more County, January 25, 1755.

Z out of the County Goal t, at Joppa, John Tucker, a Shout 5 Feet 10 Inches high, has he to re Teeth, he bends forward what a about 45 Years of Age.

ooal, shall have Four Pistein cen in the County; if taken out of the Pistoin to the County; if taken out of the Pistoin and reason.

William Toung, Sheriff,

for Ready Money, to the er, and enter'd upon immediately, a 18th of March, that Tract or Parcel of

alled Park Hall, containing about ying and being in Frederick Courty, the of Maryland. The faid Land is everal Lots, any of which may be the Subscriber, who will strend a Court for that Purpose. The find merly belong to Mr. William Park, no Sale will be on the Premise.

John Shelton. fons inclinable to purchase any Per, of John Sweringen and William Ar faid Land.

January 29, 1755. way from the Subscriber t West River, on the 26th of the dented Servant Man, named Ibens orn in Briftel, a Sadler by Track Inches high, of a black Complexion & Hair, and about 30 Years of Age. Cotton Jacket and Trowfers, an Oc-a blue Pea Jacket, and an old Feb

tkes up the faid Servant, and feering Goal, so that he may be had again, taken in the County, One Pinds he Law allows, and if taken out of Two Pistoles, besides what the Law

Stephen Steward.

Ganuary 7, 1755.
Commissioners of the Parrency Office, have, by frequent A6 defired the Debtors to that Offa pay the Interest due on their Bood, have not hitherto complied with they now inform all concerned, its t several Bonds in Suit, and that the to do fo, in every Instance, utill loney, due to the said Office, is paid in lorey Order of the Commissionari,

Richard Dorfey,
Clerk Paper Currency Office.

Executor of the late Capt s Afterw, having conflicted me the same is Attorney in Fact, for fettling is a Province; this is to defire all Person Demands on the faid Aftew's Effut, their Accounts, that they may be did those indebted are requested to mis ents, to prevent Expence to themselvent to Lancelot Jacquest

Office in Charles-fired; TISEMENTS of a moderate ng per Week after for Con THE

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## MARTLAND GAZETTE.

Containing the freshest Advices foreign and domestic.

THURSDAY, March 20, 1755.

From the GENTLEMAN's MAGAZINE, for December laft.

S our present Contest with the French on the Continent of America has justly excited the Attention of the Public, I desire, by your Means, to lay before them a brief Account of some former Transactions relating to our Settlements there; the Right on which they were founded, the Encroachments of the French, and the Proposals that were made for preventing what has happened. I hope that the present Ministry, when they find themselves distressed by the Negligence of their Predecessors, will, for the Sake of Posterity, discharge their Trast with greater Diligence and Fidelity.

Stassian Cabeta, in the Year 1407, by the Commission, and at the Expence of King Henry VII. of England, discovered all the Coast of Americal fronting the atlantic Ocean, from Latitude 28 to excited the Attention of the Public, I

fronting the atlantic Ocean, from Latitude 28 to 56 North, 20 Years before any other European

had visited that Continent.

King Charles I. granted to Sir Robert Heath,
his Attorney General, a Patent of all that Part of America, from the River St. Matthes, in Lat. 30, to the River Passo Magno, in Lat. 36, extending East and West, from the atlantic Ocean to the South Sea, not then being in the adual Possission of

esy Christian Prince or State.
Sir Robert Heath convey'd the Premises to Lord
Mattravers, who was afterwards Earl of Arundel, and who planted feveral Parts of the Country.

In the Protectorate of Cromwell, one Watts, afterwards knighted by King Charles II. touched on the Coast, where he found an Englishman who had been shipwrecked, and was become a Favourite with one of the Indian Potentates, who soon after fent an Embassador to England, offering Settlements

making farther Discoveries by Land to the West, North, and South of that Province, fitted out two Vessels on the same Errand, and furnished them also with Materials and Artificers to build Forts,

allo with Materials and sale and fettle a Colony.

