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Nr. 1474 — Protest of a bill of exchange of 463 crusados at 114½ groats a crusado, drawn in Lisbon on May 16, 1618 by Gaspar Lopes Henriques on Miguel Lopes Fernandes, to be paid to Francisco Vas de Leon.

1618, July 18

Not. Arch. 625, p. 18; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1475 — Freightcontract between Bento Osorio and skipper Dirck Arentsz. from Medemblik for a journey of the ship “Bonten Os”, large 120 lasts, from Amsterdam to Setubal; load salt there and continue to Danzig, at a freight of 9 guilders, 10 stivers a last. If the skipper has to sell 10 or more lasts of salt in the Sont, he will receive 1 guilder a last more for these lasts.

1618, July 19

Not. Arch. 625, p. 17-18; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1476 — Freightcontract between Bento Osorio and skipper Mieuwes Evertsz. from Medemblik for a journey of the ship “Swarte Os”, large 140 lasts, from Amsterdam to Setubal; load salt there and continue to Danzig, at a freight of 9 guilders, 10 stivers a last, counting the polish florin as 34 stivers. If the skipper has to sell some lasts of salt in the Sont in payment of the charges there, he will receive 1 guilder more for these lasts.

1618, July 22

Not. Arch. 625, p. 20-21; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1477 — Jan Thivart, confectioner, lets to Joseph Pinto a warehouse on Vlooienburg behind his house in Breestraat where Manuel Thomas is living, to be used as a warehouse, synagogue or differently, for a period from August 1, 1618 till May 1619 and after that for a period of three years till May 1622. For the period from August 1, 1618 till May 1619 the rent will be 225 guilders, for the next two years 300 guilders and for the last year 250 guilders. Alterations may be made provided that the warehouse is returned in its original state after the lease. The following people stand surety for Pinto: Bento Osorio, Duarte Pereira, Jeronimo Rodrigues Mendes, Manuel Thomas and Steven Cardoso, Portuguese merchants in Amsterdam.

1618, July 22

Not. Arch. 625, p. 21-23; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1478 — Antonio Vas, 52 years old, Henrique de Campos, 40 years old and Diego Vas, 28 years old, merchants, declare at the request of Francisco de Campos that two letters, dated respectively Malaga May 1, 1618 and June 12, 1618 were written by Simao Francisco in Malaga. They know his handwriting because they trade with him and received letters from him.

1618, July 23

Not. Arch. 484, p. 385; Not Evert Cock.

Nr. 1624 — Antonio Gomes d’Alcobaça, Leonor Gomes and Francisco Gomes, children of the late licentiate Vasco Gomes and Anna Gomes, Custodio de Pas, son of the late Leonor Gomes and Domingos Henriques, Jeronima Gomes, widow of Boas Nunes, sister of Francisco Gomes d’Alcobaça, as guardian of her son Diego Gomes who is half witted, declare as the heirs of the said Francisco Gomes d’Alcobaça who lived in Lisbon in Rua dos Cabides and was married to Margarita Nunes Dorta, that from the said testator is due to them a sum of 300.00 reis, the usufruct of which he

had given to his brother Garcia Gomes who is so poor that he cannot give his daughter a dowry. They authorize Garcia to collect the money from Francisco Carlos da Silva, Henrique Dorta or Jorge Lopes Correa to use it as a dowry, provided that he waives the usufruct.

[1618]

Not. Arch. 484, p. 410; Not. Evert Cock. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1479 — Duarte Saraiva agrees to the fact that Joris van Henghel will deduce a sum of 922 guilders, 10 stivers from a bill of exchange of 305 pounds, 5 shillings Flemish, drawn in Antwerp on July 3, 1618 by Pieter Brasseur on the said Henghel, the value received from Duarte Ramires Pina, to be paid at usance to Saraiva. Saraiva will pay the 922 guilders, 10 stivers for Francisco Nunes Homem, to whose account Manuel Lopes Homem in Sevilla drew a bill of exchange of 300 ducats at 123 groats a ducat on April 10, 1618, the value received from Antonio de Guenes, to be paid to Henghel at 1½ usance, which bill was addressed to Francisco Nunes Homem and in his absence to Antonio Lopes Pereira.

161n July 23

Not. Arch. 611 B, fol. 445-445v; Not. Pieter Ruttens. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1480 — Duarte Fernandes authorizes . . .¹ in Madrid to make an arrangement with his son Simon Henriques in Madrid, who is in default,²⁷ or with his debtors for what his son owes him, among other items a sum of 3000 ducats that was paid out by Fernandes in Antwerp to Mayolis for bills of exchange from Henriques and a sum of 2000 ducats for a bill of exchange drawn by Fernandes on Henriques, to be paid to Diego Pereira for which a protest of non-payment was drawn up.

1618, July 24

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 335-335v.; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs. Deed in Spanish.

Nr. 1481 — Bento Osorio and Christovao Gomes Osorio, father and son, declare that they will hold skipper Jan Jansz. Theijes who recently arrived from Lisbon, harmless for two bags (“besaelges”)²⁸ of diamonds that the skipper handed over to them without their having the bills of lading. They paid a freight of 600 crusados for each bag, that is 1% of the contents. If the bills of lading state a different freight, this will be paid.

1618, July 24

Not. Arch. 611 B, fol. 445v.; Not. Pieter Ruttens.

Nr. 1482 — Upon the request of Simao Gomes who has been taken prisoner, the notary shows the deputy sheriff a “sureté de corps” which the latter refuses to read. The notary protests of damages and harassment done to Gomes.

1618, July 25

Not. Arch. 484, p. 387; Not. Evert Cock.

Nr. 1483 — Upon the request of Belchior Lopes, Portuguese merchant of Amsterdam, the notary attends the ship “Post” of skipper Jan Varelle from Vlissingen that has arrived from Porto. He establishes that one case is quite empty. Lopes says that he will recover the damage from the skipper or the insurers. Jan Varelle, 31 years old, declares at the request of Lopes that he received a full case of white sugar in Porto from Rodrigues Fernandes and that the case was washed empty by sea-water.

1618, July 25

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 228-229; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.²⁹

¹ Name is not put in.

²⁷ or: is absent. In Spanish the word “falto” is used.

²⁸ In a note to deed nr. 92 the possibility is suggested that “besaeltge” or “besaaltje” in Dutch could be a derivation from “besaesge” (beggingbowl). Other sources, however, show that besaaltje comes from the Portuguese word “bisalho”, meaning: small bag. We also find the French equivalent “bisaille”. (1656, January 7, Not. Arch. 979, p. 4, Not. Benedict Baddel; 1654, October . . . ?, Not. Arch. 972, 7 th folder, Not. Benedict Baddel; 1663, December 27, Not. Arch. 3004, p. 321, Not. Emanuel de Lavello). It is stated that similar deeds were drawn up for Diogo Nunes Belmonte and Francisco Coutinho.

²⁹ On p. 230 it is stated that similar deeds were drawn up for Diogo Nunes Belmonte and Francisco Coutinho.

Nr. 1484 — Upon the request of Diogo da Silva the notary visits Da Silva's warehouse on Vlooienburg and establishes that 3 cases of muscovado sugar, coming from Porto with the ship "Post" of skipper Jan Varelle from Vlissingen, are wet, damaged and partly empty. Jochem Dirxsz., 41 years old, Hans Hendrixsz., 35 years old, and Sijmen Annertsz., 25 years old, labourers and burghers of Amsterdam, declare upon the request of Da Silva that they unloaded these three cases from the said ship.

1618, July 25

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 227; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1485 — Diogo da Silva notifies Hendrick Leg [?] and Bartholomeus Bartels, insurers who insured sugar for him loaded in the ship "Post" for a journey from Porto to Amsterdam, that three cases were wet, damaged and partly empty.

1618, July 26

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 227-228; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1486 — Diogo Nunes Belmonte notifies Harmen Danckelman and Hendrick Tonisz., insurers, who insured sugar loaded in the ship "Post" for a journey from Porto to Amsterdam, that one case was washed empty by sea-water.

1618, July 26

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 231; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1487 — Affidavits made by Pascoal Rodrigues, 49 years old, sworn broker, and Diogo Henriques, 25 years old, merchant in Amsterdam, upon the request of Dr. Francisco Lopes Rosa, concerning six cases of sugar that Rosa sold to Jan van Erpecum, grocer in Amsterdam, at 19 groats [a pound] with a deferred rebate of 14 months, at which sale Rodrigues acted as broker. One case of sugar that was not in order, was exchanged and Van Erpecum now claims that another case contained wet sugar. Since Van Erpecum had emptied the case in the absence of Rosa, Rosa refuses to take the sugar back.

1618, July 26

Not. Arch. 611 B, fol. 446-446v.; Not. Pieter Ruttens. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1488 — Upon the request of Francisco Coutinho the notary visits Coutinho's house in Ververij and establishes that 6 cases of muscovado sugar coming from the ship "Post" from Porto, are wet, damaged and partly empty. Coutinho accepts the sugar under protest and will recover the damage from the skipper Jan Varelle from Vlissingen or the insurers.

1618, July 28

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 232; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.³⁰

Nr. 1489 — Henrique Aires Brandao, 32 years old, living in Amsterdam, declares upon the request of Gracia Henriques, that some five days after the arrest of Simao Gomes, he was standing in front of Gomes's house together with Diogo Fernandes and that he saw that Simao Fernandes Lagarte left the house with the account books of Gomes.

1618, July 30

Not. Arch. 611 B, fol. 447; Not. Pieter Ruttens. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1490 — Diogo Lopes Cardoso and his wife Maria Cardosa, now living in Amsterdam, authorize Lourenco Pestana, merchant in Lisbon, to look after their affairs in Portugal and Castile.

1618, August 2

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 348-349 v.; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs.

Nr. 1491 — Jan Dommer, Pieter Beltens, Pieter Hustard, Pieter Engels Habet and Manuel Lopes Nunes, merchants in Amsterdam and owners of the ship "Hoop" of skipper Engel Habet alias Engel de la Croix, authorize Michiel Pauw, co-owner, to claim the said ship with its guns and merchandise.

1618, August 2

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 350-350v.; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs.³¹ Deed in French.

