

On the whole, Sir, we will consider his most sacred Majesty, under God, as our King, our best Protector, and common Father; and shall ever bear him true and faithful Allegiance. We also regard your Excellency as the Representative of the greatest Potentate on Earth, and at all Times have, so far as could consist with the important Purposes of preserving Life, Liberty and Property, been most ready and willing to treat you with all that Respect justly due to your high Rank and Station. But we are constrained to say, that we are disagreeably convinced, that your Excellency entertains not that parental Regard for the Welfare of the good People of this Province, which you have sometimes been pleased to profess, and which they have at all Times an irrefragable Right to expect from their Governor. Your Excellency has thought fit, not only to deny us a Receipt to consult our Constituents, in regard to the present Requisition, but hath assured us, in Effect, that you shall take Silence, at least a Delay, not, as usual, for a Consent, but a Denial. You have also thought fit to inform us, that you cannot think yourself at Liberty, in Case of the Dissolution of this, to call another Assembly, without the express Orders of his Majesty, for that Purpose: At the same Time, your Excellency has been pleased to assure us, that you have communicated the whole of Lord Hillsborough's Letter, and your Instructions, so far as relate to the Requisition. In all this, however, we cannot find that your Excellency is more than directed to dissolve the present Assembly, in case of a Non-compliance on the Part of the House. If the Votes of the House are to be controlled by the Direction of a Minister, we have left us but a vain Semblance of Liberty. We know it to be the just Prerogative of the Crown, at Pleasure, to dissolve a Parliament: We are also sensible that, consistently with the great Charter of this Province, your Excellency, when you shall think fit, with, or without the Intervention of a Minister, can dissolve the Great and General Court of this Colony, and that without the least Obligation to convene another within the Year. But should it ever grow into Use, for any ill-disposed Governor of the Province, by Means of a mistaken, or wilfully wrong State of Facts, to procure Orders for a Dissolution, that same Charter will be of no Value.

We take this Opportunity faithfully and firmly to represent to your Excellency, that the new Revenue-Acts and Measures are not only disagreeable to, but in every View, are deemed an insupportable Burthen and Grievance, with a very few Exceptions, by all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of this Jurisdiction: And we beg leave, once for all, to assure your Excellency, that those of this Opinion, are of no "Party or expiring Fashion." They have at all Times been ready to devote their Lives and Fortunes to his Majesty's Service. Of Loyalty, this Majority could as reasonably boast, as any who may happen to enjoy your Excellency's Smiles. Their Reputation, Rank, and Fortune, are at least equal to those, who may have been sometimes considered as the only Friends to good Government; while some of the best Blood of the Colony, even in Two Houses of Assembly, lawfully convened, and duly acting, have been openly charged with the unpardonable Crime of "Oppugnation against the Royal Authority." We have now only to inform your Excellency, that this House have voted not to rescind, as required, the Resolution of the last House; and that, on a Division on the Question, there were 92 Nays, and 17 Yeas. In all this we have been actuated by a conscientious, and finally, a clear and determined Sense of Duty to God, to our King, our Country, and to our latest Posterity: And we most ardently wish, and humbly pray, that in your future Conduct your Excellency may be influenced by the same Principles.

[The Governor, after having received the last foregoing Message from the House, directed their Attendance in the Council, and then and there adjourned the Great and General Court to Wednesday the Third Day of August next.]

July 24. What a disagreeable Picture of human Nature does the Conduct of some of its Species present to our View? One Governor, for the sake of doubling his Salary, and increasing his Perquisites, will be guilty of promoting the basest Projects, by the basest Misrepresentations, and even of Attempts to overturn the Constitution. Another, to secure or increase a Pension, shall go from County to County, to conciliate his Countrymen to the most humiliating and distressing Measures. One Man, to obtain a little present Advantage to himself, shall knowingly sacrifice the most essential Interests of his Country. Another, to secure a Post or a Seat, shall either withhold his Hand and Tongue, when Duty requires them to be held forth, or will traitorously yield them both up, at the Requirement of his Superiors. Happy it is for New-England, that her Senate is yet so uncorrupt, as that the whole Force of Prerogative, exerted, upon a late trying Occasion, could seduce from the true Interests of their Constituents, but Seventeen, out of One Hundred and Nine.

