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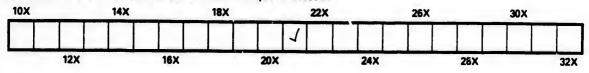


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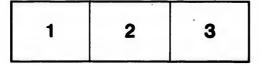
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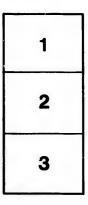
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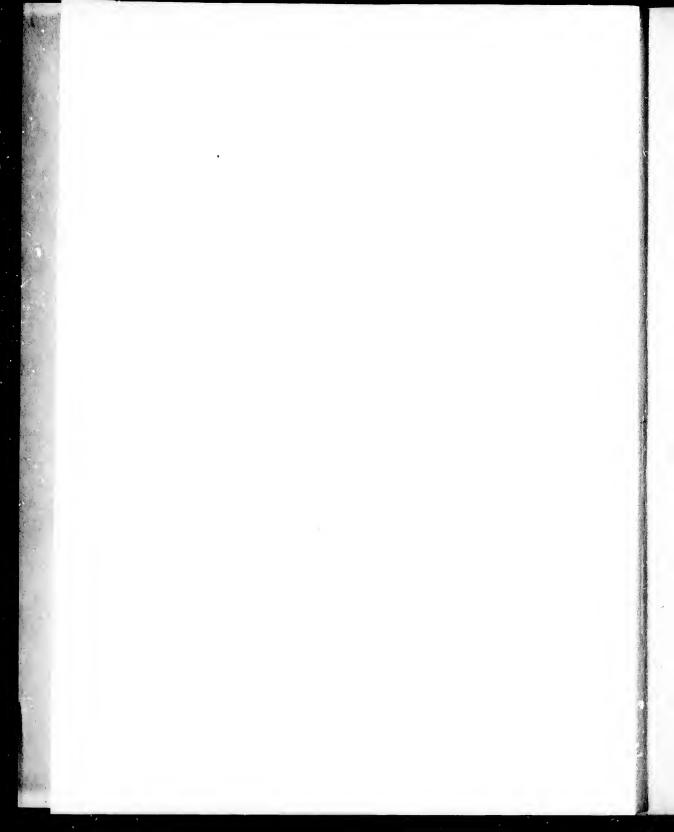
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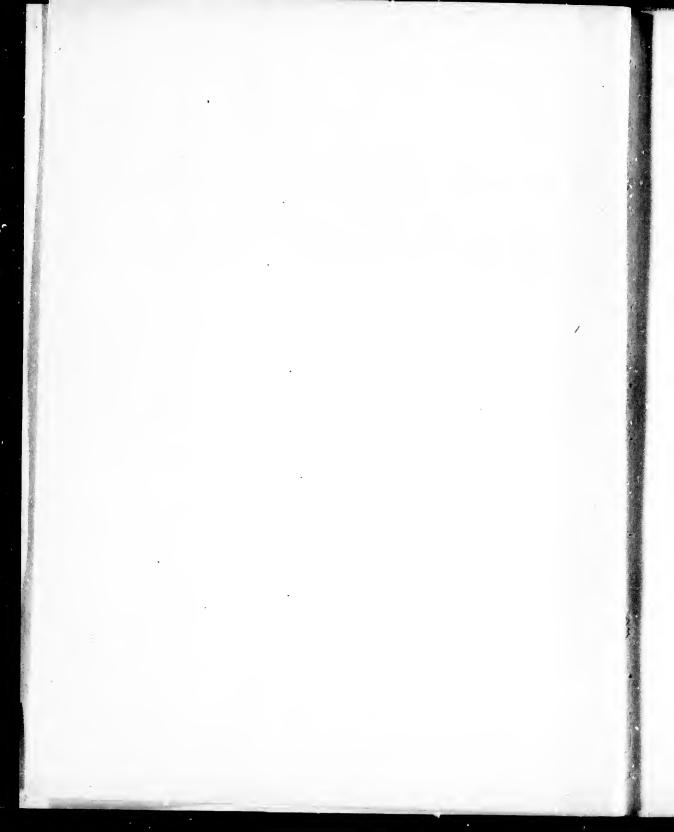


New York Colonial Tracts.

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Number I.

Voyage of the Sloop Mary.



JOURNAL

OF THE VOYAGE OF THE

Sloop Mary,

FROM QUEBECK,

Together with an Account of her Wreck off Montauk Point, L. I.,

ANNO 1701.

WITH

Introduction and Notes

By E. B. O'CALLAGHAN.

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TO THE READER.

HE Journal and accompanying Papers now published have been copied from a few mouldering Leaves lying among the Records in the Office of the Secretary of State, Albany. They are confidered worthy of Prefervation, as Illustrative of the Trade which was carried on by Sea in those early Times with Canada, and as connected, in some Degree, with subsequent Events in the History of New York.

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The first Attempt to open a Trade by Sea between New York and that Country was made in 1658, when the French Bark St. Jean, Captain John Perel, failed from the Port of New Amsterdam for Quebeck, with a Cargo of Sugar and Tobacco. That Vessel was, unfortunately, wrecked off the Island of Anticosti, and so the Enterprise failed.

