several Recruiting Parties had left Berlin in the Course of the preceeding Week.

NEW-YORK, *November* 3.

Yesterday arrived the Edward, Capt. Davis, in 7 Weeks from London, by whom we have the London Prints till the 12th of September, containing the following Advices.

St. James's, Sept. 9. His Majesty in Council, this Day declared John Duke of Bedford, Lord President of his Majesty's most Honourable Privy Council.

His Majesty having appointed the Right Hon: John Earl of Sandwich to be one of his Principal Secretaries of State, his Lordship was this Day sworn one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State accordingly.

This day the Right Hon. Thomas Lord Hyde was sworn of his Majesty's most Hon. Privy Council.

Whitehall, Sept. 10. The King has appointed the Right Hon. John Earl of Egmont, George Hay, Doctor of Laws, the Right Hon. Hans Standley, Esq; the Right Hon. John Lord Carysford; the Right Hon. Richard Viscount Howe, the Right Hon. Henry Lord Digby, and Thomas Pitt, Esq; to be his Majesty's Commissioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of the Kingdoms of Great-Britain and Ireland.

The King has appointed the Right Hon. Wills Earl of Hillsborough, Soame Jenyns, Edward Elliot, Edward Bacon, the Hon. John Yorke, and George Rice, Esqrs. the Hon. Francis Baron Orwell, and Bamper Gascoigne, Esq; to be Commissioners for promoting Trade, and for inspecting and improving his Majesty's Plantations in America, and elsewhere.

The King has granted unto the Right Hon. Thomas Baron Hyde, of Hindon in Wilts, and the Hon. Robert Hampden, Esq; the Office of Post-Master General.

Great Preparations are making at St. James's for the Baptizing the young Prince, which for certain will be next Wednesday: And the Ceremony is to be performed by the Archbishop of Canterbury, and her Majesty is to be Churched at the Chapel Royal the same Day.

We are informed that a very strict Inquiry will be made in the next Session of Parliament with Regard to a late Discovery that greatly affects the Nation.

We are told that a certain great Nobleman has been absolutely forbid to appear any more at Court.

It is said, that a Misapplication of near Three Millions of Money has lately been found out.

PHILADELPHIA, *November* 3.

With Captain Budden came Passengers the Honourable JOHN and RICHARD PENN, Esquires; the First appointed Governor of this Province. And on Monday last his Commission was read at the Court-House, in the Presence of a great Number of People.

We have Advice from Ligonier, that a Convoy with Provisions was safe arrived there from Bedford, in their Way to Pittsburgh, where, we hear, they were all well, having then met with no Disturbance from the Indians. Near Bedford five Indians have been lately seen, but we do not learn that they had done any Mischief.

ANNAPOLIS, *November* 17.

On Saturday the 5th Instant, one *Charles Randell* was found Dead in the Road near Mr. *Solomon Wooden's* in *Baltimore* County, who is suppos'd to have been instantly kill'd by a Fall from his Horse the Night before.

One Day last Week, there was Caught at one Haul of a Seine, at the Narrows of *Kent*, One Hundred and Seventy-three Bushels of Fish, chiefly Perch; which Sold at 2/6 a Bushel.

Saturday last the Magistrates of this County adjourn'd the Court to the First Tuesday in *December*.

This Year there has been 1696 Hogsheads of Tobacco Inspected at *Elk-Ridge* Warehouse: At the *Land of Ease*, and *Taylor's-Landing* 426 Hogsheads: At *Indian-Landing* 309: At *Pig-Point*, and *Sprigg's* Warehouse 720: And at *Annapolis* Warehouse 75 Hogsheads. In all, Inspected this Year 3226 Hogsheads, in *Anne-Arundel* County.

Tuesday last Afternoon and Evening, we had a smart N. E. Storm, with heavy Rain and a very high Tide, and next Morning the Ground was cover'd with Snow.

Thursday last Died in *Kent* County, after long enduring with the utmost Patience and Resignation, the excruciating Pain of the Stone in the Bladder, the Learned and Reverend Mr. JAMES STERLING, Rector of *St. Paul's* Parish in that County, whose Death occasion'd the following Letter:

To the Printers of the MARYLAND *GAZETTE.*

GENTLEMEN,

AFTER mentioning the Death of the Reverend Mr. James Sterling, *which I suppose you will in your next Paper, be pleased to insert what follows, and oblige,* Gentlemen,

Your very humble Servant,

Nov. 14, 1763. EUPHRANOR.

Dignum laude virum Musa vetat mori. HOR.

THO' it be universally allowed that there never did exist a perfect Character among mere Mortals, yet such are the Prejudices which the Bulk of Mankind entertain in Favour of their Friends, that, in general, the Characters exhibited to the Public of the Dead, come very seldom short of absolute Perfection.——But this never answers any good Purpose; and frequently the very opposite One to what was intended; for the unprejudiced Part of Mankind, never fail to conclude an *unnatural* Character to be an *unjust* One; whilst ill-plac'd *Panegyric* is often turn'd into the severest Sort of *Satire*. What Mr. *Pope* says of Writing, may justly enough be applied to Human Nature,

Whoever thinks a faultless Man *to see,*
Thinks what ne'er was, nor is, nor e'er shall be.

Let it be granted therefore that the best of Men have their Foibles; yet at the same Time it ought to be observ'd, that Imperfections in Men of superior Merit, Parts, and Learning, as they are ever plac'd in a conspicuous Point of Light, are always more taken Notice of, than the same or worse Failings in those of an inferior Class. Nor do the invidious Part of the Species ever spare their Industry, to bring down a brilliant and shining Character, to the Level of their own groveling Meanness, by the most malicious Misrepresentations. On the other Hand, however, it must be confess'd, that all the humane and candid Part of Mankind, view the Imperfections of great Characters, as they do Straws or Dirt in the fine transparent Substance of Amber.

