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Tuesday 3. Capt Montgomery sailed for Glasgow -
 some ~~three~~ ^{ago} days, 'twas Reported That there were 25
 French Ships of the Line at Boston - we have now
 from authentic intelligence an acc^d from thence that
 there are ^{arrived at} only 13 ^{ch} of Port ^{ch} are part of Du Guesne's
 broken Squadron. one of them was lost going in - 10
 are Stripped for repairs & 2 are cruising in the bay
 - so that our fears of an Invasion of this Province
 are now over at least for this season -

Sunday 8 - Two days ago arrived two Bartels - one
 from Nantucket - wth only a single person who wanted
 to get here - he brings a Report of the British fleet
 being arrived at N York from the W Indies -
 The Other from Boston wth ab^t. 15 prisoners -
 They give us acc^d. of the very shattered Condition
 of the French ~~fleet~~ Ships w^{ch} had got there from
 the W Indies - by their acc^d. 'tis scarce possible to
 repair them fully 'till Spring - one Ship was
 lost on Lovel's Island in going thro' the Narrows

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This morning arrived from a cruise - the Savage
 & Atlanta -

My time lies very heavy on my hands - having nothing
 to do - For employment - I walk - when tired wth. That
 dead - & when tired wth that write - ~~write more~~ - -
 sometimes a good Creature who lives hard by sends
 for me to play at back gammon wth him - in
 doing of w^{ch} he does a very charitable action
~~the~~ without knowing it - But what is
 I want of all my finances run very low - I
 have no more cash - than 1 moidore 2 1/2 dollars
 & a guinea w^{ch}. nobody will take because there is
 a large slice of it edge cut off - - - & as to ways &
 means for a new Supply - I am without any
 for want of business - - - ~~However~~ 'tis an uncon-
 -fortable prospect - However I will still ^{hope} that
 something will turn up to sett me doing again