³⁰ Identical deed concerning one case of white sugar. (1618, August 5, Not. Arch. 645, p. 233, Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.).

³¹ Copy of this deed with an authorization by Michiel Pauw to Francois Auveri, merchant in Rouen, to claim the ship. (1618, November 27, Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 527-528, Not. Nicolaes Jacobs).

Nr. 1492 — Jorge Pereira, Portuguese merchant in Amsterdam, authorizes his uncle Duarte Pereira to represent him in all his affairs.

1618, August 2

Not. Arch. 625, p. 29-31; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1493 — Simao de Leao, broker in Amsterdam, declares upon the request of Michiel Pauw, merchant in Amsterdam, that in January last he had Jan Smit and Jan Stassart, merchants in Amsterdam, sign for 100 pounds for the insurance of the ship “Hoop” of skipper Engel Habet.

1618, August 2

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 355; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs. Deed in Portuguese.^m

Nr. 1494 — Protest of non-acceptance. Josef de Venezia requests Henrique de Sousa to accept a bill of exchange of 60 crowns at 123 groats a crown, drawn in Paris on July 20 [?], 1618 at usance by Christovao Rodrigues, the value received from Josef de Venezia. De Sousa’s wife says that her husband is absent.

1618, August 5

Not. Arch. 484, p. 404; Not. Evert Cock.

Nr. 1495 — Helena Valgaerts authorizes Juda de Tremel, diamond-cutter in Venice, to defend her interests there against Diego Gomes alias Jacob Castiel.

1618, August 6

Not. Arch. 484, p. 405; Not. Evert Cock. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1496 — Freightcontract between Bento Osorio and skipper Cornelis Claesz. from Terschelling, to sail with the ship “Crab”, large 113 lasts, from Amsterdam to Setubal; to load salt there and continue to Danzig at a freight of 9 guilders, 10 stivers a last. If the skipper sells 10, 12 or more lasts in the Sont, he will receive 1 guilder a last more for these lasts.

1618, August 6

Not. Arch. 625, p. 35-36; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1497 — Sara Pereira, widow of Antonio Pereira, assisted by Antonio Vas Guimaraens, authorizes Francisco Mendes de Medeiros to collect from her son Jorge Pereira a sum of 7.835 guilders, 10 stivers plus an annual interest of 6½%, according to a warrant of July 9, 1618. This power of attorney will become effective on December 31, 1618 if by then her son will not have given Mendes sufficient proof that he sent the said sum to Livorno where she intends to live.

1618, August 7

Not. Arch. 484, p. 406-407; Not. Evert Cock. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1498 — Contract terms in which Jacob Adamsen, master-ship’s carpenter, burgher of Amsterdam, binds himself to build for Diego Nunes Belmonte a ship, long 100 feet, wide 24½ feet and 10½ feet deep for a sum of 5000 guilders. Adamsen will supply the wood and the labour, Belmonte the pitch and the iron. Adamsen will receive a bonus of 6 pounds Flemish for a coat if the ship is finished at All Saints’ Day.

1618, August 9

Not. Arch. 199, fol. 555v.-556v; Not. Jan Fransz. Bruynningh.

Nr. 1499 — Agreement concerning the divorce between Simon Gomes, now imprisoned in Amsterdam, and Gracia Henriques, 40 years old. This agreement is made between Antonio Henriques, father and guardian of Gracia, Gracia Henriques herself, and Diego Henriques, brother and attorney of Gracia on the one side and Gaspar Ruis, Antonio Nunes Torres, Diogo Lopes Sardo, Manuel Lopes Nunes, Diego Manoel Nunes and Simon Vas as representatives of Simon Gomes on the other side. Simon Gomes will acknowledge Gabriel as his legal son from his marriage with Gracia. He will do this in writing as well as orally in the synagogue from the theba. Gomes will pay

^m On the same fol. translation in French.

Gracia and her relatives 4.500 guilders, who in their turn promise to support Gabriel. One half of this sum will be made out to the name of Gracia, the other half to the name of Gabriel. Gracia will not institute legal proceedings. She authorizes him to sell the houses that are under his management. The proxies of Gomes stand surety for him. If he fails to pay within 10 days, they will have him imprisoned again. Joseph Pinto stands surety for the proxies.

1618, August 10

Not. Arch. 611 B, fol. 453v.-455; Not. Pieter Ruttens.³² Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1500 — Manuel Lopes Pereira who has arrived from Antwerp, notifies Duarte Saraiva to pay the sum of 200 pounds Flemish that Duarte Saraiva was to pay him at the end of July according to a deed passed before notary Nicolaes Jacobs on May 24, 1618.

1618, August 11

Not. Arch. 484, p. 409; Not. Evert Cock. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1501 — Liesbeth Florisdr., widow of Abraham Dircksz., also acting for her children Abraham and Liesbeth, assisted by their guardian Willem Hasen and by Jacob Rodrigues who also acts as uncle and guardian of the children of his brother Abraham, all co-heirs of the estate in the Netherlands of Jan Dircksz. van Goch, their brother-in-law, brother and uncle, give their approval to the agreement that was made by Isaack Rodrigues, their brother-in-law and brother on April 3, 1618 with Nicolas and Pedro Rodrigues, their brothers-in-law and brothers, according to a deed of that date that was passed before Pedro Pacheco, notary in San Lucar de Barrameda.

1618, August 11

Not. Arch. 611 B, fol. 455v.-456; Not. Pieter Ruttens.

Nr. 1502 — Duarte Rodrigues Mendes notifies Jan Baptista Bartolotti, Bartholomeus Bisschop and Lambert van Erp who insured goods for him that were loaded for the account of Belchior Lopes in the ship "Post" of skipper Jan Varelle from Vlissingen, for a journey from Porto to Amsterdam, that one case of sugar was washed empty by seawater.

1618, August 13

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 231-232; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1503 — Willem Pietersz., 33 years old and Pieter Joosten, 28 years old, labourers in Amsterdam, declare upon the request of Francisco Coutinho that at the end of July they unloaded from a flatboat a number of cases of sugar coming from the ship of Jan Varelle from Porto and took them to the cellar of Coutinho. Five or six of these cases were wet, damaged and partly empty.

1618, August 13

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 232; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1504 — Francisco Coutinho notifies Jaques de Bari, Philip Colijn Jochemsz. and Michiel Cornelisz. Blau who insured sugar for him loaded in the ship "Post" for a journey from Porto to Amsterdam, that six cases of muscovado sugar were wet, damaged and partly empty and that one case of white sugar was washed empty.

1618, August 13

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 233; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1505 — Affidavit of Manuel Lopes Pereira, sojourning in Amsterdam, that for the sum of 200 pounds that Duarte Saraiva owed him according to a deed of May 24, 1618, the latter paid 204 pounds to François van Hoven for the bill of exchange of 255 pounds mentioned in the deed. He declares that he considers the matter settled.

1618, August 14

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 370; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1506 — Mordochay Zacuto (Mardachio Chacuto) notifies Claes Jansz. Geurs that he owes him one year of "wachtgeld" and not two. Since Geurs threatens to take him to court, Zacuto protests of all damages and costs. Geurs answers that this protest does not concern him but that the case

³² On August 13, 1618 Simon Gomes declares that he will fulfill his obligations according to the contract.

concerns the “lontrecht” and that he will send two “diefleiders” from the sheriff’s office to his house on that very day³³.

1618, August 14

Not. Arch. 484, p. 416; Not. Evert Cock.

Nr. 1507 – Francisco de Campos, merchant in Amsterdam, authorizes Simao Francisco in Malaga and Juan Luis in Sevilla, to claim from Pedro Rodrigues Partidas, merchant in Sevilla, the proceeds of the goods that he sent to him.

1618, August 14

Not. Arch. 625, p. 39-41; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1508 – Antonio Dias Toscano, Joao Rodrigues, Elvira Sanches and Catarina Toscana, brothers and sisters, all more than 25 years old, authorize Belchior Vas in Bahia (Brazil) to collect all that is due to them and in particular a legacy from their late uncle Pero Dias Sanches and the inheritance from their late uncle Manuel de Moura, their father’s brother, for what the latter had in his possession from Pero Dias Sanches and from Bartolomeo Gomes Sanches in Madrid. They also authorize Antonio Dias, their eldest brother in Antwerp, Pero Sanches, Diego da Costa Brandao in Lisbon, Diego Alvares and Manuel de Chaves (Xaves) in Sevilla and Leandro de Chaves in Lagos to collect what is due to them and in particular from the heirs of Christovao Vas Dorta 22.000 reis which their father had collected from Dom Manuel, governor of Algarve; from Heitor Mendes de Moura 20.000 reis; from Jorge Lopes de Abrantes 90.000 reis that had been collected from Dom Alvaro da Silveira.

1618, August 15

Not. Arch. 484, p. 428-429; Not. Evert Cock. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1509 – The notary requests Duarte Saraiva to answer to the notice he served upon him yesterday upon the request of Francisco Nunes Homem. Saraiva’s wife answers that her husband has the money and will pay the same day.

1618, August 16

Not. Arch. 484, p. 418; Not. Evert Cock. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1510 – Goncalo Nunes, 50 years old, Manuel Cardoso, 34 years old and Felipe Dias, 20 years old, declare that Antonio Dias Toscano, Joao Rodrigues, Elvira Sanches and Catarina Toscana are the children of Francisco Dias, the eldest brother of Manuel de Moura and are all more than 25 years old. Since their uncle Manuel de Moura died at sea with his whole family on a journey from Rotterdam to Hamburg, not leaving any heirs or a testament, the said people are his heirs.

