To the Author of the New-England Courant.

SIR,

I am of Opinion, that it may at some Times and on some Occasions be proper to expose the Vices and pernicious Principles of particular Perfons, especially when they themselves will endeavour (with Frowns or Flatters) to corrupt others thereby: And since I have met with some Things (in my Opinion) of less Consequence in your Paper, I presume you may be inclined to favour the Publick with the following Information, which I have lately receiv'd from credible Perfons: Viz. A certain Gentleman some time last Week, his Conversation (in the Hearing of divers Perfons) was Pleas'd to say, That he would make his Tenants to know that they should not be content for good Men for Representatives, such Men as he would have them vote for, or else he would turn them out of his Tenements. The whole of the Conversation would be too tedious to rehearse here; however, it has been Mater of considerable speculation in the Town. Some say, to choose honest Men and such as he would have them choose, is a contradiction in Terms. Others think he has a mind to be chose himself, but that he does not answer the Character. 'Twould be needless to name him, so that every Body might point at him; but for your own satisfac'tion, if you will not Body, I will tell you thus much, That he commonly goes with one Eye half shut, and his Mouth screw'd up into a whistling Pouture.

I am, Sir,
Your Humble Servant,
HARRY MEANWELL.

Miler Courants,
Woodstock, April 20. 1722.

Of late there has been pretty much Talk about Sagadeboc, and Sham-Deeds, and my Neighbors one or other, are often asking what 'is about it. For my part, I hear so many different Stories about it, that I don't know what to make on't. They say the Truth of it is in the Votes; but we Country Folks, very few of us at leaft, can get a Sight of 'em. Besides, we 'a been so busy o'late about our Meeting-House, that we couldn't spare any of our Family (I mean the Trueman) for a Representative last Year, and so ha'dn't any of the Votes at our Town, except what Bell-Face had, and he has such a Hatred against all our Name and Family, (for the sake of Pofts and Profits,) that he'll fooer us than do us a small Courtsey, (and that we know.) Therefore if you'd be so kind as put this in your Courant, may be some Body would be at the trouble to draw up the whole of the Matter; and then if you'd put it in your next Paper, we should soon have it at our Town; and I can tell you a great many here would take it mighty kindly of you: For besides, you must know, several of us has got the Deplorable State of New England, and we hear the Story in the Votes concerns one of a great Family, mention'd in that Pamflet; which if it does, and we can get it, we intend to tack one to tother.

I am a great many things more to talk with you about, but, I'll put it off to another Time. I doubt I am troublesome already.

By yer Leave, Sir,

ELISHA TRUEMAN.