

THE MARTLAND GAZETTE,

Containing the freshest Advices foreign and domestic.

THURSDAY, January 3, 1754.

At the Request and Importunity of some of our Readers, we cannot omit giving the Public (in this Dearth of News) the following Piece.

The remaining Part of the HISTORY of BELL and the DRAGON. Set apart, because not found in the Greek nor Hebrew.

NOW it came to pass in the Reign of George the second, in the six and twentieth Year of his Reign, in the first Month, on the fifteenth Day of the Month.

2. There was a Priest in the Land of Mary, and Frederick was Lord of that Land; and this Priest feared not the Lord, neither regarded he Man, for he was a Son of Belial.

3. And it came to pass when he was drunk with Wine in the Inn, that he quarrelled with a young Scribe, the Son of an old Scribe, and strove with the young Scribe.

4. Now this old Scribe was a Man that feared the Lord greatly, and was of good Report among the People, but he was lame from his Youth.

5. And the Priest the Son of Belial derided the old Scribe, and mocked him in great Derision, and hopped to and fro, like the Vain and Foolish, and reviling, said unto the Young Scribe, Hah! hah! thus walketh thy Father.

6. And behold the Wrath of the young Scribe was greatly kindled against the Priest, and he answered and said unto him, Deridest thou, in this manner, the Man of the Lord, thou Son of Belial.

7. And they strove fiercely, the one with the other, and smote each other with the Palms of their Hands, inasmuch that the Blood issued forth.

8. And behold a Ruler passing by that Way, a young Man appointed by the Lord of the Land, to execute Justice and Judgment, and to let the Oppressed go free.

9. And he beholding their Strife, that it was waxed exceeding hot, immediately called with a loud Voice, and said unto them, Ye do here act foolishly, I command that ye be peaceable; but they regarded him not, and he parted them asunder.

10. And the Priest's Wrath was then greatly kindled against the Ruler, and he stretched forth his Hand and smote the Ruler over the Head, with the Scourge wherewith he driveth his Ass, and the Blood ran forth in abundance.

11. And the Ruler was wroth, and rose up in haste, and said unto the Priest, Smitest thou me, thou Son of Belial, a Man appointed by the Lord of the Land, to maintain and promote Order and Peace amongst the People; surely, in that thou hast done this Deed, thou hast acted foolishly.

12. And he took the Priest by the Neck and prevailed against him, and laid him on his Back on the Earth, and smote him violently in sundry Parts of his Body and Face, until the Priest was fore.

13. And the Blood issued out of the Wounds that were made in his Face, and the Filth gushed forth from his hinder Parts, so that his Garments were greatly defiled, and the Smell thereof overspread the whole House, that the People were obliged to leave the same, to the great Damage of the Innholder.

14. And the Priest made a great Cry, and loudly called out, Murder, murder! Help, help! and the People without, hearing the Cry, ran to gether through the ill favour'd Scent that was then spread over all the House, occasioned by the Filth which came from his latter Parts, and there was a great Tumult then raised.

15. And when the People were come in, they beheld the Ruler and the Priest striving eagerly, the Priest on his Back, and the Ruler giving him some prudent Chastisement for the Good of his Soul; but they parted them asunder.

16. The Ruler begged of the People to let him come to the Sight of the Priest once more; but the Priest hearing these Words, it gave him new Life, so that he ran violently out of the

House, and through the dark Passage, and into the Stable amongst the four footed Beasts, and concealed himself the chief Part of the Night, from the Fury and Outrage of the Ruler.

17. Then it came to pass, that the Ruler beckoned unto the People, and said, Men and Brethren hearken unto me, this Priest came unto us, (for the Lord the God of Israel sent him not,) to teach the Commandments and Ordinances of the Lord, but behold he profaneth them, and the Name of the Lord, and causeth the People to transgress.

18. He hath this Day contended and strove and fought with our Scribe, and mocked his Father, an old Man, who feareth the Lord, and is greatly beloved amongst the People: This Priest, the Son of Belial, walketh disorderly, and disturbeth the Peace of this Place greatly.

19. For when I spake Peace between him and our Scribe, and parted them asunder, behold your Priest smote me on the Head with the Scourge wherewith he driveth his Ass, and wounded me, ye yourselves are Witnesses.

20. And I took him by the Neck, and prevailed against him, and smote him, so that he hath defiled his Mantle, and through Fear has fled from my Presence, and dare not shew his Face.

21. And the People all shook their Heads, and said one unto another, This Priest hath wrought great Folly in mocking the old Scribe, and striving with the young Scribe, and not regarding the Peace commanded by the Ruler.

22. And they communed together, saying, He is a Discredit to our Church, a Trouble to the People, and a Scandal to our Profession.

23. And the People after hearing the Ruler, and beholding the Folly and Wickedness of the Priest, smote their Breasts, and returned every Man unto his own House.

24. Now the rest of the Acts of this Priest, and all that he did, and how he drank Wine, and wanted to Debauch his Landlady, and profaned the Name of the Lord, and despised the People, and strove, and contended, and mocked them who did not sacrifice at his Altar, and that he profaned the Feasts of the Lord with Rioting and Drunkenness, and many other base Actions and Abominations; behold, are they not written in the Memoirs of the People of the Land unto this Day.

ROME, August 11.

A FEW Days ago Twelve young Jesuits embarked at Civita Vecchia on board an English Man of War of forty Guns for Genoa, where they are to be joined by some other young Italian Jesuits, and afterwards proceed on board an English Vessel for America to be distributed among the Convents of their Order in that Country.

Vienna, August 22. Last Monday a Fire broke out in the Borough of Mannersdorf on the Frontiers of Hungary, belonging to the Countess of Fuchs, which entirely consumed the Castle and every House in the Town.

Paris, August 31. On the 27th his Majesty hunted near Compeigne, where a few Years ago he chased a Stag quite grey with Age; it was known to have been hunted by Lewis XIII and XIV. and could not be less than 200 Years old; it has not been heard of since, so is supposed to have expired quietly in the Forest.

Dublin, Sept. 4. We hear from the County of Meath, and many other Parts of this Kingdom, that great Quantities of Wheat and other Grain are already got in safe; and that the Bars of Corn produce four Fold to what they did last Year; which, it is hoped, may prevent our sending so much Money out of the Kingdom, as we have done for some Years past; but, if the Custom of drinking Spirituous Liquors, be suffered to go on, we shall have as great or a greater Scarcity of Bread and other Necessaries of Life than we had the last

and present Years, one Distiller having already contracted for the Bar and Oats of eighty Acres of Land, to mix them with the Filth and Soil of Common Sewers and Bog-houses.

Yesterday a Ship was seized in the Channell, for attempting to run a large Quantity of Coffee.

L O N D O N.

The following Clauses are humbly proposed to be added to the late Act against Clandestine Marriages, in Case the Legislature should hereafter take that Subject into their farther Consideration.

W H E N two young thoughtless Fools, having no visible Way to maintain themselves, nor any Thing to begin the World with, yet resolve to marry and be miserable; let it be deemed Petty Larceny.

If a younger Brother marries an old Woman purely for the Sake of a Maintenance, let it be called Self preservation.

When two old Creatures, that can hardly hear one another speak, and cannot propose the least Comfort to themselves in the Thing, yet marry together to be miserable; they shall be deemed Non Compos, and sent to a Mad-house.

When a Lady marries her Servant, or a Gentleman his Cook maid, (especially if there are Children by a former Marriage) they both shall be transported for fourteen Years.

When a Man has had one bad Wife and buried her, and yet will marry a second, it shall be deemed *Felo de se*, and be buried in the Highway accordingly.

When a Woman in good Circumstances marries an infamous Man, not worth a Groat; if she be betrayed into it, it shall be called *Accidental Death*; but if she knows it, it shall be deemed *Single Felony*, and she shall be burnt in the Hand.

When a Man, having no Children, marries a Woman with five or six, and *vice versa*, let the Delinquent stand thrice on the Pillory, lose both his Ears, and suffer one Year's Imprisonment.

If a Man marries a Woman of ill Fame, knowing her to be so, he shall have a Pair of Horns painted on his Door, or if she be a known Scold, a Couple of Neats Tongues in the Room of them.

And when a Man or Woman marries to the disannulling of their Children, let them suffer as in Cases of High-Treason.

When a Woman marries a Man deeply in Debt, knowing him to be so, let her be sent to the House of Correction, and kept to hard Labour for three Months; and if he deceived her, and did not let her know his Circumstances, she shall be acquitted, and he doomed to beat Hemp all the Days of his Life.

An Application from the Grand Jury of the County of Essex, at the Assizes holden at Chelmsford, the 15th of August.

To Sir JOHN ABDEY, Bart. and WILLIAM HARVEY, Esq; Knights of the Shire, the High-Sheriff not being there.

GENTLEMEN, YOUR steady Adherence in Parliament to the true Interest of your Country, makes us gladly embrace this Opportunity of declaring our Approbation of your Conduct.

Your Opposition to a Bill, brought in the last Session of Parliament, conferring unprecedented Privileges on the Jews, was agreeable to our Sentiments, and, as far as we can judge, to those of the Kingdom in general.

As we can only guess at the real Motives of the Patrons and Promoters of this Bill, we shall pass no Censure upon them; but we have Reason to believe, that the Votes were not accompanied with the Express Consents of their Constituents; which, in a Country of Liberty and Freedom, ought to have no inconsiderable Weight in Parliamentary Matters.

The Jews have been zealous Persecutors of Christianity from its Birth; and, where their Power fell short of their Malice, their Infigurations have

have prevailed on those, to whom their Sceptre was departed, to execute their most wicked Purposes; their Inverecy to Christians, of all Denominations, still continues.

They stand branded in History with being rebellious Subjects; faithless Allies, and treacherous Vassals; with pillaging Provinces and Kingdoms, where they have been Farmers of the Revenues; with being insolent on the least Prosperity, and vindictive under Chastisement.

They became justly odious to this Nation in former Times, by diminishing and altering our Coin; by their Extortions, Usuries, and other enormous Crimes. At length, a Statute was made only for putting a Stop to their Usury; and this amounted to a total Expulsion: They departed the Kingdom, which was no Country for them, when they could no longer oppress (by their darling Method) with Impunity.

It hath been said, that we are to reap great Advantages from the Naturalization of wealthy Jews, by the Increase of our Commerce, and the Riches they will bring into the Kingdom: But can it be imagined, that when they shall become Proprietors of great Estates in Land (an Event we fear, not very remote), they will any longer apply themselves to Trade and Correspondencies? They will rather set themselves down in the Enjoyment of their Fortunes, and propagate their Impieties, by all the Influence, which their ample Possessions must naturally give.

These Considerations, Gentlemen, added to their horrid Blasphemies, too shocking to repeat; their Vices and Immoralities, too many to be enumerated, have moved us earnestly to desire you will use your utmost Efforts to procure a speedy Repeal of the late Act in Favour of the Jews; or, if that cannot be effected, to prevent its Progress and Consequences, as the properest Means of preserving our Religious and Civil Establishment, and continuing the Tranquility we have hitherto enjoyed under the Government of our present most gracious Sovereign.

From the LONDON MAGAZINE, for Aug. 1753.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS,

THE most remarkable Occurrence that has lately happened in Europe, is a new Treaty between the House of Austria and the Duke of Modena, by which it is said to be stipulated:

1. That his serene Highness be appointed perpetual Governor of the Duchy of Milan, and the House of Austria's Vicar-General, in Italy, with a Salary of 90,000 Florins a Year; his serene Highness to keep on Foot a Body of 4000 Men, at the disposal of the Empress Queen.
2. That her Imperial Majesty have a Right to place a Garrison of her Troops in the Citadels of Mirandola and Reggio, and in the Castle of Massa Carrara.
3. That the Archduke Peter Leopold, third Son of their Imperial Majesties, shall marry the Daughter of the Hereditary Prince of Modena, by the Heiress of Massa Carrara; and, if this Piece dies without Heirs Male, the Estates of the House of Massa Carrara, and the Duchy of Mirandola, shall go to the Archduke Peter Leopold as his Lady's Fortune; but in Case there be Male Issue, she shall have the Principality of Ferma, and the other Estates in Hungary claimed by the Duke of Modena, for her Fortune.
4. That on the Extinction of the Male Branch of the House of Est, the Duke of Modena's Dominions shall all devolve to the House of Austria.

And it is said, that in Consequence of this Treaty, the Duke of Modena will next Month take up his Residence at Milan, with a Pension of 90,000 Florins per Annum.

Last Month the Prussian Minister at the Diet of Ratisbon, presented to that Assembly his Prussian Majesty's final Declaration with Regard to the Affair of East Friesland; and soon after the beginning of this Month the Hanover Minister presented to the said Assembly a Memorial from his Britannick Majesty, as Elector of Hanover, by Way of Answer to this his Prussian Majesty's final Declaration.

From Amsterdam they write as follows: We are very attentive in this Country to the King of Prussia's taking into his Service and Favour as many Irish and Scotch of the Jacobine Party as he can. Amongst others, he has, not long ago, entered into a Treaty with one of these Gentlemen, an Irish Papist, who was well established at Rotterdam, has a thorough Knowledge of Commerce, is a very cunning Man, and who has sold a fine House, which he had in that City, in order to go

into the Service of the King of Prussia. Many People even say, that the young Pretender lies concealed in the Dominions of that Prince; but as they give no Proof of this, one may with Reason doubt the Truth of it.

The Republic of Genoa have resolved to build a Citadel at St. Remo for curbing the Inhabitants, and for obliging them to submit to such Regulations as shall hereafter be prescribed; but as they Claim to be a free Republic under the Protection of the Empire, and no other Way dependant upon Genoa than by Confederacy for mutual Defence, this may prove a knotty Affair; and in the mean Time the Republic's Affairs in Corsica seem not to be in a very prosperous Situation; for they acknowledge, that a Party of their Troops in that Island has been defeated, and all killed or made Prisoners by a Party of the Malecontents.

