

answer to one I made free of sending to the honourable congress. Your honour in that letter did assure me I should have the earliest notice, and your interest, if it should seem necessary to the honourable congress to embody any more troops than what were already raised; I have hitherto rested content with a strict reliance on your word, I now humbly presume your honourable convention are about to raise troops, and therefore I do solicit your interest in my favour as a major in one of the battalions: if this should fail, the next office would be acceptable. As to my military ability, you may be informed of that by asking col. Thompson. All I can or chuse to say for myself is, that a sense of the insult offered to my injured country has begat in me an ardent desire to risk my life in its defence. I hope, Sir, you'll pardon my freedom with you, being almost wholly a stranger to you.

I must beg you to excuse my inclosing the bill in this place, and that I would not be understood that I mean to purchase your interest or favour therewith; no Sir, upon my soul, my sentiments are much the contrary of you, neither would it accord with your former conduct and general character.

My not doubting but he had received the letter I sent to Frederick, I omitted telling him here, that it was the fee I had promised him; and, lest he should think it a bribe I had inclosed him, which would have been a grand insult upon the general indeed, and an incontestable evidence of my ignorance, I therefore proceeded to apologize for my sending the bill inclosed.--- Now let the impartial public judge.

RICHARD ELLIS.

In CONVENTION, 29 June, 1776.  
RESOLVED, That the bills of credit issued by the Congress and the Conventions of this province, be received by the commissioners of the loan-office in payment of any interest due to the said office.

Extract from the minutes,

G. DUVALL, clk.

In CONVENTION, May 22, 1776.  
RESOLVED, That a public salt-work be erected on or near the Bay, near the mouth of Patowmack, and another on the sea board of this province; and that the said works be carried on on the public account, under the management and direction of such persons as shall be appointed by the Council of Safety for the time being; and that any sum of public money, not exceeding the sum of five hundred pounds, may, by order of the said Council of Safety, be expended in erecting and carrying on each of the said works.

Extract from the minutes,

G. DUVALL, clk.

In COUNCIL of SAFETY, June 10, 1776.  
ALL persons who are willing to undertake the erecting and carrying on salt-works, agreeable to the above resolve of the late Convention, are requested to attend the Council, and give in their proposals, which will be duly attended to.

By order,

G. DUVALL, clk.

honourable Convention as a board of accounts, to receive and audit all accounts against the public, will attend for that purpose in the city of Annapolis, on Monday the 15th instant, and will continue the Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday following. As we cannot attend again before Monday the 12th of August, those who have any claims are desired to bring them in properly proved.

July 6, 1776.

THOMAS CONTEE,  
THOMAS RINGGOLD,  
WILLIAM RICHARDSON.

WHEREAS a certain Cleland was assessed the sum of ten pounds by the committee of Anne-Arundel county, for not enrolling in the militia agreeable to the resolves of the Convention; and whereas I was empowered by the said committee to collect and receive the said money, and whereas the said Cleland hath refused to pay the said sum within one month after notice of such assessment, and I have this day distrained a horse of the said Cleland's for payment, NOTICE is hereby given, that the said horse will be exposed to sale on Tuesday next, at Mr Middleton's tavern, between the hours of 9 and 10 o'clock in the morning, for the payment of the said ten pounds and charges.

JOHN BULLEN.

WAS found, within three miles of Mr. Toontell's tavern, in the road that leads to Baltimore, a silver table spoon. Whoever proves it their property may have it again on paying charges, by applying to Charles Jacob, watchmaker in Annapolis. Likewise a gold cornelian seal, with a coat of arms, I stopt in my shop, the property I believe, of some of the inhabitants of this city.

Annapolis, July 9, 1776.

STRAYED from the subscriber on the 24th of June, a dark gray mare, about 7 years old, she is near 14 hands high, has a small switch'd tail with a hanging mane; as she has been accustomed to work in the plough may probably have some marks of the harness. She paces, trots and canters pleasantly, and has a number of dark coloured spots, particularly on her rump and legs. Whoever will bring her home, or give information of her, so that she may be had, shall receive 20 shillings reward.

JAMES MURRAY.

