

self or his Representative. This, Sir, is the Substance of our Petition, and I am ordered to transmit it to Charles Garth, Esq; special Agent for our House of Delegates, to be presented, and we shall request him to co-operate with yours, and the other Colony Agents, in endeavouring to procure us Relief, and hope with you, his Majesty's great Goodness of Heart will incline him to receive the dutiful Supplications of his remote Subjects with Favour and Attention.

Just before the Close of our Session, we received a Message from our Governor, a Copy of which you have herewith; and also a Copy of the Address by our House, in Answer thereto, which will fully convey to you their Sentiments on the Subject.

I am, in the Name, and by Order of the House of Representatives, S I R, with great Respect, your most humble and obedient Servant, ROBERT LLOYD, Speaker.

A LETTER to a FRIEND in LONDON.

S I R, Boston, July 2, 1768.

BY a Message from the Governor of this Province, to the House of Representatives, accompanied with an Extract from the Earl of Hillsborough's Letter, it appears that the Resolution of the former House, which gave Birth to their Circular Letter to the other Colonies, has been represented to his Majesty, in the odious Light of a Party, and factious Measure; and the last House have been required to rescind and disavow it. They have maturely considered the Requisition, and voted against a Compliance with it, by a Majority of 92 to 17. Could any Thing of this Nature appear strange on this Side the Water, one would wonder that a Measure so innocent in itself, so prudent, so salutary for his Majesty's American Subjects, so respectful to the Mother-Country, and so dutiful and loyal to the King, transacted in the View of the World, and finally laid before the Governor himself, without the least Notice from him, to the House or the Public, that he had any unfavourable Sentiments of it, could be thus misrepresented: But it has been the unhappy Fate of this Province, perhaps of all America, to be defamed and abused, without Intermission, by those who ought to afford to his Majesty, the best and truest Intelligence, and to fall under his Displeasure, at Times when they have flattered themselves they were in the Path of their Duty, and hoped for the Royal Protection and Favour. Such are the Times, and such the Country we live in! There are Men, Enemies to the King, and to his People, from whom both have a sacred Right to expect better Things, who have been incessantly endeavouring to strike out Sparks of Jealousy and Discord, which may one Day prove fatal to an Empire!—Behold, what a great Matter a little Fire kindleth! And unfortunately for us, these malignant Whispers seem to have the Ear and Attention of the Nation, while the is not aware, that there are Men in America, some perhaps, whose Rank and Station give her a just Right of Confidence, who seek their own Greatness, tho' at the Expence of her utter Ruin.—These Men are not satisfied with defaming the most worthy Characters:—They must proscribe a Province! A Continent! And, in Imitation of that *hominis patrie et humani generis*, they seem ardently to thirst for a Power to cut off the whole People at one Stroke! These are not the Suggestions of Party and Faction: They are the Sentiments of the Public: They were lately drawn into a dutiful and humble Petition to the Throne; wherein, among other Articles of Impeachment of a Governor of a Province, it is alledged, "That he has practised the sending over Depositions to the Ministry, against Gentlemen of Character, without giving the accused the least Notice of his Purposes and Proceedings." And, "That they have reason to apprehend, that he has endeavoured to persuade his Majesty's Ministers to believe, that an Intention was formed, and a Plan settled, in this, and the rest of the Colonies, treasonably to withdraw themselves, from all Connexion with, and Dependence upon Great-Britain; and from their natural Allegiance to his Majesty's sacred Person and Government." This Petition was read, and sustained, and partly accepted; and very probably would have been carried by a very large Majority, if the Governor had not immediately prorogued, and afterwards dissolved the Assembly.—There are Men, a real Faction, who seem to aim at hurrying the People into Despair and Distraktion; but when this same People have good Sense enough to pursue cool, dispassionate, but firm, and manly, rational and constitutional Measures—Measures which the Faction itself dare not but apparently avow—Measures which even Governor Bernard has been heard to say, he would have heartily joined in, if desired; these Men have the *Perfidy and Audacity*, to represent them to his Majesty's Ministers as the Designs of a desperate, expiring Faction, tending to create unwarrantable Combinations, and to excite an unjustifiable Opposition to the constitutional Authority of the Parliament! Good GOD! Shall we be for ever thus abused, without Redress! Shall we be incessantly defamed as Rebels and Traitors! Do we deserve to have Ships of War before us, as they now actually are, in hostile Appearance? Or can they be designed to put weak Women and Children into Terror? Shall we be perpetually threatened with Troops and Dragooning, for humbly laying before our Royal Sovereign, the Distress brought upon us, by the Machinations of his, and our Enemies; imploring his gracious Protection, and calling upon our Fellow-Subjects and Fellow-Sufferers, to join with us in humble Supplication! Is this Rebellion against a British King! Will the Nation much longer be deceived! What must be the Event! May Heaven avert the Ruin of the British Empire! America, if properly cherished now, will live to support that Empire! America may one Day however, bid Defiance to the proudest of her Enemies, and rise and shine imperial in the Western World: This good Land, not long since the Habitation of savage Beasts, and Men more savage, may yet be the happy Retreat of Independence and Freedom; abundantly sufficient to make some chosen Hair of the Brunswick Line, the most glorious Potentate the World has yet seen! Possibly you now think me enthusiastic.—I am calm and sedate: Let Britain live really Great, till in the Course of Time she must share the common Fate of Empires! 'Til that Event, it will be her own and