New York, on becoming a Britifh Colony, came under the Britifh Trade Acts, which forbade all Commerce between the Colonies and Foreign Plantations. Whatever commercial Intercourfe there was

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fubfequently with Canada, previous to 1763, was, therefore, carried on in a furreptitious Manner, through Lake Champlain. Occafionally, however, in Time of Peace, colonial Ventures were fent to Quebeck by Sea, the Laws enacted to the contrary notwithftanding.

King William's War terminated in 1697, and Peace continued with France until 1702. Towards the close of this Peace the Sloop Mary was fent with a Cargo, confisting of Flour, Tobacco, Earthenware, &c., to Quebeck. Having remained there fifteen Days she fet Sail, loaded with Wine, Brandy and Furs, on

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her Return, and, after leaving the Gulf of St. Lawrence, purfued a strictly coafting Voyage. Passing by the Islands of St. Paul and Prince Edward, she ran through the Gut of Canfo, and then along the fouth Coaft of Nova Scotia. stopping occasionally here and there at Places, the Names of which are laid down in the Journal. This was nearly half a Century before Halifax was founded. On leaving that Coaft, the Mary steered West across to ancient Agamenticus, now York, in Maine; thence coafted to Cape Anne, where she anchored; touched at "ye Mifery,"

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and landed at Salem, avoiding Bofton and its revenue Officers; rounded Cape Cod, and came to an Anchor off Webb's Ifland, which has fince been fwallowed up by the Sea. On the 16th November, 1701, being then twenty-five Days from Quebeck, fhe reached Martha's Vineyard, and here terminates the Journal. Seven Days after, fhe was driven afhore at Montauk.

The Journal was found in the Cheft of John Maher, the Mate by whom it was probably written. We append to it an Account of the return Cargo of the Veffel, and of feveral Incidents connected with her lofs.

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On receiving Intelligence of the Difaster, Lieutenant Governor Nanfan, then administering the Government of New York, despatched Lieutenant Oliver to Easthampton to take Charge of the Sloop and Cargo, which were foon after condemned for Violation of the Trade and Navigation Laws. From this Adjudication an Appeal to the High Court of Admiralty in England was entered, "whereupon it was ordered that John Champante Efq., Agent of the Province, be defired to take care in the faid matter, and retain the King's Attorney Generall [Northey] and Mr

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Pere Williams as Councill therein, and he shall be allowed his ffees and Expences about the fame."

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2 1 The Owner of the Sloop and Cargo now turned out to be Captain Vetch, who figured fomewhat prominently in New York and Maffachufetts Hiftories in the fore Part of the laft Century, and of whom we have collected the following Particulars.

SAMUEL VETCH was the fon of a "Godly Minister and a Glorifier of God in the Grass Market," Edinburgh. Having no Trade, he was appointed, on account of his Father, one of the feven Councillors who

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conftituted the local Government of the Colony of Caledonia, a Scotch Settlement, established in 1608 at Darien, a little South of the Ifthmus of Panama. This Colony having been denounced by Government as an unjustifiable Encroachment on Spanish Territory, was per Force abandoned. The following Year feveral of the Adventurers were brought to New York, and on the 20th Dec., 1700, Mr. Vetch married Margaret, Daughter of Robert Livingfton, of Albany, whole Son, with faid Vetch and one Mr. Saffin,* are

* John Saffin was a Signer with Vetch to the Petition got up in New York against Lt. Gov. Nanfan in December, 1701.

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faid to have been interested in the Sloop Mary.

In the Summer of 1700, we find him attending fundry Indian Conferences at Albany, and at this Time, probably, the Trade to Canada attracted his Attention; for in the following Year we have the Refult of his first Experiment in the prefent Journal.

He next turns up at Bofton in 1705, when he was fent to Quebeck by Gov. Dudley, of Maffachufetts, with Propofals for a Treaty or Truce between Canada and New England; after which Vifit he boafted that he knew more of

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Canada than the People who were living there. He was afterwards employed in procuring an exchange of Prifoners at Port Royal, N. S.; and, on returning to Bofton, was arrefted, committed to Prifon on a Charge of Trading with the French and Indians, Enemies to the Government, and fined $\pounds 200$.

Subfequent Events feem to indicate that this Voyage of the Sloop *Mary* was not intended wholly for Trade. Colonel Vetch, who, fays Smith, had been feveral Years before at Quebeck, and founded the St. Lawrence, vifited England in 1708, and laid before the Miniftry the

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bold Project of feizing Canada, of which Country he aspired to be the Governor. His Plan was approved, and he returned to New York with the Queen's Instructions for the Expedition, which he laid before the Lieutenant Governor, the Council and the Affembly in joint Seffion, 17th May, 1709. But this Expedition aborted after putting the Province to great Expense, and Vetch, whom all fwore against as the Caufe of the ufeless Outlay, retired to Rhode Island. In the Fall of the following Year, he ferved as Adjutant General in an Expedition against Port Royal, N.

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S., and on the Reduction of that Place, the Name of which was changed to Annapolis, he was appointed Governor thereof. He does not appear to have been connected with the Expedition againft Canada in 1711, and eventually returned to England, where he was refiding in 1719, and where he eventually died, 30th April, 1732.

