

Impolitic. We saw the Operation of these Measures, if persisted in, must inevitably issue in the Ruin of the Colonies, and that England would sensibly feel the direful Effects.

The then Administration seemed Regardless of every Remonstrance from that Quarter, whence we were left to pour out our Complaints to private Friends on your Side; and urge their Aid in warding off the impending Evil.

The Resolution of our Merchants was a natural Measure, to rouse the Efforts of the mercantile Interest in England; and it was a prudent Measure to restrain the Increase of our Debts, while the Distresses on Trade disabled us even from discharging the Arrears.

Had not a Repeal of the Stamp-Act, (accompanied with a Prospect of the Extension of Trade) taken Place, Commerce must have ceased here, and Agriculture, Manufacture, and Economy become the sole Object of the Attention and Pursuit of these Colonies.

We can safely aver, that his Majesty has no Subjects more Loyal than those in North-America; and we conceive, that upon the most obvious Principles of true Policy, the numerous Inhabitants of these Colonies may be rendered easy and happy, while, at the same Time, their Commerce and Industry may be led in such a Channel as to become a grand Source of Wealth to the Mother Country.

We flatter ourselves that the Discussion of that important Point before the Parliament, has thrown in such a Light upon the Minds of the People of Great-Britain, that Men in Power will see and be persuaded, that fettering the Trade of America, and overburthening its Inhabitants, is, in Fact, cropping the Flowers, and distressing the Bees of their own Hive; that, on the other Hand, keeping up an Attention to the Prosperity of the Colonies, and the Extension of their Commerce, as it is the most natural, must prove the most efficacious Means of promoting the best Interest of Great-Britain.

We cannot take our Leave without expressing our most affectionate Loyalty to his present Majesty, our Gratitude to his Ministers, to the Majority of Parliament, to Mr. Pitt, that eminent Friend of Liberty, and to You, Gentlemen, the Committee of North-American Merchants, for your unwearied Endeavours on this important Occasion. And we trust that the Behaviour of the Colonies will always fully justify what you were so kind as to assert in their Behalf.

(Signed by 14 principal Merchants.)

WILLIAMSBURG, October 17.

About a Fortnight ago, died, in Fauquier County, JOHN DE LA SUMAT, aged, by all Accounts, upwards of 130 Years. He was banished France for his Religion in 1684, and was soon after, with many others of the same Nation, imported into Virginia, to settle the Brenton Lands. He was hearty to the last, and except that of his Sight, which he lost about 8 or 10 Years ago, retained every other Sense. What is remarkable, though Great Great Grand Father, Great Grand Father, Grand Father, and Father, to a numerous Progeny, yet it is Fact, that he was not only the first of his Name, but also of any descending from him, that has died in this Colony.

An Indictment for a LIBEL was Yesterday preferred to the Grand Jury of this Colony against Col. ROBERT BOLLING, of Buckingham, at the Instance of the Hon^{ble} WILLIAM BYRD, Esq; for being the Author of a Piece published in this Gazette the 11th of July last, with Regard to the Bailment of the late Col. CHISWELL. And Indictments for LIBELS were preferred against Messrs. PURDIE and DIXON, and the PRINTER of this Paper, (RIND'S VIRGINIA GAZETTE,) at the Instance of JOHN WAYLES, Esq; for publishing a Piece in their GAZETTES signed R. M. But the Grand Jury this Day returned the said Three Indictments, NOT TRUE BILLS.

[THIS RIGHTeous JURY was composed of the following Gentlemen, Mann Page, Foreman, John Page, Lewis Burwell, senr. David Jameson, William Stevenson, Jerman Baker, James Hubbard, Thomas Knox, Haldenby Dixon, Thomas Newton, junr. Dolphin Drew, Robert Smith, Robert Shields, William Digges, junr. William Holt, William Norrel, John Tyler, and Lewis Burwell, junr. Esqrs. GOOD MEN AND TRUE, FRIENDS TO LIBERTY.]

Last Wednesday died, at his House in this City, Col. JOHN CHISWELL. It is highly probable his Death was occasioned by Anxiety of Mind, as the Physicians who attended him in his Illness, have declared upon Oath, That it was their Opinion that it proceeded from some such Cause. He was

a Gentleman possessed of many amiable Qualities, for which many now living revere his Memory.

ANNAPOLIS, October 30.

