

IMPORTED,
Capt. BENJAMIN BELL,
L.D. by the Subscriber, at his Shop
MORE-TOWN, on behalfe of
reasonable Terms,
Assortment of MEDICINES
of all Kinds.
WILLIAM LYON.

IMPORTED,
INCORPORATED, Capt. CARROLL,
at my Store in BALTIMORE.

of EUROPEAN and EAST-INDIA
S, by Wholesale or Retail.
advertised my Intentions to depart
and the Uncertainty of my ever
I must once more intreat all Per-
sons to make speedy Payment, to pre-

and give ready Money for any Quan-
tity of Beaver, Fox, Raccoon, Otter,
Muskrat Skins, provided they are
JOHN STEVENSON.
Quantity of Flax-Seed purchased,
and it be well cleaned, and not
on an Earthen Floor, or damaged.

WANTED,
R, who understands Grinding and
Such a one, well recommended,
good Encouragement, by applying
thereof.

IMPORTED,
Capt. JOHN WHITE, from LON.
to be Sold by the Subscriber, at his
Shop in Annapolis, at reasonable
Wholesale or Retail, for Current Money,
Sugar, or Tobacco,
Variety of European and East-India
S, suitable to the SEASON.
JOHN RAITT.

TO BE SOLD,
Money, good Bills of Exchange, Gold,
Silver, or Paper Currency,
following Tracts and Parcels of Land,

Acres.	466
	89
	445
	78
	290
	183
	91

all adjoining, and make a Body of
numbered Land, whereon are Three
with good Orchards, lying in Prince
George's County, within five Miles of Bladensburg,
Charlottesville, and six of the Eastern

Acres.	113
	649
	380
	225

mentioned lie in Brall's Neck, in
County, not above twelve Miles from
Annapolis, being a choice Parcel of fine Wood-

lands of Land, being Part of a Tract
called Park, lying likewise in Frederick
County, near a Branch, called and known
as Captain John's Branch.

inclined to purchase Part of the first
Tracts, lying in Prince George's
County, have the Quantity desired, provided
as not to incommode the remaining
land, or be unferviceable, or prejudice the
land likewise, any Part of the several
Counties, in like Manner.

Terms may be known, by ap-
plying to the Subscriber, or to Josias Beall, junior,
at his Shop, near Piscataway, in Prince
George's County.

Security will be given for the Payment of
the same, if required.

Office in Charles-street;
per Year. ADVERTISE-
ment, One Shilling

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MARYLAND GAZETTE,

Containing the freshest Advices foreign and domestic.

THURSDAY, September 2, 1756.

LONDON, June 1.

Copy of a Letter from an Officer on board the Lyme
Man of War, dated May 23, 1756.

WE are arrived at Plymouth Sound,
from the longest Cruize we have
yet had, and the greatest Variety;
we were with Admiral Hawke's
Squadron, till Mr. Boscawen came
out, who sent the Colchester, of 50 Guns, and
us on a separate Cruize, along the French Coast
in the Bay of Biscay, where we took several small
Vessels not worth sending in, which we burnt and
sunk; and on the 11th Instant, at Day-light in
the Morning, we saw two French Frigates coming
along Shore with a Convoy; as we were the best
Sailer we chased, and engaged the largest Ship
for about two Hours, till they got so close in with
the Land, that our Pilot would not take Charge
of the Ship any farther: The Colchester did not
come up till the Action was over; we had two
Men killed, two dangerously wounded, and five
more received slight Wounds; of the latter I was
one; as I was pointing a Gun, a Shot came and
took the upper Part of the Port away about six
Inches from my Head, the Splinters of which
struck my Temple, Cheek, Nose and Jaw, be-
sides a Blow on the right Shoulder; however I
did not leave the Deck. We soon after took two
of their Convoy, who informed us of their Names
and Force; one was of 36 Guns, 350 Men, called
l'Aire Mignone, the other 28 Guns, 250 Men,
called la Frigatone; the latter could not come up,
or they might have taken us. We cruized about
the Coast till the 17th, when off Rochefort, about
Six in the Morning, we saw two Sail; at Seven
discovered them to be French Ships of War. We
continued the Chace till Six in the Afternoon,
when the Colchester ran up close along Side of
the largest, which was of 60 Guns, and we along
Side of the other of 36 Guns, and began to en-
gage very warmly on both Sides, and so close,
that her Wads set our Foresail on Fire; we soon
extinguished that, and continued the Engagement
till Half an Hour past Eleven, when she began to
slacken her Fire, and we were obliged to bear
away, to stop the Shot Holes we received between
Wind and Water. We had three Foot and a
Half Water in our Hold. In about twenty Mi-
nutes we stopped them in some Measure, and got
the Ship pumped out, and returned to our Charge
again, kept Sight of her all the while, till about
a Quarter past Twelve at Midnight she disappeared
of a sudden. She was in such a shattered Con-
dition that she could not go away, and the last
Gun she fired we could perceive her Powder to be
wet; and when we wore she made the Signal of
Distress, and believe struck, but we could not
assist her without the Hazard of sinking; all our
running Rigging was shot away, Main, Fore and
Mizen Stay, all our Main Shrouds except two of
a Side; and every Mast and Yard in the Ship
wounded and rendered unserviceable; and had it
not been smooth Water, it was impossible for a
Mast to stand; 86 Shot went thro' our Main-
top-sail, 54 thro' our Main-sail, and in short every
Sail we had looked like a Sieve, and Numbers of
Shot went thro' our Hull, and we saw the was in
the same Way, except double the Number thro'
her Hull that we had, which was the Occasion
of her sinking. The Action lasted five Hours
and a Half without Intermission: I fought quite
resigned to God, the Battle was so desperate, for we
did not know who would sink first, tho' I pointed
the Guns as I could, as if there was no firing at us,
and thank God received not the least Wound.
We had but 145 Men, and she 340, which God
was pleased to take out of our Way. The Col-
chester fought the other till past Twelve, till by
some Accident the Colchester took Fire and bore
away; the French Ship fired one Broadside into