Reflections on an Instance of Human Frailty.

*AS, how frail is Man! ah hapless Race!
Depend'd and thoughtless! soon by Vice sub-
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*When left alone to wander in the Paths
Where Nature seeks to satiate her Lust.
From Virtue's Line how apt is Man to swerve,
How prone to Ill!—Or who? or where is he,
Of whom it may be said, behold the Man
That never yet transgress'd the Law of God?*

*But now my Heart deploras the sad Mishap,
Befall'n my Friend, a Man highly esteem'd;
Was, almost I had said, by all believ'd;
Such his Deportment, such his winning Mein,
As render'd him Respect: And who cou'd him accuse?
He stood approv'd; and fraught with outward Bliss;
On him Benevolence and Temperance smil'd:
A prudent Consort bless'd him, and, yet more,
Two lovely Babes his Wishes to complete.
Yet he, alas! e'en be much Pity claims;
Temptation rose, and yielding Nature join'd,
Then Virtue fled: Allur'd by Satan's Bait,
Too preva'lent, each sacred Tie forgot,
Strangely he fell, and grievous was his Fall;
Which gave his Character a deadly Wound.
Great was the Shock, when Rumour spoke his Change;
Grief seiz'd on some while others scoffing stood,
Grief seiz'd my Soul, when my Ideas drew
The shameful Deed that robb'd him of his Fame.*

*As Jonathan to David firmly knit,
Our mutual Friendship sprang from early Date.
That he was innocent, I cou'd have pledg'd
My Life, my All, his Honour to maintain.
But oh, he's fall'n! greatly I mourn; yet hope
Sincere Repentance soon will cheer his Soul.
Beast not ye Sons of Vice; nor Libertines
Triumphantly rejoice: Let none depend
On their own Strength. Let such as think they
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*Beware, lest, thro' some tempting Delilah,
Or saw'rite Sin, they, also, should Transgress.
Whoe'er doth Sin, for Sin, or soon, or late,
Will surely feel the Wrath of God reveal'd.
Ye Sons of Men, your future Welfare seek,
Be vigilant, th' Enemy's at Hand;
The subtil Enemy, unwearied still,
Doth Mortal's ruin seek; whom to defeat
No Art that's simply human can effect:
Be this the ardent Cry, each one for one,
Lord, by thy Counsel, guide me thro' this Life,
And, afterward, to Glory me receive.*

L O N D O N.

August 28. Yesterday was executed at Hertford, pursuant to his Sentence at the last Assizes, Job Wells, for the unnatural Crime of ravishing his own Daughter. He was very penitent, freely forgave her appearing against him, and hoped she would forgive the abominable Part he had acted towards her.

Sept. 10. A List of the most important Differences depending between the Courts of Europe.

1. Hanover's Squabble with Prussia, about East-Friesland.
2. Affair of the Silesia Loan.
3. Limits between England and France in North America, and the Affair of the Neutral Islands.
4. A free Navigation in the West Indies, without Search or Visit, to be obtained from the Spaniards.
5. Boundaries of Finland, to be settled between Russia and Sweden.
6. Duchy of Courland to be provided with a new Sovereign.
7. Quarrel between Spain and Denmark, about Treaties with the African States.

8. Affairs of the East Indies to be settled between the English and the French.

9. Restitution or Satisfaction to be made to France for Ships taken by the English during the War with Spain.

Of all which Matters, some may possibly be adjusted by Treaty, and some decided by the Sword.

Extra of a Letter from the Hague, dated Sept. 1.

According to our Advices from Paris it still appears determined, that a Chamber, from which there shall be no Appeal, will in a very short Time be nominated by the King to try criminal Causes; It is said that it will sit for the first Time about the middle of this Month. From this and some other Dispositions it is very evident that the Recal of the Parliament is at a very great Distance, notwithstanding the fervent Prayers daily poured out by the People for its speedy Return. The same Advices add, that the French Ministry appear uncommonly busied, and that frequent Councils are held. Not only the Ministers for foreign Affairs seem to have their Hands full, but Mr. Rouille, Secretary of State for the Affairs of the Navy, appears most assiduous to put the Marine on a respective Footing; and M. d'Argenson, Minister at War, labours with no less Zeal to put the Land Forces in good Condition.

His Swedish Majesty has published an Ordinance for the encouraging and improving Manufactures of Steel and Iron, by which that Commodity is exempted from the small Duties after the first of April; considerable Privileges granted to Workmen, whether Natives or Foreigners; and the Exportation of Iron out of the Kingdom prohibited on pain of Confiscation.

Letters from Berlin advise that the Leather Manufactory, lately set up near that City, improves daily; and already supplies them with Leather of all sorts, as good, and much cheaper, than what they used to bring from England. The erecting a Bank in that City is still talked of.

We learn from Strasbourg, that M. de Voltaire had been for a Fortnight at the Black Bour-lon in that Town, where he is visited by several learned Men, particularly Dr. Grevali, who acts as his Physician. His Niece had left him, and was supposed to be gone to Paris. These Advices say, he continues to labour very hard, his Secretary and another Person being every Day at Work. He will probably make no long Stay at Strasbourg, if it be true that Notice has been given him, that the French Court do not desire he should advance farther into the Kingdom.

Extra of a Letter from Amsterdam, dated September 4.

There is nothing new in relation to the Parliaments of France. The Court is still undetermined how to act. In a Word, the Clergy make the King tremble. Besides the Ministry, who side with the Devotees, persuade themselves that they shall tire the Firmness of the Exiles; and having the Power in their Hands, give themselves no Trouble about the vain Murmurs of the People. In the mean Time every thing remains in Inaction; many Families languish in Distress, waiting till the Parliament resume its Functions, and decide their Causes, on the gaining of which depends all their Hopes. Since the Grand Chamber was sent to Pontoise, it is computed that upwards of 30,000 Inhabitants have left the Capital. This was very observable at the late Fair of St. Lawrence; where the People sold so few of their Goods, that they did not wait for the End of the Fair to pack them up and be gone. Every one exclaims, How long will Things remain on this Footing? A violent Convulsion would be more eligible than this tedious and mortal Lethargy. But these melancholy Reflections have no Consequences. This Age would differ in nothing for the French from that of Henry III. if they had not Magistrates who are vigilant, courageous, and zealous for the Public Good. We should see that infernal Monster rise up among them, that detestable Fanaticism, which with a Dagger in her Hand rushed upon the Throne.—The horrible Remembrance of it makes Nature shudder.

The Conditions of the Treaty between the Empress Queen and the Duke of Modena are disclosed in proportion as they are fulfilled. We find 10,000 Austrians on their March to take Possession of the Citadels of Mirandola, Reggio, and Massa Carrara. This Treaty, of whose true Contents we are still ignorant, continues equally to perplex the Italian Powers, and the Courts of France and Spain, who never expected it.

A few Days ago Mr. Bryan O'Farrel, aged Seventy, was married to Mrs. Catharine Joy, aged Sixty three. Their Courtship lasted fourteen Years, seven of which they lived together in one Room. The Bridegroom had seventeen Children and Grandchildren at Supper.

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Mr. Browne's famous Arabian Mare died last Sunday. She took the Strangles last April at the Carragh, and for want of proper Application in Time, she pined away with the running at the Nose, a Distemper called the Glanders. She was carefully dissected, and upon a very strict Examination, it was discovered that the whole Seat of her Disorder lay in her Head, all the rest of her noble Parts having been quite sound; wherefore it is recommended to the Public, to use proper Nose drenches in all such Cases, as soon as any Beast begins to run at the Nose, in order to clear those Parts before an Abscess is formed, whence it issues a sharp Humour that corrodes the Parts and renders the Creature at length incurable. The last Matter issuing from the Mare, vulgarly called the Mourning of the Chine, was found to proceed from the Brain. In the Dissection this Mare was found to differ in her Anatomy from other Mares more than could be imagined in any Creature of the same Species; and showed an extraordinary Perfection. The Death of this Mare is a general Loss to the Kingdom, as she derived her Pedigree and Excellence from no Country but Morocco alone, which is deemed to have the best Kind of Horses in the World for Racing.

A Letter from a Gentleman of the County of Donegal, to a Member of Parliament in the City of Dublin, on the dangerous Practice of drinking Spirituous Liquors.

S I R,

"Your known Zeal for the Interest of Religion, and Service of your Country, encourages me to address myself to you at this Time, to request you will use your Endeavours, and, if possible, think of some Scheme before the approaching Session of Parliament, to put a Stop to the dreadful Havock made by the Use of Spirituous Liquors in too many Parts of this Kingdom. In our Country it is come to that Pass, that a Constable dare not in some Districts, execute a Warrant. At the Fair of Drumquin, last June, a Justice of the Peace ordered the Constable to seize a Man for making a Riot, and in return for it, was himself insulted in a most outrageous Manner; and the Constable, on the Way to Omagh Gaol, was murdered by the Parishioners. The like happened a Fortnight ago, to the Constable of Manor Cunningham, near Rapbo, who for doing his Duty was held by some of the drunken Rioters, while others battered his Head with Stones. At the Fair of Farnacary near Sligo, the Whiskey sellers fell on the Exciseman to murder him, to prevent which, a Magistrate, and another Gentleman, both of Note in their Country, interposed, but were so abused that they were left for dead on the spot, and have been these two Months past in a miserable Condition. I could mention a hundred Facts as riotous and detestable as these; but these are enough to show, that unless something be immediately done to remove the Cause of these Mischiefs, there will quickly be an end of all Order and Government. In a Church last Sunday, not far from Strabane, an unhappy Man, under the Power of Whiskey, came staggering into the Congregation, and died in the midst of Divine Service. The Protestant Dissenters were formerly remarkable for Piety and Zeal for Religion; but since the increase of Spirituous Liquors this is vanished. Our Manufactures also will be lost; for how can Industry and Drunkenness subsist together? And the few who would strive to earn their Bread by sober industry, are starved by the Drunkards, who consume that Grain by Spirituous Liquors, which would afford Plenty of Bread to the honest and diligent. Three hundred thousand Pounds have gone out of Ireland this Year to buy Bread, the Poor in this Part of the World almost starving by the Dearness of Provisions; and yet never was known more Drunkenness. Must not this speedily end in our Ruin? I need not mention the amazing Havock made of the Lives of our People; scarce a Day passes, in which we do not hear some shocking Accounts. These are grown so familiar, that Men are not affected with them, nor is it possible to cure the common People, unless the Temptation is removed out of their Way. I knew a Family of seven Protestants, one of them died of drinking Whiskey; the other six went next Day to Letterkenny to buy Whiskey for his Funeral; they sat down on the Hill over the Town to taste it, and there drank to such a Degree, that one of them died on the Spot. The remaining five went next Day for more Whiskey, to give Honour to the Burial of their second Brother, and sat down to drink in the same Field, where they drank to such Excess, that they all lay drunk in the Field the whole Night after. You see, Sir, the Consequences of this pernicious Practice of drinking Spirits, of which I take the Liberty to inform you, that some Means may be thought of, to put a Stop to it, or otherwise it must end in the Destruction of many of his Majesty's Subjects, be a great Prejudice to all

our Manufactures, and will be attended with many other Evils and Dangers too obvious to mention. I am, Sir, yours, &c.

Bristol, Sept. 8. On Saturday last ended the Sessions of Oyer and Terminer, held for this City before the Worshipful John Clements, Esq; and Sir Michael Foster, Knt. Recorder, and one of the Justices of his Majesty's Court of Common Pleas, when the following Prisoners received their Sentences.

Richard Arnold and William Crutchard, for committing the detestable Crime of Sodomy, Death.

William Cottle, for attempting to commit the like Crime, to be fined 6s. 8d. to stand on the Pillory, and to be confined in Newgate 12 Months.

Eleanor Donnavan, for stealing a Silver Watch and two Guineas, the Property of William Owen, Transportation for 7 Years.

Jane Thomas, alias Williams, for wilfully killing her own Male Child, by throwing it into a Boghouse, acquitted.

H A L I F A X

November 3. Last Sunday, after his Excellency had attended Divine Service in the Forenoon, he embark'd on board his Majesty's Ship Torrington, in order to take his Passage for England; his Excellency was attended from the Church by the Hon. his Majesty's Council and sundry other Gentlemen, when the Company belonging to the Train of Artillery were drawn up in a Line on the Parade, with their Officers in the Front, who paid his Excellency the proper Compliments as he march'd along: The Soldiers of the Three Regiments, with their proper Officers in the Front, were drawn up in two Lines from the Parade to the Water Side, from whom a fo his Excellency receiv'd the proper Compliments. The Cannon on the Parade were discharg'd when his Excellency set off from the Shore in the Barge, as were those on board the Torrington upon his Excellency's arrival. The whole was conducted with a great deal of Decency and good Order, and made a very handsome Appearance. And on Thursday last the Torrington, with his Excellency on board, set sail for England with a fair Wind: She was saluted by the Discharge of the Cannon at George's Island.

We hear that the Hon. Lieut. Col. Lawrence, as President of the Council, has the chief Command of his Government, during his Excellency's Absence.

A N N A P O L I S.

Within a few Days past, Four Women all in one Neighbourhood, and not far from Town, were Delivered with Ten Children, two of them with Three each, and the others with Twins.

We have a Report, but cannot affirm it for a Certainty, that there has lately been a terrible Sick-ness among the French near Ohio, of which the commanding Officer, and a great many of the Men died, and that the rest had mutinied and left the Place.

[We heartily wish our Customers, a happy and prosperous New Year.]