In the Hope of rendering this little Tract of further Interest, a few Notes are subjoined indicative of the Places at which the Sloop touched in her Voyage, and embodying Information respecting some of the prominent Inhabitants

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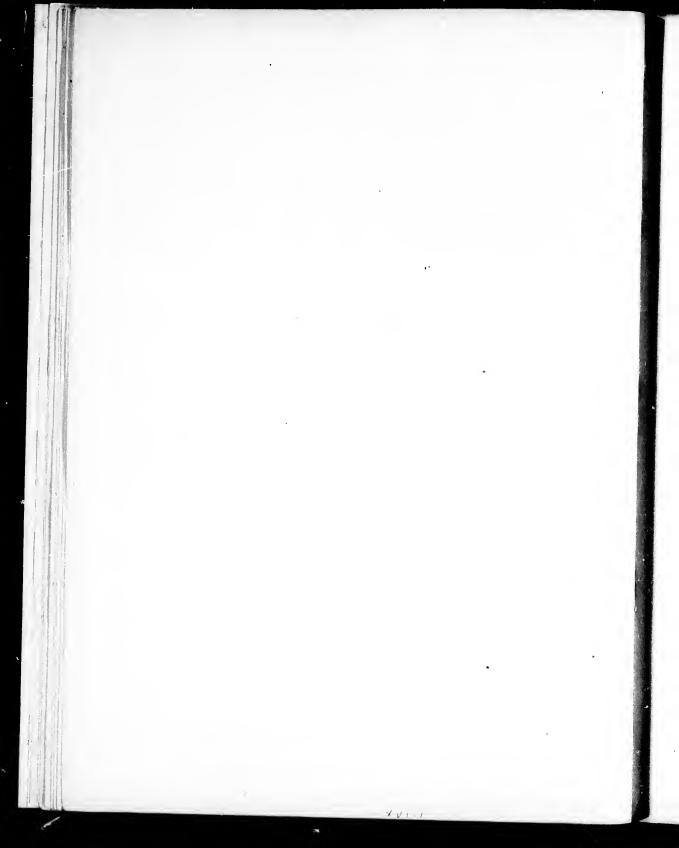
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These we hope will relieve, in fome degree, the dryness of the uncouth Text, and render it more acceptable to the Reader.



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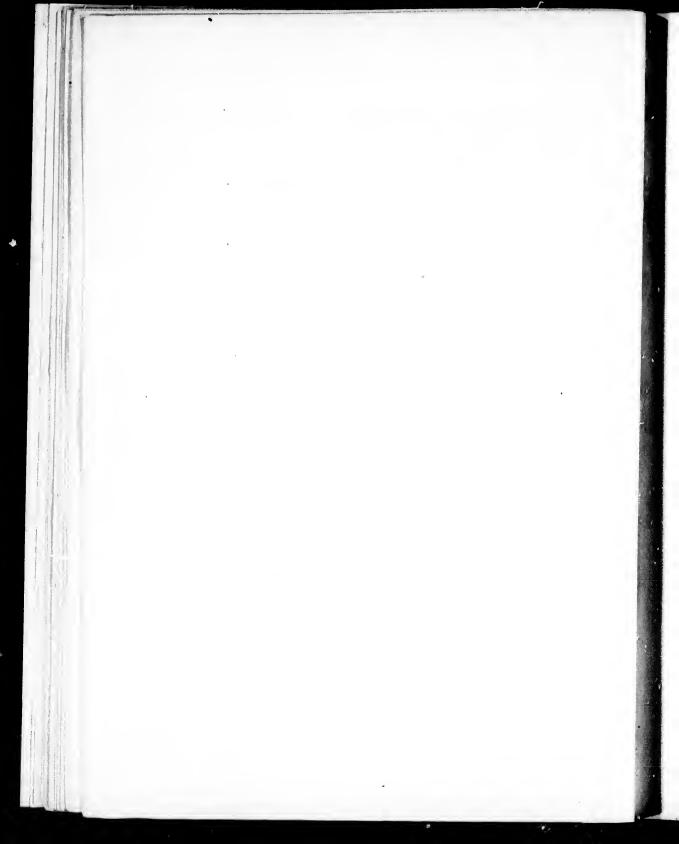


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Voyage of the Sloop Mary.

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Octobar y^e 3: 1701 T 12 to day y^e wind Caime vp at s: and file faire wather fmothe wotor Litil wind at 4 to daye Caime along Cape Marey fhore hiley land and uery hy Land Corfe a Long fhore nw: and nwbw 12 and at wnw and w^t and wbs fres gaile of wind efe and ebs thick wather and fom Raine at 10 to day we came by fom Lo Land maide Licke Iflands diftance from Cape mareys 62 Legs from thofe Iflands to Il Rufey is 25 Legs Cours

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OEtobar ye 4to 1701

At 12 to day Reft Mainfel fresh gaile of wind at e. and fom Raine, at on aclock to day stod of or nwbn to y^e north shor graite sea at 6 to night maide y^e north shore Cors along shore wist at 7 aclock Maid fom Land low and at y^e eterⁿdmost end maide Like an Island Cors along shor swbw de om om is

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and wfw at 8 to night we maid fom brakers of from this Land Diftanc 2 mils from y^e fhore Cors along wbs. at 10 to night maid y^e Il Rufey at 12 to night Caime Along fhore wfw nereft at 8 this morning maid y^e Ifl Cudor* fres gaile at ne: and ene

Octobar y^e 5: 1701 faire wather fres gaile of wind at ne and ene at 2 to daye we Caime to an Ancker

* Ifle aux Coudres, about 2 miles from the North Shore of the River St. Lawrence, and fome 50 Miles below Quebec.

