

to be Frenchmen, and Four Corsicans; by which latter Nomination, our Court hopes to gain the Confidence and Affection of those Islanders, and to engage them to put themselves, on Condition of certain Prerogatives, under the Dominion of the Crown of France.

Extract of a Letter from Leghorn, July 9. Advices from Cortica inform, that the French Troops are amassing there, great Quantities of Provisions and Ammunition, in order to take the Field; the Malecontents, on the other Hand, have resolved not to be the first to act offensively; but whenever they shall be attacked, they will defend their Liberty at the Price of their Lives.

They have posted a Corps of Observation at Alata, Three Miles from Ajaccio, and have drawn a Line, as well to cover Cape Corfe, as to keep up Communication with Nebbio. Two Genoese Feluccas, taken by the Corsicans, are carried into Centuri.

BOSTON, September 15. By authentic Advices from London, by Captain Scott, we learn, that the Petition of our Assembly to his Majesty, had not reached his Royal Ear, tho' it had been delivered to the Secretary of State for this Department. That the House of Commons were divided with Respect to the Measures to be taken with America, pretty much the same as they were when the Repeal of the Stamp-Act was in question; one Third were for enforcing the late Acts at all Events; another for a Repeal, on Condition of a previous Bill, to assert the Right of Parliament over America; and the other Third for a Repeal, without any Conditions; and that the Privy Council were pretty much in the same State. That the People at home begin to be convinced, that if the Shackles under which Trade labours, were not soon removed, Remittances would be slow and precarious; and that the Wheels of Trade would stop themselves and would soon be felt in the Decay of the Manufactures.

The following is a Copy of the Circular Letter, written by the Senators of this Town, and directed to the Senators of the several Towns within this Province; agreeable to a Vote at the Meeting on the 13th Instant.

GENTLEMEN, Boston, Sept. 14, 1768.

YOU are already too well acquainted with the melancholy and very alarming Circumstances to which this Province, as well as America in general, is now reduced. Taxes, equally detrimental to the commercial Interests of the Parent-Country and her Colonies, are imposed upon the People, without their Consent.—Taxes designed for the Support of the Civil Government in the Colonies, in a Manner clearly unconstitutional, and contrary to that, in which, 'til of late, Government has been supported, by the free Gift of the People, in the American Assemblies or Parliaments; as also for the Maintenance of a large standing Army; not for the Defence of the newly acquired Territories, but for the old Colonies, and in a Time of Peace. The decent, humble, and truly loyal Applications and Petitions from the Representatives of this Province, for the Redress of these heavy and very threatening Grievances, have hitherto been ineffectual, being assured, from authentic Intelligence, that they have not yet reached the Royal Ear. The only Effect of transmitting these Applications hitherto perceivable, has been a Mandate from one of his Majesty's Secretaries of State to the Governor of this Province, to dissolve the General Assembly, merely because the late House of Representatives refused to rescind a Resolution of a former House, which implied nothing more than a Right in the American Subjects to unite in humble and dutiful Petitions to their gracious Sovereign, when they found themselves aggrieved: This is a Right naturally inherent in every Man, and expressly recognized at the glorious Revolution, as the Birthright of an Englishman.

This Dissolution you are sensible has taken Place; the Governor has publicly and repeatedly declared that he cannot call another Assembly; and the Secretary of State for the American Department, in one of his Letters communicated to the late House, has been pleased to say, that "proper Care shall be taken for the Support of the Dignity of Government;" the Meaning of which, is too plain to be misunderstood.

The Concern and Perplexity into which these Things have thrown the People, have been greatly aggravated, by a late Declaration of his Excellency Governor Bernard, that one or more Regiments may soon be expected in this Province.

The Design of these Troops is, in every one's Apprehension, nothing short of enforcing, by military Power, the Execution of Acts of Parliament, in the forming of which, the Colonies have not, and cannot have, any constitutional Influence. This is one of the greatest Difficulties to which a free People can be reduced.