Custom House, Annapolis, Enter'd since Dec. 6. Sloop Hopewell, Samuel White, from R. Island; Ship Biddford, John Cole, from Bristol; Sloop Deborah, Sweetnam Burn, from Boston;

Cleared for Departure, Brig Endeavour, James Mitchell, for Ireland; Brig Grove, Robert Wilton, for Madeira; Brig Nancy, William Strachan, for Madeira; Sloop Tryal, Thomas Currier, for N. Carolina; Snow Tyger, William Thomas, for Bristol.

TO BE SOLD,

For Money, Tobacco, Indian Corn, Wheat, Pork, or Lumber,

A GOOD SLOOP that will carry near 1000 Bushels of Grain: She is well found with Sails, Rigging, Anchors, Cables, and all other Materials.

Kinsey Johns, William Thornton.

N. B. Time for Payment will be given, on Security, if required.

To be Sold by the Subscriber, GOOD West India Rum, Mas- covado Sugar, Melasses, Coffee, Saff Glass, 12 by 10, 11 by 9, 10 by 8, 6 by 4, and Diamond Glass, Linseed Oil, White Lead, and sundry dry Goods, for Cash, Pork, Beef, Corn, Wheat, Pease, Oats, or Parcels of good Tobacco.

Patrick Creagh.

Conformable to LAW, NOTICE is hereby given, That

there is at the Plantation of Daniel Clary, at Rock Creek in Frederick County, taken up as a Stray, a White Mare, about 13 Hands high, branded on the near Shoulder I with a Stroke across the middle of it, and on the near Buttock something like a long Blotch, has a Switch Tail, a hanging Mane, and high Crest.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

JUST IMPORTED,

In the Ship BIDDIFORD, Capt. JOHN COLE, from BRISTOL, and to be Sold by the Subscriber, at his Store in ANNAPOLIS,

A LARGE Assortment of European and East India GOODS, Herefordshire CYDER, Gloucester CHEESE, and Single Refined SUGAR at 1s. 6d. per Pound; also very good CLARET by the Dozen, or larger Quantities.

John Brice.

JUST IMPORTED,

In the Ship BIDDIFORD, Capt. JOHN COLE, from BRISTOL, and to be Sold by the Subscriber, at his new Store, near the Dock, in ANNAPOLIS,

A N Assortment of European and East India GOODS, at very reasonable Rates, for Paper Money, Gold, or Bills of Exchange: He also Sells, good Barbadoes RUM, at 4s. 6d. per Gallon, SUGAR, at 8d. per Pound, and Sour ORANGES, at 2s. per Dozen.

John Raist.

LOST about 7 Weeks ago, near the Head of Severn, a black and white HOUND BITCH, of the deep mouthed Southern Kind, her Tail cut. Whoever brings the said Hound to the Vineyard, or to Col. Tasker, at Annapolis, shall have Ten Shillings Reward.

STOLEN or Strayed from Mr.

Hepburn's Plantation, near Upper Marlborough, about the 21st of October last, a Dark Brown Natural Pacing Gelding, about 13 Hands high, had a hanging Mane, and Switch Tail, between 5 and 6 Years old, and branded on the near Shoulder and Buttock A. Whoever brings the said Gelding to Mr. Hepburn, shall have Twenty Shillings Reward.

THERE is at the abovementioned Plantation, a Stray Steer, of a Red Colour, about 3 Years old, has a white Face, a Crop and an under Bit off the right Ear, and an under Bit off the left Ear.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying the Charge of this Advertisement.

TO BE SOLD,

THE following Tracts of Land, lying in Frederick County, within 12 or 14 Miles of Frederick Town, viz.

Part of the Refurvey of Fountain Low, 300 Acres, lying near Major Ogle's, whereon is some very good Meadow Ground.

Locust Thicket, 190 Acres, lying on Manockasy, with some valuable rich Bottoms. And Turkey Thicket, 400 Acres, lying on Manockasy, with rich Bottoms.

The Title is indisputable; for Terms apply to Nathaniel Wickham, jun.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That

there is at the Plantation of Thomas Athy junr. in Prince George's County, taken up as a Stray, a small Black Horse, about three Years old, branded on the near Shoulder xx, he has a Star in his Forehead, and unbroke.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

COMMITTED some Time ago

to the Subscriber, Sheriff of Baltimore County, as a Runaway, one Thomas Ellis, a Welchman; wears his own Hair, and had on an Iron Collar: He says he belongs to one Thomas Day, in Kent County, to whom Notice was sent, but no Answer received.

His Master may have him again, on Application, paying the Fees, and Charge of the Advertisement.

William Young.

SAMUEL CLAYTON,
BUTCHER, from LONDON,
Now in Partnership with Thomas Quayle, (who
lately served John Ross, Esq; as his Gardener)
living near the Widow Jennings's, in Annapolis.

CARRY on the Business of
BUTCHERING, and will supply any
Gentlemen, or Others, who shall be pleased to
become their Customers, with any Kind of Provi-
sions, at the cheapest Rates. They give READY
MONEY for fat live Cattle. They likewise kill
Cattle or Sheep, in a neat and work-man-like
Manner.

N. B. They sell CANDLES, at 15 d. per
Pound, by the single Pound; and cheaper in large
Quantities. The said Quayle is willing to ride on
Messages for any Gentlemen, to any Part of the
Province.

Conformable to L A W,
NOTICE is hereby given, That
there is at the Plantation of Alexander Elliot,
in Cecil County, near the Head of Elk River, tak-
en up as a Stray, a Black Mare, about 14 Hands
high, 4 Years old or thereabouts, has a small Star
in her Forehead, and a very blind Appearance of
a Figure of 4 on the off Shoulder.

The Owner may have her again, on proving
his Property and paying Charges.

NOTICE is hereby given, That
the Subscriber, now living in the House,
at London Town, where Mr. West, deceased, for-
merly dwelt, has provided himself with good Boats
and skilful Hands; as also with good Beds, Li-
quors, and Provender for Horses: All Gentlemen
who shall think fit to favour him with their Custom,
may depend on a quick Passage over the Ferry,
good Entertainment, and civil Usage, from
Their humble Servant,
William Brown.

N. B. He still continues his Business of a Joiner
and Cabinet Maker, and can furnish any Body with
the neatest and newest fashion'd Chairs, Tables,
&c. &c. at the lowest Rates.

A SCHEME of a small LOTTERY;
For raising the Sum of 490 Pieces of Eight, for
building a public Wharf at Baltimore-Town.

Numb. of Prizes.	Pieces of Eight.	Total.
2 of 100	are	200
3 of 50	are	150
3 of 30	are	90
6 of 20	are	120
10 of 15	are	150
20 of 10	are	200
50 of 5	are	250
612 of 3	are	1836
1 first drawn		7
1 last drawn		7
708 Prizes,		3010
1042 Blanks,		
1750 Tickets at 2 Pieces of Eight, are		3500

For the public Wharf 490
By this Scheme there is not one Blank and a
half to a Prize.

As there is nothing more wanting than a public
Wharf in the Town, where the Trade is greatly
increased within a few Years, it is not to be doubt-
ed but People will readily Adventure in this Lot-
tery, who are Well-wishers to the Prosperity of the
Town and Province.

Many of the Tickets being already engaged, it
is supposed the Lottery will be full in a very short
Time, of which public Notice will be given, and
of the Time of Drawing.

A List of the Prizes will be published in the
Maryland Gazette, as soon as the Drawing is
completed.

The following Persons are appointed Managers,
who are to be under Oath, for the true Perfor-
mance of their Trust, viz. Messrs. John Stevenson,
Richard Chase, John Moore, Charles Croxall, Wil-
liam Rogers, Nicholas Rogers, John Ridgely, N.
Ruxton Gay, William Lux, and Brian Philpot, jun.

Tickets to be had of any of the Managers, and
at the POST-OFFICE, in Annapolis.

Conformable to L A W, ✕
NOTICE is hereby given, That
there is in the Possession of Andrew Tan-
nibill, near Potomack River near Kotocton
Mountain, taken up as a Stray, a Brown Mare,
with a Star in her Forehead, and has a white
Streak down her Face, branded on the near Shoul-
der with a Blotch, and on the near Thigh with
a W, has a long Tail, and her hind Feet white.

The Owner may have her again, on proving
his Property, and paying Charges.

Baltimore Town, November 6, 1753.
ALL Persons indebted to Mr.
Rowland Carnan, now on his Voyage to
England, or to the Estate of Mr. Charles Carnan,
of London, Merchant, are desired to come and settle
their Accounts forthwith; otherwise they must ex-
pect to be sued for their respective Debts, at March
Court.

And any Persons having any just Claims or De-
mands on said Rowland Carnan, or the Estate of
said Charles Carnan, are desired to apply for Pay-
ment of the same, in Baltimore Town, from Mon-
day to Friday in every Week; and at Elk Ridge
Landing every Saturday, where Attendance will be
given, by

Chamier and Carnan, Attor-
neys in Fact to Mr. Rowland Car-
nan, and to the Trustees to the E-
state of Mr. Cha. Carnan, of London.

ALL Persons indebted to the
Estate of Robert Gordon, Esq; lately deceased,
are desired to make immediate Payments; and
those who have any Demands against the said
Estate, are desired to bring in their Accounts, that
the same may be adjusted and paid off, by Messrs.
Robert Swan and John Raitt, Securities for the due
Administration of said Estate, with

✕ & Agnes Gordon,
Administatrix.

Conformable to L A W, ✕
NOTICE is hereby given, That
there is at the Plantation of Capt. John
Stinchcomb, in Baltimore County, taken up as a
Stray, a small Iron Grey Horse, branded on the
near Buttock T with a Stroke across the middle,
and is about 7 Years old.

The Owner may have him again, on proving
his Property, and paying Charges.

LEIDGERS, Journals, and
Waste Books, of fine Royal Paper, Medium,
or Demy, with Alphabets, may be had at the
Post-Office: Also, Testaments, Primers, Battle,
dores, Spelling Books, Ink Powder, Sealing Wax,
Parchment, Playing Cards &c. &c.

Conformable to L A W ✕
NOTICE is hereby given, That
there is at the Plantation of Nathan Frixel
near Gunpowder Falls, in Baltimore County taken
up as a Stray, a thick well made Black Mare,
about 13 Hands high, branded on the off Buttock
I S, has a Switch Tail, and some Saddle Spots.

The Owner may have her again, on proving
his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to L A W, ✕
NOTICE is hereby given, That
there is at the Plantation of Mr. Benjamin
Lawrence, living on the Back of Elk Ridge, taken
up as a Stray, a small dark Bay Horse, branded
on both of his Buttocks with something like a B.
has an upper-cut in his right Ear and hanging Mane.

The Owner may have him again, on proving
his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to L A W, ✕
NOTICE is hereby given That
there is at the Plantation of Dr. Johns, near
Herring Creek Church, taken up as a Stray, by
William Dunn, a Dun Mare, about 13 Hands
and an Inch high, with a Flaxen Mane and Tail,
and has never been branded, dock'd, nor broke.

The Owner may have her again, on proving
his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to L A W,
NOTICE is hereby given, That
there are at the Plantation of Nicholas Orrick,
in Baltimore County, taken up as Strays, a small
Black Natural Pacing Mare, and a small Bay Mare;
the former branded on the off Buttock W, and
had a Bell on mark'd I F; the latter neither
dock'd, branded, nor any perceivable Flesh Mark.

The Owner or Owners may have them again,
on proving Property, and paying Charges.

RAN away from Mr. Stephen
Onion's Iron Works, in Baltimore County,
about the Middle of June last, a Negro Fellow,
called Jemmy, about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, of a
yellow Complexion, pretty much Pock fretten, has
been in the Country about 16 Months, talks very
little English, and has been the most Part of the
said Time cutting Cord Wood: I am doubtful
whether he can explain or even express his Owner's
Name. Whoever takes up said Negro and secures
him, so that the Subscriber may have him again,
shall receive a Pistole Reward, besides the Allow-
ance by Law, and if brought to said Works, any
reasonable Charges,

Benjamin Wells.
N. B. I am suspicious that the said Fellow is,
(by some ill disposed Person or other), stolen and
carried into the back Woods.

WHEREAS Capt. John Troy,
lately departed this Province, has constitu-
ted me the Subscriber, his Attorney in Fact, for
transacting his Affairs; this is, therefore, to require
all Persons indebted to the said John Troy, to make
immediate Payments of their several respective
Debts, else they must expect Trouble, from

William Lux,
of Annapolis.

WHEREAS Mr. Lancelot
Jacques, lately departed this Province, has
constituted me the Subscriber, his Attorney in Fact,
for transacting his Affairs; this is, therefore, to require
all Persons indebted to the said Mr. Jacques,
to make immediate Payments of their several re-
spective Debts, else they must expect Trouble, from

William Lux,
of Annapolis.

RAN away from the Subscriber,
the 24th of October last, a Negro Man, named
Charles a lively young Fellow, pretty tall, and
speaks but indifferent English: Had on when he
went away an old Cotton Jacket, an old Shirt, and
a Pair of Check'd Trowsers; 'tis supposed he will
make towards the Bay, and endeavour to get over
to the Eastern Shore to Dorchester County, from
whence he was lately brought out of that County
Goal, where he had been for a considerable Time.

Whoever will secure the said Negro, and bring
him to his Master, living near Piccadawen Church,
in Charles County, shall have Forty Shillings Re-
ward, paid by

Samuel Clagett.

TO BE SOLD,
PART of a Tract of Land, cal-
led Christopher's Camp, containing 250 Acres,
lying on the North Side of Patapsco River, ad-
joining to Mr. Isaac Webster's Plantation.

Any Person inclining to purchase, may apply to
Capt. John Howard, in Baltimore County, or in
Anne Arundel County, to

Isaac Johns.

