

Authors and Indicators of the late Disorders, to beseech his Majesty, that he will be graciously pleased to direct his Majesty's Governor of Massachusetts-Bay, to take the most effectual Methods for procuring the fullest Informations that can be obtained, touching all Treasons, and Misprisions of Treasons, committed within the Government since the 30th of December last; and to transmit the same, together with the Names of the Persons, who were most active in Commission of such Offences, to one of his Majesty's principal Secretaries of State, in order that his Majesty may issue a special Commission for enquiring of, hearing and determining the said Offences within this Realm, pursuant to the Provision of the Statute of the 15th Year of the Reign of King Henry the Eighth, if his Majesty shall, upon receiving said Information, see sufficient Ground for such a Proceeding.

March 16. On Monday last, according to Desire, there was a Meeting at the House of Bolton and Sigel, of the Subscribers to the Agreement for Non-Importation of Goods, when, we hear, a Committee was appointed to inquire into and inspect all European Importations, in order to a strict Compliance with the said Agreement, and also to correspond with the other Colonies.

By our late Accounts from South-Carolina, we have Reason to think they will very soon come into a similar Agreement, and also, not to import, or purchase one imported Slave.

EXTRAORDINARY ANECDOTE.

DURING the Troubles in the Reign of Charles I. a Country Girl came to London in search of a Place as a Servant-Maid; but not succeeding, she applied herself to carry out Beer from a Brew-House, and was one of those then called Tub-Women. The Brewer observing a well-looking Girl in this low Occupation, took her into his Family as a Servant, and after a while married her; but he died while she was yet a young Woman, and left her a large Fortune.—The Business of the Brewery was dropped, and the young Widow was recommended to Mr. Hyde, as a Gentleman of Skill in the Law, to settle her Husband's Affairs. Hyde (who was afterwards the great Earl of Clarendon) finding the Widow's Fortune very considerable, married her: Of this Marriage there was no other Issue than a Daughter, who was afterwards the Wife of James II. and Mother of Mary and Anne, Queens of England.

ANNAPOLIS, March 30.

Arrived in Nanticoke River, the Brigantine Molly, Capt. Dashiell, from Bristol.—On the 25th of February, in Latitude 23° 40' Longitude 52° the spoke the Snow Humer, Capt. Robert Christie, from Glasgow, bound to James River, out Five Weeks, all well.

TO THE PRINTERS.

Prince-George's County, March 15, 1769.

AS ANDREW BEALL thought proper to certify, in your Gazette, of the 22d of December last, that I was a Liar, and has since, on being called on by me, to prove his Assertion, published a long Letter in the Gazette of February 23d, for that Purpose; I think it necessary for me to justify myself; and, although I think both he and I are of too little Importance, to trouble the Public with our Disputes; yet, when so much Pains has been taken to make my Character odious to the whole Province, it is to be hoped I shall stand excused for troubling the Public with Things, which, otherwise, ought never to come before them.

ANDREW BEALL is a Person with whom I never had any Connexion, and knew very little of, before he applied to me to sign his Recommendation, for being Inspector at Bladenburg; and, as that Transaction gave rise to all the Abuse he has loaded me with, both in Public, and in the Neighbourhood, I shall relate the Affair exactly as it happened, and it will appear, in many Circumstances, to be a very different Tale, from what he has told. He came to me on the Sunday before the Meeting of the Vestry, for the Choice of Inspectors, and called me aside, just as I was going into the Church, and asked me to sign a Paper for him: I asked what Paper it was, and he answered, a Recommendation for his being an Inspector: I had never heard a Word about the Affair before; and, as I had only known him as a Singing-Master, it could not be supposed that I was a Judge, whether he was a proper Person for that Office, or not: I therefore asked him, what the Gentlemen, in, or about Bladenburg, thought of him? And he said, they were all for him; I then asked for the Paper, and he said, he had left it with some People behind the Chapel. On this, we both went to the Back of the Chapel, where there was a Number of People, some sitting, and some standing. I took the Paper, and glanced over it very slightly, not having the least Suspicion that he had told me a Falshood, my Attention being engaged to see the Peoples Names, who had already signed it; and, I solemnly declare, that I did not take Notice of the Word BLADENBURGH, being in it; nor, did I ever know it was, 'til he told me of it afterwards. Whilst we were disputing on the Subject, I sat down, and signed my own Name, and then, at Mr. BEALL'S Desire, wrote several other Peoples Names, who were present, and gave their Consent. I then gave the Paper to ANDREW BEALL, and entered into Conversation with HUGH WILSON, who sat next me; after which I left the Company, to go into the Church, and ANDREW BEALL, I think, came away from the Company at the same Time. While I stayed, neither he, nor any other Person, read the Paper aloud, in my Hearing; nor did I hear him make any such Declaration, as is mentioned in his Certificate.

