

to be SOLD, at public Vendue, on the 7th of June, by the Subscriber, at the Booths in Mr. Thomas Harris's Old-Field, near the Swamp Bridge, for Bills of Exchange, or Sterling Cash,

A CHOICE Parcel of young Country-born SLAVES, consisting of one Man who understands Plowing and Carting, three Women, one of which perfectly understands all Sort of House Work, and two Girls, and a Boy.

The Sale to begin between the Hours of Four and Five, in the Afternoon.

BENJAMIN LANE.

May 3, 1756.

TWELVE PISTOLES REWARD.

RAN away from the Baltimore Iron-Works last Night, the Three following Convict Servant Men, belonging to Charles Carroll, Esq; and Company, viz.

Thomas Woodcock, an Englishman, and snuffles in his Speech, a thin looking Fellow, about 5 Feet 8 Inches high, and has short Hair: Had on an old Felt Hat, an Osnabrigs Shirt, Cotton Jacket and Breeches, and a Pair of Osnabrigs Drawers with Pewter Buttons; a Pair of Osnabrigs Trowsers, and Country Shoes and Stockings; he may be about 30 Years old.

John Ward, a West Country Man, and speaks much in that Dialect, a fresh colour'd squat Fellow, and has a lubberly Walk, is pitted with the Small Pox, is about 27 Years old, wears his own Hair, which is of a brown Colour, has an old Felt Hat, two Osnabrigs Shirts, one strip'd Flannel and an old blue Fearnought Jacket, a Pair of white Country Cloth Breeches, a Pair of old Trowsers, and Country Shoes and Stockings.

Francis Watkinson, a West Countryman, a fresh colour'd, squat, well-set Fellow, has a down Look, has a Female way of Speaking, has lost a Piece of his left Ear, is about 27 Years old, wears his own brown Hair, has an old Felt Hat, two Osnabrigs Shirts, and a coarse white Shirt, a will'd Linen Frock trimmed with flat white Buttons, a Pair of English Leather Breeches very old and greasy, a Pair of Trowsers, and Country Shoes and Stockings.

Whoever secures the said Servants in any Goal, so that they may be had again, shall have Twelve Pistoles Reward; or Four Pistoles for either of them, and reasonable Charges if brought Home.

RICHARD CROXALL.

JUST IMPORTED,

In the GREYHOUND, Capt. STEWART, and to be SOLD on board the said SHIP, by the Subscriber,

LEMONS, Cheese, London Porter and Ale, in Bottles and Casks, Stone-Ware of all Sorts, white Agate and Tortoise, London made Guns with Bayonets, Pistols, Hats, Medicines, Pickles of all Sorts, in Boxes and in separate Bottles, best Durham Mustard, Seals, Breast and Shirt Buttons set in Silver, Breast Buckles set with Stones, fine Necklaces, Ear-Rings, &c. &c.

JAMES HOUSTON.

N. B. He gives ready Money for Rattle-Snake-Root.

TO BE SOLD,

TRACT of choice Land, lying on Rock-Creek, in Frederick County, called Thompson's Adventure, containing 50 Acres, and is adjoining to John Baldwin Adamson's.

Any Person inclining to purchase, may enquire of John Thompson in Annapolis, and know further.

To be SOLD for Bills of Exchange, or Sterling Money,

TRACT of Land containing 190 Acres, lying on the South Side of Magothy River, situated very pleasant and convenient for Fishing and Fowling, and within 5 Miles of Annapolis, whereon is a good Dwelling-House, Kitchen, Meat-House, a Negro Quarter, two Corn-Houses, a Garden, well-paled in, and two Orchards.

Also a young Negro Wench, a Negro Girl, and a Negro Boy.

For Terms apply to the Printer hereof.

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# THE MARYLAND GAZETTE,

Containing the freshest Advices foreign and domestic.

THURSDAY, June 10, 1756.

His MAJESTY's most gracious MESSAGE to the Right Honourable the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled: And their Lordships ADDRESS thereupon, presented to his MAJESTY.

Die Martii, 23 Martii, 1756.

THE Earl of Holderness acquainted the House, That he had a Message from his Majesty, under his Royal Sign Manuel, which his Majesty had commanded him to deliver to their Lordships; and the same was read by the Lord Chancellor, and is as follows:

GEORGE R.