N. B. A reasonable Time for Payment will be
allowed, if required.

WHEREAS there is a Va-
cancy for a Master in Queen Anne's County
School: Any Person professing himself a Member
of the Church of England, and capable of teaching
Grammar, Mathematics, Arithmetic, and good
Writing, applying to the Visitors of said School,
will meet with as much Encouragement as the Law
relating to Free Schools will support them in.

Signed per Order,
Nathan Wright, Reg.

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THURSDAY, January 10, 1754.

From a late UNIVERSAL MAGAZINE.

The VIPER and FILE.

A FABLE.

ASerpent surly, proud, and vain,
With all the dullest of the Train,
Would sometimes from his Cave appear,
And aw'd, with's Bulk, each Insect near.

One Evening as from home he stray'd,
Across his Path a File was laid;
With scorn the rough-hewn Tool he ey'd,
And in insulting Tone he cry'd,
'Away! thou mean, thou low-born Thing!
'Know, that Death lurks within my sting:
'Hence Slave! nor dare obstruct my Way,
'But learn Superiors to obey.
'Tis Arrogance in one so base,
'To stop, and stare me in the Face:
'And Folly thus my Pow'r to brave,
'None, whom I bite, escape the Grave'.
Enrag'd to see th' Inanimate
Regardless of his haughty Threat;
He swore Revenge, and vow'd his Death,
Bit the hard Steel, and broke his Teeth,
Then like a cruel Victor said,
'Fool-hardy Wretch, I see you bleed;
'But thank your stupid self, and know
'Tis thus I crush each daring Foe'.
He little thought the Blood he saw
Came from his own destroying Jaw;
And knew not then the cruel Aim
Would bring himself to Jest and Shame.
But soon the snavious Reptile found
He'd lost his Poison by the Wound;
Bad News flies fast; 'twas quickly known
The Tyrant's Pow'r to hurt was gone;
Then ev'ry puny Insect sneer'd,
And now despis'd what they had fear'd.

This Fable in its Moral shews
That Harm may hap from feeble Foes:
That vain, proud Men may sometimes find
The meanest will offend the Mind:
He that is vain, because he's wealthy,
Insults the sick, because he's healthy.
The World will give due praise to Merit,
And not to Means that we inherit.
Curs'd in his Mind is he whose Spite
With Weakness, and with Vice unite.
Falloods have not the least Defence;
For want of Truth is want of Sense.
'Tis granted too, ill founded Rage,
Don't sharpen Words, but blunts their edge.
And, like the Teeth oppos'd to Steel,
The Harm they mean, themselves will feel.

The SPEECH of the Honourable ROBERT
DINWIDDIE, Esq; Lieutenant Governor, and
Commander in Chief, of the Colony and Domi-
nion of Virginia, to the General Assembly of the
said Province, on Wednesday the 19th Day of
December, 1753.

Gentlemen of the Council, Mr. Speaker, and Gen-
tlemen of the House of Burgesses.

THE Season of the Year being far advanced,
and the Business of the Assembly concluded,
it is necessary to put an End to this Session.

That Zeal for his Majesty's Service, that dis-
interested Love for your Country, for which you
have been distinguished upon former Occasions, has
now, in some Particulars, not been sufficiently at-
tended to. The Friendship of the Indians is a na-
tional Concern. The Interest of Great-Britain,
the Welfare of all His Majesty's Colonies on this
Continent, and your own Peace and Safety are en-
gaged upon the Event of the present Measures.

Gentlemen of the House of Burgesses.

His Majesty's Royal Command, for a mutual
Supply, recommended to you at the Beginning of
this Session, to preserve the Friendship of the In-
dians, to consult the real Prosperity of your Coun-
try, and at the same Time to maintain the just
Rights of the Crown, should have been the fix'd
Object of your Attention; but to disregard the
Designs of the French, to despise the Friendship of
the Indians, and to dispute the Rights of the Crown
in the Disposal of their own Lands, may be of bad
Consequence.

Next to the Service of my Royal Master, my
greatest Ambition will be to make this Dominion
flourish, and the People happy; such will be my
Endeavours, and such is the whole Tenor of my
Conduct.

Let me therefore, Gentlemen, recommend to
you, and desire of you, during your Recess in the
different Counties, to cultivate Piety and Morality,
by which you will promote the true Happiness of
the People; encourage Industry, to preserve good
Order and Regularity among them, that they may
be truly sensible of the inestimable Blessings of His
Majesty's Reign. I have thought fit to prorogue
this Assembly to the last Thursday of April next:
And you are accordingly Prorogued.

G E N O A, September 3.

THE Treaty lately concluded between the
Empress Queen and the Duke of Modena,
relative to the Milanese, &c. seems to give much
Uneasiness to this Republic; Orders have been
given to complete all their Regiments, to which
Purpose they enlist the Deserters, who come in
daily from Alexandria, Turtonia, &c. They have
likewise begun to remount the Cannon round the
Walls, especially towards the Sea. Mr. Grimaldi
is expected from Corsica, but as yet the Republic
have not appointed the Person who is to succeed
him as Commissary General; it has been proposed
to several of the Nobility, but the Acceptance
thereof has hitherto been declined; The Situation
of Affairs in that Island are still greatly embroil'd,
and the Malecontents obstinately refuse to treat
with, or return to the Obedience of the Republick,
and have made some Overtures to the Emperor's
Consul at Nunza, to put themselves under the
Imperial Protection, and to annex the Island to the
Dukedom of Tuscany: The Consul declin'd mak-
ing the Proposal to the Court of Vienna, and it
is uncertain whether they have made Application
directly themselves. There is a Misunderstanding
between the Chiefs of the Malecontents, and M.
Gafforio has been dismissed from his Employments.

Genoa, September 23. The Government has
published an Edict, importing, 'That tho' the Re-
bellion of the People of San Remo, was so enor-
mous that it rendered them unworthy of any Par-
don, yet willing to exercise her Clemency on the
present Occasion, she vouchsafes to grant a general
Pardon to all who were involved in the said Re-
bellion, and shall return within the Space of one
Month, if they are not above 100 Miles distant, and
within six Months, if they are at a greater dis-
tance. Fourteen Persons, are excepted in this Act
of Irredemity.

Madrid, October 1. A Letter from Faro, dated
August 15, advises, that two Days before, the
Captain of a Catalan Vessel, which anchor'd off
that Place, wrote to the Spanish Consul, that he
had met at Sea a Brigantine without any People on
board, which by the Papers he judged to be Eng-
lish, for which Reason he desired that one of that
Nation might be sent to him. Accordingly John
Lampriere, a British Merchant, went immediately,
when the Captain informed him, that about Eight
that Morning he met the Brigantine at Sea, and
suspecting by her sailing that she had no one to
direct her Course, he sent some of his Men in his

Boat to examine her, who did not find any living
Creature on board; they observed every Thing in
great Disorder, the Master's Escrow broke open,
and some Blood dried upon the Floor near the
Cabbins, by which they imagined some Violence
had been committed. Mr. Lampriere went im-
mediately on board the Brigantine to take Possession
of her, when he found all the Catalan had said to
be exactly true, and her Cargo untouch'd. By the
Papers found on board, it appeared that this Vessel
is the Christopher, John Herron, Master, bound
from Malaga to Dublin. There were several Bills
of Lading in the Cabbins, and a rough Journal
continued as far as Six a Clock in the Afternoon
of Friday the 10th of August, but no Mediter-
ranean Pass. Since receiving the above Account
from Faro, we have been informed from Cadiz,
that upon News being received there of what had
happened to this English Brigantine, they had
stopped a small Vessel, which had been observed to
put in several Times at a Place called Huelva, in
Andalusia; five of her Crew were taken; but the
rest, amounting to about twenty more, were said to
be gone upon an Expedition, to seize two new Xe-
bucks that were in a small Port near Huelva, called
Moguer. These Letters add, that this Gang of
Pirates consist of People of several Nations, and
that the five who were taken were to be tried in a
short Time, when it was not doubted but they
would, among other Things, confess the above Af-
fair, as Pieces of the Mediterranean Pass belonging
to the Brigantine, were, it is said, found upon
them.

Edinburgh, October 9 By Letters received last
Post from Danzick, we have the melancholy
News of the Death of Capt. King, Commander of
the Prince of Wales Greenlandman, who perished
on the 14th of September last, in endeavouring to
save an English Boat in great Distress, in the Road
of that City. Captain King had gone a Voyage
to Danzick, and his Ship was lying in the Road
when they spied this Boat endeavouring to make
their own Ship; but the Sea running very high,
and the Weather being very stormy, they were in
the utmost Danger of perishing. Captain King, as
soon as he saw them, resolved to lose his own Life
or to save theirs, but the Event did not answer so
generous a Design, for he with three of his Crew,
as well as the English Boat, with all her Hands,
were soon swallowed up by the Waves, only one
Boy belonging to Captain King, being providen-
tially saved.

L O N D O N.

October 20. The first Instant, between 12 and
1 a Clock at Night, the House of Thomas Nu-
gent, Esq; of Donore, in the County of West-
meath, in Ireland, was consumed to Ashes, with
all the Plate, Jewels, China, Household Furniture,
and Wearing Apparel, in the Whole to the Value
of 4000 l. besides the House. Mr. and Mrs. Nu-
gent, with three Children, and five Gentlemen,
with great Difficulty escaped the Flames naked,
losing their Gold Watches and Snuff boxes. There
was laid in his Wine cellar above 400 l. Worth of
different Wines. The House, tho' three Stories
high, and very large, with two Returns, were con-
sumed in less than one Hour. This Misfortune
happened by a Maid's leaving a Candle near the
Wainscot when she went to Bed.

October 23. A private Letter from Edinburgh
informs us, that William Crawford, Janitor of the
high School there, a Man somewhat in Years,
having been thrice proclaimed in the Kirk, went
thither with all his Friends, and waited some Hours,
expecting his Bride; at last he received a Ticket
from her, in these Terms, 'William, you must
know, I am pre-engaged, I never yet could like
a burnt Cuttle. I have now by the Hand, my
sonsy manly Strapper, with whom I intend to spend
my youthful Days. You know old Age and young
cannot agree well together; excuse me then, old
Friend, for in Faith I will not ha' thee.'—The
good Man not taking this Disappointment much to
Heart,

Heart, only said, "Come, let us at least keep the Feast on the Feast Day; Dinner will be ready, and let us drink and drive Care away; and may never greater Misfortune befall an honest Man." Accordingly they went back to Dinner, and from the Company convened the rejected Bridegroom, got 100 Marks and all Charges, with which he was perfectly satisfied, and thought himself at least as well off as his Rival.

KINGSTON, in Jamaica, October 27.
On Monday last, about 5 a Clock in the Afternoon, a Thunder cloud burst over the House of Mr. Joseph Gutterres in Orange-street, which tore off the Shingles of that, and the House of Dr. Chovet, being both under one Roof, at which time the Lightning entered both Houses. Mrs. Gutterres was then sitting in a very low Chair in the Back hall, and the Lightning went over her Head, where it battered the Wall, without offending her; in the first Floor it dispersed itself in every Part of the Rooms, splintering the Frames of many Pictures that were glazed, without damaging the Glasses over them. A dressing Looking glass particularly, mounted on two Pillars, and a Nest of Drawers underneath, had all the Frame and other Wood work shaken to Pieces, without ever hurting the Glass, saving a little of the Quick silver in one of the Corners, which it had melted; it likewise passed behind a Chest of Drawers, where it entered the Crevices, and only cracking the back Part it visited every Drawer. When this happened Dr. Chovet and his Wife were both sleeping in Bed in their lower Back room, but being suddenly awaked, found themselves surrounded with forked Lightning darting on all Sides of the Room, entering through the Partition-wall, and at the Window, but through the great Mercy of Providence, neither he, nor his Wife were hurt, though the great Quantity of sulphurous Vapour had almost suffocated them. The Doctor's Sword and Cane, which stood by his Bed side were both struck with the Lightning, and so powerful was its Force, that it melted a little of the Gold from the Head of the Cane, and likewise some Part of the Blade of the Sword near the Point, which seemed to have been done without affecting the Scabbard; in the upper Back room and Garret, it likewise committed great Havock, by breaking the Windows, and Frames of the Shutters, it melted likewise several Iron and Steel Instruments that were there, but it particularly shivered a Fishing rod into so many small Splinters, that it appeared like a Bundle of Straw.

NEW-YORK, December 3.
The Confusion in this City, occasioned by Counterfeit Copper English Halfpence amongst us, is almost inconceivable;—for notwithstanding the large Quantities of good Pence we have long had, there is now hardly any Sum offered, but there are Counterfeit Ones intermixed; and to such a Degree of Suspicion, is the common People raised, that many good Pence, which have past current perhaps for above twenty Years past are now refused.—What Punishment must be owing to those Pests of Society, who have thus artfully and villainously introduced those base Halfpence amongst us, by which the Fair-Traders, as well as the Poor, are thus injured.

PHILADELPHIA, December 13.
Extra of a Letter from Bridgetown, in Barbados, dated November 5, 1753.

"We have lately been in a good Deal of Confusion here, occasioned by the Negroes, a Number of whom, for some Time past, have done Abundance of Mischief. A white Man, passing quietly along one Night, about Nine a Clock, was met with by four of them, who knock'd him down, and cut and bruised him in so cruel a Manner, that he died soon after. Three of the Fellows are taken, two of which have been gibbeted, and the Trial of the third comes on To-morrow; the rest not yet found. We are oblig'd to have a Number of Men to watch the Town every Night, and a Company of Horsemen patrol daily round the Island. One of the Negroes (who is still alive in the Gibbets, tho' he has been up eight Days) told the Magistrates, that Christmas Eve (had it not been discover'd) was the Time intended for the Destruction of the Town, and its Inhabitants, and its Inhabitants."

