

troops should be immediately removed out of the town of Boston ; and thereupon advised his honour to communicate this advice to colonel Dalrymple, and to pray that he would order the troops down to Castle William.

The following is the first message from the town of Boston, referred to in the foregoing proceedings in council, viz.

At a meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boston, at Faneuil-hall, March 6, 1770.

Voted, That it is the unanimous opinion of this meeting, that the inhabitants and soldiery can no longer dwell together in safety ; that nothing can rationally be expected to restore the peace of the town, and prevent blood and carnage, but the immediate removal of the troops ; and that Thomas Cushing, John Hancock, Joshua Hanshaw, Samuel Adams, Henderson Inches, Samuel Pemberton, Doctor Benjamin Church, John Ruddock, William Phillips, Ezekiel Goldthwait, Benjamin Auslin, Samuel Auslin, William Molineaux, Jonathan Mason, and Joseph Jackson, be a committee to wait upon his honour the lieutenant-governor, in the name of the inhabitants, and most fervently pray his honour, that his power and influence may be exerted for their instant removal.

N. B. Lieutenant-colonel Dalrymple of the 14th regiment, lieutenant colonel Carr of the 29th, and captain Caldwell, of his Majesty's ship Rose, were present in council, during the greater part of the forenoon, and the whole of the afternoon, while the foregoing proceedings were had in council.

The foregoing are true copies from the council-minutes.

Attest. JOHN COTTON, Secretary.