her Colonies Interest to be united: These I know must be your Sentiments as well as mine: It is then our Duty, as far as lies in our Power, to cultivate and establish the important Union.

I am, S I R, Your hearty Friend, and humble Servant,

WILLIAMSBURG, July 14.

Captains of Ships, and all others concerned, are desired to take Notice, that there is a Pirate upon the Coast of Porto-Rico, in the West-Indies. She is a Brigantine, Bermudas built, called the Kouli Khan, is single decked, about 56 Feet Keel, carries 16 Carrage-Guns, 24 Swivels, and Two Cohorns, and is navigated by 31 Men of different Nations, commanded by one Laurencine, and generally sails under English Colours. She has taken a Brig from St. Eustatia, a Sloop belonging to Coracca, a Sloop, and a Schooner belonging to Jamaica, and a Sloop, called the Success, from Antigua. The Particulars of the Capture of the last we hope to be able to give our Readers next Week. His Majesty's Ship the Magdalen, Captain Calder, has received Orders to repair to Bolton, and is sailed from Norfolk accordingly.

ANNAPOLIS, JULY 28.

This Morning arrived the DOROTHY and BETSEY, Capt. CREAMER, from LONDON, by whom we have received Public Prints to the 14th of May; but the Gazette being ready for the Press, are obliged to postpone other Intelligence until next Week.

May 11. Yesterday several Peers took the Oaths and their Seats in the House of Lords.

Yesterday the Hon. House of Commons unanimously rechose Sir John Cust, Bart. Member for Grantham, their Speaker for the ensuing Parliament.

Yesterday there were 420 Members of the new Parliament sworn in, and took their Seats in the House of Commons.

On Monday Night about Eight o'Clock, a Number of People assembled about the Mansion-House in a riotous Manner; when the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor going down among them in order to appease them was grossly insulted; and some of his Servants in endeavouring to prevent his Lordship's being hurt, were severely beaten. Several of the Rioters were secured and sent to the Poultry-Compter.

Yesterday in the Forenoon a great Body of People assembled about the King's-Bench Prison, in Expectation, as it is said, that Mr. Wilkes was to go from thence to the Parliament House, and designing to convey him thither. They demanded him at the Prison, and grew very tumultuous whereupon the Riot-Act was begun to be read, but they threw Stones and Brickbats while it was reading, when a young Fellow, Son of the Master of the Horse-shoe, a Public House in Blackman-Street, being singled out, was pursued by one of the Soldiers, and shot dead on the Spot. Soon after this, the Crowd increasing, an additional Number of the Guards was sent for, who marched thither, and also a Party of Horse Grenadiers; when the Riot continuing, the Mob were fired upon by the Soldiers, and it is said, Five or Six were killed on the Spot, and about 15 wounded. Two Women were among the wounded; one of whom died Yesterday Evening in St. Thomas's Hospital, and the other was not expected to survive 'til Morning.

A Confirmation is received of the blowing up of the Defiance, an East-India Ship, (mentioned on Thursday) and that the Accident happened on the 27th of December last, in her Passage from Bombay to Baffora, by the Carelessness of the Gunner's Steward in drawing some Arrack: She had above 300 Men on board, including Seamen, all Blacks, except some European Officers and Sergeants, and only 35 Men were saved.

May 13. Mr. Wilkes is still in the King's-Bench, and not sent to the Tower, or poisoned, as reported Yesterday.

