

various Characters he has assum'd, is driven to this last Shift of a defeated Champion.—He has been charg'd home, and how has he answer'd? Why, with an old Song or Two, as if the Public were to be amus'd with Ballads, instead of Arguments, and so on.

He stands charg'd as follows: I. THAT when he reasons upon a Passage in the Query, he leaves out the Words, in Favour of a Minister, and then charges him with the Non-sense, arising from his own disingenuous Mutilation of the Passage.

II. THAT he positively declares "Sidefines, either wife Queltens, eitherwise Vestrymen, to be certain Persons, chosen in each Parish, as Assistants (expressly so called in ALL the Law Books) to Churchwardens." In this Article, it is alleg'd against him, that he could not, with the utmost Exertion of his Talents, extraordinary as they are, have crouded more Falsehoods into so small a Compass, there being scarce a Proposition in it, but what is directly repugnant to Truth.

III. THAT, referring to our Act of Assembly, he says, "In case of a Vacancy, the Vestry may desire, or petition the Ordinary, to appoint a Minister of a neighbouring Parish to officiate."—Here he is call'd upon to point out the Words, Petition and Neighbouring, in the Act, or he stands convicted of Two Interpolations, offensive to Truth and Modesty, and to the common Sense of every Inhabitant, who can read.

IV. THAT he says, "The Vestries would be Orderly, quiet, and Incumbents."—This is an extravagant Charge, for which he is challeng'd to produce his Proofs, or the World will pronounce him guilty of a vile Calumny.

V. THAT he declares—"When a Man accuses another of acting repugnant (Anglic, REPUGNANTLY) to the Law, he ought to be a Sage of the Law."—But this Falsehood ought, in Charity, to be imputed to the Head, and not to the Heart. Here seems to be no Obliquity of the Will; it is only silly.

VI. THAT he has quoted Co. 1 Inst. for what is not to be found according to his Reference, and complimented the Chancellor with a Power to punish, by Fine and Imprisonment, upon a Writ de Vi Laisa Removenda.

VII. THAT he has had the amazing Effrontery to cite Godefrin, about the Churches of MARYLAND, whereas the Book is totally silent about them, and was actually publish'd long before the Church of ENGLAND was establish'd in the Province, which may more at large appear in a Piece, sign'd C. D. to which I crave Leave to refer the curious Reader.

VIII. THAT he asserts—"Pluralities are tenable by Laws, the Effect of which no Act of Assembly can invalidate." He is call'd upon to shew—when a Tax upon the People is appropriated by a Provincial Law, by what Law or Authority the Appropriation may be alter'd. He is call'd upon to shew the Difference between imposing a Tax upon the People in the first instance, and diverting it to a different Object, in contradiction to the Mode prescribed by the Legislature.

IX. THAT he charges the Query, with saying, "First, He is Minister of A, then he is not Minister of A.—Secondly, He is Minister of B, then he is not Minister of B, &c." Let him produce the Passage, or by Thing that implies it, from the Query, or here again he incurs the Imputation of—saying the Thing that is not.

X. THAT he asserts—"The Qualification of a Vestryman must be determin'd by the Canon Law alone, because it is a Matter of Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction," which, 'tis contended, is not true.

XI. THAT, in quoting Gibson, he has foisted in an c without any Warrant from the Authority, by which he has added one more—to the Score.

XII. THAT he has given a false Representation of the Case between the Dissenters and the City of London.

XIII. THAT he has perverted the Authority of Lord Ke, in the Case of the Exclusion of the Bishops, and misapplied it to serve the Turn of his unhallowed Pretensions.

XIV. THAT he asserts "The Act of Assembly makes it one great Branch of the Principal's Duty to refrain or set aside an irregular Representation" in the Vestry. To purge himself from this charge, he has but one Way, and that is to point out an Act, the Chap. and Sect. wherein this Power is given to the Principal of the Vestry.