June 30, 1776.  
COMMITTED to my custody as runaways, the following servants and slaves, viz. Peter Ingles, a Scotman; negroes Joe and Summer; say they belong to Arthur Wheatly of Dorset county. Benj. Lennon, an Irishman, says he belongs to capt. Ewing of said county. Negro Adam, says he belongs to Levin Woolford of said county. The above servants and slaves came down the Bay in a batteau, painted red; their masters are desired to take them away and pay charges to

HUGH HOPEWELL, sher. of St. Mary's co.

July 3, 1776.  
RAN away from the subscriber, living in Frederick county in the province of Maryland, on the 10th day of May last, a negro man called PHIL, about twenty years of age: had on, when he went away, an iron collar about his neck, and no cloathing on but a coarse country linen shirt and an old pair of country cloth breeches. The said negro was formerly the property of one Green, near to Port-Tobacco in Charles county, and sold to the subscriber last February by a certain Basil Lucas, living near George-Town in Frederick county, and in all probability will go back amongst his old acquaintance. Whoever takes up and secures the said negro in any jail, or brings him home to his said master, shall receive 20 dollars, paid by

JAMES SMITH.

Annapolis, July 2, 1776.  
RAN away from the subscriber's plantation, called the Seven Mounts, at the mouth of Magotty river in Anne-Arundel county, the following indentured servants, viz.

JOSEPH MOSS, an English seaman, about 21 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches high, black hair and ruddy complexion: had on an ofnabrig shirt and trousers and a felt hat.

MICHAEL DELANEY, an Irish farmer, 5 feet 7 inches high, a thick well set fellow, dark hair and complexion: had on an ofnabrig shirt and trousers and a worsted cap.

JOHN NEWLAND, an Englishman, bred up a waiter, about 23 years old, 5 feet 8 inches high, ruddy complexion and brown hair: had on an ofnabrig shirt and trousers, a fan-tail castor hat, an old superfine crimson coloured cloth coat with gold basket buttons; but as he took other cloaths with him, it is probable he or they may change their dress and names.

They went off in a new clinch-work boat 10 or 12 feet keel, with a sail made of an ofnabrig sheet. Newland is fond of strong drink, and when so is very talkative. Whosoever will bring the said servants to Robert Heath, overseer at the subscriber's said plantation, or secure them in the public jails of this province, shall receive a reward of 15 pounds currency, or 5 pounds for either of them.

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WILLIAM WORTHINGTON.

SIX POUNDS REWARD

Fort Frederick Furnace, July 1, 1776.

RAN away last night, two servant men, viz STEPHEN RICHARDS, a convict, has been four years in the country, a miner, born in Cornwall, a little fellow not exceeding 5 feet 5 or 7 inches high, hard featured and pitted with the small-pox, is bow legged and wears his hair tied: had on and took with him a country linen shirt and trousers cotton jacket died brown, a country linsiey ditto, country shoes, broad brass buckles, and a good felt hat; he is about 28 years of age.

JOHN JONES, an indentured servant, has been in the country about 15 months, born in Wales, about 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, has been brought up about iron works and is acquainted with the different branches of the business, dark complexion and pitted with the small-pox, short curled black hair, has a sour look, small eyes, speaks broken English: had on and took with him one ofnabrig shirt, blue cotton trousers, blue upper jacket, one under ditto made of Welch cotton with sleeves, an old castor hat, and half worn shoes and buckles.

Whoever takes up said servants and brings them home, or secures them so that the subscriber gets them again, shall receive if 20 miles from home 20 s. if 30 miles 30 s. if 40 miles 40 s. for each, if 60 miles the above reward including what the law allows.

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DENTON JACQUES.

HEREBY give notice to the representatives of the estate of James Maccubbin, deceased, that unless they indemnify me by the 22d instant, from the claims of the creditors against said estate, I will expose the same to sale in order to discharge the said claims.

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WILLIAM WOODWARD, admr.

Upper Marlborough, Prince-George's county, June 25, 1776.

COMMITTED to my custody as a runaway, a Scots woman, who calls herself Cullen Stewart, and says she belongs to a certain Robert Fryer, about 20 miles above Alexandria in Virginia, on the Leeburg road. She is a luffy young woman, and has on an old country cloth jacket, a pretty good country cloth petticoat, and a country flaxen linen shirt. Her master is desired to pay charges and take her from

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RALPH FORSTER.

