

To

M<sup>rs</sup> Hannah Browne

In favour  
of Capt. Darling at Flushing

To

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> & William Vernon

Mess<sup>rs</sup> at

Rhode Island

Brookhaven October <sup>14</sup> 23: 1772

Dear Sister

by Capt<sup>n</sup> Darling I have the  
pleasure of Acquaint you that we are all  
well hope your Family is the same  
by Capt<sup>n</sup> Darling we send your wood  
with hope you will like —

Please to tell Robert to get me  
a right good Cheese any ware  
and send it by the Sloop and I will  
pay him when he comes to My house  
with I should be glad to see soon  
with yourself and I think you  
might come very well this fall  
So no more at present but my love  
to all from your Loving Sister Ann Floyd

Give my love to Judy and all

Sir

Savannah March 17<sup>th</sup> 1773

I now take the liberty of writing you by the bearer Captain Buckmaster in order to make some apology for not having hitherto discharged the amount of your acc<sup>d</sup>. against me & I hope your candour will admit it as a sufficient excuse.

Some years ago when Capt<sup>r</sup> Buckmaster arrived here I made a large purchase of him & at the time I did it, I believe no person that was here but what thought as I did myself that I was well warrant<sup>d</sup> in doing it, having a considerable property of my own & embark<sup>d</sup> in an undertaking that has succeeded extremely well in almost every Province in America (that of a distillery) but unluckily for myself I undertook it at rather too early a period for to succeed in this Province, ~~from~~ from the infancy of it, there being so great a scarcity of Cash, & the nature of the undertaking being such that required the laying out of a great deal, which could not be got, the consequence of which join<sup>d</sup> with some other disap<sup>r</sup>. appointments was that



one of Odo spare you took every step in his power for the recovery  
of the debt, but as the whole of my effects were sold by the Marshal  
there was not sufficient to pay him. I am now situated  
in such a manner that if my creditors will but have a  
little patience I shall be able to discharge every farthing  
I owe upon earth with interest, Cap<sup>t</sup>. Buckmaster has pressed  
me very hard for the payment of the money, if it was in my  
power I would with the greatest pleasure have done it, but  
as it is not at present, I am induced to write this to you  
at the same time assuring you that you may rely on  
my honour that you shall never suffer one farthing by  
me; knowing my inability to pay the debt or any part of  
it at present, it gave me pain to see Cap<sup>t</sup>. Buckmaster who  
I must naturally suppose came on purpose to receive it, but  
if the consequences had been ever so fatal to me, I must have  
submitted as it was out of my power to do anything. I must  
therefore request that you will still retain further confidence  
in one which you may depend shall not be  
misapplied. I am Sir with esteem  
Y<sup>r</sup> Most O<sup>b</sup>. Serv.  
Joseph Taylor



To  
Mr. Samuel Osborne  
Merchant  
New York  
Boston

1768 Bristol  
27 Oct. from John  
to Boston via NY & Melrose

91.160  
To  
Mr. Thomas Newton  
Merchant in  
New York

Phil to  
NY  
May 1763  
Colonial

To  
Mr. Thomas Newton  
Merchant in  
New York

1763



W. Sam. Osborne  
Sir

Copy

Bristol 27<sup>th</sup> October 1768

I most sincerely condole with you for the  
Death of your Brother Capt. Jeremiah Osborne, for whom I had the  
greatest Friendship, & Esteem.

Inclosed I hand you a Letter he gave  
me before his departure for the Isle of May, in which he takes Notice  
of my half concern in some Cordage, on account of which we gave at  
that Time our Joint Bond for the Ballance remaining unpaid,  
being about £160. — Sterling. — This knowledge of the Situation  
of my Affairs, I how impossible it would be for me to discharge  
Bonds unless enabled of a Remittance (which had he lived I  
have no doubt he would have brought with him) in case of his  
Death from you, caused him to provide for the worst, by desiring  
you to remit me £150. — Stg., which will put it in my Power  
to pay said Bond, that is already due (say 20<sup>th</sup> instant), but  
which with difficulty have prevailed on the Holder of to keep by  
him, till I might have time to write you & receive your  
answer. — now let me entreat you, not to fail in complying  
with your late Brothers Orders, & my request, of sending me  
a Bill of £150. — Stg., if it has a month or two longer  
than usual to run, so it comes as soon as you get this, it will  
do, & save from Ruin a young Fellow, who depends entirely  
on your goodness of Heart to oblige him with all speed, whose  
future Views in Life (should they not be blasted by your  
not immediately doing the needful) are not so confined,  
but that he may flatter himself with hopes of one day or  
other rendering your Services, adequate to the important  
one it rests now with you to do him.

At your Leisure, you'll be pleas'd  
to furnish me w<sup>th</sup>. Acc<sup>t</sup> Sales of the Cordage, on Receipt of which,  
I shall make out your late Brothers private Account with  
me. I what Ballance may be due, have no doubt you will



Mr. Thomas Newton,  
Sir.

Philad<sup>a</sup> 26, May 1763.

We duly rec<sup>d</sup>. your favour 23<sup>rd</sup> inst, & shall forward  
it's inclos<sup>es</sup>, by the Ship Lydia Capt. Callender, who its said  
will sail for Madeira on Saturday next, pray no apology  
on this head, being with pleasure always ready to render  
you any Services in our power.

Capt. Chancellor of the Ship of Virabell, arrived here  
from Madeira, but last from Teneriffe, about 10 Days past  
by whom have rec<sup>d</sup>. fifteen pipes Teneriffe Wine / two in bad  
order, one near half & the other abo<sup>t</sup>. 20 gall out / shipped  
by Mess<sup>rs</sup>. & Son of Wm. Poley, & Co. & on acct. of  
Mess<sup>rs</sup>. Norton & Gordon. This Ship came full & is the  
third cargo of Wine from thence this Spring. Mess<sup>rs</sup>.  
Stadman's / Owners / have sold their at 220, & give  
some time for payment, we expected they would have  
brought more, or might have had the like price from the  
same person. however yett hope to do as well or better.

