

four Tories, who were coming over to the  
upon the mercy of their country. They  
at they went as wagoners with the British  
Brunswick to Somerset, and expected their  
to Philadelphia; that they retreated with  
Brunswick, from thence to Amboy, and thence  
-Island; that, so far as they could learn, they  
treated because he did not think proper to  
Washington, or to leave him in his rear while  
d attempt a march towards Philadelphia; that  
id in the army, that they were going to Eng-  
thers, that they were going up the North river  
nfusion. They have pitched their tents upon  
land."

letter from gen. Washington to congress, dated  
camp at Middle-Brook, June 28, 1777.

Thursday morning gen. Howe advanced with  
e army, in several columns, from Amboy to  
Westfield. We are certainly informed that the  
sent to Staten-Island returned the preceding  
and, it is said, with an augmentation of men  
o that carrying them there was a feint, with  
to deceive us. His design, in this feint,  
nt, was either to bring on a general engage-  
on disadvantageous terms, considering the  
point of view, or to cut off our light parties,  
d Stirling's division, which was sent down  
them, or to possess himself of the heights and  
the mountains on our left. The two last feints  
the first objects of his attention, as his march  
d against these parties, and indicated a strong  
on to gain those passes. In this situation of  
it was thought absolutely necessary that we  
move our force from the low grounds to occupy  
ths before them, which was effected. As they  
d, they fell in with some of our light parties,  
t of lord Stirling's division, with which they  
e pretty smart skirmishing, but very little loss,  
on our side, except in three field pieces,  
unfortunately fell into the enemy's hands; but  
ng obtained returns yet, I cannot determine its  
ertainty, nor can we ascertain what the enemy's  
As soon as we had gained the passes, I de-  
body of light troops, under brig. gen. Scott,  
on their flank, and to watch their motions,  
ered Morgan's corps of riflemen to join him.  
The enemy remained at Westfield till yesterday  
n, when about three o'clock they moved to  
-pank-town, with our light troops in their rear  
fuing. The enemy have plundered all before  
nd, it is said, burnt some houses.

I have the honour to be, &c.  
G. WASHINGTON.

of a letter from the same to congress, dated Head-  
rs, Middle-Brook, June 29, 1777, 9 o'clock, P. M.

ave not been able to ascertain yet, with any  
of precision, the loss sustained by the enemy in  
ral skirmishes on Thursday, tho' we have many  
to believe it was much more considerable than  
was apprehended to be when I had the honour  
fing you of the subject.

to our loss, I am assured by lord Stirling, that  
siding; and by such deserters as have come in,  
y law but very few prisoners taken. It would  
en certainly known before this—that (that is  
not yet returned) had not some of the parties  
ieve the most which were then out, joined  
s since detached.

I have the honour to be, &c.  
G. WASHINGTON.

o. P. S. The prisoners taken by us were thirty-  
o of which are light dragoons, the rest infantry.

G. WASHINGTON.

Published by order of congress,  
CHARLES THOMSON, secretary.

the design of the enemy was to endeavour to  
Philadelphia, says a correspondent, is a mat-  
lear to be doubted of; but it was necessary for  
ve to make some little movement, by which he  
y the disposition of the militia in the two states  
ersey and Pennsylvania, before he ventured to  
s grand movement for this city.—His march  
unwick to Somerset was intended to procure  
wledge, and he soon found that he should not  
e general Washington upon his back, but the  
f both states about his ears, if he stirred any  
f finding this to be the case he retreated to An-  
ing thereby that the militia would be dismissed,  
wife the 3000 men which had been ordered  
eral Putnam's camp, countermanded. This  
e the true reason of Howe's two movements to  
e and Amboy. If Howe means to bring on a  
action, why don't he march for the Delaware?  
When I say a general action, I mean, his  
ce against our whole force, and not his with  
ainst a part of ours, which is what he is trying  
e is a party skulking general; when our force  
ed he runs away, and when a part of it is dis-  
e comes back again; and at this boop-peep kind  
e'll go on till he gets his head broke, and then  
quiet.

ivate brig General Montgomery, from this  
een taken by one of the enemy's ships of  
carried into Gibraltar.

ollowing anecdote, being a lively representation  
ings of British government, is recommended to  
perusal of all timid, cool-hearted Americans.  
Monday the 19th of May last, one Mr. Ander-  
ouse carpenter, living in Chapel-street, New-  
a difference with a tory, who insulted Mr.  
n as he was going home from his work, with  
on his shoulder, by tauntingly saying to him,  
are changed with you—So I you are obliged to  
ur axe—Where is your gun now that you used  
it? This brought on a further altercation, and  
h blows ensued. Upon which the tory lodged  
aint with general Pigot; Mr. Anderson could  
eard in his defence, but was ordered to receive  
es; and, notwithstanding the intercessions of his  
d children, and a number of his friends, this  
e sentence was carried into execution with the  
rigour, against a reputable freeholder and con-  
fainting away twice during the execution; af-  
ch he was put into confinement on board a  
war.