The Town which we have the honour to serve, have taken these Things at their late Meeting into their most serious Consideration: And as there is in the Minds of many, a prevailing Apprehension of an approaching War with France, they have passed the several Votes, which we transmit to you; desiring that they may be immediately laid before the Town, whose Prudentials are in your Care, at a legal Meeting, for their candid and particular Attention.

Deprived of the Councils of a General Assembly in this dark and difficult Season, the loyal People of this Province will, we are persuaded, immediately perceive the Propriety and Utility of the proposed Committee of Convention: And the sound and wholesome Advice that may be expected from a Number of Gentlemen chosen by themselves, and in whom they may repose the greatest Confidence, must tend to the real Service of our gracious Sovereign, and the Welfare of his Subjects in this Province; and may happily prevent any sudden and unconnected Measures, which, in their present Anxiety, and even Agony of Mind, they may be in danger of falling into.

As it is of Importance that the Convention should meet as soon as may be, so early a Day as the 23d of this Instant, September, has been proposed for that Purpose—and it is hoped the remotest Towns will, by that Time, or soon after, as conveniently may be, return their respective Committees.

Not doubting but that you are equally concerned with us, and our Fellow-Citizens, for the Preservation of our invaluable Rights, and for the general Happiness of our Country, and that you are disposed with equal

Ardor to exert yourselves in every Constitutional Way for so glorious a Purpose, we are,

Gentlemen, with the greatest Esteem, Your obedient humble Servants. Signed by the Selectmen of Boston.

ANNAPOLIS, October 6.

On Monday last came to this City, from the Northward, his Excellency Lord Charles Greenville Montague, Governor of South-Carolina, and his Lady; and Yesterday set off for Virginia.

On Sunday last arrived here, after a tedious Passage, the Ship Brandon, Capt Nimmo, from London.—About 500 Leagues from the Land, the vessel with a very hard Gale of Wind, which carried away all her Masts and Bowprit. She had been on her Beam-Ends, for some Hours, before the met with the above Accident.

Lately died at Newport, in Rhode-Island, after a tedious and lingering Indisposition, which he bore with singular Fortitude and Resignation, JAMES M'LEACHLAN, Esq; late of Kent County, in this Province. He invariably discharged the Duties of an upright and active Magistrate. He was a steady and faithful Friend, a polite Scholar, an entertaining and instructive Companion, a mild and humane Master, and a most excellent Neighbour. His Firmness, under the Losses and Difficulties he frequently met with in Trade, was conspicuous, and well worthy Imitation. Instead of depressing his Spirits, they added Vigour to his Assiduity, and never tempted him to commit an illiberal Act. He lived beloved, and died universally lamented by all who had the Pleasure of his Acquaintance.

Committunt eadem diversi crimina jato Multi.

It is better for one Man steal a Horse, than another look over an Hedge.

MR. GREEN,

In the 20th Line of Mr. Allen's Introduction to his Sermon there is a full Stop put instead of a Comma, which renders the Sentence imperfect: As a Criticism of this Kind is entirely upon a Level with the Capacity of his Opponent, I suppose it will be taken Notice of—and this will be as full a Proof of his not being able to write English, as those already produced are of his Immoralities. A CRITIC.

Whenever our Critic shall think proper to send any Piece for the Press, we hope he will point it properly, as we shall be very particular in following his Copy.

By particular Desire, we insert the following Piece, from the Pennsylvania Chronicle, No. 89.

MR. GODDARD,

IF it be hard, extremely hard, as Amicus says, that People used to go to the other Side of the Water, to search for the Author of every anonymous Production that appeared, it is not less hard, that they now go on the other Side of the Line, especially if they happen to be a Rhyme tagged to the End of a Line—not considering, that thy Fellows lie perdu, scribbling on every Side the Question, writing unpopular Pieces, and fixing them on their Opponents, to ruin their Interest.—This seems to be really the Case, in the several Pieces that have lately appeared, turning the ingenious Farmer into Kidicue, and remarkably in the Verification of the last Address of the Grand-Jury of Cecil County, in Maryland, which was written less with a View of ridiculing either those Gentlemen or the Farmer, than with a Design of injuring a certain Person, in the Opinion of those Gentlemen, and of the Province in general, to whom the Composition was immediately attributed by the Author himself as soon as written—and I think his Wit a poor Apology for the badness of the Intention—no Man has a right to charge another with the Authorship of an anonymous Piece; and the real Author's disclaiming it, is a Proof that he disapproves it—And the Deception, Style, Manner and Argument is infinite—It were therefore to be wished, that whilst it is allowed, that there is some Merit on the other Side of the Water, it may not be altogether denied, that there is some Virtue on the other Side of the Line.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 24, 1768.