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about 3 Legs to y^e effard of y^e Ifland Orlane.

At 6 to night Caime to faile againe litil wind at fw Cours up along y^e Ifland Orlane fw: fwbw: at 10 to night Caime to anckar ner y^e plafe wher we loft our anker

At 2 to night waid our ancker again

Octobar yº 6 1701

It beng fair wather and Litii Wind and drofe up with the tid till 8 this morning Caime to an Anker at the west end of y^e Island orlene at 3 to d waid againe fres gaile of wend at 6 lof

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to day Caime to an Enker at Caback *

OEtobar ye 7 1701 things delifard. out of ye flope Marey to 166 Chefes to 20 Rols of tobacko to ⁸¹/₁₀₁ Rols of tobacko to 9 barels of flower to 2 fquare boxes marckt S.V. to 1 flat box mart B 2 to 1 Lather tronke to 2 hogheds of botls marked

* Quebec.

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to 9 barels of flower to 16 barels of flower to 1 Grait hoghfed of Lines to 1 Lather tronke to 1 grait box TH N° 1 to 1 fmol cheft markt D, I to 1 fmol hoghed of botils to 1 flat box marckt SV to 12 barels of flouer to 70 bunches of arthen waire pots and muges to 7 barels of tar to 4 barels of flower and 2 barels of Rofom marked SV

to 2 bareles of flower and 2 barels of Rofom marked SV to 1 Large hoged of earthen waire (N° 2 and 4) ines

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to 1 barel of beaire and 10 barels of aples muftard

to 6 barels of flower and 1 pipe of wine

to 5 barels of flower and 1 pipe of wine, on Long Cafk of por^{tr}

to 9 big Cafke of fhot and 7 fmol Cafke of fhot

to 1 long Cafke of puter SV

to 7 barels of beare DI

to 3 big cafkes of fhot

Octobar y^e 16th day 1701 things Refefd on bord y^e flup Marey

to 4 barels of brandy to 4 hogfds of Claret

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OEtober y^e 17 day 1701 things Refefd on bord y^e flope Marey

to 2 brandy pefes

to 10 fmol barels of brandy and 1 pes of Lining Cloth: and 2 bolts of Canfis

to 8 fmole cafke of brandye

to 2 bondls of fyle fkns and ftons

to I Cafke of brandy

to 2 Lather trunkes and 2 fquaire boxes and 1 box otor ftons

Octobor y^e 22^d 1701 It bing wenfday At 10 Laft night Waide our I I y^e

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anker at Cabeck faire wather Litil wind at w: and ffw: At 12 to night Caime to Ancker againe Litil wind at 8 this morning waid againe frefh gaile of wind at fw^t faire wather at 4 to daye we wore up with y^e Ile Codor diftance frome Ile orlane to Ile Codor 14 Leges at 6 to night ftrong tide againft us drofe up till 12 this night tide of, eb maide, Cep Clofe ondor y^e north fhore

Octobar y^e 23^d 1701 It being thorfdday faire wather fres gaile of wind at nw : B

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at 10 to day Caime by the Ile Codor Cors from Il Codor down ene to y^e Ile vnder y^e fouth fhor and wfw This 24 houres faire wather fres gaile of wind at nw and wnw Cours ene¹/₂e diftance from Il Codor till 12 to day 38 Legs Latt^d by obfaruation 49---48

from Il Cudor Cape marey 63 Legs

Octubar ye 24d 1701

It bing friday faire and fres gaile of at wnw Cors ebn 6 Legs till 4 then e 8 Legs then ebs and efe rownd Cape marey at 12 to night we wore up with e Ile odor y^e 24 e of ours dor att^d

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fe Cape marey: at 2 this morning y^e wind did away Cors Litill wind at ebn at 2 our topn Lift gaue way Cors at fle fresh gaile of wind at ebs at 7 this morning Left y^e Land to y^e west word of Cap marey distance 6 Legs thick wather and some some very thick wather fres gaile of wind ebs At II to day 12 Legs baring from us ne and fw

Octobar ye 25d 1701

It bing Satrday fres gaile of wind at ebs grat fea at 12 to daye our gibhalardes gaf way at I Reft mainfail Coars fbe

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diftans at 6 hand forfel lay by grat fea at 12 Laft night wind veerd to ne and n at 8 this morning bor away land in s Cors ffe dift from y^e Ifland to y^e w. word of [Cape Marey] 20 Legs fbe at 12 to day a grat fea Cors ffe wind at nbw

Octobar ye 26 day 1701.

It being funday Roning away onder our bar polfe ffe diftanc 25 Legs Cors ffe fres gaile of wind nwbn and nw grait fea at to night ffe and fe At 4 this morning maid y^e Land we Jodge to be to y^e rfel ght t 8 l in and Aaday at

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westard of fant Pols Island* and at 8 this morning Caime to ancur of the Land fres gaile of wind at nw and grait fea.