ANNAPOLIS.
We hear that about a Fortnight ago, a handsome large new Brick House, belonging to Mr. Parran,

on Patuxent, was burnt down to the Ground, with all the Furniture in it. The Fire began when the Family was abroad, and had got to such a Head before any Help came, that the Floors were falling in. Yesterday arrived Capt. William Smith, in a Snow from Bristol, with 52 Indented Servants, having had a Passage of 10 Weeks. Capt. Smith informs us, that he saw a Wreck on the Middle Ground near the Capis; she appear'd to him to have been of about 400 Hogheads Burtben, had clean Turpentine Sides, a square Stern, and he thinks a Lion Head.

On Christmas Eve, one Seth Evans, a Caulker, having cross'd Patuxent River in a Canoe, to fetch a Midwife (his Wife being in Labour), on his Return was both found froze to Death on the Marsh, next Morning, at a Distance from one another; the poor Woman sitting up; but one of her Feet was so hard froze in the Ground, that they broke one of her Thighs in getting her out.

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John Raitt.

LOST about 8 Weeks ago, near the Head of Severn, a black and white HOUND BITCH, of the deep mouthed Southern Kind, her Tail cut. Whoever brings the said Hound to the Vineyard, or to Col. Taffer, at Annapolis, shall have Ten Shillings Reward.

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NOTICE is hereby given, That the Subscriber, now living in the House, at London Town, where Mr. West, deceased, formerly dwelt, has provided himself with good Beds, and useful Hands; as also with good Beds, Linens, and Provender for Horses: All Gentlemen who shall think fit to favour him with their Custom, may depend on a quick Passage over the Ferry, good Entertainment, and civil Usage, from
Their humble Servant,

William Brown.

N. B. He still continues his Business of a Joyner and Cabinet Maker, and can furnish any Body with the neatest and newest fashion'd Chairs, Tables, &c. &c. &c. at the lowest Rates.

A SCHEME of a small LOTTERY; For raising the Sum of 490 Pieces of Eight, for building a public Wharf at Baltimore-Town.

Numb. of Prizes.	Pieces of Eight.	Total.
2	of 100	are 200
3	of 50	are 150
3	of 30	are 90
6	of 20	are 120
10	of 15	are 150
20	of 10	are 200
50	of 5	are 250
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708 Prizes, 3010
1042 Blanks,

1750 Tickets at 2 Pieces of Eight, are 3500

For the public Wharf 490
By this Scheme there is not one Blank and a half to a Prize.

As there is nothing more wanting than a public Wharf in the Town, where the Trade is greatly increased within a few Years, it is not to be doubted but People will readily Adventure in this Lottery, who are Well-wishers to the Prosperity of the Town and Province.

Many of the Tickets being already engaged, it is suppos'd the Lottery will be full in a very short Time, of which public Notice will be given, and of the Time of Drawing.

A List of the Prizes will be published in the Maryland Gazette, as soon as the Drawing is completed.

The following Persons are appointed Managers, who are to be under Oath, for the true Performance of their Trust, viz. Messrs. John Stevenson, Richard Chase, John Meale, Charles Coxall, William Rogers, Nicholas Rogers, John Ridgely, N. Ruxton Gay, William Lux, and Brian Phispor, jun. Tickets to be had of any of the Managers, and at the POST-OFFICE, in Annapolis.

STOLEN or Strayed from Mr.

Hepburn's Plantation, near Upper Marlborough, about the 21st of October last, a Dark Brown Natural Pacing Gelding, about 13 Hands high, had a hanging Mane, and Switch Tail, between 5 and 6 Years old, and branded on the rear Shoulder and Buttock A. Whoever brings the said Gelding to Mr. Hepburn, shall have Twenty Shillings Reward.

THERE is at the above-mentioned Plantation, a Stray Steer, of a Red Colour, about 3 Years old, has a white Face, a Crop and an under Bit off the right Ear, and an under Bit off the left Ear.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying the Charge of this Advertisement.

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Part of the Refurvey of Fountain Low, 300 Acres, lying near Major Ogle's, whereon is some very good Meadow Ground.

Locust Thicket, 190 Acres, lying on Manassas, with some valuable rich Bottoms. And,

Turkey Thicket, 400 Acres, lying on Manassas, with rich Bottoms.

The Title is indisputable; for Terms apply to
Nathanael Wickham, jun.

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THE MARTLAND GAZETTE,

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THURSDAY, January 17, 1754.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Sept. 1.

WE have received Letters from Aleppo, of the 8th of August, with Advices, from Gombroon and Basora, that the Kingdom of Persia continues in the utmost Confusion.

They all agree, that one Jachi Khan is arrived towards Masked, from the Confines of India, with 30000 Men, and that he was taking his Route towards Bandar Abassi: That Schach Mahmod, King of the Agians, was also marching with 40000 Men towards Isphahan; That one Carini Caan was as yet in Possession of the Government of that Capital; but it was not doubted, that on Schach Mahmod's Arrival there, he would be routed, and that the latter would assume the Crown of Persia.

Paris, September 3. The Earl of Albemarle has received Orders to make the most serious Remonstrances to the Court against the March of the Combined Army of French and Indians from Canada towards Virginia, and to solicit the King to send Orders to the Governor of Canada not only to recal that Army, but also to make good the Damages which they may occasion on the Territories depending on the Crown of Great Britain.

Madrid, August 28. The King has again ordered publick Prayers for Rain, of which this Country is in very great Want. The Rain which fell about two Months since was too inconsiderable to have any great Effect upon the Ground, which the raging Heat of the Sun has made so dry that all our Pastures are burnt up, and all Sorts of Provisions are at an excessive high Price; that of Bread increases every Day in the Inland Part of the Kingdom, where foreign Corn does not come. The Scarcity of Barley and Straw, with which our Draught Cattle are generally fed, makes the Price of Carriage every where exorbitant, and in many Places the Dearness of Corn and Fodder has induced private People to sell their Mules, and their Equipages.

L O N D O N.

Sept. 11. We hear from Al—k in Northumberland, that a certain Curate in that Neighbourhood, was sent to christen a Child, instead of which he circumcised him; and being the first Time of his performing that Operation, the Infant died: At the Funeral of which, he told the Persons who attended the Corpse, that he indeed had begun first to circumcise, but that it would soon also become a Custom among his Brethren. We are apt to believe he was prompted to take this extraordinary Step, by the Success he saw attended a Great Jew Meeting, held at Al—k in the Beginning of July last. The above Account, though shocking we are inform'd is true.

On the 13th, the Swift Man of War came into Plymouth, and brought in with her a French Smuggler.

By Letters from Rotterdam we have an Account, that several Jews are now in Custody there for forging Lottery Tickets.

Sept. 29. We hear from Greenwich, that last Week Miss Judith Jugglemani, a rich Jewish renounced her Religion, and was the same Day married to the Rev. Dr. N—T—, who has been nine Years converting her to the Christian Religion. [This Lady must certainly have been well worth Turning, or the Doctor would hardly have stood so long on one Subject.]

This Week five several Persons have been examined before Justice Fielding for Murder, viz. one for the Murder of Mr. Carey, the Higgler, who appeared to be manifestly innocent and was discharged; one for the Murder of the Boy in Hyde-Park; two for the Murder of Lord Harrington's Cook; and one for the Murder of a Man at Bayes-Water. The last four lie all under Commitment, and the Murders with which they are severally charged, are all attended with Circumstances of the most astonishing Cruelty.

About a Fortnight ago, the Body of Farmer Stretham, of Lyme, in Suffolk, was found murdered in a very barbarous Manner, about two Miles from that Place, his Throat being cut from Ear to Ear, and several Wounds in different Parts of his Body. Great Enquiry is making after the Murderers, for there cannot be the least Conjecture what should occasion so cruel an Action, Mr. Stretham being esteemed by all a humane and generous Man.

October 6. The Drought which has so long prevailed in Portugal, having done great Damage to the Corn, Orders have been sent to England to buy up a large Quantity for a fresh Supply, in order to prevent the Scarcity the Inhabitants of Lisbon are threatened with.

The Fleet of Observation that is now forming for the Channel, will be under the Command of Admiral Boscawen.

An Extract of a Letter from the Hague, dated October 6.

"People begin to suspect that the System of the Spanish Ministry is not so pacific as it has been imagined to be, and that there is great Probability that the Diligence that has been used to re-establish their Marine, was not so much to check the Corsairs of Barbary which has been given out, as to put themselves in a Condition, without giving Suspicion to other Powers, of their executing the Project that they have form'd of excluding the Maritime Powers from carrying on any Commerce in America; for under Pretence of hindering a Contraband Trade, their pretended Guarda Costas interrupt all Kind of Navigation in the Gulph of Mexico, and keep the Islands of Coracao and St. Eustatia, which belong to the Dutch, as it were block'd up; all the Remonstrances of the Ambassador of their High Mightinesses for redressing these Grievances having hitherto proved ineffectual, which cannot fail of having bad Consequences. It is true, that the Marine of the Republic is not in a Condition to terrify these Guarda Costas, who are no better than the Barbary Corsairs, exercising their Piracies under the Cloak of their Commissions as Guarda Costas. This is what Mr. Keene has very forcibly represented: In order to appease him, the Spanish Ministry have promised, that they would send express Orders to the Governors, to keep these Guarda Costas within the Bounds of their Commissions, and to make them pay, without shewing them any Favour, the Damage which they do the English Ships. The Governors receive these Orders, but go on in their old Way, and condemn Ships as before; and the Reason is, because they have a large Share of the Captures made by this Species of Pirates: Where upon new Complaints are made, which are silenced by fresh Promises: This gains Time, and that is employ'd with the utmost Diligence in augmenting their Marine, especially in the Ports of Galicia and Valencia; so that when it is in a Condition of striking an important Blow, Motives for so doing will not be wanting, if they were none but what might be drawn from the Severity of Admiral Knowles upon some of the pretended Guarda Costas. The English will not then fail of pressing their High Mightinesses to make a common Cause of it; they will appeal to Treaties; their High Mightinesses will have nothing to alledge in Excuse for not doing so, but the ill State of their Marine: Then, to effectually prevent their entering into the English Measures, the Guarda Costas will retire from before Coracao and St. Eustatia, and Europe will be in very much the same State as it was in the Year 1738, when the Spaniards every where took the English Ships under the most frivolous Pretences. This is the Way of reasoning in certain Courts, that would almost necessarily be engaged in these new Quarrels, which would in all Likelihood involve all Europe in a War."

October 20. We have Letters from Amsterdam which say, that the Spanish Minister makes loud Complaints of the Contraband Trade in the West

Indies, at the same Time that the Inhabitants of the Dutch Islands affirm, that their Trade is interrupted, and almost lost, through the Depredations of the Spanish Privateers, which are daily augmenting in Number and in Force.

October 22. His Majesty's Forces in Nova-Scotia, and others of his Plantations abroad, are ordered to be reinforced, and in a few Days Recruits will be shipped for that Purpose.

The News from Amsterdam and the Hague inform us, that they had received fresh Advices there of several Dutch Ships having been taken by the Spanish Guarda Costas in America; and they tell us, that the News from London represent to them the same Conduct of these armed Vessels towards the Ships carrying British Cologns, as if the Spanish Nation was actually at War with the two Maritime Powers. A Minister of great Capacity, who has been in a public Station till he is even grown old in it, reflecting upon this Proceeding of the Ministry of Aranjuez, as well in Europe as in America, foretells, in a Letter which he wrote to a Friend, that the Spanish Loftiness and Pride was preparing for Europe the Spectacle of a new Rupture; which was the more to be apprehended, as it would not break out till after those whom it threatened, should have let the Opportunity slip of preventing it in its Origin. To the above Prediction this Minister added, that the Consequence of this new Rupture would be the same, as that of the last between England and Spain; for that the Spaniards having but very few Merchant Ships at Sea, have little or nothing to fear from the Superiority of the Maritime Forces of the English, and that they have still less Reason to be afraid of them upon Terra firma, where they have the same Superiority as the others have by Sea. How numerous and well armed soever the Shepherds who keep their Sheep in a Forest may be, the Wolves inhabiting the Center of it frequently issue forth to fall upon the Flocks, and commonly obtain such real Advantages as abundantly indemnify them for the Blows which they from Time to Time receive.

Dublin, Oct. 16. At two o'Clock on Sunday Morning, a dreadful Fire broke out at the House of Mr. Parcell, a Grocer on Cock Hill, the Corner of Christ Church-Lane, which burned with the greatest Fury for two Hours, and consumed his Wife, who was far gone with Child, and two Children, one of Twelve, and the other of eight Years old. It is said this Fire was occasioned by the burning of a Lamp, the Oil of which, it is supposed, dropped on the Counter. This Fire would have spread much further, had it not been for the Care and Vigilance of our High Sheriffs, who attended with a Party of Soldiers, who took several Goods belonging to the neighbouring People, which would have been stolen by the thieving Rabble, who generally attend to rob and plunder on these melancholy Occasions, three of whom were taken at this Place carrying away some Household Furniture, for which they were committed to Newgate. A Watch and a Parcel of Money were taken up on Sunday. The unhappy Sufferer but on Saturday last laid in above 300 l. worth of Goods, which, with the rest, and several Bank Notes, were entirely destroyed. He, and a Priest, his Brother, escaped out of a Garret Window, and down the Spout.

Hamton, in Devonshire, October 15. Last Friday we had the most violent Storm of Rain that was ever known in the Memory of Man; it swelled the Rivers to such a Degree, that they swept away several Hay Ricks, and a great Number of Cattle, also several Bridges and Houses; and some People were drown'd. A great many People that lived near the Bridge in this Town were obliged to get out at the Tops of their Houses. The Damage done in this Town is computed at several hundred Pounds. And 'tis thought the Loss in the Neighbourhood can't be less than two or three Thousand Pounds.

