

NOTICE is hereby given, That a Ferry at Joppa, across GUN-POWDER-RIVER, now kept by the Subscriber, who has a good Boat and Hands for the Purpose, and a constant Attendance is given.
ISAAC RISTEAU.

TO BE SOLD,
TRACT of choice Land, lying on Rock-Creek, in Frederick County, called Thompson's Adventure, containing 50 Acres, and is adjoining John Baldwin Adamson's.
Any Person inclining to purchase, may enquire of John Thompson in Annapolis, and know further.

TO BE SOLD,
TRACT or Parcel of Land, being one Moiety of a Tract of Land called Clear-Creek, lying in Frederick County, on Rock-Creek, within six Miles of the Warehouse at George-Town, the said Moiety contains 625 Acres, of a good Soil, and well timber'd; whereon is a Dwelling House, and two Tobacco Houses, also a good Apple and Peach Orchard.
Any Person inclinable to purchase the said Land, may know the Title, and Terms of Sale, by applying to the Subscriber, living near lower Cedar-Point, in Charles County.
ARTHUR LEE.

TO BE SOLD for Bills of Exchange, or Sterling Money,

TRACT of Land containing 190 Acres, lying on the South Side of Magoby River, situated very pleasant and convenient for Fishing and Fowling, and within 5 Miles of Annapolis, whereon is a good Dwelling-House, Kitchen, Meat-House, a Negro Quarter, two Corn-Houses, a Garden, well-paled in, and two Orchards.
Also a young Negro Wench, a Negro Girl, and a Negro Boy.
For Terms apply to the Printer hereof.

TO BE SOLD,
For Sterling Money, good Bills of Exchange, Gold Silver, or Paper Currency,

THE following Tracts and Parcels of Land, viz.
Rover's Content, 466 }
Part of The Inclosure, 89 }
Part of Goodluck, 445 } Acres,
Fife, 78 }
Beall's Chance, 290 }
Father's Gift, 183 }
Bread and Cheese Hall, 91 }
These are all adjoining, and make a Body of choice well timbered Land, whereon are Three Plantations, with good Orchards, lying in Prince George's County, within five Miles of Bladenburg, ten of Upper-Marlborough, and six of the Eastern Branch Ferry.

Couper, 113 }
Part of Laybill, 649 } Acres,
Beall's Reserve, 380 }
Drumdry, 225 }

The Four last mentioned lie in Beall's Neck, in Frederick County, not above twelve Miles from Bladenburg, being a choice Parcel of fine Wood-Land.

Also 450 Acres of Land, being Part of a Tract called Allison's Park, lying likewise in Frederick County, on or near a Branch, called and known, by the Name of Captain John's Branch.

Any Person inclinable to purchase Part of the first mentioned seven Tracts, lying in Prince George's County, may have the Quantity desired, provided it be taken so as not to incommode the remaining Part, to render it unferficable, or prejudice the Sale thereof; and likewise, any Part of the several Tracts, in Frederick County, in like Manner.

The Title and Terms may be known, by applying to the Subscriber, or to Josias Beall, junior, living on Ackekick, near Piscataway, in Prince-George's County.
JOHN BEALL, junior.

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THURSDAY, May 13, 1756.

AMSTERDAM, February 25.

BY private Letters received here by the last French Mail we learn, that an English Squadron of 17 Men of War, were actually cruising off Brest; that a Convoy of 300 Barques laden with Provisions, and escorted by a French Frigate, had been attacked by one of the Men of War belonging to the said Squadron; that the Frigate had escaped into the Port of Brest; and the Vessels it was to escort had gained a neighbouring Harbour, where they were blocked up by the above Man of War.

Paris, Feb. 20. We are assured that Orders are given for an Embarkation of fourteen Battalions of regular Troops at Toulon, for a secret Expedition.

Bourdeaux, Feb. 21. Forty Ships of the Line, from 60 to 80 Guns, besides a great Number of Frigates, will be ready to put to Sea from the Ports of Brest and Rochfort by the Middle of next Month.

Frankfort, Feb. 25. The Hessian Troops are on the Point of Marching, they will be also attended with two Regiments of Wurtzburgh Troops, who have received the like Orders to march.