Octobar y^e 27 day 1701 It being Monday we Rid verey hard ol day and of this night till 8 this morning cut our cabel and ftod to y^e weftard ondar an Ifland and Caime to an anker againe fres gaile of wind nnw fom fnow and raine werey grait fea

* Saint Paul's Island in the Gulf of St. Lawrence.

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Octobar ye 28 day

It being tufday at 2 to daye hift out our bot and went afhor fres gaile of wind at n° and nne^t and fnow at 12 to night got in or bot againe thick wather fresh gale at nne

Octobar ye 29 day 1701

It being wednefday at 12 to daye waid our anker and ftod to y^e weftord fres gaile of wind at nne and n^o: Cors from this Ifland w. and wfw till we Caime to y^e Ifland of fon Jons as we Jodge diftanc 12 Legs at 7 to night Caime ay daye went at nº 2 to gaine nne

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to anker againe vnder ye Island of fon Jons* Littill wind at nnw: and nw. at 6 this morning waid our anker againe, this Island of fon Jons makes hi Land to ye west hiland to ye eftd and femes to goine to ye Land at ye weftord Cors frome San Jons Island s.e.b.s. distanc 8 Legs to ye Gut of Canfar.† At 11:40 This morning Caime to ye Gut of Cansar It is about 4 mils wid at ye mouth Cors op a Long fle Cloudy wather--wind at w^t

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* Now, Prince Edward's Island. † Gut of Canfo.

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October ye 30 day 1701

It being thorfday Cloudy wather at 12 to day a canew Caime abord of us Cors along threw this gut of Canfer ffe at 4 to daye Caime to anc^r about 4 Legs threw y^e gut and Laye thare till 8 this morning at 10 to day Caime downe a Long the wind at nne: thick wather at y^e mouth of this gut makes Islands to y^e eftord with Cors 1e out aftar you Com to ye Iflands at 10 to day Caime out of y^e gut Cours ofer to ye Litil gut of Canfar febs diftanc 9 Legs

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October ye 31: 1701.

It being friday At 12 to day Caime threw y^e Litill gut a Canfar Cors a Long fhore from Canfar harbor: wbs: to whithed * at 2 to daye Reft manfel hand forfel fres gaile of wind at nw. Cors til 4 wbs Cors this 24 hours: wfw: Diftanc from Cancar 35 Legs

November y^e 1: 1701 being Satorday at 12 to day tacked and flod to y^e nord

*An Island on the S. E. Coast of Nova Scotia.

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Cors nne at 4 to daye tackt ageine Cors fwbw. at 2 to night tacked againe wind at fw. Cors nwbw till 12 to day ftod in and maid Lahaif* Diftanc from Cancar 55 Legs

Nouember y^e 2, 1701

It being Sunday At 12 to day Run Into Lahaif thick wather fres gaile of wind at wfw^t at 1. Reft mains At 2 to day Caime to ancur In Lahaif wind at wfw at 8 to night waid our anker againe

* La Heve; now Lunenburgh, Nova Scotia. tackt 2 to nd at 12 to haif* Legs

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ye wind at nnw faire wather Litil wind Cors wfw till 10 this morning Calme: at 11 ye wind Caime up at wfw: and fw fres gail diftance from Canfer harbr to port broton 65

Nouember ye 3. 1701

It being monday at 12 to day Caime to anker In port broton fres gaile of wind at wfw f ir wather diftanc from Canfar to port broton 85 Legs

Nouember y^e 4 1701 It being tuseday faire wather fres gaile of wind at wnw we lay thare all this day

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Nouember y^e 5 daye 1701

It being wenfday at 8 this morning waid our anker againe in port broton y^e wind at nw fres gaile of wind at 12 verd Round to s: and s.s.w: we ftod in againe at 2 Reft mains: we brock one of our frouds

Nouember y^e 6, 1701

It being thorfday at 8 this morning maid Cape neger fres gaile of wind at nnw uery hafey wather, at 11 to day bor away for port Rofeeway at 12 to day Caime to ancur In port Rofaway faire wather fres gaile Distance from Cancer 95 Legs.

Nouember y^e 7 day 1701 It being friday Lay In Port Rofaway.*

Nouember ye 8 day 1701

It being Satorday ye wind at nnw fres gaile and thick of inow At 8 this morning waid our anker in port Rofaway at 12 to day we wor up with Cape fabls uery thick of fnow Cors from port Rofaway fwbw to Cap Sable

* On S. W. Coaft of Nova Scotia.