The Premium from hence to Madeira, in our own  
Vessels of wick found, seems now fixed at 3, & 6. We  
yesterday applied to Mr. Meredith by some other underwriters  
who took in a Virginia Man with 3, & 2, but yett apprehend  
the Ship you mention may be done with us at the  
former rate, I am with much respect of Esteem.

Sir

Your assured friend of Serv<sup>ts</sup>  
Thomas Poley

11 of  
of  
of

m

87

m

m

Sir

New York May 10<sup>th</sup> 1763

I have your favour this morning wherein you desire to know how much money you may expect from me before the Packet sails, you may depend upon it, if I am not greatly disappointed you may expect the greatest part, by the later end of this, or the beginning of next week I am

Sir

Your hu: serv:  
W.C.C.

Malcolm Campbell

New York 10<sup>th</sup> May 1763  
Malcolm Campbell



N.Y. to Sharon Conn.

receipt for Molasses

1775

To  
Edward Rogers

per  
Harrimbarratt  
Mort.  
Sharon

5154  
1757

To

Mr. John David Wolf In

New York & the

To a Madam Amuty

17 Dec 1760

May the 6<sup>th</sup>: 1757

Sir/ Yours of the 10<sup>th</sup> of March I have  
received and can Inform you that I have  
got your Mortgage recorded according to  
your Request and shall send it Down  
By my Father who I expect will be Down  
soon to meet the Assembly soon, But if  
you know of any safe Hand or Opportu-  
nity that you can Trust I shall send it  
at yr. Request, I have searched the records  
and cannot find that the Lots Mortgaged  
to you are Mortgaged to any other person  
But I have had a private Hint as tho they  
were Mortgaged to Col<sup>d</sup>: Thomas Ellison  
Before the Act for recording Mortgages  
was passed I am in Hovt: your friend  
Hum: Sarot.

J<sup>es</sup>: Matthews



My Dear Child

Fort George 17<sup>th</sup> Decem<sup>r</sup> 1760

I have wrote a long letter to dear Ma-  
-ma, I have got ten pounds Ing. from my Gentleman  
I have told her every thing relat<sup>v</sup> to him, that it would  
be tautologic to repeat it again to you, keep up your  
spirits and take great care of dear Ma<sup>m</sup>a and yourself  
and make much of yourselves. I will give you leave to love  
us much as you please but don't spoil little sweet Sam-  
-ra I have often told you, I would use my utmost endeavour  
to keep a certain Spark within bounds, so I am as good  
as my word, I wish it may do, nothing but confinement  
to his Family and a private life can ever keep him out  
of mischief, however he is now on his good behaviour  
again, tho' God knows how he will perform now absent  
from me, I sadly fear he gets bad advisers, some of them to  
gratify their prejudices. Others again to accomplish their  
own ends, he was shot for the other day for buying a  
Company and drawing bills on his Father for the pay-  
-ment of it, without my knowledge or consent. which  
when I came to hear, I gave my Opinion his Father  
would not pay his bills, consequently he must be off

114-3  
115-7  
119-5  
114-3

To

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> & W<sup>m</sup> Vernon & Co

Merch<sup>ts</sup>

That Hummer  
Smith  
256 } New York

018192

Mess<sup>rs</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> & W<sup>m</sup> Vernon & Co New York Nov 12,  
1774

per letter from Capt Will Tanner of the  
sloop Dolphin ... I have stored agreeable  
to his order. I tried to get a freight for  
her - - - Port, but there was none  
offered. I detained her 2 or 3 days  
expecting to have some orders from  
you ....

Nick Roosevelt



To

Mr. Wm Brownjohn

at Messrs Hursts

in

London

Mr Napier

D<sup>r</sup> D'foni

New York 24 April 1765

Enclosed bill of Lading for 140 dollars  
pr Capt Napier. Beg you turn the Dollars  
twice before you part with them. No money  
to be had here ...

You are much wanted at home  
so make haste & finish your studies in  
Midwifery as Timothy is going to be  
married & Mrs. Gaily may have ~~an~~  
occasion for you by the time you  
can arrive. ...

Had you been with me on  
board the Duke of H - you would  
have been not a little frightened  
... the sea boiled like a pot &  
roared as the tide but without  
accident ... we were given over  
by everyone as lost. but cheated  
them once more. ...

Tim Hurst

To  
Dr Robert Gibb Physician  
In Georgetown  
  
South Carolina

*talks about shipping  
merchandise*

*6/30/93*

7 756

Lowell S. Newman & Co.  
Auctioneers

1500 Harbor  
Weehawken N  
Tel: 201-223-

To  
Messrs Samuel & William Vernon  
Merchants at  
Newport  
  
1766

Lot No.:  
Country: For Mail  
Cat.No.:  
Cat.Value: 150-200  
1766

- SE
- LE
- FLDR
- ALB
- BOX

Buyer CH-2  
\$ 110

PH

Lot No.:

7 756

PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE LOT FROM MOUNT



Sir

Leopardsburg 10<sup>th</sup> Feby 1775

not having any of your favours of a long  
time, and you having formerly promised  
to remitt me a Sufficient sum of money for the  
education of my son which I had patiently  
waited for to no purpose, and that he may  
be no longer neglected in his education.  
I have this date Drawn on you to the  
order of Mr James Smyth at three months  
for £100 Sterling which I hope will meet  
due Honour, I also expect you will let me  
know if the Debts effecting the estates is  
yet paid off and how every thing else with  
respect to them stands I always am

Sir

Your most Humble Servant  
DAVID WILSON

Gentlemen

St. Austatia May 18th 1766

Your favour of the 21st march  
w<sup>ch</sup> Capt. Buckmaster is now come to hand wherein  
you desire we would Ship to you the 20thd<sup>l</sup>  
of merchandize that we recieved from Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
Turner and Son which according to your Direc-  
tion have done and wish it may come safe  
to hand In regard to the Commissions we  
could not be quite exact as we had no Invoice  
of the Cost But have governed ourselves by  
the same Size Casks as we have had to do  
with some time past that came your way  
If any Error we shall always be ready to  
Rectify it and at all times be proud to  
Render you any Services in our power  
we are with great Esteem

