

Moving the nearer Arch under
and we hourly expect the De-
vaster. One Man is missing
Parts impossible for Car-
th and House on the Bank have
Damage.

I A M S B U R G.

of the Honourable ROBERT
E, Esq; Lieutenant Governor,
in Chief, of the Colony and
Virginia, to the General Assembly
vice, on Thursday the 14th of

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

less than a very important
ould have induced me to call
n, after so short a Reces; but
e Crown of Great Britain, the
Colonies on this Continent, and
this Dominion, engage me to
and Assistance in an Affair of the
ce.

on, who was sent by me to the
the French Forces on the River
ned, informs me he found that
they had erected on a Creek near
Ohio, and that they were then pre-
paring for building another Fort on
they had Two Hundred and
made, and many more rough hew-
in order to transport, early this
umber of regular Forces, not less
ndred Men, with their Indians in
them, down the River Ohio, in
many more Fortresses on it; and
ngs Towns to be the chief Place of

ten further reports, That he asked
ized the Goods of our Traders,
Persons Prisoners to Canada;
andant answered, "That his Or-
General, the Governor of Cana-
to permit any English Subjects to
Waters of the Ohio, but to seize
and send them Prisoners to Quebec."
e Reason of taking Mr. Frazier's
which he had built and lived in
ve Years? He said, "That Men
at he had made his Escape, or he
ent him Prisoner to Canada."

itions are entirely inconsistent with
existing between the two Crowns,
my Instructions from his Majesty,
directed to prevent any Foreign
or building any Fortresses on his

forementioned unjustifiable Infringe-
the cruel and barbarous Murder, in
a whole Family in this Dominion,
d five Children, no longer ago than
d very lately a poor Man on the
of Potowmack, robbed of his Son.
tions were said to be done by the
but if I be rightly informed, some
subjects always go with the Indians,
ons, and are both privy to, and In-
ir Robberies and Murders.

ditionate must then be the distressed
at poor unhappy Family I surrounded
Miscreants dreadfully rushing on to
most savage Barbarities, inexorable
Intreaties, insensible to the Cries of
ant, basely determined to destroy
cation, those who could not resist

ee the Infant torn from the unvail-
of the distracted Mother, the Daugh-
before the Eyes of their wretched Pa-
n, with Cruelty and Insult, butchered
oppose the horrid Scene completed,
Family, Man, Wife, and Children
murdered and scalped, by these re-
s, and then torn in Pieces, and in
by wild Beasts, for whom they were
their more brutal Enemies.

uff your Indignation rise when you
view to the Abettors of these Villanies.
People whose Neighbourhood you
went, or with the most probable Ex-
to see, in the Bosom of your Coun-
s, that you as yet have only the me-
s of from your Frontiers.

e bloody Villains, thievishly lurking
s Plantation, and where they dare
Men, basely, like Vermis, stealing
away the helpless Infant, that hap-
er, though but a little Distance from
threshold.

I assure you, Gentlemen, these Infringe-
Sovereign's Protection, and Barbarities on our Fel-
low-Subjects, make deep Impressions on my Heart;
and I doubt not, as you must hear them with Hor-
ror and Resentment but you will enable me, by
a full and sufficient Supply, to exert the most vigo-
rous Efforts, to secure the Rights and assert the
Honour and Dignity of our Sovereign; to drive
away these cruel and treacherous Invaders of your
Properties, and Destroyers of your Families, and
thereby to gratify my warmest Wishes in establish-
ing the Security and Prosperity of Virginia, on the
most solid and permanent Foundations.

Gentlemen of the House of Burgesses,
I must earnestly recommend to you his Majesty's
Commands, for a proper Supply, the immediate
Necessity whereof, at this Time, I desire you will
seriously consider, and by a ready and effectual
Compliance, recommend yourselves and the Coun-
ty to his Royal Favour.

This is your Part, Gentlemen.—What I could,
before your Meeting, I have done, for the Public;
and by the Advice of the Council I have array'd
some Part of the Militia, which I have order'd up
to the Ohio with all possible Expedition, to build a
Fort there, at the Forks of Monongahella. And
as his Majesty's gracious Present of Thirty Pieces
of Cannon, Eighty Barrels of Powder, and other
Ordnance Stores (suitable, are arriv'd, I have sent
Ten of the Cannon, and a Proportion of Ammu-
nition to Alexandria, to be from thence transported
as soon as possible to the Ohio.

I have wrote to the neighbouring Colonies for
their Aid and Assistance, which I have good Reason
to expect; but I must observe to you, that their
Eyes are fix'd on your Proceedings, and I hope
you will engage them, by a laudable Example, to
contribute sufficiently for the common Cause.