A CITIZEN.

AS the Partnership between Meroney and Selby, late Saddlers in Annapolis, is now broke off, and the Subscriber has assumed the Payment of all the Debts contracted by the said Company, before the Dissolution thereof: This is therefore to desire all Persons who are any wise indebted to either of them, to pay off, immediately, to the said Selby, (who only has a Right to receive the same) their respective Balances; and such as have Claims against the said Company, are desired to produce the same, in order that they may be settled.

Said Selby informs all Gentlemen, and others, that he carries on the above Business in all its Branches, at their late Shop, where he expects a Continuance of their Commands; to merit which, he will assiduously endeavour to perform their Orders, in the neatest Manner, and with the utmost Dispatch. JOSEPH SELBY.

THE Subscriber once more requests, that those indebted to the Estate of Doctor John Hamilton, late of Calvert County, would make immediate Payment; and for the greater Ease of those, who live too remote, he takes this Method of informing them, that he shall give Attendance at the next Meeting of St. Mary's, Charles, and Prince-George's County Courts, and begs he may not be put to the disagreeable Necessity of distressing those who seem careless about Payment, which shall most certainly be the Consequence, if they still continue regardless of the above Request. (4w) JOHN H. SMITH, Executor.

Alexandria, Fairfax County, Sept. 19, 1768.

COMMITTED to Jail, on Suspicion of being a Runaway Servant, a Man, who says his Name is John Hoyet, and belongs to Capt. John Matthews, in Baltimore; had on a Fernought Coat, a Pair of Crocus Trowsers, and an Osnabrig Shirt, has a down Look, light brown bushy Hair, a large Scar on his left Hand, and one over his Nose, not very perceptible. He bears the Marks of a late Whipping.

Whoever owns said Servant, may have him, on paying Charges, to MICHAEL GREYTER, Jailor.

This Day is PUBLISHED,

ADDRESS to the VESTRYMEN CHURCH-WARDENS and PARISHIONERS of the Parish of All Saints, in Frederick County;

WHEREIN The AUTHOR'S Conduct is explained, and his Character vindicated from the Aspersions thrown upon it in the MARYLAND GAZETTE;

WITH A P R E F A C E.

By BENNET ALLEN, Chaplain and Agent to the Right Honourable the Lord Proprietor, in Maryland. (u)

To be had at Mr. Williams's Store, at the Dock, in Annapolis.

To be SOLD, the following LANDS, lying in Worcester County, viz.

BACHELOR'S ADVENTURE, containing 330 Acres; and ADDITION, containing 210 Acres. The Title is indisputable. Time will be allowed for Payment, on giving Bond upon Interest, with Security, if required. For Terms, apply to

(1f) W. T. WOOTTON.

THE Subscriber's ill State of Health having obliged him to decline his Business of Barber and Peruke-Maker, in favour of Mr. JAMES REID, my late Servant, and having removed to London-Town to live, it would be very inconvenient for me, on that Account, to collect my Debts, many of which are long standing; therefore, I do hereby desire all Persons, who are any wife indebted to me, to settle with the said JAMES REID, whose Receipt shall be good against the Subscriber: And, as I have already suffered much, by my too great Lenity, I am determined to bring Suits against all those who do not immediately comply with this Request, which will be very disagreeable to

(4w) ANDREW BUCHANAN.

