

on the 24th of November last, in Lat. 20: 10, Long. 65, was taken by the Snow Revenge, James Griffith, and Brig Hope, James M'Daniel, two Privateers of this Port, her Cargo consists of Flour, Bread, Beef, Pork, and French Brandy; and was brought in by Henry Buck, at Prize Master.

Capt. Buck left the Revenge on the 29th of November, in Chace of a Sloop; and informs us, That Capt. Griffith had also taken a Sloop loaded with Sugar, and ordered her to this Place: That Capt. M'Daniel had seized a large Ship, and sent her into Providence, having contraband Goods on board.

And on Thursday arrived another French Prize Ship, called La Fidelle, Joseph Fostier, Master, taken by Capt. Koffler, in the Defiance Privateer of this Port, on Dec. 3d. She was from Cape-Breton, to Cape François, and is loaded with dry'd Cod, and Mackrell. The Prisoners of said Prize say, that Provisions are very scarce at Louifburg, and not one Pound of fresh Meat to be bought at any Price.

PHILADELPHIA, January 12.
Extract of a Letter from Barbados, dated Dec. 21.
"A few Days ago the Ship Carrington, commanded by the brave Appowen, arrived here from your Port. In running down this Latitude, he was met with, and attacked, by four French Privateers, whom he boldly engaged, made a most gallant Defence against them, fought his Way through, and got clear; but was obliged to heave his Cables, Water Casks, and Part of his Cargo overboard.

"The 10th Instant the Speaker, and Sloop Fanny, returned here from a Cruize, having been sent out after the Privateers that attacked Captain Appowen to the Eastward of this Island, and brought in with them a Privateer Schooner, belonging to Martinico, of eight Guns, a fine going Vessel, and has been very successful, though not long in Commission, having taken, it is said, 22 Vessels; among which are Captain Gilchrist, of Bermuda; Captain Sinnet, in a large Brigantine from New York for this Island; Captain Judkin, in a Brigantine from hence for South-Carolina; and a Guineyman, with 250 Slaves, for this Place. The Speaker, in Chace of this Vessel, sprung her Foremast; upon which the Falkland Man of War, Captain Drake, put out, and is now cruising to Windward. By a Sloop from St. Christophers, in a few Days, we learn, that the Brigantine Antigua has very lately taken three French Privateers, and sent them into Antigua."

Captain Appowen fell in with the above Privateers about Eight in the Morning, and it was past Seven at Night before he got clear of all of them; in which Time he had only one Man wounded, but his Sails and Rigging were much damaged. He does not know what Damage the Frenchmen received, but thinks it must have been considerable, as the Vessels were very near one another the greatest Part of the Engagement.

We hear that the Amazon Man of War has taken Eight French Privateers in the West-Indies, in Six Weeks Time.

Our last Advices from Albany are, That Capt. Rogers, with a large Party, was gone to Ticonderoga, resolved not to return without doing something; that Capt. Putman, with his Rangers, was also very active; that there seemed to be an Emulation among the Ranging Companies, who should do the most; and that Lake George was then clear of Ice.—The Indian Intelligence there was, that the French designed to come and attack Fort Edward, as soon as the Lake was froze over; likewise to send a Body of Men to destroy the Mohawks River.—Some French Deserters report the same, and say, they will be drove to it for Want of Provisions.—The Inhabitants of Schohany had sent their Effects to Albany, and desired the Assistance of some Troops, being informed that the Enemy designed to attack them on the First or Second Instant.

A Letter from New-York, dated on Thursday last, mentions a Report being then there that Rogers was returned, and had brought in Two Prisoners, and Two Deserters; and it was also said, that all the Swifs in the French Service at Ticonderoga were put in Irons, in order to prevent their Deserting.

In the Storm on the Third Instant, the Brig Nancy, Capt. Carter, bound to Barbados, overset

at Reedy-Island, and Three of her Hands were drowned. The rest of the Shipping there, we hear, with Difficulty rode it out.

ANNAPOLIS, January 19.
The General Assembly of this Province is further Prologued, to Monday the Sixth Day of February next.

A few Days ago, a poor Man standing with one of his Arms on the Muzzle of a loaded Gun, by some Accident it went off, and shatter'd his Arm all to Pieces.

There will be a great and total Eclipse of the Moon, beginning at 53 Minutes after XI, on Monday Night next.