On board these Veffels, besides Mariners, Artificers, Soldiers, and private Adventurers, there were 30 Voluntiers of Distinction, many of them being Noblemen, and the rest Gentlemen of Family and Fortune.

One of these Vessels discovered the seven Mouths of the great River Meschacebs, called by the French Missippi, ascended it above One hundred Miles, and would have made a Settlement if the Captain of the other Vessel had not infamously neglected Buty, and deferted his Affociates; however, what they could do without his Affictance they did, they took Possession of the Country in the King's Name, leaving the Arms of Great Britain, as a Memorial of their Right, affixed on Boards and Trees in many Places. And this was at that Time Publicly attested to be the first Vessel that ever engaged the River took has been about the bred the River from the Sea, and from whose Discoveries the first perfect Description of it was given, in Contradiction and Defiance of the French who had falled and infection. who had falfely and infolently afformed the Honour of both.

When the Veffel returned, Mr. Cox presented a Memorial of her Voyage to King William. Upon this Occasion his Majesty was pleased to call a general control of the Memorial of heral Council, before whom he ordered the Me-morial to be read: All who were prefer, were unanimoully of Opinion, with the King, that the Settleman of the Menanimous of the Settlement of the Province ought to be encouraged:
Many Preparations were made for this Purpole, in which several Noblemen and Merchants concurred; particularly Lord Lordfdale, who offered a Ship of 200 Tons, and an hundred Artificers, with Toola and Implements; but the Death of this Mobleman, and of the King foon afterwards, prevented the Execution of the Defign.

Upon the Death of King William, the Proprietor agaid applied for Affiftance to carry the projected Settlement into Execution; but the War breaking out about the same Time, and the Attention of the Ministry being engrossed by that Event, he found his Application disregarded, and therefore gave it up, though not without representing in very strong Terms, that the most favourable Opportunity that could ever happen would be lost by the Delay, and that whenever, a Peace should be concluded, the French would endeavour to possif and settle the Country themselves, who then claimed the Lands South of the Great Lakes, notwithstanding they had in the Beginning of the Reign of James II. been furrendered by the Iroqueis and their Allies to the Crown of England.

At this Time the Indians of the Five Nations

were our Friends, and not only affifted us against the French, but invited us to build a Fort in the River, inhabited by the most warlike Nation among them. The French, who had long despaired of gaining them over, had often attempted to extirpate the whole Race; and of this, Col. Dungan, who was appointed Governor of New-York by James II. was so sensible, that though a Papist, he ordered the popish Priests who were sent into his Government to depart, because, instead of making Converts to Popery, they laboured to betray our Colonies to the French.

The French, as their next Resource, attempted to build Forts on the Coasts, and narrow Passes of the Lakes and Great Rivers, that the Indians might be compelled to defert the English, as the only Condition upon which the French would permit them to hunt; this Power however, they could not obtain, for the Indians either prevented the Erection of these Forts or demolished them as fast as they were built.

About the Year 1723, Daniel Cox, the Son of the Proprietor, published an Account of Carolina, in the Presace of which he observes, that if the French were permitted to establish the Communication which they were known to have projected, between Cape Breten and the Gulph of the River Se. Lawrence, as far as the Miffifippi, they would gain such an Increase of Power from so great an Extent of Territory, as would greatly endanger our Northern Plantations, and eventually all the rest of which they are the Barrier.

Mr. Cox also represented, that the Frontiers of our Colonies were large, naked and open, without Fort or Garrison for near 2000 Miles; the Dwelling of the Inhabitants scattered, and our Colonies so divided in Situation, Interests, Views, and Manner of Government, that it was scarce possible for any considerable Body of Forces to be brought to gether on any Emergency, though the whole Interest of Britain on the Continent should be at Stake. For as several of these Governments pretend extraordinary Privileges from former Grants of the Crown, it happens that when their Affistance is solicited by their Neighbours in imminent Danger they affect Delays, insist upon Puncilios and Niceties, start unreasonable Objections, and make extravagant Demands, not confidering that the Security of the Whole depends on the Security of every Part, and that he whole Neighbour's House is on Fire cannot otherwise secure his own than by

