

...er's Advice to his Son, on the important Sub-
ject of ETERNITY.

OULD the whole Earth of growing Num-
bers stand,
Thoughts, Leaves, Emmets, Minutes, Drops,
and Sands;
Water, Earth, Fire, Air, and all,
Present, Future, into Atoms fall;
All Mankind that was, is, is to come;
All Creatures, in, to count the Sum,
Count from the Creation, to the Doom;
Worlds, Thousands, Myriads, millionize,
Time, Conception, 'twill not all Comprise,
Thee, Eternity! Then SON, be Wife;
Active Read these Lines, and you will find
Worth in them, than what I left behind.

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The just M O N A R C H.

A Poor Villager complain'd to Mahmud,  
Sultan of Damascus, that a young Turk  
Distinction had broke into his House,  
and insulted him so, that he was forc'd to aban-  
don it, with his Wife and Family, to the shame-  
ful Abuses of that bold Intruder, who after-  
wards escap'd, and remain'd unknown. The  
Sultan very much mov'd, charg'd the Sufferer  
to come immediately and give him Notice, if  
ever that Turk should repeat the Insult; which  
he did three Days after, and the poor Man com-  
plain'd to the Sultan accordingly, who taking a  
few Attendants, immediately went with him.  
It was Night when they came to the House,  
but the Sultan order'd all the Lights to be put  
out; then rush'd boldly in, and with his Sabre  
cut the Ravisher in Pieces. After which, he  
order'd a Torch to be lighted, and looking on  
the Face of the Malefactor, immediately with  
an Air of Joy, fell down on the Ground and  
prais'd God. When he rose, he bid the Man  
of the House bring out what Victuals he had,  
which was only some stale Brown-Bread and  
Buttermilk, of which the Sultan eat and drank  
heartily; and then being ready to return, at  
the poor Man's Request, explain'd all the my-  
sterious Circumstances of this Action, as fol-  
lows:

You must know, said he, that upon hearing  
this Complaint, and the Description of the Cri-  
minal you gave me, I concluded he could be  
no other than my own Son: Therefore, left my  
Eyes should suborn my Heart, and the Ten-  
derness of Nature enervate the Arm of Justice;  
I resolv'd, thro' the undistinguishing Veil of  
Night to give it Scope. But when I beheld it  
was not he, but only an Officer of my Guard,  
I fell down with Gladness to give Thanks unto  
God that my own Offspring had not in this Af-  
fair deserv'd my Wrath, nor met with my Ven-  
geance: And after all, I asked what Provision  
you had at Hand, to satisfy my Hunger, and  
repair this fleshly Frame, which my Repentment  
would not suffer me to gratify either with Sleep  
or Sustainance, from the Moment I heard this  
Accusation, till I had thus punish'd the Author of  
your Wrongs, and shew'd myself worthy of my  
People's Obedience: For this one Example  
shall make it known among them, that you  
have a Prince, under whom there is no Suf-  
ferer so mean, who need fear to be deny'd Re-  
dress; and no Offender so great, as may hope  
to escape Punishment.

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PHILADELPHIA, March 18.

We have the following Account from the Reverend
Mr. STEEL.

ON Sunday the Twenty-ninth of February, a-
bout Twelve o'Clock, two Boys at a small
distance from David Davis's Fort, in the little
Cove, Cumberland County, were fired on by three
Indians, when one of the Boys escaped, and ap-
prized the Fort. The Indians immediately came
and took Possession of the Barn, and fired
ten on the Fort, which at this Time had but
eight or ten Men in it. One of the Shots kill'd
an old Man, Father-in-Law to David Davis.
The Fort returned the Fire briskly, and it is be-
liev'd did Execution, several Fragments of burnt
ones being afterwards found in the Barn. The
Indians failing in their Attempt, divided them-
selves into two Parties, being computed in all to
be about Twenty, and left the Fort. Peter's
Township was apprized of this Attack about
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Three or Four o'Clock, and with all possible
Speed raised several small Parties, who directly
marched to the Relief of the Cove, came in the
Night to the Fort, and early in the Morning, to
the Number of Forty-six, set off in Pursuit of the
Indians, came in Sight of six on Horse-back,
and pursued them so closely, that they were forced
to quit their Horses, and leave a Woman they had
taken the Day before near Patowmack, and so
escap'd from the young Men, who brought the
Captive Woman and Horses to the Fort, and be-
ing joined by another Party under Mr. Potter,
went in Pursuit of them, and came on the Track
of two Companies, which they followed till Even-
ing; but the Snow falling so thick and heavy,
they were obliged to return to the Fort. Four of
our People were found dead, and four more are
missing; it not being as yet known whether they
are killed or made Prisoners. Great Numbers of
Cattle are killed, and several Horses carried off.
The rescued Woman tells us, the Indians inform-
ed her, that they were Jacobs's and Shingas's
Companies, and that they would come in a greater
Body when the Leaves were out.