CHOICE WEST-INDIA RUM, MELASSES, and MUSCOVADO SUGAR, to be Sold by Wholesale, by the Subscriber, at his Store in Annapolis. LANCELOT JACQUES.

THIS is once more to give Notice to all those indebted to Charles Carroll, Esq; who had not settled with him before his Departure from this Province, nor since with the Subscriber, that unless they discharge their Bonds (or at least the Interest) Notes of Hand, and proved Accounts, by the First Day of March next, Actions will certainly be brought against them.

R. CROXALL, Attorney in Fact.



WANTED, Two or Three able SEAMEN, to go a Voyage to Jamaica, and return to this Place, in the good Sloop Swan, now lying in Patuxent, Captain Thomas Hammond, Master: To whom apply.

Upper-Marlborough, January 17, 1758.

WANTED,

A BLACK-SMITH, for Country-Business, well recommended; may have good Encouragement, by applying to

JOSEPH BELT, junior.

RAN away from the Subscribers, living on Kent-Island, Two Servant Men, viz.

John Williams (but will probably change his Name, he having got the Indentures of one Modesty, by whose Name it is thought he will endeavour to pass) wears his own Hair, has lost some of his fore Teeth, and is a short Fellow. He had on an old Hat, with a Brass Button to it, an old lightish Whitney Coat, which had formerly been a Great Coat, old Country Cloth Breeches, patch'd Country Shoes, and Country Stockings.

Joseph Partridge, a short, thick well-set Fellow, wears his own Hair. Had on an old Felt Hat, an old purple Cotton Jacket, a striped one under it, an old Pair of Leather Breeches, an old Pair of lightish-colour'd Cloth Ditto, white Stockings, and Country Shoes.

Whoever takes up the said Servants, and delivers them to their Masters, shall have Twenty Shillings Reward for each, besides what the Law allows, if taken off Kent-Island, paid by

JOHN MECONEKIN,
PHILEMON TANNER.

STRAYED from the Plantation of the late Dr. Francis Parnham, in Charles County, a middle-sized Chestnut Sorrel Horse, branded on the near Buttock thus I: T: hardly discernable, has a Saddle Spot on each Side his Back, with a small Blaze in his Forehead. Whoever has found the said Horse, and will bring him to the said Plantation, shall have a Pistole Reward.

MARY PARNHAM.

N. B. 'Tis supposed he went towards Frederick-County, as he was bred there.

THERE is at the Plantation of Richard Watts, near Michael Dawden's, in Frederick County, taken up as a Stray, a young Black Horse, branded on the near Buttock and Shoulder thus T he is about 13 Hands high, but is neither cut M nor dock'd.

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

STRAYED from the Plantation of Thomas Lowry, at Elk-Ridge, on the 22d of December last, a Bay Horse, about 13½ Hands high, has a large Blaze down his Face, Two Saddle Spots on the near Side, and a black Spot on one of his Ears, has a long Sprig Tail, is a natural Pacer, and shoed before.

Whoever will take up the said Horse, and bring him to the said Lowry, or Cornelius Howard in Annapolis, shall have Ten Shillings Reward.

THERE is at the Plantation of Bronni Prite, near Bladensburg, taken up as a Stray, a small Bay Horse, about 12 Hands high, with a Blaze in his Face.

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

THERE is at the Plantation of John Warbell, in Frederick County, taken up as a Stray, a Bay Mare, branded thus and has 3 white Feet.

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

TO BE SOLD,

TWO Young NEGRO MEN, that did belong to Mr. John Hughes, and are now at Mr. Caleb Dorsey and Company's Iron-Works, on Elk-Ridge, where they may be seen. For the Price, apply to

NICHOLAS MACCUBBIN.

To be Sold at Joppa, on Friday the 3d of February, at Two o'Clock in the Afternoon, to the Highest Bidder, for Sterling, Currency, or Bills of Exchange,

FOUR Thousand Five Hundred Bushels of WHEAT; to be delivered Part at Swan-Creek, and the Remainder at Bush-River and Joppa. For the Convenience of Purchasers, it will be set up in Lots of Five Hundred Bushels. Any Person may know the Condition of the Wheat, by applying to Mr. David McCulloch, or

ALEXANDER and ANDREW SYMMER.

TO BE SOLD,

TWO very good HORSES, a CART, and a likely strong NEGRO FELLOW. Enquire of the Printer hereof.

