

makes y^m less than their little selves. I desire in all, to approve mysef to the Lord, and faithfully to his people's interest, so as I perswade mys: would most reach and take yo' harts were you p'sent.

I crave yo' candid acceptance of what comes from a hart devoted to yo' service; & yo' speedy, seasonable return to what I have written, w^{ch} waiting for, I leave the whole matter wth the wise ordering, and remaine

Yo' Worps: most humble serv^t

SAMUEL APPLETON.

Hoping for y^e Return of o' Post from yo's: and y^t o' going forth last night might produce something of Consequence, we delayed the sending away this letter a day. But Providence hath denyed o' expectation & desires in both. Our Post is not come in, and we have wearied o's: wth a tedious night and morning's march, w^{thout} making any discovery of y^e enemy. Thus y^e Lord orders all things wisely, holily and well. May we but see, and close wth the goodnesse of his will, and waite for the working of all things together. It shall be peace at y^e latter end, to all y^t love God y^t are perfect ones, ffor w^{ch} praying & waiting, I am yo' servant as above. S: A.

Octo: 17: afternoone.

These for the Worp^h JOHN LEVERETT, Esq.,

Governor of the Massachusetts in Boston.

Hast — Hast — Post-Hast.