

**BE SOLD,**  
 Indian Corn, Wheat, Pork, or  
 Lumber,  
**D SLOOP** that will  
 1000 Bushels of Grain: She is  
 Sails, Rigging, Anchors, Cable,  
 Materials.

*Kinsley Johns,*  
*William Thornton.*  
 for Payment will be given, on  
 red.

more Town, November 6, 1753.

Persons indebted to Mr.  
 Carnan, now on his Voyage to  
 the Estate of Mr. Charles Carnan,  
 want, are desired to come and settle  
 forthwith; otherwise they must ex-  
 or their respective Debts, at Maris

Persons having any just Claims or De-  
 owland Carnan, or the Estate of  
 man, are desired to apply for Pay-  
 e, in Baltimore Town, from Moe-  
 every Week; and at Elk Ridge  
 Saturday, where Attendance will be

*Wier and Carnan,* Attor-  
 neys in Fact to Mr. Rowland Car-  
 man, and to the Trustees to the E-  
 state of Mr. Cha. Carnan, of London.

**IMPORTED,**  
 DEFORD, Capt. JOHN COLE, from  
 d to be Sold by the Subscriber, at  
 near the Dock, in ANNAPOLIS,  
 ortment of European and  
 GOODS, at very reasonable  
 er Money, Gold, or Bills of Ex-  
 o Sells, good Barbados RUM, at  
 on, SUGAR, at 8 d. per Pound,  
 ANGES, at 2 s. per Dozen.  
*John Raitt.*

ME of a small LOTTERY;  
 e Sum of 490 Pieces of Eight, for  
 ublic Wharf at Baltimore-Town.

Pieces of Eight.	Total.
100	are 200
50	are 150
30	are 90
20	are 120
15	are 150
10	are 200
5	are 250
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ts at 2 Pieces of Eight, are 3500

For the public Wharf 490  
 me there is not one Blank and s

nothing more wanting than a public  
 Town, where the Trade is greatly  
 a few Years, it is not to be doub-  
 will readily Adventure in this Lot-  
 Well-wishers to the Prosperity of the  
 vince.

Tickets being already engaged, it  
 Lottery will be full in a very short  
 a public Notice will be given, and  
 Drawing.

Prizes will be published in the  
 ette, as soon as the Drawing is

Persons are appointed Managers,  
 under Oath, for the true Perform-  
 Trust, viz. Messrs. John Stevens,  
 John Moale, Charles Oxall, Wil-  
 Nicholas Rogers, John Ridgey, N.  
 William Lux, and Brian Philpot, jun-  
 had of any of the Managers, and  
 OFFICE, in Annapolis.

Office in Charles-street;  
 SEMENTS of a moderate  
 per Week after for Con-

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THE  
**MARYLAND GAZETTE,**

*Containing the freshest Advices foreign and domestic.*

THURSDAY, March 21, 1754.

The Storm arising in the West, being the present  
 Topic of Conversation, we think that we can-  
 not oblige our Readers, at this Juncture, with a  
 ny thing more entertaining than Major Wapping-  
 ton's Journal to Ohio, who was sent last Fall, by  
 the Governor of Virginia, to the Commandant  
 of the French Forces there. (Major Wappington  
 introduces his Journal with an Advertisement,  
 with which we likewise present our Readers).  
 From a Copy just Printed in Williamsburg.

ADVERTISEMENT.

As it was thought advisable by his Honour the  
 Governor to have the following Account of  
 my Proceedings to and from the French on Ohio,  
 committed to Print; I think I can do no less than ap-  
 plogize, in some Measure, for the numberless Imper-  
 fections of it.

There intervened but one Day between my Arri-  
 val in Williamsburg and the Time for the Council's  
 Meeting, for me to prepare and transcribe, from the  
 rough Minutes I had taken in my Travels, this  
 Journal: The writing of which only was sufficient  
 to employ me closely the whole Time, consequently ad-  
 mitted of no Leisure to consult of a new and proper  
 Form to offer it in, or to correct or amend the Dispo-  
 sition of the old; neither was I apprised, or did in the least  
 conceive, when I wrote this for his Honour's Per-  
 usal, that it ever would be published, or even have  
 more than a cursory Reading; till I was informed,  
 at the Meeting of the present General Assembly, that  
 it was already in the Press.

There is nothing can recommend it to the Public,  
 but this. Those Things which came under the Notice  
 of my own Observation, I have been explicit and  
 just in a Recital of;—Those which I have ga-  
 thered from Report, I have been particularly cautious  
 not to augment, but collected the Opinions of the se-  
 veral Intelligencers, and selected from the whole, the  
 most probable and consistent Account.

G. WASHINGTON.

Major GEORGE WASHINGTON'S Journal to the  
 River OHIO, &c.

Wednesday, October 31st, 1753.