HIS Majesty has received repeated Advices from different Places and Persons, That a Design has been formed by the French Court, to make an hostile Invasion upon Great-Britain or Ireland: And the great Preparations of Land Forces, Ships, Artillery, and Warlike Stores, now notoriously making in the Ports of France, opposite to the British Coasts, together with the Language held by the French Ministers, in some Foreign Courts, leave little Room to doubt of the Reality of such a Design. His Majesty has therefore judged it necessary, to acquaint the House of Lords, with Intelligence of such high Importance to the Safety and Well-being of these Nations; and, at the same Time, to inform them, That, in Pursuance of the Advice and Assurances of his Parliament, he has augmented his Forces by Sea and Land; and taken proper Measures and Precautions for putting his Kingdoms in a Posture of Defence, against so unjust and desperate an Enterprize, projected in Revenge for those just and necessary Measures, which have been taken for maintaining the Rights and Possessions of his Crown and Subjects, in North-America. That in order further to strengthen himself, his Majesty has made a Requisition of a Body of Hessian Troops, pursuant to the Treaty lately made with the Landgrave of Hesse-Cassel, to be forthwith brought over hither; for which Purpose Transports are ordered.

His Majesty, trusting in the Divine Protection, and in the good Affections, Zeal and Fidelity of his People, which he has so often experienced, is determined to neglect no Means of Defence; but to exert all the Force which God has put into his Hands, to repel so daring an Attempt; and his Majesty doubts not of the Support and Concurrence of the House of Lords, in taking all such Measures as may be conducive to an End so essential to the Honour of his Crown, the Preservation of the Protestant Religion, and the Laws and Liberties of these Kingdoms.

G. R.

ORDERED by the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, in Parliament assembled, That a humble Address be presented to his Majesty, to return him the Thanks of this House for his most gracious Message, and for informing us of the Advices which his Majesty has received, of the Designs and Preparations of the French Court against Great-Britain or Ireland.

To assure his Majesty, That this House looks with the utmost Indignation upon so unjust and daring an Attempt, as that of invading these Kingdoms in Revenge for the generous and steady Conduct his Majesty has held, in maintaining the just Rights and Possessions of his Crown and Subjects, in North-America, against the unprovoked Aggressions and Hostilities originally commenced on the Part of France; and humbly to intreat his Majesty not to suffer himself to be diverted from it, by any Appearances whatsoever.

To acknowledge with Gratitude the prudent Measures and Precautions which his Majesty has taken for putting his Kingdoms in a Posture of Defence, and for having made the Requisition of a Body of Hessian Troops to be brought over hither, in Consequence of the Treaty lately concluded with the Landgrave of Hesse-Cassel.

To beseech his Majesty to pursue his gracious Resolution of exerting all the Force which God has put into his Hands, to disappoint and repel so desperate an Undertaking; and particularly to augment his Army in Ireland, in such Manner as he shall think necessary.

To assure his Majesty, That we will, with unshaken Zeal, Vigour and Unanimity, at the Hazard of our Lives and Fortunes, stand by his Majesty against all his Enemies, and support him in all such Measures, as he shall find requisite in this critical Conjunction; this House not in the least doubting, that even the Menace of so injurious and presumptuous an Enterprize, will create the highest Detestation in all who call themselves Britons and Protestants; and raise a becoming Spirit in all his Majesty's Subjects, for the Defence of his Sacred Person and Government, the Protestant Succession in his Royal Family, and the Religion, Laws, and Liberties of these Kingdoms.

Die Mercurii, 24 Martii, 1756.

THE Lord Berkeley of Stanton reported, That the Lords with White Staves had (according to Order) presented to his Majesty the Address of this House of Yesterday; and that in Answer thereto his Majesty was pleas'd to say,

THAT he thanks the House of Lords for the repeated Assurances of their unalterable Zeal, Duty and Affection to his Majesty, on this Occasion, and for the utmost Confidence in their vigorous Support.

BELEM, February 19.

YESTERDAY Morning we had a violent Shock of an Earthquake, which continued about three Minutes, and it's Direction was from East to South. There has been another To-day, but less violent; which, however, so intimidates the People employed in removing the Rubbish, &c. that they cannot be kept to their Work. The incessant Rains have occasioned many Distempers, of which Numbers die daily. Their Majesties and the Royal Family, who were advised by their Physicians to make a Tour to Salvaterra for the Change of Air, have not yet been prevail'd on to set out.

