

While the British military are suffered with so high a hand to tyrannize over America, no part of it, we presume, can be negligent in guarding against the ravages threatened by the standing army now in Boston; these troops will undoubtedly be employed in attempts to defeat the association, which our enemies cannot but fear will eventually defeat them; and so sanguinary are those our enemies, as we have reason to think, so thirsty for the blood of this innocent people, who are only contending for their rights, that we should be guilty of the most unpardonable neglect should we not apprise you of your danger, which appears to us imminently great, and ought attentively to be guarded against. The improvement of the militia in general, in the art military, has been therefore thought necessary, and strongly recommended by this congress. We now think that particular care should be taken by the towns and districts in this colony, that each of the minute men not already provided therewith, should be immediately equipped with an effective fire-arm, bayonet, pouch, knapsack, thirty rounds of cartridges and ball, and that they be disciplined three times a week, and oftener as opportunity may offer, to encourage those our worthy countrymen to obtain the skill of complete soldiers, we recommend it to the towns and districts forthwith to pay their own minute men a reasonable consideration for their services. And in case of a general muster, their farther service must be recompensed by the province--an attention to discipline the militia in general is however by no means to be neglected.

With the utmost cheerfulness we assure you of our determination to stand or fall with the liberties of America; and while we humbly implore the sovereign disposer of all things, to whose divine providence the rights of his creatures cannot be indifferent, to correct the errors and alter the measures of an infatuated ministry, we cannot doubt of his support even in the extreme difficulties which we may all have to encounter. May all means devised for our safety by the general congresses of America and assemblies or conventions of the colonies be resolutely executed, and happily succeeded; and may this injured people be reinstated in the full exercise of their rights, without the evils and devastations of a civil war.

Signed by order of the provincial congress,

JOHN HANCOCK, President.

A true extract from the minutes,

BENJAMIN LINCOLN, Secretary.

In Provincial Congress, Cambridge, Dec. 6, 1774.

THE operation of the cruel and iniquitous Boston port-bill, that instrument of ministerial vengeance, having reduced our once happy capital, and the neighbouring town of Charlestown, from affluence and ease, to extreme distress; many of their inhabitants being deprived of even the means of procuring the necessaries of life: From all which they have most nobly refused to purchase an exemption, by surrendering the rights of Americans. And although the charitable donations from the other colonies, and several towns in this province, have in good measure relieved their immediate necessities, while their approbation has animated them to persevere in patient sufferings for the public good; yet as the severity of winter is now approaching, which must add greatly to their misery; and there has been no general collection for them in this colony, we hold ourselves obliged in justice to contribute to their support, while they, under such a weight of oppression, are supporting our rights and privileges.

It is therefore resolved, that it be recommended to our constituents, the inhabitants of the other towns, districts and parishes within this province, that they farther contribute liberally to alleviate the burden of those persons who are the more immediate objects of ministerial resentment, and are suffering in the common cause of their country, seriously considering how much the liberty, and consequently the happiness of ourselves and posterity depend, under God, on the firmness and resolution of those worthy patriots.

And it is ordered, that Doctor Foster, Mr. Devens, and Mr. Cheever, be a committee to transmit printed copies of the above resolve to the ministers of the gospel in the several towns, districts, and parishes in this province, who are desired to read the same to their several congregations, in order that their contributions of such necessaries of life as they can spare, may be forwarded as soon as possible. Signed by order of the provincial congress,

JOHN HANCOCK, President.

A true extract from the minutes

BENJAMIN LINCOLN, Secretary.

NEWPORT (Rhode-Island) Dec. 12.

The general assembly have ordered 40,000 flints, 300 barrels of powder, 3 tons of lead, and 4 brass field-pieces, to be procured for the use of this colony.

Last Friday and Saturday all the cannon belonging to Fort-George, except four, were carried to Providence, with the shot, &c. from whence they may easily be conveyed into the country, to meet the Indians and Canadians with which the colonies are threatened.

NEW-YORK, December 15.

Extract of a letter from New-Haven, Dec. 12.

"A gentleman just arrived from Quebec brings advice, that governor Carlton had attempted to raise a regiment of Canadians--that he first applied to the inhabitants, who to a man refused; that he then solicited the Indians, who all refused meddling in the matter, saying that they considered the dispute like the falling out between father and son."

We hear the letter of the general congress, to the inhabitants of Canada, had met with a very general and high approbation throughout that country, where a translation of it hath been published.

PHILADELPHIA.

Extra of a letter from Savannah in Georgia, Dec. 9.

"Yesterday the inhabitants of Savannah met, and chose deputies to meet in provincial congress: the deputies of the several parishes and districts of this province to be chose before the 18th of next month, on which day they meet, and there is not the least doubt they will adopt every measure recommended by the congress, and firmly enter into the association: You may be assured they will on that day also elect deputies to meet the continental or general congress to be held in Philadelphia, on, or about the 10th day of May next. The spirit of opposition has subsided and most of the protesters against the former resolves, came to the poll and voted for the legates. Two of our back parishes, which made the most noise, are now come over to us; as the Carolina trade was ready to be stopped, it immediately lessened the value of Indian corn one third. When you consider our local situation, and the circumstance of having as many place-men and public officers, with their connections, as the largest and most populous government on the continent, and those with independent salaries from the government, add to that the Indian war, with which the province was threatened, which is now settled, was a strong argument with many, why the opposition to government should not be made by us, as we had just applied home for troops: That difficulty being removed, there is not the least doubt but Georgia will appear among the foremost in support of civil and religious liberty. I have taken the liberty to give you a hint of what you may depend we shall do. (you being one of the committee.) I will take it as a particular favour, if you will interest yourself in behalf of the province, and do all in your power to let the brig return, not that I am one thing interested in her any ways, but that the many virtuous among us will be sufferers, and the province lie under a reproach, which when experienced, may be a means to frustrate their good intentions. There is large donations of rice for the large sufferers in Boston, and had we the means of sending it to them with very little trouble, much more would be collected and sent: Few have subscribed less than ten tierces of rice. If no opportunity offers soon, directly to Boston, it will be sent to your committee to be disposed of for them.

ANNAPOLIS, January 5.

On Tuesday last, the freeholders and other freemen, residing in Severa hundred, in Anne-Arundel county, met, formed themselves into a company, and chose their officers, agreeable to a resolve of the late provincial convention, being fully persuaded that the plan of military force, for the defence of this province, as laid down by the late convention, well executed, will always be in time of general danger, a good and lasting resource.

Prince George's county, December 24, 1774.

By the committee for the district of Bladenburgh.

COL. JOSHUA BEALL, in the chair.

THOMAS WILLIAMS, clerk.

Were present,

Col. Joshua Beall, Capt. Thomas Gantt, Mr. Walter Williams, Mr. Abraham Boyd, Mr. Basil Waring the third, Mr. William Berry, Mr. Thomas Sprigg, jun. Mr. Thomas Williams.

THE ship Houlton, Capt. Robert M'Lish, having arrived in this province since the first instant, with the following packages and parcels of goods, viz.

- 2 bales of osnabrig,
- 1 bale of Irish sheeting,
- 1 trunk of Irish linens,
- 2 casks of stauf,
- 2 casks of shoes,
- 1 box of felt hats,
- 10 boxes of candles,
- 4 boxes of soap,
- 12 casks of red and white port wines, containing 72 dozen,

The property of Mr. James Hoggan, merchant in Bladenburgh; and Mr. Hoggan requested the said goods should be sold, after public notice being given were sold under the directions of the committee, according to the tenth article of the association of the continental congress.

The prime cost of the above goods, 446 10 8
Sold for 448 6 8

Profit for Boston, £ 1 16 0

THOMAS WILLIAMS, clerk committee.

St. Mary's county.

ON public notice being given for the gentlemen, freeholders, and others, of the said county to meet at the court-house, in Leonard-Town, on Friday the twenty-third day of December last--Met agreeable to the said notification a considerable number of the most respectable inhabitants, when it being proposed that, for the more orderly and effectually carrying on the present business, it would be necessary to make choice of a chairman, as also to appoint a clerk to officiate for the day, Mr. Jeremiah Jordan was thereupon unanimously elected to the chair, and Timothy Bowes appointed clerk to the said meeting.

Mr. JEREMIAH JORDAN in the chair.

Mr. TIMOTHY BOWES, clerk.

Several of the proceedings of the continental congress being read, as well as the late resolves of the provincial convention, which were unanimously approved of--The chairman, addressing himself to those assembled, informed them, that the intent and design of the present convention, among many other things, was principally to make choice of a general committee for

the county--a committee of correspondence--a committee to meet, if necessary, the provincial convention, to be held at Annapolis on Monday the 24th day of April next, in order to carry into execution the association agreed on by the continental congress--as well as the resolves of the late provincial congress. Upon which the following gentlemen were chosen as a general committee for the county, to wit:--Mr. Cornelius Barber, major Zachariah Bond, Mr. Thomas, Mr. William Hammersly, Mr. John Llewellyn, Mr. James Eden, Mr. Gerard Bond, Mr. John Shantz, jun. Mr. John Eden, jun. Mr. Wilfred Neale, Mr. William Bond, Mr. Meveril Lock, Mr. Richard Bond, Dr. John Ireland, Mr. Cyrus Vowles, Mr. Athanasius Ford, Col. Abraham Barnes, Dr. Henry Reeder, Mr. John Barnes, Mr. Richard Barnes, Mr. Timothy Bowes, Mr. William Williams, Mr. John Fenwick, Mr. John Greenwell (of Ignatius) Mr. John Fenwick, Mr. John De Butts, Mr. William Taylor, Mr. Veran Hebb, Mr. William Watts, Mr. George Guyther, Mr. Ignatius Combs, Mr. John M'Lean, Mr. John M'Call, Mr. Maffey Leigh, Mr. George Cook, Mr. James Adderton, Mr. Robert Armstrong, Mr. Bennet Biscoe, Mr. Richard Clark, Mr. Edward Fenwick, Mr. Thomas Griffin, Mr. William Jenkins, jun. Mr. Nicholas Sewall, Mr. Nicholas L. Sewall, Mr. William Cavenough, Mr. Jenifer Taylor, Mr. Ignatius Taylor, Mr. Robert Watts, Mr. Henry Carroll, Mr. Hugh Hopewell, Mr. Hugh Hopewell, jun. Mr. John Abel younger, Mr. Samuel Jenifer, Mr. John Abel, jun. Mr. Edward Abell, jun. Mr. Peter Urquhart, Mr. John H. Read, Mr. Thomas Forrest, sen. Mr. Ignatius Fenwick, (Coles) Mr. John Smith, Patuxent, Mr. Enoch Fenwick, Mr. John Reeder, jun. Mr. Thomas A. Reeder, Mr. William Killgour, Mr. John H. Brome, Mr. William Bruce, Mr. Henry Tulman, Mr. Henry G. Sothoron, Mr. Robert Hammit, Mr. Herbert Blackston, Mr. John A. Thomas, Mr. Jeremiah Jordan, Mr. William Bayard, Mr. Joseph Williams, Mr. Samuel Abell, sen. Mr. Samuel Aell, jun.

A general committee for the county elected, the next step taken was making choice of a committee of correspondence, when the following gentlemen were chosen, with power for any three or more of them to act as occasion should require, to wit:--Col. Abraham Barnes, Mr. Richard Barnes, Timothy Bowes, Mr. Athanasius Ford, Dr. Henry Reeder, Mr. John De Butts, Mr. Jeremiah Jordan, Mr. John A. Thomas, Mr. John Black.

This business completed, a committee was chosen to meet the provincial committee, to be held at Annapolis, on Monday, the 24th day of April next, if necessary, when the following gentlemen were elected for that purpose, to wit:--Mr. Jeremiah Jordan, Mr. Richard Barnes, Mr. John Reeder, jun. Mr. John Barnes, Mr. John A. Thomas, Mr. John De Butts, Mr. Henry G. Sothoron.

Signed per TIMOTHY BOWES, clerk

Capt. Martin, in the sloop Polly, from St. Christopher's, in lat. 30. 10; lon. 70. 34: spoke Capt. Robert Crawford, in the brig Eufonia, from London, bound to Charles-Town South-Carolina, 10 weeks out, all well. In lat. 32 40: lon. 73. 10: spoke Capt. Henry Dickenson, in the brig Mary and Hannah, from London, bound to Newburn, North-Carolina, with passengers on board, 6 weeks out, all well. And in lat. 35. 27: lon. 73. 43: spoke Capt. Bell in the schooner Polly, from St. Eufatia, bound for New-York 18 days out, all well.

CUSTOM-HOUSE.

ENTERED.

Ship Richmond, Thomas Hutchinson, Liverpool.
Ship Emperor of Germany, John Richards, Brittol.
Schooner Peggy, John Digges, Montserrat.
Schooner Ninety Two, Nathaniel Cook, Salem.
Schooner Adventure, Abraham Bart ett, Hispaniola.
Brig Mary, John Cathrick, Barbados.
Sloop Polly, John Martin, St. Christopher's.
Schooner ally and Polly, Nath. Freeman, St. Eufatia.
Brig Hope, George Robinson, Dublin.
Brig Molly, James Connory, Hull.

CLEARED.

Snow Betsey, William Waud, Lisbon.
Schooner Four Sitters, Robert Brown, Virginia.
Ship Prince George, James Bartholomew, Genoa.
Schooner sufannah, Amos Grandy, Salem.
Erig Betney, John Folley, Liverpool.
Snow Penn, Sampson Harry, Lisbon.

WANTED.

TWO clerks in the prerogative office. Apply to ELIE VALETTE, Reg.

Talbot county, December 24, 1774.

WHEREAS the goods and chattels of James Barwick, John Ford, James Devereaux, Joseph Knowls, and Thomas M'Car: on, now prisoners in the jail for the county aforesaid, are to be sold at public sale, on Tuesday the third day of January next, for the benefit of their creditors. All persons having any claims against either of the said men, are desired to bring them in, within thirty days after the third day of January next, that they may be adjusted, agreeable to an act of assembly, entitled an act for the relief of insolvent debtors.

1774 P. 51 JOHN STEVENS, Sheriff.

THERE is at the plantation of Mrs. Rachel Hammond, Green Spring, a steer, about 5 or 6 years old, marked with a crop and slit and an under cut in the right ear, the left ear a short crop, his colour a red brindie. The owner is desired to prove his property, pay charges, and take him away.

WILLIAM WELLING.

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September 20, 1774.

ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS REWARD. WHEREAS an attempt has been made to set fire to Hockley forge near Elk-Ridge landings, belonging to the Baltimore company, they hereby offer the above reward to any person who will discover the offender or offenders, so as he, or they, be convicted thereof.

WILLIAM HAMMOND, Manager.

December 7, 1774.

TO be sold by the subscriber, a tract of land, lying on Bennet's creek, in Frederick county, containing five hundred and forty-nine acres; as to the quality of said land, apply to Capt. Henry Griffith, and he will satisfy any person that inclines to purchase. For title and terms, apply to

NICHOLAS MACCUBBIN.

SIXTEEN DOLLARS REWARD.

WHEREAS a Negro fellow of mine, named Will, is now run away, for having resisted his overseer, by throwing him down, threatening him and striking him sundry times with his fist, it is therefore to be hoped that as he has been guilty of so flagitious a crime, that all masters of negroes and servants will encourage the taking of him, by promising them the above reward, which I will pay, either upon his being brought home or his being secured in any goal within this province: it cannot be doubted but all overseers will be vigilant on this occasion: He is about five feet ten inches high, a very stout body, low, with large full eyes; had on a blue cotton breeches, new shoes, and yarn stockings, which are of a thread of black and a thread of white, an offshabrig shirt: His other cloths he left behind. He has an extensive acquaintance in and about Annapolis. There were two more fellows went off at the same time for refusing to assist their overseer, one named Will Jack and the other Sam, had on fearenaught jackets, &c. for each of them I will give twenty shillings.

ROBERT TYLER.

This day is published, by WILLIAM AIKMAN, bookseller and stationer, Annapolis, in two large volumes, handsomely bound and tiled, price 16s. currency.

A NEW VOYAGE ROUND THE WORLD, in the years 1768, 1769, 1770, and 1771, undertaken by Capt. James Cook in the ship Endeavour, drawn from his own journals, and from the papers of Joseph Banks, Esq; and published by order of the Lords of the Admiralty, by JOHN HAWKESWORTH, L.L.D. with cuts, and a map of the whole navigation.—This edition of Cook's voyages contains the whole of the second and third volumes of Hawkesworth's collection of voyages, which was published in London in three volumes, and sold for three guineas.—Where may be had, Poor Wills's Almanack for 1775, price 3s. and Farmer Abner's pocket Almanack, interleaved with writing paper, price 1s.

To be rented from year to year, or for a term of years,

DELVOIR, the beautiful seat of the honourable George William Fairfax, Esq; lying upon Patowmack-River in Fairfax county, Virginia, about fourteen miles below Alexandria. The mansion house is of brick, two stories high, with four convenient rooms and a large passage on the lower floor, five rooms and a passage on the second, and a servants hall and cellar below, convenient offices, stables, and coach-house adjoining, as also a large and well furnished garden, stored with a great variety of valuable fruits, in good order. Appertaining to the tract on which these houses stand, and which contains near 2000 acres (enclosed in a manner by navigable water) are several valuable fisheries, and a good deal of cleared land in different parts, which may be let altogether, or separately, as shall be found most convenient. The terms may be known of Colonel Washington, who lives near the premises, or of me in Berkeley county.

December 1, 1774. THE copartnership between the subscribers will end and be dissolved the 23d day of next March, which has been carried on under the firms of Thomas Contee and company, and Contee and Bowie at Nottingham; therefore all persons indebted to them on bond, bill, or open account, are desired to make speedy payment: those that fail payment by the first of February next must excuse us for disagreeable consequences, as we must take legal methods to enforce payments without respect to persons.

THOMAS CONTEE, FIELDER BOWIE. N. B. We have on hand a parcel of valuable goods, which we will dispose of on reasonable terms, for cash, tobacco, or good bills of exchange.

Annapolis, November 23, 1774. Just imported in the ship Annapolis, Capt. Thomas Elder, from London,

An assortment of goods suitable to the season, which are to be sold at a reasonable rate, by

THOMAS NORRIS.

THIS is to forewarn all persons from hunting within any of the subscriber's inclosures, with either dog or gun.

THOMAS NORRIS.