I WAS commissioned and appointed by the  
 Honourable Robert Dinwiddie, Esq; Go-  
 vernor, &c. of Virginia, to visit and deliver  
 a Letter to the Commandant of the French  
 Forces on the Ohio, and set out on the in-  
 tended Journey the same Day; the next I arrived  
 at Frederickburg, and engaged Mr. John Van  
 Braam, to be my French Interpreter; and pro-  
 ceeded with him to Alexandria, where we pro-  
 ceeded to Winchester, where we provided  
 Necessaries; from thence we went to Winchester,  
 and got Big game, Horses, &c. and from thence  
 we pursued the new Road to Wolf Creek, where  
 we arrived the 14th of November.

Here I engaged Mr. Giff to pilot us out, and  
 also hired four others as Servants, Barnaby Curran,  
 and John Macquire, Indian Traders, Henry Ste-  
 ward, and William Jenkins, and their Company with  
 these Persons, left the Inhabitants the Day follow-  
 ing.  
 The excessive Rain and Quantity of Snow  
 that had fallen, prevented our reaching Mr. Fran-  
 cis, an Indian Trader, at the Mouth of Tayle  
 Creek on Monongahela, till Thursday the 22d.  
 We were informed here, that Expresses were sent  
 a few Days ago to the Traders down the River to  
 acquaint them with the French General's Death,  
 and the Return of the major Part of the French  
 Army into Winter Quarters.  
 The Waters were quite impassable, without  
 swimming our Horses in, and to send the  
 Load of a Canoe from Francis, and to send Ma-  
 jor Curran, and Henry Steward, down Monoga-  
 nela, with our Baggage, to meet us at the Forks  
 of Ohio, about 10 Miles, to stop the 21st.

As I got down before the Canoe, I spent some  
 Time in viewing the Rivers, and the Land in the  
 Fork, which I think extremely well situated for a  
 Fort, as it has the absolute Command of both Ri-  
 vers. The Land at the Point is 20 or 25 Feet a-  
 bove the common Surface of the Water, and a  
 considerable Bottom of flat, well-timbered Land all  
 around it, very convenient for Building: The Ri-  
 vers are each a Quarter of a Mile, or more, across,  
 and run here very near at right Angles: Aliquany  
 bearing N. E. and Monongahela S. E. the former  
 of these two is a very rapid and swift running Wa-  
 ter, the other deep and still, without any percep-  
 tible Fall.

About two Miles from this, on the South East  
 Side of the River, at the Place where the Ohio  
 Company intended to erect a Fort, lives Shingisi,  
 King of the Delawares; we call'd upon him, to  
 invite him to Council at the Leggs Town.

As I had taken a good deal of Notice Yesterday  
 of the Situation at the Forks, my Curiosity led me  
 to examine this more particularly, and I think it  
 greatly inferior, either for Defence or Advantages;  
 especially the latter, for a Fort at the Forks would  
 be equally well situated on Ohio, and have the en-  
 tire Command of Monongahela, which runs up to  
 our Settlements and is extremely well design'd for  
 Water Carriage, as it is of a deep still Nature; be-  
 sides, a Fort at the Fork might be built at a much  
 less Expence, than at the other Place.

Nature has well contrived the lower Place, for  
 Water Defence; but the Hill whereon it must  
 stand being about a Quarter of a Mile in Length,  
 and then descending gradually on the Land Side,  
 will render it difficult and very expensive, making  
 a sufficient Fortification there.—The whole Flat up-  
 on the Hill must be taken in, or the Side next the  
 Descent made extremely high; or else the Hill cut  
 away: Otherwise, the Enemy may raise Batteries  
 within that Distance without being expos'd to a  
 single Shot from the Fort.

Shingisi attended us to the Leggs Town, where  
 we arrived between Sun setting and Dark, the 25th  
 Day after I left Williamsburg: We travelled over  
 some extreme good, and bad Land, to get to this  
 Place.

As soon as I came into Town, I went to Mena-  
 catocoba (as the Half King was out at his hunting  
 Cabin on little Beaver Creek, about 15 Miles off)  
 and inform'd him by John Davison my Indian In-  
 terpreter, that I was sent a Messenger to the  
 French General; and was ordered to call upon the  
 Sachems of the Six Nations, to acquaint them with  
 it.—I gave him a String of Wampum, and a  
 Twist of Tobacco, and desired him to send for the  
 Half King; which he promised to do by a Runner  
 in the Morning, and for other Sachems.—I invited  
 him and the other great Men present to my Tent,  
 where they stay'd about an Hour and return'd.

According to the best Observations I could  
 make, Mr. Giff's new Settlement (which we  
 pass'd by) bears about W. N. W. 70 Miles from  
 Wolf Creek; Shanapins, or the Forks N. by W.  
 or N. N. W. about 50 Miles from that; and from  
 thence to the Leggs Town, the Course is nearly  
 West about 18 or 20 Miles; so that the whole  
 Distance, as we went and computed it, is at least  
 135 or 140 Miles from our back Inhabitants.

