<sup>r</sup> Man<sup>r</sup> De Man<sup>r</sup>, continues to persist in his refusal of the 1050 <sup>lb</sup> of Flour, and therefore by the desire of Mose<sup>r</sup>, Brumester & Sons of this Place we have wrote on the 1<sup>st</sup> June to M<sup>r</sup> Nicoll, Richter at Lisbon telling him of the Circumstance and that he may give immediate directions to send Manzanago for the disposal of that Parcel on your account, which we suppose he has by this time effected. We remain truly

Gentl<sup>r</sup>

Your most Obed<sup>t</sup>  
& humb<sup>l</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Gay Borgaxe & Co



London 4 July 1790  
Pray Bergauche  
Received the 21 Septem<sup>r</sup>

NEW ORLEANS 1790

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Mr John White & Co

By the Ship  
Capt. Davidson

Philadelphia

Señor J. H. Co. Baring y Ca. Bilbroy Abxero 27 de 1791.  
 Don Juan y Doña Juana.

Mi querido: Encarada que con J. H. de 9 de Noviembre del año pro-  
 mo, pasado, me comunicaron con J. H. Garray Bergareche y Ca., sus vecinos  
 porvenirme hauser confiado con un largamento, como Apoderador de  
 los J. H. y Juan Theller y Comp. de Philadelphia, empruato allargamento  
 de 5050 Bariles enteros, y 64 dho medioj deolina. que con la razon  
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 guir, sobre el precio de 1000, cada dho Baril, con plero de seis meses,  
 a ceccion de unos pocos con lo quales se prudo sacar el dho J. H. como  
 y conocean vno por la corrie y pondiente quena de Venaa que  
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M. & Manzanaga

Bilbao 27 Febro 1791

Rec'd 14 March &

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M. Cogen (in Co)  
Alors, J. Juan, y O. Camil,

Baring y Compa.

Ciudad de Madrid

London

nothing but bills,

Wm Baring &



Philip & wife, John Willis & Co. London 1. Sept. 1790.  
Gent<sup>l</sup>

We confirm all our former Letters to you, since  
which have receiv'd yours of the 5<sup>th</sup> July last  
advising of a further Draft on our Treas<sup>r</sup> for  
£1000. to be to direct order mess<sup>rs</sup> Burmest<sup>r</sup>  
& Nash. To which have no more to say than  
to the former ones and that for the reasons  
already assign'd. We remain Sincerely

Gentlemen

Yours most<sup>ly</sup> Obedient<sup>ly</sup>  
Jarvis Bergarsche & Co.

London <sup>Jan</sup> Sep. 1790  
Jarvis Begganchoe  
Received the 17<sup>th</sup> October  
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Wm. Jarvis & Co.

Philadelphia

By Packet.



Original  
Philadelphia, Messrs. John Telfer & Co. London 4<sup>th</sup> August 1790

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Gentlemen

Altho' you have the copy of our last by Packet, to which I have nothing further to add, except that we have lately been told by your friend here, Messrs. Drummond & Nairn that Mr Geo Kitchin of Lisbon (to whom we wrote on your account for to give his directions to Mr. Manyaraga of Bilbao, respecting your WMA Bustrals of Flour) will have nothing to do with that concern, so that the matter must remain with somebody else to act for the best of your Interest in the affair. — Our said Friend Mr Manyaraga continues in the same sentiments as before & we remain allways truly

Gentlemen

Your most humble Serv<sup>t</sup>  
Jasay Bergareche

HC 56 39 (43)

Gentlemen! Copy Philad. 29<sup>th</sup> May 1792

We have received a later Letter from Mr. John Teller suggesting the propriety of our empowering you to accede to an Accommodation with the representatives of Your H<sup>ch</sup> in case they or the Concerned at Lisbon, should come forward with reasonable propositions. A meeting of the Bill Holders has been held in consequence, & they have agreed to the terms contained in the inclosed paper, instructing us at same time to advise you to make better terms for them, if you find it possible to do so; but not to give up the Interest till the last extremity. As we cannot help thinking with them that the proposed sacrifice on their part is very great, we pray you to pay every Attention to their Interests in this particular, And we remain with great regards

Gentlemen

Your O<sup>b</sup>, & very Humble Serv<sup>t</sup>

P.S. We must recommend to you, that no time be lost, in case you have not a prospect of an immediate Accommodation on the terms above specified, in prosecuting this suit with the Utmost Vigor, in order to bring it that way to an Issue as Speedily as possible, And trust more advantageously for us.