On my coming afterwards to Bladenburg, and finding ANDREW BEALL would be disagreeable to all the Merchants, as an Inspector, and also to many Planters, who knew him, I mentioned his having told me the Bladenburg People were all for him, and I wrote a Certificate to that Purpose, in JOHN BEALL'S Recommendation, which I understand is now in the Hands of his Excellency the Governor. When ANDREW found that he could not prevail on me to retract what I had said, either by his Threats, or his scurrilous Language, of which he is well known to be very liberal of,

to every Person that disoblige him. He prevailed on Four of the People who were present when I signed his Paper, to subscribe, or make their Marks to a Certificate, which he had ready drawn, to answer his Purpose: That those People heard him read the Recommendation, (which was drawn up by himself) and make the Declaration he mentions, I do not doubt; but, how he prevailed on them to put their Names to the other Things in their Certificate, which are utterly false, can only be conceived by those who know how much Artifice and Cunning he is capable of. Two of those very People, deny now, that they ever said they knew whether or not I heard the Paper read, or him declare that he was opposed by the Three Gentlemen mentioned, as will appear from their Certificate annexed, which differs much from the one he has published; and the Person who sat next me when I signed, and until I left the Place, heard nothing of its being read, as will appear also by his Certificate, which was taken down from his own Mouth by another Person, and afterwards read to him, Word for Word, before he signed it, and a Copy of it left in his Possession.

ANDREW BEALL, at first, and for a considerable Time asserted, That, when I asked him, what the Bladenburg People thought of him, he told me, that Messieurs Henderson, Dick, and Leitch, had recommended John Beall, and that I said I was surprised those Gentlemen should oppose him, in Favour of John Beall; but, finding he could not gain Credit, or make any Part of that Tale be believed, he has now had Recourse to the Artifice of imposing on those People, by wheedling them to sign what they knew nothing of. As to what Thomas Crawford declares, of my having told him afterwards, "That, notwithstanding what I had said, I still preferred Mr. Andrew Beall," it is utterly void of Truth. I have asked him, where it was that I told him so, and he mentioned a Time and Place; and, I can prove, by the Testimony of Mr. John Hill, that the said Crawford had left the Place before I came to it. Andrew says, "that I acknowledged, before Mr. Dick, his young Man, and Mr. Deakins, that I did read the Recommendation Letter, which before I had told the young Man I did not read; and, that after we had talked over the Matter, he went out of the Store, and I followed him, and desired to speak with him, telling him, I had never met with any Thing that gave me so much Uneasiness as the receiving his Letter, and that I had not slept the whole Night." The Foundation he builds this Part of his Story on, is this: On my telling him of his assuring me all the People in Bladenburg, were for him, he asserted the contrary, and asked me if I had not read his Paper; on which I said, I believed what he had told me at the Time I asked him, and when I took the Paper in my Hand, I looked so slightly over it, that I did not take Notice what was in it. Instead of my following him out of Mr. Dick's Store, he followed me, and made Use of much Threatning and Abuse, to induce me to retract what I had said; and, as some Time before that, I had hurt my Arm by a Fall from my Horse, which was then in a Sling; and he heard me tell Mr. Dick, it was very painful, and had deprived me of Sleep all Night, he has given this Conversation an artful Turn, by saying I told him so, that he might raise a Conjecture in the Mind of the Reader, that my not Sleeping, proceeded from an Uneasiness of my Mind, and my Conduct towards him.