TO cover next season, if not sold, WHYNOT, a fine bay horse, fifteen hands high, eight years old, got by Fearnought, near New-Town, Chester, at three pounds a mare, and five shillings to the groom. WHYNOT's character and pedigree are well known, and he is allowed to be as good a bottomed horse as any in America.—BADGER, a beautiful, strong, bony, grey horse, six years old, fifteen hands and one inch high, imported from England; got by Lord Chedworth's Bosphorus, who won seven king's plates, his dam by the noted Ochello, commonly called Black and all Black, and his grand dam, by the famous flying Childers, near the city of Annapolis, at five pounds a mare, and seven shillings and sixpence to the groom.—At the same place a strong black horse, of the wagon breed, at thirty shillings a mare, and half a dollar to the groom: The money for each mare to be paid at the stable door. Any gentlemen breeders, who intend sending their mares to any of the above horses, are desired to give as early notice thereof as they conveniently can to JOHN CRAGGS, at the Governor's, to prevent their being disappointed, as he is limited to a certain number; and in the mean time, if any gentleman is desirous of purchasing all or any of the above horses, he may apply to John Craggs above-mentioned, who will also sell the beautiful dark chestnut horse SLIM, who is remarkably speedy, and six years old: he was got by Mr. Wildman's Babraham, his dam by Mr. Rogers's Babraham; his grand dam by Sedbury out of Lord Portmore's Ebony.

WHEREAS a young man named Richard Tucker, was lost in his own schooner flat, in the eastern bay, near the mouth of Wye river, on Thursday the 17th of November last, he is 24 years of age, of brown complexion, and black hair tied behind, about 5 feet 10 inches high, and well set: had on a white thicker coat, country cloth jacket, and blue broad cloth breeches, white shirt and striped silk handkerchief, with yellow buttons in the sleeves; silver watch in his pocket, and silver buckles in his shoes, had a pocket-book in his pocket with some money, and a gold ring. Whoever finds the said body, and what also may be about it, shall receive five pounds reward if brought home, and reason-able charges from me, the subscriber: his mother, living in the swamp, near the mouth of West-river.

ALL persons who have any claims against the estate of Christopher Marley, late of the city of Annapolis, baker, deceased; are desired to bring them in legally proved that they may be adjusted, and all persons indebted to his estate, to make immediate payment thereof, or they will be treated with as the law directs, the subscriber intending shortly to leave this province.

JORDAN STEIGER, Administrator.

Anna.olis, November 1, 1774. THOMAS PRYSE, COACH-MAKER, from LONDON.

TAKES this method to inform his friends and the public in general, that he has removed his shop from the town-gate, to the house opposite doctor Steuart's, near the flat-house, where he carries on his said business in all its various branches, as he has supplied himself with exceeding good workmen from London: as also every article of the best sort to a very great amount, consisting of several sets of the best steel springs, spring cuttains for coach and chariot, brass boxes, &c. &c. He has also a very good coach and herald painter, that undertakes painting of coaches, chaises, or chairs, either in cyphers, festoons of flowers, or coats of arms, with varnishing, gilding, or japanning, in the neatest and best manner, and at the most reasonable rates: those ladies and gentlemen that chuse to favour him with their custom in any of the above branches, may rest assured, that his constant endeavour shall be to give general satisfaction to those that please to employ him, and the favour greatly acknowledged, by the public's most humble servant,

THOMAS PRYSE. N. B. I still continue the saddling and harness-making business as usual, and hope for encouragement from the public: to be sold as above, a quantity of saddles or trace, and srenge girth wibs, &c. &c.

TO be sold, by John Pitt, Barbados and Jamaica spirit, from two to six years old, by the hoghead quarter cask, or keg; Barbados rum by the hoghead; best muskovoado sugar by the barrel or smaller quantity: coffee, chocolate, raisins, &c. &c.

COMMITTED to the jail of Charles county, as a runaway, a white servant man, who, when he first came, called himself James Brown, but since says his name is James Buckinhorne, and that he belongs to George Moore, near Bladensburg; he is a lusty fellow, appears to be about forty years of age, much pitted with the small-pox; his clothing two ofshabrig shirts, an offshabrig frock and trowsers, old shoes, and an old hat. His master is desired to pay charges, and take him away.

W. HANSON, Sheriff.

COMMITTED to the jail of Charles county, as a runaway, a negro man, by the name of Dan, who says he was sold by Mr. James Campbell, Newport in said county, to parson Lawler, living in Calvert county, to whom he now belongs; he is a thick well-set fellow, has a bold, impudent, ill countenance. His master is desired to pay charges, and take him from

W. HANSON, Sheriff.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a rider will set off from this office every Monday morning at 10 o'clock for Baltimore, where he meets the mails from the northward, and will return early on Tuesday. And on Friday the mails from the northward and southward come in as usual, and are dispatched the same evening.

ANTHONY STEWART, D. P. O.

Maryland, Queen Anne's county, Nov. 1, 1774. WANTED, an excellent millwright, who will undertake, next spring, to build a windmill, and that will contract to find every material; to be a person a handsome price will be given for the contract money, if required, shall be advanced; the whole shall be paid immediately upon the work being completed. No person need apply unless he can be well recommended for his workmanship, his industry and fidelity.

JAMES HUTCHINGS, junior.

TO BE SOLD.

THE land and plantation where Mrs. Elizabeth Contee lately lived, in Calvert county, lying near Patuxent river, between Nottingham and Lower Marlborough, containing about 700 acres; on which are valuable buildings of most kinds, added to a pleasant healthy situation; also a grist mill with a good stream of water, capable of grinding large quantities of grain, with several apple orchards and a variety of fruits of most kinds; the whole under good fence and repair, with a sufficient quantity of wood land to support the same for a great number of years; a considerable quantity of low ground, with a small expense, may be turned into valuable meadow; with many other conveniencies and natural advantages too tedious to mention, and too often abused under the credit or sanction of an advertisement; therefore any person inclinable to purchase said land, may view the same by applying to Francis Warrington, overseer at the place, who can inform at what time they may be treated with on the occasion, by

JOHN LEE WARRINGTON.

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD. Rock-Creek, Frederick county, August 3, 1774.

RAN away last night from the subscriber, a competent servant man named Joseph Barker, an Englishman, about 25 years of age; he is a well looking fellow, of a ruddy complexion, about 5 feet 10 inches high; had on and took with him, a reddish coloured mixed broad-cloth coat with a velvet cape, two white flannel frock jackets bound with red, two pair of napkeen breeches, a pair of old leather breeches, a pair of old worsted stockings, a pair of thread ditto, old shoes, and a felt hat. He wears his own dark hair tied behind. It is supposed he is gone in company with some other man unknown to me, as I have missed two horses out of my pasture, one of which is a large chestnut sorrel, about 15 hands high, paces naturally; the other a chestnut sorrel, about 14 hands and a half high, paces, trots, and gallops; he is low before, crest fallen, and has a short scanty tail; the horses are both shod before. The man took with him a half worn saddle and curb bridle; one of the staples is gone off the fore part of the saddle on the near side. Whoever takes up said servant and brings him home to the subscriber, shall have, if taken 30 miles from home, 10 dollars, and 5 pounds for the other man and the two horses, and so in proportion for a greater distance for the servant and horses, paid by

RICHARD CRAB.

NOTICE is hereby given, that John Heit is a languishing prisoner in Anne-Arundel county jail, intends to apply to the next general assembly, for an act to be passed for his relief.

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I HAVE left my books and accounts, relative to my store in Annapolis, in the hands of Mr. Gabriel Duvall, at Mr. Hall's office, who I have empowered to receive the balances due.—All persons indebted to me for dealings above a year standing at any of my store, are desired to pay without loss of time, as I have occasion for the money. I have several tracts of land to dispose of, lying on the drafts of Bennet's creek, now adjoining to each other—they are in tracts of 2, 3, 4, and 500 acres each, with improvements; the land is very fit for making the finest coloured tobacco, and a great range for stock. I have also about 1500 acres of very rich land, lying within 4 miles of shepherd's town in Virginia, which I will sell and give some time for the payment if desired; and several other parcels of land in Virginia and Maryland to dispose of.

STEPHEN WEST.

ARTLAND GAZETTE.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 1775.

LONDON, November 21. A private letter from the Hague, dated October 21.

THE treaty of peace between Russia and the Porte (howsoever secret the most essential parts thereof are kept) seems to have altered the whole system of politics in the north of Europe. It is suspected that Russia joined her interest with Austria, both of whom assisted her in finishing a peace; but what these three very serious powers are going to undertake on the continent is not certain, but most probably they will endeavour more to reduce the power and glory of the Prussia. It is certain that the Austrian troops in the Russian grand army, a circumstance very suspicious, and which cannot possibly give notice of the valiant Frederic, whose minister took an opportunity to ask the Austrian Emperor of that junction, and of marching the troops of Austria into the provinces of Wallachia, being the dominions of the Porte (when the latter gave him an answer, that the Russian troops were so prodigiously fatigued by the late different engagements with the Turkish troops joined them in order to afford him a manner of assistance upon the march. This as we are informed, has caused a great motion of the Prussian troops; and the garrisons and army, and the new acquisition in Poland, have greatly augmented since; and general Repnin is now received orders to march instantly into Poland with the head of thirty thousand men.

political affairs in the north of Europe are become more and more suspicious; and it is a fact that the ships of war are now finishing in Sweden on the coast of the French coast, who no doubt have their different manoeuvres of the court of Great-Britain and North America.

accounts from Portugal it appears as if they were preparing for war; by recent advices it is certain they have 10,000 men; that a general officer has been sent of all their forces, consisting of more than 100,000 men; and Spain has very lately fitted out a fleet for America with land forces on board.

Extract of a letter from Warsaw, Oct. 10.

It is not without the greatest sorrow and affliction we have learned the unhappy end of several of our countrymen who were the chiefs of the confederates. The city of Constantinople, joined by the Janissaries, and supported by several members of the divan, were so riotous about the shameful peace concluded since the glorious Porte, that a general rebellion was raised in order to appease the enraged multitude, and in consequence of that all the Polish confederates at Constantinople fell a victim, were delivered up to the Turkish soldiers, and their heads struck off publicly, as a punishment for the only cause of the late war. Two or three were saved through the protection of the Russian minister, who behaved in a very humane manner, and went into the midst of the mob to deliver up those unhappy souls who had shelter in his hotel, he would immediately declare against the Ottoman empire. This declaration put the Ottoman empire into a fright, and the inhuman rage ceased. A decree was issued for the execution of the confederates, and a Duke of Brandenburg to prescribe to the Russian ambassador to the Ottoman Empire, to be already arrived at Iocany, where the Russian ambassador is likewise arrived; and the Russian ambassador, in consequence, have entirely quitted the Turkish Empire, and magazines are filling up in the different parts of this country for 20,000 Russians, who are to remain during the winter.

The King of Prussia, though to outward appearance perfect friendship with Russia, seems not to put great confidence in the faith of treaties, but as becomes a warrior, is putting his dominions in the most defensible situation. His troops are unconquently affording to fortify several places, and his garrisons every where are considerably augmented. Nothing is more remarkable (said that factious prince on the occasion) the private cabinet-council of a woman. The Prussian commissioners that are to divide the Polish territories among those of the three united powers have begun their business; but Mr. Benoit the Prussian minister here, has declared, that his master will not give the districts of great Poland, which his troops have taken possession of, alleging, that these districts have been more particularly mentioned in the treaty of Petersburg, in case they were not intended to be the property of his Prussian Majesty.

BRISTOL, November 3.

BURKE'S ADDRESS to the gentlemen, clergy, and freemen of the city of Bristol.

GENTLEMEN, I humbly request your acceptance of my most hearty thanks, for the high honour I have this day received, in being elected one of your representatives in parliament.

Whatever advantage my public character may derive from the weight of so respectable a representation, you may be assured, shall be employed in promoting, to the best of my judgment, the true interests of those from whom it is derived. I hope that, by your frequent advice, and seasonable assistance, I may be enabled to execute the great trust you have reposed in me, in a manner, in some degree equal to its importance and your wishes.

To my particular friends I owe the sincerest affection; to this city the most inviolable duty; to the sheriff who presided, my full testimony, that they have conducted themselves, through the whole of this long election, with the most liberal impartiality; with all the dignity of magistrates; with all the politeness of gentlemen.

It is natural, that an object, so important as the honour of representing this great city, should not be abandoned without reluctance. The gentleman who has been unsuccessful in his pursuit, threatens a petition. I submit, with great cheerfulness, my pretensions, and what are more important, your rights, to the committee of election; the clearest cause to the just tribunal. That tribunal, I am confident, will never authorize an attempt to render, contrary to the clear and express law of the land, the original inherent, corporate rights of those entitled to freedom in this great city, dependent for their valid exercise on the occasional pleasure of a minister, by dating their effect from the signing of the writ. The time for issuing the writ is entirely in the power of the minister; and he may communicate his intention to those and those only, whom he inclined to favour; and upon this new doctrine enable them, and disable all others from taking advantage of the right of freedom.

No care of mine shall be wanting to support the rights, even of those freemen, whom the gentleman who threatens a petition, was the first to produce and encourage, and when they can no longer serve his purpose, now endeavours to disfranchise by a retrospect.

I have the honour to be, with the highest veneration, esteem and gratitude, Gentlemen, Your most obedient, and Ever obliged humble servant, EDMUND BURKE.

BOSTON, December 19. IN PROVINCIAL CONGRESS,

Cambridge, Dec. 3, 1774.

AS the happiness of particular families arises, in a great degree, from their being more or less dependent upon others; and as the less occasion they have for any article belonging to others, the more independent; and consequently the happier they are; so the happiness of every political body of men upon earth is to be estimated, in a great measure, upon their greater or less dependence upon any other political bodies; and from hence arises a forcible argument, why every state ought to regulate their internal policy in such a manner as to furnish themselves, within their own body, with every necessary article for subsistence and defence: Otherwise their political existence will depend upon others, who may take advantage of such weakness and reduce them to the lowest state of vassalage and slavery. For preventing so great an evil, more to be dreaded than death itself, it must be the wisdom of this colony at all times, more especially at this time, when the hand of power is laying us with the scorpions of despotism, to encourage agriculture, manufactures and economy, so as to render this state as independent of every other state as the nature of our country will admit; from the consideration thereof, and trusting that the virtue of the people of this colony is such, that the following resolutions of this congress, which must be productive of the greatest good, will by them be effectually carried into execution. And it is therefore Resolved,

1st. That we do recommend to the people the improvement of their breed of sheep, and the greatest possible increase of the same; and also the preferable use of our own woollen manufactures; and to the manufacturers, that they ask only reasonable prices for their goods; and especially a very careful sorting of the wool, so that it may be manufactured to the greatest advantage, and as much as may be into the best goods.

2d. We do also recommend to the people the raising of hemp and flax; and as large quantities of flaxseed, more than may be wanted for sowing, may be produced, we would also farther recommend the manufacturing the same into oil.

3d. We do likewise recommend the making of nails; which we do apprehend must meet with the strongest encouragement from the public, and be of lasting benefit both to the manufacturer and the public.

4th. The making of steel, and the preferable use of the same, we do also recommend to the inhabitants of this colony.

5th. We do in like manner recommend the making of tin-plates as an article well worth the attention of this people.

6th. As fire-arms have been manufactured in several parts of this colony, we do recommend the use of such, in preference to any imported; and we do recommend the making of gunlocks, and furniture and other locks, with other articles in the iron-way.

7th. We do also earnestly recommend the making of saltpetre, as an article of vast importance to be encouraged, as may be directed hereafter.

8th. That gunpowder is also an article of such importance, that every man amongst us who loves his country, must with the establishment of manufactures for that purpose, and, as there are the ruins of several powder mills, and sundry persons among us who are acquainted with that business, we do heartily recommend the encouragement, by repairing one or more of said mills, or erecting others, and renewing said business as soon as possible.

9th. That as several paper mills are now usefully employed, we do likewise recommend a preferable use of our own manufactures in this way; and a careful saving and collecting rags, &c. and also that the manufacturers give a generous price for such rags, &c.

10th. That it will be the interest, as well as the duty of this body, of such as may succeed us, to make such effectual provision for the farther manufacturing of the several sorts of glass, as that the same may be carried on to the mutual benefit of the undertaker and the public, and firmly established in this colony.

11th. That whereas buttons of excellent qualities and of various sorts are manufactured among us, we do earnestly recommend the general use of the same; so that the manufactures may be extended to the advantage of the people and manufacturers.

12th. That whereas salt is an article of vast consumption within this colony, and in its fisheries, we do heartily recommend the making the same, in the several ways wherein it is made in the several parts of Europe; especially in the method used in that part of France where they make bay salt.

13th. We do likewise recommend an encouragement of horn-smiths in all their various branches, as what will be of public utility.

14th. We do likewise recommend the establishment of one or more manufactories for making wool combers combs, as an article necessary in our woollen manufactures.

15th. We do in like manner heartily recommend the preferable use of the stockin' and other hosiery wove among ourselves, so as to enlarge the manufactories thereof, in such a manner as to encourage the manufacturers and serve the country.

16th. As madder is an article of great importance in the dyer's business, and which may be easily raised and cured among ourselves, we do therefore earnestly recommend the raising and curing the same.

17th. In order the more effectually to carry these resolutions into effect, we do earnestly recommend, That a society or societies be established for the purposes of introducing and establishing such arts and manufactures as may be useful to this people, and are not yet introduced, and the more effectually establishing such as we have already among us.

18th. We do recommend to the inhabitants of this province to make use of our manufactures, and those of our sister colonies, in preference to all other manufactures.

Signed by order of the provincial congress, JOHN HANCOCK, president. A true extract from the minutes, BENJAMIN LINCOLN, secretary.

Extract of a letter from Portsmouth, New-Hampshire, dated Dec. 16.

"We have been in confusion here for two days, on account of an express from Boston, informing that two regiments were coming to take possession of our fort;—by beat of drum 100 men immediately assembled and went to the castle in two gundalows, who on their way were joined by 150 more, and demanded the surrender of the fort, which Capt. Cochran refused; and fired three guns, but no lives were lost; upon which they immediately scaled the walls, disarmed the captain and his men, took possession of 97 barrels of powder,—put it on board the gundalows, brought it up to town, and went off with it to some distance in the country. Yesterday the town was full of men, from the country, who marched in form, chose a committee to wait on the governor, who assured them he knew of no such design as sending troops, ships, &c. This morning I hear there is a thousand or fifteen hundred on their march to town. The governor and council sat yesterday on the affair, and are now meeting again.—The men who came down are those of the best property and note in the province." Yesterday arrived here his majesty's ship Somerset, of 64 guns, capt. Le Cras, commander, from England.