1618, August 16

Not. Arch. 484, p. 419; Not. Evert Cock. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1511 – The ship “Postpaert” of skipper Bart Jansz. from Hoorn sprang a leak near England on its journey from Lisbon to Amsterdam and was wrecked. Of the jewelry and precious stones that were loaded in Lisbon only 7 small bags and one box were salvaged. Bento Osorio received 6 bags of diamonds of which 2 bags were loaded by Phelipe Denis Pacheco, 1 bag by Manuel de Pas that Osorio was to deliver to Francisco Godines, 2 bags were loaded by Fernando da Costa Solis that Osorio was to deliver to Diogo Duarte Leao from Antwerp and 1 bag was loaded by the said Solis that Osorio was to deliver to Antonio Libelho from Antwerp. Diogo Nunes Belmonte received one bag that had been loaded by Antonio Rodrigues Vega and that he was to deliver to Manuel Nunes d’Evora. Since a dispute has arisen between the said merchants and the skipper about the salvage money claimed by the skipper, arbiters Gaspar Robijn, Jan Jansz. Smit and Jan IJsbrantsz. Dommer have decided that the said merchants are not obliged to pay a salvage fee according to maritime law but that they should pay the skipper, who did not even manage to save his own money, 7¼% of 1.620

³³ *Wachtgeld* (Dutch): revenues from which the watchmen’s fees were paid (e.g. rattle-watch). These were paid by contributing militiamen and by contributors who for some reason were exempted from watchman’s duties. (J. Wagenaar, *Amsterdam in zijne opkomst . . . beschreeven*, III, Amsterdam 1767, p. 175-178).

Lontrecht (Dutch): possibility to enforce something with the use of violence (comparable to fist-law).

Diefleiders (Dutch): employers of the sheriff charged with arresting and taking thieves and other criminals and offenders to the place of execution.

ducats at which sum the bags that Osorio received were estimated and 7¼% of the estimated value of the bag that Belmonte received, besides the freight.

1618, August 16

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 234-236; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1512 — Affidavit by François van Hoven saying that Duarte Saraiva Coronel who had stood surety for the payment of a bill of exchange of 375 pounds Flemish, has fully paid him with two bank bills totalling 384:11:6 pounds Flemish on Lopo Ramires. The said bill of exchange had been drawn on June 18, 1618 by Francisco Nunes Homem on Manuel Lopes Pereira to the benefit of Antonio van Hoven. The bill of exchange had been accepted by Pereira but had returned unpaid. François van Hoven transfers his rights to the bill of exchange to Saraiva.

1618, August 20

Not. Arch. 153, fol. 135-136; Not. Jan Fransz. Bruyningh.

Nr. 1513 — Johan van der Straten notifies Francisco Gomes Henriques and Jeronimo Rodrigues de Sousa who bought a consignment of baize from him on July 25, 1618 through Estevan Cardoso who acted as broker, that they have not yet received this baize. Although Van der Straten had laid an attachment on some consignments that the buyers had given in payment, he holds them to their agreement and demands payment of the said baize.

1618, August 20

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 377-377v.; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs.^a

Nr. 1514 — Protest of non-payment. Henrick Wijnen and Marcelis van Aelst, merchants in Amsterdam, demand from Pedro Lopes Rebello, Portuguese merchant in Amsterdam, payment of a bill of exchange of 117 pounds Flemish, drawn in Antwerp at usance on August 17, 1618 by Henrique Boel, the value received from Jaques Darbant. Rebello refuses to pay since he does not owe the drawer and has no provision from him.

1618, August 21

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 386-386v.; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs.

Nr. 1515 — Notice served by Francisco Nunes Homem, assisted by Manuel Lopes Pereira, upon Duarte Saraiva. On September 29, 1617 Homem made an agreement with Saraiva concerning the 2.600 pounds Flemish that the latter owed him. Since Homem is married to a sister of Saraiva, he has been giving Saraiva an allowance for many months. He has now been told that Saraiva is rich and able to pay his debts. He annuls the agreement and request Saraiva to pay his debt to him.

1618, August 21

Not. Arch. 484, p. 420-421; Not. Evert Cock. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1516 — Notice served by Manuel Lopes Pereira upon Duarte Saraiva. Pereira who has come from Antwerp to settle his affairs here, protests against the fact that Saraiva has had him arrested now that he is on the point of returning to Antwerp. He will recover the damage and other costs from Saraiva. Saraiva's wife accepts the notice.

1618, August 21

Not. Arch. 484, p. 432; Not. Evert Cock. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1517 — Notice by Francisco Gomes Henriques and Jeronimo Rodrigues de Sousa served upon Jan van der Straeten because Van der Straeten has lodged an appeal with the Court of Holland against a verdict of the *échevins* of Amsterdam, demanding a removal of the attachment that Van der Straeten had put on money belonging to the notifying parties, in the care of Jan Stassart, Pieter and Jacques de Bary and Jan Arentsz.

1618, August 21

Not. Arch. 625, p. 41-42; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

^a On fol. 378 draft text; on fol. 390v. undated version in Portuguese.

Nr. 1518 — Antonio Fernandes, Manoel Lopes Nunes and Manoel Lopes de Leao,³⁴ Portuguese merchants in Amsterdam, declare that in their capacity as executors of the estate of Diogo Gomes who died in Amsterdam, they did not find documents of an insurance of goods that were loaded in the ship of skipper Francisco Gonsales Sorado, which ship was seized by privateers on its journey from Rio de Janeiro to Porto except for 50 pounds Flemish that Manuel Lopes Nunes insured on it.
1618, August 21

Not. Arch. 625, p. 41; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1519 — Pascoal de Pas, Portuguese merchant in Amsterdam, authorizes Miguel de Pas, Portuguese merchant in Amsterdam, to look after his affairs in his absence.
1618, August 22

Not. Arch. 625, p. 43-44; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1520 — Jacob Rooze, skipper, revokes his power of attorney of July 12, 1617 to Felipe Juan, Flemish merchant in La Coruna, to collect from Gabriel Coton, merchant in La Coruna, 745 reals. He now authorizes Miguel de Pas to collect this sum from Coton or possibly from Juan since the money comes from goods that were sold to Coton by De Pas. Miguel de Pas authorizes Juan de Lago de Ane in Santiago to collect this sum from Juan or Coton.
1618, August 22

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 388; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs. Deed in Portuguese.^o

Nr. 1521 — Freightcontract between Felipe d'Orta Henriques, Portuguese merchant in Amsterdam and skipper Jacob Rooze from Vlissingen for a journey of the ship "Gouden Wagen", large about 100 lasts, from Amsterdam to Malaga, Velez-Malaga or Motril, to load 300 to 500 quarters of syrup and back to Amsterdam, at a freight of 4 guilders a quarter. The ship will be loaded by Jan Ramires Tenorio, from Granada.
1618, August 23

Not. Arch. 625, p. 45-47; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1522 — Trijntgen Jansdr. 24 years old, wife of Jan Jansz., declares on the request of Pascoal Rodrigues, Portuguese in Amsterdam, who acts for his son Isaac Juda, that Sijtgen who was born in Friesland and who turned the diamond wheel for a long time in the house of Elias Pereira, diamond-cutter, told her that she would say that Isaac Juda was the father if she would get pregnant but that the real father would be a cloth-shearer who had worked together with Trijntgen's husband.
1618, August 24

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 238-239; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1523 — Affidavit of Rafael Penso da Costa saying that as the result of a judicial verdict he received from Manuel Pais 825 crusados at 114 [groats a crusado], for a bill of exchange from Porto, drawn by Antonio Fonseca de Pas for the value received from Nicolao Lopes, accepted by Pais.
1618, August 27

Not. Arch. 484, p. 261; Not. Evert Cock. Deed in Portuguese.

^o On fol. 388v.-389v.: copy.

³⁴ *Manuel Lopes de Leao.*

He signs: M(anu)el Lopez de Liao. There are 23 deeds known of him from 1615 to 1637.

On December 12, 1623 he is 38 years old (Not. Arch. 646 A, p. 761-762, Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.). On July 6, 1622 he declares that he has been married for four years with Rachel de Lion (D.T.B. 1008, p. 95). He opens an account with the Amsterdam Exchange Bank in between 1616 and 1619 which is closed between 1655 and 1658.

He trades in sugar, baize, canvas and raisins. In the trade he uses the aliases Diogo Lopes and (in Spain) Manuel da Costa d'Oliveira (1623, May 15, Not. Arch. 629, fol. 101-101v., Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.; 1633, November 24, Not. Arch. 942, p. 941, Not. Daniel Bredan).

His Jewish name is Jacob Juda Leao (P.I.G. 1141, p. 19; and 1637, November 11, Not. Arch. 416, fol. 339, Not. Nicolaes Jacobs). He is a member of "Dotar" from its foundation in 1615; his membership is taken over by his son Moses Juda Leao in 1662 (P.I.G. 1141, p. 19 and 1144, p. 21 and 54). He is buried in Ouderkerk on December 10, 1661 (De Castro, carton 20, grave 79).

The Jacob Juda Leao who is mentioned as a member of the congregation Bet Jacob at the renewal of the lease of the house "Antwerpen" in 1624 and an administrator of Bet Haim of that name who is mentioned in 1619, can probably be identified with Manuel Lopes de Leao (1624, October 28, Not. Arch. 646 B, p. 1041, Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.; cf. nr. 1041; W. Chr. Pieterse, *Livro de Bet Haim*, p. 32).

Other people with the name Jacob Juda Leao were buried in Ouderkerk in 1675 (see on him *Studia Rosenthaliana* XII, 1978, p. 111-132) and in 1683.

Nr. 1524 — Isaak Uziel, Francisco Mendes de Medeiros and Duarte Fernandes, acting as arbiters, give their verdict in the dispute concerning the financial settlement between Francisco Nunes Homem and Duarte Saraiva. Homem owes Saraiva a total of 555:2:6 pounds Flemish and is to receive from Saraiva 555 pounds Flemish which also settles some current accounts. Homem, Saraiva and Manuel Lopes Pereira from Antwerp declare that they agree with this verdict.

1618, August 27

Not. Arch. 611 B fol. 460-463; Not. Pieter Puttens. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1525 — Antonio Pieters in Amsterdam declares that he received a sum of money from Gaspar Duarte, merchant in Malaga, for which he bought 233 dozens of pins and 50 dozens of hooks that he sent to the said Duarte in Malaga with the ship “Cara d’Ouro”.