The late Occasion having suggest'd to me some
Defect in the Act for making Provision against In-
vasions and Insurrections, I think proper to observe
to you, that the Pay is very unqually proportion-
ed, being too high for the Soldier, and too low
for the Officer; and there is no Provision made
for a Doctor, a Commissary of Stores, and several
other Requisites.—I think it would be better to
pay the Militia in Money than Tobacco, by which
there may be a Saving to the Country, and the
Men better satisfied.

Gentlemen of the Council, and Gentlemen of the
House of Burgesses,
I look upon the Safety and Welfare of Virginia
to depend on your Councils and Determinations,
at this critical Juncture, which therefore ought to
be uninterrupted by any Avocations from Prejudice,
or unseasonable Divisions, at all Times the Bane of
public Consultations, but which, at present, would
be particularly fatal; and I doubt not, when you
seriously consider the Importance of what is laid
before you, you will find Duty, Honour, and your
own Preservation, all united, to engage you to
exert your Efforts equal to the Occasion.

The Season for entering upon Action being so
near at Hand, your Session can be but short, and I
desire to conclude with an earnest Exhortation to
Concord and Expedition, lest if we be divided or
slow in Deliberation, our Enemies may seize the
Time we lose, and render any future Efforts in-
effective.

And in all Measures for his Majesty's Service,
and the Good of this Colony, you will have my
ready and zealous Concurrence.

Virginia, ff.
By the Honourable ROBERT DINWIDDIE,
Esq; his Majesty's Lieutenant Governor, and
Commander in Chief, of the Colony and Do-
minion of Virginia:

A P R O C L A M A T I O N.
For encouraging MEN to enlist in his Majesty's
Service for the Defence and Security of this
Colony.

WHEREAS it is determined that a Fort be
immediately built on the River Ohio, at the
Fork of Monongahella, to oppose any further En-
croachments, or hostile Attempts of the French, and
the Indians in their Interest; and for the Security
and Protection of his Majesty's Subjects in this Colony;
and as it is absolutely necessary that a sufficient Force
should be raised to erect and support the same: For
an Encouragement to all who shall voluntarily enter
into the said Service, I do hereby notify and promise,
by and with the Advice and Consent of his Majesty's
Council of this Colony, that over and above their
Pay, Two Hundred Thousand Acres, of his Majesty's
the King of Great Britain's Lands, on the East Side
of the River Ohio, within this Dominion, (One
Hundred Thousand Acres whereof) to be contiguous to
the said Fort; and the other Hundred Thousand Acres
to be on, or near the River Ohio) shall be laid off

and granted to such Persons, who by their voluntary
Engagement, and good Behaviour in the said Service,
shall deserve the same. And I further promise, that
the said Lands shall be divided amongst them imme-
diately after the Performance of the said Service, in
a Proportion due to their resp. Services Merit, as shall
be represented to me by their Officers, and held and
enjoyed by them without paying any Rights, and also
free from the Payment of Quit Rents, for the Term
of Fifteen Years. And I do appoint this Proclama-
tion to be read and published at the Court Houses,
Churches and Chapels in each County within this
Colony, and that the Sheriff take Care the same be
done accordingly.

Given at the Council Chamber in Williamsburg,
on the 19th Day of February, in the 27th Year of
his Majesty's Reign, Annoque Domini 1754.
ROBERT DINWIDDIE.
G O D Save the KING.

February 8. By a Gentleman from Augusta,
we have the melancholly Account, That Robert
Foyte, of that County, living at the Head of Memo-
nangahella River, a Branch of Mississippi, together
with his Wife and five Children, the youngest a
bout ten Years old, were found all murdered and
scalped the 4th of last Month, supposed to have
been done by the Indians about two Months before.

A N N A P O L I S.
Capt. Coolidge, in the Wilson, and Capt. Scou-
gall, in the ———, are arrived in Patuxent, from
London.

The General Assembly of this Province is yet sit-
ting.

Custom House, Annapolis, Enter'd since Feb 7.
Shallop Rawleigh, Thomas Grant, from York;
Schooner Charles, Thomas Palmer, from Hampton;
Schooner James, Joseph Crow, from N. Carolinas.
Cleard for Departure,
Brig Jo'n and James, Thomas Allen, for Newry;
Schooner Mermaid, Job Denen, for Halifax;
Schooner Charles, Thomas Palmer, for Hampton.

