

and afterwards murdering his Mo-
Servant, set Fire to the House,
Escape.

22. On Monday the 11th In-
his Majesty's Ship Kent, 70
Watson Commander, from Ply-
following Fleet of Men of War,
Land Forces for the East Indies:
uns, Commodore Pocock Com-
ristol, 70 Guns, Capt. Latham.
Guns, Capt. Knowler. The
Guns, Capt. Martin. The Ha-
Hanbury. And the King Fisher
s. They intended to have got
old not make the Harbour.

N^o. in ANTIGUA.

the 3d Inst. arrived here the
and Sally, Captain William
Philadelphia; but last from Mar-
treat. She left Delaware Capes
y last, bound here, laden chiefly
loor. On the 7th of February,
upe, which they took for this I-
oy thick Weather, and Want of
o Days, they met with a French
op, Monf. La Blanc, Comman-
ately boarded Capt. Vaughan for
ch Craft, opened all his Letters
carried him into Martinico, where
ined in a common Jail, among
with his Passengers and Crew
34 Days, all which Time they
hout any Distinction, only Bread
eir Diet, and the bare Floor for
They were then released, on pay-
h amounted to 300 Pieces of
e which, the generous Frenchman
ughan to sell Part of his Cargo:
ered his Vessel of Provisions and
Value of 100 more. Captain
went to a Notary Public, and en-
against this Usage, a Copy of
French. After this he was com-
ely to sail from Martinico, which
of March, intending directly for
y contrary Winds, was obliged to
rrat the 1st Inst. where he again
Vaughan also waited on his Ex-
l Thomas here, and repeated his

Morning, a few Minutes before
e Inhabitants of this Town and I-
h alarmed by a rumbling Earth-
ook their Houses in such a sensible
make them apprehensive of Da-
has been heard of. This was also
our Harbour. Just a ter one
er small Tremor happened; and
ere again surprized by a Second,
the Evening. We have been
al plentiful Showers of Rain since
kes, tho' it had been very dry
e Time before.

STON, May 20.

ter, dated St. Eustatia, April 10,
it mentioning to you the inexpress-
ion which the greater Part of this
into by a most shocking Earth-
happened last Sabbath day Night,
urs of Twelve and One; I suppose
ing, inferior to what was felt in
in the Year 1727; but we had no
.—It is at present a most distress-
this Place, on Account of the
er is now sold here, I suppose,
an is usually given for Cyder at the
.—There never was a Drop of
to be in this Place but what falls
ns, and the Cisterns are now almost
Earth is parched under our Feet;
re cut off; Men and Beasts are dis-
few Days ago, three white Men
were executed here for Burglary

hourn from Connecticut, we are in-
ere had lately been most terrible
lightning on the Coast of Virginia,
e great Damage to several Vessels
g sloop, from Nantucket, had her
o Pieces, and two Men kill'd, and
e Vineyard: That a Brigantee was
and had our Man kill'd: And al-
from Liverpool; bound to Virginia,
d received much Damage, of which
got the Particulars.

ter from Exeter in New Hampshire,

May 13.

a melancholy Time in regard to the
he terrible Burnings there are in the
feared Nottingham will be almost
destroyed

destroyed: Several Houses and Barns burnt al-
ready; the Meeting-house hardly escaped; 100,000
Boards burnt at one Mill; almost all the Pine
Timber in the Town destroyed; and the Fire is
still raging.—It seems, unless Providence should
interpose, the Country above us must be laid
waste."

We hear also, That the Fire has made great
Destruction of the Woods at and about Chester, in
the said Province.

But we are since informed, that the late plentiful
Rains have put a Stop to the Progress of the
Flames.

NEW-YORK.