NEW-YORK

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By Capt. *Pearman*, in 13 Days from *Bermuda*, we are advised, that Mr. *M'Neil*, of that Island, was, about the 10th ult. in the Night, way-laid, and most barbarously murdered, by a new Negro of his own. Mr. *M'Neil* was immediately missed, and diligent search made after him, but to no Purpose; his Fellow being suspected, was secured, and after some Time he confessed the whole Affair; and even told them where the dead Body was deposited under some Rocks by the Sea Shore; he likewise acknowledged that the only Motive whereby he was induced to commit so horrid a Crime, was, his receiving some Discipline from his Master the Day before. As the Judges of that Island have not had Power to hold a Court for some Time past, the Inhabitants petition'd the President and Council for the Time being, that a special Court might be called for the Trial of the Wretch, which 'twas thought, would soon be effected; when 'tis hoped the Villain will meet with a Reward adequate to his Demerits.

PHILADELPHIA, December 6.

Extra of a Letter from Captain *Joy*, of this Port, dated Antigua, November 5, 1753.

"In my Passage hither, about 100 Leagues North west from *Bermuda*, I saw a Schooner, which by her Actions, seem'd to me to be a Pirate. We had the Wind at North east, standing on about South-east by East, and the Schooner stood to the Northward, close hawl'd, being very near us; and when, I suppose, they thought they could fetch our Wake, hove about, and stood after us, the Wind veering more to the Northward; upon which we made all the Sail we could, and left her very fast. She gave us Chase about six Hours, when we had run her about half Mast down; she then hove about, hawl'd down all her Sails, except Part of her Mainfall, and lay to, it being very fine Weather."

December 20 We hear from *Chester*, that some Time last Week, one of the People belonging to the *Goal* there, went down to the *Dungeon*, and found *Thomas Brown* without his Handcuffs, upon which he immediately went and acquainted the *Goaler* of it: That while the Person was gone he (*Brown*) with his Garters and Handkerchief, made Shift to harg himself up, and was almost dead, before they could come to secure him; but on taking some Blood from him, he was brought to again: And that on searching under his Bed, they discover'd he had begun to dig up the Pavement, in order to undermine the Foundation, and endeavour to make his Escape in that Manner.

Tuesday Morning last, between Five and Six a Clock, a Fire broke out in the House of Mr. *Andrew Reed*, Merchant, in this City, which, besides destroying a Quantity of valuable Household Goods, and about 150 Barrels of Flour and Bread, belonging to different Persons, did some considerable Damage to the lower Parts of the Building; but by the great Activity and Industry of the People, the Roof and upper Floors were saved; and the House being insur'd, the Damage will be immediately repaired, without Cost to the Owner. Soon after the Fire was extinguished, a Man was taken up and committed to *Goal*, for stealing Goods while the House was burning, and picking of Pockets.

Thursday last Captain *England* arrived here from *Jamaica*, who informs us, that in his Passage outward, on the 21st of October, in Lat. 22 30, Long. 70, he spoke with a French Ship, bound to *Bourdeaux* from *Cape-Francois*, which in the Hurricane, the 6th of October last, lost her Main and Mizzen Masts, seven of her Guns, and had three of her Hands wash'd overboard and drowned. That two Days before he sail'd from *Kingston*, a Sloop arrived there, the Captain of which brought Advice of a large *Bermudian* Brig being ashore on *Crooked Island*, but that the Wind blowing hard, he could not learn the Master's Name; but supposed her to be a Brig that had sail'd some Time before from thence for *London* with Sugars. And that on his Passage home, on the 20th of last Month, off *Cape-Nichola*, he spoke with Captain *Hubbard* from this Place for *Jamaica*, who had been out sixteen Days, and all well on board; and that he (*Hubbard*) told him, he had a few Days before spoke with the Captains *Lake* and *Rench*, both from this Port also for *Jamaica*, who were likewise all well on board.

ANNAPOLIS.

Last Week arrived in Town, to regulate and settle the Affairs of the Post-Offices, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Esq; of PHILADELPHIA, and WILLIAM HUNTER, Esq; of WILLIAMSBURG, his Majesty's Post Masters General of the Continent of NORTH-AMERICA.

Capt. Rawlings, from London, is arrived in Virginia.

Custom House, Annapolis, Enter'd since January 3. Sloop Joanna, Patrick Keating, from Boston; Schooner Braidalmin, Haines, from Philadelphia; Brig Endeavour, John Jones, from Barbadoes; Schooner John and Francis, Frechborn Groves, from Salem;

Schooner Mermaid, Job Dennen, from Halifax; Snow Molly, William Smith, from Bristol; Snow Peggy, William Wallace, from Barbadoes.

WANTED, a sober, discreet Woman, capable of taking Care of a Family. Such an One may get into a good Place, by enquiring of the Printer hereof. *J. M. Rawlings*

Conformable to LAW, NOTICE is hereby given, That there are at the Plantation of Benjamin Talburt, living near the Eastern Branch Ferry, in Prince George's County, taken up as Strays,

A Black Horse, about 13 Hands high, branded on the off Shoulder and Buttock W. And a Grey Horse, branded on the near Buttock I, and is about 12 Hands high.

The Owner or Owners, may have them again, on proving Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW, NOTICE is hereby given, That there are at the Plantation of George Hardee, in Frederick County, near Rock Creek, taken up as Strays, two Geldings; the one a Sorrel, about 13 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock I, has a Blaze in his Face, and three white Feet: The other a Grey, branded on the off Buttock thus 3 & The Owner or Owners, may have them again, on proving Property, and paying Charges.

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The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW, NOTICE is hereby given, That there is in the Possession of William Burgis, in Frederick County, taken up as a Stray, a Dark Bay Gelding, about 13 Hands high, branded on the near Shoulder and Buttock with F C, has a Star in his Forehead, and his Eyes white.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW, NOTICE is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Mr. Samuel Howard, near Annapolis, taken up as a Stray, a middle siz'd White Horse, has no Brand, nor Flesh Mark.

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THURSDAY, January 24, 1754.

From a late MAGAZINE.

Copy of the Will of Monsieur Bertholde, of Bertagnana, near Verona. Translated from the French.

To all those who shall see or read this present Writing, Health and a good Appetite.

I Bertholde, Great-Grandson of Bertolazzo, Grandson of Bertazzo di Bertin, and Son of Bartolin, of the Village of Bertagnana, knowing that we are all mortal, and neither more nor less than Bladders filled with Wind, which the least Accident reduces to nothing, and that when we are arrived at the Age of 70, as I am at this Day, it is Time to think of bequeathing a Retreat, and to wish a good Repose and good Night, to our Companions: For these Causes, finding some Grains of good Sense in my bald Head, I am willing to set my Affairs in Order, by making this my last Will and Testament; as much for my own Satisfaction, as that of my Friends and Relations, to whom I have some Obligations; for which Reason I have sent for Sieur Cersollio for him to write my last Will, as follows.

I leave to Master Bertholde, my Brother, the venerable Coffer of our Village, my Shoes, and 8*l*. in good Money, for having several Times lent me his Awl, to put them in Order, and for having done me other Services equally considerable.

Item, To my Uncle Sambuco, Gardener, I also leave my Straw-hat, for having sometimes given me a Bush of Leeks, sometimes some Onions, and at others some Cloves of Garlick, to get me an Appetite.

Item, I leave to Master Allegratte, the King's Butler, my large Leather Belt and my Purse, for having many Times filled my Rundlet with Wine, and for other Services not less important.

Item, To Master Martin, Cook to the Servants, my Knife and Fork, for having sometimes regaled me with Beans and Onions, Food infinitely more delicate to me than Pies, Tarts, Ragouts, and all the other Regales and Dainties which would soon have sent me to my Grave.

Item, To my Aunt Pandora, Washer woman, my Straw Bed, two Chairs with Holes in them, and a little crazy, and two Ells of Linnen, to make her three Aprons, for having washed my Shirts, and my large Woollen Stockings.

Item, I leave to Rechetti, Page of the Court, 25 Lashes with a Whip, for having made a hole in my Chamber-pot, by which means I made Water in my Bed; as also for having tied Crankers to my Tail, and many other Tricks, Gambols, and ridiculous and impertinent Fooleries. As he is never out of mischief, I would have this Article executed immediately after my Decease.

Item, As at my coming to Court, I left my Wife Marcolfa, and my young Son Bertholdin, and have never let them know where I am, for Fear they should follow me hither: I leave Marcolfa, my Wife, the little Piece of Land I have possessed, till my Son arrives at the Age of 25, after which he shall enjoy it on the following Terms, to wit, That if he marries, he shall never unite himself to a Person above his Station; that he shall not be intimate with his Superiors; that he shall not be idle when he can; that he shall not take Council of those who do not know how to govern themselves, nor Remedies of a sick Physician; that he shall do his Duty to every Body, be vigilant in his Affairs, not interfere in those in which he has no Concern, much less in those he does not understand; that he shall desire nothing, be contented with what he has; that he shall seriously consider that there are more Lambs go to the Butchers than Sheep, and more young Men die than old. If he feverishly reflects on these Things, and performs them, he cannot fail of being happy in this World, and dying quietly.

Item, Having no other Goods, since I would never accept of any Thing from the King, tho' he

has frequently offered and pressed me to receive large Sums of Money, Jewels, Moveables, rich Apparel, Lands, Castles, Seigniories, fine Horses, and a thousand other rich Presents; which would have robbed me of that Repose and Tranquility, which, next to Health, are the most precious Blessings of Life; which might make me engage in all the Impertinencies which I have seen practised by almost all those that possess them, and would therefore have justly rendered me odious to all the World; for Insolence commonly walks by the Side of those, whom Fortune has raised from the Dust to great Employments: In short, having been always willing to remain Poor, I have nothing to leave to my King; but as I believe he has received some Benefit by my Advice, I will now give him such Counsel, as shall not be less salutary both to him and his People.

I advise him then, for the good of his Subjects, and even from a Regard to his own Advantage constantly to hold the Balance between the Rich and Poor with an even Hand; to examine carefully before he determines; never to pronounce a Sentence whilst moved by Anger; to preserve the Love of his Subjects; to recompense wise and good Men, and to chastise the wicked; to drive away Flatterers, Liars, and Calumniators, and in general all those Pests of a Court, who carry Fire in their Tongues; not to overburthen the People, to protect Widows and Orphans; to cause speedy Judgment in all Suits at Law, and to put a Stop to the Tricks and Quibbles of Courts. If he exactly follows these few Rules, he will live happily, his Reign will be immortal, and he will be proposed as a Pattern of Wisdom and Perfection to all the Kings of the Earth, till the End of Time.

Amen.

Signed, BERTHOLDE.

L O N D O N, October 4.

FROM Gibraltar we have Advice, that all the Posts of the Spanish troops about that Place have been lately reinforced; and the Reason assigned for it is, that the Plague rages at Algiers, and might possibly be brought into Spain.

From Copenhagen we hear, that they are concerting Measures to make the most they can of Commerce with the African States, in order to make Amends for the Loss of their Trade with Spain; and that, instead of the annual Presents of Arms, Ammunition, and Naval Stores stipulated by Treaties, those States shall be welcome to as much more as they can pay for either with Money or Goods; and so, upon the whole, the Spaniards will smart more than the Danes by their unseasonable Pride and foolish Policy.

October 6. We are assured from Leghorn, that eight Barbary Xebecs have lately taken divers Ships in the Seas of Sicily and Sardinia; and it's reported, that the Emperor will shortly break his Treaty with the Regencies of Barbary.

We hear from Perth, (in Scotland) that last Week was burnt there, by Order of the Commissioners of the Customs, above three thousand Weight of Tobacco and Snuff, which were condemned at the Exchequer for Want of legal Clearance.

Extract of a private Letter from Paris, dated October 5.

"The domestick Affairs of France present every Day a new Scene, more complicated than the preceding, by reason of the fresh Incidents which succeed each other with a Rapidity and Variety, which make them highly interesting. Whatever despotic Aims the Ministry may assume, the Court has been obliged to take a Step that agrees ill with the System of arbitrary Power; and this very Step has occasioned the Constitution of the fundamental Laws of the French Monarchy, and the Privileges of the Parliament to be held up to the View of the French, and of all Europe. These Laws and Pri-

vileges are made public to the whole Kingdom in the Arret which the Gentlemen of the Chatelet have published, excusing themselves from registering the Letters Patent which established the new Chamber of Vacations. These Gentlemen reason very well. We are obliged, say they, to obey the Laws; the Laws forbid us to acknowledge the Erection of any new Body in the State to be valid, unless it has been formally acknowledged by the Parliament to which we are subordinate. We cannot therefore register the Letters Patent till after their Registration in the Sovereign Court we depend on. The Consequence is most just. But absolute Power will not hear Reason: It will be obeyed. It must therefore have Recourse again to violent Measures, and punish the Gentlemen of the Chatelet, for presuming to reason, instead of obeying. If nevertheless they proceed to these Extremities, the Evil will only grow worse; and the public Odium break out in the End. Perhaps the Court will think proper to drop the Thing, contenting itself with seeing the new Chamber established by its Power, and making a Jest of the Registration which it demanded. But still the Difficulties mentioned in a former Letter, and others that cannot now be foreseen, will take Place. Upon the Whole, we may say, that the French Ministry were never in such a Labyrinth; not even under the crafty and imperious Mazarine. Should the haughty Richelieu return, I do not know whether, with all his despotic and violent Proceedings, which were natural to him, and succeeded at that Time; I do not know, I say, whether that terrible Minister could strike any Terror into those great Souls which at present compose most of the Parliaments of this Kingdom; and it is not to be doubted but their invincible Constancy will triumph in the End. Never has there been any Example of such Unanimity and Firmness. The Parliament of Normandy has gained the Victory over the Ministers and the first President Pontcarre in the Affair of M. de Franqueville. The Recal of that Magistrate covers his illustrious Brethren and intrepid Defenders with Glory. The Process is at an End; but its Consequences remain yet to be seen. The Justification of that innocent Magistrate must reach the Court, and get into the Hands of the Public: The Report of the Gentlemen employed by the Parliament to draw up a State of this Affair, will certainly be transmitted to the King."