quenching it.
To obviate these Evils it was proposed
To That all the Britis Colonies in North-America be united under one legal and regular Establishment, having over them one forreme Governor, who hall refide in the Spot, and to whom the Governors of each Colony shall be subordinate. And

who shall reside as the Spot, and to whom the Governors of each Colony shall be subordinate. And is That two Deputies be annually elected by the Council and Assembly of each Province, who spot is the Spirit of our Establishment: And is the Council and Assembly of each Province, who spirit of our Establishment: And is such and form a Kind of general Council, on Duty to God, and to our country, and render and with the Approbation of the Governor sattle surfelves as acceptable, as we are invariably faither all Quotas of Money, Men, and Provincents to be ful to your Majesty, and your illustrians thouse.

We see and lamint the Depravity of our Times, with Governor to have a Negative, but not to enact

without their Concurrence; and the Quotas fo fet2 tled to be furnished as the particular Counfels shall

The French had then frized and fortified the Territory on our Back Suffements remote from Canada, a Thousand Miles, and it was then asked, What would become of the Children who friends claim an Inheritance near their Parents and Friends, if our Plantations were firetched no farther back, and the French bounded them on all Sides ? It was therefore urged, that while they were weak, and their Settlements in Lonfiania were in their Infancy, we should insist on their retaining only Canada and Cape Breton, and on their abandoning their new Acquisitions, which in future Time would inevitably be used as the Means of further Encroachments, and so a long Series of Usurpation, which would be more easy at every Advance, would at length render them Masters of the whole Continent; Fer render them Matters of the whole Continent; Fer bow, says this Writer, can we hope to succeed against them some Years hence, when they shall have augmented the Number of their Inhabitants, debauched the Natives to their Party, and farther strengthened themselves by securing with Forts and Garrisons the Passes of the Rivers, Lakes, and Mountains.

This Time is now arrived, and the Event has suffilled the Prediction, to the indelible Disgrace of those who disregarded it. What may we he done I

those who disregarded it. What may yet be done I leave to the Wisdom of others; but I hope that the Strength of our Enemies, which has been thus fuffered to increase by the Negligence of former Administrations, will not become irresistible by the Supineness of the present.

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To the KING's most excellent Majesty.

The bumble Address of the Archbishop, Bishops, and Clergy, of the Province of Canterbury, in Convo-cation assimbled.

May it please your Majesty,

W E your Majesty's most dutiful and logal Sub-jest, the Archbishop, Bishops, and Clergy, of the Province of Canterbury, in Convocation of-combled, beg Leave to take this Opportunity of our being convened by your Royal Command, to repeat the most cordial Assurances of our inviolable Duty and Fidelity to your Sacred Person.

We have a strong and grateful Sense of the Hap-tiness we have enjoyed during the whole Course of your Majesty's Reign; under which the Obedience of your Subjects, and particularly your faithful Clergy, bas, by the Goodness of your Majesty, been rendered

bas, by the Goodness of your Majesty, been rendered a most east Duty.

Your Majesty has made the Laws and Constitution the Rule of your just and equal Government: And is never better pleased, than when the same Laws appear to be the Measure of your People's Loyalty.

The gracious Assured, which your Majesty has so often given, and so religiously observed, that you would support the Church of England, as by Law established, not only lay us under the highest Obligations to your Majesty, but call upon us as to seve our Thankfulness to God for so great and cowerful a Protestor: And we are convinced how much it incumbent upon us to demonstrate to the World, by our Destrine and Examples, that the Protestant Church of England has not its Equal, for the Purity of its Faith, the Wisdom of its Constitution, the decent Regularity of its Worship, a steady and well decent Regularity of its Worlbip, a steady and well grounded Zeal against the Corruptions of Popery, its Loyalty and Affection to its Governors, and Moderation and Candeur to thefe who have the Misfortune