

Friends on the Atlantic.

SEA STORES.¹

Sea Stores put on board by J. A.² for our worthy Friends, Sam¹ Fothergill, Mary Peisly,³ and Katherine Payton,⁴ at Philadelphia, y^e 2^d of 6 mo., 1756.⁵

In the Box No. 2 is a Jarr of Sweatmeats, a Jarr of Ditto Ginger, 2 Jarrs of Preserved Cranberries, one of Preserved Quinces, 2 of Preserved Damsons, 2 of Currant Jellies, one of Rasberries, one of Apricock Marmalade, a bottle of pickled Onions, 2 Bottles of other Pickels, a Bottle of Capers, one of Musta^d, one of Olives, one of Kethup, a Jarr of preserved Black Cherries, 2 Baggs of Pruins, a Bag of Sago, 4 Bottles of Bitters, Cinamon, Mace, Cloves, Nutmegs, and Ginger, several papers of Different Seeds—as Fennel, Carroway, sweat Margorum, Cammomoil, penneroyal. Sugar Candy, Mint, & Thime, & ground Pepper, & I beleive a Bottle of Kyan Pepper for present Use.

¹ From the original in the possession of John Dymond Crosfield, of Liverpool.

² Possibly, John Armit, a prominent Philadelphia Friend.

³ Mary Peisley was born in Ireland in 1717, of Quaker parentage. She travelled in the ministry in her own land and in England, and in 1753, in company with Catherine Payton, she crossed to America. Shortly after Mary Peisley's return from America, she married Samuel Neale, of Rathangan, but three days after the marriage she was taken suddenly ill and died. See *Lives of Samuel and Mary Neale*, 1795, etc.

⁴ Catherine Payton was of Dudley, in Worcestershire. At an early age she entered upon the work of the ministry, and travelled for many years therein, attending many of the Circular Yearly Meetings as they came in course. C. Payton gives a lively account of the return voyage of herself and her companions, in which we read that they had a very quick but stormy passage lasting only thirty-four days. In addition to Samuel Fothergill and the two women-friends, Abraham Farrington, Samuel Emlen, and other Friends were on board. C. Payton married William Phillips, of Redruth, in 1772. She died in 1794. See *Life*, 1797, etc.

⁵ Samuel Fothergill states in his journal that the vessel was the "Charming Polly," John Troy, master.

There is a bag of Barly in one of the Chests.

In the Womens Chest is a pot of Eggs, a Bagg with Dryed Cherries, 2 Baggs of Raisons, a Bagg of Rye Meal, one of Rice, one of Indian Corn Meal, 2 Bottles of Pennsylvania Coffee, 4 lbs. Chocolate, a Bag of Rusk, a Pott of Butter for the Table Use, 2 Cheeses, hard soap, 2 loaves of Sugar, 2 Quart Bottles of Kyan Pepper, some almonds, a Bagg of Cinnamon Cake, a Bagg of Naple Biscake, Currans, Dryed Apples, Ditto Peaches, a Bottle of preserved Fox Grapes, a Jarr of Honey, one of Red Cherries, a Cannister of Bohea Tea, Sugar Plumbs, Marmolet, a Cannister of Green Tea, 2 Tin Chocolate Pots, 2 Chamber Pots Pewter, Balm, Sage, summer Savoury, hore hound, Tobacco, & Oranges—2 bottles of brandy, 2 D° of Jamaica Spirrit, A Canister of green tea, a Jar of Almond paste, Ginger bread.

In Samuel Fothergills new Chest :—a Pott of Eggs, a Bagg of Buckweat Meal, a bagg of Muscovado Sugar, one of Rusk, one of Oatmeal, a Cheshire Chease, a loaf of Sugar, dried Quinces, Reasons, Plumb Cake, 2 Bottles of Pennsylvania Coffee, one of Kyan Pepper, one with Dryed Cherries, a Canister of Bohea Tea, hard soap, 2 pound Chocolate, a piece of Dried Veal, a bottle of Pennsylvania Coffee ground, Marmolade, Tobacco, 2 Baggs of Naple Biscuit, Balm, Dryed Quinces, & peaches, Cittron, & Orange Tansey.

In a Hamper is 6 gammons of Bacon, 10 Tongs, 2 hams of Venison, a p^s of dried beef.

In a Barr¹ No. 1 is 3 doz. port wine & 9 pint bottles of best Canary.

A Cask of Indian Corn for the Stock, 3 Cags of Milk bread, 2 tubbs of butter, a box of pipes, a Cag of Mollosses, & an empty cag to brew in, half a barr¹ of Cyder, 5 doz. D°, 2 half barr^{1s} of Ale, a Cag with Yeast to brew in, 2 Cags of Rum, a Cag of Madera wine.

3 Shoats,⁶ 6 doz. & 3 fowls—A Milch Goat.

In another Hamper :—1 doz. fountainiac, 1 doz. Lisbon, Bristol water,⁷ Metheglin, &c.

⁶ Young hogs.

⁷ Otherwise known as "Bristol (Hotwell) water," *i.e.* water from a warm spring in the bed of the river Avon. A century ago, or more, the spring had a great reputation, and it is still sought after by some credulous persons. It is still flowing, although the water is not hot. The district of Bristol where the spring is situated is still called "The Hotwells."

In a Box No. 3 :—a pott of Orange peel Marmolett, a Jarr of Cranberrys for Tarts, 2 Jarrs of Mangoe, 2 bottles of Goosberries, a pott of preserved Cherries, Cranberry Jam, Curain Jelly, 3 pint bottles of Cinnamon, Citron and orange flower water, a bottle of Lavender, one of Rose, and one of Pennyroyall water, a bottle of bitters, white Currain wine, Matheglin, preserved damsons, and a small Strainer.

9 bottles of white wine vinegar in y^e locker on board.

A Case of bottles filled with Brandy & Jamaica Spiritts.

2 Matrosses.

A hamper directed “Stores for the Fr^{ds}.”

No. 1 Contains 20 bottles Cherry Rum, 6 bottles of Brandy, 12 bottles Porter, A bag of dryed Peaches, Ditto Summer Savoury.

Another Hamper No. 2 :—3 doz. best Porter, and 3 doz. Madera Wine.

Sent down in the Pilott boat :—Some Lemmons, Onions, & horse reddish, also a Rump of Alomode beef.⁸

To be continued.

⁸ “The Captain undertook to lay in provisions for us. He was kind enough to draw up a list of the things we should require ; it appeared necessary for a passenger to America to buy up half the beeves and sheep of Smithfield, together with all the turkey, geese and poultry of Leadenhall, not to speak of wine and rum, enough for the whole crew. He said that in bad weather so much of the live stock was destroyed that it was necessary to provide against these accidents. So he prevailed, and I think I kept the whole ship’s company with my stores.

“The time approached when we were to go on board. The ship was to drop down with the ebb on Saturday morning at nine with the turn of the tide. Everything was on board ; on the forecastle on deck my live stock was gathered ; sheep, pigs, turkeys (all of which died in the Channel), geese and poultry ; our furniture, books and music were stowed away in the hold ; our wine and liquors were laid in bunks around the cabin ; the Captain and the Mate were to take meals with us ; they were also so obliging as to drink up our rum and wine.”—(Sir W. Besant’s *The Orange Girl*.)