Pretty! in Amber to observe the Forms
Of hairs, or straws, or dirt, or grubs, or worms!
The Things we know are neither rich nor rare,
But wonder how the Devil they got there.

POPE.

In like Manner, upon comparing the bright and brilliant, the friendly, the generous and benevolent Parts of a great and good Man's Character, with perhaps some Infirmities of Nature, which, on certain Occasions, give Knaves or Fools an Advantage over him, we wonder and regret, that Perfections which at some Times almost equal him to Angels, shou'd be mixt with Imperfections, which at other Times render him the Sport or Prey of the meanest of Mortals. Yet such, alas! has been the Condition of some of the greatest Geniuses that ever appear'd in the World.

Agreeable to what has been premis'd, I am now to offer somewhat briefly respecting the late Reverend Mr. *Sterling*. And First, I shall not hesitate one Moment in affirming, that by His Death the Province of *Maryland* has lost a Great and Good Man, a most valuable Member of Society; and in spite of his Failings (for these no doubt he had) I am not afraid to add, that he was an Honour and Ornament to the sacred Cloth he wore, as well as to the Country he liv'd in; for I will venture to assert, without fear of being contradicted by competent Judges, that his uncommon Abilities and extensive Learning, particularly in all the Branches of polite Literature, stand unrival'd in this Part of the World, and I doubt not but several of the elegant Performances he has favour'd the Public with, will be accounted an incontestable Proof of the Assertion.——Then he was most certainly a Man of a warm, friendly, and feeling Heart, very easily melted down into Tenderness and Compassion for the Sufferings of his Fellow Creatures; and ready on all Occasions to relieve and assist them, as far as ever lay in his Power. It is impossible that a Man of such universal Benevolence shou'd not perform all the domestic Duties of Husband, Parent, and Master, with the utmost Care and Tenderness; and accordingly it is well known he had a most amiable Character, in every one of these Particulars. He was no Bigot in Religion, but active and zealous in discharging the Duties of his Function; greatly admir'd as a most elegant and pathetic Preacher, by all who ever hear'd him; and in particular most esteem'd by his Parishioners, which also is no small Test of his Merit. The many joyous Hours spent in his Company (for he was a most delightful Companion) together with a just Sense of his Worth, have drawn these few hasty Lines from a Pen, not fond of appearing in Public on such Occasions: And as he was himself a very considerable Poet, 'tis a Pity methinks he shou'd drop into the Grave, without some little Notice at least from the Muse.——Such as the short Note and my small Turn to Poetry, will affect his Friends are welcome to on the Occasion, so that if they shou'd meet with nothing better, which, without Affectation I think they very easily may, the following Lines may be inscrib'd upon his Grave-Stone by Way of

EPITAPH,

On the late Rev. Mr. JAMES STERLING.

STRANGER, whoe'er thou art, one Moment stay,
And take a useful Lesson in your Way.
No Tomb superb, or speaking Marble Bust
Here courts your Eye,—this covers nought but dust.
And yet this Dust (now tremble human Pride,
And lay your gaudy Trappings all aside)
This humble Dust, by Worms possest, contains
All of Great STERLING that on Earth remains.
All that remains of Talents so sublime,
As ne'er before adorn'd this Western Clime.
Buried in Silence lies that rapt'rous Tongue,
On which admiring Crowds have often hung;
To hear GOD's comforts to a World dismay'd,
With all the Charms of Eloquence, display'd.
Or when with sweetest Notes he tun'd his Lay,
Enraptur'd Souls with Pleasure dy'd away:
But all the mortal Frame is now dissolv'd in Clay,
His nobler Part has upwards wing'd it's flight,
To where congenial Spirits dwell in Light;
And thence, with Pity views vain Man, who mourns
With his whole Race, consume to Worms and Dust.

To be SOLD *by* PUBLIC VENDUE *for Current Money, Sterling Cash, or Bills of Exchange, at the House of Mr.* John Golder, *at the Town Gate in* Annapolis, *on Tuesday the* [illegible] *Day of this Instant* November,

SUNDRY HOUSHOLD FURNITURE, consisting of Beds, Bedsteads, Looking Glasses, Chairs, *&c. &c.* with a Servant Woman, a good sailing Boats, fit for passing and repassing the Bay: Likewise, some Horses, Cattle and Hogs, they being the Goods and Chattels of *Thomas Raymer*, late of *Kent-Island*, Deceased.

SARAH RAYMER, *Administratrix.*

JUST IMPORTED,

In the Ship Alexander, *Capt.* Erskine, *from* LIVERPOOL, *and to be* SOLD *at* ANNAPOLIS,

A QUANTITY of Fine SALT, and a few MEN SERVANTS, amongst which are some Tradesmen, by ANTHONY M'CULLOCH, JOHN GLASSELL.

TO BE SOLD,

On Tuesday the Sixth Day of December [illegible]

A TRACT of LAND, lying near *Patuxent* in *Anne-Arundel* County, called *Hope Enlargement*, (late the Dwelling Plantation of *Hopewell Keene*), containing about 100 ACRES, about 15 Acres of which is extremely well adapted for Meadow; the Fences and Houses, which are convenient for a Farm, are in good Repair.

The Title indisputable.

The Sale to be on the Premises, about 10 [illegible] the same Day, or the first fair Day after, if should the Day appointed be bad.

For further Particulars enquire of

WILLIAM [illegible]

A BAR-KEEPER is WANTED.

A SINGLE MAN, that comes well Recommended, may meet with great Encouragement, on Application to HENRY [illegible] in *Annapolis.*