

Head of this last Constellation, having about $23\frac{1}{2}$ Degrees of right Ascension, and $15\frac{1}{2}$ of northern Declination. It's Motion, which is from South to North, is retrograde, going contrary to the Series of the Signs, and it slackens every Day. In 24 Hours it does not traverse above Half a Degree in right Ascension, and as much in Declension. From the Day it was first observed, to the 10th Instant, it had advanced 12 in right Ascension, and 20 in Declination. It is not luminous; so that it is imperceptible to the naked Eye: It is only a Nebulosity of about 6 Minutes in Diameter, in the Center of which is a bright Light.

October 24. Her Royal Highness the Princess Dowager of Wales has made a Present to the Right Honourable the Earl of Bute, of the Library of his late Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

There is a Report that all insolvent Debtors, now confined in the several Goals thro' Great Britain, and whose Cases are not extremely atrocious, will have the Benefit of transporting themselves to our new Settlements, on the usual Bounty.

We hear a Bill is preparing against the ensuing Sessions, for several wealthy Jews to have leave to occupy some Lands on the Banks of the Ohio and Mississippi, conditionally.

It is said great Encouragement will be given for the Importation of American Bar Iron, which, on repeated Trials, has been found equal, if not superior, to that of Sweden.

Every Post from America confirms, that the French were the Instigators of the Indians in their most bloody and villainous Attempts.

A vast Number of poor People from the different Counties of Ireland, well skilled in Husbandry, are preparing to go over for the new Settlements; and we hear Transports are already collecting at Cork for their Embarkation.

It is computed that the Damages sustained by France and Spain, in the Captures of their Merchantmen by the Barbary Rovers, amount to Ten Millions of Livres since the Peace.

The famous John of Gaunt, Duke of Lancaster, made the following Will, which, with Submission to the Gentlemen of the Law, we apprehend to be as valid as one that fills 40 Sheets of Parchment:

I, JOHN OF GAUNT,
DO GIVE AND DO GRAUNT,
TO ROGER BURGOYNE,
AND THE HEIR OF HIS LOYNE,
ALL-SUTTON AND POTTON,
UNTIL THE WORLD'S ROTTEN.

Sutton and Potton in Bedfordshire are the Estates of the present Sir Roger Burgoyne, Bart.

October 31. The Dutch are boasting that they shall soon have a powerful Fleet at Sea, and are beating up for Seamen. They own they have no Admirals, yet insolently vaunt they have some Captains fit to encounter the best naval Commanders in the British Service. They insult the English in their public Streets; and have shewn the Audacity to affront and abuse the Domesticks of the British Ambassador.

It is said that Five Men of War will be sent to North-America; as also a Body of 5000 Troops on board several Transports, to join General Amherst's Forces.

The French East India Company is dissolved, yet their Actions bear a good Price and are negotiable, the King having engaged to pay the Interest thereon.

Nov. 1. On Friday the 11th Instant is expected to come on, in the Court of Common-Pleas, before the Right Hon. the Lord Chief Justice Pratt, a Trial on an Action of Trespass, wherein John Wilkes, Esq; is Plaintiff, and Philip Carteret Webb, Esq; Defendant, Subpoenas being already served for the above Purpose.

Leave is given to bring in Heads of a Bill for limiting the Duration of Parliaments.

A Ship arrived this Week at Portsmouth from New-England, fell in with Five Algerine Xebecs, and two Sixty Gun Ships, cruising off the Western Islands. They offered no Molestation, but only inspected her Papers.

NEW-YORK, December 26.

Extract of a Letter from Pensacola, October 5, 1763.

The Spaniards, and Indians who lived with them, are all gone from hence to Havannah or Vera Cruz; and left Col. Prevost, with his battalion of about 300 men, in possession of this fort and a few houses. Great Part of the lands without the fort are purchased by Mr. Noble, who is employed by some great men; he is very busy in clearing the grounds, and has done more already that way than has been done in a hundred years before by the Spaniards, who never durst, for fear

of the Indians, venture out of the reach of their Guns, and depended, for provisions, entirely on the French at Mobile. This fort is a stockade situated on a sandy Beach, the harbour is very good, we had never less than four fathom coming in, and the bay is fine and large, abounding with oysters and all sorts of fish. Some weeks ago about 150 Indians came here armed, demanding presents; they had all their kegs filled with rum, and said they would soon return for more. They always kept the Spaniards in terror, and when they were sparing, the Indians would take a few scalps to put them in mind of their duty, on which the bounty used to be increased. We are in daily expectation of the 35th regiment to relieve the battalion now here, the men will go to New-York, but Col. Prevost believes he will be obliged to winter in Carolina. The 22d and 34th regiments commanded by Major Farmer are here bound to Mobile to take possession of that garrison.