25th, Came to Town four of ten Frenchmen that  
 departed from a Company at the Cuckusas, which  
 lies at the Mouth of this River; I got the follow-  
 ing Account from them. They were sent from  
 New Orleans with 100 Men, and 8 Canoe Loads  
 of Provision to this Place; where they expected to  
 have met the same Number of Men, from the  
 other Side Lake Erie, to convey them and the  
 Stores up, who were not arriv'd when they ran off.  
 I enquired into the Situation of the French, on  
 the Mississippi, their Number, and what Forts they  
 had built: They inform'd me, That there were  
 four small Forts between New Orleans and the  
 Black Islands, Garrison'd with about 30 or 40  
 Men, and a few small Pieces, in each: That at

New Orleans, which is near the Mouth of the  
 Mississippi, there are 35 Companies, of 40 Men  
 each, with a pretty strong Fort mounting 8 Car-  
 riage Guns, and at the Black Islands there are fe-  
 veral Companies, and a Fort with 6 Guns. The  
 Black Islands are about 130 Leagues above the  
 Mouth of the Ohio, which is about 350 above  
 New Orleans: They also acquainted me, that  
 there was a small pallisado'd Fort on the Ohio, at  
 the Mouth of the Obaisb about 60 Leagues from  
 the Mississippi: The Obaisb heads near the West  
 End of Lake Erie, and affords the Communication  
 between the French on Mississippi and those on the  
 Lakes. These Deserters came up from the lower  
 Shansab-Town with one Brown, an Indian Tra-  
 der, and were going to Philadelphia.

About 3 o'Clock this Evening the Half King  
 came to Town; I went up and invited him and  
 Davison, privately, to my Tent, and desired him  
 to relate some of the Particulars of his Journey to  
 the French Commandant, and Reception there;  
 and to give me an Account of the Ways and Dis-  
 tance. He told me, that the nearest and levellest  
 Way was now impassable, by Reason of many  
 large miry Savannas; that we must be obliged to  
 go by Venango, and should not get to the near Fort  
 under 5 or 6 Night's Sleep, good Travelling.  
 When he went to the Fort, he said he was receiv-  
 ed in a very stern Manner by the late Comman-  
 der; Who ask'd him very abruptly, what he had  
 come about, and to declare his Business, which he  
 said he did in the following Speech.

Fathers, I am come to tell you your own Speeches;  
 what your own Mouths have declared. Fathers,  
 You, in former Days, sit a Silver Basin before us,  
 wherein there was the Leg of a Beaver, and desir'd  
 of all Nations to come and eat of it; to eat in Peace  
 and Plenty, and not to be churlish to one another;  
 and that if any such Person should be found to be a  
 Disturber, I here lay down by the Edge of the Dish  
 a Rod, which you must scourge them with; and if I  
 your Father, should get foolish, in my old Days, I de-  
 sire you may use it upon me as well as others.

Now Fathers, it is you that are the Disturbers in  
 this Land, by coming and building your Towns, and  
 taking it away unknown to us, and by Force.

Fathers, We kindled a Fire a long Time ago, at  
 a Place called Montcal, where we desired you to  
 stay, and not to come and intrude upon our Land. I  
 now desire you may dispatch to that Place; for be it  
 known to you, Fathers, that this is our Land, and  
 not yours.

Fathers, I desire you may bear me in Civilness; if  
 not, we must handle that Rod which was laid down  
 for the Use of the Obstreperous. If you had come in  
 a peaceable Manner, like our Brothers the English,  
 we should not have been against your trading with  
 us, as they do; but to come, Fathers, and build  
 great Houses upon our Land, and to take it by Force,  
 is what we cannot submit to.

Fathers, Both you and the English are white, we  
 live in a Country between; therefore the Land be-  
 longs to neither one nor other: But the Great  
 Being above allow'd it to be a Place of Residence  
 for us; so Fathers, I desire you to withdraw, as I  
 have done our Brothers the English; for I will keep  
 you at Arms length: I lay this down as a Trial for  
 both, to see which will have the greatest Regard to  
 it; and that Side we will stand by, and make equal  
 Sbarers with us: Our Brothers the English have  
 heard this, and I come now to tell it to you, for I  
 am not afraid to discharge you off this Land.

This was said: was the Substance of what he said  
 to the General, who made this Reply.

Now my Child, I have heard your Speech, you  
 spoke fast, but it is my Time to speak now. Where  
 is my Wampum that you took away, with the Marks  
 of Honour in it? This Wampum I do not know,  
 which you have discharged me off the Land with;  
 but you need not put yourself to the Trouble of speak-  
 ing; for I will not hear you: I am not afraid of  
 Eliza, or Musquitos; for Indians are such as those;  
 I tell you, down that River I will go, and will  
 build