May 13. In Capt. Merfier, who arrived here
face our last, in nine Weeks from the Coast of A-
frica, are come two Seamen formerly belonging to
the Sloop Thomas, John Whitefides, Master, of and
from Liverpool: They inform us, That they sailed in
the aforesaid Sloop the 2d of March last, from Fort
St. James, in Gambia River; that the next Morn-
ing as they lay at Anchor near the Mouth of the
River, the Slaves, 87 in Number, having privately
got off their Irons, suddenly mounted the Deck, and
knock'd the Chief Mate overboard, as he went for-
ward to meet them: That the Steamen being alarmed
thereupon, repaired to their Small Arms, and fired
among the Negroes, which obliged them to return
blow; but a greater Number of them soon after
remounting the Deck, having then observed the Sea-
men's Fire Arms to be bad and mist Fire, doubled
their Diligence, with Billets of Wood, and Pieces of
Boards, against the White Men, who were but eight
in all: That from the Captain's Negligence in not
keeping loaded the Swivels that were placed through
the Barricade, and their not being able to come to
their better Small-Arms, design'd to trade with, by
Means of the close Attack of the Negroes, they were
all obliged to take to their Long boat, and leave the
Sloop in Possession of the Slaves: That thereupon
Captain James, in the St. Paul, of London, and
Capt. Merfier, who lay about four Miles Distance,
took weigh'd and endeavoured to recover the Sloop,
but in vain, altho' Capt. James held an Hour's En-
gagement with her very hot; the Slaves making use
of the Swivel Guns, and trading Small Arms, seem-
ingly in an experienced Manner against them, and
Night coming on, obliged the two Captains to re-
turn, to take Care of their own Slaves: Whitefides
and his Crew, by that Time reaching Capt. Merfier,
after taking up his Mate, who the Slaves knock'd
overboard. A Carolina Sloop bound in, being well
provided with Ammunition, by the Entreaty of White-
fides, went in Pursuit of his Sloop; but our Infor-
mers knew nothing more of her afterwards, as
Capt. Merfier and James came off the next Morn-
ing, being the 4th of March, the latter bound to
South Carolina with 140 Slaves on board: They
kept Company with each other five Weeks, and part-
ed 15 Leagues to the Windward of Antigua, all well.
Last Week two of the Independent Companies post-
ed here, were embarked on board his Majesty's Ship
the Centaur, in order to be transported to Virginia.
The Ship is since fallen down to the Watering Place,
and waits only for a fair Wind to proceed. And,
On Thursday last arrived at Sandy-Hook, the
Swan Snow Man of War; Capt. Langdon, Com-
mander (formerly Lieutenant of the Tarvisock) who
has brought hither the Honourable Dudley Diggt,
Esquire, appointed Commander of the Centaur.

May 27. Last Tuesday Capt. Bennet of the Ja-
maica Packet, arrived here in eight Weeks from
Madaira, who in Lat. 23 and a Half, Lon. 32
West from London, spoke with the Walpole, Captain
Fowler, in 14 Weeks from India, but last from St.
Helena, in 29 Days: He informed Capt. Bennet;
that the French and English were at O P E N
WAR in the Indies.

PHILADELPHIA.

May 30. Captain Rees, from Barbados, ad-
vices, that the Rebecca, Captain Lowther (who
we lately mention'd to have been boarded by a
French Guard de Coast off of Guadaloupe) is car-
ried into Martinico.

Saturday last the notorious John Crow (who a
few Years ago was reprie'd here under the Gal-
lows, and had been several Times in Danger of
being hang'd since) and one Chester, were exe-
cuted at Trenton for House breaking.

June 6. Capt. Driescall from Lisbon informs
us, that two Days before he sailed, an Express ar-
rived there from Madrid, who brought Advice,
that a Fleet of twelve Sail of French Men of War
of the Line, two Bombs, and a Fire ship, were be-
fore Algiers; and that they had Orders, in case
they did not receive proper Satisfaction for the In-
sults offered by the Algerines to their Flag, to
bombard the Place in three Days from the Time
of their Arrival.

ANNAPOLIS.