In provincial congress, Cambridge, Dec. 9, 1774.

RESOLVED,

THAT it is the clear opinion of this congress, that the first article in the association of the continental

in so alarming a conjuncture, this colony has, in her chief governor, an advocate near the throne, upon whose distinguished abilities, and active and generous committee of correspondence for Prince George's county, that Mr. Alexander M'Farlane, president in Bryan Town, in the colony, was falling to which had

concerns extend to all goods, wares, and merchandizes, of the growth, production, or manufacture of any part of Europe, or any other part of the world, imported from Great Britain or Ireland, in case they have been entered and cleared in any port of either of those Kingdoms, as fully as to goods, wares, and merchandizes of the growth, production, and manufacture of Great Britain or Ireland, and that the said first article ought to be so construed by all concerned, and in that universal sense carried strictly into execution.

Signed by order of the provincial congress.
JOHN HANCOCK, President.

In provincial congress, Cambridge Dec. 9. 1774.
WHEREAS this congress, at their sessions in October last, taking into consideration the alarming state of this colony, were, upon the most mature deliberation, fully convinced, that to provide against the danger to which it was then exposed, by a standing army, illegally posted in Boston, and from time to time reinforced, for the purposes of subverting our ancient Constitution, and the liberties of all North America, it was indispensably necessary that a considerable sum of money should be immediately raised for the full defence of this people; and whereas by a resolve of the congress, bearing date the 28th of October, and published in the News-Paper, it was among other things earnestly recommended to the several towns and districts, that they should cause to be paid into the hands of Henry Gardner, Esq. all the province monies due from them respectively, to supply the said pressing exigencies of this colony; and whereas the danger which then threatened the Province is not continued, and daily increasing;

Resolved, and hereby most earnestly recommended to all the inhabitants of the towns and districts aforesaid, as they regard their own safety, and the preservation of their inalienable rights and liberties, that they cause the monies aforesaid to be paid forthwith to the said Henry Gardner, Esq. who has given bonds, with sufficient securities, to the satisfaction of this congress, and that they cause their respective proportions of the tax granted by the general court in June last, and all other due province monies due from them respectively, to be supplied in some way that shall be more expeditious than the usual mode of collecting the taxes, in order to prevent any delay in providing against the imminent danger above-mentioned. And the members of the congress are hereby desired to use their utmost industry for having this resolve speedily and punctually complied with; and the several towns and districts of the several counties to pay the province monies in their respective hands, as has been already recommended.

Signed by order of the provincial congress,
JOHN HANCOCK, President.

A true extract from the minutes,
BENJAMIN LINCOLN, Secretary.

PHILADELPHIA, January 2.

Committee-chamber, December 22, 1774.

Ordered, That the committee of correspondence do transmit to the committees of the several counties in this province, a copy of the Resolves passed this evening, with a letter. And the letter being prepared and read, was approved, and is as follows, viz.

Philadelphia, December 22, 1774.

GENTLEMEN,
BY order of the committee of the city and liberties of Philadelphia, we have the pleasure to transmit you the following resolves, passed this day with great unanimity, viz.

Resolved, That this committee think it absolutely necessary that the committees of the counties of this province, or such deputies as they may appoint for this purpose, be requested to meet together in provincial convention, as soon as convenient.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the county committees, to meet in said convention, on Monday, the 3rd day of January next, in the city of Philadelphia.

From a view of the present situation of public affairs, the committee have been induced to propose this convention, that the sense of the province might be obtained, and that the measures to be taken thereupon may be the result of the united wisdom of the colony.

The obvious necessity of giving an immediate consideration to many matters of the greatest importance to the general welfare will, we hope, sufficiently apologize to you, for naming so early a day as the 3rd of January.

We are, Gentlemen, respectfully,
Your very humble servants,
The committee of correspondence.

To the committee of inspection for the county of _____

From the minutes of the committee of the city and liberties of Philadelphia.

JONATHAN B. SMITH, Secretary.

Newcastle, December 5, 1774.

THE committees chosen in the several hundreds of this county on the 28th of last month, in pursuance of notice for that purpose given, this day assembled at the court-house, in the town of Newcastle, and unanimously chose

JOHN MCKINLEY, Esq. chairman, and DAVID THOMPSON, Clerk.

On motion, by order,
The association entered into by the continental congress, at the city of Philadelphia, on the fifth day of September last, was read; and the committee taking the same into consideration,

Resolved, that this committee highly approve the said association, and earnestly recommend to their constituents a strict and due observance thereof.

Resolved unanimously, that the thanks of this committee be given to the gentlemen who represented this government as deputies in the said continental congress, for their faithful discharge of that important trust.

Resolved unanimously, That to increase the number of sheep, this committee will use their utmost endeavours to prevent the killing of any ewe mutton or lamb from this day until the first day of May next, and any ewe or lamb from the first day of May next till the first day of October next; and this committee do particularly recommend to their constituents a full and faithful compliance with the 8th, 9th, and 13th articles of the said association.

Then the committee adjourned till Wednesday the 21st inst. at 10 o'clock.

Wednesday December 21, A. M.

The committee met, according to adjournment.

Resolved unanimously, that pursuant to an intimation given by the said continental congress, as well as from a full persuasion that a well regulated militia, composed of the gentlemen, free-holders, and other free men is the natural strength and stable security of a free government; therefore it is recommended by this committee to such of the inhabitants of this county, as are from 16 to 50 years of age, that they assemble themselves on the second Tuesday in January next, in such places as shall be appointed by the committee of their respective hundreds; and then and there associate and enrol themselves into companies of not less than 50 nor more than 75 men, according as the several districts will admit, and choose a captain, two lieutenants, an ensign, four sergeants, two corporals and one drummer for each company; and use their utmost endeavours to make themselves masters of the military exercise. That each man be provided with a well fixed firelock and bayonet, half a pound of powder, two pounds of lead, and a cartouch band of powder-horn, and bag for ball, and be in readiness to act on any emergency.

Resolved unanimously, That the committee of the respective hundreds do divide the same into suitable districts, as they severally will admit thereof.

Resolved unanimously, That contributions from this county, for supplying the necessities and alleviating the distresses of our brethren in Boston, ought to be continued in such manner and so long as their occasions may require; and that it is the duty of the committee of correspondence of the said county to collect and transmit the same as soon as possible.

Extra, from the minutes of the committee.
DAVID THOMPSON, Clerk.

A meeting of the committee of observation for the county of Gloucester, on the 19th day of December, 1774, Samuel Harrison, Robert Friend Price, John Hinchman, John Cooper, Joseph Ellis, Isaac Mickle, John Sparks, John Cooper, Joseph Low, Peter Cheesman, Doctor Benjamin Vanier, Joseph Hugg, and Marmaduke Cooper, were unanimously chosen as a committee of correspondence for said county, who have appointed Robert Friend Price, John Hinchman, John Cooper, John Sparks, Joseph Ellis and Joseph Hugg, as a committee to meet the committees of the other counties, at such time and place as shall be hereafter agreed on; and that three or more of said committee shall attend for choosing delegates to serve in the continental congress at Philadelphia on the 10th day of May next.

By order of the committee,
JOSEPH HUGG, Clerk.

ANNAPOLIS, January 11.

In consequence of the recommendation from the provincial convention for the respective hundreds in Anne-Arundel county meeting and forming themselves into companies, the inhabitants of Elk-Ridge hundred met on the 31st ult. and chose their proper officers, being of opinion that a well regulated militia will contribute to the preservation of American liberty.

By the committee for Anne-Arundel county, and city of Annapolis, December 24, 1774.

A LETTER from the committee of Philadelphia, with one from Thomas Charles Williams to that, and another to this committee, were read and considered, and thereupon it is resolved, that the concessions of the said Thomas Charles Williams contained in his said letters, are not precise or full, and therefore not satisfactory.

Resolved, that upon an acknowledgment being made in writing by the said Thomas Charles Williams, and inserted in the Maryland gazette, that after he had knowledge of the resolutions of this county and city, and after the merchants of this province had declined to import tea, he with design to avail himself of an advantage from an expected scarcity of that article, imported tea into this province, and that he thereby as far as such example would influence, supported the assumed power of parliament to tax America, and endangered the rights and liberties of America;—that he is sincerely sorry for his offence, that he will not commit the least infringement of the continental association, or any resolution of this province, but will contribute his assistance to the support of the American opposition; it is the opinion of this committee, that no further proceedings ought to be had against him.

Test. true copy. **JOHN DUCKETT, cl. com.**
THOMAS FRENCH, jun.
JOHN PURVIANCE.

I the above named Thomas C. Williams, do hereby certify, that the above resolve is published in my fire, and as a proof of my acquiescence therein, I do hereby give my assent to the several engagements therein required of me; witness my hand, this second day of January, 1775.

THOMAS C. WILLIAMS.

The following is the PETITION of the CONTINENTAL CONGRESS To the KING's most excellent majesty.

Most gracious sovereign,
We your majesty's faithful subjects of the colonies of New-Hampshire, Massachusetts-Bay,

Rhode-Island and Providence plantations, Connecticut, New-York, New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, the counties of Newcastle Kent and Sussex on Delaware, Virginia, North-Carolina, and South-Carolina, who have deputed us to represent them generally by this our humble petition, beg leave to lay our grievances before the throne.

A standing army has been kept in these colonies since the conclusion of the late war, without the consent of our assemblies; and this army, with a considerable naval armament, has been employed to the collection of taxes.

The authority of the commander in chief, and of the brigadiers general, has, in these colonies, been rendered supreme in all the civil governments in America.

The commander in chief of all your majesty's troops in North America, has, in time of peace, been appointed governor of a colony.

The charges of usual offices have been greatly increased, and new, expensive, and oppressive offices have been multiplied.

The judges of admiralty and vice-admiralty are empowered to receive their salaries and fees from the effects condemned by themselves.

The officers of the customs are empowered to open and enter houses, without the authority of a civil magistrate founded on legal intimation.

The judges of courts of common law have been made intirely dependent on one part of the legislature for their salaries as well as for the duration of their commissions.

Counsellors, holding their commissions during pleasure, exercise legislative authority.

Humble and reasonable petitions from the representatives of the people have been fruitless.

The agents of the people have been disallowed, and governors have been instructed to prevent the payment of their salaries.

Assemblies have been frequently and unjustly dissolved, and commerce burthened with many new and oppressive restrictions.

By several acts of parliament made in the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth years of your majesty's reign, duties are imposed on us, for raising a revenue, and the powers of admiralty courts are extended beyond their proper limits, whereby our property is taken from us without our consent; the trial by jury, in many civil cases, is abolished; enormous forfeitures are incurred for offences; vexatious informers are exempted from paying damages to which they are justly liable, and a severe security is required from owners before they are allowed to defend their rights.

Both houses of parliament have resolved, that the colonies may be tried in England for offences alleged to have been committed in America, by virtue of a statute passed in the thirty-fifth year of Henry the fifth, and in consequence thereof attempts have been made to enforce that statute.

A statute was passed in the twelfth year of your majesty's reign, directing that persons charged with common offences therein described, in any place, out of the realm, may be indicted and tried for the same in any colony or county within the realm, whereby inhabitants of the colonies may, in sundry cases by that statute made, be deprived of a trial by their peers of the vicinage.

In the last session of parliament, an act was passed blocking up the harbour of Boston, another imposing on the governor of the Massachusetts-Bay to send persons indicted for murder in that province, to another colony, or even to Great-Britain, for trial, where such offenders may escape legal punishment; and for altering the chartered constitution of government in that province; and a fourth, for extending the limits of Quebec, abolishing the English, and restoring the French laws, whereby great numbers of British men are subject to the latter, and establishing an absolute government and the roman catholic religion throughout those vast regions that border on the westerly and northerly boundaries of the free protestant English settlements; and a fifth for the better providing suitable quarters for officers and soldiers in your majesty's service in North-America.

To a sovereign, who glories in the name of British, the bare recital of these acts must, we presume, be the loyal subjects who fly to the foot of his throne implore his clemency for protection against them.

From this destructive system of colony administration adopted since the conclusion of the late war, have arisen those distresses, dangers, fears, and jealousies which overwhelm your majesty's dutiful colonists with indignation; and we defy our most subtle and inveterate enemies to trace the unhappy differences between Great-Britain and these colonies, from an earlier period from other causes than we have assigned; had we ceased on our part from a restless levity of temper, just impulses of ambition, or artful suggestions of ambitious persons, we should merit the opprobrious and frequently bestowed on us by those we revere.

Far from promoting innovations, we have only opposed them, and can be charged with no offence, unless one to receive injuries and be sensible of them.

Had our creator been pleased to give us excellent laws, a land of plenty, the sense of our condition might have been mitigated by ignorance and habit; but, that to his adorable goodness, we were born the heirs of freedom, and ever enjoyed our rights under the auspices of your royal ancestors, whose family was seated on the British throne to rescue and secure a pious and gallant nation from the popery and despotism of a perditionous and inexorable tyrant.

Your majesty are confident, justly rejoices that your title to the crown is thus founded on the title of your people's liberty; and therefore we doubt not but your wisdom must approve the sensibility that teaches your subjects anxiously to guard the blessing they receive from divine providence, and thereby to prove the formance of that compact which elevated the illustrious house of Brunswick to the imperial dignity it now possesses.

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We therefore most earnestly beseech your Majesty
that your royal authority and interposition may be used
for your relief, and that a gracious answer may be given
to this petition:
That your Majesty may enjoy every felicity, through
a long and glorious reign, over loyal and happy subjects,
and that your descendants may inherit your property
and dominions; till time shall be no more, in and
ways will be, our sincere and fervent prayer.

St. Mary's county, January 1, 1775.
WHEREAS the subscribers on the 29th day of
June last, did deliver into the hands of Thomas
Smallwood, jun. for collection, a bill of debts due
to the partnership of Bate and Metcalf, on his the
said Smallwood's agreeing to give bond and security
for his faithful performance thereof; and as the said
Smallwood hath neglected to comply with the said
agreement, we do hereby public notice to all persons
indebted to the said partnership, not to pay to the said
Smallwood any sum of money or money's worth
from the date hereof, nor allow any receipt given by
him for money paid on that account.

CUSTOM-HOUSE
ENTERED
Ship Nancy, James Burrow, Bristol
Ship Hibernia, Thomas Morrison, Cork
Ship Star and Garter, Thomas Henning, Exeter
Snow Baltimore, Edward Veazy, Antigua
Schooner Sally, Peter Faneuil, Salem
Ship Prosper, James Baxter, Bristol
Schooner Chatham, Benjamin Fleetwood, Virginia
Ship Rebecca, Alexander Strachan, Virginia
Schooner Sally and Polly, Nathaniel Freeman, Antigua
Schooner Industry, John Blakeney

WHEREAS the subscribers, tanghting them-
selves in a case of necessity, have offered
every thing in their power to satisfy the demands against
us; this is therefore to give public notice, that we
intend to apply to the next general assembly for
relief.
STOKETT WILLIAMS
JOHN LAWTON

Annapolis, January 10, 1775.
Just arrived in the ship Star and Garter, Capt. Hen-
ry, from Exeter.
A few healthy able servant men, whose times are to
be disposed of on board said ship, now lying in
the dock. Likewise for sale, a young healthy negro
man, and a negro woman, who has been used to do
all kinds of house work--also a negro girl about
15 years of age. The said servants and negroes will be
sold on reasonable terms, by the subscribers, who
will give cash for any quantity of good clean wheat,
at market price, delivered here or at Baltimore.
THO. C. WILLIAMS, and CO.

George-town, on Potowmack, December 27, 1774.
THE manufactory of snuff in various sorts is now
carried on by me at this place, where I can furn-
ish it either in wholesale or retail, at reasonable rates.
I have also manufactured tobacco for sale, viz. plug
and siffon, and shall shortly begin and continue to
manufacture it in all the different forms, if I receive
proper encouragement.
Orders from persons at a distance will be duly at-
tended to, either by myself, or Mr. Joseph Birch;
and I will give ready money, or snuff for empty snuff
bottles delivered here.
RICHARD THOMPSON.

Upper Marlborough, January 12, 1775
WHEREAS Capt. Alexander Cumming obtained
of Mr. Nich. Greenberry Ridgely, two bonds,
each for £300 currency, bearing date the 16th of
March, 1770; since which both parties are deceased,
and these bonds with several other papers cannot be
found, I do imagine that Capt. Cumming gave them
into the care of some of his friends; if so, the sub-
scriber his administrator living in this place, will be
much obliged to any person that will give him infor-
mation concerning them. All persons having claims
against said Cumming, are desired to bring in their ac-
counts legally proved, and those indebted to him,
are desired to make immediate payment, to their hum-
ble servant,
DAVID CUMMING.

Falls of Patowmack, December 22, 1774.
AT a meeting of the trustees for opening the navi-
gation of Patowmack, held at George-town the
first day of December, 1774; present, Thomas John-
son, jun. attorney at law, William Deakins, Adam
Stuart, Thomas Johns, and Thomas Richardson of
George-town, merchants; William Elzey, Robert
Alexander, and Philip Alexander, of Virginia, who
ordered and directed that the subscriber should on the
credit, and at the risk of the above named trustees,
hire 50 slaves to labour in cutting the canals, round
the several falls of said river; and at another meeting
of trustees for the purpose aforesaid, held at Alexan-
dria the 19th day of the same month, present George
Washington, John Carlisle, J. Dalton, and W. Ramsay,
gentlemen, together with many of the trustees at the
former meeting, who recognized and approved of the
order for hiring 50 slaves, and agreed to become
equally liable; in consequence of which order of the
trustees, I hereby give notice, that I want to hire
negro men for the ensuing year, for the purpose above
mentioned; any person inclinable to hire the whole,
or any part of them, may see the proceedings of the
said trustees, subscribed by and with their respective
hands in my custody.
JOHN BALLENDINE.

