

Extract of a Letter from a Gentleman at Oswego, dated the 16th of October last.

Ever since I wrote to you, we have been employ'd in building new Forts and Barracks. Indian Affairs, which have been the Subject of great Consideration, begin to wear an agreeable Appearance; and I flatter myself, that the General's Attention to these Matters, will have a powerful Influence on the next Campaign. The Onondagas, who were most in the French Interest of any of the Five Nations, declare their Attachment to us. Many of the Confederate Tribes, seated at Oswego, I hope soon to see here at Oswego. Among the Messisagues and Chippawacs, residing on the North Side of this Lake, and in the Country, extending thence to Lake Huron, we have sent trusty Messengers. The Ontawacs, who were active against General Braddock, resent the Conduct of the French, both in the Action and Division of the Spoils, and declare they will abandon their Interest, and fall upon their Settlements this Winter if we will forgive their past Conduct, and supply them with Necessaries. We doubted their Sincerity till our Messenger had returned from their Country. The Senecas, heretofore too little known to the English, give us great Satisfaction: Jonceur, a Frenchman, who has resided among them several Years past, was driven away from their Country about a Fortnight ago; and they assure us they will never admit him again. The General sent a Message about a Month ago to the Senecas, and in Consequence of it, 50 Men engaged to meet us at Niagara: Besides double that Number, which they promise for our Assistance the next Campaign, they have engaged to inhibit Indians from aiding the French over the Carrying-place at Niagara. I do assure you, Sir, that our Indian Affairs are altered much for the better. If the Means we have begun to pursue, it is really not a hard Task to gain all the Indians who inhabit the Countries on this and the Lakes Huron and Erie. I am astonished, that we should have had so slender an Acquaintance with the Indian Natives. The Mohawks indeed we knew, but though they are a brave People, yet their Numbers are very small. The Onondagas too, with whom we have had a Connection, are but a Handful of dastardly Thieves. As to the Onondagas, their Chiefs, as I said before, were mostly in the French Interest, till secured this Summer by the Industry and Art of General SHIRLEY. Unless an unexpected Accommodation between the two Crowns disappoint us, the Preparations already made, give us Reason to hope, that the Frontiers of this Colonies will be perpetually secured from future Invasions, and the French driven out of all their Encroachments.

The Right Honourable Sir THOMAS ROBINSON, one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, having been pleased by a Letter of the 26th of July last, to inform Mr. PHIPPS, Lieutenant-Governor of the Province of the Massachusetts-Bay, That there was great Reason to apprehend that it might be the Intention of the Crown of France to proceed to an open Rupture; and having also been pleased to direct the said Lieutenant Governor to give immediate Notice thereof to his Majesty's Subjects within that Government: His Honour Governor PHIPPS did therefore, on the 28th of October last, in Conformity to the aforesaid Directions, make the said Advices public; and at the same Time recommended it to all concerned, to proceed with all necessary Care and Circumspection in the present Conjunction, and to be upon their Guard against any Mischief that may be apprehended, under these Circumstances, to their Navigation and Commerce.

General SHIRLEY arrived at Albany the 2d Instant: He was to set out for this City with Governor HARDY, the Honourable JAMES DE LANCEY, the Honourable THOMAS POWNALL, and the other Gentlemen that accompanied them up, Saturday last or Yesterday.

The Inhabitants of Tappan, a small Place in Orange County, have lately made a Present of 55 Great Coats, to the Amount of Sixty-seven Pounds, to the Men under General JOHNSON.

Extract of a Letter from Plymouth, September 12, 1755. "I have had the Pleasure to see 9 Prizes brought into this Port, 8 of them within this Hour; the first made her Appearance about One o'Clock, being on the How, I saw her in the Offing, and staid, tho' Dinner Time, till I saw by her Colours she was a Prize; she mounts fourteen Guns, about 300 Tons, from Martinico, and 'tis said, laden with Sugar, Indigo, and Cotton, deem'd worth 30,000l. It is said she was sent in by the Lyme Man of War, the other 8 were taken by his Majesty's Ship the Experiment; two are large Ships, 3 large Snaws, and the other 3 are small Brigs. As the Time is so short, I cannot give you so particular an Account as I would; which, according to the best Accounts I could now get, the two large Ships are Martinico Men, and likewise the three Snaws: The Experiment they say is come with them, this being the 8th Day since she left Plymouth."

