

January 21. On Friday last, as a poor Man was walking dead Wood in the Grove in Hyde park, he saw a Gentleman, with a Sword by his Side and a Cockade in his Hat, walking in a very polite Manner; and thinking he might come there to fight a Duel, he stood down and concealed himself behind a Bush. Soon after the Gentleman came near the Place where he lay, and took a Paper out of his Pocket, which, after reading, he tore. He then pulled out a Pistol, looked at the Priming, and sent the Pistol with a Rap. After this he laid his Hat on the Ground, he clapt the Pistol to his Head, and fired it in the Pan, the Gentleman who was concealed, ran up to him, and told him, that he had shot at him, which the Gentleman drew his Sword upon the poor Man, who told him, that he had shot at him as he did, and that he had shot at him as he did, and that he had shot at him as he did. The Gentleman was so struck with the Reason, that he laid into Tears, gave the Man a Piece with several Quinns, took down his Name, where to find him, and made him swear never to take any Notice of him, if at any Time he should chance to meet him.

Beef, Dec. 27. Mr. Brookman provided for the Entertainment of his Friends, besides Beef, Ham, Poultry, Pies, Puddings, Tarts, &c. in great Plenty, a LARGE CHRISTMAS LOAF, weighing, as supposed, about Four Hundred Wt. and by its Side placed a LARGE CHESHIRE CHEESE of Three Hundred Three Quarters and Three Pounds Weight. [Thus bounding Comparisons.]

Admiralty Office, Jan. 2. Rear Admiral Rodney, by Letter of the 23d Inst, gives an Account, that his Majesty's Sloop the Curca and Bonetta, which he had sent in Pursuit of a French Snow Privateer, chased her till she fell in with his Majesty's Ship the Tweed, which took her. She is said to be Du Gues Tremin, of 10 Guns and 52 Men, had been out three Days from St. Malo, and taken nothing.

The Rear Admiral gives a farther Account, that the Anson Cutter has taken a French Cutter Privateer, of 10 Guns, 54 Men, belonging to Dunkirk, which has been five Days from Havre, and had not taken any Thing.

Admiralty Office, Jan. 17. Lieut. John Symons, of his Majesty's Ship the Unicorn, of 28 Guns and 200 Men, gives an Account, in a Letter dated at Plymouth the 11th Instant, that on the 8th Capt. Hunt, (his Predecessor in the Command of that Ship) being cruising off the Penmarks, discovered, at Eight in the Morning, a Sail to the Northward; to which he gave Chace, and found to be a French Frigate. At half past Ten the Unicorn came up with and begun to engage her, and continued in close Action with her till near half past Twelve: At which Time the Enemy struck, and proved to be the Vestal, a Frigate of the French King's, commanded by M. Boisbertelot, mounting 26 Twelve and Nine Pounders upon her Lower Deck, and four Six Pounders on the Quarter Deck and Forecastle, with 220 Men. She escaped (as the Prisoners declared) from the River Vilaine on the 2d Instant, under Convoy of a very thick Fog, in Company with two Ships of 64, Le Grand of 34, and Calipso of 16 Guns, and was bound to Brett.

Capt. Hunt received a Gunshot Wound the third Broadside, in his right Thigh, of which he died an Hour after the Action was over.

The Unicorn had five Men killed and ten wounded, six of whom dangerously.

The Vestal had many killed and wounded; and among the latter M. Boisbertelot, who lost his Leg, and died of the Wound next Day.

Lieut. Symons adds, that the Day after the Action, he saw a Sail to Windward, which had greatly the Appearance of a French Ship, and bore down upon him for about half an Hour, then hauled her Wind, and stood in for the Land. That on the 10th, in the Morning, he saw two Ships engaging, which proved to be his Majesty's Ship Seahorse, and Le Grand Frigate above-mentioned, the latter of which made all the Sail she could from the other, upon the Unicorn's coming within two Gunshot of them, and escaped, notwithstanding he chased her till Evening, having greatly the Advantage in Sailing, the Unicorn having got a Mizzen-top-mast up for a Fore-top-mast, to ease the Fore-mast; and a Main-top-gallant-mast for a Mizzen-top-mast, and her Sails and Rigging much damaged in the Action with the Vestal.

Capt. James Smith, of his Majesty's Ship Seahorse, of 20 Guns and 160 Men, by Letter dated at Plymouth the 11th Instant, gives the following Account of the above-mention'd Action with Le

Grand Frigate, which happened 24 Leagues S. W. from the Start, viz. That he saw her in the Morning about Eight o'Clock, in the S. E. Quarter, crowding down upon him; that he continued his Course and prepared to engage. At a Quarter before Eleven the Enemy came within Pistol Shot, and an Action began, which lasted an Hour and Quarter with great Warmth, during which the Ships were Board and Board three different Times, which occasioned great Slaughter on both Sides. The Enemy then left the Seahorse, as is before-mention'd in Mr. Symons's Letter, notwithstanding his utmost Endeavours to bring her to Action a second Time.

The Seahorse had 11 Men killed, and 58 wounded, many of the latter, Capt. Smith fears, cannot recover.