Paris, March 20. There is a Talk of executing two Enterprizes at the same Time, in order to oblige the English to divide their Forces in Europe; besides which, the intended Expedition in America will oblige them to send Ships and Troops there. One of our Attempts is directed against the Island of Minorca, which will be invaded with 15000 Men, which are to embark for that Purpose on the Coast of Provence, on board 45 Transports, under Convoy of the Toulon Fleet, consisting of 12 Ships of the Line, and 8 Frigates. This Expedition, it is thought, will be executed before the English can have it in their Power to oppose it. As to the other, we rather chuse to wait till it can be better ascertained, than to advance what is given out by the Scots and Irish Renegades, who abound here.

M. de Montcalm, who has been promoted to the Rank of Major-General, and nominated Commandant of the King's Troops in America, in the Room of the Baron Dieckau, took his Leave of his Majesty the 14th Instant, and set out the next Day for Brest, where the Embarkation of the new Reinforcements designed for Canada is to be made.

The Fleet under the Command of Monsieur de la Galissoniere will be composed of 18 Sail of Men of War, Frigates and Gallies, and 45 Transports, with 70 Battalions on board. The Marshal Duke de Richlieu commands in Chief; the Marquises de Maillebois and de Mesnil serve as Lieutenant-Generals; the Princes of Wirtemberg, Deux-Points, and de Bauveau, the Counts de Lanion, de Laval, and de Monteynard, as Major-Generals; the Chevalier de Piedmont is appointed Quarter-Master-General; the Duke de Fronzac, Son of the General, and the Count d'Egmont his Son-in-law, serve as Aid-de-Camps. The Squadron has Orders to be at Sea by the First of April.

LONDON.

March 20. On Tuesday a shabby middle-aged Man and a Woman were committed to Newgate by the Right Hon. the Earl of Holderness, one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State, supposed to be concerned in sending an anonymous Letter to J. Cleveland, Esq; Secretary to the Lords of the Admiralty, intimating a diabolical Design on the Life of his most sacred Majesty, by shooting him with a Wind-Gun when he should next pass through the Park. On Sunday the Gallery of the Royal Chapel was cleared, and a double Guard appointed at St. James's. It is imagin'd the Villain expected a Reward for communicating the Plot; but as we don't find he has discover'd, or even pretends to know any Person concerned in so hellish a Scheme, probably he will be deemed the Conspirator, and suffer as a Traitor; it being High Treason to imagine the Death of the King, or even a Privy Counsellor.

March 30. Several Thousand Weight of Gunpowder, and a Proportion of Lead and Shot, has been lately shipped for his Majesty's American Colonies.

April 3. The Hessian Troops are expected here in about ten Days, and the Hanoverians in about six Weeks.

Thursday the Lord Steward and Lord Chamberlain of the Household, Mr. Fox, Secretary of State, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Comptroller of the Household, and Secretary at War, went to St. James's, to present to his Majesty the Addresses of the Lords and Commons for bringing over a Body of Hanoverian Troops.

The following is his Majesty's Answer to the Address presented to him on Thursday last.

"I am always very glad to do any Thing that is agreeable to my Parliament, and for the Benefit and Security of my People, and as both Houses desire that a Body of my German Troops should be brought over hither to assist in the Defence of this Kingdom in the present critical Conjunction, I will give immediate Orders for that Purpose."

It is said that Orders have been dispatched to Sir William Johnson, to attack Crown-Point at all Events.

Yesterday it was reported that all the Brest Fleet is actually at Sea, except four Ships left in the Harbour: That a French Frigate of 20 Guns has been taken by one of our Men of War; and that the four Frigates and twelve Transports, which sailed from Havre-de-Grace last Week, have been chased into Cherbourg by three of his Majesty's Ships.

March 23. Private Letters by Yesterday's French Mail advise, that the Squadron which sailed from Brest the 23d of last Month under the Command of M. Perrier de Salvert, has picked up two of our homeward-bound American Traders, one from Carolina, and the other from Jamaica; the first of which is carried into Morlaix, and the latter into some other Port of Brittany. By the same Letters we have Advice of an English Ship, bound from Oporto to Southampton, being taken by a French Cruiser, and sent into Brest.

April 3. Commodore Keppel is sailed with four Men of War for Minorca, with Land Forces on board.

The Number of Hanoverian Forces that is coming over to England, is 9000 Foot, 900 Horse, and 100 Train of Artillery, who are to be commanded by the Generals Sommerfeld and Wassenheim.