Saml Willcock  
Mordecai Lewis

Willing Maria Swannick  
Robert Smith



for Messrs Lynch & Neaghlin  
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Messrs John & Francis Paring & Co  
John Keirwan & Sons &  
Purley & MacCulloch.

Philad 29 May 1792  
Committee of Tellers  
W. 14 July  
A. 16. S



We whose Names are underwritten do by this present Instrument of writing agree to accept the principal of John Fells & Co's past due Bills of Exchange on Carl W. Bates of London, whereof we are Holders; & upon payment of said principal sum we do consent to give up our respective Claims to the damages & Interest due & owing upon the said Bills; & to this our Agreement & Consent we pray our respective Correspondents, into whose hands any of the said Bills may be, to conform themselves whenever Application for that purpose shall be to them made by the acting Committee of the Bill Holders at London. Witness our hands at Philad<sup>a</sup> this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May 1792.

John Hancock  
William Chancellor

Wester & Astor

John Kirtland  
Do & Co

Richard Kane

Ellis Yarnall

Robert Gray

Evans & Hunt

Robert Smith

John F. B. Rogers  
Math & Isaac Duncan

Gustavus Risberg

William Moring & Swanwick  
for Messrs. Lynch & daughter  
James Molyneux att<sup>y</sup>

James Cadden for  
Oliver & Bly

Mordecai Lewis for  
Mordecai Lewis & Co  
John Smith

Alex. Lawrence for

Joseph & Drinkwater

Wm. & M. Crochman

William Fromberger

Samuel Jacoby

John Ashlee

Edward Dunant  
Jr. Waddington



M<sup>r</sup> John Tettes

MS. B. 41 (145)  
Philad<sup>a</sup> 11 February 1793

Copy

Dear Sir

We are favored with yours of  
7<sup>th</sup> Inst with the several Papers inclosed & hope your continuance  
at Madeira the for a short time will restore you to health & strength  
We are not without our fears that your great Attention to and  
Anxiety about the success of the great business in London have  
contributed to reduce you & therefore must entreat you as  
you regard your own & our Interest to take every thing  
that may turn up with Patience & Calmness. The Merit of  
the Cause the Honor & Integrity you have manifested in the  
whole Course of the unfortunate Transaction deserve compleat  
success and must finally command it or at least a Compromise  
on acceptable Terms. Be patient therefore & hope for the best  
consoling yourself at the worst with the uprightness of your  
Conduct the Purity of your Intentions and the Approba-  
tion of your Creditors. We have written to the Committee  
in London respecting the Solicitor & have to them who are  
on the spot & who are acquainted with the mode of Proceed-  
ing in Law Matters to continue him or employ another  
as they may think proper We hope Mr Richier will an-  
swer the amended Bill & fully set forth the conversation be-  
tween him & Ferreira in which I declared that he rejected  
the Cargoes because they came to a bad Market & not because  
the Orders did not warrant your Shipment. This we conceive

to be very material I request it may be attended to. For your own  
Answer to the amerced Bill you cannot be at a loss. There  
will soon be an End to these delays. We must have perseverance with  
spirit. We trust to the Justice of your Cause and the equal adminis-  
tration of the Laws in Africa Country. The Friendship or Pity of Men  
who have dishonoured their own Orders is not to be relied upon. We  
are able & willing to fight out the legal Process & will do it until  
Lima is bound to his own Interest. He will come forward with  
reasonable Offers while a bona fide one may yet be accepted  
for it is not to be expected that when great Expenses have  
been incurred and every delay the Chicanery of the Law with-  
admitted has taken place you & the Creditors will admit of  
an accommodation. If he has Offers to make this is his time.  
By all means let the amerced Bill be answered. It will probably  
be at Lisbon by the time you arrive there - hasten the answer  
as much as possible - show them how much we are in earnest -  
it will make them tremble - It is a great Business - it must  
take time - delays are to be expected - they are not to be given  
till at which time produce a decision by an upright and  
learned Judicature. Your letter 22<sup>nd</sup> April 1790 comforted us, it  
shows clearly you desire yourself to be acting under Orders tho'  
you apprehended a loss - Was you to judge of that or to ex-  
ecute the Orders, Had you refused to execute the Orders &  
the Prices been high in Europe what would I have said  
to you. Good Sir be not discouraged, show yourself bold

