

Virginia, November 20, 1768.

FALLS OF PATOWMACK.

For Encouragement to Trade, &c. I purpose to let out, on the most reasonable Terms, for a Number of Years, or otherwise, this Place, with all the valuable Improvements hereafter mentioned.

At the Landing, and along-side of Six Fathom Water, a complete Stone Building, 151 Feet long, 36 wide, and 31 Stories high.

In this Edifice are contained, 1<sup>st</sup>, A valuable Merchant Mill, with Two Pair of Stones, Bolting Mills and Fan new, well fixed, and constantly supplied with a never failing Stream, sufficient to keep the whole of them going. I can affirm, that this Mill, with the Assistance of Four Men and Two Boys, can manufacture 50,000 Bushels of Wheat annually, into good merchantable Flour.

2<sup>d</sup>, A large Bakery, with Three Ovens, Brakes and other Necessaries compleatly fitted, and a fine Bread-Room above the said Bakery and Ovens.

3<sup>d</sup>, Two large Granaries, 36 Feet by 30, on each Side the Mill, so that Grain cannot be stored more conveniently. Adjoining to these is,

4<sup>th</sup>, A neat retailing Store, with its Shelves, Counter, Drawers, &c. compleatly finished.—Adjacent to the said Store, is a convenient Accounting Room, with a Fire-Place, at the Back of which, is a private lodging Room, with a Fire-Place likewise. From this Room we enter into a Balcony 24 Feet long, with proper Seats fronting the River, which commands variety of curious and entertaining Prospects.

5<sup>th</sup>, The several large Rooms below, for the storing of Salt and West-India Goods, with their Cellars, &c. so near the River, that, by the Assistance of a Crane, a Vessel of any Burthen may discharge her Load safe in the Stores in as little Time as can be done in any Port in America; and likewise makes equal Dispatch in Loading, the Granaries being so near the Vessel, and the Fall from the House so great, that, by a Spout from the Windows, the Grain may be conveyed in the most speedy and easy Manner.—The Loft of this Building has no Partition, and therefore, being 151 Feet long, and 36 wide, gives great Plenty of Room to spread Flour to cool, in the Summer, so that nothing is wanting but a Capital to make the Place compleat.

Contiguous to the Mills, &c. is a very good Dwelling-House, built with Stone, Two Stories high, 96 Feet long, and 28 wide, with convenient Rooms, Kitchen, Cellars, and Ten Fire-Places thereto belonging, to be let with the said Mills.

I have laid out 53 Lots for a Town here, each Lot containing Half an Acre, including the Tobacco Warehouses; most Part are for Sale on moderate Terms.

I have within those Lots built a Grift Mill, for Country Custom, and a Saw Mill, and will supply Scantling and Plank for building, very cheap.

The River Patowmack is so well known, that I need not be particular in describing it; as from its Mouth to the very Falls, it is allowed to be the best Navigation of any River on the Continent.

The Falls are situated 12 Miles above Alexandria, and 3 Miles above George-Town.—Any Vessel that comes to Alexandria, or up to George-Town, will find deeper Water above the said Falls, the Channel being straight, and easily found. The Falls excel any Part of the Colony, for beautiful building Stone, in the greatest Quantity, and the easiest raised. The Soil is excessively rich, and abounds with the finest of Springs convenient to every Part. And,

Above all the Advantages before-mentioned, the Place is noted for one of the finest Fisheries in Virginia; the whole Season through, the best of Fish is caught here in great Abundance.

The Falls Landing is Ten measured Miles nearer to Leesburg, Winchester, and so to the Back Country, than any other whatsoever. Besides, this Landing being so much nearer to the Back Inhabitants, and a fine Road, it receives all the Produce brought down from above the Great Falls, in Battoes, which Business is now become very considerable, and mult improve; as Indian Corn, Walnut-Plank, and Lumber of all Sorts, will bear the Land Carriage, from the Falls above, to this Place; much more, and better, will Wheat, Pig, and Bar-Iron, and Tobacco. All those Commodities are made in great Plenty on each Side the River, above the Falls; the Lands being very fine, the Produce must be brought to this Spot for Shipping.

For further Encouragement, any Gentleman that might be willing to settle here, and carry on a Trade suitable to the Place, may have the Mills, with all Improvements; and I will oblige myself to furnish him, this present Year, with 5000 Bushels of good merchantable Wheat, 8000 Bushels next Year, and 10,000 Bushels annually after, of my own Produce, for the Terms agreed on. Or, if he, or they, chuse rather to put in a Stock, any Way adequate to the Improvements made by me, I will be at an equal Expence towards the Working, Supporting, and Maintaining the said Business, receiving my Proportion of the Profits; but it is not to be supposed that I could advance any Thing farther, than finding the Mills and all Improvements, without any Rent. The Management and Direction I will give up, and he, or they, may draw his, or their, whole Stock out, when they please; otherwise I will rent the whole, very reasonable, as before-mentioned.