Mobile is about 60 miles by land distant from this place, but two large rivers, which must be passed, render the journey tedious. The town is situated on the river about 30 miles from the sea, is irregular, but the houses pretty good; the French inhabitants very complaisant, and many of them say they do not intend to remove; they had all their supplies from New-Orleans, and the war has greatly impoverished them; every species of European goods was incredibly high, a hat that cost only three shillings sterling being sold for thirty dollars, &c. Mobile bar has no more than ten feet water. The fort which they call Conde is strong and well built of brick. The lands are very good, but they raise only live stock and Indian corn: There is great plenty of fish and game of all kinds.

Extract of a Letter from Mobile, Oct. 27th, 1763.

On the 20th inst. the British troops took possession of this place. Most of the French inhabitants it is thought will remain, if they are indulged with a civil government. The French are greatly in arrears to the Indians, and its said the governor of New Orleans is to have a meeting with them here in about three weeks, in order to settle matters.

By a Letter from Schenectady, dated the Beginning of this Month, we are informed, That Sir William Johnson was then greatly engaged with a large Number of Indians, who came to assure him of their Attachment to the English, and to make Offers of accompanying his Majesty's Troops against the Enemy, whenever they shall be called upon; than which Nothing can be more conducive to the Security and Success of an Army marching thro' an Indian Country, which otherwise would meet with constant Ambuscades and Opposition.

His Majesty has ordered two Regiments to guard the Island of Jamaica from intestine Comotions of Rebellious Slaves, or other sudden and unexpected Dangers. The Fortifications (from the late dreadful Accident) are under Repair in that Island.

ANNAPOLIS, January 12.

The Ship *Edward*, Capt. *Ritchie*, arrived here on Sunday last, in 6 Weeks, from London.

Extract of a Letter from London, dated

October 11, 1763.

We have had no Summer; nothing but continued Rains, and chilling Weather. The oldest Man does not remember such a Season. We have not, literally, had one Day comfortably warm. Our Harvests all over the Kingdom have been exceeding unfavourable. Grain has got to an immense Price, and is daily rising. Both Sides are mustering their Forces against the Meeting of Parliament, which is fixed for the 15th of November. It is expected that there will be a sharp Conflict between the *Little Endians* and the *Big Endians*. Stocks are very low, which is owing to the bad Prospect of a lasting Peace; and the great Bankruptcies in *Holland* and *Germany*, the Scarcity of Money, and the Lowness of all Credit, are not to be described. It is given out, that some Regulations in our American Affairs are to take Place at the next Meeting of Parliament.

Extract of a Letter dated London, October 31.

The Parliament is to meet the 15th. It is expected that the Expulsion of *Wilkes* will be the first Business. This early Meeting has been advised by the L-d P-----, for the Purposes of the present Ministry, the *Stability* of which is much doubted. The *North Britons* are continued with somewhat more Modesty than formerly. There is great Agitation among the Politicians, great Expectations, and great Fears.

A certain General, who lately distinguished himself in the *East-Indies*, told me that he expects to take another Trip thither very soon, as he looks upon a War in that Quarter to be inevitable. Stocks have fallen 12 or 14 per Cent. The great and mighty TOUCHER is broke for more than Half a Million. The King of *Prussia* has demolished Half the Merchants at *Hamburg*, *Amsterdam*, *Stockholm*, and *Berlin*. Credit is absolutely at an End. The Bankers will discount no Bills.

Extract of another Letter of the same Date.

The Bankruptcies in Europe has made such a Scarcity of Money; and had such an Effect on Credit, that all our American Commissions fall greatly. We don't know whom to trust. Tobacco is very low, and fear it will be lower. A Lading of *Patuxent* Tobacco has been sold at 2 $\frac{1}{2}$, among which some good Coloured. A poor Price indeed!

The Tobacco-loaded Ship which went to the Weeks ago into *Norfolk*, on account of springing a Leak, proves to be Capt. *Watson*, who laboured in *Wye* River: And the Ship is Condemned.

Frederick County, January 4, 1764.

AS it may be thought prudent a Man should wind up his worldly Affairs at the Age of Fifty Years, and in order to support my Character, Credit, and Fortune, which are (I fear) much impaired from my Indulgences, I will have the Honour of the various Claims, arising as well under my Sheriffalty, as under the preceding one this Year, if the speediest Execution of the Laws will be sufficient, for the Collection of such as shall be paid after the Tenth Day of February next, shall flatter myself the heavy Expence of the Law will be avoided by a Payment thereof, on one of the Thursdays or Saturdays preceding the Time aforesaid, at *George-Town*; or at *Frederick-Town*, in the County aforesaid, on the Seventh and Eighth Days of the said Month, when, and at which Place, Attendance shall be given for that Purpose, by

SAMUEL BRALL, Junr.