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Nouember y^e 9: 1701

It being Sunday thick wather fnow fres gaile of wind at nwbn Cors thos 24 hors fwbw dift 84 Legs meridon Dift 69^m Diftanc Latt^d 46^m Latt^d by Jodgment 43---40

November 10 day 1701

It being munday this 24 hours fres gaile of wind at nnw and nbw grait fea and thick wather fnow Cors till 6 fwbw dift Legs at 6 tacked we had bot 12 faddams watar Jodg to be on fon gorgs^{*} and

* St. George's Bank.

r waind nors don 46^m -40 r 24 at and till ced tar ftod to y^e norod Cors ne---till 8 this morning y^e wind did away diftance 9 Legs Cors this 24 hours wbn diftanc 27 meridion diftanc 28 diffr Latt^d 5 holl meridon diftance from Cap fabls 96^{ml} Latt^d by Jodgment 43---05

Nouember y^e 11 daye 1701

It being tufday this 24 hours litill wind and 1moth watar Cors this 24 hours nwbn diftanc 89^m meridon diftanc 55 Diffr Latt 65 hol meridon diftanc from Cap fabls 151 Latt^d by Judgment 44---05

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Nouember y^e 12 1701

It being wenday This 24 hours uerey haifey wather and fome Raine Litill winds at wbs Cors this 24 hours Diftanc 48 meridon Diftanc 44^m hole meridon diftanc difr Latt 18 from Cap fabls to Cape pane^{*} 195^m at 12 laft night y^e wind Caime up at nne fres gaile and fome Raine at 8 this morning Eckamenticos[†] and ftod fbw of or for Cap Cod at 10 to tacked againe and ftod for Cap an

* Cape Ann.

† Agamenticus, now York, New Hampshire.

²⁴ at Dif-4^m att ape ght fres 8 os[†] Cap

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Nouember ye 13 day 1701

It being thorfday At 1 to day Caime to an anker in Cap an thick wather the wind at ene fres gaile at 2 this morning waid our anker againe and went out thick wather y^e wind at ne and ftod ofor for Cape Cod at 6 tacked and ftod in for failum* at 8 Caime to anker within y^e mifery[†]

* Salem.

† Mifery Ifland, off Salem Harbor. It is joined to Little Mifery Ifland by a Bar at half Tide.

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Nouember y^e 14 day 1701 It being friday thick wather y^e wind at ne and fum Raine day hift out our bot and went afhor grait fea and ftof har at 4 maid our anker againe and Ran up

Nouember ye 15 day 1701

It being faturday at 3 this morning Caime to faile againe Litil wind at ene Cors from failam harbor fe to Cape Cod at 8 maid Cape Cod, a 12 to day we wos up with y^e hy Land of y^e Cape (27)

Nouember ye 16th

It being funday faire wather at 6 Came to anker of againft webs Ifland* Litil wind at ene: fair wather at 8 ofor by^e fandy

* When the English first fettled upon the Cape (Malebarre) there was an Island off Chatham, at three Leagues Distance, called Webb's Island, containing twenty Acres, covered with red Cedar or Savin. This Island has been wholly worn away for almost a Century. A large Rock that was upon the Island, and which settled as the Earth washed away, now marks the Place. It rifes as much above the Bottom of the Sea, as it used to rife above the Surface of the Ground. The Water is fix Fathoms deep on this Spot.—Mass. Mag., iii, 151.

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pynt^{*} Cors from fyl Iflands[†] to Capoge[‡] wfw at 4 to day Caime to anker in Martanvenerd

* Cape Malebar, or Sandy Point, South of Cape Cod.

† Seal Islands, Nova Scotia. ‡ Cape Poge, on the east End of Martha's Vineyard.

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W^{CH} drove on fhore at Mantauke as a Wrecke not having any p^rfon on Board her the Twenty third Day of November 1701 and fo was ceafed by Jofiah Hobart by a Power Given him by the Hon^{ble} Coll William Smith thereunto authorized by his Late Excellency the Earle of Bellomont Deceafed w^{ch} Acc^t was taken before

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the faid Coll Smith and the goods furendred unto him and by him depofited in the hands of the faid Capt Jofiah Hobart and Mr Abraham Schellenx, To Anfwer the Law as the Government fhall direct

The Sloope wth her ftanding Riging

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1 hh^d of Brandy
18 Quarter Cafk of Brandy
4 hh^{ds} of Claret
60^{lb} of Beaver ftones
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3 Beaver skins & a Papoofe

I Doz of Catt skins: 2 Otters

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1 p^s of Broad Canvas

18 p^s and Two remnants of feverall forts of ftuff

7 peeces of Cullerd Demity

8 p^s of stript Kentings

4 p^s or Remnants of Alligars

3 Remnants of Dyed callica

4 P^s of musling or Rem-

4 Printed Callico Carpetts

2 bundles of Beads

9 P^s of Printed lining or callico and a Remnant

A Remnant of Light Colored Broad cloth 14 yards

12 ps of Stuff and two Remnants

A parcel of tobacco

I Ps of Light cullered fhaloone

The Eight p^s of Kenting and three p^s of Remnants of muslin remain in possession of Coll William Smith^{**}

*WILLIAM SMITH, commonly known as "Tangier" Smith, was born in England in 1655. After having been for fome Time Governor of Tangiers, he came to New York and fettled at Brookhaven, L. I., and in 1693 had his Property there erected into a Manor, by the Title of St. George's Manor. He filled various important Offices in the Colony, and died Feb. 18, 1705. Cos two

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Rec^d the Goods aboue of William Smith for the Ends and intents afore f^d atteft our hands

JOSIAH HOBART ABRAHAM SCHELLENX* November the 27th 1701

Wee Jofiah Hobart and Abraham Schellenx doe owne that wee haue this 29th day of

* ABRAHAM SCHELLINGER, of Eafthampton. He was in the Commission of the Peace from 1702 to 1712. He made a Voyage in 1711 from Easthampton to New York in Command of his own Sloop, which was embargoed there on account of the Expedition against Canada. His Will is dated 7 March, $17^{0.9}_{1.0}$, and he died, it is inferred, about 1712.

