

Sloop, acquainted him that Admiral Townshend had ordered them out in Search of two French Men of War that some Time before had cruized off that Place, and that one of them mounted 74, and the other 64 Guns. Captain Paynter then told him where he had seen the two Ships the Day before, when the Lieutenant immediately dismissed him, and went on board his own Vessel. Captain Paynter says, the Frenchmen were not so formidable as the Lieutenant imagined, being informed the next Day, by the Master of a Sloop he came up with among the Keys, that the two Vessels he saw were French Frigates of 36, or 40, Guns each, and that he saw them coming out of Henegaza some Days before, where they landed Hogs to breed, and took off others for the Use of their Ships.

PHILADELPHIA, May 27.
Extra of a Letter from Jamaica.

Yesterday a fine French twenty Gun Ship, a Guineyman, with 740 Slaves, was sent here by the Princess-Mary, a sixty Gun Ship, she is a fine Prize, and deem'd, at a moderate Computation, to be worth 40,000l. Sterling; the Captain of her a brave Fellow, he exchanged two Broadfides before he struck, and, with Tears, told the Captain of the Princess-Mary, he would not have struck to any twenty Gun Ship in our Navy. A few Days past Admiral Townshend arrived here with a white Flag at the Mizen-Top-mast-Head, with one Ship only, which is uncommon and looks a little peaceable. Though here are ten Men of War, only one or two are going as Convoy. Commodore Coats is going home in the Severn of fifty Guns.

June 3. On Tuesday last the Ship London, Captain Reeve, arrived here from London. By him there is Advice, that the Honourable THOMAS POWNALL, Esq; is appointed Governor of this Province; and that he was to set out for this Place with Lord Loudon, who, it was thought, would leave Plymouth, with the Forces, some Time betwixt the Twentieth and the End of April.

In a Letter from Madeira by Captain Drefon, dated the Third of April, it is said, "We have just received Advice of Eleven French Turkey Men being taken by some of our Ships of War, and carried into Portmahon."

By a Letter from Antigua, dated the 14th of May, there is Advice, that two English Vessels were taken by the French off of that Island, and sent to Martinico.

ANNAPOLIS, June 10.

On Saturday last arrived here, the Snow Indus, Capt. John Harding, from Biddeford. He left it the 17th of April, and informs us, That the Troops designed for North-America were embarking, and were to sail in a few Days after him, consisting of about 20 Sail of Transports, under Convoy of 5 Men of War: That War was not then declared, but that the Preparations for it still continued with great Spirit and Vigour: That few or no French Vessels have been taken lately, as they were afraid to stir out, our Men of War being constantly cruising off their Harbours: That a Report prevailed in London, that six French Men of War, with a considerable Number of Forces on board, were failed for Louisburg; but that we had a sufficient Fleet ready there, to give them a warm Reception, who had slept away at different Times from England for that Purpose: That Admiral Byng was sailed with a strong Squadron for the Mediterranean, to oppose any Designs of the French against Portmahon, and to hinder the Junction of the Brest and Toulon Fleets: And that they were now under little Apprehensions of an Invasion, tho' the Hessians were expected in ten Days; but that the Dutch durst not supply us with their Quota demanded, for Fear of giving Umbrage.

On the 20th of May Colonel Cresap, his two Sons, and about sixty others, set off from Old-Town (where Colonel Cresap lives) for Fort-Cumberland: On the 24th they were join'd by Lieutenant Gist, 23 Volunteers, and 14 Nottoway Indians: They all march'd together as far as the Bare-Camp, which is about 40 Miles beyond Fort-Cumberland, and there divided into two Parties; Lieutenant Gist, the Captain of the Nottoways, and 36 Men, proceeded in the Road, and Cresap, with the Rest of the white Men, and the 13 Nottoways, struck off into the Woods: Soon after their Separation, Lieutenant Gist fell in with a large Party of the Enemy, who not being able to distinguish our Men on Account of their being painted and dressed like Indians, asked them whence they came, whither they were going, and who they were: Upon this Mr. Gist, a Son of Major Prater's, and the Nottoway Captain,