Brussels, Feb. 26. According to private Letters from France, 125 Battalions of regular Troops are repartitioned along the Coast from Dunkirk to Bayonne. Besides these Troops, there are four Regiments of Horse and four of Dragoons in Brittany. The Regiments of Clare, Berwick, and Champagne, are ordered to Granville in Lower Normandy. On the 14th Instant 300 Carts laden with Cannon, Carriages, and other Implements of War, set out from Doway for Brittany and Normandy. The Militia of the Boulonnois are ordered to be ready to march against the first of March. A great Number of Vessels are expected at the Ports of Dunkirk, Calais, and Boulogne, under the Escort of some Men of War. Six Pieces of heavy Cannon have been carried from Dunkirk to Mardyck.

Paris, Feb. 23. The only Reprisals on the English that have hitherto been ordered, are the Stopping their Vessels in our Harbours. If Letters of Marque have been granted, no Use hath been made of them. The Report of English Vessels being brought in every Day was void of all Foundation. The Ruin of Quito by an Earthquake, in November last, also wants Confirmation: The last Letters from Madrid take no Notice of it.

All the Half-pay Officers, even those of the light Troops are ordered to repair immediately to the Regiments they formerly served in, on pain of being struck of the List.

The English Jews, who swarm in this Kingdom, are ordered to quit it by the 18th of March next; to the Satisfaction of the other Jews, who trade in France.

Paris, Feb. 27. The nearer the Time of Action approaches, the more our Naval Preparations are hastened. Before six Weeks are past, our Flags will be displayed in the Ocean and Mediterranean, and our Cannon heard in those Seas.

Advices from Brest leave no Doubt of a Squadron being gone from thence for America.

Paris, Feb. 28. The King has ordered Notice to be given to the Subjects of Great-Britain, that they must turn out of his Dominions.---This being published in the Paris Gazette, there is no Room to question its Authenticity.

L O N D O N.

January 24. General Conversation says, that a Governor in the West-Indies is ordered home forthwith, on Account of his having imprisoned eighteen Gentlemen of the Assembly, for having voted against him.

It is likewise said, that a Governor in North-America is ordered home.

Jan. 29. One of our Men of War having been off Brest, reports that there are about 20 Ships of War, and a great Number of small Vessels, supposed to be Transports, in that Harbour.

It is said that some of our Men of War have intercepted the French Indiamen, bound from Port L'Orient for China and Bengal.

It was reported also this Morning, that a French Man of War of 70 Guns, and five Martinico Men, are taken and carried into Port-Mahon.

Feb. 10. The Collection on the Fast Day at the Tabernacle, which was made for the persecuted French Protestants and the German Emigrants in Pennsylvania and other Parts of North-America, amounted to 136 l. but the Throng being so very great that Numbers could not get in, at the earnest Desire of many the Collection was repeated on Sunday Night when 40 l. more was gathered; making in the whole 176 l. out of which 80 l. is paid by the Rev. Mr. Whitefield into the Hands of Messieurs Hoare and Arnold, Bankers in Fleet-street, and 80 l. into the Hands of the Rev. Dr. Chandler, Secretary for the German Emigrants. The remainder is reserved for the Tabernacle Poor, who were also recommended.

February 12. Hopes of Peace no longer subsist; the French in a most dastardly and cowardly Manner seiz'd all our Ships while in their Harbours, whereas the Ships taken from them by us were upon the open Ocean, whereby they had an Opportunity of defending themselves to the utmost of their Power; by a Letter from the Master of a Ship detained at Dunkirk it appears, that all the English Sailors with their Officers, are lock'd up in a very strong and loathsome Prison: And from Calais there is certain Advice laid before the highest Authority, that a Packet-Boat, or Vessel from Dover, belonging to Mr. Minnet of Dover, a Banker, is detained in that Port, and all the Passengers made Prisoners. "This may be depended on (says a Letter from a Gentleman of great Veracity and Knowledge, resident in one of the before-mentioned Places, brought by the Way of Holland), "I am so closely watched I can hardly stir; and only because I am an Englishman; the Gentleman who delivers this is my Countryman, and can testify that the greatest Preparations imaginable are making at Brest for invading some Part of the British Dominions; and that there are a great Number of Irish and Scotch Officers in the Sea-Ports I can justify, and a Number of Troops daily pouring in; and it has also been reported from Day to Day, that War will be declared Tomorrow."

