DUTIES
on
TRADE
at
CHARLESTON
1784-1789

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INTRODUCTION

From 1776 until 1789, when the national government assumed the responsibility, South Carolina raised her own duties on trade, inheriting the system of collecting and enumerating duties from the earliest colonial governments. The first provincial duties on trade had been raised in 1686, when the proprietary assembly imposed a tonnage duty, payable in powder, on ships entering Charleston. In 1695 duties on imports of liquor were added, and in 1703 an enumerated list of duties on a wide variety of imported goods and on slaves appeared. By 1716 there was a detailed scale of import duties on luxuries, on staple foods and supplies, and on new and seasoned Negroes. At the same time, a 5% ad valorem rate on general, non-enumerated cargo was added. In 1721 waiters were appointed to inspect cargoes and secure payment of duties on them before landing. By the 1740's a complex procedure of collection, involving officers on the wharves and in the treasury, had developed. In 1767 a collector, responsible to the public treasurer for the raising of provincial duties and the supervision of the customs service, was appointed, and a custom house was built.*

In 1776 the new state government quickly appointed new collectors at Charleston, Beaufort, and Georgetown to secure duties on goods arriving from the many ports which had been opened up to the American colonies with the demise of British authority. The revenue from import duties was applied to carry on the ordinary affairs of state government and (as repeated proposals to apply federal regulation of commerce floundered) to meet the state's obligations to the national treasury. No detailed records of the duties raised from 1776 to 1780 have survived.

For nearly three years, from the spring of 1780 to the end of 1782, the British occupied the sea ports of South Carolina. By the time the state administration reorganized, in 1783, the duty acts had expired. In the distressed financial condition in which the government found itself, the need to take rapid advantage of the revival of trade with Europe and

*Acts Nos. 33, 121, 204, 359, 455, 669, 957, Thomas Cooper and David J. McCord, eds., Statutes at Large of South Carolina, 10 vols. (Columbia, S. C., 1839-41) 2: 20, 96, 200, 649, 3: 158, 556, 4: 257. While the books of entries in the colonial period have not survived, the public treasurers did record the names of the ports of departure, and the amount paid, in Records of the Public Treasurers of South Carolina, 1725-1776, Journals A, B, and C, 1735-76 (South Carolina Archives Microcopy No. 3).

the West Indies was clear. In March of 1783, three months after the state government regained full control of Charleston, the assembly imposed a four penny tax on every gallon of liquor and each pack of playing cards imported, reviving the procedure for collection from the general duty act of 1740. But a more productive duty was needed. In August of 1783, the assembly laid enumerated general duties on foods. manufactures, and playing cards, a flat rate on new Negroes, a higher rate on seasoned slaves brought in for sale, and an ad valorem charge on all other imports. The intricacies of the customs system, the great volume of new trade, the political problems associated with the presence of foreign merchants, and the difficulties of funding the general government necessitated frequent revisions. Late in 1783 the assembly revived the tonnage duty to pay the salaries of the customs officers and exempted American goods from general duties. In 1784 they imposed a transient duty of 2% on the value of goods consigned to foreign merchants. In 1787 they added new ad valorem charges on a number of manufactured imports, such as clocks, jewelry, and carriages, increased the transient duty to 4\%, and prohibited the importation of slaves. In these years, the revenue from the general duty was usually reserved to pay the state's federal quota.*

The practical business of clearing cargoes for landing and collecting the duties rested with the officers at the custom house, despite repeated and perhaps unwise attempts to make the treasury commissioners more directly responsible for collection. On entering Charleston harbor, the master first put in to Fort Johnson for quarantine inspection. Once anchored at the wharves, he presented his registration to the governor and paid his tonnage duty to the collector. Searchers from the custom house then boarded his boat to find and list the cargo. Meanwhile the master, or the merchants to whom the cargo was consigned, went to the treasury, swore a manifest of his consignment, and paid or promised to pay the duty. The manifest, numbered and endorsed by the treasurer, was then returned to the customs house and the customs officers gave the master a clearance to land his cargo. Once the cargo was landed, the merchant made two copies of an entry, listing the goods in detail. Both were sent to the collector, who compared them with the searcher's list and referred one copy to the treasurer. The treasurer could then compare the entry with the duty paid, fill in the blank space left on his record of the manifest. and demand any additional payment due. Where the collector himself secured payment, as at Georgetown and Beaufort, he turned over and

