

in any respect infringed their Agreements) we should, I think, have seen a different Issue of this Business even in this Session.—But let us forbear Censure.—It is not too late to repair any Miscarriages that have happened; and I must yet believe, that there is Wisdom, Virtue, and Patriotism enough in that Country, not only to save it from Ruin, but to fix its Right upon a firm Basis.

NEW-YORK, June 28.

We hear, that on Tuesday last one Hills, a Stranger, was detected in selling, or attempting to sell, a Quantity of Goods purchased in Boston, Newport, &c. and brought here contrary to the Non-importation Agreement. He delivered up the Goods, which were afterwards deposited in the House of Mr. Plat. The same Night, between One and Two o'Clock, a Number of Persons in Disguise went to Mr. Plat's House, demanded and obliged him to deliver up the Goods—which they carried to an adjoining vacant Lot, and, kindling a large Fire, committed the whole to the Flames: The Value of the Goods is supposed to be about 200l. We hear the Owner has absconded.

WILLIAMSBURG, June 28.

This Day, the Business of the General Assembly being finished, his Excellency the Governor gave his Assent to several Bills and Resolves (a List of which will be in our next) and then closed the Session with the following Speech:

Gentlemen of the Council, Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the House of Burgesses,

IT is with the utmost Gratitude I acknowledge the many Marks of Confidence with which I have been honoured by this Assembly. To what Extent I may be able to serve you Time only can prove; upon my Zeal you may depend, and that it will know no Bounds but what my Duty shall impose.

As I understand that you have gone through the Business of the Session, and wish to return to your several Counties, I do prorogue you to Thursday the 25th of October; and you are accordingly prorogued to Thursday the 25th of October next.

ANNAPOLIS, JULY 12.

PROCEEDINGS of the COMMITTEE of INSPECTION in Talbot County, June 26, 1770.

IT appearing to the Committee, upon a strict Enquiry into the several Importations into Choptank River, during this and the preceding Month, that Matthias Gale, of London, Merchant, hath, knowingly and deliberately, imported a considerable Cargo of Goods, Part whereof, amounting to 430l. Sterling, is contrary to the general Association entered into by this Province, and in wilful Violation of it: They (together with a Number of the principal Inhabitants at the same Time assembled) unanimously voted,

That such a Step is prejudicial to the Interest of this Country, inasmuch as it has a plain and manifest Tendency to introduce Luxury and Extravagance, and to defeat the Means that have been judged most effectual for procuring a Redress of American Grievances. And

That therefore it is the Opinion of this Committee, and of every Person present, that Andrew Mein, Agent and Factor of said Matthias Gale, ought to be rehipped, by the first Conveyance to London, at Mr. Gale's Risk, such Part of the aforesaid Cargo as appears to be contrary to the Association: Or, That in Case of Non-compliance, he shall be looked upon as an Enemy to the Liberties of his Country, and treated with the Contempt due to such a Character.

At next Meeting, Andrew Mein, after having consulted Mr. Gale's principal Friends, attended, and did engage to comply with the Opinion of the Committee, and to rehip the Goods agreeably thereunto.

It appearing also to the Committee, that most, if not all of the Merchants, had imported some few Articles, probably through Mistake of the Shop-keepers, a little, and indeed but very little, higher than the Prices limited by the Association; they unanimously voted,

That the said Articles ought to be rehipped, at the Risk of the several Importers, by the first Opportunity, to London, and that no Person be indulged in the smallest Violation of the Non-importation Agreement.

To this the Merchants most cheerfully consented; preferring, very generously, the public Good to their own private Interest.

The Committee likewise adopted the Northern Resolves with regard to the Rhode-Islanders, and all other false and backsliding Brethren.—Fully persuaded, that all those, who, deaf to the Calls of Honour and Conscience, can break through their Engagements to their Country, are unfit to be trusted in private Life; they declared they would have no Communication or Dealings with any such, but would discourage and discountenance them to their utmost, and, sensible of their vicious Selfishness, they should cease to confine their Views to themselves alone, and, by joining in the common Cause, act the Part of true Friends to America. May their Eyes, and the Eyes of all that are blind to the Honour and Interest of their Country, be speedily opened!