The General Assembly of this Province were to have met here on Monday last; but by Indisposition of some of the Gentlemen of the Lower House, or Sickness in their Families, of which the Hon^{ble} Speaker has receiv'd Eighteen Excuses, there are not yet a sufficient Number of Members come to Town to compose a House; but are every Hour expected.

Lately Died at Clifh, near Alexandria in Virginia, that worthy good Man Col. THOMAS COLVILL, aged LXXVIII Years. This Gentleman formerly lived in Cecil County in this Province, and was one of the Representatives for that County for a Number of Years. During the Course of his Life, his Conduct was such as became the Gentleman and Christian, and he met the King of Terrors with all the Serenity and Fortitude of Mind imaginable. Mark the Perfect Man, and behold the Upright, for the End of that Man is Peace.

Some short Time since, was found Drowned in a small Run of Water about 4 Inches deep, in Charles County, Mr. John Coombes, who had many Years been in a State of Insanity of Mind, and us'd to ramble all about the Country, and is suppos'd to have lost himself in the Night Time.

We hear from Bladenburg, That a few Days ago at a Tavern there, a Gentleman questioning a Hostler about feeding his Horse, went with him into the Stable to examine: The Hostler was soon after seen, by a Gentleman in the Neighbourhood, to come out staggering, and immediately went to him and ask'd, What was the Matter; he made Answer, Mr. T. had struck him; and Died before they could Bleed him. No sign of a Wound could be observ'd about him; and Mr. T, the Owner of the Horse, said, He only gave him a Box on the Ear.

THOSE Gentlemen of this County who are in Arrears for this Paper, or on any other Account, to the Publisher, before the (then Tremendous) First Day of November last, are earnestly intreated to Settle, or Pay off the same, at our next November Court. Accounts Due to him, in other Counties, are in the Hands of the Sheriffs to collect, whose Receipts shall be good and sufficient Discharges.

WANTED,

A JOURNEYMAN PRINTER: If he understands either CASE or PRESS, it would be well; but, better if he understands BOTH.

Such an One will meet with very good Encouragement, on Application to J. G.

JUST IMPORTED in the Matty, Capt. Fox, from London, and to be SOLD by the Subscribers, at their Store in Baltimore-Town, for Cash, Bills, or Tobacco,

AN Assortment of EUROPEAN and EAST-INDIA GOODS. BUCHANAN & MACGACHIN.

Baltimore-Town, October 26, 1766.

AS I intend shortly to leave the Country, all Persons indebted to me, are desired to make speedy Payment; and those who have any Accounts against me, to bring them in that they may be settled and paid.

JAMES FISHWICK.

ANNAPOLIS, October 26, 1766.

TO BE SOLD,

A LIKELY NEGRO WENCH, who has been brought up to House Work, she can Cook, Wash and Iron, and has formerly been used to the Hoe and Plantation Business. For further Particulars enquire of ROBERT JOHNSON.

TO BE SOLD, THE following Tract of LAND, &c.

NACE, containing 50 Acres, with many dry good Improvements thereon, lying on the North Side of Severn, within two Miles of the Ferry, and all adjoining the River, about the same Distance to the City of Annapolis by Water, it is full of Wood and Timber, and abounds in fine Pasture. IRON HILL, containing 50 Acres of Land, lying on Deep Run, close to the Eastern Landing, on which it is apprehended that there is a very valuable Iron Mine.

Any Person inclinable to purchase either of the said Tracts of Land, may know the Terms by applying to the Subscriber, at his House near the said Elk-Ridge Landing. CHARLES HAMMOND, junr.

NOTICE is hereby given, That Father County SCHOOL will be Vacant on the First of January 1767. Any Person qualified according to Law, to be Master of a County School, and well recommended, may find Encouragement, by applying to the Visitors of said School.

To be SOLD to the Highest Bidder, by the Subscriber, at Benjamin Brookes's in Upper-Marlborough, on Wednesday the 26th Day of November next, being the second Day of Prince-George's County Court, for Sterling Money, or London Bills of Exchange,

THE Plantation whereon Thomas Adams now lives, containing 251 Acres of Land, being Part of Two Tracts, the one called Tremont's Hills, the other Pheasant's Hills, adjacent to each other, lying within 4 Miles of Nottingham. The Land is good, and has two Tenements on it. JOSHUA BRALL.

To Mr. JONAS GREEN, in Annapolis.