1618, August 28

Not. Arch. 625, p. 47; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1526 — Francisco de Caceres, 44 years old, Lucas Mertins, 47 years old and Simon Suzarte, 21 years old make the following statement at the request of Antonio Dias Milao: According to De Caceres Milao went to get some bread from Gerard Amelin, baker, in May last. Amelin and his servant then forced Milao to sign a letter that was written by Amelin and to hand over his purse containing some two guilders, his coat and some letters. Milao had asked De Caceres to accompany him and lodge a complaint against Amelin. De Caceres had advised against this since there was no proof. De Caceres went to Amelin with Mertins who acted as interpreter to claim everything back, saying that Amelin had tried a similar trick on Isaac da Costa. The baker had denied everything and had demanded that Milao would come himself. Suzarte had also gone to the baker with the same negative results.

1618, August 29

Not. Arch. 484, p. 430-431; Not. Evert Cock.

Nr. 1527 — Manuel Mendes Crasto, 36 years old, declares at the request of Manuel Lopes Pereira, that three days before his departure, Miguel de Pas asked him for payment of a bill of exchange at the Exchange. The bill was drawn on Crasto by Pereira in Antwerp to the order of De Pas for the value received from Francisco Sanches.

1618, August 30

Not. Arch. 484, p. 436; Not. Evert Cock. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1528 — The licentiate Tenoreo, 56 years old, Francisco Nunes [Homem], 40 years old, Antonio Lopes [Pereira], 34 years old and Francisco Lopes, 32 years old, declare at the request of Manuel Lopes Pereira that Miguel de Pas served a protest of a bill of exchange upon Manuel Mendes Crasto before the latter’s departure on April 23, 1618, concerning a bill of exchange of 309 pounds Flemish, drawn by Pereira on Crasto. Since Crasto had also paid other debts, the bill could have been covered on the request of his proxy Nunes. Crasto had moreover sold goods before his departure with which Pereira could have been paid.

1618, September 3

Not. Arch. 484, p. 442; Not. Evert Cock.^p

Nr. 1529 — Francisco Rodrigues Leon, Portuguese merchant, authorizes Dirck Boot, attorney at the Court of Holland, to represent him in his case against Martin van den Hove. He has lodged an appeal according to a deed of appeal dated August 31 last.

1618, September 5

Not. Arch. 484, p. 448; Not. Evert Cock.

Nr. 1530 — Gabriel da Costa, Portuguese merchant, authorizes Dirck Boot, attorney at the Court of Holland, to represent him in his case against Gaspar Ruis.

1618, September 5

Not. Arch. 484, p. 452; Not. Evert Cock.

Nr. 1531 — Insurers who insured for Sebastian Pimentel for the account of Isack Aboab from Venice a sum of 400 pounds Flemish on the ship “Witte Leeuw”, notify Antonio Lopes Pereira that they

^p On p. 440-441: same text. In the deed of p. 442 the words “Homem” and “Pereira” were erased.

have been informed that the policy was false and that Aboab has no cargo in the ship. They demand restitution of the sum they gave to Pereira.

1618, September 6

Not. Arch. 484, p. 456; Not. Evert Cock. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1532 — Miguel Esteves de Pina and Diogo Lopes, merchants in Amsterdam, authorize Manuel da Costa Brandao in Lisbon, to collect the goods they sent to the Canary Islands with the Ship ‘Blauwe Paard’ of skipper Jan Barentse from Broek in Waterland.

1618, September 10

Not. Arch. 625, p. 55-56; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1533 — Antonio Pimentel and Francisco da Costa, merchants in Amsterdam, give a power of attorney to Manuel da Gama.³⁵

1618, September 10

Not. Arch. 625, p. 56; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1534 — Miguel Esteves de Pina and Diogo Lopes authorize Jan Snel, merchant in Lisbon, to collect the goods they sent from Amsterdam to the Canary Islands consigned to Simon Perera with the ship ‘Blauwe Paard’. The goods have been attached on Madeira.

1618, September 10

Not. Arch. 625, p. 57; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1535 — Last will and testament of Antonio Mendes Trancoso, alias Joseph Franco, who is sick in bed. He appoints as the executors of his will: his brother Jacob Franco alias Francisco Mendes Trancoso and in his absence his other brother Manuel Franco alias Manuel Mendes, and his cousin Isaac Franco, alias Francisco Mendes de Medeiros and in his absence Mordechay Franco alias Christovao Mendes. They are to wind up his affairs in cooperation with his wife Clara Serana (Sarana). He appoints as his sole heirs his children from his marriage to Clara, viz. Branca, Anna, Rachel, Ribca, Isaac, Jacob and Salomon with the provision that Branca, his eldest, will have a 1/3 share after deduction of the legacies. The following accounts have to be settled: 7.500 guilders given for Franco Fernandes; two bills of exchange totalling 1.000 crusados drawn on Simon Henriques, the value from Francisco Dias Vilavicoso³⁶; a number of sums lent to Daniel and Guido (?) van Geel, Cornelis Bicker, Lucas and Matheus van Valckenburgh, Francesco Guardini, Pieter and Jasper de Bois and Gijsbert Tollinx (?) respectively, all maturing in 1619; a consignment of serge and a few consignments of baize that he sent partly together with his brother Francisco Mendes Trancoso to Vilavicoso in Lisbon, to Francisco de Casseres in Porto and to Antonio da Silva in Lisbon; two warrants from Castanho and Diogo Mendes from Malaga respectively; 1.000 guilders from Frankfurt, due from Manuel Mendes de Crasto; a return cargo of diamonds for money that he sent to the Indies with his brothers, which have already been sold by his brother Jacob; goods or money in Pernambuco in the hands of his cousin Rodrigo Alvares Drago in Bahia, on the orders of Francisco de Caceres and Antonio da Costa; he requests a settlement of the account with his brother-in-law Manoel Fernandes Castelo concerning goods sent to Madrid to the latter’s son, Fernan Rodrigues. He also leaves a few sums to the congregation Neve Salom.

1618, September 11

Not. Arch. 613B, p. 523-526; Not. Pieter Ruttens. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1536 — Affidavit from Bento Osorio saying that he received from Martin van de Moere 348 pounds, 1 shilling and 10 groats Flemish in payment of 480 ‘mooi’³⁷ of salt at 14 reals and 32½ reis a ‘mooi’. Van de Moere, merchant in Amsterdam, had stood surety for Jean de Nocquer to the benefit of Osorio for the payment of a cargo of salt that was loaded in Setubal in the ship ‘Rotgans’ of skipper Hillebrant Pietersz. from Hoorn.

1618, September 14

Not. Arch. 625, p. 57, 58; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

³⁵ The deed also refers to deed nr. 1532.

³⁶ In the deed Francisco Dias Vilavicoso is sometimes called Francisco Rodrigues Vilavicoso. This is corrected once in the text.

³⁷ A “mooi” (from Port. *moyo*) contains 830 litres.

Nr. 1537 — Miguel de Luna authorizes Pedro Alvares in Valladolid to have the attachment withdrawn on the goods of Joao Gonçalves. On September 13 De Luna declares that this power of attorney that was originally dated September 12, was only given in connection with a notice that he had served upon the curators of the goods of Gonçalves.

1618, September 14

Not. Arch. 611 B, fol. 469-469v.; Not. Pieter Ruttens. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1538 — Sebastiao Ribeiro, Portuguese merchant in Amsterdam, conveys to Hillebrant den Otter a claim of 238.781 reis that are due to him from Diogo Henriques Cardoso, merchant in Porto and he gives him a letter from Cardoso in which Cardoso acknowledged the debt.

1618, September 15

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 426-426v.; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1539 — Albert Schuijt, Henri Thibault, Manuel Carvalho and David de l'Hommel, acting for themselves, for the sheriff of Amsterdam, and as the proxies of those interested in cases of sugar and other goods that were seized by the French, authorize Adriaen Cocx, merchant in Paris, to continue the attachment of 160 cases and 19 pipes, in total 200 cases of sugar, in which case an appeal was lodged with the Parliament of Paris.

1618, September 17

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 428-428v.; Not. Jacob and Nicolaes Jacobs. Deed in French.

Nr. 1540 — Joseph da Costa and Manuel Lopes de Leao, Portuguese merchants in Amsterdam, stand surety for Phelipa de Saa, widow of Gonsalo Mendes Pinto to the benefit of Manuel Thomas for a sum of 242:15:4 pounds Flemish with an annual interest of 4½%.

1618, September 18

Not. Arch. 625, p. 60; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1541 — Notice served by Phelipa de Saa, widow of Gonsalo Mendes Pinto, upon Manuel Thomas concerning a sum of 242:15:4 pounds Flemish that Thomas is to pay her according to a verdict of the Court of Holland of July 31, 1618, for the receipt of which sum she was obliged to provide surety. Thomas answers that he consigned this sum to the city of Amsterdam in conformity to the verdict of the Court.

1618, September 18

Not. Arch. 625, p. 61-62; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1542 — Protest of non-payment in the name of Hendrick Wijnen and Marcelis van Aelst, merchants in Amsterdam, who request from Pedro Lopes Rebello, Portuguese merchant in Amsterdam, payment of a bill of exchange of [117] pounds Flemish. The bill was drawn in Antwerp on August 17, 1618 at usance by Henrique Boel, the value received from Jaques Darbant.

1618, September 21

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 436-436v.; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs.

Nr. 1543 — Francisco Nunes Homem and Henrico Zacuto declare that they have settled all their outstanding accounts. Since Zacuto gave Homem 50 pounds Flemish, Homem has no more claims to the insurance premium that Zacuto paid to Alexander van den Berge, Paulus van den Berge, Jeronimo Vittori, Francisco Massoni and Cornelis Quaetgebuier for an insurance taken out by Zacuto for Homem for a journey from Lisbon to Angola and from there to the West Indies of two ships, "St. Jago" of skipper Simon Lopes Henriques and "Nossa Senhora de Conseisao" of skipper Diogo Soares.

1618, September 22

Not. Arch. 625, p. 67-69; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1544 — Freightcontract between Felipe Dorta Henriques and Pieter Martsz. Winkel, skipper from Hoorn, for a journey of the ship "Winckeler-kerck", large about 56 lasts, from Hoorn to Danzig where Francisco Dias Nunes or his agent will load the ship with rye and possibly some wheat; to sail to Porto or Lisbon; at a freight of 6% crusados a last of rye and 7% crusados a last of wheat (10 reais for 1 crusado). Jonas Abravanel acts as broker.

