

4th I heard the Skipper say that her Sailes was bad and doe know that
Mr Forbes did borrow a Crapling Iron of Mr Knowles

5th Said nothing

6th About Seventeen or Eighteen dayes after I delivered the
Boat to Mr Forbes coming to my quarters I there recd notice of
Mr Forbes coming by Ralph Stevens that he had sent the five
man boat to Wye Towne and had no further use for her by reason
she was insufficient to doe his business through her leakiness and
desired me to informe Mr Lowe. in about four dayes I writt to Mr
Lowe to acquaint him of the matter: I understood by Ralph Stevens
that the boat ^{had} beene at Wye Towne about a week: and that he
had beene at my quarters three or four dayes to tell me of it
I asked Ralph Stevens why they had not carryed her to Mr Lowe
at Choptank according to Agreement whereupon she was
soe leaky that they were afraid to venture their lives in her

7th I writt to Mr Lowe to acquaint him of the boates being at Wye
but whether he recd my letter or had notice by other means
I know not

8th I did employ Edward Quirell to keepe the water out of her
and gave him about fiftie Shillings and apaire of Shooes for re-
dressing who told he went two or three times a day to pump her so
she should have runne

9th Still

10th When I delivered the boat to Mr Forbes I had directions to Engage him
to send her to Mr Lowe at Choptank and when I asked Mr Forbes
whether he would carry her there he replyed yes for he had goods
at Choptank and Pharrps should take the boat for a longer
time of Mr Lowe: as to the discourse about the price of the
five doe remember

12th I doe know by information of the Skipper that before and at the
time Mr Forbes hired the five man boat that she was very leaky
and that after she ranne to Wye and not back after the Sunne

✓ The answer of Thomas Bruffe to the Sedall Interrogatories proposed
to by Alexander Forbes Compts against Nicholas Lowe Defend

April