

Assistants, of which N.° 2 is a true Copy, upon which M.^r Justice Lee informed me that as there were only two Justices on the bench, they did not choose at that time to grant a Writ, but he was inclined to believe, that General Writs of Assistants would be granted at the next Court, agreeable to the form transmitted by your Honors Sollicitor."

"Sometime after the Court was over, M.^{rs} Moreton dispatched another Messenger to me at Annapolis, to desire I would make my escape for Boston immediately, for advertisements were dispersed and a reward of 100 Dollars was offer'd for taking me, and that a Mob of People had been searching for me, that they were going to burn the House down, when she and the Children were in Bed, but a Gentleman saying it was a pity to hurt her & the innocent Children, they did not put their Intentions into practice and on the Night of the 1.st of May Instant when the Mob beset the House again, a Man speaking in M.^{rs} Moreton's behalf the Mob took him, tarred and feathered him and dragged him through the Water."

"On Sunday the 2.^d Instant I set oft from Annapolis to Baltimore and got home about 2 O'clock in the Morning, and as Watches had been about the House all that Night and the People saying they were determined to have my Life, M.^{rs} Moreton could not rest till I went oft to the House of ———— when I got there, I desired him to let his Servant go to Town for some necessaries I wanted, and when he got there saw about a hundred Merchants seeking for me at my House, M.^{rs} Moreton thereupon without sending the things I wanted, sent me word to make my escape or I should be taken and some time afterwards he was overtaken by a number of Armed Men who asked him if he had seen me and other Questions which will not be prudent in me to relate as they may probably discover the person and be a means of perhaps losing his Life,—I immediately went across a Creek of Water and went through the Woods to the House of ———— where I was concealed by his friendship for a Week, during which space he went twice to Town to enquire whether it might be safe for me to return to my Duty, but from the Enquiry he made, and the Letters I received from home of which N.° 3 & 4 are Extracts I found if I returned, my Life would be in Eminent danger M.^r ———— having also received the Letter N.° 5 from a friend of his near where I was concealed intimating the danger which might ensue to himself in permitting me to be concealed at his House I therefore judged it most prudent to sett oft immediately for Boston to state the Matters to your Honors, and as it was dangerous for me to go the publick road a reward being offered for apprehending me. M.^r ———— &.^c took me 16 Miles by Water, and set me on the Eastern Shore from whence I travelled to Newcastle on Delaware where I got a passage to Philadelphia and from thence proceeded to Boston."