Gentlemen

Y<sup>r</sup> Most Obedt<sup>t</sup> Humble Serv<sup>t</sup>

Parkwood & Jennings



To  
James Duane Esq  
In  
New York

To  
Mrs  
Browne  
at  
New York

1757 May  
Dear sister  
from younger ~~brother~~ <sup>sister</sup>  
who can't spell - wants to  
see her sister. Richard  
holler is dead - a limb  
fell on his head

Samuel Ladd Morris  
Ment  
Phila  
Worth Dobby at  
Daphne Herkerson  
19 Decemb. 1762  
From  
Ladd Morris



Dr Sir

Highlands June 3 1779

My Boatman neglecting to call on you when he was last in Town, that I might have your answer about Hampton is a great disappointment to me, and am at a great Loss what to do whether to get another Surveyor or not, and therefore send my son Beverley down to you on purpose to be info. can be back here by Sunday night, and if Hampton cannot attend I shall still have time to get the necessary work done by another Surveyor, as I suppose it will be sufficient to have some of the outlines of our Patent run & if promised in question laid down so as to prove they lay within the bounds of both our old & new Patents, but I should be glad to have a line or two of Directions from you on this head. I propose to get Mr Clinton & if he can't attend, Dubois, but am still in hopes Hampton will save me the Trouble; I can get one of our Chain bearers that was with Hampton when he run it and several other Creditable witnesses to prove the Situation of Menrows farm, how <sup>it lays</sup> & what distance it is from our Oblong, if such witnesses are necessary, I hope all the other necessary steps in regard to the Chain of our Title you will take care of as I wrote fully about them to you in my last — I have all the papers necessary, except an Office Copy of the Bounds of our Grant to Adolph Philippe & also of that to Mr Philippe Col Morris & myself, but I have both of <sup>them</sup> I suppose will do as well; If an Office Copy please to Order Beverley to get them, ~~the~~ I must press you my Dr. to use your utmost Endeavours to bring this long & tedious affair to a hearing I shall be extremely hurt if it should be again put off; The old Devil is now just to his last Shifts, his Children I believe are ~~all~~ using their <sup>all</sup> Influence with him to Subvert and Confess Judgment, but I am <sup>listen</sup> to them but is determined still to



be obstinate, and his only hope is that he may by some  
means or other get it again put off, for he certainly can make  
no defence. having not the least shadow of right, and I am  
persuaded he will not attempt to make any when he finds it  
is convinced it can be no longer put off but that he must come  
to Tryal,

as to preparation for Tryal on our side  
I am sure as I before wrote you that you Mr Livingston & my  
self ~~two~~ Two hours will be sufficient, all that  
now is of necessary work and part of a  
Surveyor — I am sure you feel for me & therefore I am  
Convinced you will do every thing in your power

Mr. Robinson Joyns in our best respects to  
you & Mrs Duane and am

Y<sup>r</sup> m<sup>d</sup> Friend  
Ben. Robinson

P.S. I say nothing to you now  
about Beverly as I hope to see  
you so soon, we only intend to  
keep him a few weeks at home  
after Commence. & then to send  
him to you

Dear Sister May <sup>10</sup> 1757 14

send yours close by Captains

Wilson I expect to see you

near to <sup>the</sup> grate meeting and

you must come to be shore

for i do want to see you,

very much in deed.

I do want to see der letel

sale from your

Richard Loven sister

let is ded Ann cornell

day What

Janthin trees and a tim

fell on his head

and he never

~~the~~ spoke



Mr. Samuel Verron Jr.  
newport  
Rhode Island

Favored by }  
Mr. Walker }

To Mr. John Hatley Norton  
Merchant  
York Town  
Virginia

Capt. Rowtree

circa 1772-3

Dear Jammy. Monday. Boston 10<sup>th</sup> Dec<sup>r</sup> 1781.

Just now I have y<sup>r</sup> of Thursday.  
sent by Mr Walker, with the Cheese w<sup>th</sup> 39 Lb. so that  
w<sup>th</sup> is missing much weight 25. it was weighed with  
great exactness, and do suppose it being something  
Wet. it weighed more than it will do when Dry.  
Walker is in great hurry. to get out, have  
sent you Two Punches, Dams of 113. gall<sup>n</sup> y<sup>r</sup> out

$$\begin{array}{r} 105 - 9 \\ \hline 218 - 16 \\ \hline 16 \text{ is } 202 \text{ gall.} \end{array}$$

for w<sup>th</sup>. I paid 5/ of y<sup>r</sup> gall<sup>n</sup>. also a small bundle, of a  
12 y<sup>r</sup> Ozen brig 2. fine thread, & 2 y<sup>r</sup>. Diaper, w<sup>th</sup> you'll  
sell for the most you can get, it also of some paper,  
and Two y<sup>r</sup>. Old Punches w<sup>th</sup> will do for the Negroes.  
and also the Ozen brig =

Bishop is here, the Seaflower not arrived at  
any Port that I can hear of. fear he is Taken.

It's probable John Dennis is arrested, and  
he must abide by the consequences, but if you can  
settle his Note, he paying the Charges that hath  
arisen it will be best. Allowing you Interest  
w<sup>th</sup> he will be obliged to pay, if it goes to Court.

I am sorry to hear y<sup>r</sup> Uncle is unwell hope  
your next, will inform his being better - in great  
hast. must conclude ag<sup>t</sup>. Affectionate Parent.

J. Vernon



~~Philad. 8~~ <sup>dut</sup>  
~~Joe~~ <sup>dut</sup>  
Thomas Vernon Esq.  
in  
Newport

Phila June 8 1765  
Tho Richardson

Q. P. M.  
Thomas Seymour Esq.  
In  
Hartford

Jan 1772  
New York  
\$ 150-

Esteemed Friend  
Tho<sup>r</sup> Vernon

Philad<sup>a</sup> June 8. 1765.

