

... was forced on Shore upon Ma...  
... obliged: The Mens Lives were  
... Difficulty, as was also the Cargo,  
... Vessel may be got off.

... is Excellency, with the Advice of  
... Council, and at the Desire of the  
... of Representatives, issued a Pro-  
... Thursday the 20th Day of  
... to be observed as a general Fast  
... Province.

... a Gentleman at Newport, we  
... at Capt. Hunt arrived there last  
... Days from St. Eustatius, and was at  
... few Days before; he confirms the  
... Dutch Vessels being taken at the  
... with the Addition of their being  
... was inform'd, that there were 18  
... War arrived at Martinico, from  
... Hunt makes no Doubt of the Truth  
... to some being arrived, but quef-

... late Accounts from the Eastward,  
... 300 Indians, with French Officers  
... have been hovering about our Ser-  
... Days; and that it was generally  
... could soon make an Attack upon

... Capt. Rogers, bound hither from  
... into Piscataqua; and it is said, he  
... him several Gentlemen and  
... looks, as if they expected an at-  
... those Parts.

... E W - Y O R K.  
... Report is prevalent in Town, that  
... who fled from Canada, and arrived  
... Days ago, brings Advice, that last  
... French Men of War, two of 50  
... other of 50, arrived at Quebec,  
... on board; that soon after their  
... the Ships was lost at Quebec, and  
... them was afterwards lost in going  
... St. Lawrence.

... alds from Spanish Town, who ur-  
... Saturday, informs us, That all the  
... Vessels that were in the French  
... West Indies, have been lately seized  
... —And that the Dutch having  
... Cruce to Martinico, to demand Sa-  
... answered, very politely, "That  
... determined to support their Affairs,  
... might seek their Remedy if they

... in 30 Days from Kingston, in Ju-  
... us, that Governor Knowles had  
... of his Majesty's Ships of War down  
... in order, as it was said, to demand  
... of the Bay of Honduras.

... Thursday last Lieutenant Colonel  
... William Pepperell's Regiment, ar-  
... Boston; and it is currently report-  
... egiment will soon move this Way.

... of his Excellency JONATHAN  
... Esq; Captain General and Com-  
... of the Province of New-Jersey,  
... and General Assembly of the said  
... at Elizabeth-Town, on Tuesday,  
... February, 1755.

... of the Council, and of the General  
... NG less than his Majesty's Com-  
... in a Letter I have receiv'd from Sir  
... son (since our last Sitting) one of his  
... cipal Secretaries of State, dated  
... October 26, 1754, could have prevail-  
... to summon you to meet me at this  
... ing the Season, and the Difficulty

... ny Thing but the weak State of my  
... ated my meeting you at Burlington  
... ny.  
... may have the clearest View of his  
... al Care and Goodness for the Safety  
... this Province (as well as of those of  
... ) I shall order the Letter above  
... be laid before you; and therein you  
... Majesty particularly expects from you,  
... at any Delay, viz.

... should carefully provide a sufficient  
... fresh Victuals, at the Expence of  
... ment, to be ready for the Use of  
... at their Arrival.  
... should likewise, with the Officers,  
... have Occasion to go from Place to  
... all Necessaries for travelling by Land,  
... there be Care taken for quartering  
... providing all Necessaries for foot  
... all arrive, or be raised within your  
... , and that his Majesty will expect

... that the Charge thereof be defray'd by his Sub-  
... jects belonging to the same.

... And as to other Articles, you will use your  
... utmost Endeavours to induce the Assembly of  
... your Province to raise, forthwith, as large a  
... Sum as can be afforded, as their Contribution to  
... this common Fund, to be employ'd provisionally  
... for the Service of North-America, particularly  
... for paying the Charge of levying the Troops,  
... to make up the Complement of the Regiments.'

... The Arrival of his Majesty's General and Com-  
... mander in Chief of the Forces now raised and  
... raising is daily expected, together with the Regi-  
... ments from Ireland, and from New-England, at  
... Virginia, for immediately prosecuting from thence  
... his Majesty's Royal Orders, in the present Exigency  
... of Affairs.

