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Mr. *GREEN*,

IT is a Question frequently put in Conversation, *How shall Business be Transacted, should there be no Stamped Paper?* But as the above Question is very general, and the Reasoning upon it hath appeared to me to be too vague, I have endeavour'd by the following Queries to state it with more Precision.

1st. Hath the Legislature Authority to enact a Law that all Contracts shall be void, that Property shall stagnate, and the Administration of Justice totally cease?

2d. Suppose a Law should be made without such Design being clearly expressed, would a Construction, bringing it to the Effect suggested in the above Quere upon an Event unforeseen, and unprovided for by the Legislature, be maintainable?

3d. Should the Commissioners fail in having the Paper stamped according to the Directions of the Statute, or the stamped Paper miscarry at Sea, would the Power to make Contracts remain, might our Trade be continued, Property be circulated, and all Violations of Men's Rights in their Persons, Liberty, and Estates, be redressed in the present ordinary Course, or not?

4th. If the present ordinary Course might be pursued upon either of the above Events, upon what Principle would it be?

5th. If no stamped Paper is to be got, is it not as impossible for *A* or *B* to use it, as it would be if it did not exist?

If it is objected that the People's not having the Use of the stamped Paper is their own Fault: Quere,

6th. Who are meant by the Term *People*, are *all* the Individuals of the Province meant by it, if so, is the Fact True? Are *some* Individuals only meant, if so, are any other than such to suffer for their Conduct; or in other Words, would it consist with Justice to punish *A* for the Behaviour of *B*?

Yours, &c. A. A.

To General CONWAY, on his being made Secretary of State.

UNdaunted Chief! to BRITAIN dear!
Who late was in Disgrace;
Believe me, I am glad to hear
Your Worth has gain'd a Place!
How Good and Gracious, Wise and Great,
Is ****** your R---l M----r,
To give you First a *broken Pate*,
And then apply a *Plaister!*

LONDON.

A Letter from Boston in New-England, dated June 3, breathes the following Complaint.

OUR Trade is in a most deplorable Situation, not one fifth Part of the Vessels now employed in the West-India Trade, as was before the late Regulation; our Cash almost gone before the Stamp and Post-Office Acts are to operate; Bankruptcies multiplied, our Fears increased, and the Friends of Liberty under the greatest Despondency: What these Things will End in, Time only can discover.

Extract of a Letter from a Gentleman in Bourdeaux, to his Friend in Limerick, July 6, 1765.

"The Attention of Bourdeaux is now taken up by a famous Physician, who cures most Disorders by the Means of Simples; by looking into the Eyes of any Person, he not only tells what Disorders they may have, but those they have already undergone; at what Time, and how they were treated for it; he is never out upon those Occasions. A young Couple, People of Fashion, that were married about a Month, attended him a few Days ago; the Lady had some Complaints, she guessed the Cause of them, but went for Diversion to consult the Doctor. After due Inspection, he asked her, whether he might tell her Disorder before the Gentleman then present (meaning her Husband) who stood by, enjoying his Wife's innocent Mirth. She answered with a Smile in the Affirmative: So the Doctor begun by telling her, that she was then about 18 Years old, that at the Age of 15 she was brought to Bed of a Daughter, and the Year following of another; that she took Remedies which indeed disguised her Situation, but drove the Milk back into her Blood, and brought on Disorders, which would shortly manifest themselves. The Lady fainted away; the Gentleman sneaked off, and has not been heard of since. What is very remarkable, no Ladies have since asked the Doctor's Advice while any Witnesses were present."

Extract of a Letter from Wareham in Dorsetshire, August 10, 1765.

"This little Town has afforded a Pleasure incident since the Great Patriot came into the neighbourhood:" An honest-hearted Briton sent a Salmon to Mr. Pitt, with the following Note: "I am an Englishman, and therefore love Liberty, and You Sir; be pleased to accept of this Fish as a Mark of my Esteem; were every Scale a Diamond, it should have been at your Service."

Yesterday a Man, who goes by the Name of Trump, and belongs to one of the Hampstead Stages, eat five Pounds and a Half of Beef-Steaks, and two large Bunches of Onions, fried, at an Ale-House in Gray's-Inn-Lane; a three-penny Loaf, and drank two Pots of Porter, for a trifling Wager. His Dinner is generally three Pounds of solid Meat, and one Pot of Porter, with Bread, &c. in Proportion; but he neither eats Breakfast or Supper. [*Nor ought he to eat Dinner above twice a Week.*]

Extract of a Letter from Dublin, August 8.

"This Day Newgate was broke open by Soldiers and the Liberty Boys, who turned every Prisoner out, Young and Old; all the City is in an Uproar; the Reason of this I cannot possibly tell, but there was a Man shot on Sunday Morning by a Soldier who was patrolling to quell a Mob; a Serjeant, a Cobbler, and the Soldier were sent to Newgate, and were refused Bail, which, it is said, incensed the Soldiers; it is thought there will be terrible Work; there is not one Prisoner in Newgate this Night."

BOSTON, *October* 3.

For some Days past there has been shewn in this Town a remarkable large live Hog, whose Weight is 973 lb, is upwards of 10 Feet long from the Snout to the End of the Tail, and in Height 4 Feet 2 Inches. It was raised at Cape Anne, is between 2 and 3 Years old, and is thought to be the largest ever seen in this Country.

NEWPORT, *October* 7.

We hear by Letters from New-York, that the Boston Commissioners, after their Arrival there, waited upon Lieut. Gov. Colden, and acquainted him with their Business in New-York. He received them very coldly, and told them, that the Meeting of the Commissioners was unconstitutional, unprecedented, and unlawful, and that he should give them no Kind of Countenance or Encouragement.