I can now advise you there is an end put  
to your tedious law suite & I have rec<sup>d</sup> A<sup>d</sup>. 11. 2 from  
Joseph Redman & given your Auct<sup>r</sup> £ for the same  
but there appears a mistake in the first sum rec<sup>d</sup>  
me on Auct<sup>r</sup> Hazard & Wall as the Balance they Rec<sup>d</sup>  
was in Sterling money & there is a Law of this Province  
settling each 9. at 33<sup>1</sup>/<sub>3</sub> at which Rate Proffes paid  
1. Balance to him but when he settled the Auct<sup>r</sup> with  
me he Rec<sup>d</sup> each 9 @ 72<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> & by that means paid me  
more than he Rec<sup>d</sup> on selling the last Attachments  
he discovered the mistake & I was Obliged to promise him  
to Rectify 2 Errors before he would pay me the Money  
he has not yet stated his Auct<sup>r</sup> but hope by next  
private Opp<sup>ty</sup> to be able to forward you my Auct<sup>r</sup>  
which my Attorney says is all the Proof you will  
need in case you commence another suite in Ph<sup>a</sup>

I stand ag<sup>t</sup> those Gentlemen for if they Dispute the  
same I have thereon given you £ for as Rec<sup>d</sup> from  
Our Sheriff on their Auct<sup>r</sup> twill lay on them to dis-  
prove it. in the mean time you may command the  
Balance as left suites from

P. S. I have by this post wrote to your Aged Friend  
Capt<sup>r</sup> Wm<sup>m</sup> Godfrey as its a letter of some  
Consequence, should take it as a fav<sup>r</sup> you  
have it deliver'd to him or in his Absence to his Wife  
Tho<sup>r</sup> Redman



6 Dec FREE  
1776 from  
Bishop of  
Bath & Wells  
#126

10.004  
(copy)

To Mr John Pyke  
Student at St Johns  
College  
Free Ch: Cambridge  
Bath & Wells

To 4 16  
W Joseph Barrell  
Merch  
In Boston  
p Post

10.004  
copy

To Mrs Godwin  
at Mrs Thomas's  
Merch in  
Dublin

1763  
Philad 3 16  
ms p



Dear Sir

Baltimore 25 June 1774

As I suppose you are desirous of knowing how we go on with the Schooner, I sit down to give you a line or two. In the first place, it was unlucky for us she came away in such a hurry from Boston, for as soon as Tullford found she was going to the West Indies, he thought, & indeed so did I, that she must have a clean Bottom, accordingly to work we went, & after taking every thing out, hove her down, which was the only method we could take to grave her in this Basin. Well, after spending exactly a week about it, (for we were stop'd sometimes by Rain & at other times by want of Water) we made out to give her a clever coat of Brimstone & Turpentine, which with caulking Deck & all, will cost just about £13. Curr<sup>y</sup>, however she now looks very cleverly that's some satisfaction. You are also to understand that John Hodges & James Maxwell both run away the first night, I think, after the Schooner arrived, and we were obliged to get <sup>if we can</sup> two more hands. We shall also be obliged to get a mate for ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> ~~steer~~ knows no more about a Vessel than I do hardly, and besides he is sensible of it, and seems to incline to go home - poor Tullford has fretted himself almost sick about graving &c, I mean the bad luck attending it - but we begin now to go on a little more smoothly, and I hope she will sail from here the first of July at farthest - I have got 150 lb. flour and shall get 150 more - and shall fill up with Bread what is want<sup>d</sup> after the flour is on board - flour is as quick as gold at 18/3 and has been ever since Tullford's arrival, and indeed we



Mr. Thomas Mackaneys  
New York

London <sup>24</sup> January  
1787

... concern in the *Mary*  
*Charlotte*. Captain Cummin  
his ship foundered on the  
passage but happily all  
the people on board were  
saved, but none of the  
cargo ....

also discusses wheat is  
very scarce, embargo on rice

"we shall make little out  
with ships as the repairs  
be now so heavy. ....

Dear Sir London <sup>th</sup> 4 January 1781

Since my last of 6<sup>th</sup> December your several favors of 25<sup>th</sup> Sept 4<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> October are come to hand with Invoice & Bill of Lading of our concern in the Mary & Charlotte Captain Cummin his Ship foundered on the passage but happily all the people on board were saved but none of his Cargo, I hope soon to receive the proper Vouchers & to get the Loss settled, he left his papers in Ireland & according to the valuation the whole £6300.. will be recovered, that we shall come off very well

The Hawke Stater is got well to Ireland & I hope will get well here as has only thirty seven tiers of Rice shall make no Insurance but shall hope for timely information about the Hardy, the War with Holland is likely to annoy us a good deal near home & increase the risque & I fear we must expect many failures.

The Invoice of 26<sup>th</sup> Sept for what was Ship'd & Cummins & Stater amounting to £3523..10.2 is examined found right & noted conform with you  
Your Bill of 23 Sept for £62 to John Leslie



Richard Adams  
To  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Sam<sup>l</sup> & W<sup>m</sup> Vernon  
March 5  
Post } Newport R. Island  
1773

Richard Adams  
10 July 1773

23  
SE  
Ph 3. 8  
Mrs Mackaness  
Brunswick East New Jersey  
via  
New York  
States of America

Primo 211  
to Mr. S<sup>r</sup>: The occasion of my troubling you is a  
line at this time is to express thought of something  
I have in hand. I Prizes wife to her Court more of  
winds for worse to me this afternoon Informing me that  
Mr. Edwards intends to prosecute them in a church way  
viz. more and his wife reporting of her as you will find  
in the Inclosure. desiring me to write to Mr. Edwards  
about it. Accordingly I have writt as you there  
find. But and would know whether you approve of  
my sending it at all or what is there writt on.

If you do would pray you to seal it and send it along  
else suppose till I can come to speak to you.

For my part I am afraid of all consequences if he should  
proceed at least so as he seems inclined and can't  
for the present but think you are best friends to him  
and the cause that would at least succeed that either  
it might be dropped or at least your matter may proceed  
to more of inclosure and moderation.