If Mr. Beall was as well known over the whole Province, as I have lately learned he is in the Lower Parts of Prince-George's, and Upper Parts of Frederick Counties, it would be needless for me to trouble myself, or the Public, about any Thing he says; but, as the Public know little of either him, or me, I hope I shall stand excused for taking up a little more of their Time in pointing out One or Two Instances, among many, of this Man's extreme Assurance, I believe, I shall be excused in calling it Impudence.

He says, "It has been maliciously, and industriously spread, to the Prejudice of his Character, that he had made Use of Peoples Names, without having any Authority so to do; and calls them Liars, whoever they be, that reported it."—It has been proved, by the positive and solemn Affirmation of one Person of good Character, that Andrew Beall made Use of his Name, without his Authority; and his Affirmation is corroborated and demonstrated to be true, by the Affirmation of Two other Persons of unexceptionable Characters also. I relate the above from Information, and I believe, I run no Risk of its being made appear, that I have been misinformed; but, what follows, I was an Eye-Witness of, as well as many others, who were drawn together at Mr. Church's Tavern, in Bladenburg, in order to hear what Proofs Andrew could bring against another Man's Character, which he had aspersed in a cruel Manner, with a View, I suppose, to get him left out of the Nomination of Inspectors, at the next Election, by the Vestry, that he might himself have another Chance of becoming an Inspector. The Evidences, who were Men of too much Knowledge and Spirit, to sign Certificates of Andrew's composing, declared what they knew; and it appeared that Andrew wanted to make a Mountain of a Mole-Hill. The Person, who had taken some Pains to show what the Man was capable of, who had accused him, in order to deprive him of an Office he has held several Years, with Credit to himself, and Satisfaction to the Public, produced a Man, who proved this same Andrew Beall, (who insists on being made an Inspector) sold him, this Man, whose Name is Beckwith, a blind Horse, which Horse he would not take back, until Beckwith gave him Seven Pounds. Andrew acknowledged the Horse was blind, but solemnly asserted; over and over, to the whole Company, that he did not know he was blind, when he sold him to Beckwith; for, the Man he had bought him from, had cheated him.—On which a Certificate was produced from under the Hand of a Gentleman, (who has long been, and is now, a Member of the Honourable the Lower-House of Assembly, and whose Hand-Writing was well known to several People who were present) that Andrew Beall told him on the Road, when he was bringing down the Horse, from the Back-Woods, that he had been buying some Horses, one of which he had discovered to be blind. Notwithstanding this, Andrew still supported himself, and he declared boldly the Gentleman was a Liar, his common Language on

all Occasions, when he cannot make any other Defence. When he was pressed, on another Occasion, in a Public Company, in the same Tavern, in regard to his Behaviour in Private Life, in other Points, as concerning the Character of a Man who aim'd at being an Inspector, he gave an Answer boldly and impudently, in the Face of a whole Company, which I must leave to himself to repeat, in case he should trouble you with another Publication in Defence of his Character; which he certainly ought to do, against himself; as he has very much darkened it of late, tho' he still keeps insisting, that nothing is dearer to a Man than his Reputation; which is certainly true, where a Man has any to lose. For my own Part, I have done with him, and shall leave his Character to the Mercy of his Neighbours. I have been brought up to other Business, than spending my Time in sending and proving; but I am not a young a Gentleman, as not to have adopted the old-fashioned Maxim, that no Man is fit for a Public Trust, (and least of all for an Inspector) who does not behave both in private and public, so as to acquire the Esteem and Confidence of those who are deeply interested in its being discharged with Candour and Integrity. WILLIAM BEKRY.

Prince-George's County, March 15, 1769.

