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For the MASSACHUSETTS' SPY. Mr. THOMAS,

By giving the following a place in your useful paper, you will oblige a fubscriber and constant reader.

T is currently reported among us in the country, that Mr. I-c J-s of Weston, who has lately had a confiderable quantity of Tea for fale, now makes his brags, that many of his good customers, (to whom he disposed off faid Tea) belonged to the towns between Weston and Boston. And, (as he says) purchased of him freely, notwithstanding the facred resolutions they had entered into, not to use, much less buy any Tea ! or be concerned with any person that did, either directly or indirectly. Now if this be true, what can be the advantage of our town-meetings and refolves? If it is not true, does not the infolence of this arrogant boafter deserve the severest chastisement? Or indeed, which are the more worthy to be defpifed by their injured countrymen? The above I refer to the public for an impartial answer, before I proceed to point out any particular RUSTICUS. town or person.

March 7, 1774.

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FROM MONDAY, MARCH 28, to MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1774

We hear from Weston in the County of Middlesex, That on Monday Evening the 21st of Instant, a Number of People appeared before the House of Capt. Isaac Jones, Innholder, in that Town, gave a loud Indian WHOOP, and immediately went off without speaking to any Person in the House :- That on Monday Night last between nine and ten o'clock, aNumber of Persons, supposed near one hundred again appeared there, and Capt. Jones having that Morning gone a Journey to Uxbridge, they fell to breaking the Windows of the House stove in all in the lower Rooms, and then the Chamber, Mrs. Jones was then in Bed with a young Infant, having lain in about three Weeks, the Windows of her Room did not escape but she lay exposed to the Inclemency of the Weather, it being rainy, two Hours : -Near 30 of the People entered difguifed with Paints, Paper Viffages, &c .- and ranfacked the whole Houfe from Cellar to Garret, without breaking down any Part excepting two Pannels of a Partition : Being afked what they were in Search of, they faid, Jones, and would have him; but being told he was gone a journey, they made free with the Bottles of Liquor in the Cellar, as also the Liquors that were in the Bar-Room breaking or carrying off the Bowls, Mugs, &c. also about 100 Lemons, and half a Carks of Raifins : - Several of them were known by the People in the Houfe and called to by Name, when they went off .- Several other Circumstances upon this Discovery, our Informant supposes will be given when a Particular Account is taken.

A Military Watch was thought necessary, accordingly the Colonel ordered one from the Militia in Weston, to be every Night.

Capt. Jones purchased Tea at Albany last Winter, not subject to a Duty, and had retailed it out, which is said to be the Cause of this Resentment against him.



Or, Thomas's Boston Journal

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TT feems by the refentment shewn by a number of people that affembled at my house on the 28th of March, when I was gone a journey in the country, that I have done something that caused their resentment, and I know not what it should be except my bringing some tea from Albany, sometime last winter which I then supposed would not have offended any body, as it paid no duty in America; but fince I find it has, I would inform the public that I am forry that I have offended them, and am determined not to offend in the like manner for the future; for it is well known that I have been as much fet against the dutied tea as any ISAAC JONES. person whatever.

Weston, April 6, 1774.