### ANNAPOLIS, JULY 10, 1777.

By a letter from Philadelphia we are informed, that  
general Howe has evacuated the Jerseys, and it is sup-  
posed his destination is for the highlands, up the North-  
River; in order to facilitate a junction with general Bur-  
goyne.

By a gentleman from Chingotague we learn, that  
two of the enemy's cruizers lately went into that inlet,  
and destroyed several of our vessels.

Mr. PRINTER,  
BY the act to punish certain crimes and misdemea-  
nors, and to prevent the growth of toryism, every per-  
son, holding any office of trust or profit in this state,  
is required to take the oath of fidelity, directed by that  
law, before he acts as such.—The following fact is worthy  
the notice of the public, and will, I hope, merit the at-  
tention of the executive: Some time since the making  
of the law, the trustees and visitors of King William  
school, in this city, met in that capacity, and drew their  
bills for the payment of the salary to the present master  
of the school, without taking the oath of fidelity to this  
state. Some of them have ever been looked on as  
fair, and others of them bear a very suspicious poli-  
tical character. If the tories can infringe our laws with  
impunity, our government is not only weak, but ridi-  
culous. This transaction was an open insult to our  
new government, and calls for the notice of our courts  
of justice: The greater the offenders against our laws,  
the more dangerous the example. Is it right to suffer  
the school to be governed by tory visitors? or can  
the whig parents permit a tory schoolmaster to educate their  
children? The trustees were informed of the law, and  
refused to take the oath of fidelity to this state; the  
present master of the school is strongly suspected of  
toryism; he acts in his office without taking the oath of  
fidelity to this state. Are they whigs or tories? If the  
former, could they object to the oath? If the latter, let  
them be prosecuted, and removed from their office.

TITUS.  
Just published, and to be sold at the Printing-Office,  
LAW'S of the LAST SESSION of the General Assembly.

June 30, 1777.  
To be SOLD on the premises, at public vendue, on  
the 22d day of July next, if fair, if not, the next  
fair day, by the subscriber, living in the Fork of  
Gunpowder,

HIS dwelling PLANTATION, containing eight  
hundred and thirty-three acres and a half of  
good land, divided into seven fields, and each field  
well watered; about thirty acres of meadow now in  
grass, one hundred more may be made; a well finished  
brick house, fifty feet long, and twenty-three wide,  
two stories high, with a cellar in two apartments; also  
a brick office adjoining the dwelling-house, fifteen feet  
by twelve, with a good lodging room above; a store-  
house with a good cellar, good kitchen, barn, and  
other out-houses, in good repair, with two large or-  
chards of good fruit, a well paved in garden, with a  
brick green-house therein; a fine, healthy, pleasant  
situation, about eighteen miles from Baltimore-Town,  
twelve from Joppa, and five from the church, conven-  
ient to several merchant-mills, the farthest not more  
than four miles distant.—The conditions will be made  
known on the day of sale. Any person inclining to  
view the premises may see the same, by applying to the  
subscriber living thereon.

BENJAMIN BOYCE.

July 1, 1777.  
LAND for SALE.

ABOUT three hundred acres of good land, lying  
in Calvert county, about four miles from Lower  
Marlborough, five from Hunting-Town, and within  
two and a half of a good landing on Patuxent river:  
On the land is a good dwelling-house, new barn, corn-  
house, some other small houses, a paved garden, and a  
good apple orchard; plenty of wood and timber, and a  
great quantity of good meadow may be made with  
little trouble. My son will attend on the premises,  
from the 1st to the 15th of August next, in order to  
treat with any person who may be inclined to pur-  
chase.

WILLIAM HICKMAN.

Piscataway, July 1, 1777.  
For SALE.

MY lot in Piscataway: The improvements there-  
on are, a dwelling-house two stories high, thirty  
by eighteen, two rooms below, and two above, a stone  
cellar the dimensions of the house, a stable thirty by  
fourteen, a story and a half high, and an old store-  
house, new covered about three years ago, and with a  
small expence may be made either a convenient store-  
house or kitchen; the lot is inclosed with locust posts  
and oak paling, and contains near an acre. Part of  
the price may be made easy to the purchaser, on giv-  
ing proper security, with interest.