The Men of War lately sailed, together with the Intrepide, and other Ships, having General Bockland's Regiment of Foot, and other Land Forces on board, are ordered for the Mediterranean, where they will join the Fleet under Admiral Hawke.

April 6. The Beginning of January last, in some Transports dispatched to Minorca, went over several Bombardiers, and Artificers in the Building Business, in order to put that Place in a good Posture of Defence; so that by this Time we may suppose it to be fortified sufficient to withstand the Enemy.

Several Officers lately appointed to command the Army in America, embarked in the River for New-York.

Our Correspondents from Canterbury acquaint us, that all the Barns, Stables, Out-Houses, &c. in that Neighbourhood, are taken up for his Majesty's Service, and making ready for the Reception of 12000 Hessians, who were expected to land at Dover every Moment. It is also said that they will soon encamp in the Old Park.

Extract of a Letter from on board the Monmouth, at Spithead, April 3.

"It is now generally believed the Prizes will be speedily condemned, and sold for the Benefit of the Captors."

"After Admiral Byng hath left us, our Fleet here will consist of 20 Ships of the Line besides Frigates, and several capital Ships expected out of Portsmouth Harbour next Week. They go on surprisingly with the Fortifications; the Dock, &c. will, in a short Time, be properly secured."

Last Saturday a Fellow was committed to Newgate for being concerned with others, whom Warrants are out for apprehending, they having made their Escape with a Design to Pilot the French into such Parts of these Kingdoms where they might land with the least Difficulty and Obstruction.

By a Lisbon Mail, which arrived Yesterday, we have Advice of an Earthquake that happened there the 11th of last Month, which lasted about a Minute, and threw the People into the greatest Consternation.

This Morning came Advice, that the Admirals Byng and West, with a Squadron of twelve Ships, set Sail Yesterday from Spithead with a fine Gale at North-East.

Capt. Stowards, who is Pilot of a Portuguese Vessel which is arrived at Lisbon from Cork, spoke with five French Men of War off of Cape Clear, one of whom was in Chace of a large English Ship, which he supposes must have been taken.

It is with unspeakable Pleasure, we acquaint our Readers that his Majesty is so perfectly recovered from his late Indisposition as to appear Yesterday in the public Drawing-Room, and so numerous were the Nobility, &c. upon the Occasion, as has not been surpassed for many Years.---May his Majesty long continue to comfort his People, and may their Affection increase with his Reign!

It is confidently said that the French have declared they will employ neutral Ships to carry their Goods, and arm all their own to annoy England.

Letters from Portsmouth, &c. mention, that the Channel is so spread with Cruisers, Sloops, &c. that it is impossible for the French to attempt an Invasion without the Government having so timely Information that would most probably frustrate the Design.

According to some Letters from Paris, by Yesterday's French Mail, ten or twelve Ships of the Line of Battle sail'd from Brest for North-America a Day or two before Admiral Hawke's Squadron appear'd off Ushant.---If this Intelligence is true, there seems to be no great Danger of an Invasion at present, because there cannot be Men of War enough left in the Western Ports of France to convoy and protect Transports necessary for such an Expedition.

We are assured that there are twelve Ships of the Line and Frigates, which at sundry times have slipped away, and are now at Portmahon, so that we need not be in any pain about its being surpris'd or taken by the French.

April 10. It is said, that though the Squadron which sail'd from Brest for America, under Mr. Perrier de Salvert, had a great Number of Troops on board, it is more likely they were intended for the Islands than Canada; and that the Succours for that Country are to be carried by the Marquis de Conflans; after the Arrival of which Reinforcements, it is computed that the Army there will consist of 15 or 16000 regular Troops, independent of the Savages in their Alliance.

The Wilmington, Capt. Penny, is dock'd at Plymouth, and preparing, with the greatest Expedition, to be made capable of receiving 700 of his Majesty's Highland Troops, which will soon embark for America.

We hear the Number of large Dutch Ships now loading at Shields, with Coals, for France, will be ordered, under proper Convoy, into the River Thames, and be paid an ample Freight, as the City of London are in great Want of Coals.

Capt. Holms, of the Grafton, goes Commodore to America, with the Stirling Castle, St. Albans and Nottingham.

The Amitie, from Martinico, for Marseilles, with 800 Hogheads of Sugar, 700 Bales of Coffee, and some Cechineal.