December 22, 1774.
AT a meeting at Alexandria on the 19th inst. of
several of the trustees, named in Mr. John Bal-
lendine's plan and proposals, for extending the navi-
gation of Patowmack river, it was recommended that
another meeting should shortly be held in order to
form and dig it proper plans to be laid before the as-
semblies of Virginia and Maryland, respecting the
said navigation.
Notice is therefore given, that the said meeting will
be at Alexandria on the last Thursday of January next,
if fair, if not the next fair day; when and where it
is expected that a large number of the trustees, as
can make it convenient, will give their attendance.
RICHARD THOMPSON, clerk.

And all persons of whom the said Smallwood may
make demands of debts due to the said partnership,
are desired to obtain the same caution, he
having obtained from him a bill of debts on the
same terms, with which he hath neglected to
comply.
JAMES BATE.

TO BE RENTED
The house where Mrs. Osborne lately lived, in
John's Lane, is to be let, enquire of
JACQUES.

Annapolis, January 9, 1775.
To be sold at public vendue, on Wednesday the 25th
day of this month, at the tavern kept by
Mr. John Ball, in the city of Annapolis, between
12 and one o'clock, if fair, if not the next fair
day.
LEONARD WAYMAN, executor.

SUNDRY valuable negro slaves, late the property
of Thomas Rutland, deceased, consisting of men,
women, boys, and girls; the sale is made in pursu-
ance of the will of the deceased, and time of payment
will be given, on bond with security if required. All
persons indebted to the estate of note of hand or open
account, are desired to make speedy payment, or they
will be sued without respect of persons.
LEONARD WAYMAN, executor.

To be sold at public vendue, on Wednesday the 25th
day of this month, at the tavern kept by
Mr. John Ball, in the city of Annapolis, between
12 and one o'clock, if fair, if not the next fair
day.
LEONARD WAYMAN, executor.

TWO fine lots number 35, and 36, with a
good dwelling-house 36 feet long and 21 feet wide,
three rooms, and a large passage, and three rooms
above stairs, a large kitchen, a milk house, meat house,
and hen-house, a commodious garden; number 36 a
dwelling-house with four rooms on a floor, a copper's
shop, stables, and two exceeding fine springs. Any
person inclinable to purchase it, by private sale, may
know the terms, by applying to the subscriber on the
premises.
WILLIAM THORNTON.

January 10, 1775.
STRYED or stolen from the subscriber's plantation
beyond Elk-Ridge, on the 30th of last December,
a large brown waggon horse, with a small white streak
across his shoulder, occasioned by the collar, a small
star in his forehead, if branded; I cannot recollect the
brand. Whoever brings him to M. Riggs on the
said plantation, shall be paid twenty shillings.
CHARLES CARROLL.

THERE is at the plantation of John Simpson, near
Frederick town, taken up as a stray, a bay horse,
about thirteen hands three inches high, branded on
the near buttock thus 30, has some saddle spots on
his back, about twelve years old. The owner is de-
sired to prove his property, pay charges, and take
him away.
CHARLES CARROLL.

Mouth of Monocacy, Frederick county, Dec. 14, 1774.
RAN away, an indentured servant lad, named James
Powell, born in New-York; about five feet five
or six inches high, thin complexion, light hair, had
on a white cotton waistcoat and breeches, trimmed
with wooden buttons with brass shanks, an under light
grey waistcoat home-spun and filled, trimmed with
the same kind of buttons above, an osabrig shirt, coarse
yarn stockings, shoes with leather strings, and a felt
hat; he is well acquainted about Philadelphia and
in Pennsylvania, having formerly drove a waggon in
that part of the country, and it is likely he will make
that way. Whoever takes up and secures the said
servant, so that I get him again, shall receive thirty
shillings, besides what the law allows.
EDWARD JONES.

Baltimore, December 20, 1774.
Just arrived in the schooner Industry, William Wool-
sey, master from Dublin.
A PARCEL of healthy indentured men and women
servants, amongst whom are, one cooper, one
rope-maker, two house-carpenters, one flogger, one
gunsmith, two bricklayers, one blacksmith, two
schoolmasters, one watchman, one tailor, three
weavers, two barbers, and ten men fitted to coun-
try work; the women used to do house work and
spinning, whose indentures will be up to the
country produce, by the captain, on board said
vessel in the basin or
WOOLSEY and SALMON.

To be sold by the subscriber in Annapolis.
A HEALTHY likely Negro girl, 17 years of age,
strictly honest, and a good cook, added to drink,
her price is £20, and will be given if required, by
giving bond on interest.
Likewise the plantation called K-a-b-y, containing
143 acres, near Clifton Bridge, Caroline county; a
good title, and a good crop of tobacco will be given if
required.
JAMES HIGGINSON.
N. B. A red cow, carrying has strayed from
my plantation, and any person who has intelligence where she
may be had.

in to alarm a committee, this colony has, in her
chief governor, an advocate near the throne, upon
whose distinguished abilities, and active and generous
committee of correspondence for Prince George's
county, that Mr. Alexander M'Pherson, merchant in
Bryan Town, in the county, was falling to which he

September 30, 1774.

ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS REWARD.

WHEREAS an attempt has been made to set fire to Hockley forge near Elk-Ridge landing, belonging to the Baltimore company, they hereby offer the above reward to any person who will discover the offender or offenders, so as he, or they, be convicted thereof.

WILLIAM HAMMOND, Manager.

December 7, 1774.

TO be so by the subscriber, a tract of land, lying on Benner's creek, in Frederick county, containing five hundred and forty-nine acres, as to the quality of said land, apply to Capt. Henry Griffith, and I will satisfy any person that inclines to purchase. For title and terms, apply to

NICHOLAS MACCUBBIN.

SIXTEEN DOLLARS REWARD.

WHEREAS a Negro fellow of mine, named Will, is now run away, for having resisted his overseer, by throwing him down, throttling him, and striking him sundry times with his fist, it is therefore to be hoped, that as he has been guilty of so flagitious a crime, that all masters of negroes and servants will encourage the taking of him, by promising them the above reward, which I will pay, either upon his being brought home or his being secured in any goal within this province; it cannot be doubted but all overseers will be vigilant on this occasion. He is about five feet ten inches high, a very stout likely fellow, with large full eyes, had on old cotton breeches, new shoes, and yarn stockings, which are of a thread of black and a thread of white, an osunabrig shirt; his other cloaths he left behind. He has an extensive acquaintance in and about Annapolis. There were two more fellows went off at the same time for refusing to assist their overseer, one named Will Jack and the other Sam, had on searought jackets, &c. for each of them I will give twenty shillings.

ROBERT TYLER.

This day is published, by WILLIAM AIKMAN, bookbinder and stationer, Annapolis, in two large volumes, handsomely bound and titled, price 16s. currency.

NEW VOYAGE ROUND THE WORLD, in the years 1768, 1769, 1770, and 1771, undertaken by Capt. James Cook in the ship Endeavour, drawn from his own journals, and from the papers of Joseph Banks, Esq; and published by order of the lords of the admiralty, by JOHN HAWKSWORTH, L.L.D. with cuts, and a map of the whole navigation.—This edition of Cook's voyages contains the whole of the second and third volumes of Hawkesworth's collection of voyages, which was published in London in three volumes, and sold for three guineas.—Where may be had, Poor Man's Almanack for 1775, price 3d. and Father Abraham's pocket Almanack, interleaved with writing paper, price 1s.

To be rented from year to year, or for a term of years,

BELVOIR, the beautiful seat of the honourable George William Fairfax, Esq; lying upon Patowmack River in Fairfax county, Virginia, about fourteen miles below Alexandria. The mansion house is of brick, two stories high, with four convenient rooms and a large passage on the lower floor, five rooms and a passage on the second, and a servants hall and cellars below, convenient offices, stables, and coach-house adjoining, as also a large and well furnished garden, stored with a great variety of valuable fruits, in good order. Appertaining to the tract on which these houses stand, and which contains near 3000 acres (surrounded in a manner by navigable water) are several valuable fisheries, and a good deal of cleared land in different parts, which may be let altogether, or separately, as shall be found most convenient. The terms may be known of colonel Washington, who lives near the premises, or of me in Berkely county.

FRANCIS WILLIS, junr.

December 1, 1774.

THE copartnership between the subscribers will end and be dissolved the 31 day of next March, which has been carried on under the firms of Thomas Contee and company, and Contee and Bowie at Nottingham; therefore all persons indebted to them on bond, bill, or open account, are desired to make speedy payment: those that fail payment by the first of February next must excuse us for disagreeable consequences, as we must take legal methods to enforce payments without respect to persons.

THOMAS CONTEE, FIELDER BOWIE.

N. B. We have on hand a parcel of valuable goods, which we will dispose of on reasonable terms, for cash, tobacco, or good bills of exchange.

Annapolis, December 23, 1774.

Just imported in the ship Annapolis, Capt. Thomas Eden, from London,

A assortment of goods suitable to the season, which are to be sold at a reasonable rate, by WILLIAM WILKINS.

THIS is to forewarn all persons from hunting with-in any of the subscribers' inclosures, with either dog or gun.

THOMAS MORRIS.

TO cover next season, if not sold, WHYNOT, a fine bay horse, fifteen hands high, eight years old, got by Fearnought, near New-Town, Chester, at three pounds a mare, and five shillings to the groom. WHYNOT's character and pedigree are well known, and he is allowed to be a good a bottomed horse as any in America.—BADGER, a beautiful, strong, bony, grey horse, six years old, fifteen hands and one inch high, imported from England; got by Lord Chedworth's Bosphorus, who won seven king's plates, his dam by the noted Othello, commonly called Black and all Black, and his grand dam, by the famous flying Childers, near the city of Annapolis, at five pounds a mare, and seven shillings and sixpence to the groom.—At the same place a strong black horse, of the wagon breed, at thirty shillings a mare, and half a dollar to the groom: The money for each mare to be paid at the stable door. Any gentlemen breeders, who intend sending their mares to any of the above horses, are desired to give early notice thereof as they conveniently can to JOHN CRAIGS, at the Governor's, to prevent their being disappointed, as he is limited to a certain number; and in the mean time, if any gentleman is desirous of purchasing all or any of the above horses, he may apply to John Craigs above-mentioned, who will also sell the beautiful dark chestnut horse SLIM, who is remarkably speedy, and six years old; he was got by Mr. Wildman's Babraham, his dam by Mr. Rogers's Babraham, his grand dam by Sedbury out of Lord Portmore's Ebony.

WHEREAS a young man named Richard Tucker, was lost in his own schooner, in the eastern bay, near the mouth of Wye river, on Thursday the 17th of November last; he is 24 years of age, of brown complexion, and black hair tied behind, about 5 feet 10 inches high, and well set: had on a white thicker coat, country cloth jacket, and blue broad cloth breeches, white shirt and striped silk handkerchief, with yellow buttons in the sleeves; silver watch in his pocket, and silver buckles in his shoes, had a pocket-book in his pocket with some money, and a gold ring. Whoever finds the said body, and what also may be about it, shall receive five pounds reward if brought home, and reasonable charges from me, the subscriber his mother, living in the swamp, near the mouth of West-river.

SUSANNA TUCKER.

ALL persons who have any claims against the estate of Christopher Markley, late of the city of Annapolis, baker, deceased; are desired to bring them in legally proved that they may be adjusted, and all persons indebted to said estate, to make immediate payment thereof, or they will be treated with as the law directs, the subscriber intending shortly to leave this province.

JORDAN STEIGER, Administrator.

Annapolis, November 8, 1774.

THOMAS PRYSE, COACH-MAKER, from LONDON.

TAKES this method to inform his friends and the public in general, that he has removed his shop from the town-gate, to the house opposite doctor Steuarts, near the Stadt-house, where he carries on the said business in all its various branches, as he has supplied himself with exceeding good workmen from London: as also every article of the best sort to a very great amount, consisting of several sets of the best steel springs, spring curtains for coach and chariot, brass boxes, &c. &c. He has also a very good coach and herold painter, that undertakes painting of coaches, chariots, or chairs, either in cyphers, festoons of flowers, or coats of arms, with varnishing, gilding, or jeping, in the neatest and best manner, and at the most reasonable rates: those ladies and gentlemen that chuse to favour him with their custom in any of the above branches, may rest assured, that his constant endeavours shall be to give general satisfaction to those that please to employ him, and the favour greatly acknowledged, by the public's most humble servant,

THOMAS PRYSE.

N. B. I still continue the saddling and harness-making business as usual, and hope for encouragement from the public; to be sold as above, a quantity of saddlers orrace, and frence girth wibs, &c. &c.

Post Office, Annapolis, Sept 31, 1774.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a rider will set off from this office every Monday morning at nine o'clock for Baltimore, where he meets the mails from the northward, and will return early on Tuesday. And on Friday the mails from the northward and southward come in as usual, and are dispatched the same evening.

ANTHONY STEWART, D. P. M.

Maryland, Queen Anne's county, Nov. 1774.

WANTED, an excellent workman, who will undertake, next spring, to build a windmill, and that will contract to find every material; to such a person a handsome price will be given; a part of the contract money, if required, shall be advanced; the whole shall be paid immediately upon the work being completed. No person need apply unless he comes well recommended for his workmanship, his industry and fidelity.

JAMES HUTCHINGS, Junior.

TO BE SOLD.

By the subscriber, living in Harford county, THE land and plantations where Mrs. Elizabeth Contee lately lived, in Calvert county, Maryland, near Patuxent river, between Nottingham and Marlborough, containing about 700 acres, on which are valuable buildings of most kinds, added to a constant healthy situation; also a grist mill with a stream of water, capable of grinding large quantities of grain, with several apple orchards and a variety of fruits of most kinds; the whole under good fence and repair, with a sufficient quantity of wood laid to support the same for a great number of years; a considerable quantity of low grounds, with a small stream, may be turned into valuable meadow; with many conveniences and natural advantages, for the mention, and too often abused under the credit of a fiction of an advertisement, therefore any person inclinable to purchase, said land, may view the same by applying to Francis Whittington, overseer of the place, who can inform at what time they may be treated with on the occasion, by

JOHN LEE WEBSTER.

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD.

Rock-Creek, Frederick county, August 10, 1774. RAN away last night from the subscriber, a servant man named Joseph Barkers, an English man, about 25 years of age; he is a well looking fellow, of a ruddy complexion, about 5 feet 6 inches high; had on and took with him, a reddish mixed broad-cloth coat with a velvet cap, a blue flannel short jackets bound with red; two pair of keen breeches, a pair of old leather boots, a pair of old worsted stockings; a pair of thread stockings, shoes, and a felt hat. He wears his own dark hair behind. It is supposed he is gone in company with some other man unknown to me, and has carried off horses out of my pasture, one of which is a large red, about 15 hands high, paces naturally, the other a chestnut sorrel, about 14 hands and a half high, trots; and gallops; he is low before, credit falls, and has a short scanty tail; the horses are both well bridled; one of the staples is gone off the fore part of the saddle on the near side. Whoever takes up the servant and brings him home to the subscriber, he have, if taken 30 miles from home, 20 dollars, and 10 pounds for the other man; and the two horses, in proportion for a greater distance for the servant and horses, paid by

RICHARD CRAB.

Annapolis, December 10, 1774.

I HAVE left my books and accounts relating to my store in Annapolis, in the hands of Matthew Durrall, at Mr. Hall's office, who I have empowered to receive the balances due.—All persons indebted to me for dealings above a year standing, any of my stores, are desired to pay without delay, as I have occasion for the money. I have several tracts of land to dispose of, lying on the drain Benner's creek, now adjoining to each other, are in tracts of 2, 3, 4, and 500 acres each, with improvements; the land is very fit for making the coloured tobacco, and a great range for stock. It is also about 300 acres of very rich land, lying within 4 miles of shepherd's town in Virginia, which I will sell and give some time for the payment if desired several other parcels of land in Virginia and Maryland to dispose of.

STEPHEN WISE.

LOST on Sunday night the 25th of December, in the bay, between the Three Sisters and Le point, a small sciff boat, about 18 feet long, very well, outside and bottom painted white, the sides and seats painted white also; one of the seats has a small spot burnt on the upper part of it; five row-locks, four of which rows double on each side; had fastened to her stern an iron chain about 10 feet long, and a short piece of 1/2 inch tow rope; supposed she drove ashore between Sharp and Low island, the wind being N. W. at the time she was away. Whoever takes up the said boat, and brings her to Mr. Richard Grafon on mouth of Wye river or to Col. Edward Lloyd in Annapolis, or to me the subscriber, shall have 40 shillings reward.

BENJAMIN ROBERT.

Annapolis, January 4, 1775.

THE subscriber having furnished himself with a person well skilled in cleaning and putting good order all kinds of fire arms, begs leave to offer his service to the public in that branch of business and flatters himself he shall give ample satisfaction to those who chuse to employ him. He also has a well skilled in farriery, and cutting and training horses.

JOHN CAMPBELL LINDSAY.

To be sold to the highest bidder, on Monday the 1st of February next,

THREE parcels of land adjoining each other, containing in the whole about 80 acres; also part of another tract with a very good grist mill on it, containing three and 1/2 acres, lying in Frederick county, 9 miles above Btadenburgh; on the same day will be exposed to sale, one negro man; and a small flock of horses, cattle and hogs; credit will be given, on good bond with security.

WILLIAM MURDOCH.

N. B. The sale will be on the premises.

MARYLAND GAZETTE.

T H U R S D A Y, JANUARY 19, 1775.

VIENNA, October 15.

RE translation of a letter is handed about here, which, they say, was sent by the late grand Vizir to count Romanzow, in which the former says, "That he never could serve mankind, in his life, better than the present occasion; and that he, in order to the shameful homicide, rather would conclude at any rate, let the consequence be ever so fore he would see so many thousands of men each others throats on account of an ambitious

October 15. We learn from Madrid, that the war arisen between Spain and Portugal has been moderated by the cession which the latter has made of the island of St. Faveur.

October 19. They write from Marseilles, on account of the bankruptcies which have happened for some time past, no person will receive paper, traffic is carried on but in ready money. The owners of two English ships, laden with wrought iron, silk, coral, &c. have paid to the insurers an exorbitant price, on account of the report which prevails of a rupture between England and the regency of Algiers.

October 21. They write from the Danube that the Prussian troops that were in Podolia continue marching, and that they have already reached Constance, in order to make room for those that follow. If one may judge from the magazines and magazines which are preparing, there will be 80,000 men in Poland this winter. The same advices add, that deserters from the Ottoman army have committed excesses in Romelia. They have not even yet returned to Adrianople, where when the remainder of the army arrived, they found the houses in many places entirely burnt down.