her after, and then left her, and came towards us,
and we made what little Sail we could and got
clear. He took us for his Consort, and made a
Signal, which as we could not answer it, she went
in Search of her, and we were glad she did so.
We did not join the Colchester after, but they had
put out the Fire before we lost Sight of her, and
poor Jack Gröube was killed. I cannot help re-
lating to you a strange Phenomenon that appear-
ed; the Air serene, the Sun shining very bright,
about One o'Clock, we all on board saw a Star
very bright right over our Main-topmast-head, as
bright as at Midnight, and often in the Action
encouraged the People to fight undaunted, and
remember the Star as a good Omen, and Token
of Victory; which had so great an Effect, that no
People could fight with more Resolution. I could
say much about this Action, if I had not com-
manded in it, but in brief I will say with Justice
to every One who was in it, that there was none
such all the last War, except the Lyon's Engage-
ment with the Elizabeth, and that did not come
up to it, as her Adversary's Ship got off, and we
sunk ours. Giving you an Account of the Wound-
ed and Killed is of no Consequence; let it suffice
you that I have wrote all this, for I have not a
Minute left to save Post.

BOSTON, August 9.

Wednesday last his Majesty's Declaration of
War against the French King was published here
from the Balcony of the Court-house. And

We hear that the said Declaration of War has
been published in the Province of New-Hampshire,
and the Colonies of Connecticut and Rhode-
Island.

By Letters from Annapolis-Royal, of the 28th
of July, we learn, that the French People of that
River, who fled to the Woods when the rest of the
Inhabitants were shipped off, are daily skulking about
in small Parties, and are more barbarous than the
Indians, having shot and scalped several of our
Men. A Party from the Garrison was lately sent
out to lie in Ambush for them; and the Lieutenant
of the Man of War, with a Number of Sailors,
and some of the Inhabitants, went up to Pre-Ron-
de, where they killed two Men, and took one Pri-
soner, who conducted them to his Cabin, where
they found his Wife and three Daughters, whom
they sent to the Garrison. Our Men (taking the
above-mentioned Prisoner for their Guide) travelled
over the Mountains to the Sea Shore, opposite to
Bolue Johnson's, where they destroyed several
Canoes which the French had drawn over the
Mountains. They also took about 20 Bags of
Bread, a great Quantity of Clothes, and some
Powder and Shot; and on their Return were at-
tacked by a great Number of the French, but
luckily possessing themselves of a Point of Wood,
they sent two of their Men to swim across the
River to give Major Handfield, the commanding
Officer of the Garrison, an Account of their Si-
tuation; who immediately sent Boats with Am-
munition to them, and brought them all off,
without having one Man wounded, except the
French Guide.

Extract of a Letter, dated Fort-Edward, July 26.