On Wednesday a great Number of Seamen, to the Number of 10,000, marched through the City, in the most orderly Manner imaginable, not allowing any Set of Men to mix with them. No. 45, and all other Party Marks, they totally abolished; and they would allow of no other Words than "GOD bless the King, and Prosperity to the Parliament."—When they came to Westminster, they were posted in Abingdon-Buildings, where they remained as quiet as possible, and helped the Constables to keep the Peace. In the mean Time, Capt. Fall, their Agent, delivered a Petition, setting forth, That the Necessaries of Life were so dear, that, without an Addition of Wages, they could not maintain their Families. Capt. W. attended by Capt. Fall, and Messrs. Bell and Greenville, Masters of Ships, got on the Top of a Coach, and assured them they could not obtain their Request immediately, but that as soon as possible they would endeavour to get them Relief; at the same Time begged they would go home to their different Ships, and behave peaceably, in the same orderly Manner they had continued all Day. The Word of Command being given by their Captain, they marched off peaceably; and there is not the least Doubt but they will return to their Duties for their own Good, and the Satisfaction of the Public. At the same Time, Three or Four Lords, and other Gentlemen, took great Pains to put them to Rights; and it is expected they will have Relief in the Beginning of the Session.

Yesterday the riotous Sailors unrigged several Dutch, and other Ships, at Deptford, to prevent their sailing. Yesterday Morning, the small Field-Pieces, and other Arms, belonging to the Hon. Artillery-Company, were removed from their Armory, in the Artillery-Ground, to the Tower, for Fear of any Seizure being made thereof by the Populace.

May 14. Yesterday Morning died of a Decline, at Carlton-House, her Royal Highness the Princess Louisa Anne, in the 19th Year of her Age, Third Daughter of her Royal Highness the Princess Dowager of Wales, to the great Grief of their Majesties, and all the Royal Family.

Lately died, in Cecil County, Mr. HENRY BAKER, one of the Representatives for that County.

WANTED,

TWO good WORKMEN in the Goldsmith Way.—Such will meet with Encouragement, by applying to

THOMAS SPARROW.

None but good Workmen need apply.

THIS is to give Notice to all Persons who have any legal Claims against the Estate of John Taylor, late of Charles County, deceased, that they bring in the same to be adjusted; and the Subscriber hopes, that all those indebted to said Estate, will take this as a sufficient Warning, to come and pay off their respective Balances. ROBERT GORDON, Executor.

Annapolis, July 28, 1768.

WHEREAS my late Master, Mr. ANDREW BRIDGEMAN, has generously declined his Business of BARBER and PERUKE-MAKER, in Favour of the Subscriber, who has removed next Door to Mr. Robert Couden's, where he has supplied himself with a fresh Assortment of Hair, and other Materials, for carrying on his Business, and hopes for the Encouragement of all Gentlemen, Ladies, and others, as they may depend on being served honestly, with every Article, in his Way, and after the newest Fashions. (tf) JAMES REID.

Kent-Island, July 5, 1768.

THE Subscriber having declined keeping Ferry, from his House to Annapolis, he takes this Method of returning his sincere Thanks to those who have obliged him with their Favours; and begs Leave to acquaint the Public, that the Ferry is now kept at Broad-Creek, to where the Boats and Hands are removed, and the usual Attendance, by them, will be given. JAMES HUTCHINGS.

Broad-Creek, July 5, 1768.

THE Subscriber informs the Public, that he has opened a House of Entertainment, at Broad-Creek, where the sometime ago lived, and to where the Ferry (that was lately kept from Mr. James Hutchings's to Annapolis) is now removed: She will be much obliged to the Public for their Custom and Favours, as she will make it her peculiar Study to please and give Satisfaction to her Customers, and the best Attendance will be given with the Ferry-Boats, both here, and at Annapolis, for Passengers. (w4) SARAH FLYNN.

The Ferry-men are to be spoke with, at Mr. James M'Mordie's, the Sign of the Blue-Ball, near the Dock.

ALL Persons indebted to the Estate of my late Husband, Charles Minskis, late of the City of Annapolis, deceased, are desired to pay their respective Balances, due to the said Estate, in order to enable the Subscriber to pay the several Creditors, as far as the said Estate will reach. MARY ANN MINSKIE, Executrix.

N. B. The said Executrix, having Two excellent Workmen, carries on the Staymakers Business in all its Branches, to as great Perfection, and in as neat Fashions, as has been done in this Place: She makes all Sorts of Womens Apparel, also Gowns, Cloaks, Slips, and quilts Womens Petticoats to a very great Nicety: As also makes Mens wearing Apparel, both coarse and fine: She would be very much obliged, and esteem it as a Favour, that Ladies and Gentlemen would please to make Trial of their humble Servant, who should be proud to serve and oblige them, in any of the above Branches. M. A. MINSKIE.

WANTS EMPLOYMENT,

A YOUNG Gentleman, lately arrived from England, who has been accustomed to Business, and will serve as a Clerk, upon moderate Terms. Apply to Alexander Lawless, near Baltimore-Town.

Charles County, July 17, 1768.

