

Gaole we desired Capt. Markham to put them on board a Vessell that was bound to the Fleet to send them on board the Commodore, knowing they were runaway from the Fleet, but he would not. We fin'd th^m five p^{ds} each for their Riot and to remain in prison till they pay'd it, thinking th' might have made them have been willing to have gone, but instead of that Capt. Markham forgave th^m their fyne and set them at liberty, they and many more went through the Countrey up and down braging of their Triumph. Yo' Ex^{cy} writt to M^r Francis Jones when to me when here and mentioned me in it, which he like a villian gave to Capt. Markham's Clarke Clapole, to shoe him, w^{ch} he did, they would have taken a copy of it, he told them they might keep the Originall like a Rascall. I have heard how kind yo' Ex^{ncy} hath been to him Capt. Markham has put me out of Commission th' the Pirates might have more liberty & now they walk the streets as impudently as ever in defiance I am very glad of being eas'd but sorry I cannot serve the King any further at present. S^r, I gave Coll. Quarry an Acco^t at large by the last Fleet but I fear M^r Plator gave our pacquett to Jones.

When yo' Ex^{ncy} pleases to hon^r me with a line let it be by a safe hand, yo' Ex^{ncy} may assure yourself I will never write anything but what I will prove. I hope God and our Sovereign the King will direct us that we may be govern'd better for their Glory & Hon^r is the prayers of yo' Ex^{ncy's} most obedient faithfull and humble servant to command

These are true Coppys

Rob^t Snead.

[signed:] Fr. Nicholson.

[Pirates in Pennsylvania]

The Information of John Chiles of his Ma^{tes} Colony of Virginia

This Informant saith

That being lately at New Yorke he happened in Company with the Gunner belonging to his Ma^{tes} frigot the Richmond, whom he heard telling to some Gent. then in Comp^y how that he was sent (by Capt. Evans his command^r) to Pensilvania in pursuit of 3 runaway seamen where he obtained a Justices warrant by virtue whereof two of the said Runaways were seiz'd & in his custody but afterwards rescued from him by several seamen in the Town of Philadelphia and he himself beaten & grossly abused by them particularly at the Instigation of one M^r Andrew Morris a magistrate & one of the Councill of th^t Governm^t. That he heard say at Philadelphia how that Charles Goss a Pyrate was kill'd there by a French