I HUGH WILSON, of Prince-George's County, do hereby certify, That I was present at the Time when William Berry signed Andrew Beall's Recommendation for his being Inspector at Bladenburg; and, that the said Berry and Beall, came both together to the Place where several People and myself were, behind the Chapel, when Andrew Beall gave the Paper to William Berry, who look'd at it, and ask'd Andrew Beall if James Wilson's Name was wrote by himself, and, I think, Andrew told him, it was; on which William Berry said, He thought James Wilson wrote a better Hand; and Andrew Beall replied, that he wrote it on his Knee, or something to that Purpose; then Mr. Berry signed it, and also wrote the Names of some other People who were present. After he had done this, he gave the Paper either to Mr. Beall, or Thomas Crawford, I cannot say which; and immediately fell into Conversation with me, who was sitting next him, which Conversation lasted a very little while, and then Mr. Berry and Mr. Beall walked away together to the East-End of the Chapel. Although I was present the whole Time, I never heard either Mr. Beall, or any other Person, read the Paper, either before, or after Mr. Berry signed it; nor did I read it myself, before I signed it, not having my Spectacles with me, I only saw Mr. Wilson's Name, and Two or Three others, whom I knew. To the Truth of the above, I am ready to make Oath, if called on. HUGH WILSON.

WE do hereby certify, that all we know, or will swear, in regard to what pass between William Berry and Andrew Beall, at Mr. Addison's Chapel, the Sunday William Berry signed Andrew Beall's Recommendation, is as follows, viz.

They came up to the Company, where we were, and William Berry took the Recommendation, and looking at it, asked Andrew Beall, whether that was James Wilson, our former Inspector, that had signed it? The said Beall said it was; William Berry said, he thought James Wilson wrote a better Hand: With that Beall said, he wrote that on his Knee; then William Berry signed; then the said Andrew Beall asked William Berry to sign Four others, which he did: Then Andrew taking the Paper, and standing near William Berry's Feet, and reading out; then he, the said Andrew Beall, did say, Richard Henderson, Robert Dick, and Andrew Leitch, or we think, to the best of our Remembrance, Words to that Effect, were against him: Whether William Berry heard what Andrew Beall said, we cannot tell; though we never heard William Berry make any Answer. As witnesses our Hands, this 27th of February 1769.

ZACHARIAH SCOTT, his mark. SHADOCK LANHAM, mark.

BY AUTHORITY, At the New Theatre in ANNAPOLIS, BY THE NEW AMERICAN COMPANY OF COMEDIANS, ON SATURDAY NEXT, Being the First of APRIL, Will be presented, a COMEDY, called THE MIMICRY, WITH THE DEVIL TO PAY.

On MONDAY, will be presented, the TRAGEDY of HAMLET, PRINCE OF DENMARK. The Part of HAMLET will be attempted by the GENTLEMAN that lately performed OTHELLO.

To which will be added, a COMEDY of Two ACTS, called, THE MAYOR OF GARRETT.

And, on SATURDAY the 8th Instant, For the BENEFIT of Mr. VERLING, Will be presented, the HISTORICAL PLAY of RICHARD III.

With a FARCE, (never perform'd here) called POLLY HONEYCOMB. The Part of POLLY HONEYCOMB to be performed by Mrs. OSBORNE, being her first Appearance on this Stage.

TICKETS to be had at Mr. KNAPP'S, near the Town-Gate, and at the Bar of the Theatre. Lower Boxes, 7 s. 6 d.—Pit, and Upper Boxes, 5 s.—The Doors to be open'd at Four, and the Play to begin precisely at Six o'Clock.

For the Convenience of such Passengers as reside at the Lower End of the Town, TICKETS may be had at Mr. Williams's Store, on the Dock.

Annapolis, M. To be SOLD by the SUBSCRIBERS. THE Time of a Servant MAN, to serve between Six and Seven Years to serve Trade a Gardiner, and can knit Seams. For further Particulars, apply to WILLIAM BERRY.

He also intends selling the Lease of a House, he at present possesses.

JUST IMPORTED by the ELIZABETH, Capt. CHRYSTIE, and to be SOLD by the SUBSCRIBERS Store in Queen-Anne, on very reasonable Terms an Assortment of EUROPEAN GOODS, suitable to the different Tastes. RICHARD & SINGLETON.