... Gentlemen of the General Assembly,  
... Having laid these Things before you, and that  
... most of the neighbouring Governments have raised  
... proportionable Sums for aiding and assisting in the  
... present Expedition against the French and Indians;  
... I shall not doubt your now raising such a Sum of  
... Money, as his Majesty may justly and reasonably  
... expect from you, and to be with the greatest Dif-  
... ficulty, as being what you will see the Nature of the  
... Case absolutely requires.

... As the Lives, Liberties civil and religious, and  
... the Properties of the People of this Province, are  
... greatly in Danger at this critical Conjunction, I  
... have Reason to believe that your cheerfully falling  
... into your Duty to the King, for the Safety of his  
... Subjects here, will be very acceptable to your Con-  
... stituents.

... Notwithstanding the Answer you gave me the  
... last Session, respecting the Militia Act, yet I must  
... submit to the foregoing Article, that I think it  
... absolutely necessary for the King's Service, and  
... for the Safety of the good People of the Province,  
... that the Militia Act be well revised and bettered,  
... by raising the Fines for Non-appearances of the  
... private Men; for upon the General Muster, (which  
... I lately ordered) the Officers have made Com-  
... plaints to me, that the Fines are so low, as that  
... considerable Numbers will not attend their Duty,  
... as also, that the Musters by Law being so seldom,  
... the Men are very ignorant in the Exercise of Arms;  
... so that the yearly Musters ought to be at least  
... doubled.

... And it would be well to enquire, whether the  
... Act may not also be made better, for obliging the  
... Officers of the several Regiments, to the more strict  
... Compliance with their Duty.

... As the Militia of the Province is (under God)  
... the only Defence we can make, upon an Attack from  
... the Enemy, I think this Article is of great Impor-  
... tance to the Quiet and Safety of the Province, and  
... to be taken (without Delay) into your most mature  
... Deliberation.

... Gentlemen of the Council, and of the General  
... Assembly,  
... After your having fully gone through these Af-  
... fairs, if you have any Thing to lay before me for  
... his Majesty's Service, and the Benefit of the Pro-  
... vince, I shall cheerfully attend to it, or otherwise  
... give you a Receipt, to such Time as may be most  
... convenient for your Meeting again.

... J. BELCHER.

... To his Excellency JONATHAN BELCHER, Esq;  
... Captain General and Governor in Chief in and  
... over his Majesty's Province of New-Jersey, and  
... Territories therein depending in America, Chan-  
... cellor and Vice Admiral in the same, &c.

... The humble ADDRESS of the Representatives  
... of said Province in General Assembly met.

... May it please your Excellency,  
... WE his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Sub-  
... jects, the Representatives of the Colony of  
... New-Jersey in General Assembly met, having  
... taken the Matters recommended in your Excellen-  
... cy's Speech into Consideration, are fully convinced  
... of the Necessity your Excellency was under of con-  
... vening us together at this Time, tho' the Incle-  
... mency of the Season, and other Difficulties, has  
... made it a Task that we should chuse to have  
... avoided, if it could have been without Prejudice to  
... the Service recommended in Sir Thomas Robin-  
... son's Letter.

... That Part in particular which seems to require the  
... Providing of Carriages and Necessaries, for such  
... Forces as shall arrive within this Government,  
... appearing to us of immediate Necessity, we have  
... passed a Bill for providing a Sum, which by the  
... Calculation we have made, will be fully sufficient  
... for the Subsistence of such of his Majesty's regular  
... Forces, with their Baggage, and the necessary Car-  
... riages, as can be expected to pass through this  
... Province, whilst on their March through the same.