This is all at present from him who is ever  
yours truly  
J. Broun.

August 11 1725.



To  
M<sup>rs</sup> Amory  
In  
Boston

Cal Paid \$75 1776 Bicen<sup>t</sup>ennial Tribute  
Albany Post Rider passes Kingston Wed Nov 5, 1776 Page 10

KINGSTON--Out of Mails--1766  
Kingston Nov. 5, 1766 letter from Abraham Low reporting he lost the Sheriff's commission, church affairs, etc. "Send by first conveyance in return". Legal note to future Mayor James Duane. Probably carried by Albany rider.

Nov. 5 is a Wednesday in this year. We have no reason to assume the post used markings on letters along the season at this time, but did take pre payment.

To  
James Duane Esq.  
attorney at law in  
New York

Colonial  
Post  
cut

Mad: Amory

London 15 Aug: 1728

This Day I had a Letter from  
BOSTON from my Son John, with the Mal:  
Lincolley News, of the loss of your Dear Spouse  
& my very good friend M: Amory, which I am  
heartily sorry for, but it being a Dept we  
must all pay, hope you are Indur'd with it  
prudent, as to labor to be content, & bear  
it with patience; & as to the affairs betw:  
us, it being very large, hope you will I am  
one with my Son John, as understand it  
or endor them to advise with my friend M:  
J: Bowdoin in every thing they act end o:  
for as I am hear on the spot, & squarely con:  
:cond, am liable for all miscarridg's;  
therefore hope you will take particuler  
care here in, and push on who ever is  
concern'd for you, to make your Affairs as  
soon as possible, as likewise Incebury with  
his Lady of Logwood, being as I understand  
almost ready for him, & if you can con:  
pleat it by it so as to send Jack home w:  
fall, it may be an advantage to y: friend  
as well as to me, so with my kind res: peca:  
to you M: Amory & all his family is the  
readfull at present from your most  
friend & very Hum: Serv: W: Jones

I hear M: Amory's friend in  
Ireland is dead & left a good  
estate, which if you give end o:  
shall some you are in my power



*Forwarded via the mole by  
 Gent: Your O<sup>b</sup>t Servt. Flaherty  
 Cap: Wickham*

*1773*

*In favour  
 of Capt. Mowbry  
 of Virginey*

To  
 Mess<sup>rs</sup>  
 Samuel & William Vernon  
 Merchants  
 In  
 Newport Rhode Island

PORT ANTONIO--1773 FORWARDER

John Brown announces his arrival at 'Port Antoneys' (Port Antonio Jamaica) on 5th of Nov. in this 11/7/1773 letter. It took him 23 days and he lost about 80 geese but the turkeys sold and the rest were safe. Will ride in

to the country to inspect plantation. "has bin verrey sickley here for th is some time and a grate number of people died". Sent "p. favor of Capt. Mowbry of Virginey" who apparently turned the letter over to a forwarder at some point as it also

has "Forwarded via the mole by Gent: Your O<sup>b</sup>t Servt. Flaherty" and "pr. fav'r of Cap'n Wickham". This is a rare colonial forwarder, particularly if he is from Virginia. *Nicole Mole*

*is in Haiti*

15/1360 | 50 2/3  
139  
10

To  
William Vernon Merch<sup>t</sup>

Newport

Rhode Island

from Philad. 24 Sept. 1776  
signed Gosiah

... I had sold your schooner  
for 800 dollars .... there  
is no sailors here + every  
article too dear. she is in  
much worse order than  
you can imagine that I  
think you are well quit of  
her sails above half worn  
but I cable rigging bad



Barnardston

Williamstown ~~ms~~

Jan 7 1774.

To Mr  
Nichim Sheldon

1774 Williamstown

Charleston to Newport R.I.—No Pmark  
Manuscript letter Charleston S.C.  
March 12, 1745 from Wm. Vernon repo-  
rting sale of rum. Snow went up to  
Hob Caw in order to Carren. Hopes  
to ship oranges next. Docketed as  
1746, which is correct. Carried out

of mail via ship. Scarce early  
Charleston.

To  
Mr. Samuel Vernon

March:

Newport

Rhode Island

1745

1745

Dear Sir  
Samuel<sup>s</sup> Will<sup>m</sup> Vernon  
Newport  
Rhode Islands  
Via New York  
Forwarded by Your Friend  
Jn. Gill

New York Forwarder--Jno. Gill  
London, March 20, 1749/50 letter  
from Elias Bland answering a  
Jan 4th letter. Just missed be-  
ing sent by Capt. Searr to R.I.  
Reports Callicoos very dear,  
#affeties not to be had. Sent

"via New York" and there mark-  
ed on verso "Forwarded by Your  
Friend Jn. Gill". This is a  
very early recording of a NY  
forwarder.

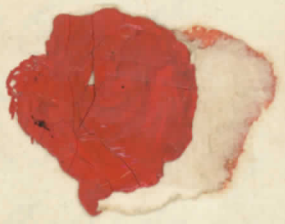


capt.  
at 5 Lw  
first of  
Bordeaux  
of

William Vernon Esq.

Boston

Honored by  
Mr. Sibbings



10  
210  
20.16

26  
234  
11.14

Mr William Vernon

Philad<sup>a</sup> 9 Decem<sup>r</sup>. 1782

Dear Sir

a few days past Mr. White handed  
me yours of the 16<sup>th</sup>. Contents observed. Mr Little delivered  
me yours of the 10 of Sept. last covering your power, and  
Account against the Gov, I waited on him, and told him  
if he would not pay the Money my orders were to let him, he  
still adhered to his former Declaration of paying a Guinea a  
pound, but offered to submit it to men, I told him if he would  
write to you on that head, and you agreed to it, I would, he said  
he would immediately write and submit to men to be chose  
by you and his friends in Boston, which I supposed he had  
done, and I was in full Expectation of hearing from you  
in Answer thereto, or had wrote you before this, he is now out  
of town but expect him in every minute, when will let  
him agree — the Brig L. Constant Capt. Harding arrived  
here some time past from Bourdeaux, but not a line for  
you or my self, by her, or any Goods that I can hear of  
nor have I had a line <sup>Bellev</sup> from a long time, by a Vessel from  
Antes arrived her some time past I had a letter from, French  
& Leptus, dated Bourdeaux 31. July last, informing me they had  
for Act. of your Son, Shipt to me eight bag<sup>s</sup> of Cloct. on board  
the Janus. (of Salem) Capt. West bound to this port, also that they had  
Shipt ~~me~~ on same act. by the brig General Nelson Capt. Parker  
to the address of Joshua Parker Smithfield Virginia & Coste Cloct the cost  
of which was to be paid me, Capt. Parker they say was to sail with