His Majesty having been pleas'd to order that the Highland Regiment of Foot, commanded by the Right Hon. Lord John Murray, be augmented, in Order to serve in the Expedition going under the Command of the Right Hon. the Earl of Loudon: All those Gentlemen Volunteers, who were in his Lordship's late Highland Regiment, or under his Command in the Independent Companies, and are willing to serve in this Expedition, may, on repairing to any of Lord John Murray's Recruiting Officers, be sure of meeting all proper Encouragement.

Feb. 13. At Edinburgh, the King's Proclamation was read at the Cross, by the Herald, desiring all Sheriffs, Justices, Mayors, &c. to cause the Coasts to be carefully watched, Beacons to be set up, and Alarm Guns; and in Case of any hostile Attempt, all Horses, Cattle, &c. to be drove at least twenty Miles back from the Place any Enemy may attempt to land at.

An Embargo is laid on all British Ships bound to France 'til further Orders.

The Ships are ordered to be got ready for taking on board the Forces destined for America, 3000 are to be sent, Part of which are the Highland Regiment; they are to be furnished with a great Quantity of Stores and a large Sum of Money.

They have had in Scotland, and most Parts of England, the terriblest Winter ever known, for Wind, Rain, Hail, Thunder and Lightning.

Lord Loudon is appointed Commander in Chief of all the American Forces, and 'tis said, is to be Viceroy of North-America.

The Parliament have rais'd for the following Uses, 120,000 l.

To Sir William Johnson, for his Service, 5,000 l.
To the Colonies of New-England, New-York, and Jersey, 115,000 l.

The above is to be distributed among the Colonies as his Majesty shall think proper, being a Reward for their past Services, and an Encouragement to them to continue to exert themselves in the Defence of his Majesty's Rights, &c. in America.

Feb. 17. We hear, that besides Otway's and Lord John Murray's, the following Regiments of Foot will be sent to America, viz. Lord George Bentinck's, Col. Maurice Bockland's, Col. John Jordan's, William Earl of Home's, and the Earl of Loudon's.

Some Time in November last, in some Part of Turkey, a strange Phenomenon was observed in the Sky, viz. four distinct Full Moons, in the Position as they stand in the Margin.

At Edinburgh, Feb. 9th, the Sky towards the North had a most terrible Appearance, being the Colour of Blood, the Reflection of which gave every Object the same Colour; this Appearance continued from four in the Morning 'til Sun-Rise, to the great Amazement of many Spectators. It has given Rise to a Number of Prophecies concerning the End of the World, so that the Streets are now filled with Pamphlets, which are cried up and down, signifying the Time is just at Hand.

There are protested Bills from Lisbon, returned to London, for above an Hundred Million of Crowns, and more daily expected.

The French pretend they would have in Readiness by the first of March 320,000 Land Forces, and 61 Line of Battle Ships, to be employed as follows,

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| In Garrison, | 80,000 | } To form a Fleet | } 36 |
| On the Rhine, | 80,000 | | |
| On the Moselle, | 35,000 | } To cruise in the | } 25 |
| In Flanders, | 75,000 | | |
| In Italy, | 50,000 | | |
| | ----- | | 61 |
| | 320,000 | | |

March 2. We hear a Scheme is in Agitation for raising a considerable Sum by a Tax of Forty Shillings per Annum upon every Batchelor in this Kingdom above 30 Years of Age. [This Tax, and the Tax on Dogs of all Sorts, is what the Taxed may at any Time get clear of, if they find it burthenfome, by marrying themselves, and banging their Dogs.]

His Majesty in Council has been pleas'd to order the Bounties to Seamen, who shall enter on board his Royal Navy, &c. to be continued to the 31st of March instant.

We are inform'd, that Letters by Yesterday's French Mail advise, that the Smugglers, and their Vessels detained at Dunkirk, have been released; and that it is expected that the Merchants Ships lately seized there, and the Men that were on board and imprisoned will soon be set at Liberty.

This Day the Biddeford Man of War was launched from his Majesty's Yard at Woolwich.

Saturday was launched at Mr. Stanton's Dock, a very fine new Sloop of War, which is to carry 16 Carriage Guns, and 16 Swivels.

Three others have been launched within these few Days from private Docks, for the Use of his Majesty; one of them went from Deptford on Friday last for the Downs.

We are assured that the Government has received Advice by a Sloop station'd to observe the Motions of the French at Brest, that six large Ships were