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Novem^{br} deliuered Vnto Let^t Charles Oliver the above p^rticulers: according to the order of the Honor^{ble} John Nanfan Efq^r Let^t gov^r of y^e p^rvince of N. York

JOS HOBART ABRAHAM SCHELLINX

Received the above goods from L^t Oliver into his Majeftys Cuftom houfe this 18 dec, 1701

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5 December 1701 East Hampton } Before Mee Josiah Hobart one of his Majesty's Justices Let^t rtider fan nce

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of peace William Rofe made oath that he being at Meantauke to helpe to fave goods out of the wreck that was Caft on fhore there he faw Landed there out of her twentythree or twenty foure fmall Cafke: fix hheds: a p^e of Red Cloath and a parcell of bever ftones in a box as he the deponant Judged to be about two third parts full, & a bever coate or coverled

taken the day aboue f^d Coram me

JOS. HOBART.

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East Hampton the 11th day of Decemb^r 1701

Mr Abraham Schelenx Vpon oath teftifies that thofe papers Viz. the Jornall and the paper of the accompt of the goods Landed from the floop Mary & taken on bord her, wear handed to him on bord the fayd floope when fhe Lay on fhore at Meantauke & affirmed to be taken out of the Mates Cheft whofe name is John Maher and they gaue him that refon becaufe within the fayd Cheft was a booke with fayd Mayher his Name in it and further this deponant fayth not. This deposition taken the day above fayd Coram me JOS HOBART.*

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* JOSIAH HOBART, of Easthampton, L I., was one of the Patentees of that Town, according to the Grant made by Gov. Dongan in 1686. He was Sheriff of Suffolk County from 1685 to 1689, and from 1691 to 1699. He was fubfequently in the Commission of the Peace from 1700 to 1711. In May, 1695, he obtained a confirmatory Grant of eight Acres of Upland, which is defcribed as bounded fouthwardly by the home Lot of Daniel Bishop, north by Thomas Edwards, weft by the town Street of Easthampton, and east by the town Swamp, together with two Acres of falt Meadow, next unto that of William Scaliger. His Death is fuppofed to have occurred about the Year 1711 or 1712.

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Jn° Wick's affidavit aged 40 teftifyeth that he and Doct^r Wade ware imployed by the March^t of y^e floop about 80 tuns being drove on fhore a little Eaftwad of Southampton we did houfe into Cap^t Mulfords^{*} ware houfe 6 bails one

* SAMUEL MULFORD was born in Salem, Mafs., in 1645. He was the Son of John Mulford, who was one of the firft Settlers of the Town of Eafthampton, Commiflioner of Indian Affairs on the eaft End of Long Ifland, Juftice of the Peace for the County of Suffolk, 1665-1673, and Reprefentative for that County in the firft Affembly of New York in 1683. On this laft Occafion Samuel was chofen, with others, a Delegate to felect fuch Reprefentative. In 1686, certain Parties (39)

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had obtained an Order from the Governor and Council that Land be laid out for them in the Town. Against this Order a strong Protest was drawn up, figned by Samuel Mulford, the Recorder of the Town, and by Beat of Drum, published and affixed upon the Wall of their Meeting Houfe. An Information was filed against all concerned in the "Scandalous and Libellous paper," and they were ordered profecuted, but with what Refult is not known. In 1689, Mr. Mulford was appointed by Lieut. Gov. Leifler, Juffice of the Peace for Suffolk County, and continued in the Commission until 1712. He represented his County in the Affembly from 1705 to 1720, and foon took a prominent Pofition in public Affairs. The Governors, by Virtue of a Claufe in their Commission, claimed the Fourteenth of all Oil and Bone procured from

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Whales caught at Sea, and required Whalemen to take out Licenses. Capt. Mulford vifited England during Lord Cornbury's Administration to procure Relief from this Exaction. He fucceeded fo far that nothing was demanded of, nor paid by the Whalemen until the Accession of Gov. Hunter, who revived the Claim and caufed an Action to be inftituted in the Supreme Court against Mr. Mulford and others in 1712, for having converted the Queen's Property to their own Ufe. This Suit was carried from Court to Court as many as fifteen or fixteen Times, and finally Judgment was given and Execution iffued by Ch. Juffice Morris against the Defendants, who were mulcted in heavy Damages and Cofts. The Houle of Affembly next became the Theatre of Capt. Mulford's Action. On 2d April, 1714, the Houfe being in Committee on the Governor's (41)