The Conduct of the House of Assembly cannot be too much admired and commended: Tho' threatened with immediate Annihilation, unless they complied with a Requisition to rescind the Resolutions of a former House; they have, with a Firmness and Unanimity, becoming the Representatives of a wise and free People, asserted and maintained, instead of giving up their undoubted Rights and Privileges: Thus preferring the Life and Welfare of their Country to their own political Existence—the famous Ninety-two will live for ever in the Annals of America; but the Names of Seventeen will be handed down with Infamy to the latest Posterity.

It is said, that at the very Juncture when the Governor was pleased to adjourn the Great and General Court, the Honourable Board of Councilors were consulting an humble Petition to the King, upon the important Affair of Parliamentary Taxation: And the Honourable House were debating upon another Petition to the same sacred Person, for the Removal of a great Man from the high Office he holds under his Majesty in this Province.

The Great and General Court or Assembly is dissolved.

The following are said to be the 17 Members of the Honourable House of Representatives, with the Names of the Towns and Counties to which they belong, who voted in Favour of "RESCINDING," agreeable to his Majesty's Requisition, as signified in the Earl of Hillsborough's Letter.

Table with 3 columns: NAMES, TOWNS, COUNTIES. Lists members like William Brown, Peter Frye, Dr. John Calef, etc.

All the free Assemblies upon the Continent, who have not been prevented by Prorogations, either have, or are now preferring Petitions and Remonstrances, of the same Tenor with those of the Assembly of this Province.

It is with great Pleasure we learn, that the Gentlemen who form the King's Council in some respectable Provinces, have asserted the Rights and Liberties of the People at this important Crisis, with as much Firmness as the several Houses of Assembly.—May Counsellors, who have the Courage to speak in public, the Sentiments they profess in private, ever be respected by the Multitude of their Brethren.

What will such Persons have to answer for to their Sovereign, and to their God, who, for the sake of increasing their Salaries, or any other Motive, write the grossest Misrepresentations to their Superiors, to establish and promote Measures abhorred by the whole People, and which must certainly, if adhered to, be attended with an Alienation of Affection, and the worst of Consequences.

It has been conjectured, that if the Silver already drawn from us by the new Duties, was beat into thin Plates, it would entirely cover the main Road from this Town to the Borders of York Government; but this Sum, large as it is, is not any ways equal to the Sum lost the Province by the Destruction of its Trade, by Means of the late Regulations.

There have been several vague Reports spread the Week past through the Town and Country; but on Enquiry we can find no little Foundation for them, that they are not worth mentioning.

CHARLES-TOWN, (South-Carolina) June 6.

A Calculation having been made of the Value of the Produce of this Province, exported since the 1st of November last, and of what remains to be shipped, by the same Day, in the present Year, at the Price the Planter and Manufacturer has received for it at the Charles-Town Market, it is reckoned to exceed Half a Million Sterling, exclusive of some Thousand Barrels of Rice, bought by our Neighbours of Georgia, from those Parts of this, that border on that Colony, and shipped from thence as their Produce. There needs no other Proof of the flourishing State of South-Carolina, nor of its Importance to Great-Britain, than the Number of Shipping and Seamen constantly employed in transporting its bulky Commodities.

Last-Saturday, George Roupell, Esq; One of the Searchers of his Majesty's Customs for this Port, made a Seizure of the Ship Anne, George Forten, Master, loaded and bound for Bristol, partly owned by Henry Laurens, Esq; the Bond required to be entered into for non-enumerated Commodities, having been omitted to be given; and this Day she was libelled in the Court of Vice-Admiralty, ordered to be appraised, and put into the Custody of the Marshal.

ANNAPOLIS, JULY 21.

On Thursday Evening last, was married, the Reverend Mr. BRISTON, Rector of St. Anne's Parish, to Miss MARIA WOODWARD, only Daughter of Mr. WILLIAM WOODWARD, of this City; a very agreeable and amiable young Lady.

JAMES DICK & STEWART,

Have opened Store, in Baltimore-Town, under the Management of Mr. John Galloway, in the Store-House next Door to Mr. Adair's, lately occupied by Mr. Thomas Richardson, deceased.

WHERE they have for Sale, a general Assortment of EUROPEAN and EAST-INDIA GOODS, to be sold cheap, for ready Money only. Likewise Sail-Duck, and Ship Chandlery, and Newington Cordage of all Sizes. And, as they propose keeping a constant Supply of Cordage, at said Store, and have a daily Communication between Baltimore-Town and Annapolis, they can furnish any Quantity of Rigging, from Newington Rope-Walk, on a very short Notice, by Order being lodged with Mr. Galloway. (4w)

ALL Persons indebted to Mr. Thomas Richardson, deceased, on his own proper Account, are desired to settle their Accounts immediately; and such who have Claims against him, are requested to bring in their Accounts, that they may be paid, by (4w) ANTHONY STEWART, Administrator.