Vienna, M. To be CHARTERED, to EUROPE, on the THE Brigantine MOLLY, by the Master, now lying at Vienna, on N. further One Hundred and Twenty Tons new Vessel, having only made one Voyage, and has excellent Accommodations. For Terms, apply to the Master ZACHARIAS.

WHEREAS the Subscriber has the Sheriff's Custody near Four Years of all Persons that have any Claims against the 10th of April next, without first showing their respective Claims, in order to be settled. Also, all Persons indebted to him to make Payment by the Time above appointed, wife they may depend, without Respect to the Law, after that Time, shall be dealt with according to Law, after that Time.—He likewise gives this Notice, unless his Creditors comes, and settles their Terms as he is able to comply with, at the next Session of Assembly, for Relief, VACHEL WORTH.

AN away last Night from the Subscriber on Kent-Island, Two Convict Servants EDWARD PONTING, born in Bristol, Years of Age, 5 Feet 6 or 7 Inches high, prudent Look, thin Visage, with brown Hair, by Trade a Shoemaker, and has some of the Upper Part of his Hands, near the Thumb, are unknown: Had on, when he went away, a blue coloured Wilton Coat, spotted Flannel, a Pair of half worn Leather Breeches, a Pair of Stockings, old Shoes, with plated Buckle, and a Check Shirt.

EVAN DAVIS, born in Wales, or thereabout, about 30 Years of Age, 5 Feet 6 or 7 Inches high, a well set Fellow, round Visage, which turns up at the End, sandy Colour, has short curled or frizzled Hair; he speaks English, but a little in the Welsh Dialect bred to the Plantation Business: Had with him, when he went away, Two shoes uppermost double breasted, of blue cloth, white Metal Buttons, the other yellow Flannel, or Swankin, a Pair of blue cloth, much worn, and mended on the Knees, Two Pair of Stockings, the one of either white Yarn, or Cotton, a good pair with broad Brafs Buckles, an Olabrish Felt Hat almost new.—Whoever takes care of said Convicts, so that their Masters again, shall receive, for each, Thirty Shillings what the Law allows, and reasonable charges brought home, paid by SAMUEL JONATHAN.

THERE is at the Plantation of Nanticoke, up as a Stray, a middle sized bay MARE, Years old, neither dock'd nor branded, has a white Spot on her off Shoulder. The Owner may have her again, on pertry, and paying Charges.

ANNAPOLIS R. ON Tuesday the Second Day of May STAKE Match, for SIXTY GUINEAS to be run over the Race-Ground, near the City, ON Wednesday, will be run for, a PURSE of HUNDRED POUNDS Current Money, for any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, the Heats, Four Miles each Heat: If run old, every Horse, &c. to carry 8 Stone, Bridle and Saddle included; Five Year Six Years old, 9 Stone 3 Pounds; and 10 Years old, 10 Stone 3 Pounds.

ON the Day following, to be run for, Conditions, the Remainder of the Subscribers, and each Day's Remainder.—Every Person, Horse, Mare, or Gelding, for the Week shall enter the same with Mr. WILLIAM BERRY, the Monday preceding the Race, with left satisfactory Vouchers of his, or her, for the same Time, if a Subscriber, he shall not a Subscriber, &c. Entrance.—For Purse, every Horse, &c. shall be entered per day preceding, and satisfactory Vouchers of his, or her Age, and pay Entrance, 20 s. and all others, 40 s.—Starting will be, between One and Two of the Afternoon.—Judges will be appointed to terminate all Disputes which may arise; and if they prove very bad, they are at Liberty to race to the next Day.

Fig-Point, M. The Subscriber intending for ENGLAND, desires all Persons indebted to him, to discharge their respective Balances, and those that have Claims against him, to bring them in, that they may be settled with hopes, those who have favoured him, with their Custom, at Fig-Point, to settle their Accounts, by the next Fair, as that is the utmost Time given. RALPH.