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Speech, Capt. Mulford referred to fome ill Measures that had been taken, and afked for Juffice. This Speech was fubfequently printed; fome Time after which the Affembly was diffolved and a new one elected, to which Capt. Mulford, then nearly 70 years of age, was again returned. In violation of all parliamentary Law, this new Houfe expelled him on 2d June, 1715, "for printing, without Leave of the Houfe, a Speech formerly made to the Affembly, in which are many falfe and fcandalous Reflections upon the Governor." And the next Week he was indicted for a high Mifdemeanor, but the Grand Jury refused to find a Bill. Attorney General Jamifon then filed an Information against him for printing and publishing the above Speech, and he was obliged to give Security in the Sum of £500, that he fhould attend the Court, and not depart without

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Leave. The Affembly being again diffolved, Capt. Mulford was reëlected for Suffolk, and took his Seat in the new House in June, 1716; and on 21ft Aug. following the Affembly prefented an Address to Gov. Hunter, praying that the Profecution against Capt. Mulford should be difcontinued. The Governor declined to comply unlefs Mr. Mulford fhould acknowledge that he had fet out a falfe Libel, and This the Captain perempapologife. torily refused, as he could prove all he alleged in his Speech. "The worft of it was, it was too true." After the House rose in September, Capt. Mulford again proceeded to England to complain of Gov. Hunter, who, on hearing of his Departure, transmitted a Despatch to the Lords of Trade, in which he reprefented the Complainant as "the only Mutineer at prefent" in the Province, and a

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Fugitive from Justice. On his arrival in England, Capt. Mulford drew up and prefented "A Memorial of Several Aggrievances and Oppreffions of His Majefty's Subjects in the Colony of New York, in America." This Paper, which was referred to the Board of Trade, was printed in England, and a number of Copies communicated to Members of the Houfe of Commons. In September, 1717, Gov. Hunter called the attention of the Affembly to this "very strange Memorial," and the Houfe voted it "a most false, malicious and scandalous paper," demanded that the Author be brought to Juffice, and, alluding to Capt. Mulford, declared that, "tho one of the Affembly of this Colony, he is very much a Stranger to the Affairs and Interests of it, and, to promote his

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beloved Connecticut, an Enemy to it." Further Action was, however, interrupted by the adjournment of the Legiflature; and in the following Spring, Gov. Hunter was ordered to ceafe all Proceedings against Mr. Mulford, or his Sureties. "The incouragement Mr. Mulford and fome others met with from fome great Men" so difgusted His Excellency that he refolved to return to England. Gov. Burnet met the Affembly in 1720, and early in the Seffion, Capt. Mulford objected to the legality of the House, but upon what Grounds does not appear; and refuting to fit and act with it, he was expelled a fecond Time on the 26th October. He now returned for the last Time to his Constituents, to whom he was endeared by his many and continuous Efforts in their Service, and died in 1725, aged 80 years.

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did deliver to Capt Abr: Howel ye fd goods and left fd Howel wth ye fd goods in ye woods wth Christiffer Foster Daniel Haley Richard Haley and where they fecured them Knows not, only feven [peices of cloath] hath Capt Howel deliured me for the reward of my labor pains and Expence in y^t fervis. for w^{ch} cloath I afterward did receiue a boy of 9 or 10 years of age, ye w^{ch} is to ferve me 13 years and for f^d boy according to obligation deliuer those 7 peeces wthout furth^r reward: alfo the master of f^d floop deliuer^d to

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me an Eleven peices of wolen fluff and Linnin cloaths: y^e w^{ch} by f^d Mafters ord^r I aft^r did deliuer to Cap^t Howels fon Abr: and where fecur'd I Know not: The f^d deliueryes and agreements were Contracted and made before any directions or ord^r from Government to me in y^e premifes olen : y^e aft^r wels r'd I cryes Conany Goemi-

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Hunting toune, March 19, 1702. John Wick* appeared before me and gaue upon oath y^e truth of y^e aboue written [JOHN] WOOD Juft

* JOHN WICK, of Southampton, Yeoman, was Sheriff of Suffolk County from October, 1699, to October, 1700, and from December 20, 1701, to October, 1702, and a Magistrate of the County from 1702 until his Death. His Will, on File in the Office of the Clerk of the Court of Appeals, Albany, is dated 15th Dec., 1718; from which it appears that his Wife's Name was Temperance. He had five Sons, viz: Job, John, Henry, Daniel and James, and two Daughters, Temperance and Edith. Provision was made in the Will that John "be brought up to learning at College." He accordingly entered Yale, where he graduated in 1722.

$\left.\begin{array}{c} \textit{Eafthampton, Dec}^{r} \\ \textit{The } 4^{\textit{th}} 1701. \end{array}\right\}$

MEMORANDUM---Taken out of my Pocket Book, being The names of the men That Watched the goods upon the Beatch att Meantauke Belonging To The Sloop Mary Drove on Shore here The 24th Nov^{br} 1701.

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Nath¹¹ Baker Was y^e first That Went on board y^e Sloope after Wray of Block Island, as I have been Informed.

The names of y^e men That helped To unlade y^e Sloope &c.

David Conklin

John Lupton Jofiah Garlick Lewis Conklin John Perfons Will Rofe

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The mens names That Carted y^e goods from Meantauke to Eafthampton Sam^{ll} Perfons Jun^r Rob^t Eaton, Jun^r John Wheeler Jun^r Hedges Will^m Schellenxs' Teeme & horfes, But not himfelfe.

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