to your Antagonists. I represent strongly our unbounded confi-  
dence of Success, in the End they will do Justice to us & to you.



Mr John Telles.

Messrs J & F Baring & Co  
 Postley & Macbulloch  
 In Kirwan & Sons

Philad<sup>a</sup> February 4 1793

(Copy)

Gentlemen

We have your esteemed  
 favor of 17<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1792 & note the contents respecting the Produce of  
 the Ship *James* Capt Van Luevenighe Cargo & the proposed  
 appraisations of it. Tho we feelingly heartake of your sorrow  
 at the Deviation of the wind with you & Gov<sup>t</sup> we patiently  
 submit to the present evil in full confidence that future good  
 will be the Result. We are not apprehensive that any letter of  
 Richters to M<sup>r</sup> Teller or M<sup>r</sup> Teller to Richter can injure our  
 cause as to that of 22 April 1790 in which M<sup>r</sup> Teller expresses  
 his uneasiness in executing the Orders in consequence of  
 the high Price it appears to us to show strongly that he  
 thought himself acting agreeably to the orders he had received  
 which as a Merchant he was bound to obey and which had  
 he not obeyed in consequence of the high Price of Flour then  
 current & at which there were other Purchasers on the Mar-  
 ket he would very justly have been blamed had the  
 Market in Europe been favorable. We hope Richter will  
 answer the amended Bill as if he does he must mention a  
 Conversation between himself and Ferreira in which the  
 latter expressly attributes his refusal to take the Cargoes to  
 the low price of the Articles in Europe & not to their being shipped  
 contrary to Orders. We trust that ultimately when every



Quirk of the Law is exhausted we shall, succeed we are not  
however averse to an Accommodation if Mess<sup>rs</sup> Gore & Co<sup>o</sup>  
come forward with reasonable offers as we do not wish to en-  
rich Council Solicitors with our own or their Money &  
to remove every difficulty that may be in the way of that  
mode of settlement. We now empower you to accede to such  
Terms as you yourselves in your prudent discretion shall  
judge advisable & proper for the Creditors to accept. The  
same may fall short of our former limitation. It gives us pain  
to find that Mr<sup>r</sup> Telleus has not a good Opinion of your Solicitor  
Mr<sup>r</sup> Townley Ward of whose abilities & Integrity we have  
received very favorable Accounts. That Gentleman must now  
be more competent to the management of the Cause than  
any new Hand; if his Conduct meets with your Appro-  
bation we certainly cannot wish him to be dismissed  
but rather that Mr<sup>r</sup> Telleus should be made sensible of the  
Propriety of continuing him. Possibly Mr<sup>r</sup> Telleus's disgust  
may have arisen from his own want of Acquaintance  
with legal Proceedings & great anxiety to procure a speedy  
decision with Honor to himself and Safety to his Creditors.  
Please to peruse forward the enclosed to Mr<sup>r</sup> Telleus. with  
greatest respect We are Yours &c.

Wm. J. Baring Esq  
 Pasley & MacBulloch  
 Jn<sup>r</sup> Kirwan Sons.