THE Subscriber intending to remove next Spring, will sell his Dwelling Place, containing 30 Acres of Land, lying within one Mile of Fredericks-Town, in Cecil County, Maryland. There is on said Land, a Brick Dwelling-House and Kitchen, a framed Meat-House, a good Garden, about six Acres of good Meadow, Eight or Nine Acres of Pasture, the remaining Part Braich and Wood-Land. There is also on said Place, a good Grind-Mill, with a Pair of French Burs, and a Pair of Bucks County Stones therein, a separate Boulting-Chest for Merchants and Country Work, and every other Article for carrying on the Milling-Business. In one of the Meadows is a Spring of excellent good Water, and many other Conveniences, too tedious to mention.—Any Person inclining to purchase, may know the Time, and view the Premises, by applying to James Hughes, living thereon.

N. B. The above mentioned Place is a good Stand for a Store of West-India and European Goods. The Mill may be entered on immediately.

ALL Persons indebted to the Estate of James Hughes, late of Cecil County, deceased, are desired to make Payment to prevent Trouble; and those who have any Demands against said Estate, are desired to bring them in, properly proved, so as they may be settled and paid, by JAMES HUGHES.

I HAVE a Parcel of Land lying in Charles County, on the Bank of Patowmack River, at the noted Harbour, called Nanjemoy, which is thought to be a handsome and convenient Place for a Town. I do therefore purpose to lease out the same, for the Term of NINETY Years, in Lots, or Half Acres, to be called ELVIRA. The Lots are to be rented to the highest Bidder, but the first Bid for each Lot, shall not be less than Fifty Shillings Currency. The Rules and Regulations, (for the Good of the whole) under which the Tenants are to live, and the particular Methods, Terms, and Conditions, under which they are to hold their Leases, being too tedious to insert in this Advertisement, will be set forth at large, in one general Leaf, or Charter, to be seen by all Persons concerned therein, on, or before the Day of Conveyance. All Persons inclined to become Tenants of said Town, are desired to send in their Names to me, at Nanjemoy, that, as soon there is a sufficient Number made up, I may proceed to lay out the Lots in the most convenient Manner I can. The Time for Bidding and Conveying, I shall publish in a future Advertisement, and none will be obliged to take a Lot, that doth not like the Terms of the general Leaf, or Charter. BURDITT HAMILTON.

THERE is at the Plantation of Bajl Fisher, taken up as a Stray, a grey Gelding, about 13½ Hands high, branded on the near Buttock thus, H, and appears to be about Six Years old. The Owner may have him again, on proving Property, and paying Charges.

Queen-Anne Town, Prince-George's Co. O. B. 3, 1768.

ON Tuesday, the 1st Day of November next, will be run for, over the Course near this Town, a Subscription Race of TWENTY-FIVE POUNDS, for Four Year old Colts (Mr. M'Gill's Nonspareil, and Mr. Young's Gimcrack excepted) carrying 8 Stone, Saddle and Bridle included, the best of Three Two Mile Heats.—On the Day following will be run for, by any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, (a Horse of 14 Hands, to carry One Hundred and Twenty-six Pounds, Saddle and Bridle included, and to rise and fall according to the Rules of Racing) the Entrance-Money of both Days, and what other Money may be made up. Start precisely at what o'Clock each Day, and enter with Mr. Jeremiah Crabb, the preceding Day of each Race. Each Jockey to appear with a neat Waistcoat, and Half-Boots. A Horse winning Two clear Heats, shall not be obliged to start a Third. Any Jockey detected in unfair Behaviour, shall be deemed distanced. Subscribers to pay Fifteen Shillings for the First Day, and Ten Shillings for the Second. Non-Subscribers to pay Fifty Shillings for the First Day, and Twenty Shillings for the Second, or double at the Post. Judges will be appointed to determine all Disputes. Three reputed Horses to start, or no Race.

S C H E M E OF A L O T T E R Y

For raising the Sum of FOUR HUNDRED and FIFTY POUNDS, for purchasing an ORGAN for the New-Church, and building a MARKET-HOUSE in the Town of ALEXANDRIA, viz.