ALEX. HAMILTON.

July 9, 1777.  
ALL persons indebted, on open accounts, to the  
partnership of JAMES DICK and S FEARL, or to  
either of them, are requested to discharge the  
same by payment, or to settle, and give bonds for their  
debts, with security, where required, which will save  
all further trouble, as, if this request is not soon com-  
plied with, suits will be commenced without farther  
notice.—Attendance will be given on every Thursday,  
Friday, and Saturday, at the subscriber's store at An-  
napolis, and on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday,  
at his house in London-Town. JAMES DICK.

Schoonfield, June 10, 1777.  
ALL persons having claims against the estate of  
Mr. JOHN HAMILTON, late of Mount-Calvert  
manor, deceased, are desired to send them in legally  
proved; and those indebted to said estate are requested  
to settle their respective balances without delay.

THOMAS HAMILTON.  
I have for sale, a likely large fiddle-horse, six years  
old, and a blooded mare, five years old.

July 1, 1777.  
TO BE RUN for, on the 18th inst. TEN POUNDS,  
free for any horse, mare, or gelding, not ex-  
ceeding half-blood; carrying weight for five, two mile  
heats at Sancti old fields, near Martin Norris's mill.  
The horses to be entered, the day before the race, with  
BENJAMIN LAW, son of Richard, and to pay thirty  
shillings each entrance. Three horses to start, or no  
race. Proper judges will be appointed.

### SIXTY DOLLARS REWARD.

Ship Defence, July 1, 1777.  
WHEREAS LEVIN WALTER, and GILBERT  
VANICE, received a furlough each, in  
May last, for the term of ten days, and as they have  
not yet returned, the above reward is offered, as fur-  
ther said below: Levin Walter was born in Accomack  
county, on the eastern shore, and received his furlough  
to go there, is well made, about twenty-four years of  
age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, round faced, of a fair  
complexion, brown hair curled, and of few words:  
Had on, when he went away, a half worn castor hat,  
a light-coloured wilton coat and breeches, striped  
waistcoat, country thread stockings, old shoes and  
buckles.—Gilbert Vanickle, born in New-York gov-  
ernment, but for some time since has lived near Vi-  
enna on the eastern shore, and received his furlough to  
go there, a spare man, about six feet high, 34 years of  
age, of a swarthy complexion, black hair short and  
straight: Had on, when he went away, a coarse felt hat,  
a black jacket, and a pair of fair canvas trousers, old  
shoes and buckles. Whoever takes up the aforesaid  
men, and delivers them to the commanding officer on  
board the ship Defence, or secures them in the gaol at  
Annapolis, and (if the ship is absent from Annapolis)  
gives notice to the honourable council, shall be entitled  
to the above reward, or for either of them thirty dol-  
lars, and all reasonable charges paid.

VACHEL YATES, lieut. mar.

June 25, 1777.  
FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD.

RAN away from the subscriber, living at Patapsco  
sitting-mill, a convict servant man named SA-  
MUEL WRIGHT, by trade a millwright, but can  
turn his hands to almost any sort of business, thirty-  
eight years of age, about 5 feet 6 inches high, very  
swarthy complexion, black curling hair, much given  
to liquor: Had on a frize waistcoat without sleeves,  
leather breeches, half worn shoes, country linen shirt,  
and an old hat. Whoever takes up and secures the  
said thief, so that his master may get him again,  
shall have, if taken ten miles from home, thirty pounds;  
if twenty miles, five pounds, if forty miles, seven  
pounds, and, if out of the province, the above reward.

WILLIAM WHETCROFT.

SIX DOLLARS REWARD.  
Charles county, June 16, 1777.

STOLEN from the subscriber, on Saturday evening  
last, as appears by a bell and yoke found, a Bay  
MARE, full thirteen hands and a half high, a per-  
ceivable brand on one of her shoulders, but remember  
not which, or with what; she has a hanging mane and  
switch tail, two hind feet and part of the same legs  
white, a baze face, some hair rubbed off under her  
jaws, by wearing a yoke, seldom trots when in the  
bride, spirited either for road or draft. Whoever ap-  
prehends the said thief, so that he, she, or they, may  
be brought to justice, and secures the mare so that I  
get her again; shall be entitled to the above reward, or  
three dollars for the mare alone, besides all reasonable  
expences that may attend on bringing her home,  
paid by

BENJAMIN CAWOOD, jun.  
St. Mary's county, July 4, 1777.