An Extract of a Letter from a Gentleman at Halifax, in Nova Scotia, to his Friend in London, dated July 31, 1753.

"Agreeable to my Promise, I here send you a short Account of the Translations of our New World. I do suppose, that few People in Old England know the Extent or Boundaries of this Country. The Province of Nova Scotia, is as large as England, Scotland, and Wales, put together. It reaches within seven Leagues of Quebec; and the Kenébec River parts the New England Government from us: So that the Extent of Land, agreeable to Charlevoix's History, and the ancient Boundaries, is very large; but the French claim at least one Half of this Country as their own, and have carried the Point to far as to erect Forts and Garrisons at two several Places, which are very important Places for them: The one is at Chignecto, at the Head of Funday Bay; the other at the River of St. John, which River runs up, by the best Accounts I can get, within a few Leagues of Quebec; and will be of the utmost Consequence to them, as they will be able to send up by it all their Goods, and consequently secure all the valuable Branch of the Fur Trade, and also bring all their valuable Goods down the said River, avoiding the dangerous Navigation of the River of St. Lawrence, by which they suffer much through the Loss of many of their Ships, in going up, and coming down. If your Government suffer this, it will be of fatal Consequence to the Eastern Parts of New-England, as well as to the Province of Nova Scotia.

tia. In short, if the French are allowed to keep this Post, it will be more dangerous to these Parts, than a Dunkirk would be to your Trade in Time of War. I know proper Accounts have been sent of this to your leading Men, but how it happens that nothing has been done, is to me very astonishing. How absurd is it to make Representations to the Court of France, and send Commissioners to treat for two or three Years, while the French in the mean Time fortify themselves, and so laugh at you? Poor England! How degenerate art thou grown? Why not send your Wooden Castles, and beat their Works about their Ears, and then let them complain? Don't suffer yourselves to be despised and made the laughing stock of all the Powers in Europe: Where is old English Courage? Is nothing else to be minded, but the securing a Majority at the next Election? What shall we dandle to at last? Sure there will be an End to the Lethargy you have got into. In short, if you don't settle the Boundaries of this Country on your Side of the Water, and put Things on a better Footing in this Province, I believe there will be but little Occasion for us here, for when I tell you there are 30000 French Inhabitants here, you will hardly believe me; but you may depend on it for Truth; and not one single one of them a Protestant. How the English Government could suffer such a Number of People to live in one of their Provinces without Government or Laws is amazing to me. The French want to tire us out from settling in this Colony, as it is so advantageously situated for us, and can so greatly annoy them in Time of War.

"The Town of Halifax is greatly improved in its Buildings, but by some Mismanagement the Trading People are very much displeased. The regular Troops were sent here to protect them, but I am afraid, if I dare speak my Mind, they will drive away the other Inhabitants, unless the latter be left to govern themselves, as they must necessarily know their Business better than such as have been brought up in the Military Way. I am a Friend to Trade, and love my Country, and hope I shall be able to give you a more pleasing Account in my next."

HALIFAX, in Nova Scotia.

September 13. Last Sunday Morning between the Hours of Nine and Ten, the Son of Mr. Israel Abrahams was circumcised, aged about seventeen Months, according to the Jewish Custom, being the first Instance of any Thing of that Kind since this Place has been settled: The Ceremony was performed by Doctor Nathan Levy, and the Whole of the Ceremony was conducted with great Decency.

And we hear the like Ceremony is to be performed on an Infant of about five Weeks old, on Sunday next.

BOSTON.

November 26. About Nine o'Clock last Monday Evening, a Quarrel happened between George Kelly, alias William Welch, a Seafaring Man, and Darby O'Brian, a Butcher (both Irishmen) when Kelly stabbed or cut O'Brian in the Belly with a Knife, so desperately, that his Bowels came out. He lay in great Misery till the next Night, and then died. The Coroner's Inquest have found it wilful Murder, and Kelly is now in Goal.

December 4. We hear from New-London, in Connecticut, that on the 21st of last Month, Sarah Brambell was executed there for the Murder of her spurious Offspring.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 1

Extra of a Letter from New York, Dec. 25.

"The Papers shew you what have been done about the Pennies; but it is yet uncertain whether they will go at Twelve or Fourteen to a Shilling. They not only refuse the Taking the Pennies lately counterfeited, but all that have not a plain Head and Tail of King William, which you know are very many; and all these of the same King, which look any Thing whitish. I give you this Caution in Time, that the Rubbish be not palm'd upon the Pennsylvanians.

"Pennies of bad Copper are easily detected, by making them red hot, and striking them with a Hammer, which will make them fly to Pieces; while good Copper will bear forging in a red hot State, and in a lower-Degree of Heat, like Iron.

"Last Night was seized on board the *Prince of Wales*, just arrived from London, a great Quantity of Copper Counterfeits, and, 'tis said, that about

Three Hundred Pounds Worth of them (had they been worth any Thing) were thrown over board, to prevent Seizure."

ANNAPOLIS.

His Excellency our Governor, with the Advice of the Council, has been pleased to Prorogue the General Assembly of this Province (which stood Prorogued to the second Tuesday in February) to the first Day of May next, then to meet for the Dispatch of Public Business.

ALL Persons indebted to the Estate of the Rev. Mr. John Lang, late of St. James's Parish in Anne Arundel County, deceased; and all those indebted to the Estate of Mrs. Margaret Lang (Widow of the late Rev. Mr. Lang), deceased, are desired to make speedy Payment to the Subscriber, to prevent Trouble: And all those who have any legal Claims on either of the said Estates, are desired to bring them in to, *James Anderson, Executor* to Mrs. Margaret Lang.

To be Sold by the Subscriber, **FOUR** Hundred Acres of choice Land, lying in Calvert County, about four Miles below Lower Marlborough, and a Mile and a half from the River, is well Timber'd, and the Bounds proved.

The Terms may be known by applying to *Francis Chew.*

WANTED, a sober, discreet Woman, capable of taking Care of a Family. Such an One may get into a good Place, by enquiring of the Printer hereof.

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The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

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Patrick Creagh.

TO BE SOLD, A PARCEL of Land, lying in Frederick County, near the great Falls of Potomack River, containing 200 Acres, being Part of a Tract of Land, called the Addition to James. Any Person inclin'd to purchase the same, may apply to Mr. James Holmeard, junior, who will show the Land; and for Title and Terms apply to the Subscriber, living at Upper Marlborough in Prince George's County.

Colmore Beanes.

TO BE SOLD, For Money, Tobacco, Indian Corn, Wheat, Pork, or Lumber, **A GOOD SLOOP** that will carry near 1000 Bushels of Grain: She is well found with Sails, Rigging, Anchors, Cables, and all other Materials.

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The MAID's SOLILOQUY,

In Imitation of that made by Mr. Addison's CATO.

Scene opens and discovers the MAID, with MILTON in her Hand, contemplating on the following celebrated Passage, viz.

"Hail wedded Love! mysterious Law! true Source of human Offspring:
"Our Maker bids Increase—Who bids abstain,
"But our Destroyer?—Foe to God and Man."

It must be so—MILTON thou reason'st well, Else why this pleasing Hope?—this fond Desire?
This Longing after SOMETHING unpossess'd? Or whence this secret Dread and inward Horror

Of dying UNPOSSESS'D?—Why shrinks the Soul Back on itself, and startles at Virginity? 'Tis Instinct, powerful Instinct stirs within us, And intimates an Husband to the Sex.

MARRIAGE! thou pleasing and yet anxious Thought!

Thro' what Variety of Hopes and Fears; Thro' what new Scenes and Changes must we pass?

Th' Unchanging State in Prospect lies before me, But Shadows, Clouds, and Darkness rest upon it.

Here will I hold!—If Nature prompts the Wish, (And that She does, is plain to Demonstration)

'Tis Duty, 'tis our Int'rest bids indulge it. The great End of Nature's Law is Bliss.

But—in Wedlock—Woman must Obey!— I'm weary of these Doubts,—the Priest must end them,

Nor rashly do I venture:—Loss and Gain; Bondage and Pleasure meet my Thoughts at once: I Wed;—my Liberty is gone forever!

But Happiness from Time itself's secur'd. Love first shall recompense my Loss of Pride,

And when my Charms shall fade away, my Eyes Themselves grow dim, and Nature sink in Years;

Then virtuous Friendship shall succeed to love; Then (pleas'd) I'll scorn Infirmitie and Death;

Renew'd immortal in a filial Race.

WARSAW, Sept. 29.

ON the 21st Instant, a terrible Fire broke out at Grodno, by which two hundred Houses

were reduced to Ashes, besides the Church and Cloyster of St. Bridget, the Church and Hospital of the Holy Ghost, the Palace of the Prince and Bishop of Calau, the Monastery of the Barefooted Friars, and thirteen other Palaces.

LONDON.

Daily Advertiser, Sept. 12. Sir, as I was on a Journey in the County of Suffolk, and sitting at the Door of an Inn in Biddle, a Girl past by me,

with two Wooden Legs; immediately as soon as she was gone by, the Landlord began to tell me the Manner of her becoming lame; which he said was about a Year and a half ago, by having her Legs nimbled by being frozen, and several Surgeons called to consult, they thought it necessary to cut them off, for fear of Mortification; but there being a Surgeon of great Skill in the Town, whose Opinion they desired to have, and he being absent, they resolved to wait his Return; who, when he came, declared it as his Opinion, that one, if not both her Legs might be saved, therefore advised them to stay till the Morrow before they ventured to proceed to the Amputation: They followed his Advice, and went away, but the Father of the Girl, being either desirous, or fearful of the Mortification ensuing, the same Night chopped off both his Daughter's Legs with a Hatchet. The Odd

bits of this Fact, which you may rely on as a

Truth, is what has determined me to communicate it to the World by the Means of your Paper.

An Extract of a Letter from an intelligent Person at Paris, dated October 1.

"As to the Affairs of the Parliaments, of which, Sir, you desire me to acquaint you with the Situation, if I was only to tell you what is publicly said of them, the Bounds of my Letter would presently be limited by a Sir, your humble Servant. The Truth is, whether you believe it or not, that these Affairs are no more talked of here than what passes in the Kingdom of Bantam. People have been forbidden to discourse about them for six or eight Months past; and the Ministry are every Day tending to the Bastille, or to the Castle of Vincennes (the former being too full) those who presume to criticize upon the Conduct of the Court: So that whenever any Body is desirous of knowing what passes between the Court and our Parliament, or that of Rodes, they go to the Coffee houses, and read the Gazettes of Amsterdam and Utrecht.

Metinks I now see you laugh at all this, and look upon it as Invention; but I assure you it is nothing but Truth. What can we say or do? That which has passed seems to be the Prelude to a Revolution in our Country. Richieu did in his Day clip the Wings of the French Noblesse, who were the Right Hand of our Monarchs. At this Time Count de Arge—a and the Chancellor have seemingly agreed to abolish our Parliaments, especially that of Paris, the principal Pillar of the Throne of our Kings, whom they appear desirous of subjecting to the Will of the Clergy; these two Gentlemen are the Organs of the Jesuits, who do not appear at all upon the Scene; but who, under the Theatre, set all the Springs to Work. The King is a good Man, he loves Hunting and his Dutches; these are his Pleasures, these his most serious Employments. 'Tis a Question whether he has read the bare Titles of the Remonstrances of our Parliament, and those of Rodes. He would certainly have been excessively tired with reading a single Page of them. His Majesty's Chancellor, in three or four Minutes, acquaints him with the Purport of them, giving them at the same Time what Turn he thinks proper; the good Prince believes him, and asks him what must be done: His Minister has the Answer ready. Well, says the King, prepare Letters Patent. The Chancellor obeys. Do you think the King hears them read? No such Thing! he signs them, and de Arge—a countersigns them; and thus every Thing passes in the Name of the King and Council, and one knows as much of the Matter as the other. But what will be the End of all this? People will grow weary of the Subject, as may already be perceived by one's hearing no more Talk in this City of the Refusal of Sacraments; and why? because no Body demands them. People now die contented without Confession and the Viaticum. Our Archbishop, the chief Fire brand, keeps quiet. The Comptroller-General leaves the Clergy in Peace, being amused with a Scheme of a Lottery for raising 60 Millions, projected by an Israelite, but who is not thought an Israelite indeed: It being a Scheme which was by no Means relished in Holland, he therefore came to offer it here, where he knew Money was wanting: for you are to know that the Revenues of the Crown for the Years 1753 and 1754, have been expended above six Months ago; so that those who imagine that this large Sum is raised for the Execution of some warlike Project, are very much mistaken: Expect, in a short Time, to see a superb Piece of Eloquence appear, addressed, as well to foreign Politicians as to the Public in France, which is to serve as the Preamble to the Plan of the Lottery; therein will be displayed the finest Rhetoric to prevent the People of France from thinking that this large Sum is raised on Account of the bad Condition of the Finances, and Foreigners from suspecting that the Ministry were preparing to strike some grand Stroke out of the Kingdom: But if fine Speeches only be sufficient to lull a People

asleep, who, after the Example of the Turks, kiss the Bow-string destined to strangle them, it is not likely that foreign Politicians, who are not cramped in their Judgments by a *De par le Roi*, will open their Eyes on purpose to receive the Dust with which our Gallican Eloquence endeavours to blind them. In short, the Strangeness, or rather the Extravagance of this Project, at present so much attracts the Attention of our Badours, that they do not so much as think about the Vintage in Champagne and Burgundy, which at this Season used to be their principal Topic."

