

the SUBSCRIBER, at  
for Ready Money only  
DEIRA WINE, at Twelve  
Gallon. JOHN CLAPHAM.

HIGHEST BIDDER  
CROWN, Kent County, for Bills  
Paper Currency, on Tuesday the  
next, being the first Day of

GB or TENEMENT, called  
D E, commodiously situated in  
Chester River, for the Grain  
and Queen Anne's, being about  
a-Creek on Delaware, 8 Miles  
Town, 10 Miles above Chester  
from the Head of the River.  
fits of a good Dwelling-House  
od Brick Store-House with a  
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Garden, and about 18 Acres of  
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pplying to Mr. John Eccleston  
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Sons, Esquires.  
H. CALLISTER.

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said CITY; to consist of 4000  
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Amounting to 2365  
Sum raised £. 435 for above Uses.

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on the whole not 15 per Cent.)  
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liam Roberts, Lancaster Jalcant,  
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Clapham, and Bennett, Chosen  
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as State Lotteries in England.  
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THE MARYLAND GAZETTE,  
Containing the freshest Advices foreign and domestic

THURSDAY, November 23, 1758.

A true Character of the KING of PRUSSIA.

**H**IS  
The Affector of Liberty.  
The Terror of France.  
Magnanimous without Pride.  
Cautious without Fear.  
His Thoughts, pure, swift and secret.  
His Words, firm and faithful.  
His Actions, many and heroic.  
His Government, without Tyranny.  
His Justice, without Rigour.  
His Religion, without Superstition.  
But, Words are wanting to say what  
Say all that's great and good, and, He is that.

On the CHARACTER of the present AGE.

**I**T has in all Ages been common for interested  
Writers to give such a Colouring to their  
Representatives, as they judged to be most  
agreeable to their Patron's Eyes; while the  
uninfluenced Part of Mankind generally con-  
curred in condemning the present Times, and ex-  
tolling the past.

However, if we turn over the Annals of Anti-  
quity, we shall find, that they who existed at the  
several distant Periods daily recommended to our  
Admiration, have been no less severe in censuring  
those Times, than our modern Patriots are in stig-  
matizing the present.

Human Nature has undoubtedly been the same  
in all Ages: a Mixture of Vices and Virtues has  
always composed the Character of Mankind; tho'  
at different Times they have appeared under vary-  
ous Modes; but the general Character of particu-  
lar Nations has been constantly determined by the  
Example of the great and ruling Mind of the State.

If they have been wise and virtuous, the People  
have been good and happy; if they have been  
vigilant and brave, the People have been bold and  
enterprising.

That the Character of the present Age is neither  
glorious nor amiable is a melancholy Truth, which  
seems to be universally admitted; yet, without  
Doubt, there is as much Spirit and Virtue in Indi-  
viduals now, as in the Days of Heroism.

We are of Opinion, that our distinguishing Cha-  
racteristic has not yet been justly determined. It  
has indeed been affirmed by a late Writer, to be  
that of luxurious Effeminacy (and perhaps some  
Appearances concur, which seemingly justify this  
preemptory Conclusion.

But nevertheless, if we extend our Views, it  
may appear to be hasty and erroneous; and we  
ought to be careful how we judge of a national  
Character from a few particular Circumstances,  
too inconsiderable to warrant a general Determi-  
nation.

It is true indeed, as he observed, that we some-  
times see some of the fine Rank and Fortune wal-  
king through the Dirt of London, disguised in a  
Garb rarely too mean for the Apparel of a Porter.

If we attend them in the Country, we may see  
them, in the Heat of a perilous Fox Chase, fly  
over fire barred Gates with Intrepidity, and run  
with furious Speed down a dangerous Steep, at  
the Hazard of their Neck: At other Times we  
may view them, from the Rising to the Setting of  
the Sun, flaying over Hedge and Ditch, in Quest  
of feathered Prey. Sometimes may behold them  
ride their own Horses at Newmarket, and pant  
and the Coach with Olympick Spirit; zealous  
to seize the noble Prize of Jockeyship: These  
about Exercises are not the Criteria of Effemi-  
nacy, nor does that appear to be the reigning Qua-  
lity to which we are to refer the seeming Wants of  
our Age, and the Absence of other Virtues.

Effeminacy is refined in it's Pleasures, gentle in  
it's Manners, and passive in it's Obedience; but  
whatever Progress Particulars may have made to-  
wards this soft Retirement, yet as a Nation we  
are still indelicate in our Enjoyments, uncourtous  
in our Behaviors, and daring in Disobedience.

Might we presume to determine the real Cha-  
racter of the Age; we should not hesitate to declare,  
that SELFISHNESS is the Ruling Principle;  
however Men are differently attached to various  
Vices and Follies, yet the Majority concur in this,  
that they are all equally actuated by this sordid  
and pernicious Quality, which has taken such deep  
Root in Britain, that it is become a Part of modern  
Manners, and included under that fashionable Sum-  
mary of all Accomplishments, called Knowledge of  
the World.

A Man who is said to know the World, is one  
who makes his own private Advantage the Rule  
of all his Actions; one who laughs at the Zeal of  
Patriotism, and Care of Posterity, as the ridiculous  
Reveries of idle Speculation, only calculated to  
amuse conscientious Fools, while free-thinking  
Knaves are sharing the Plunder of the Common-  
wealth.

This is modern Wisdom, but self-handed Wil-  
dom; which has long steered the Rudder of State,  
and debased the Spirit of the Nation: This has  
taught every Man to act as if he lived for himself  
alone, without any Consideration of the Duty he  
owes to Society; this has been the Bane of Ho-  
nour, and has destroyed all those noble Sentiments  
which teach us to sacrifice our own Pleasure and  
Convenience, nay even to hazard our Lives for  
the public Good. — And probably this may have  
created the Improbability last Year of landing  
British Forces on the French Shore.

