

Ent'ring, he cries, — Hey! where's our thunder fled?
 No hurricane! *Betty's* your lady dead?
 Madam, aside, an ample mouthful takes;
 Court'neys, looks kind, but not a word she speaks;
 Wond'ring, he star'd, scarcely his eyes believ'd
 But found his ears egregiously deceiv'd.
 Why how now, *Molly*, what's their crotchet now?
 She smiles, and answers only with a bow.
 Then clasping her about, — Why, let me die!
 Those night-cloaths, *Molly*, become thee mightily!
 With that he sigh'd, her hand began to press;
 And *Betty* calls, her lady to undress.
 Nay kiss me, *Molly*, — for I'm much inclin'd
 Her lace she cuts, to take him in the mind.
 Thus the fond pair to bed enamour'd went,
 The lady pleas'd, and the good knight content.
 For many days these fond endearments paid;
 The reconciling bottle fails at last;
 'Twas us'd and gone. — Then, midnight storms arose,
 And looks and words the union discompose.
 Her coach is order'd, and post-haste she flies
 To beg her uncle for some fresh supplies;
 Transport'd does the strange effects relate,
 Her knight's conversion, and her happy state.
 Why niece, says he, — I prithee apprehend;
 The water's water: — Be thyself thy friend;
 Such beauty would the coldest husbands warm,
 But your provoking tongue undoes the charm.
 Be silent, and complying; — you'll soon find
 Sir *John*, without a medicine, will be kind.

B O S T O N .

September 18. On Monday last his excellency our governour embarked for Great Britain on board his majesty's ship *Bolton*, capt. *Pearce*. In the morning the company of Cadets mustered, and about ten of the clock his excellency came to the council chamber, where, after he and his council had finished some public business, many persons were admitted in order to wait on him and take their last leave of the governour. After having spent some Time in the council chamber, his excellency, the Gentlemen of his majesty's council, with the civil and military officers, preceded by his excellency's company of Cadets, marched to the end of the Long wharf, when the company of Cadets, opened to the right and left, the officers of the militia passed through and lined the way to the Castle barge which was waiting on this occasion. His excellency then took his leave of his hon. our commander in chief, the other gentlemen present, and very caholically considered to shake hands with a S—r, notwithstanding the great disgust its said he had often exprest at the political writings of one of that occupation. As soon as the barge put off, his excellency was saluted with the guns from the batteries, and with three huzzas from the spectators, whose shout upon this occasion was thought to exceed what is commonly made upon the reception of a new g—r. As his excellency passed the cattle he was saluted with a discharge of the cannon.

The day before his excellency's departure some of his friends were very assiduous in spreading a report, that the governour had received a most agreeable letter from the Rt. hon. Mr. Fox, secretary at war; this letter so raised their spirits, that some of them in their exarcy desired to get it by heart, which they were permitted to do; and it is said is in substance as follows. — "His Royal Highness commands me to acquaint you, that he has with pleasure read your sensible letter, that he looks upon all the reports spread to your disadvantage to be scurrilous and groundless, and that he is well satisfied with your conduct. I have as much pleasure in writing this as I doubt not you will have in reading it." — This letter it is probable may be genuine; but we are not now so easily led into the belief of it as those gentlemen reporters were so far mistaken some months past as to give out that they had seen a letter to his excellency in answer to one wrote desiring leave to return to Great Britain — where in he was informed that his request could not be granted — for the ministry were intent upon the scheme for settling *Nova Scotia*, and he was so knowing and capable of advising and directing in that affair, his continuance in these parts was absolutely necessary. — This occasioned the talk of his being ordered home to subside. — And upon the governour's meeting a month or two after, his friends very industriously pushed the

... young him a salary for the coming year; a grant was accordingly made him, which tho' something short of the last year's, he yet accepted, giving this reason. — That the severe drought we were under induced him to do it. — Soon after this grant he got a warrant from the council to receive the same — and then within grace, peculiar to his excellency he acquainted the governour that he had obtained leave to be absent from his government for twelve months.

† At that time a ship arrived from London, when a gentleman passenger, and a gentleman of this town in the secret report it that the governour was ordered home, and it accordingly turned out that he either obtained liberty or received orders per said vessel, or about that time.

W I L L I A M S B U R G .

October 12. We hear from the upper part of the country, that the great freshes of late have done great damage to the crops there.

From the lower part of the country, that by a great gulf of wind and rain, which happened on Sunday last, many people received considerable damage thereby; some houses being carried away by the high tides, and one whole family drowned.

From Hampton, that the water rose four feet in the streets, and that considerable damage is done to the shipping, several being drove on shore, and some out to sea; the wind being so violent, that it tore up large trees by the roots, and snapp'd others in the middle. The like storm has not been known in the memory of our oldest men.

October 19. Since our last, we have received several accounts of considerable damage done by the late storm, in several parts of the country. The loss they have sustained at Norfolk, among their shipping, and otherwise, is computed to amount to no less than 10,000 l. Sterling. The *Hunter*, from *Glasgow*, and the *Patison*, loaded with Tobacco for *Glasgow*, are drove ashore near Cape Henry. A large ship is sunk in the Bay, and the whole crew, 'tis likely, have perished, several dead bodies being found on the shore. Most of the shipping have suffer'd considerably by this misfortune, many of them being so far in the woods, that the expense of getting them off will nearly amount to the value.

A N N A P O L I S .

On Wednesday last was solemnized the Funeral of *RICHARD BENNETT*, Esq; of *Wye River*, in a very handsome and decent Manner, by the Direction of his sole Executor, the Hon. Col. *EDWARD LLOYD*. Mr. *Bennett*, by his Will, has forgiven above one hundred and fifty of his poor Debtors, and has made Provision for the Maintenance of many of his Overseers, and other Dependents; and settled a Sum of Money to be paid annually to the Poor of a Parish in *Virginia*; and done many other Acts of Charity and Munificence. He was supposed to be the Richest Man on the Continent; and as he died without Issue, he has, after making many large and handsome Bequests to others, left the Bulk of his Estate to his Executor.

One of those Flats with six or eight People, mentioned last Week, that were bound to *Webb River*, we hear was drove down the Bay as far as *Hooper's Straights*; but the People are all well. The other we hear is likewise safe.

A D V E R T I S E M E N T S .

November 8, 1749.

LOST or Stolen from the Dwelling-House of *Charles Carrall*, Esq; in the City of *Annapolis*, about ten Days ago, one old Silver Mug, holding above half a Pint; with a Coat of Arms engraved thereon; being a sword erect, between two Lyons rampant: Likewise three Silver Spoons; with a Crest engraved on each, being a Falcon, with Wings expanded, standing on a Stump having a Branch on each Side. If offered to be pawn'd or sold, whoever will secure the Person so offering the same, shall, upon Conviction of the Thief, be intitled to a Reward of Five Pounds, to be paid by *CHARLES CARROLL*.

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