In the Evening of the same Day the Cove was
attacked, one Alexander, on his Way to the
Path-Valley, about two Miles above John M'Dow-
ell's Mill, spied a Number of Indians near Thom-
as Barr's, in Peter's Township, three of which
took thro' said Barr's Orchard, to cut off his Re-
turn; but he escap'd, and alarmed the Fort at
said Mill. Notice was given to the Township
with all possible Dispatch. But we judging that
the Indians designed to play us the same Trick
they did on the First of November last, when we
were preparing to support the great Great-Cove,
did not recal our young Men, who were on their
Way to the Little-Cove. Early on Monday
Morning, before Day, a Command of fourteen
Men, belonging to Captain Croghan's Company,
who were at the Mill, and about twelve more
young Men, went off, to watch the Motions of
the Enemy. When they got within a Quarter of
a Mile of Barr's they heard the Indians, and
judged by the many different Voices, that there
was a great Body of them, and sent back for a
Reinforcement to the Mill; but the Soldiers, be-
ing so eager to engage, did not wait, but marched
directly up. The young Lads of the Township
were to take a Compass about, and come behind
the Indians, while the Soldiers attacked before;
but unhappily the Soldiers, getting within Gun-
shot, before the other Party had near reach'd their
design'd Place, engaged the Indians, who were
standing round a Fire, and thought to be above
Fifty. The Serjeant assured me he saw some of
the Indians fall at the first Fire. The Indians ran
directly to the Place from which the Soldiers fired,
and briskly fired on the Soldiers, killed one of
them, and being vastly an Over-party, obliged the
Soldiers to give Way. The other Party hearing
the firing, hastened to the Place, found the In-
dians possessed of the Soldiers first Ground, fired
upon them, and saw some fall: The Indians re-
turned the Fire, wounded a young Man, Thomas
Barr, junr. and one of them ran up with his To-
mahawk to the Lad, which one Armstrong ob-
serving, fired upon the Indian, and kill'd him.
The young Men not seeing the Soldiers, and con-
cluding they were either killed or fled, retreated,
and about a Quarter of a Mile from that Place
the Reinforcement from the Mill met them and
the Soldiers, and returned to make a fresh Attack;
but the Indians had slipt them, passed the Creek
near William Clark's, and were coming with all
their Speed to surprize the Fort at the Mill, and
might possibly have succeeded, had not two Dutch
Lads, returning from foddering their Master's
Cattle, spied them. Three Indians fired at the
Lads, one of which fell, the other escap'd into
the Fort. In ten Minutes the Indians had sur-
rounded the Fort, and sculking in a great Thicket,
scarcely Gun-shot off the Fort, fired many Shot
at our Men, who were looking over the Wall, and
as oft as they got a Sight of the Indians, returned
the Fire. At this Time two Men, coming up to
the Mill, fell into the Middle of the Enemy; but
made their Escape into the Fort, tho' fired at
three Times. Our Men, near Thomas Barr's,
hearing the Guns, judging what was the Occasion,
return'd, and meeting the Indians, rush'd on
them, beat them back, and by the Blood found
in one Place, and a Tomahawk in another, where
an Indian was fired at, we believe two Indians
were wounded; for they cringed their Bodies,
and seem'd to sally, as having received the Shot.
While the Indians were retreating back thro' the
Thicket, five Men from Mr. Hoops's came riding

up to the Mill, when the Indians fired upon them,
wounded one Reilly in the Belly, and killed and
scalped one Knowland, a Soldier of Captain
Croghan's Company.