"Here Water falls, and might do more, by Art!  
"Majestic Nature shines in ev'ry Part."

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Besides the above; at the Seneca Falls, which is the Public Landing-Place for all the Iron, and other Commodities, brought down the River Patowmack, from above, at the said Landing, the said River being commanded and brought through a natural Race, where there is a Fall of Ten Feet Water; I have to dispose of, in the same Manner, one of the best Places for Furnace, Forges, Saw, and Grift Mill, that can be found.

The principal Articles to support those Works to Advantage, are Ore, Coals, Timber and Stone; all of which are in the greatest Quantity, of the best Quality, and easiest procured.—The Iron Ore is inexhaustible on the River Side, and belongs to me, I will deliver it on the Furnace Bank at Ten Shillings per Ton, Coal at Twenty Shillings per Load of 144 Bushels.—Those Articles are brought down to the Spot by Water in Battoes; and I have 13,000 Acres of Land adjoining to the said Falls above, binding the River Fifteen Miles including several Islands. All those Lands are covered with the best of Timber; and as the Navigation is so easy up to the Shenandoe Falls, it is not possible there should ever be a Scarcity of Timber and Ore to support the Scheme.—The Situation is so good that the Furnace, Forges, and Mills, may join to one another, along Side of the said Race, at the Landing; and every Article is conveyed to the Works, from the main River, by this Race, which affords the Fall, as above-mentioned. There being no further Expence attending the Water Part, the Foundation so good, with a natural Race for the Water to run, and building Stone, Timber, &c. so convenient; I can venture to affirm, that one Year's Profit will reimburse the whole Expence and Costs of Building.

Between the Landing at the Seneca, and that at the Little Falls (where the Tide goes) is, by Survey, exactly 14 measured Miles. A public Waggon Road is lately opened betwixt them, and is already much frequented.

I have also built, at the Seneca, a Smith's Shop, with Two Fires, and a Wheelwright's Shop adjoining, together with several Dwelling-Houses at the same Place; I have likewise got new Battoes suitable for bringing down the Commodities.

The Buildings and Improvements at both Landings, so far as I have done, have actually cost me upwards of Eleven Thousand Pounds; and I have so great an Opinion of the many Advantages arising from those convenient Situations, that I am willing to add a further Stock of One Hundred Working Slaves, seated on 17000 Acres of the most valuable Land on Patowmack, joining the said Falls, actually in my Possession, and convenient to support all the said Business. Those several Plantations are well stock'd with Horses, Cattle, and Hogs. Among the said Slaves, are very valuable Tradesmen, such as Forgemen, Coopers, Smiths, and Carpenters. I have several Waggon and Teams, that work upon the Road, between the Two Landings; and shall be ready to put the whole in Stock, provided I get a suitable Partner, who understands Trade and Business; or will rent the Whole, or Part, as we may agree.

Any Person, or Persons, inclinable to increase his, or their Fortune, by taking the Trouble to come and view the Premises, and examine the same, will be satisfied, that I have not advanced any Thing farther than they find agreeable to Truth; and I am confident, that there is no Business, whatever, at this Time, that can afford more certain and larger Profit, from so small an Advance, as the additional Expence required.

JOHN BALLENDINE.

Kent-Island, January 23, 1769.

ANY Person having Chestnut Rails to dispose of, and will engage to land them on the Upper End of Kent-Island, may meet with a Purchaser for Eight or Ten Thousand, by applying to the Subscriber.—I should be glad to know the lowest Terms they would deliver them at.

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REZIN ROWLES.

December 30, 1768.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living near Air's Ford, on the Falls of Patapsco, on Elk-Ridge, an Irish indentured Servant Man, named PETER DENNY, about 20 Years of Age, about Five Feet Two Inches high, of a fair Complexion, thin visaged, grey eyed, and a little pitted with the Small-Pox, short brown Hair, and carries his Head crooked, is much addicted to Liquor, and when drunk, is very quarrelsome: Had on, when he went away, a new Check Shirt, a new Bearskin Coat, bound round with black Binding, a blue Sagathy Jacket, with the Skirts lin'd with the same, and yellow Buttons, a Pair of new Broad Cloth Breeches, a Pair of plain Yarn Stockings, a Pair of new Shoes, and Steel Buckles, a Felt Hat, bound with black Ferreting, a new red Duffel great Coat, and took with him, a black Stallion, about 13 Hands high, and near Nine Years old, with a half worn English Saddle, and Snaffle Bridle: He also took with him Three Bills, One of Twenty Shillings, One of Fifteen, and One of Five; and, as he is well acquainted in Baltimore-Town, he may probably change his Dress.