October 22. We learn from Constantinople, that the first inst. another and more dangerous insurrection happened among the people, which greatly troubled the whole divan, and the sultan himself found it necessary to withdraw for some time. The musli and janissaries endeavoured to appease them in vain; but on having the heads of all the members of the council that ratified so scandalous a peace, but at last were satisfied with the heads of Nisfangi Kefimi, Minubi, and some others, who were known to be the authors of the late grand vizir. It is reported that the famous Pulawski was publicly killed lately by the mob at Constantinople.

LONDON, October 27.

We are informed that Mr. Wilkes, since his being lord-mayor, sent a very polite message to Mrs. Wilkes, desiring her to honour him as lady-mayor's wife, she declined, giving as a reason, as she had lived all her life so long, it would be disagreeable to her to be public a station, but added, as her daughter is perfectly qualified to shine in an exalted sphere, she thought she might supply her place.

We hear that the chancellor of France has been head struck off by command of the king, for having uttered disrespectful words against the Queen's honour. Elizabeth Grieve, commonly called the French Grieve, was tried at Hicks's-hall for defrauding several persons of several sums of money, under pretence of procuring them places under government, and she was transported for seven years. This is the first woman who a year ago rendered herself so famous in the streets, having pretended to be the friend of the minister, cousin to the Duke of Grafton, and to various other connections of the first rank. She had a letter from Mr. C. F. which made a great noise in court.

October 31. At the court of Aldermen held this evening, Mr. Trecothick begged leave to resign his gown, and was accepted by the court. Immediately after the late Mr. Sheriff Lee and Nathaniel Newnham, of Botolph-lane, declared themselves candidates for the office of sheriff, and were sworn in.

His majesty has appointed: Tephia Kemble, to be deputy adjutant-general for North-America, in the rank of major in the army, in the room of the late Major-General, Sir John Mordaunt, Esq; deceased.

A courier from Wallachia brings advice, that the Russian army is now returned on this side the Danube. The mails also intimate, that an exchange of prisoners has taken place between the Empress of Russia and the grand signior, prince Reppin is appointed to be the part of the prisoner, and a muskman of high rank on the part of the latter.

The courts of Spain and Portugal are bustled in attendance with precision, the limits of the Brazils, and the limits of the fishery on the coast of Algarve. At 11 o'clock two men of war are fitting out, destined, as is supposed, for Rio de Janeiro, whether warlike stores and provisions are to be transported from St. Miguel and Terceira, or to be sent to the Cape of Good Hope.

The last board of admiralty, orders were sent to the masters of several men of war, at Portsmouth and Spithead, to take on board provisions for six months, and that they are destined for the Mediterranean.

For many years past the scarcity of grain in Sweden has been excessive. At present, by the attention of their king, all sorts of grain are in such great abundance, that, notwithstanding the considerable exportation now making to Holland, the opposite extreme is dreaded, and that the too low price will be prejudicial to the farmers. Corn becomes cheaper every day; and for this reason the cultivators are desirous that the government should take some measures, that what contributes to the welfare of their fellow citizens may not become a loss to a class of people so valuable in all nations.

This day about a quarter past two o'clock the lord mayor elect, Mr. Alderman Crosby, Mr. Alderman Thomas, Sir Watkin Lewis, Alderman, Mr. Alderman Hayley, and the two sheriffs; Mr. Justice Glynn, the recorder, the city remembrancer, the reverend Dr. Williamson, chaplain and other proper officers, waited on the lord chancellor at his house in Great Russell-street, Bloombury. As soon as they were conducted to the drawing room the lord chancellor, attended by his proper officers, waited upon them. Mr. Recorder, then in a short speech acquainted his lordship, that the livery of London had proceeded to choose a chief magistrate, and that their choice had fallen upon Mr. Alderman Wilkes, which had since been confirmed by a court of aldermen; that having on several occasions distinguished himself as a sensible, upright and active magistrate, the livery of London thought his fidelity and abilities had been sufficiently proved, and for that reason had called him to so great and important an office as first magistrate of this great city. The lord chancellor then addressed himself to the lord mayor, and the rest of the company; told them his majesty had been acquainted with the proceedings of the citizens of London, relative to their having elected a chief magistrate, and that he was commanded to signify his majesty's approbation of the choice they had made. This ceremony being over, the lord chancellor took the lord mayor elect by the hand, wished him health to go through the fatigues of his office, and placed him on his right hand; the rest of the aldermen took their seats. A gold goblet, with rich wines and spices, was handed round, and the usual healths drank; several assortments of cakes were presented to the company; and after the chancellor had set about ten minutes, he took his leave with that civility and politeness which belongs to the Bathurst family. Another glass afterwards went round, and the lord mayor returned amongst the acclamations of several hundred people assembled on the occasion, who conducted themselves with great decency.

Nov. 4. Orders were sent off to Ireland on Tuesday night for all the ships of war now lying in Cork harbour, which are fit for service, to be manned, and put in readiness to sail on the shortest notice.

We are informed that the lord-mayor elect's private coach and charriot cost two thousand pounds, which his brother-in-law, Mr. Hayley, made him a present of.

It is confidently asserted, that a scheme is in agitation for putting a final stop to the exportation of corn from any of the ports of North-America to France, Spain, Portugal, or any part of the African coast.

By the laws of this country, if a man owes 20l. he is arrested and left perhaps to linger out a miserable existence in a loathsome gaol; if he owes 10,000l. though obtained by the vilest acts, he can play with his creditors till it suits him to become a bankrupt, and then, after delivering up his nominal all, he begins the world again a better man than at his first outset. What pity the distribution of justice is so unequal in a free country!

In France a man, though he owes ever so much, is secure, provided he keeps in his own house, as no writ but one from the crown for a misdemeanour can touch him; by which means, if he intends honestly, he has it in his power, in a short time, to settle his affairs to his credit, and the satisfaction of his friends. In England, where the subjects boast of their houses being their castles, a resolute bailiff, or an unworthy pettyfogger, will enter by force, and carry the master into the most abject slavery. Oh Englishmen! ye gaze at a gnat, and yet swallow a camel!

It is a common remark, that a gaol pays no debts; and it may be added, says our correspondent, it never mends manners. A man goes in an honest man, though unfortunate, but comes out a confirmed villain, commences a swindler, and at last is transported, perhaps, for doing such things which his honest heart would before have shuddered at. A very good plea in support of the illegal practice of imprisonment for debt.

Nov. 5. Yesterday there was a levee at St. James's, at which the earl of Suffolk, lord North, and the principal officers of state, &c. were present.

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Extract of a letter from the Hague, Oct. 28.

Prince Galitzin, the Russian minister here, has just received the following letter from Petersburg, dated Oct. 7, 1774.

Hitherto the treaty of peace concluded with the Ottoman Porte, is executed by both parties with the utmost precision. Count Romanzow has sent colonel Peterson to Constantinople as charge de affaires from our court, in order to render the correspondence between him and the grand vizir less tedious.

Prince Dolgorouki has advanced with his army to Perecop, where he will stay till the entire evacuation of Caffa, and where, you know, the fleet and Turkish troops entered with his consent. They are almost all gone from thence already, except the retinues of the captain bashaw and the seraskier, who commands the land-forces. These officers have besides sent to acquaint prince Dolgorouki that they will leave the place as soon as possible.

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Extract of a letter from Gibraltar, Oct. 10.

An engagement has just happened off Oran, between a Spanish man of war of forty guns a frigate of thirty, and a squadron of Algerine corsairs, consisting of one ship of thirty two guns, two xebecs of twenty-four guns, and four from eighteen guns to twelve. The Spanish ships were bound for Barcelona and having their ports hauled close, were mistaken by the corsairs for two merchant men, and in consequence of the mistake they gave chase, and fired several guns at the Spaniards before they discovered themselves, when two of the smaller xebecs were soon sunk by broadsides from the Spaniards; the large ship maintained the fight for some time, but was at last taken, and the others made their escape.

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Advice to administration with respect to America.

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TWO clerks in the prerogative office. Apply to ELIE VALLETTE, Reg.

Talbot county, December 24, 1774.

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JOHN STEVENS, Sheriff.

THERE is at the plantation of Mrs. Rachel Hammond, Green Spring, a steer, about 5 or 6 years old, marked with a crop and slit and an under cut in the right ear, the left ear a short crop, his colour a red brindie. The owner is desired to prove his property, pay charges, and take him away.

WILLIAM WELLING.

Annapolis Jail, January 10, 1775.

WHEREAS we the subscribers, languishing prisoners in Anne-Arundel county jail, have offered every thing in our power to satisfy the demands against us; this is therefore to give public notice, that we intend to apply to the next general assembly for our relief.

STOCKETT WILLIAMS, JOHN LAWTON,

Annapolis, January 10, 1775.

Just arrived in the ship Star and Garter, Capt. Hemson, from Exeter,

A Few healthy able servant men, whose times are to be disposed of on board said ship, now lying in the dock. Likewise for sale, a young healthy negro man, and a negro woman, who has been used to do all kinds of house work---also a negro girl about six years of age---The said servants and negroes will be sold on reasonable terms, by the subscribers, who will give cash for any quantity of good clean wheat, at market price, delivered here or at Baltimore. w 3

THO. C. WILLIAMS, and CO.

Upper-Marlborough, January 12, 1775.

WHEREAS Capt. Alexander Cumming obtained of Mr. Nich. Greenberry Ridgely, two bonds, each for £300 currency, bearing date the 16th of March, 1770; since which both parties are deceased, and those bonds with several other papers cannot be found, I do imagine that Capt. Cumming gave them into the care of some of his friends; if so, the subscriber his administrator living in this place, will be much obliged to any person that will give him information concerning them. All persons having claims against said Cumming, are desired to bring in their accounts legally proved, and those indebted to him, are desired to make immediate payment, to their humble servant, w 2

DAVID CUMMING,

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STRAYED or stolen from the subscriber's plantation beyond Elk-Ridge, on the 30th of last December, a large brown waggon horse, with a small white streak across his shoulder, occasioned by the collar, a small star in his forehead, if branded, I cannot recollect the brand. Whoever brings him to Mr. Riggs on the said plantation, shall be paid twenty shillings. w 3

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WANTED, TWO clerks in the prerogative office. Apply to ELIE VALLETTE, Reg. Talbot county, December 24, 1774. WHEREAS the goods and chattels of James Barwick, John Ford, James Devereaux, Joseph Knowls, Thomas M'Carroll, now prisoners in the jail for the county aforesaid, are to be sold at public sale, on Tuesday the third day of January next, for the benefit of their creditors. All persons having any claims against either of the said men, are desired to bring them in, within thirty days after the third day of January next, that they may be adjusted, agreeable to an act of assembly, entitled an act for the relief of insolvent debtors. JOHN STEVENS, Sheriff.

December 7, 1774.

TO be sold by the subscriber, a tract of land, lying on Bennet's creek, in Frederick county, containing five hundred and forty-nine acres; as to the quality of said land, apply to Capt. Henry Griffith, and he will satisfy any person that inclines to purchase. For title and terms, apply to
NICHOLAS MACCUBBIN.

SIXTEEN DOLLARS REWARD.

WHEREAS a Negro fellow of mine, named Will, is now run away, for having ressed his overseer, beating him down, threatening him and striking him sundry times with his fist, it is therefore to be hoped that as he has been guilty of so flagitious a crime that a master of negroes and servants will encourage the taking of him, by promising them the above reward, which I will pay, either upon his being brought home or if he is being secured in any goal within this province, it can not be doubted but all overseers will be vigilant on this occasion. He is about five feet ten inches high, a very stout likely fellow, with large full eyes; he don't cotton breeches, new shoes, and yarn stockings, which are of a thread of black and a thread of white, an osabrig shirt; his other cloaths he left behind. He has an extensive acquaintance in and about Annapolis. There were two more fellows went off at the same time for refusing to assist their overseer, one named Will Jack and the other Sam, had on team ight jackets, &c. for each of them I will give twenty shillings.
ROBERT TYLER.

This day is published, by WILLIAM AIKMAN, bookfeller and stationer, Annapolis, in two large volumes, handsomely bound and titled, price 16s. currency.

A NEW VOYAGE ROUND THE WORLD, in the years 1768, 1769, 1770, and 1771, undertaken by Capt. James Cook in the ship Endeavour, drawn from his own journal, and from the papers of Joseph Banks, Esq; and published by order of the lords of the admiralty, by JOHN HAWKESWORTH, L.L.D. with cuts and a map of the whole navigation.—This edition of Cook's voyages contains the whole of the second and third volumes of Hawkesworth's collection of voyages, which was published in London in three volumes, and sold for three guineas.—Where may be had, P. W. Williams's Almanack for 1775, price 3d. and Fisher's pocket Almanack, interleaved with writing paper, price 1s.

To be rented from year to year, or for a term of years.

BELVOIR, the beautiful seat of the honourable George William Fairfax, Esq; lying upon Patowmack River in Fairfax county, Virginia, about fourteen miles below Alexandria. The mansion house is of brick, two stories high, with four convenient rooms and a large passage on the lower floor, five rooms and a passage on the second, and a servants hall and cellars below, convenient offices, stables, and coach-house adjoining, as also a large and well furnished garden, stored with a great variety of valuable fruits, in good order. Appertaining to the tract on which these houses stand, and which contains near 2000 acres (surrounded in a manner by navigable water) are several valuable fisheries, and a good deal of cleared land in different parts, which may be let altogether, or separately, as shall be found most convenient. The terms may be known of colonel Washington, who lives near the premises, or of me in Berkeley county. w 48 FRANCIS WILLIS, jun.

Annapolis, November 23, 1774.

Just imported in the ship Annapolis, Capt. Thomas Eden, from London,

AN assortment of goods suitable to the season, which are to be sold at a reasonable rate, by
WILLIAM WILKINS.

TO cover next season, if not sold, WHYNOT, a fine bay horse, fifteen hands high, eight years old, got by Fearnought, near New-Town, Chester, at three pounds a mare, and five shillings to the groom. WHYNOT's character and pedigree are well known, and he is allowed to be as good a bottomed horse as any in America.—BADGER, a beautiful, strong-boned, grey horse, six years old, fifteen hands and one inch high, imported from England; got by Lord Clifford's Bosphorus, who won seven king's plates, his dam by the noted Othello, commonly called Black and all Black, and his grand dam, by the famous flying Childers; near the city of Annapolis, at five pounds a mare, and seven shillings and sixpence to the groom.—At the same place a strong black horse, of the wagon breed, at thirty shillings a mare, and half a dollar to the groom. The money for each mare to be paid at the stable door. Any gentlemen breeders, who intend sending their mares to any of the above horses, are desired to give as early notice thereof as they conveniently can to JOHN CRAGGS, at the Governor's, to prevent their being disappointed, as he is limited to a certain number; and in the mean time, if any gentleman is desirous of purchasing all or any of the above horses, he may apply to John Craggs above-mentioned, who will also sell the beautiful dark chestnut horse SLIM, who is remarkably speedy, and six years old; he was got by Mr. William's Abraham, his dam by Mr. Rogers's Abraham, his grand dam by Sedbury out of Lord Portmore's Ebony.

ALL persons who have any claims against the estate of Christopher Markley, late of the city of Annapolis, baker, deceased, are desired to bring them in legally proved that they may be adjusted, and all persons indebted to said estate, to make immediate payment thereof, or they will be treated with as the law directs, the subscriber intending shortly to leave this province.
JORDAN STEIGER, Administrator.

Annapolis, November 2, 1774.

THOMAS PRYSE,
COACH-MAKER, from LONDON.

TAKES this method to inform his friends and the public in general, that he has removed his shop from the town-gate, to the house opposite doctor Stuar's, near the flat-house, where he carries on his said business in all its various branches, as he has supplied himself with exceeding good workmen from London; as a so every article of the best sort to a very great amount, consisting of several sets of the best steel springs, spring curtains for coach and chariot, bra's boxes, &c. &c. He has also a very good coach and herald painter, that undertakes painting of coaches, chariots, or chairs, either in cyphers, festoons of flowers, or coats of arms, with varnishing, gilding, or japanning, in the neatest and best manner, and at the most reasonable rates; those ladies and gentlemen that choose to favour him with their custom in any of the above branches, may rest assured, that his constant endeavours shall be to give general satisfaction to those that please to employ him, and the favour gratefully acknowledged, by the public's most humble servant,
THOMAS PRYSE.

N. B. I still continue the saddling and harness-making business as usual, and hope for encouragement from the public; to be sold as above, a quantity of saddlers orraces, and srenge girth wibs, &c. &c. if

Post Office, Annapolis, Sept 3d, 1774.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a rider will set off from this office every Monday morning at nine o'clock for Baltimore, where he meets the mails from the northward, and will return early on Tuesday. And on Friday the mails from the northward and southward come in as usual, and are dispatched the same evening.
ANTHONY STEWART, D. P. M.

Maryland, Queen Anne's county, Nov. 1, 1774.

WANTED, an excellent millwright, who will undertake, next spring, to build a windmill, and that will contract to find every material; to such a person a handsome price will be given; a part of the contract money, if required, shall be advanced; the whole shall be paid immediately on the work being completed. No person need apply unless he comes well recommended for his workmanship, his industry and fidelity.
JAMES HUTCHINGS, junior.

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD.

Rock-Creek, Frederick county, August 3, 1774.

RAN away last night from the subscriber, a convict servant man named Joseph Barker, an Englishman, about 25 years of age; he is a well looking fellow, of a ruddy complexion, about 5 feet 10 inches high; had on and took with him, a reddish coloured mixed broad-cloth coat with a velvet cape, two white flannel short jackets bound with red, two pair of nanken breeches, a pair of old leather breeches, a pair of old worsted stockings, a pair of thread ditto, old shoes, and a felt hat. He wears his own dark hair tied behind. It is supposed he is gone in company with some other man unknown to me, as I have missed two horses out of my pasture, one of which is a large sorrel, about 14 hands high, paces naturally; the other a chestnut sorrel, about 14 hands and a half high, paces, trots, and gallops; he is low before, crest fallen, and has a short scanty tail; the horses are both shod before. The man took with him a half worn saddle and curb bridle; one of the staples is gone off the fore part of the saddle on the near side. Whoever takes up said servant and brings him home to the subscriber, shall have, if taken 30 miles from home, 10 dollars, and 5 pounds for the other man and the two horses, and so in proportion for a greater distance for the servant and horses, paid by
RICHARD CRABB.

