

and at length seeing the Otter get under way, came to, above  
by Hudson's Report and prepared for Battle expecting she  
was coming up to him, but to the Amazement of our  
Brave Countrymen, she bore away and anchored in the  
Afternoon of Annapolis - Nicholson continued his Station  
thinking it imprudent to risque an Action, as he had  
such a valuable Prize under his Care - In the Evening  
a Flag was sent in - the Gentlemen behaved very politely  
and on some Subjects were free and communicative - they  
know every Thing, which is transacted here and to the North  
ward, - the Flag brought a Letter to the Governour from  
Capt. Squire Commander of the Otter, desiring Provision for  
the Sloop & that a Tender might be permitted unobscured,  
to take a New-England sloop loaded with Bread and Flour  
which we had sent up Severn - the Governour had that  
Letter before us, - we refused a Supply of Provisions -  
and took no Notice of that Part of the Letter, which  
related to the New-England Vessel, thinking it rather  
an Insult - but ordered a Guard of about 50 Men to  
be immediately put over her - We received two other

(Flags)