

people, and a party of 12 soldiers, into his little half finished block-house, and his guns into the woods among them, and waited their attack, which they did not make, although they might have easily carried this place. This is a confirmation to me of the smallness of their number, altho' some of the woods have killed them in the woods. As this is an open declaration of war, we are to be on our guard, and it is probable several companies will soon be raised, on some proper footing, to fight them in their own way. We are under no apprehension of danger in the town, as we are surrounded by five picketed block houses, and have nine hundred effective troops, and about that number of militia men, well armed, besides. We have a 100 of Luny's regiment strongly entrenched at the head of the bay, and a company at Minas. This day his excellency our governor, to our great joy, came on shore from the Beaufort, (under the discharge of near 100 cannon from the ships in the harbour) to reside in his house, which now makes a very pretty appearance. He was saluted on his arrival by a grand discharge of the artillery planted here for the defence of the town.

### PHILADELPHIA.

October 12. Sunday night the two highway men, Fielding and Johnson, attempted to escape out of the dungeon. They had saw'd off the irons, and intended to seize the keeper when he came (as he us'd every evening) to see that they were secure, and having lock'd him in the dungeon, to run up, and force the key of the street door from the Juquacy, and so getting the street. Three persons happened to go down that evening, whom the prisoners attempted to seize, but they disengag'd themselves, and getting first up to the head of the stairs, shut a door on the Felors; and prevented their proceeding further. However the keys being left in the dungeon door, they went down and lock'd themselves in; and opened some other cells where two other prisoners lay. They stood on their defence all night, and thro' tired death to any that should come in to secure them. A sufficient guard was plac'd round the prison, till morning, when they were persuaded to surrender. On search some knives were found with them, and some powder and ball, but no pistols. On Tuesday they were carried to court, and received sentence of death. At the same time Ferdinando Hules, found guilty of manslaughter, in killing John Brown, was burnt in the hand; and John Webster, was sent to be whipt for stealing money out of a store. Anne Brooks, convicted of dealing with Negroes, and receiving stolen goods from them; was sentenc'd to be imprisoned three months, to pay a fine of fifty pounds, and give security for her good behaviour.

October 26. Saturday last the two highway men, Fielding and Johnson, were executed here; but made no confession (as was expected) as to any accomplices they had.

### ANNAPOLIS.

A few Days ago died Mr. *Humbry Wells, junior*, one of the Justices of *Queen Anne's* County.

Last Wednesday came on, at an especial Court held in *Calvert* County for that Purpose, the Trial of *Joseph Wilson*, for counterfeiting the Twenty Shilling and Five Shilling Bills of this Province; and after a short Trial was found guilty, and received sentence of Death; his Comrade *Wright*, having turn'd Evidence against him. The false Plates were both found; but it seems they had pass'd but Eight of the Five Shilling Bills, and not one of the Others.

We have heard since, that *Wilson* has broke out of *Calvert* County Goal, and made his Escape.

#### Custom House, ANNAPOLIS, Entered.

Ship *Speedwell*, James Creagh, from Philadelphia;  
Sloop *Benedict*, John Jones, from Barbadoes;  
Schooner *Speedwell*, Thomas Dewick, from Rhode-Island;  
Ship *Chester*, William Sedgely, from Bristol.

#### Cleared for Departure.

Ship Owner's Supply, Thomas Hooper, for London;  
Schooner *Peggy*, William Davis, for Virginia;  
Ship *William*, Samuel Wood, for London;  
Ship *Faray*, Thomas Witheare, for Bristol;  
Ship *Prince Frederick*, James Cawley, for London;  
Brigantine *Sophia*, John Lavering, for Biddeford;  
Ship *Thistle*, Hugh Couster, for Glasgow;  
Brigantine *Elington*, John Perrin, for Madeira.

### ADVERTISEMENTS.

November 20, 1740.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living in *Annapolis*, on Friday Night last, an English Convict Servant Man, named *Henry Walter*, about 26 Years of Age, and about 5 Feet 2 Inches high, pretends to be a Butcher, and understands dressing of Wigs. He had on when he went away a brown Coat and Breaches of French Frize, with flat white metal Buttons, an old Osnabriggs Waistcoat with the same sort of Buttons, grey ribb'd worsted Stockings, and an old dark brown bob Wig. He had a down Look, especially when in Drink. Whoever takes up the said Servant, and brings him to his Master, or secures him so that he may be had again, shall have Twenty Shillings Reward, if taken within ten Miles of the Town; Thirty Shillings, if taken above ten Miles; and Fifty; if taken above twenty Miles; and reasonable Charges.

SAMUEL MIDDLETON.

WILLIAM GOVANE, intending to depart this Province early in the Spring, desires all Persons indebted to him to make speedy Payment of their respective Debts: And those to whom he is indebted, are desired to apply to him for Payment.

To be SOLD by the said GOVANE.

Choice Barbadoes and New England Rum, Jamaica Melasses, and Muscovado Sugar, at the cheapen Rates, for Ready Money, or Indian Corn.

JAMES COOK, Gardener, from England, hereby gives this public Notice to all Gentlemen and others, that he performs all Sorts of Gardeners Work, in the best Manner, and at the most reasonable Rates. The said Cook is willing to engage himself by the Year, to any Gentleman, who, by sending a Line to the House of *Arthur Turner*, in *Annapolis*, shall immediately waited on by

JAMES COOK.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living near *Queen Anne's*, an indentured Scotch Servant Man, named *James Dunduff*, about 24 Years of Age, of low Stature, with short hair which he may probably cut off, or conceal with a coarse Yarn Cap; he speaks quick and coarse, but with little of the *Scotch* Accent; has a strutting Gait, and a remarkable Twinkling with his Eyes when speaking to superiors; he writes tolerably, and may forge a Pass; talks of having been a Soldier and a Sailor, pretends to understand Navigation, and is supposed to have a Necturnal in his Pocket. He had on, or worn him, a grey half thick Coat and Breaches, with white metal buttons, not much worn; an old blue Sailor's Jacket, and wide floured; dark colour'd Yarn Stockings, turn up scald'd shoes, had worn brass Buckles square and carv'd, a Hat half worn, an old Osnabriggs and an old chock'd shirt. He was indicted in the Morning with a Twenty Shilling Bill, and took with him a pretty tall Roan Horse, low in Flesh, branded I D and trot, and a new deep seated saddle, with iron swivel stirrups, but no Housing.

Whoever takes up the said Servant, and secures him so as his Master may have him again, if taken in this County, shall have Twenty shillings more than the Law allows; if in any other County of this Province, Forty Shillings more than the Law allows; and if in another Province, Four pounds of the Currency where taken; reasonable Charges if brought home; and Twenty Shillings for the Horse and Saddle; paid by

WILLIAM BRODREN.

Imported in the *Betsy*, Capt. *Hall*, the following parcels of Goods; viz.

A Box marked P B, No 5; ——— A Box marked H B, the two Letters joined together, and inclosed in a Diamond; ——— And, a Box marked P (inclosed in a Diamond), No. A; ——— For which no Owners have as yet appeared. The Persons to whom they belong, may have them, by applying to the Subscriber at *London Town*.

There was deliver'd out of the said Ship, by Mistake, a small Case, mark'd H A, containing Loaf Sugar, and several other Things. Also, a Case, marked I C, No. 3, the I running through the C; being a Case of empty Canisters. Those who have them are desired to give Information of them to the Printer hereof, or to

JAMES DICK.