

Silk, in order to finish the Covering of a Settee which I was working for my Benefactress; and was returning home through a By-Court, when to my inexpressible Surprise, I found myself stopp'd by two Men, who producing what they called a Writ against me, hurried me into a Coach, and conveyed me, half dead with Terror, to a wretched House whose Windows were guarded with Iron Bars.

As soon as I had Power to speak, I desired to know by whom and for what Crime I was thus cruelly insulted. They showed me without Hesitation their Authority; by which it appeared that the Woman with whom I lived had ordered me to be arrested for a Debt of Thirty Pounds, which she had sworn I owed her for Board and Lodgings. It is impossible! cried I; she cannot have forced me so! There must be some Mistake in this! Send for her this Moment! I am sure it is a Mistake! Very possible, Madam, answered one of the Fellows with a Smile; but if you would take my Advice, it should be to send for a Gentleman instead of the Plaintiff. A young Lady like you, Madam, need not stay here for a Debt of Thirty Pounds. Go where I send you, Sir, said I; tell her what has happened, and bid her assist me, if she would save my Life. The Fellow shook his Head as he went out, but promised to do as I directed. His Companion asked me what I pleased to call for, and explained his Meaning by telling me I was in a public House. I bid him call for what he liked, and charge it to me; he thanked me very civilly, and locking the Door after him, left me to myself.

I had now a little Leisure to reflect upon this Adventure; but the more I thought of it, the greater was my Perplexity. I remained in this uncomfortable Suspence for near an Hour, when I heard the Door open with Precipitation, and saw my Lover enter the Room with an Astonishment not to be imagined. Good God! said he, snatching me to his Arms, is this an Apartment for my Charmer?—That inhuman Woman!—What Woman? said I, interrupting him; can it be possible?—She owns it herself, answered he; this profelling Friend, this grateful Servant, swears that she has arrested you. I was ready to faint at what I heard; but recovering myself as well as I could, I enquired into the Motive of this Woman's Cruelty. Her Motive, he replied, was Avarice; I had some Words with her two Days ago, and threatened her in Jest that I would leave her Lodgings. She thought me in earnest; and believing I was gone, she called for me, by arresting my sweet Girl. She was not mistaken when she guessed with what Hosts I should discharge the Debt. Here, Sir, continued he, turning to the Bailiff, is the full Sum, and a Gratuity for yourself. Come, Madam, let us change this detested Place, for Apartments more worthy of you.

The Coach that brought him to my Prison was at the Door. He immediately put me into it, and conducted me to a Lace-Shop upon Ludgate-Hill. I remained in the Coach while he slept into the Shop, and continued for a Minute or two in Conversation with the Mistress of it; when returning to me with great Cheerfulness, he gave me Jars of his Success, and handed me up Stairs into pleasant and convenient Apartments. The exact Order in which I found every Thing in these Apartments put me upon observing that the Owner of them was a Prophetess, and knew that I should have Need of them that very Morning. My Lover made no Answer to my Remark, but straining me to his Arms, and almost pressing me to Death, he called them my bridal Apartments, and bid me welcome to them as such. He then went down to order Dinner, and a Bottle of Champagne from the Tavern, and returned to me with so much Love and Joy in his Looks, that I was charmed with him beyond Expression. When Dinner was removed, and the Servant who attended us withdrawn, he said and looked so many fond and endearing Things, and mingled such Careless with his Words and Looks; forcing upon me at the same Time three or four Glasses of a Wine I was not used to, that my Heart, warm as it was before with Love and Gratitude, consented to his Desires, and in one fatal Moment betrayed me to a Villain.

I lived in this guilty Commerce till the Effects of it made me apprehensive of becoming a Mother in a few Weeks. I had often pressed him for the Performance of his Promises, and was now resolved to be more particularly urgent with him upon that Subject; but instead of listening to me as I hoped he would, he called hastily for his Sword, and took Leave of me till the Evening.