Lieut. Symons is prefer'd to the Command of the Mortar Sloop.

And another Captain is appointed to the Seahorse, which is to proceed, the Moment she is refitted, on her outward-bound Voyage: that Capt. Smith may be at home, in the Way to be prefer'd the first Opportunity.

Both these Gentlemen give the Officers and Seamen of their respective Ships the greatest Encomiums for their Bravery during the above Engagements.

His Majesty's Sloop Swallow has brought into Plymouth the Valour Privateer of St. Malo, of four Carriage Guns and 28 Men, taken by the Aquilon.

And the Hornet Sloop has taken and brought into Plymouth the Chevalier d'Arthesfary, a Snow Privateer belonging to Granville, of eight Carriage and six Swivel Guns, and 58 Men.

PHILADELPHIA, March 19.

Extract of a Letter from New-York, March 16.

"By the Tamar Sloop of War, Captain Lee, who left Portsmouth the 29th of January, we have Advice, that there are two Expeditions going on in England; one supposed for the East, the other the West-Indies: That there was not the least Appearance of Peace, nor no Talk of any Congress, tho' the French gave out that there was to be one: That our Ministry seem'd resolv'd not to make Peace till they could get a most honourable One: That it was said the King of Prussia would take the Field this Month with 150,000 Troops: That it was reported two of the French Ships, that had been detain'd so long in the Vilaine, were taken: And that the Grand Expedition Fleet last Fall, was design'd against Belleisle, every Foot of Ground of which Place was strongly secured by Trenches."

ANNAPOLIS, March 26.

The General Assembly of this Province is Prorogued to Monday the 13th of next Month; when it is certainly to meet for the Dispatch of Public Business.

Since our last, we have received Public Prints, to the 19th of January, brought by Capt. Johnson Colledge, in the Wilson, who left England the latter End of January. By the Prints we have the melancholy Account of the Loss of many of our Ships, which sail'd from hence last Fall. The George, Cherub, is taken and carried into St. Malo: The Neptune, Bigg; Nelly, Wilkinson; Friendship, Mc Deugal; Fortune, Christie; Wye-River, Noel; Elizabeth, Skafce; and Charming Betsey, Hunter; are all taken and carried into Bayonne: These are all that we find mentioned in the Papers; but it is said there were six or seven Others taken.

Sunday last arrived here, Capt. Jacob Walters in the Ship St. George, from London and Teneriffe.

Capt. Montgomerie, in the Montgomerie, is arrived in Patuxent from Glasgow.

Yesterday arrived here from Barbados, in the Schooner Chester, Capt. Tho. Ireland, who left that Island the 18th of February; he informs us, that Commodore DOUGLASS having been acquainted by the Temple and Emerald Men of War, that they had Chaced a 70 Gun French Man of War, a French Frigate, and a Store Ship, into the Grenades, the Commodore, with Two other Ships of the Line, sail'd immediately down in order to block them in; and the whole Fleet was soon to sail from Carlisle-Bay, in order to join him, in an Attack against those Islands.

One Day last Week, an Overseer of a Plantation in Prince-George's County, Beat a Young Negro Fellow, committed to his Charge, to Death. [What a pity it is, that INHUMANITY should be a necessary ingredient in the composition of a GOOD OVERSEER!]

Sunday last Died here in an advanced Age, Mrs. Mary Callaban, who was many Years an eminent Midwife.

WHEREAS I have told divers Persons, and particularly Daniel Killum and Charles Pickering of Talbot County, that Mrs. Mary Edmondson, Wife of Mr. Pollard Edmondson, was about the 11th Day of February last, came with her Daughter Mrs. Martin, into the Store that I kept for Mr. Joshua Clark at Talbot County Court-House; and that whilst the said Mrs. Edmondson and Mrs. Martin were in the Store, I miss'd a Piece of Linen, and that I put my Hand on a Pillow Case which Mrs. Edmondson brought into the Store with her, and felt therein a Piece of Linen, and that I wink'd at Daniel Killum to take Notice of it; and whereas I told the said Daniel Killum and Charles Pickering, that I suspected Mrs. Edmondson had taken the said Piece of Linen out of the Store; and whereas I did desire the said Daniel Killum to go to the House of Dr. Martin, where Mrs. Edmondson was, and to tell Mrs. Edmondson, that if she would bring back the said Piece of Linen, I would not tell the said Joshua Clark thereof, nor speak to him about it; and whereas the said Mrs. Edmondson has made it evidently appear, to my intire Satisfaction, that what I took to be the Piece of Linen which I miss'd, was the greater Part of a Piece of Linen of her own, which she brought into the Store with her in the Pillow Case. Now I do think myself bound in Conscience, and in Justice to Mrs. Edmondson's Character, to declare to the World, that I was mistaken in my Apprehensions of the Matter, and that my Suspicions were without the least real Foundation; and I do hereby own my Reason, and Indiscretion, in divulging my Suspicions upon so slender Ground; and I do take this public Method of asking Mrs. Edmondson's Pardon, for having made use of her Name so indiscreetly and unwarrantably; and I do hereby declare, that I have not any Reason to suspect that the said Mrs. Edmondson took the said Piece of Linen, or any Thing else out of the said Store, unknown to the Store-keepers, or was, or would be guilty of any such Act: And whereas Daniel Killum acknowledges, and has sworn (as I am inform'd) that I did in direct Terms assert, that Mrs. Edmondson had taken the said Piece of Linen out of the Store, I do utterly deny that I ever made any such direct Charge, but only communicated to him the Causes of my suspicion (which I do acknowledge to be groundless); and do further acknowledge, that if I did make such direct Charge, the same was false, scandalous, and without any other Foundation than my mistaken Apprehension aforesaid.

