

at his Factory in *Connaught*. After rippling the Flax, he sent the Boles to the Mill in Sacks, ordering the Mill Stones to be set as usual for making Groats; then ground the Boles, and found that it hurt not the Seed to any Value, but left the Grift fit for the Winnings, by which Means in a few Days were saved upwards of 12 Hogheads of good Seed; which must have taken long Time and many Hands to have accomplished other Ways. The Mill Stones may be set at Discretion, to grind as fine as you think fit, but so as not too much to damage the Seed. If this seem worthy your Notice and Publishing, I hope the next Time I trouble you shall be with something more material; and I shall take it an Honour to be at your Command. *A. B.*

'P. S. The Boles are supposed to be dry.'

BOSTON, July 1.

Saturday last about Sun set, the Snow Caesar, in the Service of this Government, fell down to Nantasket in order to sail for Cape Breton, with 70 or 80 Seamen raised at Rhode-Island, to help to man the Vigilant Man of War. On coming to sail, she saluted the Town with 7 Guns, some of which, if not all, being shotted, one of the Shot went over the Town as far as Newbury-Street, and broke a Woman's Thigh, as she was standing in a Garden with several other Persons: Her Thigh was cut off by a skilful Surgeon, and all possible Care is taken of her, but it is much feared she will not recover. Another Shot (a double-headed one) took off the Limb of a Tree, and was taken up in the Rope-Walk near Fort-Hill.

Extract of a Letter from Antigua, June 3. As to News in this Part of the World, I can inform you, that there has been a considerable Number of Vessels taken from the English within these 4 Months past; and if I am not misinformed, 12 or 13 from Boston, and 2 from Rhode-Island. — The Deal-Castle, a 20 Gun Ship, has brought in here within a few Days 2 stout French Privateer Sloops, that were Consorts, and which have done a great deal of Mischief. Captains Allen and Cranston in 2 Rhode-Island Privateers, took off Martinico, and brought in here a few Days ago, a stout French Ship of 18 Carriage Guns and 70 Men; after a sharp Engagement. — As the Inhabitants of Anguilla expected another Attack, the Dreadnought of 64 Guns, the Lynn of 40 Guns, and the Hind Sloop of War, were immediately dispatch'd away. Last Week arrived 10 Sail of Merchantmen, under Convoy of 4 Men of War.

NEW-YORK, July 8.

By Capt. Canon, who arrived here last Week from Boston, we are informed, that on the 1st Instant, being in Tarpaulin-Cove, one Capt. Smith, in a Sloop belonging to New-London, arrived there from the West-Indies, who told him that on the 16th of June, in Lat. 27, he was taken by a Fleet of near 50 Sail of French Vessels, among which he believes there were 20 Men of War; that he was along-side of six 50 and 60 Gun Ships; but he could not learn certainly whither they were bound, tho' some of the Men said they were designed for Cape-Breton. They ransom'd him for 200 l. Sterling.

Yesterday arrived here Capt. Troup, late Master of the Brig. William and Sarah, of this Place, who was taken the 8th of February last by a Spanish Privateer belonging to Porto Rico, and carried in there, where he remained near 5 Months: He came from thence first to St. Kitt's, in the Flag of Truce, and afterwards got to Antigua; from which last he sailed the 7th of June, on board the Brig. Tryal, J. Evans, Master, bound to Philadelphia: But on Sunday the 23d of that Month, in Lat. 38, 30, about 45 Leagues off the Capes of Delaware, they were taken by 2 Spanish Privateers, one a Snow of 14 Carriage Guns, and 125 Men; the other a Sloop of 10 Guns, and 95 Men, commanded by the famous Paunché, belonging to the

Havanna; from whence they had been out 4 Weeks, and but 5 Days on these Coasts: This they said was the first Prize they had taken since they came out. Two Days after they took a large Schooner belonging to Tortola, bound to New-York, Peter Blunder, Master; and the next Day after, two Whaling-Sloops belonging to Nantucket. The 28th they put 48 of the Prisoners on board of the smallest Sloop, with a small Quantity of Provisions, and dismissed them; and at the same Time gave Chace to a large Sloop standing to the Northward, and which Capt. Troup imagines they came up with. They parted from the Privateers in Lat. 37, 30, about 150 Leagues from Sandy-Hook, where they arrived on Saturday last: All those that belonged to these Parts got safe up yesterday, but the Sloop with the others failed again for Nantucket. We are assured that these are the same Privateers who lately had an Engagement with the Clinton and Mary-Anne. Capt. Evans and Capt. Blunder were carried away Prisoners.

PHILADELPHIA, July 4.

Extract of a Letter from on board Capt. Gardner, in a small Privateer, belonging to Providence, with 9 Hands only, dated at New-Providance, May 10, 1745.

"I arrived here 4 Days ago from a Cruise between the Martiers and Cape Florida, and brought with me the King of Spain's Advice-Boat, laden with small Arms and other warlike Stores. Next Bernia on Saturday the 20th of April, and on Sunday the 21st took this Sloop. The Cruise I made before this was to the Windward of the Havanna, where I met with a Fleet of 10 Sail of Sloops and Schooners, convoyed by a small French Sloop of about 25 Tons, which I engaged for 2 Hours, and then made myself Master of the whole Fleet, which was all loaded with Powder-Sugar, Tallow, and Wax-Candles. My Compliment of Hands when I left this Island was but nine and myself, and theirs in the Fleet 70. One of my 9 I lost in engaging the Commodore; and the rest being dispersed in the Prizes, except my Lieutenant Roger Bow, one Man, and a Boy, the Prisoners that I kept on board rose upon us in the following Manner, and would have cut us all off. The Lieutenant was asleep in the Round-House, and the Man and Boy in the Hold, which the Spaniards secured; I was forward, carrying the Anchor, and Nobody upon Deck but myself with 3 great He-dogs of Spaniards. And hearing a great Noise in the Cabin, I ran aft, and found one of the Spaniards there killing Mr. Bow: I would have got out again, but could not, another standing at the Door with a Cook's Axe. Upon which I cry'd for Quarter; but the Reply was, *No, you English Dogs!* I then thought I would make a Push for my Life, bolted out upon him, knock'd up his Heels, and, with the Axe he had, kill'd him upon the Spot. Immediately I was thrown overboard by the other Spaniard, who fell with me in the Sea; but I being the better Swimmer, got aboard again, and kept him out. All this Time the Struggle continued in the Round-house, the Spaniard not being able to finish his Design on Mr. Bow, the Place was so small, I came to the Lieutenant's Assistance with a fine broad Axe, and made several Strokes at the Spaniard to no Purpose; but by good Luck the Dog looking about, at last I was up with him; for I cut off his Chin, and all his lower Jaw; yet he knowing what they said when we cry'd Quarter, never flinch'd at all: Then one of his Legs slipping out on the Blood, I got another fair Stroke at him, and cut his right Foot off. Then the Dog cry'd out for Quarter, which was granted him for a few Hours, that he might make his Peace with God; and then we shot him through the Body. So no more, &c. JOHN GARDNER."

(See Maryland Gazette, N^o. 6.)

By Capt. Stiles from Bermuda we learn, that two of their Privateers, the Captains Harvey and Butterfield, with two Jamaica Privateers, were taken by two French Men of War: they