Annapolis, December 20, 1774.

I HAVE left my books and accounts relative to my store in Annapolis, in the hands of Mr. Gabriel Duvall, at Mr. Hall's office, who I have empowered to receive the balances due.—All persons indebted to me for dealings above a year standing at any of my stores, are desired to pay without loss of time, as I have occasion for the money. I have several tracts of land to dispose of, lying on the drafts of Bennet's creek, now adjoining to each other.—they are in tracts of 2, 3, 4, and 500 acres each, with improvements; the land is very fit for making the finest coloured tobacco, and a great range for stock. I have also about 1200 acres of very rich land, lying within 4 miles of the town in Virginia, which I will sell and give some time for the payment if desired; and several other parcels of land in Virginia and Maryland to dispose of. 6w
STEPHEN WEST.

LOST on Sunday night the 23th of December, the bay, between the Three Sisters and a small sciff boat, about 18 feet long, very well, outfiles and bottom painted white, the sides and seats painted white also; one of the seats has a small spot burnt on the upper part of it; five row-locks, four of which rows double on the stion; had fastened to her stern an iron chain about 10 feet long, and a short piece of 1/2 inch tow-rope about 10 feet long, which was fastened to the end of the sciff, and the wind being N.W. at the time she was away. Whoever takes up the said boat, and brings her to Mr. Richard Grafon on mouth of Wye, or to Col. Edward Lloyd in Annapolis, or to the subscriber, shall have 40 shillings reward.
BENJAMIN ROBERTSON.

Annapolis, January 4, 1775.

THE subscriber having furnished himself with a person well skilled in cleaning and putting in good order all kinds of fire arms, begs leave to offer his service to the public in that branch of business, and flatters himself he shall give ample satisfaction to those who choose to employ him. He also has a well skilled in farriery, and cutting and training horses.
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JOHN CAMPBELL LINDSEY.

December 29, 1774.

To be sold to the highest bidder, on Monday the 1st of February next,

THREE parcels of land adjoining each other, containing in the whole about 20 acres, also part of another tract with a very good gristmill on it, containing three and 1/2 acres, lying in Frederick county, 9 miles above Bladensburg; on the same day will be exposed to sale, one negro man, and a small flock of horses, cattle and hogs; credit will be given, on given bond with security.
WILLIAM MURDOCK.

N. B. The sale will be on the premises.

To be sold by the subscriber, on the 1st of January, or Wednesday the 18th of January, for sterling, or good bills of exchange,

A TRACT of land, being part of Anne-Arundel county, containing 167 1/2 acres; whereon are good fences, a very good meadow, a good dwelling house, kitchen, meat-house, milk house, corn-house, and three very good shingled tobacco-houses, a very good orchard and garden. Also a parcel of valuable negroes; a fine calculated for Patuxent herring fishery with ropes, and a good canoe.
EDWARD COLE.

Greenberry's Point, December 21, 1774.

To be sold at public vendue, on Thursday the 22nd day of February next, if fair, otherwise next day, at the subscriber's plantation near Annapolis,

SUNDRY likely negro men, from 20 to 30 years of age; likewise some negro women who can cook, wash, and iron, and a mulatto girl fifteen years of age who has been brought up in the house; twelve month credit will be given, the purchaser giving bond (to bear interest from the date) with security, if required. There are several negroes to be hired by the year, at the day of sale, by
DAVID KERR.

Pleasant Bay, December 6, 1774.

Just imported in the Ocean, Capt. Dixon, from Whitehaven, and to be sold at a moderate advance in cash, or bills of exchange.

ABOUT 260 prime cost of goods, they consist of one hundred and four pieces of Kendal cotton, four packages, of five or six different pieces in each package, five packages of felt hats, with a few calicoes in each package, the cost of each package about 2s. some coarse lawns, silk handkerchiefs; and white ounce thread make up the rest.
JOHN BAYNES.

THE subscriber proposing to decline the store kept by him in this city for James Buchanan and company, and having on hand about 21600 prime cost of ready afforded goods, (a very small part of which have been imported above three months) which he will lump sell at first cost and charges, for cash, good bills of exchange, or tobacco.
Those persons who are indebted to James Buchanan and co. for dealings at the above store, are requested to make as speedy payment as possible.
ROBERT BUCHANAN.

To be sold by the subscriber, living near Annapolis

A TRACT of land, lying in Frederick county, adjoining to Thomas Dorsey on Linganoes; containing two hundred acres of good timbered land, and bought twenty-five acres of good meadow ground being part of a tract of land taken up by Benjamin Clay, deeded by him to Moses Maccubbin, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, called Mobs; a person who wants to purchase, may be satisfied, by applying to
WILLIAM MACCUBBIN Administrator of Moses, administrator.

Annapolis, December 7, 1774.

TO be sold or rented, the lot and improvement thereon where Patrick Tonry lately lived in the city; consisting of a dwelling-house, brew-house, and other conveniences, all adjoining to the water; in the brew-house there are a large copper-boiler and a malt-kiln. For terms, apply to
JAMES DICK and STEWART and ROBERT COUDEN.

THE MARYLAND GAZETTE (No. 1533)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 1775

LONDON, October 20.

RIGHT reverend gentleman embarked a few days ago on board a vessel for New-England, in order to execute an important commission; having some time since been a favourite pastor in that province.

E. W. Y. O. R. K. January 16.

Yesterday the general assembly of this province, agreeable to his honour the lieutenant-governor's pleasure, but a sufficiency of members not appearing to make a house, they adjourned from day to day.

Support of his majesty's government, and other services for his service, I doubt not you will readily concur in.

cannot sufficiently lament the present disordered state of the colonies. The dispute between Great-Britain and her American dominions, is now brought to an alarming crisis, and fills every humane breast with the deepest affliction.

CADWALLADER COLDEN.

of his excellency governor Franklin, to both of us, at the opening of the session of the general assembly at Perth-Amboy, the 11th of Jan. 1775.

THOUGH not more than ten months have elapsed since your last meeting in general assembly, there are several matters of importance which require the particular attention of the legislature.

Support of government having been expired ever since the first of October, I must recommend that matter be early considered.

STEWART DEN.

of the council, and gentlemen of the assembly.

It would argue not only a great want of duty to his majesty, but of regard to the good people of this province, were I, on this occasion, to sit over in silence the late alarming transactions in the neighbouring colonies, or not to endeavour to prevail on you to exert yourselves in preventing those effects to this country, which, without your timely opposition, will, in all probability, be the consequence.

PHILADELPHIA.

Extract of a letter from Boston, Jan. 4.

As to our political matters they stand much as they have done for some time past; it's very sickly among the troops, and what with death and desertion they decrease very fast; near 500 have died and deserted since they came here.

of the council, and gentlemen of the assembly.

It is not for me to decide on the particular merits of the dispute between Great Britain and her colonies, nor do I mean to censure those who conceive themselves aggrieved for aiming at a redress of their grievances.

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It is a duty they owe themselves, their country, and their posterity.

Gentlemen of the Council, and gentlemen of the Assembly.

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All that I would wish to guard you against, is the giving any countenance or encouragement to that destructive mode of proceeding which has been unhappily adopted in part by some of the inhabitants in this colony, and has been carried so far in others as totally to subvert their former constitution.

Besides, there is not, gentlemen, the least necessity, consequently there will not be the least excuse, for your running any such risks on the present occasion.

You have now pointed out to you, gentlemen, two roads;—one evidently leading to peace, happiness, and a restoration of the public tranquillity;—the other inevitably conducting you to anarchy, misery, and all the horrors of a civil war.

I shall say no more at present on this disagreeable subject, but only to repeat an observation I made to a former assembly on a similar occasion.

of the council, and gentlemen of the assembly.

in good spirits, are determined to stand, and not survive their liberty. Our town is now surrounded with a fleet of capital ships: 11 regiments and 500 marines in the town, and yet after 8 o'clock at night, you scarcely see a soldier in the street, and then without arms, except those on duty.

ANNA POLIS, January 16.

Yesterday his excellency our governor was pleased, with the advice of the council, further to prorogue the general assembly of this province, from Tuesday the 17th, to Tuesday the twenty-eighth day of February next.

On Saturday evening departed this life, after a few hours illness, Mrs. REBECCA WALKER, wife of Capt. Thomas Walker, of this county. Blessed with a remarkable cheerfulness of temper, and peculiar sweetness of disposition, she discharged the offices of a dutiful child, affectionate wife, and tender parent.

At a meeting of the inhabitants of Baltimore county, qualified to vote for representatives, at the courthouse in Baltimore-Town, on Monday the 16th day of January, 1775.

Capt. CHARLES RIDGELY, chairman. JEREMIAH TOWNLEY CHASE, clerk.

THE proceedings of the late provincial convention were read, considered, and unanimously approved. Resolved unanimously, That every member of this meeting will, and every person residing in this county ought, strictly and inviolably to observe and execute the resolutions and recommendations of the late provincial convention.

Unanimously resolved, That Capt. Charles Ridgely, Thomas Cockey Dye, Walter Tolley, jun. Charles Ridgely, son of John, Robert Alexander, Samuel Purviance, Benjamin Nicholson, Darby Lux, Jeremiah Townley Chase, George Ristean, Thomas Harrison, John Moale, Andrew Buchanan, William Lux, and Samuel Worthington, be delegates to represent this county in the next provincial convention; and that any or any of them that shall attend, have full and ample power to consent and agree to all measures that the said provincial convention may deem necessary and expedient to obtain a redress of American grievances.

Resolved, That the following gentlemen be added to the committee of observation appointed on the 14th of November last.

HUNDREDS.

Potapoco Lower.—Charles Rogers, John Gorfuch, William McCubbin, William Williamson.

Potapoco Upper.—James Croxall, John Ellicot, Edward Norwood.

Back-River Upper.—John Cockey, Edward Talbot, Joshua Stevenson, Edward Cockey, Ezekiel Towson.

Middle-River Upper.—Benjamin Rogers, Robert Cummings, Benjamin Buck, Joshua Hall, Gift Vaughan, Benjamin Merryman.

Back-River Lower.—George Matthews, John Buck.

Middle-River Lower.—Moses Galloway, George Goldsmith Prebury, Abraham Britton, Nicholas Britton.

Soldier's Delight.—Thomas Cradock, Charles Walker, Samuel Owings, jun. Christopher Randal, jun. Benjamin Wells.

Middlesex.—Jacob Myers, Richard Cromwell, Thomas Rutter.

Delaware.—Christopher Owings, Benjamin Lawrence, Nicholas Dorsey, jun.

North.—John Hall, Stephen Gill, jun.

Pipe-Creek.—John Showers, George Everhart.

Gunpowder Upper.—Samuel Young, Jesse Bussey, Thomas Gassaway Howard, James Bosley, William Cromwell, Zachary Barret Onion.

Mill-Run.—Edmund Stansbury, John Stevenson, Daniel Shaw, William Slade, jun. Joseph Sutton, John Steward.

Baltimore-Town.—James Sterret, Charles Ridgely, jun. William Goodwin, Dr. Charles Wiefenthal, Thomas Ewing.

Resolved, That subscriptions be opened in each hundred, under the direction of the committee, and that the same be paid into the hands of a treasurer to be appointed by the contributors in each hundred, and be laid out agreeable to the resolve of the provincial convention.

Resolved, That the name of every person, who shall upon personal application made to him by the committee, or any person under their appointment, refuse or decline to subscribe or contribute for the purchase of arms and ammunition, be taken down and laid before the committee at the next meeting after such refusal, together with the reasons of such refusal.

Resolved, That the forming of the inhabitants of this county into companies, and their using their utmost endeavours to make themselves masters of the military exercise, and their resisting with force every illegal at-

of the council, and gentlemen of the assembly.

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tempt upon their liberty and property, is not repugnant to the oaths of allegiance.

Resolved unanimously, That subscriptions be opened in each hundred in this county, under the direction of the committee of the respective hundreds, for raising contributions, to supply the necessities, and alleviate the distresses of our oppressed brethren of Boston.

Resolved, That William Goodwin, Richard Moale, William Buchanan, and William Lux, be and are hereby empowered to purchase three thousand pounds of powder, and twelve thousand pounds of lead, on the credit of the subscriptions for the use of this county.

Resolved, That the committee meet at the courthouse on Wednesday the 2th of February next, to produce their several subscriptions.

Ordered, That these proceedings be published in the Maryland Gazette, the Baltimore Journal, and in hand-bills, to be circulated through the county.

Signed per order, J. T. CHASE, clerk.

At a meeting of the committee of observation appointed for Baltimore county, at the court-house in Baltimore-Town, on Tuesday the 17th of January, 1775.

WERE PRESENT,

Capt. CHARLES RIDGELY, in the chair. JEREMIAH TOWNLEY CHASE, clerk.

Samuel Purviance, John Moale, Thomas Sollers, Andrew Buchanan, Robert Alexander, John Mercer, William Smith, Nicholas Jones, Isaac Grist, Mark Alexander, William Randal, Gerard Hopkins, Philip Rogers, Dixon Stansbury, jun. Thomas Johnson, Benjamin Griffin, Charles Ridgely, son of John, John Cradock, Walter Tolley jun. James Calhoun, Benjamin Nicholson, John Deaver, Dr. John Boyd, George Lindenburger, Darby Lux, William Worthington, William Wilkinson, Jesse Bussey, Daniel Shaw, James Gittings, Barnet Eichelburger, Hercules Courtenay, Mordecai Gist, Job Garretson, James Croxall, John Cockey, Ezekiel Towson, George Matthews, Thomas Cradock, Richard Cromwell, Thomas Rutter, James Bosley, William Cromwell, Dr. Charles F. Wiesenthall, Thomas Ewing, William Lux, Richard Moale, Thomas Harrison, Archibald Buchanan, William Spear, John Smith, George Woolsey, David M'Mechan, Mayberry Helms, and Nathan Cromwell.

INFORMATION being made to the committee, by Mr. Benjamin Nicholson, that the Rev. Mr. William Edmiston had publicly asserted, "That all persons, who mustered, were guilty of treason; and that such of them as had taken the oath of allegiance, and took up arms, were guilty of perjury." And that the said William Edmiston had "approved publicly of the Quebec bill."

The committee were of opinion, that such declarations have a tendency to defeat the measures, recommended for the preservation of America, and her liberties, and that it is their duty to take notice of persons guilty of such offences.

Whereupon, resolved unanimously, That this committee will meet at two o'clock, P. M. and that the Rev. Mr. Edmiston have notice to attend. A copy of the charge was made out by the clerk, and inclosed to Mr. Edmiston, with notice to attend.

TUESDAY, 2 o'clock, P. M. The committee met according to adjournment.—Present, the same members as were yesterday.

The Rev. Mr. Edmiston attended, agreeable to the notice given him, and requesting an indulgence of two hours, to prepare his answer; the same was unanimously granted.

The Rev. Mr. Edmiston appeared, and delivered to the chairman his answer in writing, as follows.

"After maturely considering the charges exhibited against me, before the committee, I observe in answer to them, that as mankind frequently differ in sentiment, and as no questions are agitated with greater warmth and intemperate zeal, than those in politics, so expressions are often used, and sentiments hastily adopted, at such times, which in the cool moments of reflection, men would omit, or disavow.—That I spoke the words mentioned in the charge, is true—that they were spoken in warmth, is equally certain.—With respect to that part of the charge, containing an accusation of perjury and treason upon those who had taken the oaths to the government, I would beg leave to explain myself.—What I meant had a reference to the political opinions which prevail, and was founded conditionally, that is, they who do not apprehend a departure on the side of government, from fundamental express stipulations, could not, consistently with their oaths, arm or prepare for war; but I did not, and do not, mean to charge any person with perjury or treason, who really thinks that his rights are or may be so far invaded, as to justify resistance. As my political sentiments are different from what most people think at this time, concerning these matters; particularly as they are disagreeable to the gentlemen of the county, and may, contrary to my intention, have the unhappy tendency of spreading confusion among the inhabitants of my parish; I solemnly promise, to avoid giving any just cause of offence, by propagating hereafter any opinion opposite to the decisions of the continental congress, or provincial convention.—And upon the most serious reflection, I disapprove of the Quebec bill, as it establishes the Roman catholic religion in the province of Quebec, abolishes the equitable system of English laws, and crests a tyranny there, to the great danger (from so total a dissimilarity of religion, law and government) of the neighbouring British colonies, by the assistance of whose blood and treasure the said country was conquered.—I tenderly love my country—I wish for her prosperity, and devoutly pray, that the present contest may terminate to her advantage. And I sincerely hope, that brotherly love will bury in oblivion all animosity between me and my parishioners, with whom to live in harmony and peace is my warmest wish."

Jan. 17, 1775.

WILLIAM EDMISTON.

The above being read and considered, was accepted. Ordered, That the same be published.

N. B. By particular desire, the names of the gentlemen of the committee, appointed the 12th of November last, are published.

Baltimore-Town.—Andrew Buchanan, Robert Alexander, William Lux, John Moale, John Merryman, Richard Moale, Jeremiah Townley Chase, Thomas Harrison, Archibald Buchanan, William Smith, James Calhoun, Benjamin Griffith, Gerard Hopkins, William Spear, John Smith, Barnet Eichelberger, George Woolsey, Hercules Courtenay, Isaac Grist, Mark Alexander, Samuel Purviance, jun. Francis Saunderston, John Boyd, George Lindenburger, Isaac Vanbibber, Philip Rogers, David M'Mechan, Mordecai Gist, and John Deaver.

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Patafco Lower.—Capt. Charles Ridgely, and Thomas Sollers.

Patafco Upper.—Zachariah M'Cubbin, Charles Ridgely, son of William, and Thomas Lloyd.

Back-River Upper.—Samuel Worthington, Benjamin Nicholson, Thomas Cockey Dye, John Cradock, Darby Lux, and William Randal.

Back-River Lower.—John Mercer, and Job Garretson.

Middle-River Upper.—Nicholas Merryman, and William Worthington.

Middle-River Lower.—Henry Dorsey Gough, and Walter Tolley, senior.

Soldier's Delight.—George Risteau, John Howard, Thomas Gist, senior, Thomas Worthington, Nathan Cromwell, and Nicholas Jones.

Middlesex.—Thomas Johnson, and Mayberry Helms.

De-ware.—John Welch, Rezin Hammond, and John Elder.

North.—Jeremiah Johnston, and Eliza Dorsey.

