

The MARYLAND GAZETTE.

[XXIst Year.]

THURSDAY, July 24, 1766.

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JUST IMPORTED in the Sally, Capt. Buchanan, from LONDON, and to be SOLD by the Subscriber, at his Stores at Upper-Marlbrough, Pig-Point, and Queen-Anne, or Pauxent, and at George-Town on Patowmack,

GREAT Variety of EUROPEAN and EAST-INDIA GOODS, at the most reasonable Rates, for Bills of Exchange, Cash, Tobacco, Wheat, and other Country Produce.

STEPHEN WEST.

All Persons Indebted above a Year are desired to Pay.

Perth-Amboy, New-Jersey, March 10, 1766. FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away from the Subscriber, in October 1762, a Mulatto Woman, about 30 Years of Age, named Violet, she was born in New-Jersey, is of a middle Stature, very active, and it is said she pretends to be a Free Woman; she has since been seen in Company with one James Lock, on Sugar-banna, and was afterwards, in 1764, taken up and committed to the Jail of Frederick-Town, in Maryland, on Suspicion of her being run away, from whence she is said to have made her Escape; she then acknowledged that she had belonged to the Subscriber, but that she being imposed upon by being sold a Slave for Life, run away, which is only an Invention of hers, for she was born a Slave, and as such, was sold to the Subscriber, by the Executors of her former Master, of Frederick, in the County of Monmouth, and Province, aforesaid, deceased, for the Sum of Ninety Pounds, Proclamation Money: She is now supposed to be some where in Maryland, Virginia, or North-Carolina; she is Cunning and Artful, and very probably may have chang'd her Name, and will make her Escape if taken, unless great Care is taken to secure her.

Whoever shall take her up, and secure her in any of the Prisons in Maryland, Virginia, or North-Carolina, or elsewhere, so that she can be brought Home, or sold there, shall have the above Reward, paid by JONAS GREEN, at Annapolis, or the Subscriber.

(5th) PHILIP KEARNEY.

WILLIAM WHETCROFT, GOLDSMITH, JEWELLER, and LAPIDARY,

BEING encouraged by several GENTLEMEN in Town, has Open'd SHOP, at the House of Mr. William Knapp, Watch-Maker, near the Town Gate, in Annapolis, where he Makes and Repairs all Sorts of SILVER and JEWELLERY WORK. He has at present for Sale, a neat Assortment of PLATE and JEWELS, made up in the best Manner, and of the newest Fashions; and also, a large and curious variety of Stones, elegantly finish'd; together with a complete Apparatus for Cutting them agreeable to any Directions, either for Buckles, Buttons, Rings, Ear-Rings, Necklaces, &c. &c.

As he has been regularly bred to the above Branches, and the Work he has, being principally executed by Himself, the Public may depend on being served upon much better Terms than have hitherto been practis'd: And, as many LADIES and GENTLEMEN, are frequently obliged to be supplied from England with the above Articles, on Account of their Orders not being punctually complied with here; he assures all such as shall please to favour him with their Custom, that no Delay in the speedy and effectual Execution of their Commands, shall for the Future induce them to send Home: Therefore humbly Hopes for the Encouragement of the LADIES and GENTLEMEN of the Province; to Merit and Preserve which, shall be his constant Study, and greatest Ambition.

N. B. He gives the highest Prices for old GOLD, SILVER, and SILVER LACE.

THIS is to give Notice, That the Subscriber has a new Erected FERRY, on Patowmack River in Virginia, opposite to Cedar-Point in Maryland, 24 Miles distant from Westmoreland Court-House, 40 from Richmond, 12 from King George's 26 from Stafford; from Leeds-Town 15 Miles, from Port Royal 12, and from Frederickburg 34 Miles. There is a good FERRY kept, with ENTERTAINMENT, &c. by

GEORGE W. SPOONER.

From the GENTLEMAN'S MAGAZINE for March last.

