

surface of the earth, and that the owners of the land are resolved to set about the improving it with all possible diligence; so that we hope it may turn out to their, as well as the country's advantage.

### ANNAPOLIS.

Some few Weeks ago, one *Daniel Sturges*, at *Mataponi* Hundred in *Worcester* County, was shot dead, by a Person unknown.

Last Sunday a Dwelling-House on *Patuxent* River, belonging to Mr. *Chapman* of *London-Town*, and several Out houses adjacent, were accidentally burnt down to the ground, and great part of the Furniture.

We hear from many parts of the Country of vast Swarms of Caterpillars, which 'tis fear'd will do great Damage. It is said they were never known to be so numerous before, by the clearest Persons living; the Woods and Fields being full of them.

Custom House, ANNAPOLIS, Enter'd since March 28.  
Ship Heretford, John Fowler, from Anguilla;  
Brig. Maribrough, Edward Dowers, from Philadelphia.

Cleared for Departure,

Schooner Laurel, Patrick Bourn, for Virginia;  
Snow Ruffell, John Mauckeraith, for Barbadoes;  
Brig. Endeavour, Robert Hamilton, for Barbadoes;  
Sloop Benedick, John Jones, for Barbadoes;  
Sloop Speedwell, George Bell, for Barbadoes.

### ADVERTISEMENTS.

*Kent Island, April 25, 1750.*

WHEREAS it has been, of late, frequently reported to Persons on the Road, that the Subscriber's Boats are not at home; as likewise, that they are not so large as others; to the great Prejudice of the said Subscriber. This is therefore to desire all Persons not to take Notice of such Reports; for that the said Boats constantly attend, to carry Persons to *Annapolis*, and from *Annapolis* to *Kent Island*; and are as large as any other Boats, used to carry Passengers, between those two Places.

JAMES HUTCHINGS.

N. B. The said *Hutchings* has very good Entertainment for Man and Horse, at his House on *Kent Island*; and is to be spoke with, when in *Annapolis*, at the House of Mr. *Thomas Williamson*.

*April 23, 1750.*

BROKE out of the Goal of *Frederick* County in *Maryland*, on the 6th Instant at Night, the following Men, who were all committed for Debt; viz.

*William Snowden*, a spare Man, a Taylor by Trade;  
*William Jenkins*, a short well set Fellow, a Labourer;  
*George Tarr* (lately come from *Pennsylvania*), a Carpenter by Trade;  
*John Hack*, a Labourer.

The two last are *Dutchmen*, but speak middling good *English*.

N. B. No Criminals were in Prison, when the above Persons broke out.

Whoever secures the said Persons in any Goal, so that the Subscriber may get them again, shall have Five Pounds Reward of the Currency where taken, for said *Snowden*; and Forty Shillings for each of the others; paid by

GEORGE GORDON, Sheriff of *Frederick* County.

*April 25, 1750.*

WHEREAS Mr. *William Govant*, of *Anne Arundel* County, Merchant, is lately departed this Province, and gone beyond Sea: This is therefore to give Notice to all Persons indebted to the said *Govant*, that unless they discharge their respective Debts, in two Months from the Date hereof, they may expect to be put to Trouble. And if any Person or Persons have any just Demands on the said *Govant*, they are desired to apply immediately for Payment to

ANNE GOVANT, } Attorneys in Fact.  
GEO. STEUART, }

*April 8, 1750.*

NOTICE is hereby given to all Persons, that I will not pay any Debt, or Debt, contracted by my Wife, *Anne Jordan*, living in *St. Mary's* County, from this Date: And I do hereby forewarn all Persons whatsoever, from dealing with her in any Account.  
Witness my Hand,

STRAYED away, the second Week in *November* last, from the Plantation of Mr. *Francis Lee*, deceased, near the Head of *Bobemia*, in *Cecil* County, a small Dapple-grey Horse, about 13 Hands high, branded I D, the two Letters join'd together; he paces out of Hand, goes wide behind, and has a black Spot upon his Back. Whoever will bring the said Horse to Mr. *James Hollyday*, on *Chester* River in *Queen Anne's* County, shall have Three Pounds Reward.

LEONARD HOLLYDAY.

STRAYED or Stolen from the Subscriber, at the Naval Office, on *North Potowmack*, on or about the 26th of last March, two Black Horses, with bald Faces: One has much Hair rubb'd off his Sides, being used to go in a Chair: The other has one white hind Foot, and is a Draught or Char Horse. Their Brands (if any) are unknown to the Subscriber.

Whoever brings the said Horses to me, in *Charles* County, shall have Thirty Shillings Reward, or Fifteen Shillings for either; and if found in any other County, Twenty Shillings for each, paid on Delivery to RICHARD LEE.

N. B. I bought them from Mr. *Waters*, and so suppose they may go backwards.

RAN away on the 12th of this Instant at Night, from the Subscriber, a Convict Servant Man, named *John Serjentson*, about 5 Feet 8 Inches high, a lusty broad well set Fellow, much pock steten, speaks the *Yorkshire* Dialect, has been brought up a Jockey, and understands making of Nets: it is probable he will make towards *Annapolis*, having liv'd some Time with Mr. *John Campbell* there. He had on a brown Coat mix'd with grey, a fullian Jacket, a light-colour'd cotton ditto, both double breasted with brass buttons, a Pair of wide Trowsers, and a white Shirt. Whoever secures the said Servant, and brings him to his Master, living near *John Thomas's* on *Snowden's* Manner, shall receive a Pistole Reward.

HUGH THOMAS.

N. B. He is a bold impudent sly Fellow, and is supposed to have taken with him a young Bay Stallion, with a new Bridle and a middling good Saddle.

*April 18, 1750.*

THERE having been a Quantity of Tobacco shipped on board the following Ships, to Mr. *Hanbury*; viz.

- 1741. The *Friendship*, Philip Young;
- 1744. The *Anne*, Jacob Hales;
- 1745. The *Rose*, Thomas Morrison;
- The *Humber*, Thomas Story;
- 1746. The *Winchelsea*, Thomas Cornish;
- The *Britannia*, John Hutchinson;
- 1747. The *Ridley*, John Jackson;
- The *Spencer*, Adam Spencer;
- The *Bridge-Town*, James Barrett;
- The *Delight*, John Hunter;
- The *Fell*, Robert Brown;
- 1748. The *Diamond*, Nathanael Chew;
- The *Winchelsea*, Thomas Cornish;
- The *Eastern Branch*, Temple Chevalier;
- The *Sea Nymph*, Richard Story;

The Proprietors whereof not being known, he has sent an Account of the Proceeds to the Subscriber; who will inform the Owners, upon their producing their Bills of Lading, or describing their Marks and Numbers, and making appear their Right to such Tobacco.

NATHANAEL CHEW.

To be SOLD by PUBLIC VENDUE,

On Tuesday the 15th Day of May next, at the House of the Subscriber in *Annapolis*.

SUNDRY Sorts of Household Furniture, consisting of Beds, Bedding, Chairs, Tables, Bras, Pewter, and several other Goods, too tedious to mention; for Ready Money only. The Sale will begin at Three o' Clock in the Afternoon.

GEORGE DOWNEY.

To be SOLD,

A Servant Man, who is a very good Sawyer, and has 5 Years and a half to serve: He is a strong young Fellow, and a very good Servant. Enquire of the Printer.