XV. THAT upon finding the Counsellor-Vestryman did not bend to his Inclinations by consenting to his dividing Two Livings against a positive Law of the Province, he had recourse to very improper Arts to possess him of his Seat in the Vestry, and to supply by Surprise upon the Parishioners, with another, whom he had ensnar'd into an unwary Promise of sending his Schemes, by sundry false and delusive pretences.—That altho' he was sworn as a Vestryman, to perform the Duties of that Office, according to the Act of Assembly, yet he, out of Favour and Affect to himself, and in diametrical Opposition both to the Spirit and Letter of the Act, was guilty of sundry unfair Practices, disgraceful to his Character, as a Minister, and of evil Example to his Flock, the Particulars whereof are stated at large, in a Piece, signed plain Dealer, his Answers to which are required to be recited set forth.

These are the Points to which the Principal should stand well in the Opinion of the Public is one of the chief Objects of his Ambition.—It is of no consequence to the Community, whether Mr. C. D. is a tall or a fair Man, and of as little, whether the By-stander has a tallow, or fallow Face, whether he has

ricketty Legs, is beer-eyed, and has a certain Leer, vulgarly express'd by the Name of a Hanging-Look, and whether, with the Pop in the Play, he is ugly all over, or whether his Affliction of being a fine Gentleman. These

the Matters concern to the Honour and Reputation, and I agree entirely with the humane Mr. P. Hint, that personal Reflections are ungenerous, and shou'd never be admitted into Public Disquisitions.—Nor, can I see, that the Singing of Catches, conduces any Thing to the Settlement of Matters of Law or Fact, or to what Purpose this Method is introduc'd by the Bystander, since it appears from abundant Instances, that whenever it serves his Turn, to make free with Truth, he can assume the Privilege, without relying upon the Plea of Poetic Licence.—If he thinks it for his Interest to display the great Merits of the Cause, plain Prose will better answer his Purpose in this Part of the World, where Phœbus has but here and there a Favourite. If I don't forget, a great Poet somewhere says,

The World's good Word is better than a Song.

Let this Gentleman, then, leave off Singing, and apply himself to the better Object of gaining the World's good Word, and especially, as the Secret is now out, that he is but a sorry Songster.—Let him vindicate himself against the Charges of his Adversaries, and shew the In-sufficiency of the Proofs which have been advanced against him. Until he has satisfied the Public in these Points, he will be in vain for him, to vaunt of his sacred Name, to brag of his Virtue, to boast of his Fame, or to rely upon the Favours of Phœbus, or the Smiles of the Muses. Had Merit, like Charity, want'd not herself; but Self-love is generally the Issue of a base Heart and a brazen Front.—As little to his Purpose is it to talk of being War—of his Resentment—of his Rage—of his Knack at painting grotesque Figures—hideous—of covering his Enemies with Infamy—These are all empty Menaces!—According to the Light, in which he at present appears, if he would inflict a real Wound, he must turn Panegyrist, and by his PRAISES, blacken into Infamy, the Objects of his Hatred. In Answer to all his Railing and Abuse, C. D. may apply to himself, with a little Variation, the Words of the Poet;

On me when R—l are satyric, I take it for a Panegyric. Hated by Knaves, and Knaves to hate, Be that my Motto, and my Fate. Yours CLERICUS.

Annapolis, March 29, 1768. THE COMMISSIONERS appointed by LORD BALTIMORE, in a Commission, bearing Date the 21st Day of November, 1767, for continuing the SALE of his LORDSHIP'S MANORS and RESERV'D LANDS, give Notice, that they will meet at the Revenue-Office, on Tuesday the 17th of May next, and in the Purchasers shall appear, will attend, from Day to Day, during the Sitting of the Provincial Court, in order to dispose of the following MANORS, &c. viz.

Table listing land parcels with acreage and location. Includes entries for Anne-Arundel, 1580 lying in Anne-Arundel Cy.; Baltimore County, 5000; Frederick County, 12000; Charles County, 1500; St. Mary's County, 7500; Kent County, 7500; Queen-Anne's, 5000; Dorchester County, 5500.

The above Lands will be sold to the highest Bidder, and put up in Lots, as shall be most agreeable to the Purchasers; some of them being very rich, with proper Cultivation, would bring fine Hemp, or make Meadows, Correct Plats, with a State of the Improvements, and the Terms of the present Leases; as likewise the Authority of the Commissioners, and Conditions of Sale, may be seen, by applying to the Subscriber, Signed per Order, JOHN CLAPHAM.

