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be expedient to return. — easy
conquests being the Object in
view, & not a contention with
a too superior Force. —

signed

W^m Prescott

Sloop. Gen^l. Leslie April 1st
1779. at anchor off Elizabeth Island.
— after 10.

The whole force to proceed to Bedford
at 4 o'clock in the morning.

Major Upham, & M^r. Tupper
to go on shore at Naskewinna
— island & endeavor to obtain
intelligence respecting the
present situation of Bedford
& places in the fort.

Major Upham's intelligence is
That a man came this day from the
main & says that about ten days
agoe the people at Bedford had it

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it in contemplation to repair the
Fort & place about seventy men
in it. — he does not know that

either is effected, believes the contrary.

He also declares that the Providence
sloop has generally been there, but
he is uncertain whether she is there
now. ^{that there are several vessels of considerable}
~~the sloop there.~~

This intelligence confirms
the intention of going to Bedford
immediately. ^{several sail of vessels at}
^{Coast.}

The man from the main also
assures that there are no troops
in Falmouth, and that the in-
habitants of that place are entirely
destitute of bread. — That the people
in general are not in so high spirits
of late. That at Nantucket there
is large quantity of stores & a
considerable property in vessels.

Major Upham enquires. Whether