gave them their Fire, and a smart Skirmish ensued, wherein three of the English were killed, and some wounded; how many of the Enemy were killed is not certain; but it is imagined that their Loss must have been considerable, as the Action continued near an Hour. Colonel Cresap's Party went towards the Glades, near the Head of the Toghogany; but being unable to get through the Laurel Thickets, were returning home, when they met three Indians going from our Settlements, one of whom they killed and scalped, and wounded, as they say, the other two: A free Negro who was with the English, was killed in that Thicket where the wounded Indian retired when Mr. Thomas Cresap was killed; and there they found a Gun and the Body of an Indian, which is supposed to be him.

On Monday last came on the Election of a Representative for this County, in the Room of Major Henry Hall, deceased, when Mr. Brice Thomas Beale Worthington was chosen, without any Opposition.

At a Session of Assembly, held for this Province in November, 1722, was made, "An Act directing how Fines shall be adjudged against such as neglect to appear at Muster, viz.

"Be it Enacted by the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietary, by and with the Advice and Consent of his Majesty's Governor, and the Upper and Lower Houses of Assembly, and the Authority of the same, That on Representation made by the Land-Officer that shall appear in the Field at any Time appointed for a Muster, that any Persons, not exempt by Law, shall not have made their Appearance, according to his Warning or Summons, provided as the Laws of this Province direct, it shall and may be lawful for any two Field-Officers of the County, to summon the Delinquent or others concerned, and on hearing and fully examining into his Offence and Excuse, to cause him to be executed or excused, as shall be most just, and most agreeable to the Intent of the Law now in Force, for the better regulating the Militia. Provided, That in Case any Person summoned to appear before such Field-Officers, shall not appear, or otherwise excuse themselves, it shall be lawful for such Officers to judge their Case as on Default.

"And be it further Enacted, That an Act, intituled, 'An Act for Ordering and Regulating the Militia of this Province, for the better Defence and Security thereof, made at a Session of Assembly, begun and held at the City of Annapolis the 26th Day of April, 1715, be and is hereby revived and continued in full Force.

"This Act was printed in the last Gazette.

JUST PUBLISHED,

(In Pursuance of an Order of the Honourable the Lower House of Assembly, for the Perusal of their Constituents),

And to be Sold by the Printer hereof, [Price 1s. 6d.]

THE MILITIA-BILL.

To be Sold on the 8th of July next, at public Sale, for Bills of Exchange, Sterling Cash, or Paper Currency,

PART of a Tract of Land, whereon the Subscriber now lives, lying in the Forks of Paxuxent, containing 194 Acres, situated very pleasantly, whereon is a good Dwelling-House, Kitchen, Meat-House, Corn-House, Quarter, Stable, Tobacco-House, and several other Out-Houses, a Garden and Yard pailed in, a fine Apple-Orchard and Peach-Orchard; and likewise, a Tan-Yard, House and Mill, in good Order.

THOMAS DAVIS.

RAN away from the Subscriber on Sunday Night last, being the 6th of June, a Convict Servant Man, named John Anderson, a Brickmaker by Trade, about five Feet ten Inches high, speaks very broad English, wears his own Hair, was born in Leicestershire, and is double jointed: He had on and with him, a Fearnought Jacket, with black Horn Buttons, an Osnabrigs Frock, with Buttons of the same, a striped Flannel Jacket, three Osnabrigs Shirts, two Pair of Trowsers, a Pair of Shoes, several Pair of Worsted Stockings, and a Pair of white Metal Buckles: He likewise carried with him one of his Bed Blankets.

Whoever takes up the said Servant, and delivers him at Annapolis, shall have a Reward of Four Pistoles, and reasonable Charges, paid by BENEDICT CALVERT.

HERE is at the Plantation of John Meek, at the Head of Severn River, taken up as a Stray, a likely well-made Bay Mare, 14 or 15 Hands high, branded on the near Shoulder with IS and a Figure of 3, and paces naturally.

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

Annapolis, June 9, 1756.

