

Examinant then turning out upon Deck, left the Mate and Captain together in the Cabin; and after being together there some time they also came upon Deck, and ordered the Schooner's People to make sail after the Brig, and the real Captain but supposed Mate of the said Schooner immediately hailed the said Brig, and ordered her to follow her and stand down the Bay, to which this Examinant Mate then on Board the said Brig, answered that none of her People would touch a slope to which the said supposed Schooner's Mate replied, you Rascal, I will let you know that you shall, and accordingly ordered his Hands to run out two Bow Lines, and immediately also ordered two of the Schooner's Hands to go on Board the said Brig and bring her People on Board the said Schooner two Hands accordingly going on Board the said Brig remained there, and all the said Brig's proper Crew came on Board the said Schooner in the said Schooner's Boat and the said pretended Mate immediately ordered the Schooner's Crew to put all the said Brig's Crew, except this Examinant and this Examinant's Mate into Town, and upon this Examinant's saying it was hard to see his People put in Town on Board an English Vessel the aforesaid pretended Mate of the said Schooner said to this Examinant's People, My Lads, if you will be easy and assist me, I will give you all your Wages and ten Pounds over and above to which this Examinant heard Answer made from some of his People that they did not want his Money but would go where this Examinant went, immediately upon this the aforesaid pretended Mate of the said Schooner ordered her aforesaid pretended Captain to take two more of the Schooner's Hands and go on Board the said Brig to take care of her, and to follow him the said Schooner being then standing down the Bay which circumstance convincing this Examinant that hitherto the said Schooner's Master had only personated the Mate and the Mate the Master, this Examinant observed to the said pretended Mate that this was a strange Order for a Mate to command his Master to leave his own Vessel and go on Board another to take care of her, for that in his Opinion the Master should leave the Schooner and the Master remain on Board, upon which the said pretended Mate told this Examinant that was none of his Business, and upon this Examinant's asking the said pretended Mate his Name, he told this Examinant his Name was Moultrie, which he now believes from the foregoing circumstances was the Name of the real Master of the said Schooner but the Name of the pretended Captain of the said Schooner he knows not, The said Schooner's Mate and two Hands accordingly went on Board the said Brig, the said Mate taking with him this Examinant's Papers, and upon the said People's Arrival on Board the said Brig they made fast the said Schooner's Boat to the Brig which making sail and standing down the Bay as well as the said Schooner, the said Boat broke loose from the said Brig.