1792

W<sup>r</sup> Evert Boncher

favor by  
Mr W<sup>m</sup> Delleyden

New York

1792

Philad<sup>a</sup> Sept<sup>r</sup> 10<sup>th</sup> 92

Dear Papa

I wrote per Stage on Sunday Last I Paid postage. I Gave the Paper to M<sup>r</sup> Clarkson and said he was much Obliged to papa for it but if it would not be too Much trouble would thank Papa for the true if papa will make it and send by the First Opportunity. I wish again that papa would not send the Books by the Stage as the are Carlep. I take this Opportunity by M<sup>rs</sup> W<sup>m</sup> De Peyster, who sets of to-morrow morning, I will now acquaint Papa with M<sup>r</sup> Stebler who Left this Saturday fortnight for Holland. the means by which he was discovered M<sup>r</sup> Page a person who had Indorsed his notes was the first who found it out and having understood that he went to Baltimore he went after him but found that it was



prevented by Capt<sup>m</sup> Hickey's absence, & making arrangements  
to raise the money, & I should then have noticed the trouble  
his Excellency Mr. Bzot had taken in your behalf, in  
calling upon me more than once, & pressing your claims  
upon Capt<sup>m</sup> Hickey. I have just received the letter, of which  
the following is a copy, but I do not see what good it can do  
Capt<sup>m</sup> Hickey.

I am

Yours<sup>t</sup>

Your mo. obed<sup>t</sup> serv<sup>t</sup>

Mess<sup>rs</sup> B. Ogden & Wells.

New York

J. Vander Smiss

Dear Sir

(copy)

I have just got a letter from Mr. Walker, who  
thinks that the unjust sentence in the Mary's case might have  
been corrected, for he has learnt from Lieut. Philips, that  
Appleton (a Quartermaster formerly of the Atalanta) was

No date

... by Capt<sup>m</sup> Stickler's absence making arrangements to raise the money, & I should then have noticed the trouble his excellency Mr Bagot had taken on your behalf, in calling upon me more than once & foressing your claims upon Capt<sup>m</sup> Hickey. I have just received the letter, of which the following is a copy, but I do not see what good it can do Capt<sup>m</sup> Hickey.

I am  
gentle<sup>m</sup>  
your mo. obd<sup>t</sup> serv<sup>t</sup>  
J. W. Under wcht

~~mess~~ Mess<sup>rs</sup> B Ogden & Wells  
new york

Copy

Dear Sir

I have just got a letter from M Walther, who thinks that the unjust sentence in the Mays case might have been averted. for he has learned from Lieut<sup>m</sup> Phillips that Appleton, a quartermaster formerly of the ? was ...





**City of Portsmouth**

**The Secretariat**

Guildhall, Portsmouth PO1 2AL Tel. (0705) 21771

R. B. Tweed, LL.B City Secretary and Solicitor

my ref RP/RE75/140

your ref

please ask for City Archivist ext. 7

7th July 1975

Dear Mr. Hahn,

With reference to your letter of 29th April, I must first apologise for the delay in replying. We had no information to hand about Robert Eddowes but we contacted two historians who are preparing a volume for publication in the Portsmouth Record Series, Mr. N. W. Surry and Mr. J. H. Thomas, and they have supplied the following information.

Robert Eddowes was a storekeeper at the Arsenal from 1733 to his death, 7th July 1777. He was a friend of the Duke of Argyll, and was mentioned in the Gentleman's Magazine in 1733. He also worked at the Sheet Turnpike Tunnel in the Gentleman's Magazine.

Eddowes left a son, Robert, who died in 1777.

I hope these details will provide further information in the volume when it is published.

Yours sincerely,

W. N. Yates  
City Archivist

*On His Majesty's Service*  
*To*  
*Robert Eddowes Esq.*  
*Storekeeper of His Majesty's Ordnance*  
*Portsmouth*  
1746

**ON HIS MAJESTIES SERVICE**  
Outer leaf portion of letter to Robert Eddowes, Storekeeper of His Majesty's Ordnance at Portsmouth. Postmarked "On His Majesty's Service". Undated and watermarked with royal seal of England. 1746?



Respected Friend &

Bedford 1<sup>mo</sup>. 7<sup>th</sup> An<sup>o</sup>. 1775

Kinsman Isaac Wood:

After my love to thee and wife

with yours, this may inform you that we are favor'd with good health at present though have been visit'd with the fever my self and wife but favourable hope these few Lines may find you all well

I understand thou art settled in White Creek which is by information an extraordinary Tract of Land which hath been set forth in such a manner that I have thoughts of coming to see you in the Spring if nothing should interfere more than I have at present and view the Land. and if I should like as well as I expect if you conceed therewith shall settle among you

And if thou can think of any place that thou thinkes will be suitable for my Trade if needed amongue you should be glad if thou wd. let me know by a few lines at John Allens Return and also would have the send me a Copy of a Deede if Allen Dont bring his with him, as there is much Dispute about the security of the Lands in these new settlements. I should be glad to know also what the price of the Land is  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre the right of Soil and also how much the Inhabitants ask  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre for their improvements I should be willing to have as much as might be bought with a 1000 or 1200 Dollars well situated for business