I HAVE laid aside all Thoughts of Selling my Effects; it is therefore proper to omit any further Publication of my Advertisement; please to put this into your next GAZETTE in its Place, and oblige, your most humble Servant. ANNE HOLLAND.

To be SOLD at PUBLIC VENDUE, on the 27th of November next, at the House of Henry James, in Baltimore-Town, for Current Money, or good Bills of Exchange,

A TRACT of LAND lying on the GREAT Falls of Gunpowder, and about 12 Miles from Baltimore.

A Tract of Land, called Cobb Hills, containing about 900 Acres, great Part of which is exceeding good, and well adapted for Farming, there is about 150 Acres Cleared, with a Dwelling House, Tobacco Houses, and other convenient Out Houses; likewise, several Streams fit to build Mills on.

A Tract of Land, called Tibb's United Substantance, lying on Middle River Neck, in the same County, containing 640 Acres, chiefly surrounded with Water, fit for Farming, with good Improvements thereon; it is a remarkable Place for the Great Rock Fishery.

Also to be sold at same Time, the House and Lot in Baltimore-Town, where Henry James now lives, being a noted Tavern, and has always Let for Sixty Pounds a Year.

Likewise another House and Lot, near the same Place, where Thomas Clendenning formerly lived, on which the Buildings are exceeding good, and will Let for Thirty Pounds a Year.

Likewise the House, and Part of the Lot, where James Bonfield formerly lived, which, with some small Expence to finish the same, will Let for Twenty-five Pounds a Year. And

About 60 Acres of Land adjoining to Baltimore-Town. THOMAS SLIGH.

October 22, 1766.

THIS is to Caution the Public, from Crediting any Person that may apply for Cash on my Account from the Date hereof, as I intend to Pay no Debts for the future, that may be contracted by any Person in my Name, without an Order from under my Hand for that Purpose. JOSHUA BOND.

THERE is at the Plantation of John Miles, as New's Creek, in Frederick County, taken up as a Stray, a Roan Horse, branded on the off Shoulder with G, and on the off Buttock thus &c.

RAN away from the Subscriber's County, Kent-Illa this Infant, a Convict Servant, named Evans, born in Wales, about 5 Feet 4 or 5 Inches high, of a fair and light colour'd Hair: Had on him a Sartour Cloth colour'd double breasted Broad-Cloth Jacket, Country Linnen Trowsers, black Thread ditto, good Shoes, round with black Worsted Binding. Whoever takes up the said Child in any Goal, so that his Name again, shall receive Twenty Shillings Reward, and reasonable Expence, paid by

NOTICE is hereby given, That the Plantation of the Subscriber, with no perceivable Mark, he is of old Age, and remarkably ugly, with my Cattle, and goes off now returned as usual, am to my Negroes shall feed on him the Owner will prove his Property of this Advertisement, and take the last of next Month.

RAN away from the Subscriber's County, about the 15th of August last, a Servant Lad named Francis, high, of a pale Complexion, and had a very sore Leg: He had on him a black and white Hat, Kersey wove Waistcoat, a blue and white striped Shirt, and Trowsers. Whoever takes up and secures the said Lad, so as the Subscriber gets his Reward of Three Pounds, shall receive the same in the Province; if taken in the Province, paid by

COMMITTED, the 20th of October last, to Anne Arundel County, a Negro Man, who says he belongs to Prince-George's County. His Master's Name is not known. Charges, and take him away.

THERE is at the Plantation of the Subscriber, in Prince-George's County, there sometime last Summer, a Cow, with a short Bob Tail, and an Under Crop, Silt, and an Under Crop. The Owner may have his Property, and paying

THERE is in the Parish of St. Andrew, at his Majesty's lower End of Frederick, a Dark Bay Mare, about 1 Year old, on the near Thigh somewhat mottled. The Owner may have his Property, and paying

THERE is at the Plantation of the Subscriber, near the Head of the Falls, in Baltimore County, a small dark brown Stray, a small dark brown branded on the off Shoulder, Right Ear, and Scars on the off Side, several Scars on her off Buttock. The Owner may have his Property, and paying

WANTED IMMEDIATELY in the PAROCH of St. Andrew.

TWO CLERKS for the School, sober Dispositions, strong, and fair Hand, of difficult Writings. Accepted of. ELIE

WANTED at Baltimore, a MASTER, who can teach English Language, Writing, and ARITHMETICK. Such a Person will meet with good Wages, and the Visitors of said School