1618, September 24

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 437; Not. Jacob and Nicolaes Jacobs.

Nr. 1545 — Josef Pinto authorizes Dirck Boot, attorney at the Court of Holland, to defend his interests in his case against Jan Jansz. van Laer.

1618, September 24

Not. Arch. 484, p. 475; Not. Evert Cock.

Nr. 1546 — Freightcontract between Bento Osorio and Douwe Pietersen, skipper from Terschelling, for a journey of the ship “Groene Leeu”, large 130 lasts, from Amsterdam to Setubal and from there to Dunkirk with a cargo of salt, at a freight of 11 guilders and 5 stivers a last of salt; counting 14 *rasiers*³⁸ a last.

1618, September 25

Not. Arch. 625, p. 71; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1547 — Agreement between Elias Pereira, Portuguese merchant and Cornelis Gillis, sailor. Pereira will buy from Gillis all civet-cats that the latter will send or bring from Guinea, the male cats at 85 guilders and the females at 36 guilders a piece. Gillis is not allowed to sell to others and has to deliver healthy cats.

1618, September 27

*Not. Arch. 484, p. 476; Not. Evert Cock.*³⁹

Nr. 1548 — Manuel d'Oliveira de Pas, merchant in Amsterdam, authorizes Henrique Snel, merchant in Porto, to claim the sugar and other goods that were loaded in Bahia by Custodio Nunes and that were consigned for the account of De Pas to his agent Francisco de Caceres in Porto who has been imprisoned by the Inquisition; further: six cases of sugar that Caceres loaded in Porto in the ship “St. Jago” of skipper Claes Willemse Gort and that were unloaded again there.

1618, September 30

Not. Arch. 625, p. 72; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1549 — Freightcontract between Antonio Martins Viegas and Jeronimo Rodrigues de Sousa, Portuguese merchants in Amsterdam, and Jacob Jansen Gijsen, skipper from Edam, for a journey of the ship “Moeriaen”, large 90 lasts, from Amsterdam to Faro with goods that are to be partly unloaded there, then to Portimao, Lagos or Tavira and back to Faro and Amsterdam at a freight of 1.650 guilders.

1618, October 3

Not. Arch. 154, fol. 121v.-122v.; Not. Jan Fransz. Bruyningh

Nr. 1550 — Aert Spierinck, merchant in Amsterdam, as owner and proxy of the other owners of the ship “Fortuijn” of skipper Jelle Popper from Staveren, declares to have received from Bento Osorio a sum of 946 guilders, 16 stivers and 8 pennies for a 51/64 share in the said ship for a cargo of deals from Norway to Tangier. Osorio retained a sum of 213 guilders, 18 stivers and 8 pennies for the remaining 13/64 shares, of which 9/64 belonged to Jelle Poppes 4/64 to skipper Anne Rieuwers from Staveren who borrowed money on bottomry from Osorio on these shares

1618, October 3

Not. Arch. 625, p. 75-77; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1551 — Affidavit made by Hendrick Jansz. Roos, 50 years old, skipper from Enkhuizen, at the request of Diogo Nunes Belmonte, saying that in May last he received goods in his ship “Swarte Ruijter” in Livorno from Jorge da Vega Pinto, to be delivered in Lisbon to Jan Henriques. The ship was seized by privateers who took the whole cargo. The skipper confirmed this on oath before the burghomasters of Amsterdam.

1618, October 3

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 449-451; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1552 — Freightcontract between Bento Osorio and Jacob Hendricksz. Pos, skipper from Middelie, for a journey of the ship “Bruijnvisch”, large 130 lasts, from Amsterdam by way of Lisbon

³⁸ *Rasière*: measure of volume for dry goods.

³⁹ Published *in extenso* by I. Prins, “Gegevens betreffende de ‘Oprechte hollandsche civet’”, in: *Economisch-historisch jaarboek*, XX (1936), p. 51.

to Setubal and from there to Dunkirk with a cargo of salt at a freight of 10 guilders a last, counting 14 *rasiers* a last. The contract will become valid upon arrival in Lisbon.

1618, October 3

Not. Arch. 625, p. 78-79; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1553 — Miguel Esteves de Pina and Diogo Lopes, merchants in Amsterdam, authorize Henrique Snel and Jacob Belten, merchants in Porto to claim 67 cases of sugar from the Inquisition. The sugar was loaded in Porto in the ships of Claes Willemse Gort and of Jan Martsen by Alvaro Gommès Bravo who has been imprisoned by the Inquisition.

1618, October 10

Not. Arch. 625, p. 79-82; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.⁴⁰ Deed in Portuguese

Nr. 1554 — Miguel Esteves de Pina and Juan Peres da Cunha, merchants in Amsterdam, authorize Henrique Snel and Jacob Belten, merchants in Porto, to claim 15 cases of sugar from the Inquisition. The sugar had been loaded for their account by Alvaro Gommès Bravo who has been imprisoned by the Inquisition.

1618, October 10

Not. Arch. 625, p. 82; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.⁴¹ Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1555 — Juan Peres da Cunha authorizes Henrique Snel and Jacob Belten, merchants in Porto, to claim from the Inquisition sugar that had been loaded by Alvaro Gommès Bravo, viz. four cases loaded in the ship of Claes Willemse Gort and four cases loaded in the ship of Jan Martsen.

1618, October 10

Not. Arch. 625, p. 83; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.⁴² Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1556 — Manuel Lopes Nunes, Diogo Lopes, Francisco da Costa and Antonio Pimentel authorize Henrique Snel and Jacob Belten in Porto to claim from the Inquisition sugar coming from Brazil that had been received by Juan de Leao. Leao has been taken prisoner by the Inquisition.

1618, October 10

Not. Arch. 625, p. 83-84; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1557 — Antonio Fernandes, Manuel Lopes Nunes and Manuel Lopes de Leao, merchants in Amsterdam, acting as the executors of the will of Daniel Pinto who died in Amsterdam, authorize Henrique Snel and Jacob Belten in Porto to claim from the Inquisition that which is due to the estate of the deceased from Juan de Leao, who has been imprisoned by the Inquisition, and the sugar that was sent to Juan de Leao and Francisco de Caceres.

1618, October 10

Not. Arch. 625, p. 85; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1558 — Freightcontract between Bento Osorio and Jan Claesen Spaniaert, skipper from Zuiderwoude, for a journey of the ship “Vergulden Dolfijn”, large 130 lasts, armed with 10 heavy iron guns and 4 stone guns, from Amsterdam to Hamburg and from there with 110 Hamburg lasts of wheat or more to Tangier and Ceuta, at a freight of 10 crusados a Hamburg last. Payment in Spanish reals (10 reals a crusado) in St. Lucar, Cadix, Sevilla or Lisbon. The skipper will receive 36 marks in Hamburg for a new flag.

1618, October 10

Not. Arch. 154, fol. 129v.-130; Not. Jan Fransz. Bruyningh.

Nr. 1559 — Freightcontract between Bento Osorio and Claes Jansen, skipper from Zaandam, for a journey of the ship “Witte Leeu”, large 130 lasts, from Amsterdam by way of Lisbon to Setubal and

⁴⁰ Note concerning a similar power of attorney from De Pina and Lopes to Fernan Freire, merchant in Viana (1618, October 10; *Not. Arch. 625, p. 82; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.*).

⁴¹ Note concerning a similar power of attorney by De Pina and Da Cunha to Fernan Freire, merchant in Viana. (1618, October 10; *Not. Arch. 625, p. 82; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.*).

⁴² Note concerning a similar power of attorney by Da Cunha to Fernan Freire in Viana. (1618, October 10; *Not. Arch. 625, p. 83; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.*).

from there to Dunkirk with a cargo of salt, at a freight of 9 guilders, 10 stivers a last of salt. The contract becomes valid upon arrival in Lisbon.

1618, October 13

Not. Arch. 625, p. 84-85; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1560 - Francisco Gomes, living in Madeira, skipper of the ship "Sant Antonio de Milagre", large about 95 lasts, that he had built in Amsterdam, declares to have received on bottomry conditions a sum of 10.243 guilders from Pieter and Reinier Real and Adriaen Veen in partial payment of his ship. He is to sail the ship to Madeira where he will provide surety to Cornelis Sloos in Madeira that the said sum will be paid within three months of his arrival there in silver reals, at 160 reis or 4 Castilian reals a guilder, to the person Sloos will appoint. Juan Pedro, merchant in Amsterdam, stands surety for Gomes.

1618, October 17

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 467-467v.; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1561 — Freightcontract between Bento Osorio and Jan Adriaensen, skipper from Purmerend, for a journey of the ship "Witte Duijff", large 100 lasts, armed with 6 iron guns and 2 stone guns, from Hoorn to Lolland where wheat will be loaded in Naskov or Banholm, then to Tangier or Ceuta, at a freight of 10 crusados a Hamburg last, to be paid in St. Lucar, Cadix or Sevilla.

1618, October 18

Not. Arch. 154, fol. 150v.-151; Not. Jan Fransz. Bruyningh.

Nr. 1562 — Goris de Waert and Jan van Lier, merchants in Amsterdam, authorize Enoch Rippertsz., merchant in Hamburg, to collect from the widow of Simon Rodrigues da Costa alias Jacquo Levi, 78 pounds, 10 shillings Flemish. Rodrigues had been sentenced to pay this sum according to the verdict of the *échevins* of Amsterdam on April 14, 1617 and the *schatbrief*.

1618, October 20

Not. Arch. 153, fol. 197; Not. Jan Fransz. Bruyningh.

Nr. 1563 — Freightcontract between Bento Osorio and Gerrit Jansen, skipper from Oosterblokker, for a journey of the ship "Nachtegael", large 90 lasts, from Amsterdam by way of Lisbon to Setubal and from there to Dunkirk with a cargo of salt, at a freight of 9 guilders, 5 stivers a last of salt. The contract becomes valid upon arrival in Lisbon.

