

And caught up a small ⁽¹⁵³⁾ Kind Spike and demanded their Business to which they replied No Harm. Then requiring why they pursued the Shallop they pretended to get a Tow down the Bay the next Day going into West River they were informed that two Men and a Boy were run away and pursued by five others. He says that the two Men were ^{both} well set one of them was long vizaged with brown straight Hair the other had a light coloured Coat and light Hair — That he believes he has seen one of them at Annapolis and that he has been informed that one of the Men came from Pennsylvania and had been a Privateer.

Mr Charles Carroll says That Richard Clarke's wife sent her Son as the Son told the said Carroll to buy some Cloathing Bedding and other Particulars Things out of his Store and he demanding of the young Man whether he brought Money replied he had, wherupon he delivered him such Things as he had desired to the Value of about three Pounds. Upon the producing the Money the said Carroll found it not good but told the Lad he would keep it until he saw Richard Clarke's wife to acquaint her therewith. In some small Time after Clarke's wife coming to the said Carroll's Store and dealing with his Storekeeper to the Value of betwixt four and five Pounds the Storekeeper upon Tender of the Money refused to take it until he had showed the same to the said Carroll who upon View thereof found it was a base Coin such as commonly goes about the Country here and breaks in letting them drop being some Dollars some Pieces of Eight both of one Metal wherupon the said Carroll returned the Money to the said Clarke's wife and kept the Goods until she had changed the Money received of her Son and brought good Money for what she had bought herself but for Certainty of Time refer to his Shop Books.

Mr. Amos Garrett says that being informed that his Servant William Cooper designed to run away with six Persons more he took Care to secure his Shallop and the said Cooper and that another Servant of his called Stimpson being confederate with one Daniel Wolls and a Sailor he took Care to inform his Excellency the Governor of it who committed the said Stimpson to Prison where he lies. That the said Stimpson has confessed he was privy to the Intentions of Wolls the Sailor or Privateer and others running away and pretended he could give an Account thereof.

John Duwall says that he was informed that Captain Silvester Wolsh had sold about three Pounds of the Country's Powder to Daniel Wolls That he has lost his Boat and that he suspects Clarke, Winters and one Harrison stole her and carried two Negroes with them. That Wolls followed Clarke, and in Pursuit was within a Day's Journey of him as he has been informed.