Table with columns: Pounds, Prizes, First drawn Blank, Last drawn Blank, Tickets at 20s, Sum wanted. Includes entries for 5, 10, 20, 100, and 800 pounds.

Fifteen per Cent. deducted from the Prizes, and the Sum wanted. In this Scheme, there are no more than Two Prizes; and for the small Value, and Number of Tickets, there are many considerable Prizes.—Schemes of Lotteries, for various Purposes, and various Constructions, are offered to the Public, and indeed become common; by many it is regarded as a species of Gaming, it may be so, yet certain it is the most justifiable, perhaps laudable, because of the Encouragement in the Sale of the Tickets, to good and useful an Intention merits, and will draw the Lottery in Six Months. Tickets may be assured it will be drawn as the Tickets are sold.—Immediately after the List of the Prizes will be published in the Virginia GAZETTES. Prizes not demanded in Six Months, after Drawn, will be esteemed given for the Benefit of the Lot. The Managers are, William Ramsfay, John Dalton, Robert Adam, John Muir, Harry Pippen, George Washington, Trustees, William Rummy, Robert Harrison, Thomas Calvert, whom Tickets may be had: They act upon Oath, and give Bond faithfully to discharge their Trust. Dollars will be taken at Six Shillings, and paid at the same Rate.

LATELY PUBLISHED, And to be SOLD, at the PRINTING-OFFICE

THE LAWS and VOTES of the last Session of the Assembly.

STRAYD or STOLEN, from the Plantation of Benjamin Fendall, living in Charles County, Pamunkey Warehouse, on the 16th Day of January last, a Bay HORSE, about 13 Hands high, branded near Buttock, thus, H, has one white hind Star, and Snip, with a hanging Mane, and 6 Hairs in his Tail; he paces and gallops.—Who takes up said Horse, and brings him to the Subscriber, living at Mr. Benjamin Fendall's, shall receive Four Dollars. (6w) THOS. MARSHALL.

ALL Persons indebted to the Subscriber, are desired to settle with him immediately, and as I have suffered considerably, from many of those who have neglected their Debts, I am now determined to bring Suits against those who do not discharge their Debts, without Distinction, who do not discharge their Debts, or otherwise settle them, before the first Day of November next, of which have been long, very long standing, every Person will think the above Request reasonable, as I have always dealt in Expectation of payment. It is my fixed Resolution, not to rise in Credit, by longer Forbearance. CHARLES WALKER.

JUST IMPORTED, Is the Servant Pitt, Capt. Thomas Bailey, from

A CARGO of fine SALT, also a very large assortment of Osnabrigs, Irish Linens, Checks, Castor, and Felt Hats, great Variety of Ware, in small Crates, to be disposed Wholesale Way, at my Store, in Baltimore-City, Country Produce, or short Credit, by JOHN STEPHENS.

Upper-Marlborough, September THE MEMBERS of the Upper-Marlborough Assembly, are desired to meet, at the Ball-Tuesday, the 6th Day of October next.

ON Tuesday, the 11th Day of October next, will be run over the Course, near Upper-Marlborough, Sixteepikes, for SIXTY GUINEAS, by THE PLAY or PAY.

ALL Persons indebted to the Subscriber, are desired to discharge their respective Debts, immediately, without further Notice, whereas I have, through a Course of several Years, given large and extensive Credit to many Instances to be a considerable Sufferer, yet, from Principles of Lenity and Forbearance, have neglected to take the necessary Steps, from the great Scarcity of Cash in the Town, I have hitherto neglected to take the necessary Steps, I am however at last resolved to compel Payment: I am however at last resolved to take the necessary Steps, and to see that my Debts are paid, I am therefore, by a speedy Compliance, Requesting, avoid the Trouble and Expence of a legal Method of Recovery by Law. HENRY BRIDGES.

Upper-Marlborough, August THE Subscriber intending to quit Store in the above Place, will dispose of the same, on Hand, for Tobacco, Bills of Exchange, and other Goods, mostly landed in May last, yet a good Assortment of Summer and Winter Goods. (5w) CHRISTOPHER RAY.