1618, October 23

Not. Arch. 625, p. 91; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1564 — Hans Hendrixsz., 36 years old, and Evert Evertsz., 16 years old, labourers at the weigh-house with the Scottish warehousing company, declare at the request of Manuel Thomas, that on October 8, last they unloaded from a ship coming from Lisbon 26 cases of sugar at the request of Thomas and that two cases were damaged by seawater because of a leak at the ballast port-hole of the said ship.

1618, October 23

Not. Arch. 611 B, fol. 487v.; Not. Pieter Ruttens.

Nr. 1565 — Bento Osorio declares at the request of Gil Lopes Pinto, Portuguese merchant in Antwerp, that some time ago he and Dirck Thomas Glimmer, sworn broker in Amsterdam, talked with Thijs Jansz. Bol from Hoorn, formerly skipper of the ship "Sweetsche maecht", which ship was taken by privateers on its way from Danzig to Tangier. Bold told them that 24 privateers had surrounded him near Tangier and said that he was willing to make an affidavit about this. Bol had then asked Osorio as freighter for payment of 500 or 600 Spanish reals that Bol had borrowed in Cadiz for the expenses he had made in Algiers to get his ship back. Osorio had refused this. Afterwards Bol and Glimmer repeatedly asked him to pay.

1618, October 26

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 247-248; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.⁴³

⁴³ Similar affidavit made by Dirck Thomas Glimmer at the request of Gil Lopes Pinto. (1618, October 26; Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 249-250; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.).

Nr. 1566 — Manuel Mendes Cardoso, merchant in Amsterdam, receipts Felipa Nunes for a sum of 1.000 pounds Flemish plus interest for that which he had loaned to her in Hamburg during her journey to Istanbul.⁴⁴

1618, October 26

Not. Arch. 611 B, fol. 488; Not. Pieter Ruttens. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1567 — Duarte Fernandes and Henrique Garces, Portuguese merchants in Amsterdam, and Bento Henriques, son of Duarte, living in Hamburg, approve of the written agreement made on June 31 last between Manuel Lopes, living in Milan, and Duarte Dias in Pisa. In this agreement Lopes orders Luis Gomes de Medeiros to pay 470 ducats of 7 pounds Florentine money to Dias. Fernandes, Garces and Henriques, Lopes's creditors, will no longer claim this sum from Gomes. They bind themselves to ensure that Gaspar Lopes Henriques and Simao Henriques, brothers and co-creditors of Lopes, will not do so either. According to a copy of a power of attorney passed in Antwerp on September 14, 1618, Francisco Fernandes authorizes his father Duarte Fernandes and his brother-in-law Henrique Garces to act for him concerning the payment by his brother Manuel Lopes to his father-in-law Duarte Dias, with the provision that his brothers Gaspar and Miguel Lopes and Simon Henriques will agree to the said payment.

1618, October 26

Not. Arch. 611 B, fol. 489v.-490; Not. Pieter Ruttens. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1568 — Protest of non-payment. Jeronimo Henriques⁴⁵ requests from Francisco Mendes do Porto payment of a bill of exchange of 114 dollars at 38 stivers a dollar, drawn in Hamburg on July

⁴⁴ Interesting particulars about this journey are given in a letter from the city administration of Amsterdam of June 3, 1615 to Cornelius Haga, envoy of the States General there. ("Minuten van Stadsmissiven 1612-1647" or "Missivenboek nr. 1", Scheltema Inventory III, p. 28 nr. 40). From this letter it appears that the legality of the will of her husband Manuel Pimentel who died in 1614 is contested by his brother Alvaro Pimentel in Constantinople. The latter argues that the children Sebastiaan and Hester Pimentel are illegitimate. Alvaro Pimentel who has the estate under his control claims to be the heir. The said children, bearing the aliases David and Hester Abeniagar, have according to the letter been made legitimate by the testament, which was confirmed by the States of Holland in letters of legitimation. The city administration consented that Phelippa Nunes would travel to Constantinople with her twelve year old son Sebastiaan and Michiel de Crasto who was appointed executor of the will together with Francisco Mendes de Medeiros. From the letter it further appears that Manuel Pimentel left to his son and daughter respectively 100.000 and 20.000 philips. Assuming a philip to be a philipguilder worth about f 2.40, it is clear that these were large sums. Besides the quantity of the sum the city administration's cooperation may have been influenced by the fact that in his testament Manuel Pimentel stipulated that his children and his estate would remain in Amsterdam and that he left the poor of Amsterdam a sum of 1.200 guilders. The said envoy is urgently requested to assist Felipa Nunes and Michiel de Crasto, who will hand the letter over to him, in all possible ways in their efforts to obtain the estate. The city administration further writes that they will defend the interests of the heirs against the children of Garcia Pimentel who live in Amsterdam and against the children of Mardochay Pimentel who died in Constantinople. (see also deed nr. 1348, note).

⁴⁵ Jeronimo Henriques. He signs Jheronimo Hen(r)iques. There are 66 deeds known of him from 1614 to 1647. He trades in sugar, ginger, grain, gold, silver, pearls and diamonds. He came from Portugal to Amsterdam in December 1609 and his brother Juan Luis in January/February 1610. (1619, November 12; Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 621; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.). In Portugal he trades under the name of Joseph Henriques (1623, January 25; Not. Arch. 629, fol. 32v.-33v.; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.). He is insolvent in 1647. He cannot pay bills of exchange offered to him. (1647, July 22; Not. Arch. 1081, fol. 183-183v.; Not. Joost van de Ven). On February 5, 1638 Simon Correa, 43 years old, declares that Jeronimo Henriques is the son of Juan Luis Henriques who died in Amsterdam. Correa who lived in the Captaincy of Pernambuco for 26 years, declares that Juan Luis Henriques lived there for many years and was the co-owner of an "ingenio" or sugarmill that he sold to Juan Paes Barreto in 1606. Barreto had paid Henriques with bills of exchange drawn on Lisbon in 1616. It appears that these bills of exchange were not paid. The sugarmill was situated some 6 miles from Olinda and bordered on the one of Barreto's. (Not. Arch. 417, fol. 56; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs). Juan Luis Henriques must have died in 1637 or earlier (1637, June 18; Not. Arch. 415, fol. 469-469v.; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs). There are two unpublished deeds of May 11, 1616 concerning the maid of Jeronimo Henriques, Jannetjen Mathijs from Bergen (Norway), 25 years old, who was pregnant by him. (Not. Arch. 530, fol. 129-129v., Not. Jacob Jansz. Westfrisijs). The Jewish name of Jeronimo Henriques is Joseph Cohen. (P.I.G. 1141, fol. 52). As a member of the congregation Bet Jacob he acts with Josef Bueno and Jacob Juda Leao at the renewal of the lease of the house "Antwerpen" (1624, October 28; Not. Arch. 646 B, p. 1041, Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.). He plays a prominent part at the division of the goods of the congregations Bet Jacob and Bet Israel (1619, August 11; Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 789-791, Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.; 1619, August 13, idem, p. 794). From its foundation he is a member of Dotar, as his father was. (P.I.G. 1141, fol. 7, 9 and 22). He holds several posts. In 1656 he is succeeded by his son Abraham Cohen. (P.I.G. 1143, fol. 119). From this we can deduct that he died around 1655. In 1626 a son bearing the same name is buried in Oudekerk (W. Chr. Pieterse, *Livro de Bet Haim*, p. 115). It is not known where Jeronimo Henriques was buried.

18, 1618 by Manoel Teixeira, to be paid 10 weeks after sight, the value received from Duarte Fernandes Castanho. Sworn brokers declare that the rate of exchange with Hamburg is 37 stivers 4 weeks after sight.

1618, October 28

Not. Arch. 484, p. 499-500; Not. Evert Cock.

Nr. 1569 — Affidavit of Bento Osorio saying that he has received from Martin de Moere 428:11:9 pounds Flemish in payment of 591 'mooi' of salt at 15 reals minus 7½ reis a 'mooi'. Van de Moere had stood surety for Jan de Nocquer for the payment of a cargo of salt loaded in Setubal in the ship "Schutter" of skipper Pieter Dirxcz. Schutter from Hoorn.

1618, October 29

Not. Arch. 625, p. 92; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1570 — Affidavit of Jacop Marcusz, sworn broker in Amsterdam, made at the request of Gil Lopes Pinto, Portuguese merchant in Antwerp, saying that he was present as broker in 1617 at the making of a freightcontract between Bento Osorio and Thijs Jansz. Bol from Hoorn, skipper of the ship "Sweetsche Maecht", for a journey from Amsterdam by way of Danzig to Tangier. He declares that it was a good ship, well equipped and armed, and that he bought the stone guns and powder himself for the skipper and that he knows Bol as a good skipper.

1618, October 29

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 250-252; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1571 — Affidavit of Antonio Slicker, merchant, Franc Jansz., grocer, both in Amsterdam, and Willem Dirksz. from Oostzaan, made at the request of Gil Lopes Pinto, as co-owners of the ship "Sweetsche Maecht" of skipper Thijs Jansz. Bol from Hoorn, that was seized by privateers on its way from Danzig to Tangier, thast it was a good ship and that Bol is a good skipper.

1618, October 31

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 252-253; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1572 — Thijs Jansz. Bol, skipper from Hoorn, gives the following answers to questions put to him, upon the request of Bento Osorio. He confirms that at the end of August 1617 he was freighted by Osorio for a journey by way of Danzig where his ship that was new, well equipped and armed, was loaded with 115 lasts of wheat in September by Marcus, Pieter and Abraham Pels, to Tangier and from there to Setubal. In the neighbourhood of Tangier he was taken by privateers. He declares that it was impossible to escape and that he lost 1.200 guilders himself.

1618, November 5

Not. Arch. 200, fol. 46v.-47v.; Not. Jan Fransz. Bruyningh.⁴⁶

Nr. 1573 — Laurens Joosten Baeck and Lenardo de Beer, merchants in Amsterdam, declare that some time ago they sold to Antonio Martins Viegas the ship "Sampson", large 90 lasts, of skipper Meijnert Willemsen Schram, that has recently left Amsterdam for Porto. The fully equipped ship cost 10.676 guilders and 6 stivers. One half of this belongs to them and the other half to Diogo Lopes Pinto in Porto to whom the ship had been consigned for the account of Santo de Sousa, also in Porto. Since Pinto has been taken prisoner by the Inquisition, they authorize Francisco Flamengo and Daniel de la Pedra, merchants in Porto, to claim the ship upon its arrival.