... With Regard to the other Particulars mentioned  
... in Sir Thomas Robinson's Letter, it is known to  
... your Excellency, that at the late Sitting in October  
... last, at Perth-Amboy, a Bill was agreed on by this  
... House, for providing the Sum of Ten Thousand  
... Pounds for his Majesty's Use on that Occasion,  
... which could not be known in England at the Time  
... of writing the said Letter, it being dated in the  
... same Month, and as the said Bill was very soon  
... after the said Sessions ended transmitted for his Ma-  
... jesty's Royal Approbation, we are not without  
... Hopes it has had the desired Success before this  
... Time, and that we shall soon be thereby able to  
... answer our full Proportion of the Money that will  
... be necessary on the present Exigency. This, with  
... the Unanimity and Dispatch with which it was ac-  
... companied, we hope will be a prevailing Reason  
... with your Excellency to believe our Intentions  
... heartily in the Service; and that while we are  
... waiting a few Weeks for the necessary Means to  
... make our Endeavours the more effectual, we shall  
... not be thought to have any latent Reserve, incon-  
... sistent with the Design.

... The Militia Bill was at the last Sitting, on your  
... Excellency's Recommendation, fully considered,  
... and thought by the House sufficient to answer the  
... Designs intended by it; but as your Excellency  
... was pleased to recommend it to us again, we have  
... now reconsidered the same; and are still of Opini-  
... on, it is sufficient to answer what is proposed by it.

... Having gone through the Affairs your Excel-  
... lency has recommended, and such other Matters as  
... we esteemed of immediate Importance, we know  
... of nothing else sufficient to detain us at this Time.

... Our Meeting at this Place, contrary to the estab-  
... lished Practice of the Government, is such an In-  
... fringement on our Rights, that nothing but your  
... Excellency's declining State of Health, and the  
... Necessity of the Business we have done can justify  
... us to our Constituents, for attempting, by any Act  
... of ours, to alter a Custom that our Ancestors have  
... thought necessary to establish as one of the Funda-  
... mentals of this Government.

... Assembly-Chamber,  
... March 1, 1755. By Order of the General Assembly,  
... ROBERT LAWRENCE, Speaker.

... The General Assembly of New-Jersey, were  
... adjourned on the 3d Instant, to the 16th of April  
... next; after the Governor had given his Assent to  
... An Act to prevent the Exportation of Provisions,  
... Naval or Warlike Stores, from the Colony of New  
... Jersey, to Cape Breton, or any other the Dominions  
... settled by the Subjects of the French King: And to  
... another, entituled, An Act for making Provision for  
... the Subsistence of his Majesty's Forces during their  
... March through this Colony, and for providing Car-  
... riages for transporting their Baggage.

... We also hear from New Jersey, that the worthy  
... Col. PETER SCHUYLER, near Newark, has re-  
... quested and obtained Leave of the Governor, to  
... raise 400 Men at his own Charge, to be in Readi-  
... ness to march to the Assistance of the City of New-  
... York, or any Place in their Neighbourhood, if it  
... should happen to be attacked by the French, or  
... other Enemies of Great-Britain. — Is not this  
... Patriotism indeed!

... PHILADELPHIA, March 11.  
... His Excellency CHARLES KNOWLES, Esq; Go-  
... vernor of Jamaica, dissolv'd the Assembly of that  
... Island on the 24th of January last with the fol-  
... lowing SPEECH.

... Mr. Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Assembly,  
... IT is with the utmost Concern I find myself  
... obliged to part with an Assembly, which hath  
... given me such Assurances of carrying on the Public  
... Business with Temper and Harmony, before you  
... could compleat those important Matters, which  
... made it necessary to call you together at this Time  
... of the Year. But however well I may be satisfied  
... with you in other Respects, my Duty to the best  
... of Kings in the Office which I have the Honour to  
... hold, leaves me not at Liberty to act in Concert  
... with you, while you suffer a Man, who was con-  
... victed of Disaffection, and treasonable Expressions  
... against his Majesty's Royal Person and Government,  
... to sit among you, and who was publicly punished  
... for it, and is still under a Recognizance for his  
... good Behaviour.

... I do therefore, in his Majesty's Name, by and  
... with the Advice of his Council, dissolve this present  
... Assembly, and you are hereby dissolved accordingly.