^{*}Acts Nos. 1190, 1197, 1216, 1350, ibid., 4: 570, 582, 603, 5: 8.

reported his receipts to the treasury at the end of each month.*

The procedure was a faulty one. A legislative committee in 1788 felt that the treasury was responsible for securing payments on transactions with which they were not themselves familiar, and that this had resulted in some inefficiency and evasion. But the intricate system of enumerating and paying duties has its advantages for the historian. Every entry of goods into Charleston, no matter when or where the duty on it was paid, was recorded in detail in a single set of books. Seven of these books have survived. They date from May, 1784 to August, 1789 and are the only records of their kind in South Carolina.

Two volumes of Manifests and Entries, B and C, record manifests, entries, and duties on cargoes from all ports from May 8, 1784 to March 27, 1787. An earlier volume, A, is missing. The manifest gives the name of the vessel, the date of arrival, the port of departure, the master's name, and the manifest number assigned by the waiter. The entries are recorded beside the manifest: each notes the merchant's name and the date of his entry; a description of his consignment; the amount of general, transient, and Negro duty payable; and the manner in which the tax was secured. The infrequent totals and sub-totals are unreliable. Goods marked for re-export are also listed. Ten percent of the value of goods consigned was admitted free to account for wastage.**

From March 27, 1787 to August, 1789 separate records for manifests from different ports were maintained. There are five of these books: Great Britain and Dominions; France and Dominions; Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Prussia, and Dominions; Spain, Portugal, and Dominions; and Coasting Trade of the United States. Although this system of recording was probably more efficient, it is less informative. A copy of the entry does not follow the manifest. There is only a statement of the duties payable, tabulated under their enumerated classifications. The goods carrying ad valorem duties are not described, and

^{*}Whether the procedure was always followed is not certain. It was described in a legislative report of 1788 and seems to gibe with the rather vague instructions in the duty acts. It is reasonable to conclude that the duty books were maintained at the treasury. The endorsements on them (PB or EB, for example) are those of commissioners of the treasury, probably made on payment of notes. Notes were rarely settled within the four months allotted for their satisfaction.

^{**}Manifests and Entries Books B and C also appear in W. S. Jenkins, ed., Records of the States of the United States (S. C.), Reports and Papers of Permanent Agencies, 1694/5-1820 (SC-D.25x Reel 1).

re-exports are not identified. All seven volumes contain indexes to the manifests. These refer to the name of the vessel, the port of departure, the master's name, and the manifest number.

The picture of Charleston's trade which emerges from the duty books is somewhat surprising. For the first two years of this period, imports were at an astonishingly high level. In 1784, the first full year of peace, the wharves must have been constantly filled. Revenue from duties in that year was three times as much as the sum taken from the collectors of the general tax. In the five full years from 1783 to 1789 more than £170,000 was raised from import duties, almost half of it in 1784 and 1785. The duties were especially important to the state's finances as a source of specie. Trade fell off sharply in 1786, but revived again in 1787 and 1788, when the American coastal trade made striking gains.

The slave trade, while it accounted for only a small portion of the revenue from duties, was particularly active. From 1783 until 1787, when the trade stopped, more than 9,000 slaves were brought into Charleston. Nearly 6,000 arrived in 1784 and 1785 alone. Most came from the Gambia, Martinique, Jamaica, and East Florida. The American coastal trade in slaves seems to have been negligible — few slaves came into Charleston from the other states, and only occasional consignments from Africa and Jamaica were marked for re-export. The trade started to decline in 1786; in March 1787 it was prohibited. But the great slave merchants, Nathaniel Russell, Adam Tunno, Edward Penman, and Daniel O'Hara, used their huge resources and their connections with Jamaica and Great Britain to diversify their commercial activities. Their fortunes survived the suspension of the slave trade.