March 30, 1768. To be Sold, at PUBLIC VENDUE, on Thursday the 28th of April next, at the House of Mr. Benjamin Brooke, in Upper-Marlborough, for good Bills of Exchange on London, Sterling, or Current Money.

TWELVE healthy Country-born SLAVES, consisting of Men, Women, Boys, and Girls; among them is a valuable House-Wench, who can Spin, Knit, Wash, and Iron well. The Sale to begin at 3 o'Clock Afternoon.

CHARLES GRAHAME. At same Time will be sold, a very valuable Negro Carpenter, for Sterling Money, or Gold and Silver, at the nominal Sterling Rates. C. G.

LATELY IMPORTED, from LIVERPOOL, and to be SOLD by JOHN ASH-BURNER, at Baltimore-Town, on reasonable Terms, by the Lump, or single Package.

IRISH Linens, Onabrigs, Manchester Checks, Kendall Cottons, Duffils, Welton Marble-Cloths, Ed Trimmings, Felt and Castor Hats, Mens and Womens Stockings, Saddles, Hard-Ware, Earthen-Ware, English refined Sugar, Bottled-Beer, Cheese, Smiths Coals, fine Salt, and a few Casks of Pimento. He has also for Sale, a few African SLAVES.

SAMUEL CROSS, of Baltimore County, not having sufficient to discharge all my just Debts, and being desirous to do equal Justice to all my Creditors, do hereby give Notice, that I am willing, and ready, to surrender up all my Estate, both Real and Personal, to be proportionably divided amongst my Creditors, and earnestly request they will come, and accept of the same.

The following Advertisement, just come to Hand, we insert, tho' the Subscriber omitted signing his Name, which we request be will send by the first Opportunity.

March 30, 1768. To be Sold, at PUBLIC VENDUE, on the 27th of April next, by the Subscriber, in Frederick County, Maryland, on the 20th Day of June next.

TWO overshot GRIST-MILLS, and one SAW-MILL, on Rock-Creek, about Five Miles from Georgetown, and Six Miles from Bladenburg. The Three Mills are, in the driest Weather, plentifully supplied with Water, from one Dam, built of Stone, and so strongly finished, as to be safe against any Fresh; one Pair of the Mill Stones are French Burs, the Bolting Clothes, and Lift Jack, with all the other Appurtenances, now belonging to them, will be Sold with the Mills. Also One Hundred and Twenty Acres of Land joining them; 20 Acres whereof was condemned by a Writ of Ad quod Damnum, and the other Hundred Acres is the Dwelling-Plantation of the Subscriber, whereon there is an Orchard, Dwelling House, and Kitchen, and the Plantation is in good Repair. Possession will be given immediately after Harvest, and Two Years Credit for One Half the Money, on paying Interest, and giving Bond, with Security, if required.

March 30, 1768. WHEREAS Thomas Rutland, senior, Administrator of Benjamin Wells, late of Anne-Arundel County, deceased, doth hereby give Notice, to all that are indebted, to come immediately, and pay off their just Balances, to enable the said Administrator, to settle and pay the Debts due from the said Estate, which will prevent them further Trouble; and all those that have any just Demands against said Estate, are desired to bring them in, which will oblige their humble Servant, THO. RUTLAND, Administrator.

THE Subscriber being confined, for Debt, in Dorchester County Jail, hereby gives Notice, that he intends to apply to the next General Assembly of this Province, for Relief. EDWARD NUNAR.

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March 29, 1768. BROKE out of Queen-Anne's County Jail, on the 26th of this Instant, the following Prisoners, viz: JOSEPH NEVILL, about 25 Years of Age, Country-born, 5 Feet 8 Inches high, remarkable black Hair and Eyes, thin Visage, and brown Complexion: Had on a light coloured Country-made Coat, a blue lappell'd Cloth Vest, Leather Breeches, and good Shoes and Stockings.

