

POETS CORNER.

ODE TO A FRIEND.

IN this soft season let me stray
Far from the lawless seats of strife,
Where peace and virtue lead the way,
Where truth emits her cheering ray,
And innocence gives joy to life.

On some enamell'd bank reclin'd,
When varied scenes each sense delight,
Oft let me feast my wand'ring mind,
And that sweet consolation find,
Which tells me—All is right.

But chief with gratitude my soul be fraught,
To heav'n be ev'ry ardent pray'r address'd,
To crown with joys, surpassing human thought,
The hand, the kindly hand, that made me blest;
That bad each sorrow from my soul remove,
Banish'd despair, and gave me peace and love.

Let each fond nymph and rustic swain
Proclaim Amintor's faith and truth,
Echo each grove and verdant plain,
The praises of the god-like youth.

Amintor, emblem of the SPRING,
Diffuses blessings all around,
No jealous pangs his bosom sting,
Nor worthless deeds his conscience wound;

Like SUMMER's heat, his friendship glows,
Exempt from ev'ry sordid view,
By him the wretched find repose,
And future blissful scenes pursue:

His gen'rous and expanded mind,
The sweet abode of heart-felt peace,
Like AUTUMN, crowns the lab'ring hind,
And gives to industry increase.

When stealing WINTER vents his rage,
Each earthly prospect to destroy,
O bless, kind heav'n, Amintor's age
With gleams of never-fading joy.

Annapolis, March 15, 1774.

THE widow Flynn takes this method of informing the public and her old customers in particular, that she hath once more furnished herself with a house (in Church street near the Dock) and every thing necessary for the accommodation of such gentlemen and ladies as choose private lodgings, either by the year, quarter, month, week, or day, as may be most convenient to them. Those ladies and gentlemen who please to favour her with their custom, may depend on the utmost care and fidelity, by their most obedient humble servant,

SARAH FLYNN.

The SHIP ANNAPOLIS, Feb. 10, 1774.

CAPTAIN EDEN takes this Method of informing his Friends in Patuxent, that, in compliance with the request of many of them, he intends to carry her round to Benedict next month, in order to remove the apprehensions they seemed to have, of too long a water carriage for their tobacco in small craft; and begs that, in order to prevent any unnecessary delays, those whom he may not have an opportunity of seeing, or applying to, will leave their notes for the tobacco intended for him with the inspectors of the different warehouses; and also any orders for goods they may want from England, by the return of the ship, in the latter part of the summer. Insurance is ordered, and shall be inserted in the bills of lading of those who do not desire to the contrary.

His correspondents, in other parts of the province, who are desirous of getting their tobacco home by this opportunity to a very early market, are requested to give him timely notice, when and where it is ready, in order that he may send craft. But if it should be convenient for them to send it by their own vessels, or to hire any upon the spot, he will acknowledge their taking that trouble as an additional favour, and will pay the usual freights on the delivery thereof on board the ship at Annapolis, where she will continue 3 or 4 weeks from this date, or afterwards in Patuxent.

The accounts of sales for the last voyage are daily expected.

Annapolis, Dec. 7 1773.

THE subscriber being possessed of more houses and lots in this city than are necessary for the accommodation of his own family, is willing to dispose of one or more of them to any person that is willing to purchase. For further particulars enquire of

JOHN CAMPBELL.

LAND TO BE SOLD.

TWO tracts of land at the mouth of Connecocheague, containing five hundred thirty-three acres and three quarters of an acre, which I purchased at the sale of the manor, whereon Mr. Minor keeps public house, and where my brother George lived; whereon is a house two storie high with brick chimnies, three fire rooms below and three above, with cellars, barns, outhouses, &c. a good meadow, and plenty of timber to support it for many, many years. But it is so well known to every Jersey or Pennsylvania man, who ever went to the southward to look out for land for his children, that there is no occasion to say one word in praise of it. Whoever buys it shall have possession of it next fall, time enough to put a crop of winter grain in the ground.

DAVID ROSS.

February 24, 1774.

TO be sold by the subscriber at his store in Annapolis, fine hyson tea, London double refined loaf sugar, West-India cotton, melasses, good country sole and upper leather.

THOMAS HYDE.

Annapolis, December 8, 1773.

PRYSE and PARKER,

COACH and COACH HARNESS MAKERS from London,

TAKE this method to acquaint the public, that they have just furnished themselves with a large quantity of the best materials for the coach-making business, which they now carry on, in all its various branches, at their shop just without the Town-gate, opposite the smith's shop; and flatter themselves they can give as great satisfaction to those ladies and gentlemen who please to favour them with their commands as any of the trade, as they have had many years experience in the most eminent and approved of shops in London. All orders shall be punctually executed on the shortest notice and on the most reasonable terms.

Said Pryse carries on the saddlers and harness-making business as usual, and hopes, from his constant endeavours to oblige, for a continuance of encouragement from the public.

Annapolis, February 16, 1774.

FOR LONDON,

THE brigantine Peggy Stewart, Richard Jackson master, will be at Selby's landing on Patuxent river, by the 1st of March next; ready to take on board tobacco, at seven pounds per ton, consigned to Wallace, Davidson and Johnson; those of their friends who incline to take the advantage of an early market, are requested to have their tobacco ready with a view of dispatching her.

Kent county, Jan. 5, 1774.