Business was especially good for the British merchants. Many, like O'Hara, had profited from the British occupation and were able to sustain themselves against the tardiness of their postwar debtors on their accumulated capital. The presence of Charleston merchants connected with British firms outweighed the restrictions on American vessels trading in the West Indies. As a result, trade with Britain and her dominions continued to dominate the state's commerce. But the profits of British merchants aroused some hostility. The transient duty, while it rarely applied to British merchants residing in the city, seems to have been designed to operate on the British trade. Its most notable effect was on merchant-captains from East Florida and the Bahamas

and on English drygoods salesmen arriving in the province with their merchandise. Established Charleston merchants were also liable to transient duty on consignments ordered by foreign tradesmen in the city. But the total amount of transient duty collected was very small, and it seems to have been ineffective either as a deterrent or as revenue.

The nature and quantity of goods imported belies the general economic distress of these years. The volume of building materials — nails, bricks, logwood, stone, white lead, marble, and lumber — suggests that many prosperous citizens, perhaps the merchants themselves, were building and refurbishing town houses. South Carolina's ability to provide such basic supplies herself was clearly very limited. Even agricultural tools — ploughs, wheelbarrows, rice hooks, spades, and hoes — were imported. Little raw leather was brought in, but finished work like harnesses and saddles arrived in some quantity. The importation of staple foods which were easily home grown — apples, potatoes, butter, and oranges — is a measure of the rural devastation which followed the war or perhaps of the planters' determination to keep their lands in exportable cash crops. Either the farmer was unable and unwilling to produce food for local consumption, or roads and ferries were in such poor repair that he could not market it.

While some rural reconstruction is apparent from the imports of slaves, horses, seed, and canvas and timber for small boats, most foreign trade was directed at the city consumer and the planter's household. Charleston's famous inability to support successful breweries is suggested by the continued importation of beer and porter. Shipments of basic furnishings and dry goods — candles, earthenware, bedsteads, and soap — indicate a serious lack of local industry. At the same time, the vast quantities of wigs, sweetmeats, haberdashery, cutlery, millinery, ivory, wines, spices, coffee, and West Indian fruits, all of which arrived at a greater rate than ever before, would imply that a taste for British luxuries had not died with the Revolution.

These comprehensive accounts of Charleston's import trade show the state's chronic inability to manufacture her own basic equipment and supplies, her growing capital re-investment in the Negro, and her continued reliance on British trade and British traders. In addition, they are a fine guide to the careers of individual merchants at a crucial period.

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STATISTICS ON IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

Table 1 reconstructs annual summaries of duties received from all three collectors by the commissioners of the treasury after the Revolutionary War. The totals for the years 1783 to 1786 have been taken from figures supplied in the treasurers' loose manuscript reports to the general assembly. Those for the years 1787, 1788, and 1789, for which no such reports were found, have been computed from the periodic receipts for duties posted in the treasury journals in the South Carolina Archives. A number of other documents in the legislative papers record detailed figures on South Carolina trade in this period which did not find their way into the duty books. From these records, six detailed tables have been compiled.

In table 2 appear the ninety-eight entries of liquor and playing cards brought into Charleston between March and August, 1783 under the ordinance of March 17 and reported by the collector in a loose paper. No record of the 150 manifests and entries reported in Charleston between August 1783 and May 1784, when a more comprehensive duty act was in force, has survived. The collectors at Georgetown and Beaufort kept separate records of their business, which have not been located. But there are three extant sources in the public records for the researcher interested in the import trade at these ports in the post-war years: one set of entries (1786) for each port found its way into Manifests and Entries Book C; the treasury records contain summary accounts of duties received from the country ports;* and a report made by the collector of Georgetown in 1787, covering the two years 1786 and 1787 and containing a list of entries, is extant — this has been transcribed as table 3.

Export duties were not a part of the revenue system of the new state. But the collectors were responsible for port clearings and for providing statistical accounts of exports to the general assembly. Loose reports of exports from Charleston and Georgetown in the years 1783 to 1787 appear in the legislative papers, and tables 4 and 5 have been compiled from them. No manuscript report of exports from Beaufort was

^{*}South Carolina Treasury Ledgers and Journals, 1783-1791 (South Carolina Archives Microcopy Number 5).

located, but there is an extant record of port clearings, with cargoes listed, for a two and one-half year period between 1784 and 1786. This is reproduced as table 6. In November 1787, the collector of Charleston reported foreign and domestic re-exports for the previous twelve months. This, the only surviving record of its type, is abstracted in table 7.