It is with the greatest Pleasure the Committee observe, in the Inhabitants of this County, a commendable and noble Spirit of Oeconomy and Freedom, actuating and animating them to promote Industry, zealously to maintain their Rights and Liberties, steadily to adhere to the Non-importation Agreement, and to treat all such as shall either oppose, or refuse to come into it, with the Contempt they deserve, and as Enemies to their Country.

JOHN GORDON, Chairman.

TO THE PRINTERS.

Prince George's County, July 9, 1770.

AS the Attempts which have been lately made to engross the Herring Fishery on the River Patowmack, appears to me to be every Way derogatory of a valuable inherent Right, which I think belongs to the People of this Province in general, I request you will, in Support of the Opinion published in your Paper of

the 7th of last Month, publish the following Abstracts, taken from the Proceedings of the Late Congress at New-York, and from the Votes and Proceedings of the Lower House of Assembly of this Province; to wit, (from the Proceedings of the Congress) "That his Majesty's Inherent Rights and Liberties of his natural born Subjects within the Kingdom of Great-Britain."—(From the Proceedings of the Lower House) "Resolved unanimously, that the first Adventurers and Settlers of this Province of Maryland brought with them; and transmitted to their Posterity, and all other his Majesty's Subjects since inhabiting in this Province, all the Liberties, Privileges, Franchises and Immunities; that at any Time have been held, enjoyed and possessed, by the People of Great-Britain."—I think it right to acquaint my Brother Fishermen, that I have seen the late mighty Performance of the very learned and most sensible Inhabitant on the Waters of Patowmack (no Doubt he is amphibious), and that I am exceeding proud I have an Opportunity to tell him, by way of Compliment, that he is "a flaming Friend of Liberty," and in short a flaming Writer; you may read his Performance which Way you will, either backwards or forwards, and it is still the self same Composition; full of confused Thoughts, has a Variety of Suppositions, and very many, answered and unanswered, insignificant Questions, among which, instance his remarkable Query.—For which Reason I must say, I have seen a bad Cause most shockingly handled. I should be glad to know of that "wrong-headed Politician," who has undertaken to betray the Rights of the People, by what Divination or Conjunction it was, he has discovered that the Friend to Liberty "seems to think," that the People of this Province have a Right to do Damage with Impunity? If I can read (forward), that Writer has plainly told us, in the very Words of the Charter, that no notable Damage or Injury shall in any wife be done to Lord Baltimore or his Assigns; therefore shall advise my Friend in the Waters, when he writes again, to be a little more candid, to avoid such low Insinuations, and then perhaps he will teach, that Popularity, acquired by supporting the Rights of the People, ought at least to be commended; and that the Man who has Right to it ought never to be despised. I shall conclude with asking that *stiff* "worthy Member of Society," whether a Person's coming from Great-Britain, to inhabit in this Province, is a Forfeiture of any Right he at any Time before had here, in Conjunction with his Fellow-Subjects there? I am,
Your's, &c. A FISHERMAN.

Annapolis, July 10, 1770.

To be sold at Public Vendue, at the Dwelling House of the late Alexander Ferguson, in London-Town, on Friday the 27th Instant,

ALL the personal Estate of said Alexander Ferguson, consisting of sundry wearing Apparel, some of which are quite new, Household and Kitchen Furniture of all Sorts, sundry Tailors Goods, Stay-makers Goods and Utensils, several new Pairs of Stays, a Quantity of Wine and Cyder in Casks, about 4000 Feet of Plank and Scantling, Horses, Cows, and Hogs. Likewise the Time of Two Servant Men, Tailors by Trade, who have upwards of Three Years to serve; the Time of a Servant Woman, who has upwards of Six Years to serve, and a Negro Man about Twenty Years of Age, besides many other Articles not mentioned. Credit will be given for all Sums above Five Pounds for Twelve Months, on giving Bond with Security if required; for any less Sum no Goods will be delivered without the ready Money, and this is mentioned to prevent any Persons bidding at the Sale, who are not properly provided with Money or Security. If the Sale is not finished on Friday, it will be continued on Saturday until all is sold.