TEST. JOSEPH BEWLEY.

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| Wm. Tripp, | Peter Cox, |
| J. Gibson, | Arch. McCallam, |
| Jacob Gibson, | Richard Gibson, |
| Richard Grafton, | John Coward, |
| William Sharp, | Francis Neall, |
| Thomas Dudley, | Thomas Skinner, |
| Ja. Strainer, | Wm. Hanfon, |
| Wolman Gibson, | Thomas Dodson, |
| W. Thomas, | Thomas Tibbels, |
| John Dickenson, | Cha. Dickenson, |
| P. Denny, | Ja. Wrightson, |
| Daniel Sherwood, | Mat. Lewis Barnett, |
| Mat. Lewis Barnett, | Isaac Cox. |

IF Edward Ellkins, of Londonderry, in the North of Ireland, who arrived at New-Castle on Delaware about 16 Years ago, be Alive, and will apply to Dr. Henry Stevenson in Baltimore-Town by Letter or otherwise, he may hear of something to his Satisfaction. JAMES ELLKIN.

STRAYED from the Subscriber, living on Rock-Creek, in Frederick County, about nine Miles above George-Town, in May last, Two Brindle Cows, both with white Faces, one of them has a brindle Spot over each Eye; mark'd with a Crop and 2 Sh. and under Bit in the Right Ear, and Crop and 2 Sh. in the Left; one has Horns pretty Straight, the other Crumpley. Whoever will give information of those Cows to that their Owner may have them again, shall receive a Dollar for each of them. JOHN FOORD, junior.

To be SOLD at PUBLIC VENDUE, on Monday the 30th of this Instant March, at the late Dwelling House of Mrs. Jane Brooke, Deceased, in Prince George's County, SOME Country Born Slaves, and all the Stock of Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, and a very good Plow-Horse, for Cash or Sterling, by JOSEPH BROOKE, } Execut. CHARLES BROOKE, }

MARYLAND, ff. HUE AND

To all Sheriffs, and Constables, Ship's Officers within

WHEREAS Information me the Subscriber, the Right Honourable the Lord Province his Justices of the Peace a certain Abraham Clark, late of Talbot County, aged about 26 Years, Man, of a fair Complexion, generally wears a light brown wearing Apparel uncertain, as Cloaths, he generally used to did, on the 20th Day of this cruelly beat and bruise a Neighbour of the Honourable Benjamin until he Died, and that he had fame, and is not yet apprehended.

THESE are therefore to wit, to make diligent Pursuits for the said Abraham make Hue and Cry after Town, and from County to well by Horse-men as by to Law; and that if you then you shall bring him before Justice of the Provincial Court dealt with according to Law at your Peril, and for so your Warrant. Given under at Annapolis, this 25th Day of GEO.

TRUE BRITTON, a fine Years old, fifteen Hands to Thomas Gantt, junr. in Prince Georges to Mares at Two Guinea was got by Col. Tupper's OTT MILLEY, got by Old SPAN Col. Hopper's PACOLET, her AB, got by King's Grey a beautiful Horse, for which he res He was set up at Ten Guineaes a by the Hampton Court CHILDE Dam by Governor Harrison's AR Grand-Dam by the Chestnut AR Great Grand-Dam by LEEDS; Great Grand-Dam, was a Barb Mr. Marshall, and was the Da GREY HOUND.

The above Pedigree Col. Tupper the Hand of Tho. Smith, his late room at Hampton-Court, who

THERE is at the Plantation living on Pipe-Creek, in taken up as a Stray, a Sorrel Horse his Face, and branded on the The Owner may have him again Property, and paying Charges.

THERE is at the Plantation living on Pipe-Creek, in taken up as a Stray, a black Horse as a bob Tail, and several Saddle The Owner may have him again Property, and paying Charges.

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EIGHT PISTOLES

ON Tuesday Night last, Two Committed for Felony, bro Annapolis, viz. Thomas Gibson, an Englishman about 35 or 40 Years of Age, a 5 Inches high, of a swarthy Complexion, in a light colour'd Cloth Coat, the same, and Linen Cap: The Drefs not known.

John Brammish, an Englishman of Age, 5 Feet 6 Inches high, of a fair Complexion, and straight black Hair. Cloth Coat, and Buckskin Breeches They are both supposed to be of Maryland; they will change their Names, and are supposed to have a breaking Goal, from without. Whoever will apprehend them, shall receive Four Pistoles for each, paid KENSEY JO

To be SOLD, OR LEASED, ONE Thousand Acres of cho in Frederick County, on a

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