peace, with liberty soon present the scabbard; and may Americans never be obliged again to take up arms but against a foreign foe. We hope that the union, which has so remarkably taken place throughout the American colonies, may acquire, if possible, greater firmness by this unjustifiable, inhuman, murderous attack upon our countrymen; for, upon an universal firmly cemented union of the American colonies, under God, depends the salvation and establishment of American liberty. I am, in behalf of the committee of correspondence for the town of Newport, gentlemen, your and America's sincere friend.

## WILLIAM ELLERY.

To the commmittee of correspondence for the city of Philadelphia.

In committe, Philadelphia, May 1, 1775, received per capt. Whitman this day, and forwarded to Annapolis.

J. B. SMITH, Sec. of committee.