Pipe-Creek.—Richard Richards, Frederick Dicker, and Mordecai Hammond.

Gun-Powder Upper.—Walter Tolley, jun. James Gittings, and Thomas Franklin.

Mine-Run.—Dixon Stansbury, jun. and Josias Slade.

Prince George's county, Jan. 16, 1774.

At a meeting of a number of the freeholders, and other inhabitants, of Prince George's county, held this day in Upper Marlborough, for the purposes of choosing a committee of inspection, &c. JOHN ROGERS, Esq; was chosen chairman.

THE proceedings of the convention, held at Annapolis in December last, were read, and unanimously approved.

The committee of inspection, chosen here at the meeting in November last, was continued, and the following persons added thereto, viz. col. Joseph Sim, Thomas Contee, Benjamin Hall, son of Francis, Richard Bennet Hall, Clement Hill, Clement Hill, jun. Thomas Sim Lee, Stephen West, Basil Waring, ten Ignatius Digges, Notley Young, William Digges, William Digges, jun. George Digges, John Hill, Henry Hill, Fielder Bowie, Edward Boteler, Henry Kozer, John Fendall Beall, William Turner Wootton, singleton Wootton, Edward Edelin, Warham Waring, Thomas Clagett, Piscataway, John Baynes, John Hawkins Lowe, John Harrison, John Read Magruder, Benjamin Brookes, James Drane, Henry Brookes, Richard Carns, Jacob Green, John M'Gill, Thomas M'Gill, Leonard Brooke, capt. Henry Brooke, Dr. Joseph Digges, Thomas Duce, Henry Humphrey, Charles Everfield, Robert Wade, jun. Barton Lucas, Henry Eoone, Edward Digges, Nicholas Brooke, Henry Hill, jun. Walter Hoxton, Benjamin Wales, John Duvall, Clement Wheeler, Charles Haggart, Clement Hill, son of John, Benjamin Berry, jun. Frank Leeke, Richard Contee, Jacob Duckett, Alexander Symmer, John Smith Brookes, Robert Waters, Arnold Waters, Rich. Henderon, William Sydneybotham, Alexander Howard Magruder, Christopher Lowndes, Robert Dick, James Collings, John Beanes, Robert Darnall, Jeremiah Riely, Richard Queen, Joseph Pope, Eliza Berry, Anthony Smith, James Smith, William Morton, John Boone, jun. Zachariah Berry, Daniel Stephenson, James Miller, Judson Coolidge, Christopher Richmond, George Naylor, jun. Henry Waring, and John Dorsett.

The committee of correspondence, chosen last November, was also continued, and the following gentlemen added thereto, viz. Thomas Sim Lee, Joseph Sim, Thomas Contee, Stephen West, Clement Hill, sen. Thomas Gantt, jun. Ignatius Digges, and Benjamin Hall, son of Francis.

The following gentlemen were chosen to attend the next provincial meeting at Annapolis, viz. Dr. Richard Brooke, Josias Beall, Robert Tyler, John Rogers, William Bowie, Walter Bowie, George Lee, Thomas Gantt, jun. Col. Joshua Beall, Osborn Sprigg, David Crawford, Col. Joseph Sim, Thomas Contee, Benjamin Hall, son of Francis, Luke Marbury, Stephen West, John Contee, and Thomas Sim Lee, and it was resolved, that any five or more of them have power to act.

The following gentlemen, viz. Addison Murdock, and Edward Sprigg, chosen to attend the last provincial meeting were discontinued at their own request, the state of their health not permitting them to attend.

It was recommended to the gentlemen of the committee of inspection for this county, to use their utmost diligence to procure subscriptions, to collect the same as soon as possible, and pay the money into the hands of Messrs. John Rogers, David Crawford, and Edw. Sprigg, of the committee of correspondence, and resolved, that the said committee, or a majority of them, of which the above gentlemen shall be a part, have authority to lay out the said money in the purchase of arms and ammunition, according to a resolution of the last provincial convention, and that fair accounts of the expenditure shall be kept, and ready to be laid before the general committee when required.

Ordered, That a sufficient number of subscription papers be printed, and forwarded to the several com-

mittee-men appointed for the said county, in order to forward the said subscriptions; and that the committee of correspondence take care to procure the said papers and pay for the same out of the subscription money.

Ordered, That the proceedings of this day be published in the Maryland Gazette.

To the author of a hand-bill, addressed to the inhabitants of Anne-Arundel county, and signed by an American—and of another to the citizens of Annapolis, under the same signature.

S I R,

I SHOULD have left my hand-bill to shift for itself, as the odds are against it, considering the bulk and fury of its antagonists—had it not been nuated in my hearing a few days ago, that although alarming my fellow citizens, and insisting upon the necessity of their preparing themselves to resist force, was upon the whole laudable; yet, from the assurance, with which the American calls upon my proofs, I had certainly suffered myself to be drawn into some excesses, not morally justifiable. But have this apology to plead, I shall no longer remain in silence; and the occasional remarks which grow upon the subject, I flatter myself, will be indulged with allowance.

In your address to the citizens of Annapolis, you are pleased to censure very roundly, certain authors, gentlemen for their pedantry, abuse, pride, arrogance, insolence. If you imagine that I am hardy enough to defend the lists in defence of persons who are not only not but arrogant and insolent into the bargain, I must declare all such knight-errantry. It is sufficient, I presume, to show the world how unhandisomely or rather ungracefully you have dealt with me, as the author of a hand-bill, consisting of twenty-one lines and a half, and couched in the plainest language. You cast in the place; a very unhandisome reflection upon my talents as a writer, by declaring my hand-bill to be a LUCUBRATIONS, written in a GLOOMY PIT. I deny that I have a single feature of a LUCUBRATION: it was the effusion of a moment, and thrown upon paper without care or labour in broad daylight. And I scarce think it an adequate apology to say, that a great genius should be excused the pedantry of understanding the language he utters in the tumult of composition: humanity points out, that if there be the smallest danger of giving a hurt to the reputation of a brother author, he should, whenever he draws his grey goose quill, keep his dictionary close at his elbow.

You say, that I have not advanced one word to the subject of your hand-bill—though I declare my very hand-bill to be written for the purpose of glutting private revenge. A sentiment in which a very great majority of the committee assembled on the occasion concurred with me, and expressed their abhorrence of the spirit which dictated it, in such terms, as to induce you to withdraw yourself from their body, and interfere them by a letter, that you would not interfere in their consultations, until you were re-called: from whence I draw this comfortable conclusion, that if my soul is in jeopardy for a dastardly and groundless suggestion—the souls of messrs. of the committee are to run the same hazard, and a great wit has declared good company to be the only alleviation of the horrors of such a state. And here I shall take the liberty to suggest the true cause of this very unexpected turn of conduct in the committee towards you. They saw through the mockery of your pretending to hold forth those few as objects of contempt alone, whom at the same time you represented as a set of crafty, blood-thirsty miscreants, lying in wait to rise to riches and preferment on the ruins and confiscations of the public; and banqueting on the hope of one day seeing the best and firmest friends to the people, led to ignominious executions, or butchered by the sword of a merciless conqueror. They figured you un-mak'd and in your proper character, letting slip the dogs of havoc and revenge: the moment they cast their eyes over the following passage in your first hand-bill, "if we fail they will possess their estates, and enjoy their offices—promotion may reward their present conduct, and their resentment may be gratified by seeing some of your best friends executed as rebels and traitors"—upon which passage I shall make no further remark, but that it would seem entirely inconsistent with the character of a hero, to discover, that instead of employing every acuity of his soul to bring the business he is embarked in, to a prosperous issue, he is perpetually looking forward to the most frightful images of the punishment he dreads if his cause should miscarry.—You are so unreasonable as to be angry with me for making a point of the desperate state of your fortune and reputation, without considering how just it is, that every man's influence in a struggle of this peculiar nature, should bear some proportion to the honour and fortune he has at stake. And that I might be justified in making a stand upon this ground, by the maxims of certain grave politicians, whom, to avoid the charge of pedantry, I shall forbear mentioning.—You accuse me of envying you—the ingenious author of Tom Jones, has introduced us into the chamber of Mr. Blifil, shedding tears of repentance, after his detection because the power of doing any further mischief to his fellow creatures was wrested from him. He has pronounced him to be an object of envy, only to a man who was going to be hanged—as much as I revere the judgment of this writer, I will be bold to differ from him. He could not be an object of envy to any human being, therefore it is less surprising that you also should fall into a mistake, respecting the proper object of this detestable passion.—You say, I assert, that your hand-bills were circulated in a particular part of this county, and only sent to Elk-Ridge—the record bears evidence against you.—Turn to the hand-bill—I say, I was informed so—and my information was accurate enough to justify the conclusions I drew from it: that your principal, if not only hope was in success from that quarter, as the bulk of your dispatches were actually sent thither.—You

of three int different part of of giving them a shend, affects my h to acknowledge, and the limits of th Esq; with a letter om if you were no return, I willingly capacity in him, great genius, free frc nted in his morals ruth of which, I c and his no less ce reon, and to his f one to his fellow You deny, if you ever threaten of the Elk-Ridgers, bodily strength, and with a cudg ch being refused I suppose, by berty of the press) eated the printe ther in history or ns, and pour down ore, upon his hou you; if he did not a dilemma, out if to help him, on himself: but I do red to breathe, an accounts of marria tuated, for sale, a tually tending to impartial view o ng crisis. NOTORIOUS, that clothe yourself in bring down a n age you can point ly appears, from t cent occasion; tha selves. You thi e same quarter, c ore, arrogant enc are they thought w their crime: great, you say, w e of the citizens regates of this pro elence of a great n many strangers, t some trifling fre- ould assassinate him he was asleep, and you threatened me, so bloodily, t not knowna who r ed wrath—the o- res and music es ceived than descri- a grave counten- iard. Now, si- erous, beyond m- ing obstacles are ned a falsehood. true; I shall fin are neither defic rejoice for the l- present, with bec- dually, when an- firmly persuaded ver the groffest foremost ranks safety and glo- ugue in the ho- nder of profes- bits of the Citiz- men—he wou- lues himself t- him for vigor- that you her- t certain indi- they were bu- tion. It is one article i- , for no mor- ng to the bel- ed by you fi- if you had no- ally bound t- ed the vivac- gloomy fit, re- verity of ar- you. What a here wrought- t in the fam- vivacity of t- is charac- You conce- extend our- all respect- elf could- You as a- ble of inter- ous. Bu- only reaso- ould sugges- in, inaim- in the sup- pected subject, th- pension necessity- gued: the- nce wer- an verfil

Annapolis, January 23, 1775.

TO be sold by the subscriber, on very reasonable terms, all the medicines and shop furniture, belonging to the estate of the late Dr. Shaw, twelve months, or two years credit will be given to the purchaser, on giving bond, with security, if required, by RUTH SHAW.

M. B. To be sold, or hired, a likely young negro woman.

January 16, 1775.

RAN away from the subscriber, living in St. Mary's county, Maryland, on the 4th of November last, a mulatto man slave, named Tom, about fifty years of age, five feet nine or ten inches high, by trade a carpenter and cooper; he formerly did belong to Philip Key, Esq; at which time he resided chiefly at Beed's creek, and it is supposed that he is now harboured somewhere in that neighbourhood; one of his knees is swelled, which causes him to limp. He has lost the fore finger of his left hand, it was cut off some years ago; had with him many good cloaths of different sorts, and a set of carpenter's tools; he is an artful deceitful villain, and may endeavour to pass for a free man. Whoever secures him in such a manner that I may have him again, shall receive six dollars reward, and if brought home, reasonable charges paid, by JAMES JORDAN.

January 23, 1775.

RAN away last night from the subscriber, living on Snowden's manor, Frederick county, Maryland, an Irish servant man, by trade a tailor, he talks stammering and in the Irish dialect; he is about five feet four inches high, of a fair complexion, short yellow hair, a wide mouth, and fond of chewing tobacco; he had on, and took with him, a felt hat cut in the fan-tail fashion, a red bath coat and waistcoat, a brown cloth waistcoat newly turned, a pair of light coloured German serge breeches, a pair of gray worsted stockings, and a pair of common fall shoes, two Irish linen shirts, a Holland stock with a steel buckle in it, a red cloth pocket-book with about twenty shillings, and several remnants of superfine broad cloth; it is probable he hath a fellows indenture and discharge that hath been lately free in the same neighbourhood, or hath got some evil disposed person to forge him a pass, as he is no scholar himself. Whoever secures the said servant in any jail, so that I may get him again, shall be entitled to five pounds reward, and if brought home, reasonable charges paid, by JEREMIAH DUCKER.

Baltimore county, January 16, 1775.

THE following persons are committed to my custody as runaways; negro Tomboy, the property of Robert Rutter, Paul Bell, a servant, belonging to John Cockey Owings, Dennis Hagan, an Irishman, 34 years of age, about 5 feet high, a thick well made fellow, has only a shirt and breeches; Peter Doyle, an Irishman, 41 years of age, about 6 feet high, a stout made man, has on an old dark coloured great coat. John Aldridge, who says he is a servant to Andrew Thompson and Golden, at Annapolis, and that he has been runaway from them upwards of three years; a considerable part of which he has worked with George Elder, of Frederick county; he is about 5 feet 8 inches high, 45 years of age, well made, and is dressed in a white cotton jacket and breeches. John Nisbett, an Englishman, 24 years of age, about 5 feet 6 inches high, slim made, and Jenies being a servant. Their masters are desired to take them away, and pay charges, to 3 w ROBERT CHRISTIE, jun. Sheriff.

THERE is at the plantation of William Kelly, living on Anti-Eatum, in Frederick county, taken up as a stray, a black mare, with a mealy nose, between twelve and thirteen hands high, about four or five years old, a natural pacer, branded on the near buttock D. The owner may have her again, on proving his property, and paying charges. 12 p 5/2

THERE is at the plantation of Thomas Lane Emory, near Queen's town, a bay horse, about 13 hands high, appears to have been branded on the near shoulder, but the brand at present not intelligible, his mane has been cut on the near side, but is now grown out, has one glass eye, one hind and one fore foot white, in but middling order; has a star in his forehead, and is much saddle marked, and a switch tail and hanging mane. Also one brown mare, appears to be young, about 14 hands high, four white feet, ball face, no brand, her mane hangs on the off side. The owners are desired to prove their property, pay charges, and take them away. 12 p 5/2

Annapolis, January 14, 1775.

To be sold at public vendue, on Wednesday the 25th day of this instant January, at the tavern kept by Mr. John Ball, in the city of Annapolis, between 12 and one of the clock, if fair, if not the next fair day.

SUNDRY valuable negro slaves, late the property of Thomas Rutland, deceased, consisting of men, women, boys, and girls; the same is made in pursuance of the will of the deceased, and time of payment will be given, on bond with security if required. All persons indebted to the estate on note of hand or open account, are desired to make speedy payment, or they will be sued without respect of persons. w 3 2 X LEONARD WAYMAN, executor.

THERE is at the plantation of John Simpson, near Frederick town, taken up as a stray, a bay horse, about thirteen hands three inches high, branded on the near buttock thus so, has some saddle spots on his back, about twelve years old. The owner is desired to prove his property, pay charges, and take him away. 2 w 3

symptoms of murmurings, addresses, riots, and insurrections, would restore her to a sounder mind, and more parental temper, whilst we, every man under his own vine, should enjoy in peace, those blessings, which nature in her prodigality, has lavished upon us.

You say, no argument has been urged to justify those few in this city, who have been guilty of the long list of crimes you set in array against them. The reason of which I take to be this--those few think themselves these particulars accountable to none, as they desire none to be accountable to them--in respect of the subscriptions they esteem it the very extreme of slavery, to be forced to submit to a tax not laid by their legal representatives; especially as it is probable part of the revenue arising from that tax, may go into the pocket of some one individual, who is compelled by the strong motive of self preservation to increase the fury of the storm, which already threatens to tear the constitution into a thousand fragments, and set all the property of the community adrift; because it is the only circumstance that keeps him from sinking for ever.

Annapolis, Jan. 21, 1775. A CITIZEN.

CUSTOM HOUSE ENTERED. NONE. CLEARED.

Snow Baltimore, John Bruce, for Virginia. Schooner Adventure, Abraham Bartlett, for St. Lucia. Brig Hope, George Robinson, for Dublin.

Caroline county, January 14, 1775.

THE commissioners appointed for building a court-house and jail in the above county, intend to meet at Melvill's warehouse, on the first day of March next; to agree with any person or persons, that will undertake to effect the said buildings. w 6 RICHARD MASON.

Annapolis, January 18, 1775.

TO be sold, for prime cost and charges, two handsome sashes of Portland stone steps. w 4 WILLIAM NOKE.

Annapolis, January 18, 1775.

TO be sold for ready money only, sundry millenary goods, by Mrs. Sarah Flynn. w 2

Fell's point, January 17, 1775.

THE subscriber having removed from Annapolis, to Fell's point, near Baltimore town, takes this method of informing his former customers and the public in general, that he carries on the business of sail-making in all its branches, as also the making of colours, on the most reasonable terms, and quickest dispatch; having furnished himself with sufficient workmen and a convenient loft for the business, at Captain M'Gachen's store, opposite to Mr. Nelson's on said point. All gentlemen who please to favour him with their custom, may depend on having their work done in the best manner, as he will make it his study to give general satisfaction to all his employes. w 6 WILLIAM JOHNSON.

DON CARLOS.

WILL cover the ensuing season at Schoolfield, at two pistoles a mare. He is rising five years old, a blood bay, very active, handsome and strong, in fine order, and very promising; he was got by Figure, out of Pimrose. The money to be paid at covering.

N. B. Those indebted for mares covered by Figure, are desired to make payment to Captain Charles Ridgely, of Sportman's Hall, in Baltimore county, for the years 1771, and 1772; as they are advertised, and preceding years, to w 4 THOMAS HAMILTON.

Calvert county, January 17, 1775.

TAKEN up on the 14th of November last, in Cheapeake bay, near Parker's creek, a boat 22 feet keel, with an iron ring in each end, and a step in her stern for a mast. The owner may have her again, on proving his property, and paying the charge of this advertisement, to 12 p 5/2 THOMAS FREEMAN.

Annapolis, January 24, 1775.

To be sold by the subscriber, living in Well-Street, near the town-gate.