Annapolis, January 12, 1764.

To be SOLD by the SUBSCRIBER,

GOOD Dumb Cod-Fish, Pickled Cod by Barrel, Mackerell, Salmon, Lobster, &c. Also *Gloucester* and *New-England* Cheek, Clean late by the Quarter of a Hundred. An Indian Servant Man, by Trade a Sawyer, who has been Years and a Half to serve. He also has been out for a few Months, a BLACKSMITH.

To be Sold likewise, or Charter'd, the Schooner *Free-Mason*, a prime Sailer, well Found, and then Sixty Tons, *West-India* built.

EDMUND RUTLAND

THE Managers of the TALBOT FREE-MAN LOTTERY having advertised some Tickets to sell, to return Accounts of them, and who had purchased Tickets upon Credit, to pay the Money, are sorry to find that Advertisements so little regarded, as to lay them under the disagreeable Necessity of prolonging the Time for Drawing the said Lottery till the Third Tuesday in May next, and of again requesting, in a public Manner, all those Gentlemen who have Tickets to sell, to return an Account of them, and all who have purchased Tickets upon Credit, to remit the Money, before the abovementioned Day at which Time the Lottery will certainly be Drawn; and it will be presumed that those Gentlemen who do not return an Account of the Tickets they had for Sale by that Time, choose to lay them on their own Account.

There are still a few Tickets on Hand, which may be had of either of the Managers, or at the Printing-Office in Annapolis.

To be SOLD by PUBLIC VENDOR at the House of Henry Gassaway, on the 1st Instant.

SUNDRY EUROPEAN DRY GOODS, Imported, consisting of Silks, Broad-Cloths, Bed Quilts, Silk Shades, Irish Linen, Bobbin 30d. Nails, and sundry other Articles.

THE Subscriber, who lately kept Tavern at *Philadelphia*, is now removed to *Christiana-Bridge*, where he follows the same Business, and all Travellers who will favour him with their Custom, may depend on the best of Usage and good Entertainment, from Their humble Servant JAMES KATPOCK

THE Subscriber once more who are Indebted to for Dealings in their Store, *Frederick County*, to Discharge the Tenth Day of February next, will do so, if the Debt is shewn, may depend on being notified.

N. B. All those Persons with the above, are desired to come with *Charles Beatty*, by whom required.

FOUND, near the Church, a handsome Silver Stock, may have it on paying for the same.

RAN away on the 15th of the Subscriber living on Works, a Negro Man, of the Stature, about 42 Years of Age, since *George's* County, and is called *Mullekin*.

Whoever takes up the said Man, so that his Master may be satisfied, if taken in the Province, or if out of the Province, shall be rewarded by

TOLE out of the Subscribers Thirtieth of December last, about 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ Hands high, pale Bay as a Sprig Tail, Ridge Man, nearly colour'd Flanks, dray on the Ground, branded with the Bottom of a Horse, is a close well turn'd Horn. Whoever takes up the said Man, so that his Master may be satisfied, shall receive Five Dollars, if taken in the Province, and by

HERE is in the Possession of near *Snowden's* Manor, a dark Bay and high, branded on the The Owner may have his Property, and paying Charges.

HERE is at the Plantation in *Frederick* County, a Stray, a small Black Cow, near Shoulder something like a Buttock I E. The Owner may have his Property, and paying Charges.

THE MARYLAND Year 1764, is Sold at the Office. [Price single 8 Cents] Also Interleav'd Almanack.

HOSE Gentlemen who are obliged me by Subscribing to the LIBRARY, by favour by signifying, before the Month, whether they decline their Subscription, as the Year of the Majority of them; and the Number of those who do not at the Scheme, I intend to collect by Auction; for the Necessity of observing the general Utility of the Library, and the Necessity of improving Entertainment in the Mind, yet the Encouragement received, is too inconsiderable to try it on without incurring the Expence I must unavoidably do, unless the Number they did last Year: It should not be in my Power as I at first proposed to enlarge every Year, yet those who have their Approbation, may depend on every Opportunity with all the Attention as may merit the Attention.

THE Subscriber, *Martha Pecker*, late of *Frederick* County, deceased, to make Payment of the same, may be able to discharge the said Estate.

MARY PECKER