

granted by the Deputy-Commissionaries, I never had... until very lately, the least Reason to believe that the Legality of that Charge ever could, or would be questioned.

Sworn to the Truth of the above, Nov. 17th 1770. before ROBT. COUDEN.

BY the Committee appointed to inspect the publick Offices, and to enquire from the several Officers, their Deputies, Registers, or Clerks, into the annual Amount of the Fees that have accrued due to the said Officers of this Province for Seven Years last past.

In Obedience to the Order of the Honourable House, your Committee have inquired into the Amount of Fees in several of the Offices, and do report as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Fees. Rows for 1763, 1764, 1765, 1766, 1767, 1768, 1769.

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Two of your Committee applied to the Examiner, for the Account of his Fees for Seven Years last past, who answered, in general, that he had not made any List of Fees but what were sent to the Sheriffs annually, and could only know the Amount by having Recourse to their Accounts and Returns, and at present was unable to do it.

Your Committee applied also to the Register of the Commissary's Office, and were informed, by Letter from him, that he was so unwell as to be incapable of leaving his Bed; that he was ready to give all the Information in his Power; that to the best of his Remembrance the Fees in 1763, and 1764, amounted to about 224,000, in 1765, and the following Years down to 1769, to about 230,000, and in 1769, by Reason of Papers not coming timely to Hand to charge in the preceding Year's Fees, they amounted to about 230,000.

Your Committee afterwards understanding Mr. Felkne was better, went to his Office again, and obtained a Sight of his Fee Books, many of which we found not added up or the Fees listed, and in some Years, where the Amount was cast up, the same was marked by Letters, the Solution of which your Committee not being acquainted with, could come at no Certainty: Those Fee Books they could best understand they did examine, particularly in 1768, and found the total Amount 236,699, and in 1769, the total Amount was 263,149.

The Amount of Fees furnished by the Clerk of the Land-Office was as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Fees. Rows for 1763, 1764, 1765, 1766, 1767, 1768, 1769.

All which is submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House. Signed per Order, JOHN JOHNSON, Clk. Com.

SECOND REPORT

BY the Committee appointed to inspect the publick Offices, and to inquire from the several Officers, their Deputies, Registers, or Clerks, into the annual Amount of the Fees that have accrued due to the said Officers of this Province for Seven Years last past.

Since giving in our former Report relative to the Examiner-General, and the other Officers, your Committee have received from the Clerk of the Comptrol and Examiner-General, an Estimate of the Amount of his Fees in both those Departments for the Years 1766, 1767, and 1769, which are as followeth:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Fees. Rows for 1767, 1768, 1769.

EXAMINER GENERAL

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All which is submitted to the Consideration of the Honourable House. Signed per Order, JOHN JOHNSON, Clk. Com.

On Motion, ORDERED, That the Report of the Committee appointed to inspect the publick Offices, and to inquire from the several Officers, their Deputies, Registers, or Clerks, into the annual Amount of the Fees that have accrued due to the said Officers of this Province for Seven Years last past, of the Third Day of October, and also the Report of the same Committee of the Twelfth Day of October, be printed in the next Week's Maryland Gazette, and be continued for Six Weeks successively.

JOHN DUCKETT, Clk. Lo. Ho.

W A N T E D, CLERK in the PREROGATIVE-OFFICE, Apply to ELIE VALLETTE, Registrar.

December 8, 1770.

THE Two Houses of Assembly, in their last Session, having agreed, as Part of an Inspection Bill, that the Clergy's Dees should be paid in Tobacco, at 30 per Poll, or on 32lb of Tobacco at Twelve Shillings and Six-pence common Money per Cent. which would be Four Shillings common Money on each Taxable; but from an unhappy Difference in Sentiment between those Branches of the Legislature, on other Points, that Bill failed, whereby the Clergy are legally entitled to 40lb of Tobacco per Poll, payable in Tobacco only without any Deduction; I am so far from being desirous of any Deduction; I am so far from being desirous of even Inconvenience of any Parishioners, many of whom make no Tobacco, that I hereby direct the Sheriff to receive Four Shillings common Money from each Taxable within this Parish, in Lieu of, and as a Compensation for the 40lb of Tobacco, due from such Taxable, who shall offer to make such Payment, on or before the 10th Day of June.—I propose this Compromise to take Place in all future Payments, until, and only until a general Provision for the Clergy of this Province shall be made by a future Law.