We hear from Boston, that last Week the commanding Officer of the King's Ships in that Port was arrested, and taken into Custody, for detaining Capt. Hulme's Ship, which brought over the Stamped Papers.

By a Gentleman from Boston, we are informed, that a Ship arrived there last Week from London; and that a Letter from the Massachusetts Agent advised, that the Stamp-Act would probably soon be repealed.

Extract of a Letter from New-York, October 3.

"On Monday Afternoon the Commissioners had a Meeting, at which were present those from Rhode-Island, Boston, and S. Carolina, and a standing Committee from the Lower House of this Province, appointed to hold a Correspondence with the neighbouring Governments upon the Stamp-Act, &c. On Tuesday arrived an Express from the Speaker of the Maryland Assembly, informing, that at the Request of some of the Members, Governor Sharpe immediately and chearfully called the Assembly, who appointed three of the House to attend the Congress, who are expected in Town this Evening. Governor SHARPE is much applauded for his Conduct.

ANNAPOLIS, *October* 24.

We are inform'd from *New-York*, that it was suppos'd the Congress held there, would break up about the 19th Instant: It was Compos'd of Twenty-eight Gentlemen, from the following Governments; *South-Carolina* Three; *Maryland* Three; *New-Castle*, *Kent* and *Sussex*, Three; *Pennsylvania* Three; *New-Jersey* Three; *New-York*, Five; *Connecticut* Three; *Rhode-Island* Two; and the *Massachusetts-Bay* Three.

The General Assembly of this Province, is to meet here on Thursday next.

We have *certain Information* from *Virginia*, that the General Assembly of that Colony, which was to have met on the 17th of this Instant, is further Prorogued to the 4th of *March* 1766.

In a Letter from a Gentleman of the 21st Instant, now over in *Dorchester* County, he Writes, that he "was an Eye-witness to a very uncommon Operation, perform'd on last Friday, by Dr. *Thomas Bond*, of *Philadelphia*, he cut *John Hall Caile*, a Child of 4 Years old, for the Stone, and extracted one from him about the Size of an Almond, it weighed 3 *dwt.* 10 *gr.* it was very hard, and very light for its Size: The Operation was perform'd very quick, and the Child is now in a fair Way of Recovery."

[*One Paper more, will put a Period to all Publications of this Sort here, at least for some Time.*]

FOR *GLASGOW*,

THE SHIP *ALEXANDER*, ROBERT PEACOCKE, Master, now lying at *Oxford*, *Choptank* River, takes in Tobacco delivered along Side, at Five Pounds Ten Shillings Sterling, *per* Ton, with Liberty of Consignment.

Any Person who may be inclined to Ship, are desired to lodge their Notes, or Orders, with ANTHONY M'CULLOCH at *Queen's-Town*, JOHN CRAWFORD at *Oxford*, or EBENEZER MACKIE at *Talbot* Court-House.

To be SOLD by the Subscriber, at PUBLIC VENDUE, on Tuesday, *the 12th of* November, *within 2 Miles of* Bladensburg, Prince-George's *County, for Bills of Exchange, Sterling Cash, or Current Money,*

ABOUT 30 Acres of Land, whereon stands a good Grist-Mill, fit for Merchants Work, with two Pair of Stones, double geer'd, and Bolting Cloths; a good Dwelling-House, 24 Feet long, and 18 Feet wide, 2 Stone Chimnies, and a Kitchen underneath; a Coopers Shop, Meat-House and Hen-House, and a good paled Garden, 100 Feet square.

Likewise 2 Tracts of Land joining to the above, containing 390 Acres, one call'd *Uncles Good-Will Enlarged*, the other *Waddum's Neglect*, whereon is a Dwelling-House and Kitchen, Corn-House, Tobacco-House and Cellar, a Hen-House, a good Orchard, and also 6 Acres of good Meadow, and 100 Acres more of Meadow Land may be made.

BENJAMIN BEALL.

The Subscriber having declined TAVERN-KEEPING, *will sell cheap, for Cash, or on good Security,*

A Country Born Negro Wench, about 27 Years of Age, who has been brought up to Houshold Work; such as Washing, Cooking, Baking, Brewing, *&c. &c.* with her Negro Child, about 2 Years old.

Has also, a very good Billiard-Table, with good Cloth, Balls and Tacks, *&c. &c.*

As I intend to break up House-Keeping by the First of *November*, I hereby inform all my old Customers and Lodgers, that after that Day, I shall take no Lodgers or Boarders of any Kind whatever.

AGNES BALDWIN.

To be SOLD by PUBLIC VENDUE, on Saturday, the 16th of November *next, at* George-Town, *on* Sassafras *River, by the Subscriber, for the Benefit of the Insurers and Others concern'd,*

AN Anchor of about Ten Hundred Weight; as also, about Three Fathom of 11 Inch Cable, belonging to the Ship *Rachel*, *Thomas More*, Master, burnt in *Hungre* River, in *May* last.

THOMAS BROWNING.

WHEREAS I have obtain'd a regular and proper Assignment of the Books of Accompts of Mr. *Thomas Williamson*, of *Baltimore-Town*, Merchant; and also an Assignment of Bonds, Notes and other Specialties, payable to the said *Thomas Williamson*. Therefore all Persons indebted to the said *Thomas Williamson*, either by Bill, Bond, Note or Book Accompt, are forthwith desired to come and discharge the same, as Delays will be productive of a Suit or Warrant, which will not [illegible] agreeable to your humble Servant,

[illegible]M'MECHAN, Attorney
[illegible] Messrs. *Lathim* and [illegible]*adelphia*.

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