THE subscriber's salary being lessened in value almost one half by an act passed the last session, for the support of the clergy of the church of England in this province; he finds it necessary for the support of his family and other purposes, to join to his ministerial office some other business. He has therefore opened a grammar school at his house in Kent county, about five miles from Rock-Hall, where gentlemen may have their sons boarded, and taught the latin and greek tongues, and other parts of literature in the best manner, at thirty pounds per annum, and the greatest care taken of them.

ROBERT READ.

Annapolis, Jan. 27, 1774.

SPRIGGS and DONALDSON, tailors, stay-makers and ladies habit-makers, take this method to inform the public, that they have just imported from London a large quantity of the best materials for carrying on the stay-making business, and are now removed into the house where Mr. Robert Pinkney lately lived. All orders from their customers and others in either of the above branches of business will be thankfully received and speedily executed.

N. B. Ladies and gentlemen from the country are desired to send the cash for such goods as they may be pleased to order.

March 9, 1774.

WANTED AS A PARTNER

A Man that understands malting and brewing in all its branches, and can come well recommended. For further particulars enquire of the Printers hereof.

To be SOLD, at PUBLIC VENDOR,

on Monday the 28th of March, at Alexandria, (pursuant to the condition of a bottomry bond from Mr. Dan. J. Adams to the subscriber)

THE brigantine ANNE and ELIZABETH, a strong well built vessel, about four years old, lately repaired, and furnished with two anchors and cables quite new. This vessel will carry about 5000 bushels of grain, or 800 barrels of flour, and may be seen at any time at Mr. Robert Adam's wharf. The terms of sale will be made known on the day, by

Feb. 26, 1774. w3 G. WASHINGTON.

Fincastle county, Virginia, January 27, 1774.

NOTICE is hereby given to the gentlemen officers and soldiers, who claim land under his majesty's proclamation of the 7th of October 1763, having obtained warrants from his excellency, the right honourable the earl of Dunmore, directed to the surveyor of Fincastle county, and intend to locate their land on or near the Ohio, below the mouth of the great Kanhawa or new river. That several assistant surveyors will attend at the mouth of the New River on Thursday the 14th day of April next; to survey for such only as have or may obtain his lordship's warrant for that purpose. I would therefore request that the claimants, or their agents, will be very punctual in meeting at the time and place above mentioned, properly provided with chain carriers and other necessaries, to proceed on the business without delay. As several gentlemen acquainted with that part of the country, are of opinion, that to prevent insults from strolling parties of Indians, there ought to be at least 50 men on the river below the great Kanhawa, to attend the business, as the gentlemen present may judge most proper until it is done, or the season prevent them from surveying any more, should the gentlemen concerned be of the same opinion, they will doubtless furnish that or any less number they may believe necessary. It is hoped the officers, or their agents, who may have land surveyed, particularly such as do not reside in the colony, will be careful to send the surveyors fees, when the certificates are demanded.

w3 WILLIAM PRESTON, surveyor of Fincastle.

RAN away from the subscriber, living near Fing Point in Anne-Arundel county, on the 28th day of December last, a stout healthy boy, named JOHN WALSH, 15 years of age: Had on when he went away, a striped country cloth jacket kersey wove, a brown cloth ditto, a pair of full'd country cloth breeches, a check shirt, a pair of new yarn stockings, old shoes, brass buckles, and a fan-tail'd hat. Whoever takes up the said boy, and brings him to his master (the subscriber) shall receive two dollars reward if taken in the county aforesaid, if out of the county three dollars, exclusive of what the law allows, to be paid by

w3 THOMAS SHEPLES.

N. B. Let this forewarn all masters of vessels and others not to harbour him.

THERE is at the plantation of Nicholas Watkins, living on Elk-Ridge in Anne-Arundel county, taken up as a stray, a black gelding, about 3 or 4 years old, 13 and an half hands high, branded on the near buttock but not distinctly, has a star in his forehead, a snip on his nose, a switch tail, and hanging mane, his hind feet are white, and he appears never to have been broke. The owner may have him again, on proving property and paying charges.

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TO BE SOLD

ON the premises, to the highest bidder, on the 15th day of April, the lots and houses whereon Mr. John Morton Jordan resided, in the city of Annapolis. They will be sold separately, or together, as may suit the purchasers; two years credit will be allowed, on giving bond with security, to

WILLIAM BERNARD

March 2, 1774.

TO be sold a likely young country born negro fellow, aged twenty-six years, has had the small pox and measles, he has always been very healthy; any person in want, may depend he is well qualified for any sort of plantation work; for further particulars apply to Mr. Allen Quin in Annapolis.

TO BE LET ON CHARTER TO EUROPE,

A Ship of 440 hogheads of tobacco burden, now in the country: Also a ship of 550 hogheads, expected in March. For terms apply to Mr. Colin Campbell, Annapolis.

RAN away from the subscriber's plantation, near Poplar Spring Chapel, in Anne Arundel county, an Irish convict servant, named Lawrence Connolly, about eighteen years old, swarthy complexion, slim made, speaks much in that dialect; had on and took with him, a blue coat and waist coat double breasted; white shirt, worsted stockings, new shoes, and a Carolina felt hat. Whoever takes up the said servant, and delivers him to Charles Porter, overseer on said plantation, or the subscriber living on Elk-Ridge, shall receive as a reward twenty shillings if taken twenty miles from home, thirty shillings if thirty miles, forty shillings if forty miles, and three pounds if out of the province, besides what the law allows.

JOHN DORSEY.

BORROWED or LOST, the two following books, viz. Clare on fluids, with the words Jacobous Hemmingway written in it; and the second volume of Burn's Justice, 7th edition. Any person having them in possession is desired to bring them to the printers.