Description of the Town of Newport, Rhode Island

By JOHN MAYLEM a native of it*

A Town laid out ten furlongs—good
With houses like the people—wood
Save here and there an Edifice
of Brick and Stone and Mortar. yes.
A goodly Church of Cedar So!
Two Presbyterian meetings poh!
A Quaker house with Stables ah!
Two anabaptists ditto la!
A Dancing School and Town House hie!
A synagogue of Satan—fie!
A Castle too, a building—where?
G-d d-m you Sir! Why in the air.
A Gallows too without the City
To hang all rogues but theirs, O pity!

* "Notes in Newport in 1768," *Rhode Island Historical Society Collections*, 12 (1919), 51.

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