

Sir,

Antigua Feb. 4th 1775

Have to Inform you of my Arrival here in 17 Days from Piscataqua, have Endeavoured to get a freight here but cannot on any terms, the Ship being so Large have taken boat likewise and been to Montserrat, Nevis and St. Kitts, but cannot find No man to take me up on Any terms. Capt. Joseph Jones is at Montserrat Capt. Chewers and Capt. Tho: Hart at Nevis, & Capt. Flagg at Deep bay St. Kitts, who retails his Lumber to the Planters for the Merchants will not take any Lumber Ship up at St. Kitts — Yesterday I got up from Leeward, but not without the loss of my Cloaths, but likewise a Great risk of my life — for the Night before Last they run the Vessel on a Rock to leeward of this Island, where we tarried by her till 3 O'clock this Morning, when she burst to pieces, and having no boat, was Obliged to Pieces of the broken Vessel to a small Island at some distance, and were happily all saved — tomorrow Morning will proceed with the Ship to the Southward

Capt. Jones will Sail in All May I believe — likewise Capt. Nutter, Capt. Greenough is Arrived here and Capt. Windal has taken him up to Sail in All June, found Capt. Seawin here when I Arrived. Excuse haste from Sir

Your most humble Servt

Edm^d. Roberts

P.S. The Lucretia Proves to be every thing a man could wish in a Ship —

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Edmund Abbott

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Dated the
24th 1771

Mr. Joshua Wentworth

Merchant

Boston

Piscataqua