1 — DUTIES COLLECTED AT SOUTH CAROLINA PORTS APRIL, 1783 — AUGUST, 1789

| TRANSIENT | NEGRO | TOTAL |
|-------------|---|---|
| | £ 2,837.100 | £17,288.143 |
| £1,180 2.10 | £13,300 00 | £50,641.143 |
| £ 507 6 1 | £ 8,296 00 | £29,408 81 |
| £ 15.170 | £ 1,543 00 | £12,955 07 |
| £2,275 3 7¾ | £ 224.190 | £28,790 33½ |
| £ 514.13.11 | | £23,006 51 |
| £ 117.150 | | £ 9,687.135¾ |
| | £1,180 2.10 £ 507 6 1 £ 15.17 0 £2,275 3 73/4 £ 514.13.11 | £ 2,837.100 £1,180 2.10 £13,300 00 £ 507 6 1 £ 8,296 00 £ 15.17 0 £ 1,543 00 £2,275 3 7¾ £ 224.190 £ 514.13.11 |

GRAND TOTAL £171,767.19..01/4

2 — ENTRIES OF LIQUOR AT CHARLESTON APRIL — AUGUST, 1783

| APRIL | GALLONS | DUTY |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| 10 Robert Johnston | 288 | £ 4.160 |
| 10 John Banks and Company | 590 | 9.168 |
| 15 Jacob Milligan and Company | 632 | 10.108. |
| 17 George Smith | 2,007 | 33 90 |
| 17 Thomas Corbett | 898 | 14.194 |
| 18 Samuel Legare | 2,170 | 36 34 |
| 19 Nicholas Hinson | 1,338 | 22 60 |
| 21 William Somersall | 3,713 | 61.178 |
| 21 Cash (William Strong) | 676 | 11 54 |
| 22 Paul Pritchard | 1,015 | 16.184 |
| 22 John Addison | 729 | 12 30 |
| 22 Cash | 186 | 3 20 |
| 22 Webb and Bounetheau | 843 | 14 10 |
| 23 James McKinley | 7,860 | 131 00 |
| 25 Alexander Bell | 5,355 | 89 50 |
| 25 Robert Cochran | 2,326 | 38.154 |
| 26 Robert Cochran | 276 | 4.120 |
| 28 James Ashton | 648 | 10.160 |
| 28 Smith, DeSaussure and Darrill | 1,757 | 29 58 |
| 29 George Smith | 3,512 | 58.108 |
| MAY | | |
| 1 John McGeorge | 450 | 7.100 |
| 1 Thomas Savage | 5,301 | 88 70 |
| 1 Downham Newton | 4,860 | 81 00 |
| 2 Mathew Byrne | 473 | 7.178 |
| 2 John Aitkin | 617 | 10 58 |
| 2 Daniel Moore | 1,040 | 17 68 |
| 3 Cash | 108 | 1.160 |
| 5 James Neilson | 4,000 | 66.134 |
| 6 Fitzsimmons and Atkinson | 212 | 3.108 |
| 7 Banks Burnet and Company | 283 | 4.144 |
| 7 Paul Pritchard | 3,665 | 61 18 |
| 8 William Somersall | 1,115 | 18.118 |
| 8 William Somersall | 1,245 | 20.150 |
| 8 William Somersall | 2,727 | 45 90 |
| 8 Robert Collins | 5,076 | 84.120 |

