

Mr. DRAPER,

Please to insert the following in your next Paper.

Mr. JOHN MEIN having publish'd in the Boston Chronicle of Monday last, the Name of John Avery as an Importer of China and British Linnen from London, in the Brigantine Sakey, Isaac Coleman, Master.

We do hereby declare, that we, or either of us, have not by ourselves, or any for, or under us, directly or indirectly, imported any kind of Goods, Wares, or Merchandize from London or any other Part of Great-Britain, for more than two Years last past; and if either of our Names are inserted in the Cockets or Manifest of said Brigantine, it was done without our Consent, or having the least Knowledge or Information thereof.

We have thought it necessary to make this publick Declaration, in order to clear ourselves from the foul Imputation of having imported Goods contrary to the salutary Agreement and united Sentiments of the Merchants.

JOHN AVERY,
JOHN AVERY, jun^r.

IN THE BOSTON CHRONICLE OF Monday

last, Mr. John Mein has publish'd my Name as an Importer of a Trunk of Goods from London, in the Brigantine Sakey, Isaac Coleman, Master :

Now I do hereby declare that I have not imported one single Article of Goods from Great-Britain contrary to the Agreement of the Merchants, and I do further declare, that the said Trunk of Goods, without my Knowledge or Consent, was directed to my Care to be sent to John Harris, Esq; at Amapolis-Royal, I accordingly sent the said Trunk of Goods, and now have Mr. Harris's Letter acknowledging the Receipt thereof.

FRANCIS JOHANNOT.

Whereas my Name is in the Manifest of the Cargo of the Ship Glasgow, published by Mr John Mein, in his Chronicle of the 28th Instant : I hereby declare, that the mentioned two Boxes of Linens, were sent contrary to my express Orders, but conditionally consign'd; that as a Subscriber with the Merchants I could not receive them; And that the Linens never have been in my Possession, but were deliver'd according to Order without my having to this Day even seen the Packages or their Contents.

Boston 30th Aug. 1769.

BENJA. ANDREWS, jun^r.

Mr. DRAPER, Please to publish the following. W. P.

WHEN I first undertook to convince the Public of the misrepresentations of Mr. John Mein, Printer, Bookeller, Stationer, and Publisher of the BOSTON CHRONICLE, I had no intention to engage in a paper controvertly with that Gentleman, whose superiority of abilities, corporeal as well as mental, I view with the most profound reverence, and whose arguments *aposteriori* have heretofore had a striking effect, and been very sensibly felt by some of his opponents; but as he has condescended to take some little notice of me in his publication of Monday last, I hope his candour will permit me to offer a few observations upon his managerial performance.

What I publish'd in Mr. Draper's Gazette, was the result of cool deliberation. I think I "considered the matter thoroughly," and carefully weighed ever circumstance. The objection brought by Mr. John Mein more than once occurred to my mind, and was greatly enforced by some who would gladly have presented the publication; but still a regard for the reputation of my injured "MASTER" rose superior to every other consideration, and as he was not upon the spot to vindicate himself, I thought I was bound in duty to do it for him in the best manner I was capable: How far I have succeeded in the attempt the impartial public must, and will judge.

Mr. John Mein introduces his elaborate performance with a Copy of the Cocket attested by two of the Officers of the Customs here. At first sight it appeared that Mr. Hancock had imported a large quantity of Stuffs, Gloves, Haberdashery, &c. and it is apparent that this Idea was intended to be convey'd. This is another instance of Mr. John Mein's artful management; but I call upon him to explain his meaning, if he has any; and to declare to the world like an honest man, whether any more than the five Bales mark'd I H No. 1 to 5, were consign'd to Mr. Hancock.

Mr. John Mein's declared purpose in inserting this Cocket was to shew, that either a fraud was committed by the Shipper in London, or that Mr. Hancock had imported Linens contrary to his agreement, and I had perjured myself to cover the *Jalazy*: A pretty insinuation indeed, and quite consistent with Mr. John Mein's profession of candor and decency,—of which extraordinary virtues he has given many remarkable instances. The Shipper of the Goods mentioned in the Cocket will no doubt be greatly obliged to Mr. John Mein for his intended Compliment. If a fraud was committed, it must have been from some prospect of

have instantly imposed upon the Public, by importing a large quantity of British Goods at the very time when they were declaring publicly their agreement was strictly adhered to. In my poor opinion it matters not one farthing what errors are made in the Cockets, it is the Custom-House Officers business to see to that; the only point in question is, whether the Merchants have actually broke through their engagements, or not? It plainly appears from the Merchants accounts, and even the account exhibited by Mr John Mein himself (making deductions for his and his coadjutor's blunders and errors) that the agreement has been as generally and strictly adhered to, as was possible from the nature of so extensive an undertaking, notwithstanding all the opposition it has met with from a few individuals. It was the design of Governor B—, as appears by his Letters, to make administration believe that the importations were, and would be as great as ever, and that the Merchants could not possibly hold to their agreement; if this be the design of Mr. John Mein, I beg leave to acquaint him that it is very probable he will miss his aim; they have the Means of information within themselves, and the Custom-House Books in London will always shew whether the exports have been as usual, without receiving information from C—nO—r's their *birdlings* or dependants. In short this whole affair from the beginning has carried with it all the marks of low management, and seems to be the joint contrivance and last efforts of a contemptible expiring faction.