THOMAS CHASE, Rector of St. Paul's Parish, Baltimore County.

Annapolis, December 18, 1770. To be sold at publick Vendue, at the Coffee-House at Annapolis, on Thursday the 26th Instant,

TWO Country born NEGROES, Part of the Estate of William Kirkland, lately deceased, for Cash or Credit, by JOHN BRICE, Administrator.

A. B. All those who have purchased at the late Sale, are desired to pay for the same to prevent Trouble.

Alexandria, December 13, 1770.

The Subscribers have on Hand for SALE, A Quantity of good Jamaica Spirits in Hogheads, 7 casks, and smaller Quantities; Roshon Rum, by the Hoghead, or Tercel. Also choice Muscovadoe Sugar, by the Hoghead, or Barrel, Coffee, Ginger, and Allspice, on very reasonable Terms, for Bills of Exchange, or Cash, and will allow the best Prices for Indian Corn, Wheat, and Flower, delivered at Alexandria.

ROBERT ADAM, & Co Baltimore-Town, December 10, 1770.

W A N T E D, Freight to any Part of Europe or the West-Indies, for the Ship TROMAN, Bristol built, Berthen about 400 Hogheads of Tobacco, Joseph Birkhead Master, now lying in Patuxent River, Maryland, and is a remarkable fine Ship, very fit to carry Grain. Any Gentleman inclinable to treat for Freight for said Ship, may apply to the Captain, or JONATHAN FLOWMAN.

MR. JOSEPH COUDEN, who formerly kept the FREE-SCHOOL of Cecil County, and is now Master of the Kent County School in Chestertown, after a long and very diligent Inquiry, has lately had an Usher well recommended to him, who is thought well qualified for that Purpose, upon a proper Examination made by the Visitors. Such Persons as may desire Mr. Couder's the Honour to entrust their Children or Wards to his Care for Instruction, may depend on his and his Assistant's utmost Diligence and Attention both to their Literature and Morals. Good Lodgings are to be had in the Town on reasonable Terms.

Dec. 8, 1770. Published by Order of the Visitors.

December 4, 1770. I do hereby certify, that Edward Tilden, Esq; hath this Day given Notice to me, One of his Lordship's Justices of the Peace for Queen Anne County, that he hath taken up and secured at his Dwelling-Plantation on Wye River, in Queen Anne County aforesaid, a SCOW, Eighteen Feet and a Half long Six Feet wide, with Pine Sides, and Oak Bottom, which the Owner may have on Payment of reasonable Costs and Charges; First proving his Property to the said Scow agreeable to Law.

GEORGE GARNETT.

THE Subscriber being incapable of paying and settling with his Creditors, or of disposing of his real Estate, by Reason of Mortgages, Judgments, and other Incumbrance against it, request therefore, that all his Creditors would attend either in Person or by Deputy at Baltimore-Town, on the 14th, 15th, 16th, or 17th Day of January next; at which Time he will attend and surrender up, on Oath, all his real and personal Estate, and will convey the same to such Trustees as his Creditors shall nominate and appoint, to be sold and applied for their Benefit, and for every One of them to receive in proportion to their several just Claims.—Provided his Creditors, and every of them upon such Surrender and Conveyance, will release him from their several Judgments, Executions, Suits, Claims, and all Demands whatsoever; he will attend at Mr. Little's Tavern.

VACHEL WORTHINGTON.

TEN POUNDS REWARD, December 5, 1770.

STOLEN last Night from Mount Royal Forge, near Baltimore-Town, a dark bay Gelding, of the English running-bred, is a round made Horse, and shews but little of the Blood, about 7 Years old, 14 Hands and an Half high, branded on the near Shoulder I. F. with the mark of a Heart on the Top: He has some gray Hairs in his Forehead, a hanging Mane and switch Tail, food all round, gallops, trots, and paces, has some white on the inside of One of his hind Feet.

Whoever brings said Horse to the Subscriber, and secures the Thief, so that he may be brought to Justice, shall have the above Reward, or Eight Dollars for the Horse.

JAMES FRANKLIN.