THE Death of my late Partner, Mr. Thomas Richardson, makes it necessary, that the Affairs of the Partnership, of Stewart & Richardson, should be speedily closed: I therefore hope all Persons indebted to said Company, will, without Delay, settle and discharge their respective Balances. And those who have it not in their Power to pay immediately, will, I hope, see the Necessity of settling their open Accounts, by Bond or Note, which will particularly oblige Their humble Servant, ANTHONY STEWART. (4w)

BASIL FRANCIS, WATCHMAKER, from LONDON,

Near the MARKET, in BALTIMORE-TOWN, MAKES and sells all kinds of WATCHES. The Success he hath had, to give Satisfaction to those Gentlemen that have already employed him to repair their Watches, gives him great Hopes of the Continuance of their Favours; and it being his chiefest Study, as well as Interest, to merit the Approbation of the Public, he flatters himself, he shall still meet with Encouragement, as he doth engage, that Watches repaired by him, shall perform their Office for the Space of Six Years, and keeps them in Order during that Time, (Accidents excepted) at the small Expence of Cleaning annually; and, as it is the general Complaint, that high Charges are made by most of the Callers, and being desirous to do all in his Power to render Content to his Employers, he is determined to work at as low Rates as possible, and will let them know the Charge of any Piece of Work, before he performs it, if required; by which Method, they are not only enabled to know whether they chuse to go to the Expence, or not; but also be sure of meeting with no Imposition. (4)

Annapolis, July 19, 1768.

MARIA HUME, MILLINER, From LONDON,

Is just arrived in Town, at Mrs. SIMPSON'S, near the Dock,

WHERE she makes all Sorts of MILLINERY WORK.—Ladies Head Dresses in the newest Fashion, Hats, Bonnets, Cloaks, &c. Slips and Frocks, for young Ladies, made in the newest Manner.—She also washes Laces, Blond Lace and Gauzes, to look equal to new; likewise Silk Stockings, &c.

N. B. Said Miss Hume has a genteel Suit of Ladies worked CAT-GUT, to be Raffle'd for, on Saturday next, the 23d Instant.—Chances to be at Ten Shillings each.—Any Ladies inclinable to take a Chance, is requested to send their Names in Time, or to attend at the House of Mr. James Chalmers, Goldsmith, near the Town-Gate, at 5 o'Clock in the Afternoon, same Day.

To be SOLD, to the highest Bidder, at Upper-Mariborough, on Saturday the 30th of July, at 4 o'Clock in the Afternoon, the following Woollens, viz.

TWO Pieces striped Flannel, One Piece of white ditto, One Piece 8-4 Barb Beaver, One Piece of Wilton Cloth, Eight Patterns of Broad Cloth, One Piece of grey Half Thick, One Piece of grey German Serge, One Piece of mix'd ditto, and Three Dozen Shammy Skins, being the whole Contents of a Bale, marked M, in a Diamond, with a Crow-Foot, No. 39, shipped by James Russell, of London, on board the Nany Graham, James Lynch, Master, damaged, and to be sold for the benefit of the concerned. The Trimmings, for the above Woollefs, were in a Package not damaged, but will be sold at a very moderate Advance, to any Person who may purchase the Clothes. (4) CHRISTOPHER RICHMOND.

To be SOLD, by the Subscriber, at Pig-Point, for ready Cash only,

GOOD West-India RUM, Two Years old, Measure by the Hoghead, and Miscovado Sugar by the Barrel. (3w) NATHAN LANE

N. B. I shall want to charter a Vessel of about 70 Tons, in October.

FOUR POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away last Night, from the Subscriber, living in Prince-George's County, the following Convict Servants, viz.

JAMES COORT, (alias COURT) born in the County of Kent, in England, about 5 Feet 7 Inches high, of a dark Complexion, and about 28 Years of Age, has an oval Face, and short Hair, which is dark, his Nose has a Cast to one Side, and his right Foot turns in more than his left, speaks the Kentish Dialect: Had on, and took with him, a blue Fearnought Jacket, Two Osnabrig Shirts, Osnabrig Trowsers, an old Cloth Coat, and Breeches of a Spanish Brown Colour, and the Goat has been mended in the Lining, with Pompadour coloured Shalloon, a flowered cut Velvet Jacket, Yarn Stockings, half worn Shoes, and a new Carolina Felt Hat.