October 20. Friday 7 Night a Man who lately was Cook at a Tavern near the Change, an a sudden went mad at an Ale house in Scolding-alley in the Poultry. When he was first taken he jump'd about and barked like a Dog: He was, with some Difficulty, got to his Lodging, where he continued raving and foaming at the Mouth till 11 a Clock at Night, and then expired in the greatest Agonies.

On Sunday the 7th Instant, about Ten a Clock at Night, as Thomas Penderton, and one Simmonds, both Porters, were passing through Sanson Fields, adjoining to Worcester, they met a Soldier in Company with a loose Woman, and jeering him upon the Occasion, he drew his Broad Sword, and after slightly wounding Simmonds, who thereupon ran away, he fell upon Penderton, gave him several desperate Wounds on the Head, almost cut off one of his Arms, and shockingly mangled one of his Legs, in which Condition the poor Fellow was found dead the next Morning. But the barbarous Murderer is not yet discover'd, nor the Woman that was with him.

An English Gentleman, who is just arrived from Germany, reports, that he had the Honour to dine with a Person of great Distinction in one of the Electorates, among some others, of different Nations; when the Topic of Discourse fell chiefly on the English Parliament's naturalizing the Jews, and it happened that an English Jew was in Company, which was not known till a Day or two afterwards; when the Gentleman who gave the Entertainment was obliged by the Magistrates to do Penance publicly, for entertaining a Jew.

Monday a poor Woman came to an Ale house, in St. Martin's Lane, and asked for a Glass of Gin; when a Man said he would give her a Quarter if she would drink it, to which she agreed, and drank three Quarters running, and going out a little after dropt down dead in the Street.

October 23. Some Days ago as a Gentleman's Footman was driving a single Horse Chaise from Swingly Lodge through Windsor Forest, he overtook a handsome well dress'd Woman going to Windsor, whom he complimented with a Seat in the Chaise to carry her there, which she accepted; and getting in, after some Civilities had passed, she desired that she might drive, which being agreed to, she, either by Design or Accident, struck his Hat off with the Whip, which he getting out to take up, she drove away with the Chaise to Old Windsor, and left him behind; and going to the Five Bells, the People not being up, she endeavoured to swim over the Thames; but there being no Landing Place for the Horse on the opposite Side, she attempted to return, but they were drove down by the Stream to an Ait, where she endeavoured to Land. The People at the Bells being got up, sent off a Pant to save her and the Horse; the first of which they effected when she was so high as her Neck, but the Gentleman's Horse, which was a very good one, was drowned. This Lady appears to be the Wife of one of the Domestic of a Person of great Distinction, addicted to Frolics, whom the Husband, it is said, had rather have lost than pay for the Horse.

Oxford, Sept. 3. On Saturday last the Sentence given against John Billingsgate at the last Assizes, for the several Offences of Scandal, Abuse, Swearing, &c. was put in Execution on a Scaffold erected before the Town-Hall, by severing his Tongue from the Roof of his Mouth. He was attended to the

Place of Execution by a large Troop of Ladies from the Fish-Markets in London, who all express'd the utmost Concern for the Loss of so dear a Brother.

He behaved through the whole Affair with great Decency, and did not swear above a Dozen Times from his House to the Foot of the Scaffold; when he came upon it, he told the Crowd, he would make the last Use of his Tongue, in confessing the many Sins it had been guilty of: He said he had never come to this unhappy End, as he was born of honest Parents, if instead of attending School, he had not when young too much frequented Cock pits: He owned he had gained there the little Law he was possib'd of; and had learned the Art of abusing People for not paying their Debts in hopes of gaining a Client by spurring up their Creditors to a Prosecution. He confess'd he had formerly killed a famous Antiquarian, and had continued from that Time slaughtering on, till in this Election he had glutted his Revenge in abusing.—Here he whispered to the Sheriff, but was overheard to conclude in saying, Theodocia was a good Girl, but G—d—m Sarah Walker. As he was beginning to rave, the Executioner told him his Time was elapsed, and immediately performed his Business. Upon taking out the Tongue it blistered the Hand that held it; and at several Yards Distance tossed Cheese like a Salamander: Great Quantities of Water were then thrown upon it, but it was so much inflamed that it was found impossible to quench it.—Some Dogs that came within its Influence were seized with a sudden Fit of Barking and Snarling; but what was odd was, at the same Time they lost the Power of Biting. The Tongue was at last purchased by a famous Logician, who touches the Lips of those Pupils with it who want the genuine Spirit of Altercation.

St. JOHN'S, in Antigua, October 2.

Abraham Mason, late from Philadelphia, and now residing in this Island, has (by elaborate Study and Experiments) discovered the very advantageous Knowledge of East and West Distances, commonly called LONGITUDE. As this Knowledge could have been acquired no other Way than by the Motion of the celestial Bodies, and as those have been his principal Guides, his Assertions concerning this important Matter, must consequently be unerring; for there is not a Place, however remote, on this terrestrial Globe, whose Distance (by his Method) may not be known to the smallest Part of a Degree.

This Discovery will likewise instruct us how to correct the Globes and Maps so exactly, that they may be depended on without Danger; remove many Errors that the most regular Computation, before known, admitted of; and completely finish Astronomy and Geography.

"Unerring Nature, still divinely bright,

"One clear, unchang'd, and universal Light,

"Life's Force and Beauty must to All impart,

"At once the Sources, Ends, and Treasures of Art."

KINGSTON, in Jamaica, October 27.

We hear from Carpenter's River, that the Indians (from a natural Antipathy they have to the Spaniards in those Parts) have gone in a large Body, and burnt, ravaged and destroyed their Plantations, and have totally burnt the Cocoa walks, so that we shall not, for some Time, be supplied with that valuable Commodity from that Quarter.

On Wednesday last, a Sailor belonging to the Draper, Capt. Nuns, in this Harbour, fell overboard and was immediately tore to Pieces by the Sharks.

BOSTON.

December 10. Wednesday last a young Man at Rutland carelessly handling a loaded Gun belonging to a Man just come in from Hunting, it accidentally went off, and shot him in the Head, so that he died instantly.

PHILADELPHIA.

December 27. On Sunday the 16th Instant, the Snow Strickland, Capt. Baker, bound in here from the West Indies, was lost near Indian River; the People were all saved, but the Cargo entirely destroyed, and the Vessel, beat to Pieces.

From the South-Carolina Gazette, of December 3. we have the following Paragraph.

"By the last Vessels from Providence we have Advice, that the French not only continue to keep some arm'd Vessels cruising in the Windward Passage, about Hanega, Maguano, the Caicos's, Crooked and Turk's Island, &c. but that they have also lately landed Cattle on most of them, till'd and planted some of the Soil, and set up large Crosses on each, with Inscriptions of the pre-

tended Property. Some of the English Vessels, that have been taken on the Coasts of these Islands, and condemned at Cape Francois, have been released by the French General on Hispaniola, who gave them certain Passes for 20 Days, with strict Cautions against being found there again. 'Tis not unlikely that this Affair will become such another Subject of Dispute as the Neutral Islands, Tobago, &c. for we hear a Complaint has been made by the British Ministry upon this Occasion to the French Court, and that it disowns having given any Directions for taking Possession of or settling any Islands in the Windward Passage, to which the English have any Claim."

Last Week was kill'd by Jacob Viney, of this City, Butcher, the largest Ox that ever was raised in this Province, or perhaps in America. His four Quarters weighed 1446 Pounds; the Tallow upon his Entrails 251; his Hide was but light in Proportion to his other Parts, being only 120 Pounds. He was justly supposed to weigh, when alive, 2200 Pounds, being full 17 Hands high.

On Monday Night, and Tuesday Morning last, we had as violent a Storm of Wind here, with Rain, as has been known for some Years past. When it began, the Wind was at South east, but towards the Morning shifted to South-west, and blew a meer Hurricane for some Hours, when it veer'd to the North-west, and moderated. The Damage done by it to the outward bound Shipping (come to our Knowledge) is, The Pembroke, Cowan, for Swanzy, ashore near Chester; the Friendship, Seix, for South Carolina, and the Rebecca, Lowther, for Barbados, both ashore at or below New-Castle. The Ships Tyger and Alexander, Captains Burrows and M'Fun, rode it out.

ANNAPOLIS.

Sunday last his Excellency our Governor set out on a Visit to Baltimore-Town, where on Monday he was received by a Company of Foot under Arms, the Firing of Great Guns, Displaying of Colours, and many other Tokens of Joy and Respect; and in the Evening there were Dances, Fire Works, &c. and this Day his Excellency returned home to this City in good Health.

We hear from Queen Anne's County, that on a Monday, a few Weeks ago, at a private Tipping-House on Chester River, a Number of People met on a Shooting Match, which they turn'd into a Drinking Match, and held it 'til the Thursday; during which Time, they detain'd one Thomas Watts, a young simple Man, of whom they made (what they call'd) Diversion, by pulling, pushing, and tumbling him about, and playing many foolish, mad, and devilish Tricks with him, by which he was much bruised and hurt; and being much stupified he fell into the Chimney Corner, when they swept the Soot upon his Face, and then stung Water on him; one of the Company, when he fell upon the Hearth with his bare Knees, put a Fire-Brand between them, which burnt him in a terrible Manner, when he had neither Strength nor Sense to get from it, or to push it from him. When they had, Devil like, taken Pleasure in tormenting, for near Three Days, there came in one Man, who took him away, and carried him home to his Mother, where he died almost as soon as they could lay him in his Bed, his Body being all over Wounds, Bruises and Burns. The Coroner's Inquest had had three Meetings (and the Magistrates were very industrious to find out the hellish Authors), but their Determination we have not yet heard.

INSPECTORS, who are not yet supplied with Books and Notes for the present Year, may be supplied with any Quantities on Application to

Jonas Green.

On Friday the 8th of February next, will be Sold for the Benefit of the Insurers, at Frederick Town in Cecil County, for Bills of Exchange, or Cash,

BETWEEN Four and Five Thousand Bushels of Wheat, being the Cargo of the Ship Molly; about Twelve Hundred Bushels of which Wheat is entirely sound, and will be Sold by itself; and the Remainder (still fit to be manufactured), in Bulk, or Parcels, as the Bidders shall choose. ch 1 X James Pasley. Mr. Swan.

To be Sold, by Wholesale, or in Parts, by the Subscribers, at Public Vendue, on Wednesday the 20th Day of March next, at the House of the Widow Sims, in Frederick Town, in Frederick County, at 3 o'Clock in the Afternoon, for Sterling or Current Money, and Time given for the Payment, on giving Security, if required.

THE following Tracts of Land, lying in Frederick County, viz.

Cragg Mill, containing 20 Acres, whereon is a Merchant's Water-Mill, double geered, with Gears for two Pair of Stones, with a good Bolting-Mill, the House 30 Feet long and 20 Feet wide, new and in good Repair, with a strong Stone Dam, standing on Lingular, on the Main Road that leads from Frederick Town to Annapolis and Baltimore Town.

Friendship, containing 920 Acres.

The Land of Valleys, containing 264 Acres.

Brapphars Choice, containing 45 Acres, all contiguous to the Water-Mill aforesaid.

A Tract of Land, called Hope, containing 50 Acres, lying in Frederick County aforesaid.

And one other Tract, called Bearhead, containing 30 Acres, lying in Anne-Arundel County, on Snowden's River.

For Title apply to Mr. William Cumming, in Annapolis, who will attend the Sale.

Charles Grabame,
John Cooke.

Upper-Marlborough, January 28, 1754.

LEFT at the Subscriber's House

in the Year 1749, or 1750, a small Box, marked I M, with a Figure of 4, and Crow's Foot between the Letters; in which are contained, a Piece of Printed Callico, Ten Yards of Irish Linen pretty fine, and a Piece of Osnabrigs.

The Owner may have them, on paying the Charge of this Advertisement, and applying with the Bill of Lading, to

Benjamin Berry, junior.

RAN away from the Subscriber,

living at London-Town, on the 30th of this Instant January, an Indented English Servant Man, named Peter Bond, about 18 or 20 Years of Age, a Taylor by Trade (took a napp'd Duffel Jacket with him unfinished), is much addicted to Swearing, of a small Stature, has short black Hair, and is pitted with the Small Pox; had on when he went away, a white Linnen Shirt, an old brown Waistcoat and blue Breeches, a Russia Drab Frock much torn in the Sleeves, new Worsted Stockings, and an old Castor Hat. He has taken with him sundry other wearing Apparel. Whoever takes up the said Runaway, and brings him to his Master, shall have Forty Shillings Reward, (if taken ten Miles from home), and Three Pounds if taken out of the County, and reasonable Charges, paid by

Alexander Ferguson.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That

there is at the Plantation of John Wilt living at the Bare-Grounds in Anne Arundel County, taken up as a Stray, an Iron Grey Horse, branded on both of his Buttocks with something like this CO.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

ALL Persons indebted to the

Estate of the Rev. Mr. John Lang, late of St. James's Parish in Anne Arundel County, deceased; and all those indebted to the Estate of Mrs. Margaret Lang (Widow of the late Rev. Mr. Lang), deceased, are desired to make speedy Payment to the Subscriber, to prevent Trouble: And all these who have any legal Claims on either of the said Estates, are desired to bring them in to,

James Anderson, Executor.
to Mrs. Margaret Lang

WANTED, a sober, discreet

Woman, capable of taking Care of a Family. Such an One may get into a good Place, by enquiring of the Printer hereof.

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