On the 11th Instant, one Richard Parsons of Chalford in Gloucestershire, in playing at Cards, wish'd his Flesh might Rot, and his Eyes never shut, if he lost the next Game. At Night, in going to Bed, he observed a black Spot upon his Leg, from which a Mortification soon ensued, and he died in a few Days in a very miserable Condition.

From the GENTLEMAN'S MAGAZINE for April last.

S I R, April 24, 1766.

IN your last Magazine, among the Articles of News, you insert the Memorable Case of Richard Parsons, as it was found in the Gloucester Journal; since which, at the Request of a Friend in London, William Dalloway, Esq; the High Sheriff, who lives within two Miles of Chalford, has examined into the Affair, and has transmitted a particular Account of it in a Letter, from which the following Extract is taken, which you are desired to preserve in your useful Intelligencer, as it tends to confirm that natural and revealed Truth, That there is a GOD who Judges in the Earth.

I am, Sir, &c. R. WINTER.

On February 20 last, Richard Parsons and Three more met at a Private House in Chalford, in order to play at Cards, about VI o'Clock in the Evening. They played at Loo till about XI or XII that Night, when they changed their Game for Whist: After a few Deals, a Dispute arose about the State of the Game, Parsons asserted, with Oaths, that they were Six, which the others denied; upon which he wish'd, That he might never enter into the Kingdom of Heaven, and that his Flesh might Rot upon his Bones, if they were not Six in the Game. These Wish'es were several Times repeated, both then and afterwards. Upon this the Candle was put out by one James Young, a Stander-by, who says, he was shocked with the Oaths and Expletions he heard, and that he put out the Candle with a Design to put an End to the Game.

Presently, upon this, they adjourn'd to another House, and there began a fresh Game, when Parsons and his Partner had great Success. Then they play'd at Loo again till IV in the Morning. During this second Playing, Parsons complain'd to one Rellis, his Partner, of a bad Pain in his Leg, which from that Time increased. There was an Appearance of a Swelling, and afterwards the Colour changed to that of a mortified State. On the following Sunday he rode to Moulton Hawper, to get the Advice of Mr. Pegler the Surgeon in that Town, who attended him from the Thursday after February 27. Notwithstanding all the Applications that were made, the Mortification increased, and shew'd itself in different Parts of his Body. On Monday March 3, at the Request of some of his Female Relations, the Clergyman of Bisley attended him, and administered the Sacrament, without any Knowledge of what had happened before, and which he continued a Stranger to till he saw the Account in the Gloucester Journal. Parsons appear'd to be extremely ignorant of Religion, having been accustomed to swear, to drink, (though he was not in Liquor when he utter'd the above execrable Wish) to game, and to profane the Sabbath, tho' he was only in his 19th Year; yet, after he had received the Sacrament, he appear'd to have some Sense of the Ordinance; for he said, Now I must never Sin again; he hop'd that GOD would forgive him, having been wicked not above Six Years, and that whatever should happen, he would not Play at Cards again.

After this he was in great Agony, chiefly delirious, spoke of his Companions by Name, and seem'd as if his Imagination was engag'd at Cards. He started, had distract'd Looks and Gestures, and in a dreadful Fit of shaking and trembling, died on Tuesday Morning, the 4th of March last, and was buried the next Day at the Parish Church of Bisley. His Eyes were open when he died, and could not be closed by the common Methods; so that they remained open when he was put into the Coffin: From this Circumstance arose a Report, that he wish'd his Eyes might never close; but this was a Mistake; for, from the most creditable Witnesses, I am fully convinc'd no such Wish was utter'd; and the Fact is, that he did close his Eyes after he was taken with the Mortification, and either dosed or slept several Times.

When the Body came to be laid out, it appear'd all over discoloured or spotted; and it might, in the most literal Sense, be said, that his Flesh rotted on his Bones before he died.

Mr. Dalloway, having desired Mr. Pegler, the Surgeon, to send him his Thoughts of Parsons's Case, received from him the following Account:

"SIR, You desire me to acquaint you, in Writing, with what I know relating to the melancholy Case of the late Richard Parsons; a Request I readily comply with, hoping that his sad Catastrophe will serve to admonish all those who profane the sacred Name of GOD.