EDWARD HUSSEY, Country-born, was committed for stealing a Negro and Mare; is about 23 Years of Age, 5 Feet 6 Inches high, a well-set Fellow, brown Complexion, and a remarkable Downlook: Had on a Snuff coloured Cloth Coat, and Vest, Leather Breeches, and good Shoes and Stockings.

JAMES FOWLER, about 22 Years of Age, Country-born, 5 Feet 10 Inches high, of a pale Complexion, thin Visage'd, a pert impudent looking Fellow, and wears his own Hair, which is of a brown Colour: Had on a blue lappell'd Vest, Leather Breeches, good Shoes, and white Worsted Stockings. Whoever takes up said Prisoners, and secures them, or brings them to Queen-Anne's County Jail, shall receive, for Nevill, TEN POUNDS, for Hussey, FIVE POUNDS, and for Fowler, THIRTY SHILLINGS Reward, paid by WILLIAM HINDMAN, Sheriff.

RAN away from the Subscriber, on the 28th of October last, living at the Head of Hungre-River, in Dorchester County, a Negro Fellow, named TOM, about 25 Years of Age, Five Feet high, he is a very black Fellow, has a smiling Countenance, remarkable white Teeth, and has little or no Beard: Had on, when he went away, a dark coloured lappell'd Vest, and a short spotted Swanskin ditto, under it. It is supposed he was carried away by one John Shinton, that went away for Debt, and it is imagin'd he will make for the Lower Part of Virginia, or Carolina, he went away in a small Shallop. The said John Shinton is a thick well-set Fellow, about 30 or 35 Years of Age, and about 5 Feet high, of a light Complexion, light coloured Hair, has large blue Eyes, a full Beard, and a heavy Look; his Apparel is uncertain. Whoever takes up and secures said Shinton, and finds the Negro in his Possession, or where he has sold or hired him, shall receive TEN POUNDS, if taken out of the County, and if in the County, FIVE POUNDS Reward, paid by ELLINER M'GRAW.

Baltimore County, March 10, 1768. TAKEN up by Sabrett Sellers, a small BATTOE, about 14 Feet long, 4 Feet wide, 3 Platts for Rowing, a Locker fore and aft, 2 Thwarts, the Bottom paid black, and the Sides with Turpentine, is quite new, has a Spike in her Stem. The Owner may have her again, on proving Property and paying Charges.

THERE is at the Plantation of Basil Talburt, living near Broad Creek, in Prince George's County, taken up as a Stray, a white HORSE, about 12 Hands high, and about 10 Years old, has no perceivable Brand. The Owner may have him again, on proving Property, and paying Charges.

March 4, 1768. To be SOLD, on reasonable Terms, by James Houston, living in Worcester County, on Pocomoke River, SNOW, of about One Hundred and Fifty Tons. The Calking, Carpenters and Joiners Work are not yet finished, but can be completed in Four-Months, or less, if required. Likewise a BRIG, of about One Hundred and Ten Tons. She is all completed, except the Calking.

To be SOLD by the Subscriber, at Annapolis, for Bills, Cash, or Tobacco, A PARCEL of choice WEST-INDIA RUM

As a regular Intercourse by Sea, betwixt Maryland and Philadelphia, is generally thought a great Convenience to the Trading Gentlemen of both Provinces; by giving them an Opportunity of getting the Commodities of each Place, from each other, with quick Dispatch, and on safer and easier Terms, than they could before; the Subscriber intends to continue his Schooner, the MARYLAND-PACKET, in that Trade; agreeable to his Advertisement of September last. He hopes the Gentlemen of both Provinces will give him the Encouragement, his Desire to serve, and the Convenience he affords them, may merit. He will receive Goods on Freight, for any Part of Maryland, on low Terms, provided the Quantity will be sufficient to defray the Expence. The Vessel will be address'd to Bond and Byrn, Merchants in Philadelphia, who offer their Service to all the Gentlemen of Maryland, who have not an established Correspondency in Philadelphia, and will serve them with the utmost Punctuality, for the usual Commission. Orders to them, will meet with quick Dispatch; if sent to the Care of Col. Fitzhugh, at the Mouth of Patuxent, to John Martin, near Oxford; or by the several Posts. The Schooner is now in Philadelphia, and it is expected she will return, and be there again, by the Middle or last of April. JOHN MARTIN.