STOLEN out of the subscriber's pasture, on Wednes-  
day the 8th of June last, a dull-forrel pacing  
STONE-HORSE, about 14 hands high, three years  
old, has a feather on each jaw, and has lost his left eye.  
A reward of forty dollars will be given to any person  
who will deliver the said horse to me, living near St.  
Clement's-Bay, or secure him so that I may get him  
again.

ARTHUR THOMPSON.  
Charles county, June 25, 1777.

MR. Richard Brandt brought before me a small  
flea-bitten horse, taken up as a stray; both his  
ears are cropped, branded on the near shoulder with  
three diamonds, and on the other, with something like  
a woman's stirrup.

SAMUEL HANSON.  
ANY person or persons, who will undertake the  
STOCKING of MUSKETS for this STATE, may  
have any number; and all the materials found, by  
applying to

JOHN SHAW, Annapolis.  
Wanted, a quantity of OLD BRASS, for which a  
good price will be given.

SIXTY DOLLARS REWARD.  
July 1, 1777.

DESERTED from the ship DEFENCE, on Sunday  
the 19th ult. the two following men:  
RICHARD HARDING, a Londoner, about 5 feet 4 or  
5 inches high, pock-marked, full-faced, and from his  
speaking appears to be a sensible, manly fellow; he is  
one of the men who were pressed on board the frigate,  
but discharged afterwards: Had on, when he went  
away, a short green sailor's jacket, thin linen breeches,  
and white thread stockings, a small round hat with a  
stone buckle, and other cloaths, and may probably  
change his dress; he had a pair of silver shoe and  
knee buckles, which it is likely he may sell, as he has  
no money, unless some has been advanced him by some  
privateer's man. He served his time with Thomas  
Pritchett, near M'Guder's mill, about 12 miles from  
George-Town, Patowmack.

JOHN FLANNAGAN, an Irishman, but by his tongue  
would be taken for an American, about 5 feet 3 inches  
high, has long dark hair tied behind, sore eyes, and is  
a little bruised: Had on, when he deserted, a blue  
jacket, long trousers, new shoes and stockings, a flapped  
hat, and is a well-built strong fellow.

Whoever will secure the above men, and send them  
to the ship Defence, or inform the officers thereof, so  
that they may send for them, shall have the above re-  
ward, or thirty dollars for each, and reasonable  
charges paid. GEORGE COOK, Commander.

N. B. As two or three horses were missing in An-  
napolis the night they deserted, it is probable they may  
have stolen them to facilitate their escape.

Annapolis, June 10, 1777.  
To be SOLD.

BRICK and two framed HOUSES—as they now  
are in Bloomsbury-square, to which there are  
two lots of ground under lease for ninety-nine years,  
four of which are expired, late the estate of William  
Buckland; deceased. For terms of sale, apply to Mr.  
Lancelot Jacques, in Annapolis, or the subscribers,  
DENTON JACQUES,  
JOHN RANDALL.

BENJ. MACKALL, 4th.

### On Monday the 21st of July will be exposed to SALE

by auction, at the LODGE near the FRANK-FRANKS  
opposite Alexandria, 279  
THE valuable and well chosen LIBRARY of  
the Rev. Mr. BOUCHER, containing a com-  
plete set of the Greek and Latin Classics, Dictionaries,  
Lexicons, and a variety of other school-books, enter-  
taining Miscellanies and Novels, a choice collection of  
the English and French poets, the most approved writers  
on Agriculture, Biography, Chronology, History, Geo-  
graphy, Mathematics, Philosophy natural and moral,  
Law, Physic, and Divinity. Should the LIBRARY be  
disposed of by wholesale, before the day appointed, the  
public shall have timely notice.

At the said time and place will be sold a quantity of  
household furniture, such as beds, chairs, tables, &c. by  
OVERTON CARR, Attorney for  
the Rev. JONATHAN BOUCHER.

Prince-George's county, Queen-Anne, June 17, 1777.  
THE co-partnership of RICHARD WOOTTON and  
Co. being dissolved some time past, necessity  
obliging a settlement of said concern, it is hereby re-  
quested of all persons indebted to said co-partnership,  
or to the subscriber, on bond, note, or open account,  
&c. to make immediate payment: Those that have  
availed themselves from the present times, by hitherto  
refusing, and being backward in the settlement of their  
open accounts, or not paying interest due on their obli-  
gations, are earnestly requested to make the necessary  
settlements as soon as possible, or there will be steps  
taken to compel payment without further notice, which  
resource will be exceeding disagreeable unto.

SINGLETON WOOTTON.