Philad<sup>a</sup> 4 February 1793

(Copy)

Gentlemen

We have your esteemed favor of the 7<sup>th</sup> Nov<sup>r</sup> 1792, & note the contents, respecting the Produce of the Ship James Capt Van Luevingsh's Cargo & the proposed appropriation of it. We we feelingly partake of your sorrow at the Duration of the suit with Jn<sup>r</sup> Gore Esq, we patiently submit to the present Evil in full confidence that future good will be the Result. We are not apprehensive that any letter of Richters to M<sup>r</sup> Tellus or M<sup>r</sup> Tellus to Richter can injure our cause: as to that of 22 April 1790, in which M<sup>r</sup> Tellus expresses his uneasiness in executing the Orders, in consequence of the high price it appears to us to show strongly that he thought himself acting agreeably to the orders he had received, which as a Merchant he was bound to obey, and which had he not obeyed in consequence of the high Price of Flour then current in Port which there were other Purchasers on the Market, he would very justly have been blamed, had the Markets in Europe been favorable. We hope Richters will answer the answered Bils, as if he does he must mention a Conversation between himself and Ferriva, in which the latter expressly attributed his refusal to take the cargoes to the lowness of the Articles in Europe & not to their being shipped contrary to orders. We trust that ultimately when every Quib of the Law is exhausted we shall succeed, we are not however averse to an Accommodation if M<sup>r</sup> Gore Esq come



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have arisen from his own want of acquaintance with legal  
Proceedings & great anxiety to procure a speedy decision with regard  
to himself and safety to his Creditors. Please to pursue the  
the enclosed to Mr. Telles with greatest Respect We are, Yours

Wm. Morris  
James & Co. & Co.  
Robert Smith  
Montague Lewis  
John W. W. W.

Mr. John Telles.  
(Copy)

Philadelphia 14 February 1793

Dear Sir

We are favored with yours of 7<sup>th</sup> Inst. with  
the several Papers enclosed. Hope your continuance at Madeira tho' for  
a short time will restore you to health & strength. We are not without our  
fears that your great Attention to and Anxiety about the success of the  
great business in London have contributed to reduce you. Therefore must  
entreat you as you regard your own & our Interest to take every thing that  
may turn up with Patience & Calmness. The Merit of the Cause, the Honor  
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We must still persevere with spirit. We trust to the justice of our cause  
and the equal Administration of the Laws in our Country. The Tim-  
-orship or Cite of Men who have dishonored their own Orders is not to be  
relied upon. We are able & willing to fight out the legal warfare and  
will do it, unless Ferreira is blind to his own Interest he will come  
forward with reasonable Offers while a compromise may yet be ac-  
-cepted for it is not to be expected that when great Expenses have been  
incurred and every delay the Chicanery of the Law will admit of has  
taken place you & the Creditors will admit of an accommoda-  
-tion. If he has Offers to make, this is his time, By all means  
let the annexed Bill be answered it will probably be at Lisbon at  
the time you arrive there. - hasten the answer as much as you can  
- show them how much we are in Earnest it will make them tremble  
- It is a great Business - it must take time - delays are to be ex-  
- pected - they are not to be grumbled at when they produce a decision  
by an upright and learned Judication. Your letter 22<sup>nd</sup> April 1799  
can't hurt us, it shows clearly you deem yourself to be acting under  
Orders tho' you apprehended a Loss - Was you to judge of that or  
execute the Orders, Had you refused to execute the Orders & the  
Prices been high in Europe what would I have said to you.  
Good Sir be not discouraged show yourself bold to your An-  
-tagonists & represent strongly our unbounded confidence in you  
- & in the End they will do Justice to us & to you.



Mr John Fellis

Lisbon

Philad<sup>a</sup> 3 march 1793

Dear Sir

I had the pleasure to write you last of Capt. Smith of the Flopatra and to confirm a copy of same by Capt Knox, and the Committee have wrote the Gent<sup>l</sup> in London the 4<sup>th</sup> ulto, also to you Copies of which letters are enclosed to which refer you, solicitors the instructions now given for closing your dispute may have the desired effect which is also the wish of your Creditors persuaded of all consistent support of their Interest in your accommodation. I have received your letter of 8 Novemb<sup>r</sup> communicating Hursey's Scheme to go to Lisbon or some time in London at your expense, which your prudence has disappointed having acquainted you before he is discharged from your service we have at present little connection with him. I come to reply to your favors of 8<sup>th</sup> Novemb<sup>r</sup> from Lisbon & 8<sup>th</sup> Decemb<sup>r</sup> from Madrid, Pasley Fellacfullcock have transmitted Mess<sup>rs</sup> Ballar the receipt for M<sup>rs</sup> Altroughs money paid into their hands and returns this business General. Accounts of sale of the three Cargoes of Flour sold at Lisbon are lately at hand, but the Committee have yet taken no resolution regarding