ISABELLA WATSON, of a fair Complexion, sandy coloured Hair, has a round Face, pitted with the Small-Pox, of a middle Stature, but thick, and about 24 Years of Age: Had on, and took with her, 2 Osnabrig Shift, and a white Linen ditto, a striped Country Cloth Petticoat, a new blue Shalloon ditto, and a new Osnabrig ditto, a new Purple Sprig Stamp'd Cotton Gown, a blue and white short Gown, old Stays, and a black Silk Bonnet, a Silk Handkerchief, Two red stamp'd Linen ditto, white Yarn Stockings, and a Pair of Country-made Pumps, and a small Looking-Glass, with sundry other Things.—The above Servants came into the Country in the Year 1764, in the Neptune, Capt. Semerville.—Whoever takes up said Servants, and brings them to their Master, or secures them in any Jail, and gives Notice thereof, as he may hear of them soon after their Commitment, shall have Forty Shillings Reward for each, and if taken and brought home, reasonable Charges, paid by (4w) JOHN F. A. PRIGGS.

July 16, 1768.

STRAYED away, the 9th Instant, from the Subscriber, at Elk-Ridge Landing, a black MARE, about 14 Hands high, branded on the near Shoulder, thus, (D), Three Years old this Spring, paces naturally, has several Scars upon her Legs and Thighs, which appear whitish, and some of her Feet white, she was also rung, to prevent her taking Horse.—Whoever takes up the said Mare, and delivers her to the Owner, shall receive Fifty Shillings Reward, paid by (4w) JAMES FRENCH.

She had one Shoe upon one of her fore Feet. (3w)

EIGHT POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away from the Subscriber, on Monday last, viz. DAVID JOHNSON, about 28 Years of Age: Had on a green Frieze Jacket, Check Breeches, old Shoes and a half worn; he is very remarkable at the Writ.

WILLIAM SIMMONS, Complexion wears his own, Inches high: Had on a Check Shirt, a brown Be all round, old Leather Breeches, a Pair of Plated Silver, JAMES CROSBY, an

Age, 5 Feet 8 Inches high, a little Cross-eyed: Had on a Surtout Coat, Check Shirt, and much rag'd, old Shoes and a half worn.—It is supposed to be for Chester, in Baltimore-Town, on 1st of August, 1768. Whoever takes up an runaway that their Master may be satisfied to the above Reward of them, with reasonable charges, paid by (7)

RAN away last Night, from the Subscriber, named MARY, who formerly served her Master, near Chisamuxent, in the County of Worcester, about 17 Years of Age, about 5 Feet 8 Inches high, a brown Complexion: Had on a white Shift, a brown Linen Border, a Silk Gown ditto, a brownish been filled, a striped L man's Wooden Heel'd Matings, cut off by the said Servant, and bring near Mr. James Brookes's ward, paid by

RAN away from the Subscriber, named JACK, he has a Cast in his left Eye, the Part of his left Eye him look Blear-eyed, Fellow, did formerly Mary's, or Charles Cou make to one Zachariah him, Two Pair of Old old Felt Hat, a Fearnought Jacket, striped with blue and wave in large Diameter, very thick with said Negro, and secure to his Master shall have what the Law allow (4)

All Masters of Runaway at their Peril

STRAY'D or Stolen on the Third Day about 14 Hands high, some Saddle Spots: on both Sides of her lope, has a ridge Mark.—Whoever takes up the Tobacco, shall have Five

THERE is at the Present on Bennett's Cr taken up as a Stray branded on the near on his Forehead, and The Owner may his perity, and paying C

THE Subscriber has a nition on the Reverend Mr. Thomas of the seven tain the Amount of the several Creditor Bonds, of Frederick ticularly distinguishing open Accounts, so those Creditors the complete the Admin by Law. ELIZ

Those Gentle in the Estate, are requ in Annapolis, or, if em, in Frederick-To

WHEREAS one Boardman, of the County of Frederick, in England, 17 Years ago, married If any of his Issue be scribe, living in s formed of a very c Real and Personal, (6w)

To be SOLD, the

AN Assortment of Osnabrigs, Flowered Lawns, 7-8 Beds Tick, fine still, that will be variety of Desk an (3w)