I expected his Return with the utmost Impatience. The Evening came; another, and another after that; but I neither saw him nor heard from him. Upon the 4th Day of his leaving me, I received a Visit from the Mistress of the House, who, to my great Astonishment, addressed me in these Words. I thought, Madam, at your Entrance into this House, that you were a married Woman. The Lady who hired the Lodgings for you two Days before, gave me Assurance that you were married.—What Lady? cried I. You amaze me! I heard not of these Lodgings till I had taken Possession of them. Be quick and tell me who was this Lady? Alas! answered my Visitor, I knew not till this Morning that you were fallen into the Snare of the worst of Women, and the most artful of Men. She saw my Amazement; but desiring my Attention, proceeded thus. As for the Gentleman (if he deserves the Name of one) you will never see him more! How, Madam! never see him more! interrupted I—My Voice failed me as I uttered these Words; and leaning backwards in my Chair, I fainted away. She recovered me from my Swoon, and then went on. He has just now sent his Servant to discharge the Lodgings; of which when I enquired how you were to be taken Care of in your approaching Hour, his Answer was, that he had no Commission to speak to such Questions. Pray, Madam, continued she, is it true that you were arrested in the Street the Morning of your Entrance into these Lodgings? I told her yes. The Servant then is here, she replied. He has given me your whole History. The Contrivance of that Arrest were the Woman who lodged, and the Villain whom you trusted. Their Design was to bring you entirely into his Power, that he might use it to your Destruction. But do not Despair, Madam, added

she, seeing me in the utmost Affliction; all Women are not Mothers. I have Compassion upon your Condition, and will assist you in your Distress. These Apartments are yours, till you desire to resign them: Nor shall any Thing be wanting that your Situation shall require, or that a Lady in happier Circumstances would wish to be provided with. And hereafter, if you shall chuse to continue with me, and assist me in my Business, I will look upon you as my Daughter, and forget every Thing that has befallen you.

Oppressed as I was with Grief and Shame, my Heart bounded at this Proposal. I fell upon the Neck of my Benefactress, and bedewed it with my Tears; telling her, as well as those Tears would permit me, that I was bound to her forever, and would wish for no other Happiness than to serve and please her.

Three Months are past since I have been the Mother of a sweet Boy. In all which Time I have never seen (and I pray heartily that I may never see) his inhuman Father. The generous Woman, who supports me, is even kinder to me than her Promise. She pays herself, she says, in the comfortable Thought, that she has been an Instrument in the Hand of Heaven to save me from Destruction. She told me Yesterday, that the Stratagem by which this Monster got me into his Power, with every Particular of his Behaviour to me before and after it, is his favourite Subject in all Companies. To deprive him therefore of his principal Pleasure, I have thought proper to take the Story out of his Hands, by telling it myself. I am, SIR,  
Your most humble Servant,  
AMANDA.

[The World, No 52.]  
ANNAPOLIS, January 24.  
There is yet so much Ice in the Bay, that we have had no Communication with the Eastern Shore, notwithstanding some warm Rains we have had since our last.  
We have received no Mail from the Northward since the last of December.

WANTED,  
AN active healthy NEGRO WOMAN, that can Cook, Wash, and Iron. If she has had the Small-Pox, and don't Breed, she will be the better liked.  
LIKewise WANTED,  
A NEGRO BOY about 12 or 14 Years of Age.  
They are for a Gentleman in Philadelphia. None will be taken but what can be well Recommended.  
Apply to the Subscriber at Upper-Marlborough.  
STEPHEN WEST.

To be SOLD by PUBLIC VENDUE,  
On Wednesday the second Day of April next, at the House of James Cary, in Baltimore-Town,  
A Very good new WATER-MILL, about 16 Miles from the Town, Standing on the main Waggon Road leading from thence to Frederick-Town, well known to be one of the best Mills in the County, having a constant Supply of Water, and sufficient to supply two or three more Mills, if wanted. It has a great deal of Custom for Country Work, and stands in a convenient Place for purchasing large Quantities of Wheat, and a fit Place for any sort of Trade.  
Any Person inclinable to purchase, may view the said Mill, and Premises, before the Sale. There is a piece of good Meadow Ground to the Mill; the Land legally condemn'd, and purchas'd by a good Deed. 1 1/2 of EDWARD PONTANY.

THERE is at the Plantation of Francis Chew, near West-River, taken up as a Stray, a Dark Bay Mare, without any perceivable Brand; she is about 7 or 8 Years old, about 10 or 12 Hands high, and paces and trots.  
The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges. 1 1/2 5/6.