the amount of proceeds in deposit supposing the  
Gentlemen in London have also the necessary infor-  
mation of this business and will not suffer the money  
to lay useless unnecessarily. Enclosed you have  
an answer to Father's letter. I send order, re-  
spectable to your last opinion on that subject, and  
it could not possibly be executed, unless the freight  
could be provided for by a Bill on London which  
the order did not admit of. Our ships at this moment  
are in too great demand to submit either to take  
Wines for freight or the current money he proposed,  
and the in a general way I would have indulged  
been to have passed Bills on my own correspondents  
and they to have reimbursed themselves on them  
for advance of the cargo, in the present moment  
have been obliged to use my own friends to such  
an extent that I could not serve his purpose also, which  
the order is recused it will be necessary that there is  
either a credit in London with a guarantee, or if I  
draw on my friends in London Edward Macfarlane.  
They should have an assurance from Bankers &c.  
or other houses of stability in Lisbon they will honor  
these Bills and put the transaction beyond all dis-  
appointment. I have perfect satisfaction in the prospect  
you hold out to your friends of your recovery.

your health and I hope you will continue to experience  
the best effects from your Natural Air, and have considered  
to prolong your stay at Madeira till your complaints  
are removed and you have collected strength and health  
to return with to Lisbon where Mr. Quintellas friendship  
I trust will be extended in promoting a speedy ad-  
justment of your present disagreeable business and  
some new and permanent schemes to requite your  
past misfortunes. From the existing hostilities in  
Europe and apparent increase of them, probability is  
prices of our products will still enhance, Wheat 8½  
d ½. Flour 45s money being proportionably scarce  
and Exchange depressed 152½ @ 150. I flatter myself  
to hear from you soon in better health and spirits  
than for some time past and shall embrace every  
opportunity to communicate occurrences from this  
and particularly the Welfare of Mr. Folies and the young  
Ladies which is the care at present tho they do not  
write until a direct opportunity. With Esteem &  
regard I remain

Dear Sir  
your Mo. Robt Hill Esq  
P. Hill Esq



The Rev. a P. Marmont de Perce.

London.

Philad. 3 March 1793

Reverend Sir,

I have before me your much esteemed favor of 5<sup>th</sup> Novemb<sup>r</sup> last, likewise the letter you wrote to Mr. John Teller of same date. By your said letter you express a wish to be supplied with a quantity of Wheat & flour provided it can be obtained at your limits they can be readily had, but the mode of payment in wines as proposed will not suit for the reimbursement of a cargo to be shipped as you, I can only do it at this time by a credit lodged in London and confirmed from thence, and another difficulty will arise as vessels cannot be obtained on freight otherwise than by bills on London as payment of same, the demand and expense of them have enhanced much of late and renders it difficult to obtain freight and on pleasing term to Ship Owners, and therefore indispensable I must have your orders to draw for the freight in like manner as the cargo, on advice of its delivery at Madaira. Our prices have considerable advanced in consequence of recent advices from Europe of increasing hostilities there, and from the general scarcity and great want likely to take

place with you there is no delay in mining at  
present, here high our prices may advance in  
Spring. Exchange on the Continent is depressed  
by 100 and falling. I shall be happy to receive your  
orders in the manner I have above described when  
they shall be attended to with greatest care and  
dispatch and <sup>unfailingly</sup> refer you for to Mr. Fuller and  
Son with great respect.

Respectfully

Your Mo. Servt. Robt. Boyle

For Mr. Wm. A. Rye  
on behalf of Mr. John Fuller



The Rev<sup>d</sup> P. M. DeJesus  
Lisbon.

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