And Lastly whether its Likely there will be a

I

Isaac Wood

In

White Creek  
Province of Newyork

Favored by  
John Allen

Bedford  
1775



Bristol 21<sup>st</sup>

To the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Judges of His mai<sup>ty</sup> Inferiour Court of Common pleas To be holden  
 at Bristol within and for the County of Bristol on the Solond Tuesday of  
 October next Anno domini 1732 That where as at y<sup>e</sup> Inferiour Court of  
 Common pleas I holden at Bristol in the County of Bristol on y<sup>e</sup> second  
 Tuesday of July last past and there Being an action in plea of the  
 Case then depending Between Alexander Sheward esq<sup>r</sup> and George  
 Winstow esq<sup>r</sup> of said parties Came in to Court & at Thoro Request  
 were Admitted to Enter in to a Rule of Court to Refer said Cause &  
 The esq<sup>r</sup> Robt Thomas Terry Esq<sup>r</sup> of esq<sup>r</sup> Chiefe Just<sup>ice</sup> and Jacob Katheray  
 and y<sup>e</sup> Hon<sup>ble</sup> Court appointed w<sup>th</sup> John Road & y<sup>e</sup> parties a Greed to  
 a bide y<sup>e</sup> Judgment of them or Either two of them & accordingly  
 Thoro unto we y<sup>e</sup> subscribers on y<sup>e</sup> fourth Day of this Instant  
 August at y<sup>e</sup> Dwelling House of Thomas Terry Esq<sup>r</sup> in Hrocton in said  
 County then meet & did Continue said hearing By an a forement to the  
 fourteenth Day of August Current & Then meet & hearing y<sup>e</sup> pleas &  
 allegations of both y<sup>e</sup> parties & Examining Thoro Accoun<sup>ts</sup> with y<sup>e</sup>  
 Proofs we finde for y<sup>e</sup> esq<sup>r</sup> Alexander Sheward y<sup>e</sup> Sum of six  
 pounds <sup>and eleven shillings</sup> & Cost Given under our hands at Hrocton  
 a fore <sup>at</sup> this fourteenth Day of August in y<sup>e</sup> sixth year of his mai<sup>ty</sup>  
 Reign Anno domini 1732

John Road  
 Thomas Terry  
 Jacob Katheray

1732 October  
 from Bristol

John Road  
 Thomas Terry  
 Jacob Katheray

A-5 # 122

190

calld

1002

1790  
KAS 5/5/97

To the Hon<sup>ble</sup> Judges of his mai<sup>ties</sup>  
Inferiour Court of Common Pleas  
to be holden at Bristol on  
Second Tuesday of October 1732  
The Report of <sup>of</sup> Roffers  
on <sup>of</sup> Cause Between Alexander  
Showard plain<sup>tiff</sup> & George  
Winflor Def<sup>t</sup>

##



Halifax, N S. letter of Sept. 26, 1759 thanking for letter of the 5th. It is sent "under cover to Caleb Blanchard" who notes "Rec'd and forwarded by your most humble Serv't Caleb Blanchard". One of the earlier forwarders of Canadian mail. It received a "Bosn 2 dwt 16 grs" --double weight for an 80 mile letter.

*Bicentennial Tribute by Cabot*  
Hebr page 5 Two weeks  
after Wolfe took Quebec,  
this Halifax N.S. letter was  
written 9/26/1759.  
Caleb Blanchard forwarded  
it

#24 1759

*Under cover to  
Caleb Blanchard  
rec'd by your  
most humble  
serv't  
Caleb Blanchard*

*So  
Mr Samuel Pearson  
Merchant  
In Support  
Under cover to  
Mr Caleb Blanchard*

Mr Saml Vernon Esq

Merchant

Boston

Rehoboth July the 4<sup>th</sup> 1779

Cousin's feelings hurt when  
he found out about marriage  
as he'd be promised to be  
best man.



Cousin Sammy

Prohoboth July the 1<sup>th</sup> 1779

The last letter I wrote I congratulated you on your recovery from illness at present my note must be chang'd and I now felicitate you on your (I suppose) still more agreeable change for I heard ~~of your~~ with some small degree of surprize that you had sacrificed at the Altar of Hymen — I must confess that this was rather unexpected as you ever promis'd me I shou'd be an attendant of your Lady's at the Altar — Perhaps in the Multiplicity of important matters that naturally presented on such an ~~occasion~~ occasion you quite forgot that you made a promise and indeed that you had such a Cousin — All this wou'd be pardonable allowing it to be just as I have stated the Case But methinks you might have given yourself the trouble of writing a few lines after your honeymoon was over for when a Gallant is dwindled into a Husband he had (generally speaking) rather converse to or with <sup>persons</sup> any than his Wife — however I presume you have done what you are ashamed of or you wou'd not affect such an air of secrecy — and had it not been for M<sup>r</sup> Marchant who told Aunt Marchant who told it Aunt Betty who told it to me I shou'd have remain'd in ignorance of this great event to this moment — I am exceedingly oblig'd to you for the shares and finding the large Denim — if it is even in my power to make <sup>you</sup> compensation for the repeated

if you will forgive the price of a ~~copy~~ copy to make my Compl'ts to your Honor ~~to be~~ I shall be so happy as to see her at the ~~house~~ house & let me know if I will quest ~~to~~ to tell you I have made use of ~~the~~ the hand of Bradham that you may make a mistake of it

To  
Mess<sup>rs</sup> Godfrey Mallbone  
Samuel & William Vernon

In  
Mixer<sup>ts</sup>  
Rhode Island  
for Cap<sup>tn</sup> Symers  
via N. York?

1749 Leghorn to R.I. via NYC

Out of the mail letter "pr. Capt.  
Symers; via N.York". Leghorne April  
25, 1749. Last wrote from PortMahon.  
Sold logs successfully but the price  
of W.I. sugar is very low. Will go to  
Calaria for salt. Will sell the guns

and buy new topsails. No public news  
worth sending. This is a very early  
ship letter into NY.