| _ | | 4 404 | |
|----|---------------------------|--------|---------|
| | George Smith | 1,683 | 28 10 |
| | James McKinley | 1,404 | 23 80 |
| | James Thomas | 4,015 | 66.184 |
| 13 | John Todd | 710 | 11.168 |
| 13 | Cash | 30 | 100 |
| 14 | Roger Smith | 9,046 | 150.154 |
| 14 | William Curtis | 864 | 14 80 |
| 14 | John Todd | 1,443 | 24 10 |
| 14 | Daniel Hall and Company | 1,504 | 25 14 |
| 19 | Cash | 90 | 1.100 |
| 20 | Cash | 972 | 16 40 |
| 21 | Alexander McGinnis | 11,472 | 191 40 |
| 21 | Roger and Peter Smith | 963 | 16 10 |
| 22 | George Flagg | 2,114 | 35 48 |
| 22 | Cash | 168 | 2.160 |
| | | | |
| | | 1.002 | 21.14.4 |
| | Walker and Maitland | 1,903 | 31.144 |
| | H. Bromet Philips | 765 | 12.150 |
| | Guilbeau Vernon | 1,994 | 33 48 |
| | Roger Smith | 6,441 | 107 70 |
| , | Cash of William Urquhart | 293 | 4.178 |
| | Isaac DaCosta and Son | 1,515 | 25 50 |
| | William Somersall | 7,842 | 130.140 |
| | Cash of Philip Moses | 122 | 2 08 |
| | Peter Francis Martin | 3,419 | 56.198 |
| | William Somersall | 4,710 | 78.100 |
| | Abraham Sasportas | 630 | 10.100 |
| | Thomas Morris and Company | 1,125 | 18 50 |
| | Daniel Hall and Company | 1,373 | 22.178 |
| | Isaac DaCosta | 3,533 | 58.178 |
| | Cash of Samuel Chiver | 198 | 3 60 |
| | James Penman | 4,825 | 80 84 |
| | Cash of Nicholas Primrose | 200 | 3 68 |
| | Joseph Chevery | 621 | 10 70 |
| | Cash of Roche | 196 | 3 54 |
| | Cash of Duyme | 205 | 3 84 |
| | Cash of Farneau | 289 | 4.164 |
| | James Neilson | 8,767 | 146 24 |
| | Cash of Peleg Green | 106 | 1.154 |
| | Cash of Paul Cross | 1,545 | 25.150 |
| | | | |

¹Although no dates are given after May 22, the entries were listed in chronological order.

| Smith, DeSaussure and Darrell | 101 | 1.138 |
|--|---------|-----------|
| Robert Farquhar | 3,181 | 53 04 |
| William Huxham | 584 | 9.148 |
| Webb and Bounetheau | 3,317 | 55 58 |
| Leonard Stout | 3,739 | 62 64 |
| Alexander Gillon | 2,045 | 34 18 |
| Cash of Carter Husman | 886 | 14.154 |
| Cash of John Massey | 584 | 9.148 |
| Cash of Jeremiah Dickenson | 296 | 4.188 |
| Cash of Walter Goodman | 360 | 6 00 |
| Roger Smith | 6,165 | 102.150 |
| Paul Pritchard | 572 | 8.108 |
| Cash of Isaac Harvey | 99 | 1.130 |
| ² Cash of Firby and Kerr | | 4.160 |
| Joseph Olivarez | 2,700 | 45 00 |
| Anthony Warwick | 2,205 | 36.150 |
| Robert Pringle | 329 | 5 98 |
| Alexander Gillon | 3,000 | 60 00 |
| Cash of Samuel Legare | 65 | 1 18 |
| James and Edward Penman | 10,348 | 172 94 |
| ³ Joseph Parker and Company | 5,481 | 96 30 |
| Joseph Parker and Company | 5,678 | 94.128 |
| Cash of Abraham Sasportas | 570 | 8.100 |
| James Miller | 2,520 | 42 00 |
| TOTAL | 212,391 | £3,549 90 |

²For 288 packs of playing cards

³Duty includes 288 packs of playing cards.