I cannot leave this subject without acquainting Mr. John Mein that he need not have taken so much pains, and exhausted his inimitable rallery in acquainting the World that I am a *servant* to Mr. Hancock. I took no pains to conceal it myself. I rejoice in the Character, and had much rather be considered as Mr. Hancock's Clerk (or *servant* if Mr. John Mein pleases) than be look'd upon as the *dirtyest* tool of the *dirtyest* party: Whether Mr. John Mein is a *principal* in the business he carries on here, or only an *hire'd* servant (as some strongly suspect) I will not pretend to say; if he has a *Master* of any tolerable reputation, I am sure he will never thank Mr. Mein for the part he has acted in affronting a whole community, the ill effects of which his *Master* or he (or perhaps both) will undoubtedly feel in a very sensible manner; but be my station in life ever so mean, or in Mr. John Mein's opinion ever so despicable, I flatter myself that my Character in the estimation of all *honest* men, is at least upon a footing with his, for no one can charge ME with uttering a falsehood in the face of a public assembly, and I have the vanity to think my Oath will have full as much weight with the public as his bare declaration or any official attestation whatever.

As Mr. Mein has tho't proper to declare that he will "never enter into a Dispute with a *servant* except when "his *Master* is absent," I shall now inform him that my *Master* Mr. Hancock is expected in Town this week, which I think myself bound in honor to mention to Mr. John Mein that he may not be betrayed unwarily into a continued dispute with one so much beneath his notice. However, I shall leave with him the following Lines I lately met with, and which make a strong impression upon my mind.

"Henceforward let him not deceive himself,
"And cry "I'm safe, he can say nought of me."
"I charge him that he err not, and forbear
"To urge me farther; for I've more, much more,
"Which now shall be o'erlook'd, but shall be known
"If he pursue his *standers* as before.

Boston, Aug. 29. 1769. Wm. Palfrey.

Although the Publisher of this Paper has repeatedly declared his Aversion to insert any party Disputes, and personal Reflections, and has avoided them as much as possible; yet when the Times are such that Persons of Character and the best Credit among us are openly attacked, he thinks himself not blameable when any Vindication is offered, to give it a Place, especially when the Vindicator is so fair as to publish his Name: And if any Thing severe appears in such Replication surely no Gentleman can think that the Rejoinder should be on the Publisher, unless he be the Author likewise.

Mr. DRAPER,

The Subscriber observing an Advertisement in your Paper of Thursday April 20, 1769, bearing Date at Bolton, April 17, 1769, setting forth that I did not provide comfortable Necessaries of Life for my Wife, and that I left her alone at considerable Distance from Inhabitants: I think it my Duty to inform the Public of the false Representations in that Advertisement,—I being disposed to let my self to Labour, I provided a Girl to live with my Wife, but she would not consent to keep her, and I left her within forty or fifty Rods of a Neighbour, and carried to her twice as much Provisions as my Neighbour thought necessary for her comfortable Subsistence; after this my Wife complained she was not comfortably provided for, which is known to me and others to be false and so belied by my Neigh-

JUST PUBLISHED,
And Sold by T. LEVERETT, in Cornhill, and N. HOWES, opposite the Old-Brick Meeting-House,

Fenning's Universal Spelling-Book: Or, a New and Easy Guide to the English Language. Containing,

I. Tables of Words in one, two, three, and four Syllables; with natural & easy Lessons in each, adapted to the Capacity of Children from three Years old and upwards, and yet so, that such as can already read, may receive sensible Instruction thereby: Being diversified with a Variety of Lessons both moral and divine, as also Fables and pleasant Stories, in order to improve the Mind and Understanding.

II. A very easy and approved Guide to English Grammar, by Way of Question and Answer, for the Use of Schools as well as private Persons, and by which they may very soon become acquainted with the Knowledge of the English Tongue, with very little Trouble and Application.

III. A Collection of near 5000 of the most useful Words of two, three, and four Syllables, viz. Noun Substantives, Adjectives and Verbs (placed alphabetically under their respective Heads) which are accented and explained for the better instructing of Youth, and Information of such Persons as would know the Meaning of what they read and write; being a useful Instructor for the School, Shop, or Counting-House.

IV. Many useful Things necessary to help the young Beginner, and inform the more grown up Youth, with a Variety of Alphabetical Copies, and Writing-Pieces, both in Prose and Verse, &c.

V. Chronological Tables of the Monarchs & Kings of England; and other the most remarkable Occurrences in sacred and prophane History, with some short Remarks upon the seven stages of life, which are not only improving to the Mind and Morals; but may be of great Service to prevent Youth from falling a Sacrifice to the common Temptations of Life and their own unguarded Passions.