"Yesterday Morning three Carters belonging to
Rhode-Island, went a little Distance from Fort
William-Henry to look up their Oxen, without a
Guard, contrary to Order, and two of them, if not
a third, were killed and scalped; a small Party went
out and drove them, took three Guns, thirty Packs,
and it is thought they wounded several, without any
further Loss, except a broken Leg. The Carters are
got up safe to Fort William-Henry. Three are com-
ing from the French, and say sixteen more are deter-
mined to do the same; they have been examined, and
are properly taken Care of."

Last Saturday Evening, his Excellency our Go-
vernour arrived at the Seat of Henry Vassall, Esq;
in Cambridge, and about Eleven o'Clock this Day
his Excellency is expected in Town.

Extract of a Letter from Fort-Edward, July 23.

"We have News from Fort William-Henry, that
a Party of 100 Men of ours, went out with some
Carpenters to cut Wood, when 30 of the Men laid
their Arms down to carry the Timber to the Water-
side, when about fifteen French and Indians came upon
them, and took 15 of their Arms, killed 4 Men, and
took two Prisoners; the Centry who was upon Duty
perceiving the Enemy under the Side of a Bank, im-
mediately left his Post, and ran directly to the Captain
of the Party, who was at some Distance, and told
him he had discovered the Enemy: The Capt. thought
proper to know the Truth of it himself before he
alarmed his Men, and running down the Bank, im-
mediately perceived them, and clapped up his Gun to
fire, but before he could fire, he received a Shot from
them, which took off the Hammer of his Gun, carried
his Thumb away, and a Charge of Swan Shot entered
his Side; upon which he immediately ran to gather
his Men, when he found them all flying for the Fort
as fast as they could run: He had but six Men with
him, four of them killed upon the Spot, and two
taken. After finding his Men had fled, he himself
proceeded to the Fort, where he found his cowardly
Men in the utmost Confusion and Shame at their flock-
ing Behaviour. Five Officers who were with them,
and fled likewise, are under Guard for their shameful
Action, and will be tried when the General and
Army arrive at the Lake. The Captain who behaved
well in the Action (except in not acquainting his Men
of the Discovery before he saw them himself) is
named Waterbury.—And he, as soon as he arrived at
the Fort, put the above Officers under Guard as afore-
said, for their cowardly Behaviour."

August 12. The Beginning of this Week a
fishing Vessel arrived at Ipswich, from the
Banks,—Newman, Master, who informs, That
last Tuesday was Fortnight, being then on Bank
Quero, he heard the Report of a great Number of
Cannon, which continued from 3 o'Clock in the
Afternoon till after dark; and that on Thursday
following, two Ships appeared in Sight, which he
endeavoured to escape; but one of them came up
with him, and ordered him on board.—She was
a French Frigate of 36 Guns, and full of Men,
and had on board some Live-Stock, as Fowls,
Sheep, Hogs, &c. and said they were bound from
Canada to Louisburg; but that there had been an
Engagement off that Place between the English
and French Fleets, in which (as they said) the
latter had six of their Ships taken; but their Ship
escaped in a Fog, and designed for Martineco.—
After they had interrogated the Skipper, and
plundered his Vessel of Fish, and some small Stores,
they dismissed him.—How far the above Account
may be true, we cannot tell; but it seems pretty
certain there must have been some smart Engage-
ment, as divers other Fishing Vessels have arrived
at Cape-Anne, and other Places, which bring an
Account of the hearing their Cannon at the same
time, and seeing the two Ships mentioned above.

The following Extract of a Letter from Fort Wil-
liam Henry, at Lake George, dated August 3,
1756, came by the Express from that Place,
last Monday Evening.

"Just before Day we were alarmed by one of
our Soldiers coming from Colonel White, and Colonel
Angel, who were on their Way for this Place from
Fort Edward with Sheep and Cattle; the Man re-
ports, that he was sent with four others to inform the
General, that Colonel White and Angel were half-
way between Fort Edward and here; that Colo-
nel White, &c. had sent out a Scout of twelve
Men from thence, which Scout came upon some Tracts
of the Enemy, and pursued the Tracts, and came up
with a Body of 2 or 300 of the Enemy, near where
the Fight began last Year, and were discovered by
them and fired upon; our Men returned the Fire and
dispersed, eight out of the twelve are missing yet; the
four that were sent Express to us, have got in pretty
much frighted, thinking they saw Indians. May the
Times come that we shall chastise them well!"

Colonel