The Serjeant not being willing to lead out the
Men till Mr. Crawford, who had the Command,
should come from Mr. Hoops's, having already
lost two of them, and the Snow beginning to
fall thick, nothing more was attempted that Night;
so that the Indians had Time to burn Barr's
House, and we believe they burnt their Dead in it;
for next Morning Mr. Crawford, with about fifty
Men, went in Quest of the Enemy, found many
of their bloody Cloaths, and five Guns, said to be
Braddock's Arms. The Charges of two of them
were drawn, and each had five large Bullets in it,
well chew'd. We lost in the Attack in Peter's
Township, three Men, and had three wounded,
one of them, viz. M'Donnell, was wounded
within five Miles of Col. Chambers's Mill, on the
Evening of the same Day the Engagement was at
M'Dowell's Fort.

By a Letter from Hanover Township, in Lan-
caster County, dated the Eighth Instant, there is
Advice, that the Morning before Andrew Lycan,
who lived over the Mountains, was attacked by the
Indians. He had with him his Son John Lycan,
a Negro Man, and a Boy, and two of his Neigh-
bours, John Revalt, and Ludwig Shut: That
Andrew Lycan, and John Revalt went out early
that Morning to fodder their Creatures, when two
Guns were fired at them, but did not hurt them;
upon which they ran into the House, and pre-
pared themselves for an Engagement: That then
the Indians got under Cover of a Hog-house,
near the Dwelling-house, and John Lycan, Re-
valt and Shut, crept out of the House, in order
to get a Shot at them, but were fired at by five
Indians, and all wounded, Lycan through the
Hand and Thigh, Revalt in the Shoulder, and
Shut in the Belly: That Andrew Lycan saw
one of the Indians over the Hog-house, named
Joshua James, fired at him, and killed him; and
also saw two white Men run out of the Hog-house,
and get a little Distance from it; That upon this
our People endeavoured to escape, but were
pursued by the Indians, to the Number of Sixteen,
or upwards, and John Lycan and Revalt being
badly wounded, were able to do nothing, so
went off with the Negro, and left Andrew Ly-
can, Shut, and the Boy, engaged with the In-
dians: That the Enemy pursued so close, that
one of them came up to the Boy, and was going
to strike his Tomahawk into him, when Shut
turned, and shot him dead, and Andrew Lycan
shot another, and is positive he killed him, saw a
third fall, and thinks they wounded some more of
them: That they being now both ill wounded,
and almost spent, they sat down on a Log to rest
themselves, and the Indians stood a little Way off
looking at them: That one of the Indians killed
was Bill Davis, and two others they knew to be
Tom Hickman, and Tom Hayes, all Delawares,
and well known in these Parts: That our Men got
all into Hanover Township, are under the Care of
a Doctor, and likely to do well, but have lost all
they were worth: And that the People of that
Township were raising a Number of Men to go
after the Enemy. The above People lived about
25 Miles below Shamokin, at or near Wikinesko
Creek.

We hear from different Parts of the Country,
that the Snow which fell on Friday and Saturday
last was in some Places near three Feet deep.

A N N A P O L I S, March 25.
By Capt. James Reith, from Barbados, in the
Snow Nancy, belonging to Mr. Galloway, at West-
River, we have the melancholy Account of a ter-
rible Fire which broke out at Bridge-Town, on the
8th of February, about VII at Night, and conti-
nued till V or VI, next Morning, during which
Time 88 Houses, an old Fort, and vast Quantities
of Plate, Furniture, Rum, Sugar, Wine, and o-
ther Merchandize, were thereby destroy'd, and
several Persons (he knows not the Number) pe-
rished in the Flames. The Secretary's Office, and
Naval Office, are both burnt, and many other ve-
ry valuable Buildings. It is supposed that the Fire
was occasioned by the Villainy of some French Pri-
soners, the Fire beginning in a Warehouse where
some French Goods were stored.