1618, November 5

Not. Arch. 625, p. 92-93; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1574 — Steven Cardoso and Jan Cardoso, father and brother respectively of Daniel Cardoso, Portuguese in Amsterdam, declare that Daniel Cardoso has done no wrong but that Steven had tried to prevent Daniel from going to Spain. Jan Cardoso declares that he had given his brother money for bills of exchange that concerned them both.

1618, November 6

Not. Arch. 200, fol. 54-54v.; Not. Jan Fransz. Bruyningh.

⁴⁶ Osorio asks Bol for further particulars concerning the said act of privateering, in which deed nr. 1573 is partly repeated on November 22, 1618. (*Not. Arch. 200, fol. 99-99v., Not. Jan Fransz. Bruyningh.*)

Nr. 1575 — Isaak Marques arranges with Lucas Isaksz., goldsmith, that Isaksz. will teach the former's brother Abraham his trade in two years. He stands surety for his brother and will provide the necessary tools.

1618, November 6

Not. Arch. 484, p. 501; Not. Evert Cock.

Nr. 1576 — Miguel de Crasto and Diogo Lopes Cardoso, Portuguese merchants in Amsterdam, brothers of Andre Fernandes Viegas who has died in Cacheu,⁴⁷ and Joao Viegas, husband of Ana Cardoso, sister of the deceased, authorize the licentiate Brento Gill, attorney, and Lorenzo Pastana, both in Lisbon, to claim the ten slaves that their deceased brother left in the hands of Alvaro Goncalves Frances and all his other possessions.

1618, November 7

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 480-480v.; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs.⁴⁸ Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1577 — Gerrit Jansen from Oosterblokker, skipper of the ship "Nachtegaele", declares to have received on bottomry conditions from Bento Osorio 500 guilders to equip his 3/8 shares in the said ship. The said sum with a premium of 16% will be deducted from the freight Osorio will have to pay.

1618, November 10

Not. Arch. 625, p. 94-95; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.⁴⁹

Nr. 1578 — Francisco Lopes Pereira conveys to Francisco Nunes Homem household goods and clothing according to an inventory kept by the notary for money and goods that Pereira borrowed and bought from Homem.

1618, November 12

Not. Arch. 484, p. 508; Not. Evert Cock.

Nr. 1579 — Jose Frazao, merchant in Amsterdam, authorizes Diogo Simao, merchant in Porto, to claim sugar that arrived in Porto from Brazil for his account and that has been attached by the Inquisition.

1618, November 12

Not. Arch. 625, p. 97-98; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1580 — Antonio Mendes Cardoso, Portuguese merchant in Amsterdam, declares to owe Francisco de Lemos a sum of 489.800 reis for sugar and reals sent to him from Porto by Francisco de Caceres for the account of Lemos. Under his alias Luis Pereira de Miranda, Cardoso drew a bill of exchange for this shipment to the order of Lemos on Francisco Mendes Cardoso and Manuel Gomes in Bahia. He conveys to Lemos three parcels of merchandise to a value of 450 pounds Flemish, loaded by him in Zeeland in the ship "Duif" of skipper Jan Arnautsen from Vlissingen, destined for the Canary Islands, consigned to Manuel Gomes; further the policies in which these goods were insured for 350 pounds Flemish and a policy of 200 pound Flemish insured by Pieter van Gheel and David de l'Hommel for a journey of the ship "Hoop" of skipper Angelo de Crus, from Rio de Janeiro to Porto, which ship was seized by privateers during its journey.

1618, November 13

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 506-507; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1581 — Michiel de Kraijer from Antwerp, 20 years old, declares at the request of Willem Cornelisse Huijsen from Broek in Waterland, that during his stay in Porto in August 1617 he was told by various people that Cornelisse had bought four small casks of candied ginger from Luis Mendes,

⁴⁷ Cacheu, place in former Portuguese Guinea on the Rio de Santo Domingo.

⁴⁸ Affidavit of Gerrit Habet, 27 years old, at the request of the owners of the ship "Hoope" of skipper Engel Habet, Gerrit's brother. On April 10, 1617 they left for a journey from Porto to Rio de Janeiro, which journey had been requested by the king of Spain to convey the Governor of Rio and his family and some soldiers. They arrived there on June 21. In February 1618 they left Rio for Porto with a cargo of sugar, herbs and preserves. When the governor Ruy Vaz Pinto realized that it was a Dutch ship, he took the skipper and three Dutchmen prisoner, after which Gerrit took his brother's place as skipper. On March 9 they were overtaken by the French and seized. The privateers put them in a yacht with some provisions and a compass. Three days later they ran ashore at Rio Grande (1618, November 9; Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 485-485v.; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs).

⁴⁹ See also the freightcontract deed nr. 1563.

Portuguese, and that he had paid for them but had not received them. Mendes told him the day before yesterday as well as today that he had not delivered the ginger but had been paid for it.

1618, November 13

Not. Arch. 362, fol. 583; Not. Willem Cluijt.

Nr. 1582 — Freightcontract between Denis Jansz., merchant in Amsterdam, and Thijs Sijvertsz., skipper from Hoorn, for a journey of the ship “Hercules” to Cadiz with goods and 70 to 80 lasts of wheat, where a part of the cargo will be unloaded and then to Tangier or Ceuta, at a freight of 6¼ crusado a last of wheat, to be paid in Cadiz, St. Lucar, Sevilla or Lisbon. Bento Osorio stands surety for Denis Jansz.

1618, November 14

Not. Arch. 154, fol. 191-192v.; Not. Jan Fransz. Bruyningh.

Nr. 1583 — Inventory of the furniture and clothing drawn up at the house of Francisco Lopes Pereira on St. Anthonisdijk in Amsterdam.

1618, November 14

Not. Arch. 484, p. 517-518; Not. Evert Cock.

Nr. 1584 — Notice served by Sebastiao Nunes upon Josef Pinto. Nunes has paid 350 crusados for a bill of exchange drawn by Pinto on June 7, 1618 on Francisco de Caceres, to be paid to Rodrigo Fernandes in Porto. Since no news has come about the first and second bill, Nunes asks for a third bill and holds Pinto liable for all damages. Pinto answers that Nunes sent the two bills to Porto whereas Fernandes has gone to Madrid. He has received word that the bill was paid before Caceres was imprisoned. He therefore refuses to give a third bill.

1618, November 16

Not. Arch. 484, p. 523-524; Not. Evert Cock.

Nr. 1585 — Antonio Martins Viegas authorizes Francisco Flamengo, Daniel de la Pedra and Santos de Sousa, all living in Porto, to claim and collect sugar that came from Brazil with the ship “Nossa Senora de Conseisao” of skipper Thome Antonio, loaded by Belchior Vaz Martelo and consigned to Diogo Lopes Pinto who has been imprisoned by the Inquisition.

1618, November 16

Not. Arch. 625, p. 98-99; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1586 — Bento Osorio on the one side and Adriaen Claesz., skipper from Amsterdam and Jan Gilles and Jacob Thijsen, his former ship-owners, for themselves and as proxies of the other owners of the ship “St. Pieter” that was recently sold in Viana, on the other side, settle their dispute concerning the freightcontract of November 13, 1617 and agree that Osorio will pay 1.004 guilders as the freight-price for the sugar that was transhipped in Viana in the ship of Charles Remi and shipped to Dunkirk.

1618, November 16

Not. Arch. 625, p. 99-101; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1587 — Notice served by Sebastiao Nunes upon Simao Fernandes Franco. Nunes gave Franco 50 crusados for which Pinto drew a bill of exchange on Francisco de Caceres, to be paid to Rodrio Fernandes. Since Fernandes is absent and Caceres has been imprisoned by the Inquisition, Nunes holds Franco liable for this sum. Franco answers that he never received the money.

1618, November 17

Not. Arch. 484, p. 527; Not. Evert Cock. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1588 — Protest of non-acceptance. Eduard van Surck, merchant in Amsterdam, requests from Diego Nunes Belmonte acceptance of a bill of exchange of 179:5:8 pounds Flemish, drawn in Emden on November 13, 1618 by Alexander Lendo, the value received from Antonio Surck. Belmonte cannot accept since he is absent.

1618, November 19

Not. Arch. 154, fol. 195v.-196; Not. Jan Fransz. Bruyningh.

Nr. 1589 — Diogo Drago, 53 years old, and Manuel Franco, 35 years old, declare at the request of Belchior Lopes that the bills of lading that were shown to them are from Rodrigo Alvares Drago in

Pernambuco, and that the case of sugar that arrived from Porto without a bill of lading with the ship of Jan Marts belongs to Lopes and was loaded for the latter's account by Fernao Gomes Mendes according to a letter received by one of them from Mendes.

1618, November 19

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 508; Not. Jacob and Nicolaes Jacobs.

Nr. 1590 — Affidavit of Bento Osorio saying that in his capacity as factor and proxy of Andrea Lopes Pinto in Lisbon, contractor in Portugal for the supply to Tangier and Ceuta and of the new contract of salt in Portugal and of brazil-wood, he freighted in a period of three years some 200 ships to fetch salt from Portugal and bring it to Flanders, Holland and the Baltic countries for the account of the said Pinto, consigned to him, Osorio, or his agent. In this period he freighted ships with wheat and ammunition for Tangier and Ceuta for Pinto's account. These ships left from this country or from Norway, Hamburg or Danzig where Pinto had other factors. One of these ships was "Sweetse Maecht" of skipper Thijs Jansen Bol from Hoorn, that was chartered by him on August 25, 1617 and that was loaded in Danzig by Pinto's factors Marcus, Pieter and Abraham Pels.

1618, November 20

Not. Arch. 200, fol. 63-64; Not. Jan Fransz. Bruynningh.

Nr. 1591 — Salvador Saraiva de Vittoria, merchant in Amsterdam, authorizes Juan Rabelopega in Porto to claim from the Inquisition the baize that was loaded in Amsterdam on July 25, 1617 in the ship "Liefdadigheid" and consigned to Gonsalo Fernandes in Viana. Because of Alvaro d'Azevedo's imprisonment the baize was attached.

