

dence to Boston, performing their respective stages in a day.

The Norwich coach comes once a week from Mr. Azariah Lathrop's, in Norwich, to Dr. Samuel Carew's, on the west side of the Great Bridge, in Providence, where travellers will meet with the best entertainment. The stage performed in a day.

The Providence Passage-boats, kept by Mr. Joshua Hacker and Messieurs Thomas and Benjamin Lindsey, ply every day from Providence to Newport, and perform the passage, wind and weather permitting, in three hours.

Mr. Peter Mumford, Post Rider, leaves Newport, with the Western and Southern Mails, on Friday morning, arrives at Providence the same night, sets out for Boston on Saturday morning, which he reaches at night, and returns with the Boston Mail on Monday, performing his stage once a week.

### 1770. Alexander Cluny.

Alexander Cluny was an English, or Scotch, merchant and traveller, who published his observations upon the American colonies in the form of a series of letters addressed to the "Right Honourable Earl of . . ." In the second letter the "traveller" says, "I have the Honour to inform your Lordship of the Discoveries I made in the Year 1744 ; as also that since that Time I have traversed the whole Coast of *America*, from *Lat. 68, North*, to *Cape Florida*, and penetrating some thousands of Miles westward, into the Wilderness, many

Parts of which were never trodden before by European feet." He also says that he has been a colonial merchant for more than thirty years. Dibdin's "Library Companion" says that he was the "first to give accurate intelligence of Hudson's Bay, and to institute an inquiry about a more successful commerce with the Americans." The extract given is taken from *The American Traveller* (2d ed. London, 1770), p. 51.

COMMODITIES exported from *Great Britain to Connecticut, Rhode Island and New Hampshire.*

Wrought-Iron, Steel, Copper, Brass, Pewter and Lead—Woolen Cloths—Stuffs—Flannels—Colchester Bays—Long-Ells—British, Irish, and Foreign-Linens—Silks—Gold and Silver Lace—Millenary, Haberdashery, and Hosiery-Wares—Hats—Gloves—Manchester Goods—Birmingham and Sheffield Wares—Hemp—Sail-Cloth—Cordage—Upholstery and Saddlery Wares—Cabinet-Maker's Goods—Painter's Colours—Ship-Chandlery Wares—Earthen Ware—India Goods—Grindstones—Fishing Tackle—Cheese—Pickles—Toys—Seeds—Tobacco-pipes—Strong Beer—Wines—Spirits—Medicinal Drugs—all which cost at an Average of three Years, £12,000.

COMMODITIES exported from *Connecticut, Rhode Island and New Hampshire.*

Masts, Boards, Joists, Staves, &c.....	£30,000
Salted Beef—Pork—Hams—Butter—Cheese	
Callivances—and Flax Seed, .....	15,000
Whale and other Fish-Oil, 1500 Tons—at	
£15—.....	22,500
Pickled Mackarel, Shads, and other Fish,..	7,000
Horses and Live Stock,.....	25,000
Potash—6000 Barrels—at 50s .....	15,000
	£114,500

1771 Rev. Morgan Edwards.

Morgan Edwards (1722-1795), was born in Wales, educated in England, and ordained to the Baptist ministry in Ireland. He came to America in 1761, and became pastor of the Baptist church in Philadelphia. In 1770 he resigned his position, and took up the life of a travelling preacher and lecturer. He took a prominent part in founding Rhode Island college, now Brown University, and spent much time in collecting materials for a history of the Baptist denomination in America. During the Revolution his sympathies were Loyalist. The extract given is taken from his "Materials for a history of the Baptists in Rhode Island," as published in Vol. VI. of the *Collections of the Rhode Island Historical Society*, pp. 313-355, *passim*.

#### PROVIDENCE.

This church is usually distinguished by the above name, which is the name of the town where the meeting-house is, in the township of Providence and county of the same. The house is 41 feet by 35, and pretty well finished, with pews and galleries. It was erected about the year 1722, 1726, on a lot of 112 feet by 77, partly the gift of Rev. Pardon Tillinghast and partly the purchase of the congregation. It is situated towards the north end of the town, having the main street to the front and the river to the back. No estate belongs to it, for which reason the salary of the minister (Rev. James Manning) is reputed no more than 50 £ a year. The character of it is that of General Baptist, holding