N. B. It is supposed the Horse was stole by Thomas Grant, an Englishman, about 29 Years of Age, 5 Feet 8 Inches high, fresh Colour, wears brown Hair tied behind: Had on, an old Beakkin furotout Coat, German serge Jacket and Breeches, of a redish Colour, Felt Hat, Country Shoes, and yellow Buckles. He served his Time at the Baltimore Iron-Works on Patuxent, in Maryland, and had a Discharge from Clement Brooke in July last.

THERE is at the Plantation of the Widow Dowden, living in Frederick County, taken up as a Stray, a brindle Steer, Four Years old, marked with a Crop in each Ear, and a Slit in the Right. The Subscriber has had him appraised.

The Owner may have the Money he was appraised at, proving Property and paying Charges.

THERE is at the Plantation of Amos Wright, living on Lingantze, in Frederick County, taken up as a Stray, an Iron gray Mare, between 2 and 3 Years old, paces naturally, branded on the near Shoulder unknown what, with a large Bell tied on with a Leather Strap, and a large Buckle.

The Owner may have her again, on proving Property and paying Charges.

The DROPSY undertaken (no Cure no Pay)

BY the Subscriber, living in the Town of Vienna, on Nanticoke River, in Dorchester County; he having had great Success in a Method of Cure, without Tapping, for Twelve Years last past, hereby gives Notice, that he will undertake all dropsical Patients, whose Disorders are not mortally complicated with a Consumption of the Lungs or Stone in the Kidneys or Bladder, &c. provided they will board convenient to him, furnish themselves with such Necessaries as he shall direct for their Regimen, giving him a reasonable Time for Administration; and that in such Case, if he does not relieve them he will not expect any Satisfaction for his Medicines and Attendance: He also thinks proper to inform those afflicted with this Disorder, that he looks upon those dropsical Indispositions which proceed from the Ague, slow Fevers, or Loss of Blood, as most certainly curable, by following proper Prescriptions. All those who have Thoughts of Trial under his Care need not doubt Board and good Nursing in this Town, they bringing suitable Bedding with them.

WILLIAM WHELAND.

St. Mary's County, Dec. 5, 1770.

On the 20th Day of February next ensuing, shall be SOLD, at Publick Vendue, in the Premises, ALL the Real Estate of Richard Heard, late of the said County, deceased, agreeable to an Act of Assembly, in that Case provided, for the Payment of the Debt of the said Richard Heard; that is to say, One Tract called Thompson's Purchase, formerly called Mary Taylor's Plantation, lying in the said County, containing 180 Acres, one other Tract of Parcel of Land in the same County, being Part of the Cross Manor, containing 100 Acres. Also One other Tract or Parcel of Land, called Cross-Manor, lying in the County aforesaid, containing Three Acres. Also Part of a Tract of Land, now called Heard's Lot, formerly called the Cross, lying in the said County, containing one Acre. A Copy of the Act of Assembly for the Sale of the above Lands, properly authenticated, will be shown by the Subscriber at the Time of Sale, (as before) if required, for the Information and Satisfaction of any Person inclinable to purchase.

JOHN HEARD.

December 4, 1770. To be SOLD, on Monday the 7th of January next, if fair, if not, the next fair Day, at the late Dwelling-House of Mary Hammond, deceased, on the North Side of Severn River,

A PARCEL of Country born NEGROES, consisting of Men, Women, and Boys, also all the Stock of Horses, black Cattle, Hogs and Utensils of the said Plantation, for ready Money. The Sale to begin at 11 o'Clock, and continue till all are sold. GREENHURY HAMMOND, Executor.

N. B. All Persons who have any Claims against the Estate of Mary Hammond, are desired to bring them in legally proved, and those who are indebted to the said Estate are desired to make speedy Payment.

JOHN HAMMOND.

November 20, 1770. ALL Persons having any Claims against the Estate of John Bradford, late of Prince George's County, deceased, are desired to bring them in; that they may be adjusted, and those indebted to make immediate Payment.

GEORGE DIGGES, Administrator.

JONATHAN JONES, Sealer of Tobacco, in Gay-Street, near the upper Bridge, in Baltimore-Town, at the House of Gerard Hopkins, Cabinet-Maker.

MAKES and sells the following Kinds, after the neatest and most fashionable Manner, viz. Square Candles, hunting, hide common, and common Mens Hunting, Trays. All Foreign Orders when received will be punctually complied with, as he has now on Hand, a good Assortment which he will dispose of on reasonable Terms, with an Allowance to those that take a Quantity. For further Particulars enquire as above.