To this we may attribute the Backwardness in  
our Commanders, which has disgraced our Arms,  
and prejudiced the State: Wise in the prudent  
Doctrines of the Times, they are cautious of ex-  
posing themselves, and risking the Enjoyment of their  
present affluent Condition, in Quest of precarious  
Glory, or uncertain Gain.

It would be folly in these Days, to recommend  
the enthusiastic Spirit of a Curtius or a Decius, who  
voluntarily devoted themselves to certain Death for  
the Benefit of their Country; but, tho' we do not  
require our Commanders to leap into Gulphs, or  
to run singly amidst the thickest of their Enemies,  
yet we have a Right to expect, that, when the  
State demands their Service, they will be ready  
to hazard their Persons, and not only behave with  
Loyalty to their King, but Fidelity to the King-  
dom: For, tho' commissioned by the King, they  
are the Servants of the Public, from whom they  
derive their Subsistence; and even sovereign Or-  
ders cannot justify an inglorious Conduct, to the  
Prejudice or Dishonour of the Nation.

When they receive their Commissions, they un-  
dertake to be faithful and valiant; they are disin-  
guished by an honourable P. in the State, and  
are liberally supported, at the public Expence,  
upon Account of that Condition in their Parts, to  
be always prepared to serve their Country, at the  
Peril of their Lives.

But they who have neglected Duty, and pur-  
chased an inglorious Safety in the Loss of their  
own Reputation, and the public Ruin, have not  
behaved thus like shameful Dastards, because their  
Courage was subdued by Effeminacy; but because  
Selfishness has destroyed the Principle of public Spi-  
rit. Had any immediate or private Interest offered  
itself as the sure Reward of their Valour, they  
would not have been afraid to have ventured their  
Lives in Pursuit of the partial Acquisition.

The Captain of a British Man of War, who  
backs his Galls on Sight of a French Privateer,  
would crow all his Canvass to attack a rich Mar-  
tinico-man, tho' he be under Convoy of superior  
Forces to his own: And perhaps the General who  
tantalized the British Troops with a mock Embar-

Asian only, as he confesses himself, to employ  
their Time, and suffered them to freeze in open  
Boats, when they were impatient to treat on the  
French Shore, would have attempted to hoist O-  
lympus; to have laid a wealthy Town under mili-  
tary Contribution.

Our Degeneracy therefore is not proved by the  
Want of Valour among us, but by the base Ma-  
nities which infligate it: Profit, not Honour, is  
the Incentive; sordid and selfish Principles move  
us; not generous and public-spirited Considera-  
tions. We are not afraid to risk our Lives, but we  
are unwilling to hazard them merely for the Sake  
of our Country.

If we trace the Source of this detestable Selfish-  
ness, we shall find, that it takes it's Rise from the  
fatal Administration of some former Ministers, who  
have introduced that abominable System of Cor-  
ruption, which, unless it is utterly destroyed, will  
inevitably prove the Ruin of this Kingdom.

By this Men have been taught to ridicule public  
Virtue to that Degree, that, if we do but mention  
the Love of our Country, every one is ready to sneer  
at the Expression: Seeming Patriots have often  
had it in their Mouths; but the Event of their  
Conduct has determined, that Hypocrisy lurked  
all the while in their Hearts.

We have seen them pursue corrupt Ministers  
with unremitting Vengeance; till they have forced  
them to resign; and then, strange to believe! we  
have known them desert the Public, and conclude  
a shameful Compromise for the Sake of Titles and  
Pensions.

These Examples have spread their destructive  
Influence: Men in inferior Stations find that the  
Great regard only themselves; and make a Jeif of  
Principle; therefore they are readily inclined to  
imitate the Conduct of their Superiors, whom they  
conceive to be better Judges of moral Rectitude  
than themselves.

The humble PETITION of the KENTISH WOMEN.

**W**H, his Majesty's most dutiful and courageous  
Subjects, the Kentish Women, being under  
the deepest Concern at the unhappy Success of his  
Majesty's Arms, both by Sea and Land; and ap-  
prehending that all our Misfortunes proceed from  
the Command of the Fleet and Army being given  
to the wrong Sex: We therefore, with all humble  
Submission, intreat, that we, and others of our  
Sex, who may be found worthy, in other Coun-  
ties, may be promoted to the Service of our King  
and Country.

We will gladly throw off our Petticoats, toge-  
ther with all Modes, Shapes, and Forms of Effe-  
minacy, and will put on Pea-Jackets, Trowers,  
Scarlet Coats, and the Breast-Plats of undaunted  
Courage: And the subduing our Enemies, and  
serving our Royal Master, shall be the only go-  
verning Principle in our Hearts.

We can learn the Prussian Exercise in a few  
Weeks; and will make as speedy Progress as pos-  
sible in this Art and Practice of Navigation: And  
as at first setting out, we shall require the Assis-  
tance of some Brave Sea Officers; so we beg, that  
in the Sea Service we may be disciplined and in-  
structed by the Captains Lockhart, Howe, Swam-  
ton, Gilchrist, and a few others of the like Stamp:  
In the Land Service, by Lieutenant-Colonel Wolfe,  
and a few others of like Stamp: These Gentlemen,  
but not many more, as we can recollect, will carry  
us in the Way of the Enemy; and as Courage al-  
ways conquers, we doubt not, but by the End of  
the approaching Summer, some among us will be  
found worthy of Flags in the Navy, and to be  
made Generals in the Army. But notwithstanding  
we will always, with Pleasure, submit the higher  
Post to the gallant Gentlemen above named.

We will never call Councils of War but when  
Necessity