February 27 last, I visited Richard Parsons, who I found had an inflamed Leg, stretching from the Foot almost to the Knee, tending to a Gangrene. The tenderness and redness of the Skin was almost gone off, and become of a dusky and livid Colour, and felt very lax and flabby: Symptoms being so dangerous, some Incisions were made down to the Quick, some spirituous Fomentations made Use of, and the whole Limb dress'd up with such Applications as are most approved in such desperate Circumstances, joined with proper internal Medicines. The next Day he seem'd much the same; but on March 1 he was worse, the Incisions discharging a sharp fetid Ichor, (which is generally of the worst Consequence.) On the next Day which was Sunday,

the Symptoms seem'd to be a little more favourable; but, to my great Surprise, the very next Day, I found his Leg not only mortified up to the Knee, but the same began anew in Four different Parts, viz. under each Eye, on the Top of the Shoulder, and on one Hand; and in about 12 Hours after he died. I shall not presume to say there was any Thing supernatural in the Case; but, however, it must be confess'd that such Cases are rather uncommon in Subjects so young, and of so good an Habit as he had always been, previous to this Illness.

I am, Sir, &c. J. A. P.

NAPLES, April 5.

THE Eruptions of Vesuvius has not ceased since the 27th last. The Lava at present extends itself to about two Miles in Length, being about thirty Feet in its greatest Breadth, and Nine at its utmost Depth. It runs from the Summit of the Mountain, and maintains its Course towards Portici. The Volcano emits Flames from time to time, and throws up burning Stones, among which are some of an enormous Size, which were launched forth more than 200 Feet high. These Explosions are always accompanied with violent Convulsions, and a Noise resembling that of Cannon, but are not continual, having had several Intermittions since the first Commencement of this horrible Spectacle.

Lucca, April 5. We learn from Corsica, that the Communities of that Isle have presented a Petition to General Paoli, requesting of him the Abolition of some Taxes which he has lately established; and that they had for Answer, that the ordinary Revenues of the Government were not sufficient for withdrawing them entirely from under the Genoese Yoke, and that of Course they ought to give a sincere Testimony of their Fidelity to their Country, and of their Love for Liberty, by paying those Taxes with Cheerfulness and Generosity.

It is assur'd that General Paoli is preparing to go to Cape-Corse, in the Province of Balagna, that he has sent Orders to all his Forces to put themselves under Arms, and to be ready to march upon an Enterprize, necessary to the Support and Defence of their Honour. It is added, that this Order has given the Alarm to the French Troops.

The Citizens of Ajaccio, having had Advice that the Commissary of the Republick had condemn'd to Death two Inhabitants of that Place, who had defended themselves vigorously against the Arches, but afterwards had been taken by the French Soldiers, have all risen, and declared, that they are resolv'd to save their Fellow Citizens, whatever it cost them; notwithstanding this, the Executioner is expected at Bastia to put them to Death.

LONDON, May 3.

Tuesday last a Cause was Tried, by a Special Jury, in the Court of King's Bench, Guildhall, wherein an Under-writer was Plaintiff, and a Merchant of this City Defendant, for Recovery of 200l. paid by the Plaintiff, for Loss on a Policy of Insurance on a Ship which was proved to be wilfully sunk by the Captain in 1765. It appearing upon the Trial, that the Merchant knew nothing of the Captain's Roguery, and that he had paid the Insurance to the Person for whom it was made; the Jury brought in a Verdict for the Defendant. It is said that other Causes, to the Value of near 30,000l. depended upon the Issue of this.

The States of Sweden have voted a free Gift of upwards of a Million Sterling to the Prince Royal, upon his Marriage with the Princess of Denmark.

We hear Lord Clive hath sent home some very valuable Diamonds, which his Lady hath presented to the East-India Directors.

May 5. The Hon. and truly Great, General HOWARD, is appointed Governor of Minorca.

His Grace the Duke of Richmond, it is said, left Paris, and came to England, on Purpose to vote against the American Stamp-Act.