Whoever takes up the said Servant, and brings him to the Subscriber, shall receive Three Pounds for the Man, and Thirty Shillings for the Horse, beside what the Law allows, paid by

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VALENTINE BROWN, Junior.

To be SOLD at PUBLIC SALE, by Mr. SAMUEL CHEW, of HERRING-BAY, MARYLAND.

A VERY valuable TRACT of LAND, called DUNKEIL, lying in Baltimore County. This Tract of Land consists of FIVE HUNDRED and NINETY-NINE ACRES, and lies within a few Miles of the navigable Rivers of BUSH, and GUNPOWDER, and not far distant from Baltimore-Town. The Land is well timbered; the Soil extremely fertile, and equal to any in the Country. There are several Bottoms upon this Land, capable of valuable Meadows, and several Streams of Water. There is about 250 Acres cleared, the greatest Part of which has not been above Two Seasons in Cultivation, and quite fresh. The Improvements are not very considerable, being old; but some of them, at a small Expence, may be made both good and serviceable. There is no Tract of Land in these Parts, so well adapted for a Farm.

The Title to the above Land, is indisputable; and a General Warranty will be given to the Purchaser. The Sale is to be on the Premises, on the last Day of May next. Credit will be given for Six Months, without Interest. Any Person inclinable to purchase, are referred to Mr. JOHN PACA, of Baltimore County, or to Mr. WILLIAM PACA, of the City of Annapolis, for any Information they may want.

Virginia, Aquia, Dec. 10, 1768.

To be SOLD, on Tuesday the 4th Day of April next,

THE valuable Tract of LAND, known by the Name of BRENTON, containing 8,000 Acres, lying in Prince-William County, and within 18 Miles of Celebrier, 14 of Dumfries, and 25 of Falmouth. This Land is remarkable for being level, of a rich Soil throughout the Tract, and well timbered and watered, has many valuable Improvements on it, and pays no QUIT-RENTS. The Sale will begin precisely at 12 o'Clock, at the House of SCARLET MADDINS, on the Premises, and the Land sold either in Lots, or the Whole, as shall be agreed upon on the Day of Sale, as well as the Terms for Payment.

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ROBERT BRENT,  
WILLIAM BRENT,  
DANIEL CARROLL,  
HENRY ROZER.

TWENTY POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away from the Neahio Iron-Works, in Virginia, on, or about the 10th of October last, a Country-born Negro Man Slave, named BILLIE, the Property of the Hon. John Taylor, Esq; he is about 30 Years of Age, very black, well made, Five Feet Eight Inches high, puts on a fower Look when taxed with any Thing amiss; he had on and took with him, when he went away, a blue Broad Cloth Coat, black Cotton Velvet Jacket, and sundry other Sorts of Cloaths, besides Shoes and Stockings of various Kinds: He is by Trade a Ship-Carpenter, and is such a Proficient in that Business, as not only to repair, but to build all Sorts of small Craft. The Day that he went off, he was accompanied by a dark Mulatto Fellow, named SCIPPIO, the Property of Mr. John McMillian of Prince-William County, in Virginia, of much the same Age and Size as himself. They crossed Patowmack-River together, in a Schooner's Boat, to the Maryland Shore, where they left her, and have, from that Time kept themselves undiscovered. As Billie was some Time last Summer brought from Carolina, (to which Place, under the Sanction of a forged Pass, he had travelled as a Freeman) it is more than probable that if he is not now engaged by some Ship-Builders to the Northward, that he will endeavour to get on board of some Craft, bound for Charles-Town, or to some Place in Carolina, where he expects to be free.

Whoever takes up the said Negro, or Mulatto, and brings One, or both, to the Subscriber, or to Mr. John Calvert, Manager of Col. Taylor's Mine-Bank, in Baltimore County, or will secure them, so as they may be had again, shall receive, for each, a Reward of Five Pounds, if taken Forty Miles from home, or the above Reward, if at a greater Distance from the said Mr. John Calvert, or from

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THOMAS LAWSON.

October 14, 1768.

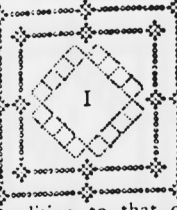
STOLEN last Night, from the Subscriber, living in Prince-George's County, near Upper-Marlborough, a likely bright bay HORSE, Four Years old, and about 14 and a Half-Hands high, branded on the near Buttock, B; he paces, trots, and gallops, and carries his Head high, when rode.

Whoever secures the said Horse, so as I may get him again, shall have Thirty Shillings Reward, and Five Pounds for the Thief, if he be convicted, paid by

BENJAMIN HALL, (Son of FRANCIS.)

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