At the above Shops may be had, Dilworth's; and other Spelling-Books, Tate & Brady's Psalms, Watts's Psalms and Hymns, well printed, and Sold as cheap as can be bought at any Shop or Store in Town.

Whereas on the 12th of August

in the Evening, some evil-minded Person stole out of a Chamber in Cornhill, and carried away the following Articles, being a Woman's Apparel, viz.

A flower'd silk Gown—A dark Calico short Gown—A Callico Skirt of a Gown—A dark Camblet Riding-Hood—A black silk Capuchin—A flower'd striped Lawn Apron—A Pair black Ruffel Shoes.

Whoever will discover the Thief so that he or she be brought to Justice and convicted, shall have a Guinea Reward. If any of the above Articles is offered for Sale, it is desired they may be stop'd, and Notice given to the Printer hereof.

Ten Dollars Reward.

ON Friday Night last was Stole out of the Stable of Col. Joseph Goldthwait in Weston, a large Bay Horse fifteen Hands high, having a white Spot in his Face, also an English made quilted Saddle, with a Bridle: Any Person who shall bring said Horse to said Goldthwait at his House in Weston, or to Ezekiel Goldthwait, Esq; in Boston, shall receive the above Reward, with all necessary Charges: And whoever discovers the Thief shall upon a legal Conviction have TEN DOLLARS more. August 29th 1769.

A convenient store on the south

Side of the Town-Dock, TO BE LETT.
Enquire of the Printer.

TO BE SOLD,

By Order of the Superior Court,

The Real Estate of **Mary Bright-**man, deceased, consisting of a Dwelling-House and Land, in Fifth Street, opposite to the Estate of the late Mr. John Brewster. For further Particulars enquire of Sampson Mason, living in Wing's Lane.

If said Estate is not sold at private Sale, before the 14th September, it will then be Sold at Publick Vendue on the Premises. Boston, August 15, 1769.

A young Man that can be well

recommended, wants a Place with either a single Gentleman or in a Family, can dress Hair or Wiggs, and do all other Business in a House.

N.B. Can attend a Pair of Horses or drive a Carriage. Enquire at Mr. Kelly's Hair-dresser, opposite the London Book-Store, King Street

Good LIMES, yellow or green,

by the large or small Quantities, at the Rate of Half-Pittaren per Dozen, Likewise, ORANGES, Very good Lime-juice, and Shrub to put into Punch.

gain, and unless he can prove (which, if it is a fact, may easily be made to appear from the Custom-House Books in London) that the Shipper actually received an advantage from it, this insinuation must meet with the fate of many others of his of the like nature, and be treated with the contempt it justly deserves. If Mr John Mein had accounted for it as a mere error of some blundering Custom-house Clerk, it might have gain'd more credit with the public, and would have been more consistent with his boasted professions of candor and decency. It must be peculiarly mortifying to Mr. John Mein and his associates, to find the public pays so little regard to their calumnies, and that the mischief they intended for others should return seven-fold into their own bosoms. If he would condescend to take advice from a person so infinitely beneath him, as he takes me to be, I would seriously advise him never to resume his Pen 'till he has made himself a thorough Master of his Subject.

From the whole tenor of Mr. John Mein's conduct it is evident his intention is, to endeavour to make it appear to the World that the Merchants of Bolton

bours; after which Ephraim Fairbanks carried her away from my House, for which Fact and other Abuses I determine to punish in the Law.

New-Marlbrough, July 18. 1769. Jabez W Bears.
Telt. Benja. Tucker, jun. Mark.
Isaac McAllester.

Mr. DRAPER, WE theSubscribers observing anAdvertisement in yourPaper of Thursday April 20. 1769, bearing Date at Bolton April 17, 1769, setting forth that Jabez Bears is taken up as an idle vagrant Person and ordered to labour by the Selectmen of Bolton, We think it proper to inform thePublick, that Jabez Bears has been resident with us ever sinceDecember last, and is not controuled in any wife by any of the above Selectmen, and he works well and is saving of hisMoney, and is to have for a Years Service Fifty-four Dollars; and we think theirAdvertisement to be groundless, and very prejudicial to the Man's Character.

Province of New-Hampshire, Moses Goddard.
New-Marlbrough, July 18. Caleb Tucker
1769. Moses Tucker.

at Ten Shillings O. T. per Quart each; and
LISBON LEMMONS, Rich Fruit, SOLD BY

John Crosby

AT the Basket of Lemmons, where my Customers and others may depend on being constantly well Uted, and as cheap by the Dozen, as the Quantity be it ever so large. When a considerable Quantity of LISBON Lemmons arrives in Town, I shall aim to fix the lowest Price I can possibly sell them for.

Also, YAMS, LAMP-OIL.

J. CROSBY, Lemmon-Trader.

A small neat Assortment
of Coarse IRISH LINENS,

To be Sold exceeding cheap for ready Cash, at Mr. GRAVES's, near Mr. CRUFFS Wharf, North-End.
Likewise a neat Hand Organ, Sterling-Cost, 16 Guineas, none but Principals need apply.