To be SOLD by PUBLIC VENDUE,  
On Monday the 28th of this Instant January, at the House late the Sign of the Ship, in South-East-Street in Annapolis, where the late Mrs. Marriott formerly kept Tavern (for Ready Money, or Credit, on good Security if required) pursuant to the Last Will of the said Mrs. Marriott,

PART of a LEGACY to her Granddaughter, since Deceased, consisting of NEGROES, Plate, some very good Feather-Beds with Furniture, large Looking-Glasses, Chairs, Table Cloths, Sheets, Towels, and other House Linen, Pewter, Bras, Iron, and other Kitchen Furniture, &c. &c.  
by HENRY HALL, Administrator to the Estate of Major Henry Hall, Deceased, who was Executor to Mrs. Marriott.  
N. B. The Sale to begin at One o'Clock.

THE Subscriber intending for London next Spring, and having a Quantity of European and India GOODS upon Hand, will Sell at a Hundred per Centum on the prime Cost, or the Whole at Twenty-five per Cent; good old Rum at 8 s. per Gallon, Muscovado Sugar, &c.

He likewise makes Anchors of various Sizes, and all Sorts of Smith's Work.  
He also has a compleat Sail-maker lately from London, who makes Sloops, Schooners, and Boats Sails, in a different Manner from what has been done heretofore, and tho' he takes one third less Canvas, yet they will hold the same Wind, and give the Vessel more Way: Ships Square Sails are made in the usual Manner; but the Angle or Goring Sails in a quite different Way from that now in Practice.  
Ready Money or Goods, for Hog-Meat and Indian Corn.  
WILLIAM ROBERTS.

THE several Gentlemen that signed a Letter of Licence to William Dixon, School-master, in the Year 1757, are desired to meet at the House of Mrs. Sarah Ramsay, at the Head of Severn, on Tuesday the 19th of February, by XI o'Clock, if fair; if not, on the next fair Day; with their several Demands, to receive their Proportion of his Wages from Mr. Philip Hammond.  
NATHAN HAMMOND, junior, Administrator of Mr. John Raitt.

THOMAS HYDE,  
SHOEMAKER in ANNAPOLIS,  
HAS removed to his Shop over against Mr. James Dick's Store, and next above Mr. Nicholas Macculbin's, in Church-Street, where any Gentlemen, or Others, may be reasonably furnished with Boots, Shoes, and Spatterdashies, made in the neatest Manner, and of the best Leather.  
He likewise sells good Sole and Upper Leather: And as he carries on the Business of Tanning and Currying, he purchases any Quantities of either Green or Dried Hides.

BROKE out of Baltimore Goal, on Thursday the 13th of December last, a certain George Street, who last Year came into Patapsco Boatwain of Captain Cranner, and was, by a special Court held at 7 1/2, condemn'd for the Murder of one of the Ship's Crew. He is a short strong made Fellow, about 5 Feet 5 Inches high, and about 30 Years of Age, of a brown Complexion, and mark'd with the Small-Pox. His Dreis can't be particularly described, he having several Changes of Apparel with him. Whoever apprehends the said Prisoner, and brings him to the Subscriber, shall have TEN PISTOLES Reward, paid by R. BOYCE.

Bladesburg, December 12, 1759.  
LAST Summer, a Letter from James Tilghman, Esq; for me, was given to some Person to deliver to the Honourable Daniel Dulany, Esq; to whose Hands it never came. It covers Papers of some Consequence; therefore, to encourage the Person who finds it to be careful, I will give Twenty Shillings Reward upon the Delivery of the Letter to me.  
RICHARD HENDERSON.

To be SOLD by the Commissioners of the Paper Currency, at PUBLIC VENDUE, on Wednesday the 12th of March next, being the second Day of Anne-Arundel County Court, at Two o'Clock in the Afternoon, at the House of William Reynolds, in the City of Annapolis, for Paper Currency,

THE following Tracts of LAND, lying in the County aforesaid, viz.  
Hazard, containing 60 Acres.  
Hood's Hall, 100 Acres.  
Part of Ben's Luck, 25 Acres. And,  
Part of Freeborn's Progress, 130 Acres.  
Also, Three Lots of Land lying in the Neck-Town of the said City, with a Brick House, with two Chimneys standing thereon, on the South-West Side of Scotts-Street, late the Estate of William Cumming, deceased.

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