3 — ENTRIES REPORTED BY THE COLLECTOR OF GEORGETOWN

APRIL 1786 — JANUARY 1787

| CONSIGNEE, CARGO | | DUTY |
|--|-------------|-------------------------------|
| 6 April 1786 Smith Mitchel and Company Amount of invoice, £1,17426 at 21/2% | As per note | £29 71 |
| 22 April 1786 John Cogdell and Company Amount of invoice, £2,128.161 at 2½% William Waddy for self and passenger £144.150 at 2½% and Transient duty at 2% Heriot and Tucker 307 gallons Rum at 3d. | Paid | £53 43 £ 6 92 £ 3.169 |
| 11 May 1786 William McKintire 200 dozen porter 4/-Transient duty 32/- | | £ 1.160 |
| 31 May 1786 Heriot and Grant 288 packs Cards at 4d. included in the sum of £368.19.11 at 21/2% | Per Note | £14 06 |
| 4 November 1786 Smith and Mitchel Wine and porter included in the sum £2,08347 at 2½% Ebenezar Allen 106 gallons Rum at 3d. Isaac Phillips 78 lb. Hyson Tea at 12d. | Per Note | £63.197 £ 1.124 £ 3.180 |
| 9 December 1786 Thomas New 200 lb. Loaf Sugar at 1d.; 25 lb. hyson tea 12d. included in the amount of £510.150 at 21/2% and Transient duty at 2% William Harmon | | £22.197 |
| 78 gallons Wine at 3d. | | £ 1 60 |

20 December 1786 Francis Anderson 4800 lb. Sugar at 2/-£ 4.16..0 22 December 1786 Richard Darrel 99 gallons Jamaica Rum at 3d.; 990 gallons West India Rum at 2d.; 480 bushels Salt cr. ½ at 2½% £10.. 4..9 20 January 1787 William Cole 800 lb. Sugar at 1/6; £74.16..8 amount of Good at 21/2% and Transient duty at 2% £ 3.19..4 TOTAL £221.. 9..4

4 — EXPORTS OF PRINCIPAL DOMESTIC CROPS FROM CHARLESTON 1783 - 1787

| | 1783 | 1784 | 1785 | 1786 | 1787 |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------|------------|
| RICE | 22,2241/2 | 61,974 | 63,732 | 65,8571/2 | 65,195 |
| INDIGO ² | 827 | 2,051 | 1,789 | 2,163 | 2,783 |
| TOBACCO ³ | 643 | 2,680 | 2,303 | 3,929 | 5,493 |
| DEER SKINS ⁴ | 101 | 657 | 540 292 | 325 404 | 205 256 |
| PITCH! | 565 | 4,877 | 3,719 | 3,789 | 1,904 |
| TARI | 540 | 2,489 | 6,737 | 5,056 | 2,230 |
| TURPENTINE | 926 | 7,331 | 6,545 | 6,628 | 3,707 |
| LUMBER ⁵ | 251,800 | 705,200 | 1,072,650 | 1,758,100 | 1,057,600 |
| SHINGLES | 215,800 | 1,072,000 | 3,096,900 | 3,104,200 | 3,689,600 |
| STAVES | 12,900 | 402,100 | 403,050 | 836,300 | 1,023,700 |
| CORN ⁶ | 6,645 | 14,080 | 19,510 | 6,585 | 29,088 |

¹Barrels. ²Casks. ³Hogsheads. ⁴The figures for 1783 and 1784 are the number of of hides exported. From 1785 through 1787, the upper figure is in hides, the lower figure is in bales. ⁵Feet. ⁶Bushels.

5 — PRINCIPAL EXPORTS FROM GEORGETOWN JANUARY 1783 - FEBRUARY 1787

| | 1783 | 1784 | 1785 | 1786 | 1787 |
|----------------------------|-------------------|---------|-----------|-------------|----------|
| RICE! | 2,680 | 1,931 | 3,130 | 3,026 | 1,704 |
| INDIGO ² | 1,580 25 | 12,477 | 28,626 | 1,196 24 | |
| PITCH | 3,711 | 1,234 | 1,654 | 266 | |
| TARI | 221 | 120 | 286 | 55 | . 45 |
| TURPENTINE | | 401 | 1,380 | 778 | |
| PORK | 8 | 12 | 66 | 8 | 50 |
| FLOUR | | 33 | 22 | | |
| TOBACCO3 | | 13 | | 4 | |
| BUTTER | 7 kegs | 300 lb. | | | 40 kegs |
| TALLOW ² | 500 lb. 2 bbl. | | | | |
| CORN, ROUGH RICE, ETC.4 | 700 | 518 | 630 | 1,060 | 1,000 |
| LUMBER5 | . 11 tons | 54,100 | 57,334 | 27,841 | 8,000 |
| SHINGLES | 44,200 | 164,000 | 179,000 | 107,000 | . 20,000 |
| STAVES | 1,100 | 4,672 | 15,815 | 8,000 | 1,400 |
| DEER SKINS | 938 | 3,115 | 1,250 | 60 | |
| COWHIDES | 200 | 37 | 129 | 17 | |
| FUR SKINS | 100 | 246 | 40 | | |
| SASSEFRASS | | | 1,200 lb. | | |

¹Barrels. ²The upper figure is in pounds; the lower in barrels. ³Hogsheads. ⁴Bushels. ⁵Figures in feet, except where noted.