Lower Marlborough Academy, June 18, 1777.  
THE TUTORS of this ACADEMY, considering the  
difficulty of procuring convenient BOARD for the  
STUDENTS, and the high price thereof, and desirous of  
applying some remedy to the inconvenience, and thereby  
render the feminary under their care as extensively useful  
as possible, have, by the advice of a number of the trustees,  
provided a proper and convenient boarding-house for  
the reception of such young gentlemen as shall chuse  
to reside therein, on the following plan, viz.—Every  
student to provide his bed and bedding, and upon his  
admission, to pay the sum of fifteen pounds into the  
hands of the tutors, to be expended in procuring pro-  
visions and other necessaries for house-keeping; that  
the whole expence of boarding be equally levied on all  
the students, at the expiration of the year; and that  
just and regular accounts be kept by one of the tutors,  
to be open to the inspection of the friends of any of  
the students.—By this plan it is expected that the price  
of board will not only be considerably reduced, but  
that great advantages will accrue to the students from  
being constantly under the eye of the tutors.—Provi-  
sion will be taken at the current price, if delivered at  
the boarding house, for the proportion of any of the  
boarders, or any part of it. The Latin and Greek  
languages, and all the most useful and ornamental  
sciences, are taught in this academy, at the moderate  
price of five pounds per annum, by

STEPHEN B. BALCH, A. B. of Nassau-Hall.  
THOMAS LLOYD, of Trinity college, Dublin.  
And the English language, writing and arithmetic, at  
forty shillings per annum, by JOHN NICHOLS.

June 17, 1777.  
To be sold, on the 20th day of August next,

THE PLANTATION where the subscriber now  
dwells; containing 233 acres of land, about one  
hundred of which are wood land, lying in Montgomery  
county, about 20 miles from George-Town, and about  
35 from Baltimore-Town; whereon is a good dwel-  
ling-house, with five rooms on the lower floor, the  
house new and well finished, a good kitchen, and all  
other convenient out-houses, a paved yard and garden,  
a new barn 32 feet by 24, shedded at each end, two  
good tobacco houses, and an apple orchard with 300  
bearing trees, noted for making fine cider; the land  
exceeding level, and well adapted for making tobacco,  
Indian corn, or small grain, is well watered, and has  
a sufficient quantity of meadow ground on it, about  
15 acres now in grass, and as much more partly clear-  
ed; the plantation all in good repair. The land will  
be sold on the premises.—To be sold at the same  
time, ninety acres of wood-land, lying on each side of  
Rock-Creek, about 15 miles from George-Town,  
whereon is a noted fine mill seat; the land much bur-  
thened with fine timber, and about forty acres of ex-  
ceeding good meadow ground, the whole of which  
may be watered with little trouble. Any person in-  
clinable to purchase is desired to apply to the sub-  
scriber, who will shew the lands, and make known the  
terms of sale.

JOHN BAKER.

Princetown, Prince-George's county, June 25, 1777.

WHEREAS there is a report prevailing, some-  
what to the prejudice of the character of Mrs.  
Margaret Hutton—which report says, that on the 9th  
of April, A. D. 1776; at her own table, Mrs. Hutton  
called on a lady for tea—and on "General Wash-  
ington" being given, peremptorily refused to drink it.  
This I aver to be an atrocious lie, and therefore take  
upon me to clear up the aspersion; by setting things in  
their true colours, as received from Mrs. Hutton her-  
self, and other ladies who were present at the time.  
Mrs. Hutton was visited, the day above-mentioned, by  
several ladies, among others, the lady of a general;  
the preference was given her; she was called on,  
and gave, "General Washington," which was by all  
the company, without exception, drank. Mrs. Hutton  
was then desired to give a toast; her reply was, "We  
will leave politics and public toasts for gentlemen, and  
with for 'Peace and Quietness' for I hate spinning."  
The reason why this matter had not been set to rights  
earlier is, the persons concerned were, till within a  
few days last past, ignorant of such a matter having  
been rumoured.

HEZEKIAH MAGRUDER.

EIGHT DOLLARS REWARD.  
Calvert county, June 18, 1777.

RAN away, the first of last month, a negro man,  
named WILL, of a yellowish complexion, about  
26 years of age, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high: Had on  
an old white country kersey wove waistcoat and  
breeches, and a duffing shirt. He was seen, about  
three weeks ago, in the neighbourhood of London-  
Town, and was then on his way to Baltimore.—Who-  
ever takes up said negro, and secures him in any gaol,  
so that he may be had again, may receive the above  
reward, including what the law allows, and reasonable  
charges, if brought home.

BENJ. MACKALL, 4th.