We have a certain Account from the Westward,
of an Engagement between a Party of English and
French, on the 27th of May past, beyond the Al-
legany Mountains, in a Place called The Flats,
about 80 Miles from our back Settlements, about
240 Miles near N. W. of this Place, and some
Miles to the Eastward of the new Fort on the Ohio,
which was lately surrendered to the French by Capt.
Trent. Some of the Particulars are as follows:
Major Washington had Intelligence, from our Friend
the Half King, that a Party of French were en-
camped on this Side the Fork, on which he immedi-
ately marched at the Head of a Company of about
40 Men, but during their March the Rains fell so
heavy that they could scarce keep their Ammunition
dry; the French observed them before they came up,
and speedily put themselves in Order of Battle, being
under the Command of Monsieur Le Force: When
the two Parties approached nigh, the French (who
were about 36 in Number), gave the first Fire, by
which one of Major Washington's Men was killed,
and another knock'd down: The English returned
the Fire, and killed 7 or 8 of the French, on which
the Rest took to their Heels; but the Half King,
and his Indians, who lay in Ambush to cut them off
in their Retreat, fell upon them, and soon killed and
scalped Five of them. Monsieur Le Force finding
that they were all likely to lose their Lives under
the Hands of the Savages, called to his Men, and
advised them to surrender to the English; they im-
mediately, with great Precipitation, ran towards
the English, flung down their Arms, and begg'd
for Quarter. Major Washington interpos'd between
them and the Half King, and it was with great
Difficulty that he prevented the Indians from doing
them further Mischief, the Half King insisting on
scalping them all, as it was their Way of Fighting,
and he alleged that those People had killed, boiled,
and eat his Father, and that the Indians would not
be satisfied without all their Scalps; however, Ma-
jor Washington at length persuaded him to be con-
tent with what Scalps he had already got. One of
those Five which were killed and scalped by the
Indians, was Monsieur Jumonville, an Ensign, whom
the Half King himself dispatched with his Tom-
bowk. Monsieur Le Force, and Twenty more
Frenchmen, who were taken Prisoners, are carried
down to Williamsburg. One or Two, it is said,
got away before the Rest surrendered, and it is not
known what is become of them. Le Force has the
Character of an expert Officer, and the Half King
reckoned that the English had gained a great Ad-
vantage in taking him, telling Major Washington,
that that Man (Le Force) was a Thousand.

Col. JOSHUA FRY, who had the Chief Command
of the Forces gone to the Ohio, had lately the Mis-
fortune of falling from his Horse, whereby he was
much bruised, and died soon after at Will's Creek.

Last Friday sail'd for London, from West River,
Capt. Rawlings in the Swift, with whom went
Passengers, Dr. THOMAS THORNTON, and Mr.
ADDISON MURDOCK.

Custom House, Annapolis, Entered since May 23.
Brig Chapman, John Dair, from Oporto;
Brig Charles, Jacob Walters, from London;
Brig Endeavour, John Jobs, from Barbadoes;
Schooner Speedwell, S. White, from Barbadoes;
Ship Neptune, Jerningham Bigg, from London;
Snow Polly, John Troy, from Dublin.

Cleared for Departure,
Sloop Hester, Richard Bryan, for Philadelphia;
Schooner Buxom Joan, R. Thornby, for Virginia;
Sloop Union, Thomas Dewick, for Barbadoes.

To be Sold by Public Vendue,

On Thursday the 15th of August next,

A TRACT of Land, lying in
Anne Arundel County, near Elk Ridge Church,
not 30 Miles from Annapolis, and within 10 Miles
of Patuxent Landing, containing 56r Acres, well
Timber'd, and very well improved, having a good
 Dwelling House, Tobacco House, Kitchen, Stone
Milk House, and other Out-Houses, and a good
young Orchard. The Sale to be on the Premises,
at One o'Clock on the said Day. For Title and
Terms apply to J. D. John Ducker.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That
there is at the Plantation of Dr. Richard
Cooks, in Frederick County, taken up as a Stray, a
Dark Bay Horse, branded on the near Buttock with
the Letters TP (join'd together) has three white
Feet, and a Wall Bye.
The Owner may have him again, on proving
his Property, and paying Charges.