I have appointed Mr. Archibald Boid, of London-Town, my Attorney, to collect all Debts, and settle and adjust all Accounts due to the Deceased, for which Purpose the Books are lodged with him, at Mr. Dick's Store; and any Settlement which he makes, or Receipt which he gives, shall be binding on me as Executor, and I have to request that all Persons so indebted will settle without loss of Time, that I may thereby be enabled to pay off the Creditors of the said Ferguson, who are desired to send in a State of their several Claims, whether by Bond, Note, or Account, to Mr. Archibald Boid, in London-Town, or to me in Annapolis, to be adjusted.

ANTHONY STEWART, Executor.

To be SOLD at PUBLIC VENDUE, to the highest Bidder.

A VALUABLE Tract of Land, containing about Two Hundred and Seventy Acres, or something more, on which Land there is about Thirty Acres cleared, with a very good Orchard. The Plantation is in good Repair, where a great deal of Meadow may be made, by drawing a Stream to let the Water over it, belonging to which there is Thirty-five Acres of Land, in an Island all cleared, and the most of it may be made into good Meadow Land, for Wheat, Corn, or Tobacco. The said Island has a very good Orchard on it. The Land all joining and lying in Frederick County, about Twenty Miles from George-Town, at the Mouth of the Muddy-Branche, near Mr. Brook Beall. The Vendue will begin on Tuesday the Seventh Day of August, at Ten o'Clock in the Morning, upon the Premises, where due Attendance will be given, by

(w3) WILLIAM THOMPSON.

ANNAPOLIS RACES

On Thursday, September 27.

A PURSE of ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS, given by the JOCKEY-CLUB, free only for Horses, Mares, or Geldings, belonging to the Members thereof, annual Subscribers of Four Guineas each, or for Horses, Mares, or Geldings, belonging to Members of any JOCKEY-CLUB in the neighbouring Provinces, where the same Race and Indulgence are allowed; 4 Years old to carry 7 Stone, 5 Years old 7 Stone 10 Pounds, 6 Years old 8 Stone 7 Pounds; aged 9 Stone. Heats 4 Miles each.

On Friday, September 28.

A SUBSCRIPTION PURSE of FIFTY POUNDS Currency, free for any Horse, Mare, or Gelding. Heats 4 Miles each; 4 Years old to carry 8 Stone, 5 Years old 8 Stone 7 Pounds, 6 Years old 9 Stone, aged 9 Stone 8 Pounds, Bridle and Saddle included. Subscribers of 2 Pounds or upwards, to pay 40 Shillings Entrance, Non-Subscribers 4 Pounds.

On Saturday, 29.

The Surplus of whatever may be subscribed. The Terms the Horses are to enter upon for this Plate will be timely advertised. If the Weather should be bad on the Days appointed, the Judges will put off the Race 'til the next fair Day.—To start each Day at 12 o'Clock precisely.—There will be Assemblies as usual.

If the Weather permits,

At Mr. GUBEL's, in South-Street,

On Saturday, the 14th Instant, will be exhibited,

By FRANCIS ARMESON,

A magnificent Set of

FIRE-WORKS,

Far exceeding any Performance of the Kind yet shewn in this City.

To be disposed of in the following Order.