Twenty odd Days before this shocking Acci-
dent happen'd, a French Guiney-man, in Carlisle
Bay, took Fire and was Burnt, but the People
saved.

Capt. Reith further informs us, that 10 or 12
French Guiney-men and Sugar-Ships were taken
by our Men of War, and sent into Barbados; one

of which mounted 23 Guns and had a large Sum
of Money on board; and that seven more Ships
taken on the Coast of Guiney, were expected
every Day.

By a Letter to a Gentleman in this Town, from
his Correspondents at Barbados, of the 12th of
February, we have a further Account of the late
terrible Fire there: "Here is so great a Stagna-
tion and Confusion in this Town, that we can't
write you any Thing, respecting Business, with
any Certainty: No Man's right Hand, knows
well what his left does, occasioned by a most
melancholy Accident, which happened some
Days past: A Fire broke out from a Merchant's
Warehouse (wherein many French Goods were
lodged), and continued burning from 7 o'Clock
in the Evening till 7 o'Clock the next Morning,
in which Time it destroyed some Hundred and
odd Houses. The Loss is supposed to be about
Two Hundred Thousand Pounds. A most dis-
mal Sight, first, to behold the Ruins of the
Buildings, and then the many Objects of Pity,
who, a Moment before the Accident, were in
competent Conditions, some worth from 5 to
7000 l. and at this Time not a Farthing. Tho'
the Fire did not reach our Possession (for which
we have a true Sense of the Care of the Al-
mighty), yet, we believe, we shall suffer; as
will be the Case with all the trading People in
the Island, there being a great Connection one
with the other, and many of them the Fire has
rendered incapable of satisfying their Creditors.
It is strongly conjectured, that the French Pri-
soners have done it, as they had too great Li-
berties, and convenient Opportunities, to put so
wicked a Design in Execution. We have here
near 300 French Prisoners."

Monday last a Bill For the Adjournment of Queen-
Anne's County Court, passed the Great Seal.

We hear that Cecil County Court has fell, by
Reason that the Weather was so bad on Friday
the 12th Instant, that the Magistrates could not
possibly get to the Court-House to hold the Court
according to their Adjournment.

Mr. Benjamin Handy is Returned as a Represen-
tative for Worcester County (in the Room of Major
Dennis their present Sheriff) and taken his Seat in
the House.

Monday Evening last, Col. George Washington,
accompanied with some other Gentlemen, came
to Town, from the Northward, and next Morning
sat off for Virginia.

[In our last GAZETTE, Page 3, last Column,
Line 21, for Tuesday, read Saturday.]

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC VENDUE,
(For the Benefit of the Under-Writers on the Sloop
Hester and Cargo, lately cast away near the Capes
of Virginia) on Friday the Ninth Day of April,
at the Warehouse on the Dock, near Mr. Middle-
ton's,

T H E Sails, Rigging, Anchors, and Cables,
of the said Sloop: Also good West-India
Rum, Candles, Soap, &c. for ready Money, or
Bills of Exchange.

The Sale to begin at III o'Clock in the After-
noon.

S T R A Y E D or Stolen from Annapolis, the
12th of this Instant March, a Dark Bay Horse,
about 13 Hands and a half high, with a Blaze in
his Face, has one Wall-Eye, is branded on the
near Shoulder and Buttock with a W, and paces
slow.

Whoever will take up the said Horse, and bring
him to the Subscriber, in Prince-George's County,
shall have Ten Shillings Reward, paid by
RICHARD DUCKETT.

T H E R E is in the Possession of Henry Boone,
in Prince George's County, taken up as a
Stray, a White Mare, about thirteen Hands high,
branded on the off Buttock with a Heart; and
had on a small Bell.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his
Property, and paying Charges.

T H E R E is at the Plantation of Luke Wind-
ser, in Prince-George's County, near Bla-
densburg, taken up as a Stray, a black Horse, a-
bout 13 Hands and a Half high, has a small Blaze
in his Face, one hind Foot white, and is branded
with I T.

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

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