PHILADELPHIA, November 20. Some Vessels are in the River from Halifax with French Neutrals, one of which came up to Town on Tuesday Night, but is since ordered down again.

ANNAPOLIS, November 27. His Excellency our Governor is not yet returned from the Northward.

Last Friday on Uriah Pearles, about 17 Years of Age, was committed to Prison here, for a Murder by him attempted on one James Peck, at Elk-Ridge. He was a Convict Servant to one Oliver, and had been runaway from him, with another smaller Boy, about 3 or 4 Days, and coming to Peck's House on the Wednesday Evening, almost starv'd, (which was about 4 Miles from his Master's), they beg'd some Victuals, which Peck very kindly gave them, and something to lie on in his House, having promised, at their Request, to go home with them in the Morning to their Master; but in the Night, when James Peck was asleep with his Wife, Pearles took a narrow Axe, and went to the Bed-side, and reaching over the Woman, struck the Axe into Peck's Throat, who immediately jump'd up and seiz'd him, and his Wife coming to his Assistance, they so far subdued him as to get a Cord about his Neck, and the Husband, notwithstanding his great Loss of Blood, endeavoured to hold him while his Wife went to a Neighbour's for more help; but before she could return, the Boy had recover'd so far as to get Peck undermost, who was then almost dead. It is thought that he cannot recover, as his Wound is deep, and the Wind Pipe cut almost through.

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CUSTOM-HOUSE, ANNAPOLIS, Entered, Sloop Anne, Peter Dobson, from New-York; Schooner Henry & Anne, Abijah Hathaway, from R. Island; Sloop Expedition, Henry Gardner, from Rhode-Island; Schooner Leopard, Thomas Church, from Nova-Scotia. Cleared for Departure, Sloop Hester, John M'Call, for Philadelphia; Ship Sally Brown, John Brown, for London.

TEN POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away from the Subscribers, on Tuesday the 18th of November Instant, from on board the Ship Rose, Capt. Slade, then lying off Annapolis, the two following Servant Men, (in a small Yawl, about 14 or 15 Feet Keel, her upper Streak is primed with red, and has two Sprit Sails), viz.

Thomas Emmatt, belonging to Mr. Henry Woodward, living near Annapolis; he is a Blacksmith and Farrier by Trade, about 22 Years of Age, of a middle Stature, square shoulder'd, slow of Speech, and was born in Yorkshire. He had on a dark Bearskin Surcoat, a blue Jacket and a striped Flannel one under it, a Pair of white Cotton Breeches, Yarn Stockings, Negro Shoes, and a black Wig.

Leighien Sabrey, belonging to Mr. Gamaliel Butler, living in Annapolis; he is about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, of a thin visage, aged 27 Years, wears his own Hair, which is black, and was born in England. He had on a Pair of Osnabrigs Petticoat Trowsers, a spotted Flannel Jacket without Sleeves, a dark colour'd Kersey Coat, an Osnabrigs Shirt, a Pair of Country made Shoes, and large Metal Buckles.

Whoever secures the said Servants, so that their Masters may have them again, and will give Notice thereof, shall have TEN POUNDS Reward for both, or FIVE POUNDS for either; and if brought home the same Reward shall be paid, and reasonable Charges. H. WOODWARD. G. BUTLER.

RAN away in July last, from the Subscriber, living in Talbot County, Maryland, a Convict Servant, named William Dawson, alias Deafon, a Labourer, a short stubbed Fellow, about 30 Years of Age, he is an Englishman and has a Sort of a Lisp in his Speech: Had on an old brown colour'd Coat, a blue ribb'd Everlasting Jacket, an old Castor Hat, and an old Pair of Leather Breeches.

Also Ran away on the 27th of October last, when on his Journey from Kent Island to Oxford, a Convict Servant Man, named Benjamin Hensly, he rode a small Sorrel Gelding, branded on the near Buttock with an O, with a Crook at the Bottom of it, and has two of his fore Teeth in the upper Jaw broke. Hensly had on a new felt Hat, a Pair of Leather Breeches, a coarse brown colour'd Coat, half worn, a Jacket of the same, a new Check Shirt, a new Lunges Handkerchief, about his Neck, and a Pair of new grey Woollen Stockings. He carried with him a Pair of Saddle Bags, wherein was 3 ruffled Shirts, a Pair of new Cloth Breeches, 2 or 3 Pair of fine Cotton Stockings, and 2 or 3 Muslin Cravats, which tis supposed he may put on to make a better Appearance. He is a Londoner, behaves somewhat politely to his betters, has a swing on one Side in his Gait, but is not affected, his Head is remarkably small. It is supposed he has steer'd North, and may be found in some Barber's Shop in Philadelphia, having wrought 15 Years in London at that Trade.