THE Managers of the Balti-
more LOTTERY, hereby give Notice,
That they will certainly draw it, on Tuesday the
30th of April ensuing.
N. B. A few of the Tickets are yet to be Sold
at the POST OFFICE in Annapolis. 2

Conformable to LAW,
NOTICE is hereby given, That
there is at the Plantation of Mrs. Priscilla
Woodward, near the Head of South River, in Anne-
Arundel County, taken up as a Stray, a small Black
Horse, has no perceivable Brand, but has two
white Spots on the off Side of his Back, and ano-
ther white Spot on his Neck near his Withers, and
a bushy Tail.
The Owner may have him again, on proving
his Property, and paying Charges. 1

Conformable to LAW,
NOTICE is hereby given, That
there is at the Plantation of William Hil-
lary in Prince George's County, near Bladensburg,
taken up as a Stray, a Black Mare, branded with
a Heart on her near Shoulder, about 12 Hands
and a half high: She has a Colt with her about 8
Months old.
The Owner may have them again, on proving
his Property, and paying Charges. 1

ANDREW BUCHANAN,
PERUKE-MAKER,
HAVING lately purchased a
large Quantity of all Sorts of the best of
English HAIRS, will make WIGS of all
Fashions, from One Guinea to Four Guinea Price.
And any Gentlemen who are pleased to favour him
with their Custom, may depend on being served
with Fidelity and Care, by
Their humble Servant,
Andrew Buchanan.
N. B. Any Wig Makers may be supplied with
Hairs, by the Pound, or Ounce, by the said Buc-
hanan, at a very reasonable Price.

THE Subscriber hereby gives
Notice, That he intends to apply to his Ex-
cellency the Governor, and the Upper and Lower
Houses of Assembly, for an Act of Insolvency.
Jasper Hall.

JUST PUBLISHED,
(Containing 84 Pages in Folio).
And to be Sold by the Printer thereof.
THE LAWS made at the
last Session of Assembly.

Baltimore County, Feb. 18. 1754.
WHEREAS BENJAMIN
FRANKLIN, Esq; of Philadelphia,
has constituted me his Attorney in Fact, for the
Western Shore of this Province, for transacting his
Affairs; This is therefore to require all Persons
indebted to him, on this Side of the Bay, to make
speedy Payment of their respective Debts, else they
must expect Trouble, from
Their humble Servant,
William Young.

MARY SALISBURY,
PROPOSES keeping SCHOOL
in Annapolis, at the House where Mr. Sparrow
lived, near the Church, to Teach young LADIES
FRENCH, and all Sorts of fine NEEDLE WORK,
TAPESTRY, EMBROIDERY with Gold and Silver,
and every other CURIOUS WORK which can be
performed with a Needle, and all Education fit for
young LADIES, except Dancing.
N. B. She will take in young LADIES to
Board, and proposes to open School the 25th of
March. Those young LADIES who intend to be
her Scholars, are desired to leave their Names at
the PRINTING OFFICE.

TO BE SOLD,
THE Dwelling-House and Lot
where Robert Gordon, Esq; lately deceased,
lived; as also the House where Mr. William Thorn-
ton now lives, and the Warehouses adjoining, with
all the Improvements on the said Lot, for Sterling
or Currency, by
Agnes Gordon, Ad-
ministratrix.

N. B. If the said Houses and Lot, are not soon
Sold, they will be Let.

Conformable to LAW,
NOTICE is hereby given, That
there is in the Possession of Solomon Turner,
living on Bennie's Creek in Frederick County, taken
up as a Stray, a small Bay Gelding, branded
on the off Shoulder and Buttock with TH (Bottom
upwards, join'd in one), has a narrow Blaze in his
Face, and a bob Tail; and had on a small Bell.
The Owner may have him again, on proving his
Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,
NOTICE is hereby given, That
there is in the Possession of William Herbert,
in Frederick County, taken up as a Stray, a small
Bay Horse, not branded, but has a small Star in
his Forehead, and his hind Feet are white.
The Owner may have him again, on proving
his Property, and paying Charges.

RAN away from Baltimore-
Town, in Baltimore County, on Tuesday the
5th of this Instant February, one Martin Hoafman,
a Dutchman, by Trade a Shoemaker, is about 30
Years old, of a middle Size, a swarthy Com-
plexion, has short black curl'd Hair, has a cast in
his Eyes, and speaks very much. Had on when he
went away, a grey Forest Cloth Coat with white
Metal Buttons, a red Worsted Damask Jacket, a
Pair of black Leather Breeches with black Glass
Buttons, a Pair of blue Worsted Stockings, and
new Pumps. He took away a small Grey Horse,
branded on the left Shoulder T, and a black Leath-
er Saddle with a yellow Leather Housing. He
is supposed to be gone over Patowmack. Whoever
takes up the said Man, and brings him to the Sub-
scribers, shall have Ten Pounds Reward.
Vitus Hartway.
Andrew Stiger.

Conformable to LAW,
NOTICE is hereby given, That
there is at the Plantation of Joshua Bond, in
Baltimore County, taken up as a Stray, a small
Bay Mare, with a Blaze down her Face, and her
near hind Foot white.
The Owner may have her again, on proving
his Property, and paying Charges.