

that seemed to him Necessary, was a warrant from the General for what he was Inclined to advance more than the £1500 which M^r Kilby had engaged for by his letter of the 19 of June on this I immediately acquiesced, and told M^r Peters I was ready whenever M^r Howell pleased to wait on him to N York, to which he agreed. M^r Howell desired me to leave the Bills in M^r Peters hands, till we should return from N York. As I did not choose to inform M^r Peters how he had treated me with threatening and Coaxing at his own house the day before and that forenoon, I only asked him what part of my conduct and conversation made him suspect that I would run away with the Bills, that from the first I had assured him not one of them should be negotiated till the affair should be adjusted to his satisfaction, that I had given it also under my hand in mine to him of the 16. that tho I was almost a stranger in Philadelphia yet I imagined I might find security for my not parting with the Bills till I should hear from the General or Governor Sharpe, if he should continue to entertain such mean suspicions of me. whatever M^r Howell thought, he made no answer, but as we were coming away he invited me to go to his house to drink a dish of Tea with him, that we might adjust the time of our setting out for N York to which I readily agreed and as he seemed to have something more to say to M^r Peters, I requested of him to call for me at the Coffe House; he requested of M^r Peters, that he would not mention the affair to any person, to which the other replied, Gentlemen you are masters of your own business and no body shall know or hear any thing of it from me

On our way from the Coffe House, M^r Howell told me he had a Vessell Loading for Hallifax and some payments to make which would take some time to examine into before he could set out for N York; and I told him my going to his House would only take up part of his time and that I wished he would employ that afternoon in looking into these things and try if we could not get away in the morning, but he pressed me to go on, that at least we might drink some wine and Water as it was a very warm day and we were both heated with walking. during this time we had a great deal of chat about our Journey, particularly whether we should go in a Chaise or Horse back, the Tea Table was afterwards brought in and the conversation was very free and agreable, and he asked me seemingly with a great deal of good nature, why I refused to leave the Bills with M^r Peters, to which I frankly answered, M^r Howel I have observed you very narrowly since the first of our meeting, you know our conversation has been very free on Men and things considering our short acquaint-