By Directions of a late ACT,

THIS is to give Notice, That
a strong well built Boat, 12 Feet long,
pay'd with Turpentine, without an Oar, Rudder,
or any Rope, having Rollocks for four Oars, with
a Scoop in her; was lately taken up in the Bay,
and is now in the Possession of Mr. Nicholas Clouds,
on Kent Island, to whom the Owner may apply.

SUPPOSED to be Stolen, on
the Main Road, between the Subscriber's new
 Dwelling House and Dorcas Hill's, where he was
left by one Hugh Keates, who had the Care of him,
on the 28th of May last, a small Negro Boy, nam-
ed Charles, alias Mungo. He is a sprightly
Child, and almost three Years old. Had on when
he was missed, a Check Shirt. It was at first ima-
gined that he had lost himself in the Woods, but
on the most diligent Search and Enquiry, not being
able to find or hear any Thing of him, it is suppo-
sed he was stolen and carried off by two Men, who
run away that Night.

Whoever brings him to the Subscriber, living
near Annapolis, shall have Three Pistoles Reward;
and if the Thief or Thieves be apprehended, and
legally convicted thereof, Six Pistoles.

Charles Homewood.

RAN away from the Subscriber,
living at Sparrow's Point, Patuxent, a Negro
Man, called Jemmy, about 22 Years of Age, a
likely well set Fellow, walks Pidgeon footed, has
a fine Voice, and is very bold. Whoever takes
up the said Fellow, and secures him so that his
Master may have him again, shall have Forty Shil-
lings Reward, if taken in this Province; and if ta-
ken out of this Province, Three Pounds.

John Perveal.

Bladenburg, June 7, 1754.

RAN away from the Subscriber,
a Convict Servant Man, named John Trow,
a Carpenter by Trade, born in England, about 5
Feet 6 Inches high, of a dark Complexion; he has
small Features, and a thick Beard with some grey
Hairs in it, and the fore Part of his Head shaved.
Had on an old fine Hat, striped Holland Shirt,
new Onabrigs Trowsers, and old Shoes.

Whoever apprehends the said Servant, and brings
him home, shall have Thirty Shillings Current Mo-
ney Reward, besides what the Law allows.

Richard Henderson.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That
there are in the Possession of Joseph Sparks,
living near Piney Creek in Frederick County, taken
up as Strays the two following Creatures, viz.

A Dark Bay Mare, with a long Blaze in her
Face, a Crop in the off Ear, a long Tail, and
branded on the near Shoulder, but uncertain with
what.

And a White Gelding, with a Slit in the Top
of his off Ear, a long Tail, and branded on the off
Buttock P \square with a Stroke at the Bottom of the U,
and has some Brand on the off Shoulder, but what
is uncertain.

The Owner or Owners may have them again,
on proving Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That
there is in the Possession of Sabrit Clagett,
near Upper Marlborough, in Prince George's County,
taken up as a Stray, a Bright Bay Mare, about 12
Hands high, and has one white Foot; but is not
branded or dock'd.
The Owner may have her again, on proving his
Property, and paying Charges.

Conformable to LAW,

NOTICE is hereby given, That
there is at the Plantation of Thomas Todd,
at Elk Ridge Landing, taken up as a Stray, a small
Black Horse, with a sway Back, and branded on
the near Buttock thus H.
The Owner may have him again, on proving
his Property, and paying Charges.

TO BE SOLD,

A LOT in Upper-Marlborough,
near the Dwelling House of John Hepburn,
Esq; whereon is a new Dwelling House, with a
Brick Chimney, two Fire Places, three Rooms on
the lower Floor, and two above Stairs. The Yard
fenced in, and there is Ground enough for a large
Garden.
Hancock Lee.