RAN away from the Subscriber's Plantation, on the North Side of Severn, a Convict Servant named Joseph Whitmore, a Farmer, aged about 30 Years. He is about 5 Feet and a half high, and very well-set, of a fresh Complexion, down Look, and speaks slow, and in the West Country Dialect. When he went away, he had on his Hair, which was of a dark Colour, but probably may have cut it off. He had on and with him, a grey Fearnought Pea Jacket, a Cloth Jacket patch'd, Country-made Shoes and Stockings, two Pair of Hempen Roll Trowsers, two Osnabrigs Shirts, and other Cloaths. Whoever apprehends the said Servant, and delivers him to me in Annapolis, shall have Two Pistoles, if taken in Maryland; and if taken in Virginia or Pennsylvania, Four Pistoles, and reasonable Charges.

RAN away likewise, and supposed to be gone with the above-mentioned Whitmore, an Indented Servant Man named Henry Foffett, by Trade a Joiner, he is a short Fellow, and has a stoop in his Shoulders, is much wrinkled in his Forehead and has a sheepish Look. He had on a Pair of Buck-skin Breeches, a Check Shirt, Country-made Shoes and Stockings, a blue Fearnought Pea Jacket, and an old light colour'd Wig.

Whoever apprehends and delivers him to me in Annapolis, shall have Two Pistoles Reward, and reasonable Charges. WALTER DULANY.

N. B. They are supposed to be gone towards Baltimore County.

RAN away on Sunday Night, being the 6th of June, from the Subscribers, living in Annapolis, the two following Negroes (supposed to be gone away in Company with John Anderson, a Brick-maker, for whom there is Four Pistoles Reward, and reasonable Charges), viz.

Jacob, a young well-made Fellow, he has got a Rupture, and a Sprain in the right Wrist, on which he wears a red Rag, he stutters in his Speech, and plays upon the Violin, and has been used to wait in the House. He had on a light Kersey Frock, a green Pennistone Waistcoat, and a Pair of Leather Breeches. He carried with him two white Shirts and one Osnabrigs Ditto, a Pair of new Shoes, a Pair of Silver Buckles, two Pair of Worsted and some Yarn Stockings.

Pompey, a young sturdy Fellow, has the Mark of a large Burn on his right Arm, and speaks very good English. He had on when he went away, a light colour'd Coat, a yellow Half-thick Jacket, with white Metal Buttons, red Cloth Breeches, and white Thread Stockings. He took with him sundry other Cloaths, so that it is probable he will change his Dress.

Whoever will bring the said Negroes to the Subscribers, shall have Four Pistoles Reward for both, or Two Pistoles for either, and reasonable Charges, paid by BENEDICT CALVERT, JOHN BULLEN.

June 4, 1756.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living on Kent-Island, in Queen-Anne's County, a Convict Servant Man, named William Jefferies, about 30 Years of Age, a Shoemaker by Trade; he took no Tools with him, so that it is probable he will change his Name and Calling; he is about 5 Feet 5 or 6 Inches high, a likely well-shaped Fellow, he has lost two of his upper Teeth, one on each Side his Jaw next to his double Teeth, he wears his own Hair, which is black, and curls. He had on a Broad-Cloth Coat, with slash Sleeves, which has on it some Spots of Wax, Tar, or Grease, and is about half-worn, a blue flowered Callico Jacket, a half-worn Felt Hat, a Pair of new wide Osnabrigs Trowsers, a Pair of light colour'd Worsted Stockings, and a Pair of Country-made Shoes. It is thought he has took with him an Indenture, with a Discharge from one Thomas Cornish, by which he may endeavour to pass, and a new Bible and two small Books, which have his Name wrote in them. Whoever takes up the said Servant, and secures him, so that his Master may have him again, shall have, if taken out of this County, Forty Shillings; if taken in the County, Twenty Shillings, besides what the Law allows, paid by JACOB CARTER.

Annapolis, June 10, 1756.

