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Tuesday 26 - Pay'd & inside of the Waists
& the bulk head of the 2^d deck & the Counter
with red Ocre & tarr - have done nothing
towards finishing the paint works it being
a wet day - - arrived the Convoy of the
Warwick from Virginia, last - They touch'd
first at Charlestown where they landed three
full Regiments in a very critical time for
that place - as all their out ~~post~~ had been
drove in - & the Town began (it is said) to be
straitned for provision - on the arrival of
this Reinforcement Lord A - march'd
out - & ~~proceed~~ drove Mr G - to the north-
ward again - - My People skulk-
ing about for fear of a peep wch is expected
to be this evening or tomorrow morning

Wednesday 27. - a Wet Showery day - little or no-
thing doing - Thunder last night - 'tis observ-
able here That Thunder is almost constantly succe-
ed'd by an Ely wind & wet foggy weather for a day

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or two - In England. & most generally by -
dear weather & N.W. winds - - Two packets
arrived to day - April & May - -

Thursday 28 - Cloudy - rainy - Scraping
our masts - 'tis all we can do - - No prospect
of a Convoy nor can we go without -
The Authority here will not permit it -

Friday 29 - Finished painting - - We
are pleased this evening ^{with Repose} that ~~the~~ the Old
Admiral, Arbuthnot is going home is to
sail tomorrow morning early -
We hope it is true - Shall be all heartily glad
when he is gone

Saturday 30 - Nothing to do - put my two
Letters for London on ^{board} the Ship wch carries
home of Old Admiral - - The Medea from
Wf - 20 days out - took 1. 20 gun Ship - a
Sloop or Brig of 14 guns - & a Merchantman
Brig - a Little attention ~~would~~ to Boston
Bay would essentially distress the subjects of Con-