March 10, 1768. COMMITTED to the Jail of Frederick County, a Negro Boy, named Teby, says he belongs to Mr. Benjamin Grymes of Virginia. He is about Twelve Years old.—The owner is desired to take him away and pay Charges. GEORGE SCOTT, Sheriff.

W N T E D, A PERSON well acquainted with the Business of a COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE. Such a one, on Application to the Printer, will be duly encouraged.

JAMES M'MORRIS, HEREBY informs the Public, that he has open'd a TAVERN, on the Dock, at the Sign of the BLUE-BALL, near Charles Carroll's, Esq; where all Gentlemen Travellers, and others, will meet with good Entertainment, both for themselves and Horses. He likewise would be obliged to his Friends and Acquaintances, both on the Western and Eastern Shore, for their Custom.

Port-Tobacco, February 28, 1768. To be SOLD, by the Subscriber, to the highest Bidder, at Fauquier Court-House, in the Colony of Virginia, on Thursday the 28th of April next, if fair, if not, the next Year Day after.

SEVERAL PARCELS of LAND, lying in the said County, viz. The Plantation on which Mr. GEORGE LAMKIN lately dwelt, about Six Miles above the said Court-House, containing 100 Acres, and is conveniently situated for an Inn.—Five Hundred Acres near Goose-Creek, being the Tract on which THOMAS FURR, and several other Tenants, now live. This Land is level, well watered, wooded, and proper either for Farming or Planting, and on it are several small Orchards.—The other Tract contains 292 Acres, and lies in the Fork of Goose-Creek and Chattin-Run, (and very near to the Tract of 500 Acres.) On this a small Plantation is cleared, some Houses built, about 30 Acres of Meadow Ground ready for laying down with Grass-Seed, and about as much more to clear.—About 300 Apple, a few Peach, Cherry and Apricot Trees, are planted out, and a Grist-Mill lately erected.—These Lands were advertis'd to have been sold the 21st of December last, but the Weather proving bad, prevented it.—Should any Person incline to treat for the Whole, before the Day of Sale, they may do it at Port-Tobacco, with DANIEL JENIFER.

March 8, 1768. To be LET and entered on the 1st of December next, THE TENEMENT, whereon Nathaniel Slicer now lives, distant about 8 Miles from George-Town and Bladenburg. For further Particulars apply to the said Slicer, or DANIEL CARROLL.

February 27, 1768. At Capt. Madden's, in Prince-William County, in Virginia, on Tuesday the 21st of April next, will be sold, on Terms to be agreed on at the Day of Sale, SEVEN Thousand Acres of LAND, known by the Name of BRENTON; the whole will be laid off into Lots of 200 Acres, or otherwise, as may suit the Purchasers. It pays no Quit-Rents, and is, without Exception, equal to any Tract of that Extent, in Virginia. To any Person or Persons, inclinable to purchase Part, or the Whole, it will be requisite to pay One Third of the Money down, on receiving Deeds: For One Third Three Years, and the last Six Years, Credit will be allowed, with or without Interest, as may be agreed on. The Subscriber will be chiefly on the Land from this Date, and will treat with any one before the Day of Sale, for any Part or Parcel of the same. A good Title can be made to any Purchaser. ROBERT BRENT.

Patuxent Iron-Works, March 1, 1768. WE once more request all such as are indebted to the Estate of Richard Snowden, late of Patuxent Iron-Works, deceased, either on Mortgage, Bill of Sale, Bond, Note, or Open Account, to make immediate Payment, as no longer Credit can possibly be given: Therefore, all such as do not comply with the above Requisition, may expect we shall proceed in such Manner, (without respect to Persons) as will compel them.—And, as we would make it as easy as in our Power, will take any kind of Country Produce in Payment of the above-mentioned Debts. ELIZABETH SNOWDEN, THOMAS SAMUEL, and JOHN SNOWDEN, Executors.

P. S. We also desire all Persons indebted to us, of a Year or more standing, to make Payment, or at least come and settle their Accounts, to prevent such Steps as would be disagreeable to them, as well as to THO. SAM. and JOHN SNOWDEN.