HORSES, to go on Expresses, or Journeys of any Distance, to be LET by the Subscriber in Annapolis, who will likewise furnish any Gentleman with a faithful and expeditious Messenger to go on Expresses.

THOMAS PECKER.

N. B. The said Pecker treats all Persons Indebted to him to make speedy Payment, or at least to settle their Accounts by Notes, to prevent further Trouble.

He will either Buy, or Kill for Others in the neatest Manner, and at a cheap Rate, by good English BUTCHERS, any Parcels of Fat Cattle or Sheep.

T. PECKER.

RUM, Sugar, Melasses, Cheese, Butter, Salt, and Coffee; likewise sundry European and India Goods; to be Sold by the Subscriber.

All Sorts of Smith's Work done, Carting as usual.

He has also a neat CUTLER, lately from England, who makes and repairs all Sorts of Cutlery, and is a curious Grinder of Razors, Lancets, Scissors, Shears, &c. &c. &c.

WILLIAM ROBERTS.

January 5, 1758.

ALL Persons that have open Accounts with the Subscriber, for Twelve Months or more, are desired to discharge the same, or pass their Notes for the Balances; which will oblige

Their humble Servants,

THOMAS HYDE.

To be Sold by the Subscriber, at his Store in Church-Street, between the Church and Mr. Swan's Store, in ANNAPOLIS,

SUNDRY Sorts of EUROPEAN and EAST-INDIA GOODS, very cheap, for ready Money, Bills, or short Credit.

BASIL WHEELER.

MARYLAND

Containing

From the LONDON MAGAZINE
From a Piece lately published, entitled, The
MATE of the MANNERS, &c. of the TIME

1. Of the national Capacity.

IT was a shrewd Observation of a good Writer, "How can he get Wisdom, who Talk is of Bullocks?" [Book of Wisdom] But Rusticity is not more an Enemy of Knowledge, than Effeminacy: With the same priety, therefore, it may now be asked, "How can he get Wisdom, whose Talk is of Dress, Wagers, Cards and Borough-Jobbing, Ho Women, and Dice?" The Man of Fashion indeed cut off from the very Means of solid Instruction: His late Hours occasion a late Rising; thus the Morning which should be devoted to Acquisition of Knowledge, is devoted to Dress, and Ignorance.

How weak then must be the national Capacity of that People, whose leading Members in Employment should, in general, be formed on the Model? If instead of a general Application of Books, instead of investigating the great Principles of Legislation, the Genius of their national situation, of its Relations, and Dependence on that of others, the great Examples and Truths of History, the Maxims of generous and upright Policy, and the severer Truths of Philosophy, which all these are founded; if, instead of which they should seldom rise in political Study than the securing of a Borough; instead of History be only read in Novels; instead of Legislative party Pamphlets; instead of Philosophy, in Fiction; instead of manly and upright Manners, trifling Entertainments, Dress, and Gaming, this should ever be their ruling Character, must be expected from such established Ignorance but Errors in the first Concoction.

In a Nation thus circumstanced, it is odd you would see even some of its most public solemn Assemblies turned into Scenes of unbecoming Riot; instead of the Dignity of Freedom, Tumults of Licentiousness would prevail; want of young Men without Experience, temperate Ridicule, dissolute Mirth, and Peals of Laughter, would be the ruling Character of such an Assembly.

It is true, that in every Assembly of this kind the public Measures are generally determined by the few whose Superiority is approved and acknowledged; by the few, who have been fashionable as to despise the ruling System of Effeminacy; and before they had appeared in higher Stage, had laboured and shone in a more illustrious Circumstance. But what an Increase of national Capacity might be expected, if those Master-Spirits were aided, and Plans of Government examined and improved by Men of the like Application and Ability?

But if, in any Nation, the Number of Minds be daily decreasing, from the Manners of the Times; what can a Nation thus circumstanced have more to fear, than another Age a general Cloud of Ignorance overhadow it.

Let us next consider the natural Effects of effeminate Manners on Fleets and Armies. It would, I apprehend, be ill taken to that the fashionable and prevailing Manners, not in the Army and Navy: The Men of these Professions are even distinguished by their Taste and Dress, their Skill at Play, Attendance on every Amusement, provided fashionable; and sure it must be by if this trifling and effeminate Life could produce Knowledge, or produce Capacity: It is just to deny, that Men of Ability, in the are yet among us; but it would be Matter of Pleasure and Esteem to the Public, to see Ignorance in the Profession either uncorrected or disgraceful.