15.000

*F*  
Francis Browne

per favour of  
Capt Rogers at  
Fishing on Long Island

April 12, 1759  
family letter to  
wife # 51

New Bourn April 12<sup>th</sup> 1759

My Dear

I Right to you in South Carolina  
and sent Bill of Exch. of £172 12 10  
By Capt Cunnings and to care of Blagge  
Which Rivide hear and Ready  
to Lode and shall be there by forst  
of May and Sam & Wife Come by Land  
Which be there last of May  
my Dear my Love to you & the  
Childring and Jam in good helth  
Which Great Dissine to Sea you  
Remember my Love to Father & Mother  
and Rest of the Famley now more  
at present I Rem and your  
most Love and affection  
Husband —

Edw. B. M. W.





To  
C<sup>W</sup> William Vernon

Merchant in New Port

Cap. Newburgh — Rhode Island

Newburgh  
Sept 1773

New Brunswick  
Sept 1773 to  
Newport R.I.  
#119  
Colonial

New Brunswick Septem. 20 1773

Capt. Van Emburgh saild M<sup>r</sup>. Pattison come down and  
Clear'd all up ~~the~~ 2 Last hh. he had the day you saild, which woud  
be due untill the latter end of this month, one of which he Complain'd was  
still burnt and Desir'd me to write to you Concerning it, which I did not  
knowe when he took it, I advis'd him to mix it with 4 hh. he has  
bought of this Last Cargo 8 1/2 hh. Spiritts at 5 month C<sup>o</sup> he has writ  
to you which I have here Inclosed with Billy's letters Concerning the tickets  
if they are all sold as they Expect to draw the Lottery soon — Billy he  
says is well and does <sup>very</sup> well, but woud like him better if he was more Neigh-  
bourly — he was in Company with Doct<sup>r</sup>. Witherspoon the evening before he  
was here and says he gave Billy a very good Character and thought he woud  
do very well —

M<sup>r</sup>. Davis begs you'll excuse his not vinding the Glass this  
time as he has bin much hurried with Jobs from the Officers fixing there  
Thornes &c — M<sup>r</sup>. Van Duzen continues Poorly yet — M<sup>r</sup>. Nicholas arriv'd  
Last Sunday coming from Carolina, trad he says was very dull there —

I have sold about half the Rum at 3/6 Except one hh. I mention'd  
before at 3/7 and the Spiritts at 1/4 chiefly for some C<sup>o</sup>. I have the 2<sup>d</sup> day  
for only one hh. yet, I am with sincere Regards

Y<sup>r</sup> Your most Hum<sup>l</sup> Int  
John Sleight

N.B. M<sup>r</sup>. Pattison told me there was 3/1 in Philadelphia



1774

*Discusses poor market prices*

*To*  
*Messrs*  
*Samuel & William Vernon Jun<sup>r</sup>. Messrs*  
*In Newport*  
*Rhode Island*  
*By Peace & Plenty*  
*J. Anthony*

PHILADELPHIA TO NEWPORT R.I.--Ship  
 Outside the mail letter Phila. July  
 1, 1774 letter discussing dull local  
 markets. /s/Josiah Hewes, a well-know  
 patriot. Sent by sea via 'p. Peace  
 & Plenty J. Anthony (the capt.). Ty-  
 pical avoidance of postage.

1774

#51

Brother

Resolution Transport 22 May 1762

I send you Sears and Fielder as they are two over my full complement, the one you know the other is a fine sailor and a hardy little wretch as ever brought, I have inlined you their discharges, in case any thing should happen me, so that the Company can't demand them, I wonder you don't send me an ad of all the things I sent to Clevelack you'll write to Mr Lear at Stillwater to know what is become of all the Cedar at that post

Resolution Transport 22 May 1762

Dear Brother

I send you Sears & Fielder as they are two over my full complement, the one you know the other is a fine sailor . . . you their discharge in case any thing should happen to me.

you need send down ~~only~~ two Scouts. We don't know where we go

#120 Keep Geo Country

of B  
step  
and  
better  
only  
when  
belly

make him  
in again  
joes  
need  
know  
to



Kind Lady

New York August 23 1776

With <sup>the</sup> greatest pleasure and satisfaction

Being in great want of water, as there is but one well in the city that is fit to drink. We had to give — a pail full till we could draw an allowance of water which is one barrel of water for a company to cook with & drink...

I have tasted of ~~have~~ <sup>of</sup> Bohea tea once being in great want of water, as there is but one well in the city that is fit to drink we had to give <sup>a</sup> ~~company~~ a pail full till we could draw an allowance of water which is one barrel of water for a company to cook with and drink almost the whole city is supplied from this well being brought through the city in large flagheads I was very <sup>thirsty</sup> inquired for water, <sup>as she calls it</sup> my old Lady offered to give me <sup>a</sup> drink of tea water with <sup>liberty</sup> and said <sup>that</sup> she did not <sup>refuse</sup> <sup>to</sup> drink it <sup>and</sup> she <sup>pleas</sup> very well very well for M<sup>rs</sup> tea —

Wm Baker

Your most Obedt<sup>e</sup> Serv<sup>t</sup>

I am Sir with much regard  
bringing Accounts from America should oblige him to call  
together, unless the Economy of the Office or more disad-  
vantageous than the present one.

James Silghman Esq<sup>r</sup>

London June 20<sup>th</sup> 1775

Sir

(Copy of the Grace, Cap<sup>t</sup> Knox)

I have rec<sup>d</sup>. by the Packet your much esteemed favour

To James Silghman  
London

June 20, 1775

From Wm. Baker

#134

... your very clear & explicit account  
observations on the State of the  
ties, which as they afford me  
formation give me the most  
stage the Proprietaries derive  
from having so intelligent an Officer as yourself at the head  
of that Department. What I took the liberty to suggest in my  
former Letter on this Subject arose from an earnest desire of



To  
Capt Benedy on board  
The  
Pennsylvania

~~7.16~~  
7.16  
8 24  
11 8

11. 8  
32  
45

June 21, 1756

#122

Colonel John Stanwix<sup>?</sup>

"Some of our men are sick &  
as others ... for the care for  
them, & as you are now in a  
situation that you can do it  
..."

from Prince Frederick?  
hard to read.