

racess, but my friends advised me not, as It was expected C. S. C. many of Capt. Andrew's men would be there, and I should be used ill. I complained to many of the Committee, and in particular to Capt. Daffen and M<sup>r</sup> Ennals who told me the night I came away they were sorry I was so ill used, but that it was out of their power to help it, and advised me to apply to your Honours, who I hope will find my Conduct in this matter to have been such as will not disgrace the warrant you Honoured me with, which conduct I am determined to pursue in any station you may think proper to place me in, if it is only a private, and hope that the trifling eregularities I have some years ago committed, may not prevent me from being prefer'd according to the services I have, and am willing to render in the present dispute.

January 5<sup>th</sup> 1777.

Thomas Sparrow

The deposition of Levin Todd of Dorchester County aged about thirty years being sworn on the holy Evangelists of Almighty God, saith, that he was present at the Corps Battalion of Militia of Dorchester County aforesaid, when Thomas Sparrow was recruiting there. That he heard some dispute between the said Sparrow, and a certain Edward Pearson, but on what subject this Deponent Cannot tell.

That this Deponent very soon after the said dispute began left the Battalion and further saith not.

This 3<sup>d</sup> January 1777.

Taken before me,  
Tho<sup>s</sup> Brooke Hodgkin

The Deposition of Jacob Todd of Dorchester County aged about 20 years being duly sworn saith, That he was present at the Corps Battalion of Militia of Dorchester County aforesaid, when Thomas Sparrow was recruiting there That he heard some dispute between the said Sparrow and William Shorter upon which Sparrow told Shorter he was a tory, but Shorter said to make the worst of him he was only half a tory. That this Deponent thought the said Shorter did not behave himself well and reprimanded him, and soon after left the Place, and further saith not.

This 3<sup>d</sup> January 1777.

Taken before me,  
Tho<sup>s</sup> Brooke Hodgkin.

[Stephen Steward to Council.]

Gentellman.

West River January the 5<sup>th</sup> 1777.

I hear inclose you Lux and Bowley's letter, you will thare observe the congress has taken the cable I had maid for the Galley, at this rate it is impossible for me to tell when I shall