

carried to fires in order to be thawed, before taken to market. And yet, what is very surprizing, the corns have a fine appearance, but the fruit on the trees has suffered considerably.

Chibouia, (in Nova-Scotia) August 23, 1749.

"Fifteen of the chiefs of the St. John's Indians were here not long since, and ratified the peace made at Annapolis before the French war, and are gone home in the Anson galley, and seem to be peaceable and easy. The Mickmucks, or Cape-Sable Indians, have been here easily in great numbers, trading in a friendly manner with us till four day past, at the head of this river, they insulted a boat with some of our people, by rushing to them with a great booy, as soon as the boat struck the shore, and took two of the arms, and fired them off, then took the oars, and ran into the woods; but the corporal who commanded the boat, being a resolute man, he pursued them, and wrestled both the arms and oars from them, and returned: Upon this the Indians all drew off, which we since understand they were ordered to do by their priest, with some other remote tribes, to a place of rendezvou, which we imagine is to consult some means to annoy us and the settlers here, being incited by the French inhabitants, who since the discovery of his majesty's instructions to them, I believe will take all methods to prevent a British government here, they being obliged to swear full allegiance to his Britannic majesty, form themselves into a regular militia, and give all assistance in arms whenever called, or move off, without liberty to sell, or even to do the least damage to their lands or houses, which they are to give a pre-emptory answer to in three months: They have therefore sent dispatches to the governors of Canada and Louisbourg for advice, and it is generally thought many will quit, which will leave five or six millions for good loyal subjects.

Capt. Joseph Gorham, in a well armed sloop, is ordered by the government to cruise along the shore as far as the bay Vert, to distribute his excellency's proclamation to all the harbours inhabited, with power to seize all vessels that shall be found carrying provisions from this province to other colonies, especially to Louisbourg, and to make what discoveries he can of the vessels of the inhabitants and Indians. It is thought he will cruise as far as Louisbourg, there being several shallops from thence at Canoe, cutting of hay, and it is not doubted he will soon give a good account of them.

There are five picket forts building on the back of the town of Halifax, which will be garrisoned with Warburton's regiment, Col. Gorham's company, for the security of the settlers. Governor Hebron with his regiment, (in five ships) sailed for England the 19th instant.

WILLIAMSBURG, August 31.

We have receiv'd the following Certificate from *Suffolk*:

Suffolk, August 18, 1749.

THE Gentleman who has been entertaining us with a Course of very curious Electrical Experiments has also applied the Electrical Fire to the human Frame, with remarkable and speedy Success, in curing the Tooth ach, Pain in the Head, Deafness, Pains in all the Limbs, which had been so violent as to take away the Use of them, Pain in the Stomach, Swelling of the Spleen, Sprains, Relaxation of the Nerves, &c. The most remarkable are the two following Instances, viz.

One *Samuel Miller*, who for three Years past could not lift his Hand above his Head without putting his Shoulder out of Joint, by a few Applications of the Electrical fire has met with a perfect Cure.

A Negro Boy, about sixteen Years of Age, who had always been so Deaf as scarcely to hear the loudest Sounds, has by the same Means been brought to hear, when spoke to in a common Tone of Voice.

We the Subscribers thought proper to give this Information to the Public, that others, who may have the Opportunity, might be encouraged to make further Trial of this wonderful Remedy.

*Robert Brown,
David Meade,
Lemuel Riddick,*

*William Webb,
John Wright,
John Watson,*

*Robert Cook,
John Marlow,
Alex. Cairnes.*

ANNAPOLIS.

On the Eleventh Instant Died, at his Seat on *Wye-River* in *Queen-Anne's County*, *RICHARD BENNETT*, Esq; in the Eighty-third Year of his Age, generally lamented by all that knew him. As his great Fortune enabled him to do much good, so (happily for many) his Inclination was equal to his Ability, to relieve the poor and distressed, which he did very liberally.

