

reason assigned, Laid Said Coll Bayard in Irons and kept him and Mr Nicolls close prisoners for the space of 14 months, were they with Severall others, that had been long detained Prisoners were set at Liberty by Govenor Slaughter.

And whilst he kept those gentlemen in Prison, he quartered his Armed men in their houses, were they committed all manner of Outrages, and to give one instance of many others a Party of twelve men were quartered at the house of Colo Bayard with directions to Pillage and Plunder at discretion, which was bought off with money and Plentifull entertainment, But the same day when the party had received their money, another Party came in with naked Swords, Opened several Chambers and Chests in said house, and did rob and carry away what money and other goods they found, at the same time Coll Bayard and Mr Nicolls were taken, Strict Search was made for Colonel Cortlandt but he with severall Other Gentlemen having made their Escape, were forced to leave their families and concerns, and remain in exile till relieved by the arrivall of Colonel Slaughter

It is hardly to be exprest what cruelties Captain Leisler and his accomplices, imposed upon the said prisoners and all others that would not own his power to be Lawful, neither could the Protestant Ministers in the province Escape their Malice and cruelty's; for Mr Selyns Minister of New York, was most grossly abused by Leisler himself in the Church