6 — BEAUFORT PORT CLEARINGS SEPTEMBER 1784 — DECEMBER 1786

DATE, VESSEL, MASTER, CARGO **DESTINATION** 15 September 1784 Brig Brothers, Michael Dove 199 bbl. Turpentine, 4 bbl. Cotton, Indigo London 30 December 1784 Schooner Sally, Peter Main **Ballast** St. Augustine Sloop Industry, Alexander C. Stewart Ballast St. Augustine 15 September 1785 Sloop Peggy, Tarlton Woolham Nine head of Sheep New Providence 29 October 1785 Schooner S. Catalina, Bazile Lord 20 Hogs, 100 bu. Corn, 50 bu. Potatoes, 200 Poultry, 5 bu. Pease St. Augustine 15 December 1785 Schooner S. Catalina, Bazile Lord Live Stock St. Augustine Sloop Tryal, William Minot 59 Negroes Georgia 7 February 1786 Sally, Boaz Bryan 430 bbl. Rice (435, 854), 2 bundles of Deer Skins, 1 bundle of Furrs, 224 bbl. Indigo (73,980) London 3 July 1786 Sloop Grape Vine, Joseph Giovando Live Stock St. Augustine 15 July 1786 Sloop Two Sisters, Thomas Nelmes Live Stock New Providence 26 October 1786 Sloop Hannah (Dartmouth, Mass.), Elijah Allen **Ballast** Charleston

6 November 1786 Brig Ranger (Poole), George Best 487 whole bbl. and 82 half bbl. Rice

Cowes

13 November 1786 Schooner *Jenny*, (Charleston), John Wilson Ballast

Georgia

5 December 1786

Schooner Two Brothers (Newberry Port), Stephen Howard
Ballast Charleston

7 — FOREIGN AND AMERICAN RE-EXPORTS FROM CHARLESTON

AMERICAN PRODUCE NOVEMBER 1786 - NOVEMBER 1787

Flour — 8,783 *bbl.* -

Bread — 735 bbl. 835 kegs.

Fish — 965 bbl., 110 quintals, 900 lb.

Potatoes — 360 bbl., 1,238 bu.

Onions — 36 bbl., 14,624 bunches

Oats — 360 bu.

Apples — 72 bbl.

Cider — 56 bbl.

FOREIGN PRODUCE NOVEMBER 1786 - NOVEMBER 1787

Rum, West Indies and New England —

354 hhds. & puncheons, 121 casks & bbl.

Wine — 31 pipes, 41 hhds., 569 casks, 358 cases

Brandy — 91 pipes, 88 casks

Gin — 1,561 cases

Porter — 324 hhds. & casks

Salt — 16,332 bu.

Molasses — 560 hhds.

Sugar — 32 hhds., 375 chests, 276 casks

Coffee — 3 hhds., 182 casks, 71 bags, 5,500 lb.

Cocoa — 30 hhds., 94 casks, 106 bags

Pimento — 143 bags

Logwood — 220¾ tons, 300 quintals, 598 pieces

Fustick — 41¾ tons, 2,078 pieces

Lignum vitae — 50¼ tons, 300 pieces

Yellow sanders — 249 pieces, 6,450 lb.

Cane wood — 20 pieces

Elephants teeth — 15 pieces

Iron — 22¼ tons, 229 bars

Coal — 220 tons

Russia hemp -7 tons, 11,200 lb.

Cordage — 6 cables, 8 coils, 10,000 lb.

Anchors — 6

Duck & osnaburgs — 185 pieces

Iron pots — 512

Grind & guernstones — 45

Mahogany — 18,638 feet

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