... Last Friday an additional Charter passed the  
... Great Seal of this Province, by which a COLLEGE,  
... in the most extensive Sense of the Word, is cre-  
... ed in this City, and added to that Collection of  
... Schools, formerly called the Academy, under the  
... same general Government, the Trustees being now

... incorporated by the Name of "The Trustees  
... of the College, Academy and Charitable School of  
... Philadelphia, in the Province of Pennsylvania."  
... The chief Masters are also made a FACULTY, of  
... learned Body, by the Name of "The Professors,  
... Viceprofessors and Professors of the College and Academy  
... of Philadelphia; and a Power of admitting Students  
... and others to the usual UNIVERSITY-DIPLOMS  
... is granted, under such wise and judicious Restricti-  
... ons, that the Honours of the Seminary can hardly  
... ever be prostituted to mean or venal Purposes, but  
... must be the Object of every Student's Ambition,  
... who is capable of distinguishing between real and  
... counterfeit Honour.

... The Public is desir'd to beware of Counterfeit  
... Mill'd Pieces of Eight, which are now passing a-  
... mong us: They are exceedingly well done, and  
... of the Year 1754; but may be easily discover'd,  
... having PHILIP, instead of FERDINAND,  
... on them; and when rubb'd a little, the base Metal  
... appears.

... ANNAPOLIS.  
... Yesterday his Excellency the Governor prorogued  
... the General Assembly of this Province, to the first  
... Day of July next; after passing the following Laws,  
... viz.

... An Act directing the Commissioners of the Currency  
... Office speedily to call in the Interest due on Bonds,  
... and other Securities, and all Monies due on Funds  
... payable into the said Office.

... An Act for the Continuance of Process in Baltimore  
... County Court.

... An Act for regulating the Rates of Carriages, and  
... Quartering Soldiers in Public Houses, within this  
... Province, for his Majesty's Service.

... An Act to prevent the People of this Province from  
... supplying the French, or their Indian Allies, with  
... Ammunition, Warlike Stores, or Provisions of any  
... Kind

... An Act for the Relief of Inspectors, and Owners  
... of Tobacco, and others, who have suffered by Means  
... of extraordinary Rains and high Tides, and other  
... Defects in the Inspection Law.

... And Two private Acts.

... Since our last we have the Pleasure of bearing of  
... the safe Arrival of Capt Rawlings at Alexandria;  
... the Forces being now all safe arrived, and landed  
... there.

... Yesterday the Negro Fellow, condemn'd at our last  
... County Court for the barbarous Murder of his Over-  
... seer, was executed at the lower Part of this County,  
... near the Place where he committed the Fact, and  
... his Body afterwards hung in Chains.

... LENT, but forgot to whom,  
... one of the Bodies of Laws of this Province.  
... On the Title Page is wrote Robert Gordon. Who-  
... ever has got it, is desired to return it to the Printer  
... hereof.

... THE Subscriber, living in Bal-  
... timore-Town, having procured an excellent  
... Hand, carries on the CLOCK and WATCH-  
... MAKING Business, where any Gentlemen, or  
... Others, who shall be pleased to employ him, may  
... depend on being served with Care and Expedition,  
... and in the cheapest Manner.

... Thomas Ward.  
... For Charles-Town, in So. Carolina,

... The SHIP  
... FRIENDSHIP,  
... JOHN RATTRAY,  
... Master;  
... Now lying in West River,  
... and will sail in a few Days.  
... She has extraordinary Ac-  
... commodations for Passengers. For Passage agree  
... with said Master.

... Conformable to LAW,  
... NOTICE is hereby given, That  
... there is at the Plantation of John Mercer,  
... near the Head of South River, taken up as a Stray,  
... a small Grey Mare, about 3 or 4 Years old, not  
... broke, dock'd, or branded, as can be discern'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 James Harrison,  
... at the Lower Ferry on Susquehanna, in Cecil Coun-  
... ty, taken up as a Stray, a Black Horse Colt, brand-  
... ed on the near Shoulder I M, and is about 13  
... Hands high; but not dock'd.

... The Owner may have him again, on proving  
... his Property, and paying Charges. J. Freasier.