

(The following endorsement appears on the back of the foregoing Letter) Viz.^t

“On the 27.th Apr. Ch.^s Allen M^r of the Sloop Speedwell Square Sterned built in New England in 1760 and Registered at Rhode Island 26th Nov: 1771—owned by Solomon and Zachariah Allen, Ent^d at the Custom House in Annapolis, and reported her Cargo to be 1500 Barrels of Salt from Turks Island and Nothing else.”

This Board also advised his Excellency to Send a Copy of the following Letter, which he laid before them to the honourable the Commrs at Boston.

(The Letter last Mentioned is not among the file of papers.)

APPENDIX III

(2)

LETTER FROM ROBERT MORETON TO [GOV. ROBERT EDEN],
MAY 10, 1773

May it please your Excellency—

Notwithstanding your Letter to M.^r Plowman the Mob continued so Violent against and still threatning my Life I was under the necessity of making my Escape for Boston—And as I am recognized in the Penalty of fifty pounds to appear against one John Pitts for Shooting M.^r Ross the Goaler I am apprehensive the Court will take advantage of my Absence and distrain upon my Goods for the Penalty—I am therefore to request that your Excellency will be pleased to intercede with the Court at Baltimore not to take advantage of my Absence as I can make Oath that my Life was in danger if I had not absented myself.

Sir, I am with great Respect
Your Excellency's

Most Obed.^t Humble Servant

Robert Moreton

Philadelphia 10.th May 1773

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APPENDIX III

(3)

EXTRACT OF A LETTER FROM M^r ROBERT MORETON PREVENTIVE
OFFICER AT BALTIMORE IN MARYLAND TO THE COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CUSTOMS AT BOSTON DATED THE 28.TH MAY 1773

“In the Morning of the 26.th Ultimo, I boarded the Sloop Speedwell from Turks Island, belonging to Zachariah and Soloman Allen of Rhode Island, Charles Allen Master (she not being Entered) I searched her and then returned home, and in the Evening, being apprehensive she might have Prohibited Goods concealed under the

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