PURSUANT to the late Act of Assembly, relative to the Reverend Mr. John M'Pherse, we the Trustees therein named, do appoint Wednesday the 11th Day of August next, to meet at Fort-Tobacco, in Charles County, to receive the Claims of the several Creditors of the said M'Pherse, who are willing to accept their Dividend, under that Act.

JOSIAS HAWKINS, GEORGE DEBT, SAMUEL LOVE.

Prince-George's County, July 21, 1768.

WHEREAS ALICE, the Wife of the Subscriber, hath eloped, without any reasonable Cause, I do hereby give this public Notice, that I will not pay any Debts of her contracting, after this Date. RICHARD STARBUCK.

Annapolis, July 26, 1768.

TAKEN up, by the Subscriber, on the 25th Inst. a small Clinch BOAT, about 8 Feet long, with Two Oars, a small Ring-Bolt, and Two Links of a Chain, at her Stem. (wa) JOHN SANDS.

Baltimore County, July 23, 1768.

RAN away last Night, from the Subscriber, living at My Lady's Manor, near the Chapel, a Convict Servant Man, named WILLIAM OAK, of a middle Stature, and wears his own short brown Hair, which curls; he is a pretty good Scholar, a cunning artful Fellow, and will endeavour to forge a Pass, has lately had a Hurt over his left Eye, which is now sore, and has an old Scar on his left Ankle: Had on, when he went away, a large Iron Collar, with Two Rivets in each End; an old Felt Hat, a lappelled chequer'd Saddle-Cloth Jacket, a Country Linen Shirt, a Pair of Hempen Roll Trowsers, a Pair of old Stockings, but no Shoe.

It is supposed he will endeavour to get his Collar off, before he travels, also furnish himself with other Cloaths, and then either steal a Horse to go off, or get a Reaping-hook, and pass for a Reaper, as he is a very good one.—Whoever takes up, and secures said Servant, so as his Master may have him again, shall receive, if taken within 20 Miles, Three Pounds, and if 40 Miles, Five Pounds, with reasonable Charges, paid by the Subscriber. (wa) THOMAS TALBOTT.

RAN away from the S... of Kent County, ... last, a Convict Servant ... about 4 Feet 8 Inc ... very much in her ... considered: Had on, wh ... Woolsey Gown, Two Osh ... to these, made out of old ... the went with one Thomas ... for his Wife; the said Mo ... black Hair, mean Appa ... ber.—Whoever secur ... her Master may have her ... besides what the Law allow

RAN away last Night, in Baltimore-Town, ... named LERAY T ... of Age, 5 Feet 5 or 6 Inc ... light coloured Hair, th ... very wide; he is by Tra ... imported in the William a ... on, and took with him, ... Waistcoat, black Cloth E ... dirty Rip'd Linen Trow ... Thread Stockings, and ... White-Metal Buckles, an ... and dour'd.—It is pro ... as he has gther Cloaths ... dark coloured Wigs, th ... Two curled Bob, with T ... tins Four, and the othe ... Whoever takes up the ... that his Master may h ... taken in Town, Twent ... from Town, Forty Shilli ... Three Pounds Reward ... brought home, paid by ... (w5) N. B. All Masters of ... bear said Lad on board,

JAMES DIC ... Have opened Store, in B ... angement of Mr. Joh ... next Door to Mr. Ada ... mas Richardson, de ... W ... OF EUROPEAN ... be sold cheap, for read ... Duck, and Ship Chand ... all Sizes. And, as th ... Supply of Cordage, a ... Communication betwe ... Li, they can furnish a ... Newington Rope-Walk ... ders being lodged with

ALL Persons inde ... deceased, on his ... to settle their Accou ... have Claims against hi ... Accounts, that they ... (w4) ANTHON

THE Death of my ... son, makes it my ... Partnership, of Steva ... ly closed: I therefore ... Company, will, with ... their respective Balan ... in their Power to p ... the Necessity of settlin ... or Note, which will ... (w4)

BASIL ... WATCHM ... Near the MARKE ... MAKES and sel ... Success he ha ... Gentlemen that ha ... their Watches, giv ... ance of their Favou ... as well as Interest ... Public, he flatters h ... couragement, as li ... ed by him, shall ... Six Years, and kee ... (Accidents except ... annually; and, as ... high Charges are ... being desirous to d ... to his Employers, ... Rates as possible, a ... any Piece of Work ... by which Method, ... whether they chus ... also be sure of mee

MARIA ... From ... is just arrived in ... the ... WHERE the ... FASHION, Hats, Bo ... for young Ladies, ... also washes Lace ... equal to new; li ... To be SOLD, ... GOOD Wef ... lasses by ... by the Barrel. ... (w4) N. B. I shall ... Tons, in Osh