Whoever secures either of these Servants in any Goal in Maryland, or Pennsylvania, and advertises the same in the Gazette of the Province where taken, shall be paid FIVE POUNDS Reward for either, together with the Expence of the Advertisement, by HENRY CALLISTER.

THERE is at the Plantation of James Keef, near Elk-Ridge, taken up as a Stray, a Bay Mare, about 14 Hands high, has a large Blaze down her Face, and her Back has been bruised with a Saddle or Pad; but has no perceivable Brand.

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

RAN away from the Snow Thetis, lying at the Mouth of Hunger-River, on the 8th of this Instant November, an indentured Servant Man, named William Thompson, aged 22 Years, about 5 Feet 4 Inches high. Had on when he went away, a blue Pea-Jacket, an old red Cap, a Pair of Osnabrigs Petticoat Trowsers, a Pair of broad ribb'd Worthead Hose, and a Pair of new Shoes. He is pretty remarkable, having a Scar under his Chin, and is bald on the Back of his Head, about the Breadth of a Shilling; he is much given to Liquor, and may have a Pais, as he is a good Scholar; he went to Port-Tobacco in Mr. Smoot's Schooner.

Whoever apprehends the said Servant, and delivers him to Mr. Bryan Phillet, Merchant, in Baltimore, shall receive Two Pistoles Reward, and reasonable Charges. Mr. Phillet

THERE is at the Plantation of Benjamin Beall, living at the lower End of Frederick County, taken up as a Stray, a small Black Horse, with a Snip on his Nose, branded on the near Shoulder and Buttock with the Letter R, and paces naturally.

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

THERE is at the Plantation of James Richard, near Baltimore-Town, taken up as Strays, a middle six'd brown Mare, and a young Colt; the Mare is branded on the near Buttock and Shoulder with something like a Horse-Shoe, and has a small Star in her Forehead.

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THE Subscribers having been a long Time confin'd in Cecil County Goal for Debt, and not having wherewith to satisfy their Creditors, intend to apply to the next General Assembly for their Relief. WILLIAM GRACE. ANNE GARRISH.

To be Sold by PUBLIC VENDUE, On Wednesday the 10th Day of December, at the Plantation of the late Mr. Baruch Williams, deceased, for good Bills of Exchange, Paper Currency, Gold or Silver.

SEVERAL likely Country-born Slaves, consisting of Men, Women, and Children. Among them, there is a very good Cook, and one House Wench who understands Sewing, Washing, Ironing and Spinning.

Likewise the Household and Kitchen Furniture. Also, a Tract of Land called Deer Park, containing 458 Acres, lying in Frederick County, near Capt. Henry Wright Crabb's, well Timber'd, with some small Improvements.

For Title or Terms, apply to JEREMIAH CRABB. N. B. The Sale to begin at XII o'Clock, and continue till all are sold.

To be Sold by PUBLIC VENDUE, At George-Town, in Frederick County, on Tuesday the 16th Day of December next.

THE following Tracts of Land, viz. Philip and Jacob, containing 400 Acres. Part of Whitehaven, containing 409 Acres. Part of Friendship, containing 1200 Acres. These are all adjoining, and make a Body of well-timber'd Land; on which are Two Plantations, with good Orchards, four new Tobacco-Houses framed, and all other necessary Houses; and are very convenient for Trade or Cropping, lying on Patowmack River, about three Miles above George-Town, in Frederick County. Part of Addison's Choice, containing 800 Acres. This Tract lies on Manockessy, within two Miles of Frederick-Town, in Frederick County. JOHN ADDISON, WILLIAM MURDOCK.

TO BE SOLD, On Wednesday the 10th Day of December next, to the highest Bidder, at the House of Mr. Thomas Hamar, in Queen-Anne's County, betwixt the Hours of 10 and 12 in the Forenoon.

A TRACT of Land called Robotham's Park, containing 500 Acres, more or less, lying on the Unicorn-Branch, by Spence's Mill, near the Head of Chester River, in Queen-Anne's County. Any Person inclined to purchase may be inform'd of the Tide by applying to JAMES DICK.

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