As he was the greatest Trader in this Province, so great Numbers fell in his Debt, and a more merciful Creditor could not be, having never deprived the Widows or Orphans of his Debtors of a Support; and when what the Debtors left, was not sufficient for that purpose, frequently supply'd the deficiency. His long Experience and great Knowledge in Business, as well as his known Candor and generosity, occasion'd many to apply to him for Advice and Assistance, and none were ever disappointed of what was in his Power, and several were by his means, extricated out of great Difficulties. He was always solicitous to prevent Differences among his Neighbours, and to reconcile such as he could not prevent. In short, nothing gave him so much pleasure as doing humane and benevolent Actions; and it may be truly affirm'd, that by his Death, the poor and needy have lost their greatest Friend and Benefactor.

Last Saturday came up the Bay to this Place the Sloop *Hope-Well*, Capt. *Strachan*, who sail'd a few Weeks since for *Barbados*; but meeting with excellent hard Weather about 50 Leagues from the Cape, and springing a Leak, was obliged to return, and put into *Norfolk* in *Virginia*, where Capt. *Strachan* sold her Lading, and came back to this Place. He brings a melancholy Account of a Storm which happened very lately, and has done incredible Damage near the Mouth of our Bay. On Saturday Evening, the 7th of this Instant, he being then at *Norfolk*, the Wind began to blow hard, and about one or two in the Morning was very violent at N. E. with Rain, and still kept increasing; but the most violent of the Storm was from ten 'til two on Sunday. The Tide rose 15 Feet perpendicular higher than usual, forcing Ships and other Vessels ashore where the Water was never before known to flow; many of which are now so far from the Water, and some of them loaded, that it will cost as much as they are worth to get them afloat again, if it be practicable: Several new Ships were carried off the Stocks; all the Wharfs, and several Warehouses were carried away. A Warehouse of Col. *Tucker's*, 60 Feet by 30, having in it 90 Pipes of Wine and 40 Hogsheads of Rum on the lower Floor, and a Quantity of Corn and Oats in the Loft, was taken off its Foundation, carried a Mile and a half from the Place where it stood, and landed upright on the other Side of the River, without any Damage to what was in it; this Warehouse passed by the *Hope-Well*, the Eaves of it being about four Feet above Water, and touch'd her Quarter, without doing any Hurt. Wharfs with Anchors lying on them of 1000 lb. Weight, were seen floating on the Water, and were carried away bodily, Stones and Timber together; and the River was almost covered with Lumber, Masts, Yards, Bales, Casks, &c. And by a Letter from a Gentleman at *Norfolk* we are inform'd, that the Damage there amounts to upwards of 30,000 lb. Some Gentlemen now at *Norfolk*, who were in *Jamaica* when the last great Hurricane happened there, which destroyed several Men of War, &c. say it was not so violent as this. The Tide kept continually fluxing, and run at the Rate of five Miles an Hour; it overflowed all their Streets, carried some small Craft near a Mile from the ordinary High Water Mark, and left some of them in the Corn Fields.

At *Hampton* much Damage is likewise done: A noted Tavern there, kept by Mrs. *Hawkins* (who gave Name to *Mother Hawkins's Hole*), was 8 Feet in Water; and a Yawl was paddled through the Passage of the House. A little on this Side of *Hampton*, at a Place called *Back River*, three Families it is said, were drowned, the Men, Wives, and Children.

In *Worcester County*, in this Province, the Tide rose to a prodigious Height, and has done considerable Damage: Capt. *Newbold's* Sloop is now lying high and dry in an Apple Orchard: And the Losses sustained there, in drowning of Cattle, Horses, &c. are very great. The Sea broke over an Island in the said County, called *Pbanix Island*, on which were between 4 and 500 Head of Cattle, and 60 Horses; whereby all the Cattle were drowned but five, and all the Horses except one. The Damage in *Worcester County*, is computed at about 10,000 lb.

Three Vessels are ashore at the Capes; and at *Norfolk* very few rode it out.

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