June 6, 1776.  
THE copartnership of the subscribers being now at an end, all persons indebted are desired to settle their accounts either by bond or note; those that do not comply by the 20th of July, may depend on application being made to the committee of licence, without respect to persons.

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JAMES LEATCH,  
GILBERT IRELAND.

EIGHT DOLLARS REWARD.

Paxton, June 26, 1776.

RAN away from the subscriber, living in Paxton township, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, on the 5th day of May, an indentured servant lad named JAMES HANNAH, about 18 years of age, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches high, of a ruddy complexion, short brown hair, full faced and well made: had on when he went away, an old whitish coloured coat with metal buttons, a coarse blue broad cloth jacket, a pair of striped linen trousers, a new felt hat, and a pair of black yarn stockings, half worn shoes with steel buckles, can neither read nor write. Whosoever takes up said servant and secures him, so as his master may have him again, shall have the above reward and reasonable charges, paid by

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JOSEPH HUTCHINSON.

N. B. All recruiting officers in the navy and army are requested not to insist on him, and all masters of vessels are forbid to carry him off.

THOMAS HARWOOD, jun. treasurer of the Western-shore, will give constant attendance at his office in West-street, Annapolis, to give in exchange bills of credit emitted by the Provincial Convention of Maryland the seventh day of December, 1775, for those emitted by the Convention the twenty-sixth day of July, 1775.

THE Subscriber will attend at Talbot county Court-House, on every Tuesday of the week, for the purpose of giving in exchange bills of credit, emitted by the Provincial Convention the seventh day of December, 1775, for those emitted by the Provincial Convention the twenty-sixth day of July, 1775.

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WILLIAM HINDMAN,  
treasurer of the Eastern-shore.

Upper Marlborough, June 1, 1776.  
THE subscriber, intending to quit the province as soon as he can bring his affairs into such compass as to be left to an agent, earnestly intreats all persons indebted to him to settle their accounts, by giving bond with security for their respective balances. Those who do not comply with this reasonable request, may depend that immediate application will be made to the committee for leave to bring suits against them; and all persons who have claims against him are desired to bring them in, that they may be adjusted and discharged. The discharge of all balances due to him as agent, and should any dispute arise on such balances, and on application to himself he may not be able to satisfy the person about it, he will readily submit such to any one, two or more gentlemen in the neighbourhood where such person lives who disputes them; and, for the ease of those who cannot pay money, he will take tobacco, corn, cattle, horses, sheep, or any thing else they may have to dispose of, that there is the least prospect of turning into cash soon, in discharge of them.

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RALPH FORSTER.

RAN away from the subscriber, living in Calvert county, on Monday the 10th of June, a luffy negro fellow named WILL: had on when he went away, a country cloth jacket, ofnabrig shirt and trousers; 'tis probable he may alter his dress. Whosoever takes up the said negro, or secures him in any gaol, so as I may get him again, shall be entitled to a reward of twenty shillings, besides what the law allows.

ALEXANDER OGG.

June 26, 1776.  
RAN away from the subscriber, living in Prince-George's county, near Mr. Richard Snowden's Iron-works, on Sunday last, a convict servant man named WILLIAM SHAPPARD, by trade a shoemaker, about 5 feet 4 or 5 inches high, has short brown hair, is of a swarthy complexion, and has an ugly down look. He has been hurt in his right leg, which causes him to limp and to walk on the end of his toes on that side: had on and took with him a castor hat almost new, an old claret coloured coat much torn on the shoulders, new green jacket, ofnabrig shirt, old leather breeches patched on the knees, white yarn stockings, and an old pair of shoes.

The above servant ran away on the 10th of May last and was taken up and brought home a day or two before he took his last departure. He stole out of my pasture on Sunday last a young black mare 3 years old, about 13 hands 3 inches high, docked but not branded, her off hind foot white. He also took with him a set of shoemakers tools.

Whoever secures the said servant and mare, so that their master may get them again, shall receive five pounds reward: for the servant alone three pounds, and for the mare forty shillings, and if brought home all reasonable charges, paid by

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JOSEPH DUVALL.

Pig-Point, June 14, 1776.

A GOOD WEAVER. Either a single man or a man with a small family, that will come well recommended, shall meet with encouragement by applying to

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WILLIAM SIMMONS, son of Richard.