1618, November 20

Not. Arch. 625, p. 128-129; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1592 — Jan van Os, merchant in Amsterdam, proxy of Laurenso Magioli, André de Andrada and Guilliemo de Haese, merchants in Antwerp and co-creditors of Gregorio Correa and curators of his estate, notifies Gaspar Ruis that he is not to accept goods from Correa that are consigned to Ruis from Spain, Brazil or elsewhere. *Échevins* of Amsterdam will decide to whom these goods belong.

1618, November 22

Not. Arch. 156, fol. 13-13v.; Not. Jan Fransz. Bruynningh.

Nr. 1593 — Albert Gerritsz., 35 years old, sworn porter, and Kersten Jansz., 35 years old, labourer at the Weighing-house, declare at the request of Manuel Lopes Nunes, that they brought to Nunes's warehouse one case of muscovado sugar and one case of panelado sugar, coming from Porto in the ship "Jaeger" of skipper Cornelis Jansz. from Hoorn, and that these cases were wet and for a 1/3 part empty.

1618, November 22

Not. Arch. 484, p. 528; Not. Evert Cock.

Nr. 1594 — Jeronimo da Brevi Soarez, merchant in Amsterdam, authorizes Francisco Vas Sequeira in Porto to claim from the Inquisition that which was sent from Brazil for his account to Francisco de Caceres who has been imprisoned by the Inquisition.

1618, November 22

Not. Arch. 625, p. 106; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1595 — Christiaen Jacobs, sworn corn-measurer, 68 years old and Pieter Andriesz, corn-porter, 46 years old, declare upon the request of Michiel de Pas, Portuguese merchant in Amsterdam, that on November 16 last they took 17 quarters of wheat to the latter's house and that the quantity was no more than 21 *muds* and 3 *schepels*.⁵⁰

1618, November 23

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 520; Not. Jacob and Nicolaes Jacobs.

⁵⁰ A *mud* litres. (Dutch) contains 4 *schepels* or 111.

Nr. 1596 — Claes Pietersz. Nooms, Gerrit Bruijnsz., Albert Jacopsz. and Dirck Thomasz. Glimmer, sworn brokers in Amsterdam, who are mainly concerned with freightcontracts, declare upon the request of Bento Osorio, who acts for Gil Lopes Pinto, merchant in Antwerp, that freight-prices can vary considerably and depend upon the place and time and that skippers prefer to be freighted for the outward as well as for the homeward journey and that they therefore sometimes accept a cheaper freight.

1618, November 30

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 448-449; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1597 — Protest of non-payment. Diogo Nunes Belmonte requests Gaspar Ruis to pay a bill of exchange of 112 pounds, 11 stivers Flemish, drawn in Antwerp on October 30, 1618 at usance by Manuel Fernandes de Leao, the value received from Jeronimo Peres Vas.

1618, December 1

Not. Arch. 625, p. 110; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1598 — Protest of non-payment. Pieter Balen requests Gaspar Ruis to pay a bill of exchange of 149:0:7 pounds Flemish, drawn in Antwerp on . . . 27, 1618 at usance by Gregorio Correia, the value received from Abraham Haex. The daughter of Gaspar Ruis says that her father is in Antwerp.

1618, December 1

Not. Arch. 542 A, p. 396; Not. Jacob Westfrisius.

Nr. 1599 — Manoel Lopes de Leao, Portuguese merchant in Amsterdam, authorizes Nicolaes Harmans, merchant in Middelburg, to claim from Hans Snap and Simon de Cock, both in Middelburg, each a sum of 47 pounds, 18 shillings Flemish which they owe him for sugar bought by them.

1618, December 3

Not. Arch. 625, p. 111-112; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1600 — Notice served by Doctor Simon Lopes Rosa, Jeronimo Henriques, Francisco Gomes Henriques, Michiel Esteves de Pina, Francisco Nunes Mesquita and Belchior Lopes, Portuguese merchants in Amsterdam, upon Jan Bicker, merchant in Amsterdam. The court of Amsterdam has decided that the 28 to 30 cases of sugar which they had had attached, are to be sold by Bicker and that the proceeds are to be deposited with the court. Jeronimo Henriques who has the largest interest in the sugar repeatedly requested Bicker to sell it. They hold Bicker liable for a longer delay of the sale, also because the prices are going down. The current price for white sugar is 20 groats [a pound], for muscovado 15 groats and of panelado 10 groats a pound.

1618, December 5

Not. Arch. 625, p. 116-119; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.⁹

Nr. 1601 — Dr. Simon and Dr. Francisco Lopes Rosa, Francisco Lopes d'Azevedo, Simon Vas Silva, and Jan Jansen from Avenhoorn, skipper of the ship "Blaeuwe Duijff", large about 95 lasts, declare to have made a freightcontract today for a journey from Amsterdam to the Condado. In this contract Hendrick van de Sande is mentioned as skipper to prevent difficulties in that area. They bind themselves to fulfill this contract. In the Condado the skipper will go to Manuel Mendes d'Oliveira, in his absence to Marco Rodrigues, in his absence to Manuel Nunes de Mora or Francisco Philippo Preto or Fernandes Duarte de Crasto.

1618, December 6

Not. Arch. 200, fol. 81-81v.; Not. Jan Fransz. Bruynningh.

Nr. 1602 — Affidavit of Jeij Jellesdr., wife of skipper Jelle Poppes from Staveren, saying that she received from Bento Osorio the sum of 105 guilders, 9 stivers and 4 pennies in payment of 210 guilders, 18 stivers and 8 pennies that Osorio had deducted because of bottomry for the freight of deals from Norway to Tangier and that she received a primage of 17 guilders and 10 stivers. Jan Jansen Vreland, burgher of Amsterdam, stands surety for Jeij Jellesdr.

1618, December 6

Not. Arch. 625, p. 114-116; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

⁹ On p. 123-124, December 11, 1618, the notice is repeated.

Nr. 1603 — Protest of non-payment. Francisco Coutinho,⁵¹ merchant in Amsterdam, requests Gaspar Ruis to pay a bill of exchange of 165:6:5 pounds Flemish, drawn by George Correa in Antwerp on October 6, 1618 at double usance, the value received from Manuel and Diogo Frances.

1618, December 10

Not. Arch. 625, p. 119-120; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz. Deed in Portuguese.

Nr. 1604 — Agreement between Nicolas Benoit, Frenchman, on the one side and Henrico Zacuto and his son Mardochay Zacuto, Portuguese, on the other side. Benoit binds himself to teach Mardochay, from now till the end of February, to cut and polish rubies, sapphires, “klabbeken”⁵² and turquoises without facets. Benoit will receive 120 guilders; after his apprenticeship Mardochay may take away the mill and the two discs, one of tin and the other of lead.

1618, December 10

Not. Arch. 645 A, p. 458-461; Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.

Nr. 1605 — Affidavit of Manuel Carvalho saying that he withdraws from a suit about a cargo of sugar loaded in the ship of Gaspar Luis that was seized by French privateers on its way from Brazil and in which he had been interested for 200 pounds Flemish. He arranges with Pieter van Gheel and Orland van de Perre that they will continue the suit in his name.

1618, December 10

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 558-558v.; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs.

Nr. 1606 — Pascoal Rodrigues, 49 years old and Olivier Bentin, 38 years old, sworn brokers in Amsterdam, declare upon the request of Jeronimo Rodrigues Mendes, that they were present at the sale on December 19, 1617 when Mendes sold 12 quarters and 2 small casks of wet sugar to Dirck Bruggen, Isaac van Erckel and Hans Solmans, viz. 2 quarters of panelado sugar at 5½ groats a pound, and muscovado sugar at 8, 9½ and 10 groats a pound and that the current market price was: panelado at 9 groats a pound and muscovado at 13¼ and 13½ groats a pound.

1618, December 10

Not. Arch. 381 B, fol. 549; Not. Jacob and Nicolaes Jacobs.

Nr. 1607 — Simon Rodrigues Villareal, 40 years old, Portuguese in Amsterdam, declares at the request of Phelipa de Saa, widow of Gonsalo Mendes Pinto in Amsterdam, that for a while he lived with his uncle Manuel Rodrigues Villareal in a house in the street of St. Michael in Porto that used to belong to Phelipa. Some 2½ years ago Afonso Pinto, a love child of before his marriage of Gonsalo Mendes Pinto, managed to take possession of the house with the help of André Pinto, notary in Porto, after which he evicted him and his uncle with his family from the house with the help of a “desembargador”⁵³ to whom Afonso Pinto had rented the house. He further declares that he arrived in Amsterdam from Porto some five months ago and that Afonso Pinto was still in possession of the house.

⁵¹ Francisco Coutinho. He signs Fran(cis)co Cout(inh)o. He appears in some 60 deeds from 1617 to 1651. He trades in grain, sugar, olive-oil, ironmongery, wine and hides. In 1617 he married Ester Coutinha alias Ester Coronel, (D.T.B. 1008, p. 99), daughter of Antonio de Pas and sister of Michiel de Pas. His brother Gonsalo Lopes Coutinho had a soap factory in Glückstadt in which he probably had shares, for in 1624 he hires a foreman for this factory (1624, August 1; Not. Arch. 389, fol. 1-1v.; Not. Nicolaes Jacobs). Another brother, Garcia Gomes de Vitoria, is mentioned in deed nr. 542 note. In 1627 he is insolvent (1627, August 8; Not. Arch. 634, fol. 135-136v., Not. Sibrant Cornelisz.). His Jewish name is Besalel Coronel (P.I.G. 1141, p. 76). He is a member of “Dotar” from 1617. On May 9, 1623 a son is buried and on April 5, 1626 prematurely born twins (W. Chr. Pieterse, *Livro de Bet Haim*, p. 104 and 115). He is probably the same person as Francisco Lopes Coutinho (H. Kellenbenz, *Sephardim an der unteren Elbe*, p. 123 and 479).

⁵² crystal rock, probably from the deposit at Clabbeke (near Brussels), false diamond.

⁵³ formerly a magistrate in Portugal.