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Newbury Port Aug the 9th 1781 (204
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Yesterday Arrived here The Schooner Industry. John Long
late command and captured by the Prize Brig Britiffa Town
which was captured by the Salamander John O'Brien
lieut. commander in this Schooner was taken on John
John Stinson formerly of Deary. Moved from there to
Dumbarton. Was there about five years ago. Went over
to the Enemy. Took a Captains Commission in the King's
Service under the command of that infamous Villain
Robert Rogers. Then gave his Account to me - The Prize
Master of the Schooner informed me. That Stinson told
him. That he would not be carried to Hadleyshire
State, if he was he should certainly be hanged
for he should be a State Prisoner. and had behaved
in such a Manner that he would not do for him
to be carried there. As it appeared to the Agents of
the Salamander. that he was an a Prisoner of War
they Delivered him to the Sheriff who carried him
this Morning with 10 more for Boston since
One of the Schooners Men told me that Stinson
~~had~~ Confessed to him that he was concerned
with Holland in Making the counterfeit Money
If you think proper to Make this publick after
Copying it you may. bring words in great haste
backe but time Copy. I am with Due respect
y^r Obedient Servant

Samuel Smith

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This Minson had no opinion
About him as I could find out
he had the New York Register
wherein his Name was inserted
as Captain of the King's Rangers
which I took from him. Tho
he was very desirous of keeping
S. T.