Baltimore County, Nov. 15, 1770.

THE Creditors of John Cromwell, late of Annapolis County, deceased, are desired forthwith to make known the Amount and Nature of their respective Claims to the Subscriber (who will either undertake the Execution of the Deceased's Will, or, on Request, assist such Person or Persons, as shall be appointed to the Administration of the Estate) in order that the same may be adjusted and satisfied, so far as the said Estate shall extend.

GEORGE RISTEAU.

THE Subscriber has set up Store at Elk Ridge Landing, where he sells the following Articles Wholesale and Retail, viz. West-India Rum, Loaf and Muscovado Sugar, Molasses, Chocolate, Tea, Rice, Candles, hard Soap, Snuff, coarse and fine Salt. As he has an Opportunity of being supplied with the above Articles at the best Hand, those who are pleased to favour him with their Custom, may depend on being served on the most reasonable Terms for Cash, Wheat, Corn, or Flax-Seed.

WALTER DENT.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away on the 11th Instant from the Subscriber, living at St. Catharines, near Killman's, by George's Creek, Allegany Mountain, an Irish Convict Servant Man, named THOMAS BURN, alias BRYAN, about 26 Years of Age, 5 Feet 6 Inches high, blind of the left Eye, wears his own Hair, and is by Trade a Mason: Had on, and took with him a Blanket Coat, Two Osnaburg Shirts, Two Pair of Trowsers, a Surtout Coat, and Felt Hat. Whoever secures the said Servant, so that his Master gets him again, shall receive the above Reward, and reasonable Charges if brought home, paid by THOMAS FRENCH.

N. B. He is remarkably cut on the Buttocks by a Flogging he received from a former Master, and it is probable he may change his Name.

Elk-Ridge, December 4, 1770.

MY late Uncle, Mr. William Hall, of Elk-Ridge, by his last Will, appointed me his Executor, I have accordingly taken out Letters, and hereby give Notice to all Persons indebted, on open Accounts or otherwise, to come to the Store at Elk-Ridge, and settle their Affairs with Mr. Edward Gaither, who I have authorized for that Purpose: Those who ought now to pay I hope will do so without Trouble: Those who want and deserve Indulgence may expect to have it, upon proper Surety; and all those who have any just Claims against my deceased Uncle, are desired to send in their Accounts properly authenticated.

There is on Hand a large Assortment of valuable Goods, which I have ordered to be sold, in Wholesale or Retail, on very moderate Terms, and I have ordered a Ship from London into Patuxent early in the Spring with Goods, effectually to supply the Store, and to give all my Friends, in the Neighbourhood of Elk-Ridge, an Opportunity of freight-ing their Tobacco early, so that all my Uncle's old Customers, and all those who think to begin a Correspondence with me, may depend on the utmost Care and Attention to their Interests and Convenience, as long as I shall or my Sons are capable of Business.

I am now engaged in inventorying and appraising all the Personal Estate, and on Thursday the 20th of December, I shall sell, at my late Uncle's Plantation, a large Parcel of valuable Country born NEGROES, Men, Women, Boys and Girls; several Horses and other Things; and I shall continue the Sale till all are sold. Credit will be allowed to the Buyers, if they desire it, upon good Security, and paying Interest.

STEPHEN WEST.

Annapolis, August 31, 1770.

RAN away from the Subscriber, on the 20th Instant, a Convict Servant Man, named JOHN JONES, by Trade a Bricklayer, Plasterer, and Stucco-worker; he has a Cut on his Forehead, and One down his Nose, is about 5 Feet 7 Inches high, 28 Years of Age, and wears his own short black Hair: Had on, when he went away, a black Hair Stock, lined with red; a blue Cloth Coat, red Jacket, a Pair of black Ruckkin Breeches, mingled Worked Horse, a Pair of English Shoes, and large Blay Buckles, on which is My Trade stroke, Wilkes and Liberty, Number 45. Whoever takes up, or secures said Servant, so that his Master may have him again, shall receive, if Thirty Miles from home, Thirty Shillings, if Forty Miles, Forty Shillings; and, if out of the Province, Five Pounds.

JOHN UNSWORTH.