A QUANTITY of superfine and second flour, Madeira wine, old spirit and West-India rum; all which he will sell by wholesale or retail, for ready money only. He likewise has the time of a few indentured servants to dispose of, among which is an excellent house carpenter and joiner, and a man who is well acquainted with the military discipline; and is capable of instructing any number of men to go through all the exercise, and can play on the fife. w 4 WILLIAM WHETCROFT.

January 18, 1775.

COMMITTED to my custody as runaways, the three following persons, viz. Daniel Hurley, born in Ireland, who says he came into the country in the Peggy Stewart, and belongs to Samuel Doglass, of Frederick county. Jacob Robinson and John Wood, both born in the North of England, and say they came into the country in the brigantine Rebecca, commanded by Alexander Strachan, and assigned to Abraham Lopes Fernandes, merchant in Baltimore town. Their masters are desired to take them away, and pay charges. 12 p 5/2 WILLIAM NOKE, Sheriff.

WANTED.

TWO clerks in the prerogative office. Apply to ELIE VALLETTE, Reg.

different part of the county, neither manifests of giving them an impartial circulation, nor, head, affects my honour in the least. Candor to acknowledge, that your dispatches reached the limits of this county. You complimented me with a letter and a hand-bill enclosed, on if you were not required with any observation, I willingly confess that it was not for capacity in him, as he is, beyond question, a great genius, free from the least tincture of pedantry in his morals, and ardent in his courage, truth of which, I can appeal to his celebrated and his no less celebrated letters, and the com-reon, and to his scars, as safely as the American to his fellow citizens, for credit and n. You deny, if your words have any mean- you ever threatened the citizens with the ven- of the Elk-Ridgers. A gentleman, much inferior bodily strength, whom you had maltreated, and with a cudgel, demanded satisfaction of each being refused him, he applied to the printer, sed, I suppose, by some idle, exploded notions berty of the press) to publish a state of his case, eated the printer in a manner not to be para- ther in history or romance, you would blow out- ns, and pour down the vengeance of the people ove, upon his house and press, if he told any ou; if he did not, you would beat him to atoms. s a dilemma, out of which the poor printer, with il to help him, one would think, could not ex- himself; but I dont know how it is, the man is red to breathe, and entertain his customers with accounts of marriages, deaths, tracts of land beau- tured, for sale, and other important informa- ally tending to enlighten the public, and ex- impartial view of their condition at this very ng crisis.

NOTORIOUS that whenever it suits your pur- clothe yourself in peculiar error, you boast that bring down a numerous band of Elk-Ridgers, age you can point at any object you please, tho' by appears, from the decency of their deportment, cent occasion; that they can both think and act selves. You threatened to compel with a force e same quarter, certain presumptuous men, who ore, arrogantly enough, no doubt, protested a ainst are they thought wrong, to recant and acknow- their crime. threat, you say, was ever uttered by you against e of the citizens--You in the public street, whilst egates of this province were in convention, in- eference of a great majority of those delegates, and many strangers, threatened a gentleman who had some trifling freedom, with your character, that ould assassinate him if you could ever come upon him e was asleep, and in one of your minority pa- ions, you threatened some person without mention- ing me, so bloodily, that it spread a general terror, as not known who might sit still a victim to your ned wrath--the operation of your threats upon ves and muscles of the citizens can be more eai- ceived than described, especially when you swore a grave countenance, that you were as mad as iard. Now, Sir, I would ask whether it is not erous, beyond measure, to call upon me while the ing obstacles are in the way, to submit that I have eed a fallhood.

truth, I shall find, that the gentlemen of Elk- are neither deficient in spirit nor understanding-- rejoice for the honour of my countrymen, to see resent, with becoming spirit, either as a body, or dually, when an affront is really offered them; for firmly persuaded, that the man who is so callous, miserably wedded to an opprobrious existence, as to ver the grossest public insults, will never be found foremost ranks of war, baring his dishonest breast e safety and glory of his country, however deeply ngue in the hour of security, may be hung with nder of profession--nothing was farther from the hts of the Citizen than to offer an affront to those men--he would scorn to give a wanton affront, flues himself that they, as brave men, would ap- him for vigorously repelling an injury. You al- that you heretofore exerted your influence to t certain individuals from violence, though it ap- they were but little entitled to your generous in- ition. It is an ungrateful world we live in. one article in your bill of merits will be al- for no mortal, either male or female, has, ac- ing to the best information I can procure, ever been ed by you from violation--You enter yourself, if you had not unfortunately urged that every man ally bound to serve his country, you might have ed the vivacity of my genius, which, it seems, has lency fit, armed at all points with poignancy of wit, severity of remarks, made a most furious assault u- you. What an inimitable picture of my genius have ere wrought up, by predicating such contrarieties, k in the same breath; how exquisitely is the gloom vivacity of the piece contrasted and confused--every e is characteristic and declares the hand of a wal You conceive that by the advice of the congress, extend our views to the most unhappy events, and all respects prepared for every contingency, no- els could be meant but a preparation for a civil You as a member of that body, must be supposed ble of interpreting their words when they are am- ous. But were I suffered to reason by induction, only reasoning the nature of the thing will admit of) ould suggest that this is not the most probable con- sion, inasmuch as it was the doctrine strongly incul- in the infancy of this successful contest, by those who supposed to have thought the most profoundly upon subject, that a civil war was not to be dreaded, that pension of our trade, and especially supercede necessity of ever drawing a sword, it was confident- gured that the British nation, if all the issues of her ource were stopped up, would instantly be seized with an veral convulsion, which, attended with all its

lately denoted, and it is too to our consolation that in so alarming a conjuncture, this colony has, in her chief governor, an advocate near the throne, upon whose distinguished abilities, and active and generous

the committee being informed, by a letter from the committee of correspondence for Prince George's county, that Mr. Alexander M'Charron, merchant in Bryan Town in the county, was following which had

William Bailey, jun. Evan Thomas, Richard Stock, Thomas Johns, Walter Smith, William De- ... John Bull

TO cover next season, if not sold, WHYNOT, a fine bay horse, fifteen hands high, eight years old, got by Fearnought, near New-Town, Chester, at three pounds a mare, and five shillings to the groom. **WHYNOT's** character and pedigree are well known, and he is allowed to be as good a bottomed horse as any in America.—**BADGER**, a beautiful, strong bony, grey horse, six years old, fifteen hands and one inch high, imported from England; got by Lord Chedworth's Bosphorus, who won seven king's plates, his dam by the noted Othello, commonly called Black and all Black, and his grand dam, by the famous flying Childers, near the city of Annapolis, at five pounds a mare, and seven shillings and sixpence to the groom.—At the same place a strong black horse, of the wagon breed, at thirty shillings a mare, and half a dollar to the groom. The money for each mare to be paid at the stable door. Any gentlemen breeders, who intend sending their mares to any of the above horses, are desired to give as early notice thereof as they conveniently can to **JOHN CRAIG**, at the Governor's, to prevent their being disappointed, as he is limited to a certain number; and in the mean time, if any gentleman is desirous of purchasing all or any of the above horses, he may apply to **John Craig**, above-mentioned, who will also sell the beautiful dark chestnut horse **SLIM**, who is remarkably speedy, and six years old; he was got by Mr. William Barham, his dam by Mr. Rogers's Babrah, his grand dam by Sedbury out of Lord Portmore's Ebony.

To be rented from year to year, or for a term of years.
BELVOIR, the beautiful seat of the honourable George William Fairfax, Esq; lying upon Patowmack River in Fairfax county, Virginia, about fourteen miles below Alexandria. The mansion house is of brick, two stories high, with four convenient rooms and a large passage on the lower floor, five rooms and a passage on the second, and a servants hall and cellars below, convenient offices, stables, and coach-house adjoining, as also a large and well-furnished garden, stored with a great variety of valuable fruits, in good order. Appertaining to the tract on which the houses stand, and which contains near 2000 acres (surrounded in a manner by navigable water) are several valuable fisheries, and a good deal of cleared land in different parts, which may be let altogether, or separately, as shall be found most convenient. The terms may be known of colonel Washington, who lives near the premises, or of me in Berkeley county. **FRANCIS WILLIS, jun.**

Annapolis, November 23, 1774.
Just imported in the ship **Annapolis**, Capt. Thomas Eden, from London,
AN assortment of goods suitable to the season, which are to be sold at a reasonable rate, by **WILLIAM WILKINS.**

This day is published, by **WILLIAM AIKMAN**, bookseller and stationer, Annapolis, in two large volumes, handsomely bound and tiled, price 16 s. currency.

A NEW VOYAGE ROUND THE WORLD, in the years 1768, 1769, 1770, and 1771, undertaken by Capt. James Cook in the ship Endeavour, drawn from his own journal, and from the papers of Joseph Banks, Esq; and published by order of the lords of the admiralty, by **JOHN HAWKESWORTH, L. L. D.** with cuts; and a map of the whole navigation.—This edition of Cook's voyages contains the whole of the second and third volumes of Hawkesworth's collection of voyages, which was published in London in three volumes, and sold for three guineas.—Where may be had, **Poor Will's Almanack for 1775**, price 3 d. and **Father Abraham's pocket Almanack**, interleaved with writing paper, price 1 s.

SIXTEEN DOLLARS REWARD.
WHEREAS a Negro fellow of mine, named Will, is now run away, for having resisted his overseer, by throwing him down, throttling him and striking him sundry times with his fist, it is therefore to be hoped that as he has been guilty of so flagitious a crime that all masters of negroes and servants will encourage the taking of him, by promising them the above reward, which I will pay either upon his being brought home or his being secured in any goal within this province: it cannot be doubted but all overseers will be vigilant on this occasion. He is about five feet ten inches high, a very stout likely fellow, with large full eyes; had on old cotton breeches, new shoes, and yarn stockings, which are of a thread of black and a thread of white, an ashbrag shirt, his other cloaths he left behind. He has an extensive acquaintance in and about Annapolis. There were two more fellows went off at the same time, for refusing to assist their overseer, one named Will Jack and the other Sam, had on fearnought jackets, &c. for each of them I will give twenty shillings.
ROBERT TYLER.

Baltimore, January 15, 1775.
IMPORTED in sundry ships from Bristol, a quantity of fine white salt; likewise 15 pipes of genuine port wine, in the brigantine Molly, from Oporto and Hull, to be sold on the most reasonable terms, by **J. STEVENSON.**
N. B. Very good old Maderia and Lisbon wines to sell, by the pipe, hhd, or quarter cask.

ALL persons who have any claims the against the estate of Christopher Markley, late of the city of Annapolis, baker, deceased; are desired to bring them in legally proved that they may be adjusted, and all persons indebted to said estate, to make immediate payment thereof, or they will be treated with as the law directs, the subscriber intending shortly to have this province.
JORDAN STEIGER, Administrator.

Annapolis, November 1, 1774.
THOMAS PRYSE,
COACH-MAKER, from LONDON.

TAKES this method to inform his friends and the public in general, that he has removed his shop from the town-gate, to the house opposite doctor Steuart's, near the stable-house, where he carries on the said business in all its various branches, as he has supplied himself with exceeding good workmen from London: as also every article of the best sort to a very great amount, consisting of several sets of the best steel springs, spring curtains for coach and chariot, bra's boxes, &c. &c. He has also a very good coach and herold painter, that undertakes painting of coaches, chariots, or chairs, either in cyphers, festoons of flowers, or coats of arms, with varnishing, gilding, or jeping, in the neatest and best manner, and at the most reasonable rates: those ladies and gentlemen that chuse to favour him with their custom in any of the above branches, may rest assured, that his constant endeavours shall be to give general satisfaction to those that please to employ him, and the favour gratefully acknowledged, by the public's most humble servant,
THOMAS PRYSE.

N. B. I still continue the saddling and harness-making business as usual, and hope for encouragement from the public: to be sold as above, a quantity of faddlers orrace, and frenge girth &c. &c. if

Post Office, Annapolis, Sept 3d, 1774.
NOTICE is hereby given, that a rider will set off from this office every Monday morning at nine o'clock for Baltimore, where he meets the mails from the northward, and will return early on Tuesday. And on Friday the mails from the northward and southward come in as usual, and are dispatched the same evening.
ANTHONY STEWART, D. P. M.

Maryland, Queen Anne's county, Nov. 1, 1774.
WANTED, an excellent millwright, who will undertake, next spring, to build a windmill, and that will contract to find every material; to such a person a handsome price will be given; a part of the contract money, if required, shall be advanced; the whole shall be paid immediately upon the work being completed. No person need apply unless he comes well recommended for his workmanship, his industry and fidelity.
JAMES HUTCHINGS, junior.

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD.
Rock-Creek, Frederick county, August 3, 1774.

RAN away last night from the subscriber, a convict servant man named Joseph Barker, an Englishman, about 25 years of age; he is a well looking fellow, of a ruddy complexion, about 5 feet 10 inches high; had on and took with him; a reddish coloured mixed broad-cloth coat with a velvet cape, two white flannel short jackets bound with red, two pair of nankeen breeches, a pair of old leather breeches, a pair of old worsted stockings, a pair of thread ditto, old shoes, and a felt hat. He wears his own dark hair tied behind. It is supposed he is gone in company with some other man unknown to me, as I have missed two horses out of my pasture, one of which is a large sorrel, about 13 hands high, paces naturally; the other a chestnut sorrel, about 14 hands and a half high, paces, trots, and gallops; he is low before, crest fallen, and has a short scanty tail; the horses are both shod before. The man took with him a best worn saddle and curb bridle; one of the staples is gone off the fore part of the saddle on the near side. Whoever takes up said servant and brings him home to the subscriber, shall have, if taken 50 miles from home, 10 dollars, and 3 pounds for the other man and the two horses, and 10 in proportion for a greater distance for the servant and horses, paid by **RICHARD CRABB.**

Annapolis, December 20, 1774.
I HAVE left my books and accounts relative to my store in Annapolis, in the hands of Mr. Gabriel Duval, at Mr. Hall's office, who I have empowered to receive the balances due.—All persons indebted to me for dealings above a year standing at any of my stores, are desired to pay without loss of time, as I have occasion for the money. I have several tracts of land to dispose of, lying on the drafts of Bennet's creek, now adjoining to each other, they are in tracts of 2, 3, 4, and 500 acres each, with improvements; the land is very fit for making the finest coloured tobacco, and a great range for stock. I have also about 200 acres of very rich land, lying within 4 miles of Shepherd's town in Virginia, which I will sell and give some time for the payment if desired; and several other parcels of land in Virginia and Maryland to dispose of.
W. WEST.

LOST on Sunday night the 25th of December the hay, between the Three Sisters and the point, a small sciff boat, about 12 feet long, very well built and bottom painted white, the sides and seats painted white also; one of the seats has a small spot burnt on the upper part of it; five rowlocks, four of which rows double row; the sciff had fastened to her stern an iron chain about 10 feet long, and a short piece of 1 1/2 inch rope; supposed she drove ashore between Sharp and island, the wind being N. W. at the time she was away. Whoever takes up the said boat, and brings her to Mr. Richard Graham on Aqueduct Wy. or to Col. Edward Lloyd in Annapolis, or to the subscriber, shall have 20 shillings reward.

Annapolis, January 4, 1775.
THE subscriber having furnished himself with a person well skilled in cleaning and putting in good order all kinds of fire arms, begs leave to offer his service to the public in that branch of business, and states himself he shall give ample satisfaction to those who choose to employ him. He also has a well skilled in ferrery, and cutting and training horses.
JOHN CAMPBELL, LINDEN.

To be sold to the highest bidder, on Monday the 29th of February next,

THREE parcels of land adjoining each other, containing in the whole about 20 acres, also being another tract with a very good grist mill on its bank, lying three and a half miles from the town of Annapolis, 9 miles above Bladenburgh, on the same day will be exposed to sale, one negro man, and a small flock of horses, cattle and hogs; credit will be given, on good bond with security.
WILLIAM MURDOCK.

N. B. The sale will be on the premises.
Greenberry's Point, December 21, 1774.

To be sold at public vendue, on Thursday the second day of February next, if fair, otherwise next following day, at the subscriber's plantation near Annapolis, **SUNDRY** likely negro men, from 20 to 30 years of age; likewise some negro women who can cook, wash, and iron, and a mulatto girl fifteen years of age, who has been brought up in the house; twelve months credit will be given, the purchasers giving bond (to bear interest from the date) with security, if required. There are several negroes to be hired by the year at the day of sale, by **DAVID KER.**

Piscataway, December 6, 1774.
Just imported in the Ocean, Capt. Dixon, from Whitehaven, and to be sold at a moderate advance in cash, or bills of exchange,

ABOUT £260 prime cost of goods, they consist of one hundred and four pieces of Kendal cotton in four packages, of five or six different prices in each package, five packages of felt hats, with a few cases in each package, the cost of each package about £20, some coarse lawns, silk handkerchiefs, and white bounce thread make up the rest.
JOHN BAYES.

THE subscriber proposing to decline the store kept by him in this city for James Buchanan and co. and having on hand about £1600 prime cost of well assorted goods, (a very small part of which have been imported above three months) which he will lump sell at first cost and charges for cash, good bills of exchange, or tobacco.
Those persons who are indebted to James Buchanan and co. for dealings at the above store, are requested to make as speedy payment as possible.
ROBERT BUCHANAN.

To be sold by the subscriber, living near Annapolis, **A** TRACT of land, lying in Frederick county, adjoining to Thomas Dorsey on Linganore; containing two hundred acres of good timbered land, and bought twenty-five acres of good meadow ground, being part of a tract of land taken up by Benjamin Clary, deeded by him to Moses Maccubbin, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, called Moab; any person who wants to purchase, may be satisfied, by applying to **WILLIAM MACCUBBIN,** of Moses, administrator.

Annapolis, December 7, 1774.
TO be sold or rented, the lot and improvement thereon where Patrick Tony lately lived in this city; consisting of a dwelling-house, brew-house, and other conveniences, all adjoining to the water; in the brew-house there are a large copper-boiler and still with a malt-kiln. For terms, apply to **JAMES DICK and STEWART,** and **ROBERT COUDEN.**

GERARD HOPKINS,
CABINET-MAKER.
Hath for sale in Gay-street, near the Upper-bridge Baltimore town,

MAHOGANY boards and planks, sawed to suit every branch of cabinet and chair work, as also mahogany logs; he still continues carrying on the cabinet business in its various branches as usual.
N. B. Wanted a journeyman cabinet-maker, none need apply, but a workman that will be ready to be instructed.
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