1. SIX Sky-Rockets, which burst in Stars, Snakes, and Maroons.
2. A Capricious Wheel, with Thirteen Changes of Fire, which will, at different Times, represent a Marquis Tent.
3. A Half-Moon illuminated, adorned with a brilliant Fire and Italian Candles.
4. Six Sky-Rockets.
5. An illuminated Wheel, with a Maroon.
6. A fixed Globe, curiously illuminated, and adorned with a Chinese Fountain and Italian Candles; in the Center is a beautiful Girondola, which at different Times represent the Sun and Moon.
7. Six Sky-Rockets.
8. A curious Wheel, representing a Chinese Looking-Glass.
9. A Diamond Piece of a new Construction, curiously adorned with Stars and other Fire, crowned with the most beautiful Girondola.
10. A Pigeon on a Line, which will communicate Fire to a beautiful Sun of brilliant Fire.
11. Six Sky-Rockets.
12. Twelve Hand-Granades, which finish the Exhibition.

The Fire-Works will begin exactly at half an Hour after Eight.

Tickets to be had at the Door, of Mr. Gubel, at Five Shillings the first Seat, and Two Shillings and Six-pence the next.

Dumfries (Virginia) July 4, 1770.

Wanted immediately, on Charter, for Britain,

A VESSEL of Three to Four Hundred Hog-sheads Burden of Tobacco.

(zw)

CUMBERLAND WILSON.

Alexandria, July 2, 1770.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living in Alexandria; a young Servant Man, named JAMES HOLAWAY, about 5 Feet 4 or 5 Inches high, he has had a fore Leg, but by some Means that he has taken it is something better: Had on, when he went away, a dark Broad Cloth Coat, red Waistcoat, long striped Trousers, a coarse Shirt, and old Shoes, but in all Probability he may change his Dress. I imagine he has got my Indenture. All Persons or Masters of Vessels are forewarned harbouring or carrying him off at their Peril.

Whoever takes up, and secures the said Servant, so as his Master gets him again, shall have Thirty Shillings Reward, besides what the Law allows, paid by

(zw)

EDWARD RIGDEN.

July 2, 1770.

RAN away from the Subscriber, near Annapolis, a Convict Servant Man, named JOHN STILLIN, is very slim made, about 5 Feet 8 or 9 Inches high, wears his own Hair, which is of a light Colour, and is a little mark'd with the Small-Pox: Had on, and took with him, a coarse Felt Hat, light coloured Fearnought Jacket, Two Osabrig Shirts, One Check ditto, a Pair of Osabrig Trousers, a Pair of brown Roll ditto, a Pair of old Fall Shoes, and an old Match Coat Blanket, but as he is an artful Rogue, it is probable he may change his Name and Dress, as he did once before when he ran away.

Whoever takes up, and secures the above Servant, so as his Master may have him again, shall receive a Reward of Forty Shillings, if taken in the Province, and if out of the Province, Four Pounds, including what the Law allows, paid by

(zw)

THOMAS RUTLAND.

COMMITTED to

Runaway, a Negro Name is Nancy, and her Part-Tobacco. Her Master's name is CHARLES WAY and pay Charges.

ALEXANDRIA

HERE is at the Mouth of Patowmack, a Gelding, about Thirteen Years old, branded on his Forehead, branded on his Side and Buttock thus S. The Owner may have the same by paying Charges.

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by some Person, to the great Damage of him, and bringing to Justice the said Robbery, doth don to any one of the above named Persons, who shall be proved to be the Author or Accomplices, in the said Robbery, they may be apprehended, and brought to Justice, and convicted thereof.

And as a further Encouragement to any one who shall inform of the Name or Names of the said Persons, or Persons, concerned in the said Robbery, so that he, she, or they, may be apprehended, and brought to Justice, and convicted thereof, the said Person, or Persons, so informed, shall receive a Reward of Fifty Dollars, to be paid by the said Council, as soon as the said Person, or Persons, shall be convicted thereof.

Given under the Great Seal of the Province, at the City of Annapolis, this 10th Day of July, 1770.

Signed by Order, DANIEL

WANTED I MASON well known to the Wharfs. So very good Job in that Trade. Subscriber living at the Head of the Wharf.

(zw)

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