THE Subscriber being apprehensive that his Wife may run him in Debt; this is, therefore, to forewarn all Persons from trusting her on his Account, for he will pay no Debts of her contracting from the Date hereof

CHARLES BRYAN.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living near Annapolis, on the 5th of this Instant June, a Convict Servant Man, named Thomas Poney, but commonly known by the Name of Tom Ketch, having been formerly a Hangman in this County; he is a middle-siz'd Fellow, stutters very much when he speaks hastily, has grey Eyes, and has a hanging Look. He had on and with him, two Osnabrigs Shirts, two Pair of Crocus Trowsers, an under white Cotton Jacket, a greyish Fearnought Pea Jacket, trimm'd with black Mohair Buttons, set on the left Side, and the Sleeves differ in Colour from the Body, a Pair of Leggings made out of Country knit Stockings, a Pair of Country made Shoes, with a Cap on one of the Toes, and a Boy's coarse Felt Hat. Whoever takes up the said Servant, and brings him to the Subscriber, shall have Ten Shillings Reward, besides what the Law allows.

THOMAS JOHN HAMMOND.

THE Subscriber having been a long Time confined in Anne-Arundel County Goal, and not being able with all he has in the World to satisfy his Creditors, hereby gives Notice, That he intends to apply to the next General Assembly for an Act for his Relief. JONATHAN MULLINEUX.

THERE is at the Plantation of Samuel Bootman, near Patapsco Ferry, taken up as a Stray, a middle-siz'd White Mare, dock'd, but not branded.

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

THERE is at the Plantation of Mrs. Sarah Warfield, Relict of Mr. Alexander Warfield, at the Head of Severn, taken up as a Stray, by Capt. John Sedgewick, a yellow and white Heifer, about 3 Years old, marked with a Swallow Fork, and an upper Cut in the right Ear, and a Crop and a Slit, and an under Cut in the left Ear.

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

May 25, 1756.

RAN away from the Subscribers, living at Lower-Marlborough, in Calvert County, on Saturday the 22d Instant, the two following indented Servant Men, viz.

William Macey, an Englishman, aged about 18 Years, is a thin looking Fellow, about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, and has short Hair. Had on an old Felt Hat, Osnabrigs Shirt, grey Fearnought Jacket, one black Cloth ditto, old Half-thick Breeches, an old Pair of Yarn Leggings, and old Shoes.

Thomas Jefferison, born in London, aged about 22 Years, is about 5 Feet 4 Inches high, and has short brown Hair. Had on, and with him, an old blue Cloth Coat much Moth-eaten, light colour'd Cloth Breeches, old Cotton Waistcoat and Breeches, Osnabrigs Shirt, new Felt Hat, and old Shoes and Stockings.

Whoever takes up the above Servants, and brings them to the Subscribers, shall have One Pistole Reward for each, and reasonable Charges. JAMES DOWTEN, ELIZABETH TAYLOR.

RAN away with the above Servants, a very dark complexioned Lad, born in the East-Indies, aged 18 or 19 Years, belonging to Mr. John Moffatt, late of Lower-Marlborough; he has long black Hair, which curls pretty much. Had on, and with him, a good mix'd Cloth Coat and Breeches, good Shoes and Stockings, white Shirts, good Hat, wide Trowsers, &c.

Whoever takes the said Lad, and brings him to the Subscriber at Lower-Marlborough, or to Mr. Stephen Steward at West-River, shall have One Pistole Reward, and reasonable Charges. JONATHAN SLATER.

N. B. They took with them a small Boat, or Yawl, about 15 Feet Keel, with two Sprit-Sails, and pay'd with Turpentine.

Whoever brings the Boat to Lower-Marlborough, or gives Notice where she is, shall be well rewarded.

THE Subscriber intending to wind up his Affairs as soon as possible, hereby gives Notice to all Persons indebted to him, by Bond, &c. to discharge the same immediately, or to secure the Payment in a short Time. He has several valuable Seats of Land, which, with his Houses and Lots in Annapolis, he is willing to sell. Any Person inclinable to purchase, may apply to him for the Terms of Sale. CHARLES CARROLL.