May 6. Letters have been received in Holland from Batavia, dated the 20th of October last, which bring Advice, that at Banda Neira, one of the Molucca Islands, belonging to the Dutch, yielding Nutmegs and Mace, in Lat. 4¹/₂ South, about 25 Leagues from Amboyna, they had there in the Night of the 20th of April 1765, an Eruption of the Volcano, which continued till the 4th

of June, throwing out red hot Stones, and other inflammable Matter, without any Intermittion, attended with a black flinking Fog, which put the Inhabitants into the greatest Consternation, left the Plague or Earthquake should follow it.

It is said the East-India Company have, within these few Days, given Orders for Goods, &c. to the Amount of 150,000l. to be got ready to send with their Fleet, which is now fitting out.

May 7. Commissions have lately been received for buying up several swift sailing Ships of Force, both at London and Amsterdam, for the Service of the Corsicans.

Advice has been received at Genoa, that a magnificent Crown and Regalia, with divers Emblems of Royalty, fabricated in Holland, were some Weeks ago privately landed on the Island of Corsica.

It is said that our Differences with the French, on the Coast of Africa, are in a fair Way of being adjust'd, to the Satisfaction of both Courts; his Excellency Count Guerchy having already had several Conferences with the Ministry on this Head.

One Brandon, formerly a Shipwright at Piscataqua, in New-England, has lately been engaged in the Service of General Paoli, who has appointed him a Master Builder, and Surveyor of the Dock-yards, in the Island of Corsica.

May 8. We hear, that at a Meeting appointed at York-house, by command of his Royal Highness the Duke, on Wednesday last, a Scheme for the Preservation, Maintenance and Education of the Infants and Orphans of Soldiers, was read and approved; of which Charity his Majesty has declared himself Patron: There were present their Royal Highnesses the Dukes of York and Gloucester, the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, Secretary at War, Paymaster General, Duke of Argyle, Lord Tyravley, General Pultney, and Major General Harvey, Adjutant General.

Letters from the Hague of the 30th ult. say, that the Archives of the Territories belonging to his Serene Highness the Hereditary Prince Stadtholder, in Germany, which the Duke of Brunswick had the Care of, during the Minority of that Prince, are brought to the Hague, to be deposited there.

Yesterday a poor Man, almost naked, and half starved, stole a Two-penny Loaf out of a Baker's Basket at Billingsgate, when another Baker, coming accidentally by, was very active in endeavouring to get him ducked, which the Fishwomen so much resented, that they took the Baker to a House where the Lobsters are boiled, and almost drowned him with the Liquor; and in the Interim the poor Fellow made his Escape.

May 9. The Duke of Grafton's Resignation is now said to be certain. The Earls of Hardwicke and Egmont are talk'd of to succeed him.

Lately died, the Reverend Dr. JOHN LELAND, so well known, and greatly esteem'd, for his learned Writings in Defence of the Christian Religion, aged 75.

May 13. It is reported, that the two first Personages in this Kingdom, have lately made their Declaration, that they will never wear any Thing but what is made in England; and have intimated their Desire to the principal Lords and Ladies of the Court, that they would follow their Example.

A remarkable RECEIPT, lately given by a Captain of a Vessel trading to Ireland.

"Received from Mr. James Benson, on board the Ship St. James, whereof I am Commander, one large, and one small Case, containing a Statue, and an Inscription for the same, of the Right Honourable William Pitt, Esq; which I promise to deliver (the Danger of the Seas and Accidents excepted) unto Messrs. Lane, Benson, and Vaughans, Freight free, as I esteem the Honour of carrying the Statue of so great a Man, and so real a Friend to the Liberties, Manufactures, and Commerce of Great-Britain, Ireland, and the Colonies, together with the Satisfaction that I feel in having the Opportunity of contributing my Mite to promote the laudable and patriotic Spirit of the worthy Corporation, and Merchants of the City of Cork, infinitely greater than any pecuniary Reward I could receive on this Occasion! having signed two Receipts of the same Tenor and Date.

London, May 3, 1766. PAUL SURMAN."

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