

POETS CORNER

To the very worthy and respectable Inhabitants of Annapolis, the humble Petition of their OLD CHURCH Stewards,

THAT, Late in Century the last, By private Bounty, here were plac'd My sacred Walls; and tho', in Truth, Their Stile and Manner be uncouth; Yet, whilst no Structure met mine Eye, That even with myself could vie, A goodly Edifice I seem'd, And Pride of all Saint-Anne's was deem'd. How chang'd the Times! for now, all round, Unnumber'd stately Piles abound, All better built, and looking down On Me quite antiquated grown. Left unrepair'd, to Time a Prey, I feel my Vitals fast decay: And often have I heard it said, That some good People are afraid, Left I should tumble on their Head. Of which, indeed, this seems a Proof— They seldom come beneath my Roof. The Stadt-House, that, for publick Good, With me co-eval long had stood; With me full many a Storm had dar'd, Is now at length to be repair'd: Or, rather, to be built anew, An Honour to the Land and you. Whilst I, alone, not worth your Care, Am left your sad Neglect to bear. With Grief, in yonder Field, hard by, A Sister-ruin I espy; Old Bladen's Palace, once so fam'd, And now too well, The Folly nam'd. Her Roof all tott'ring to decay, Her Walls a mould'ring all away; She says, or seems to say, to me, "Such too, ere long, thy Fate shall be." Tho' now for ever gone and lost, I blush to say, how little Cost The handsome Pile would have preserv'd, Till some new Praefect had deserv'd A Mansion here, from us, to have As good as Carolina gave. But Party, Faction (Fiends that still Have been the Foes of publick Weal) The Dogs of War against her slipp'd, And all her rising Honours nipp'd. Of Sunshine oft a casual Ray Breaks in upon a cloudy Day O'erwhelm'd with Woe; methinks, I see A Ray of Hope thus dart on me. Close at my Door, on my own Land, Plac'd there, it seems, by your Command, I've seen, I own, with some Surprise, A novel Structure sudden rise. There let the stranger stay, for me, If Virtue's Friend, indeed, she be. I would not, if I could, restrain, A moral Stage: yet, would I fain Of your Indulgence and Esteem, At least, an equal Portion claim. And, Decency, without my Prayers, Will surely whisper in your Ears, "To Pleasure, if such Care you shew, "A Mite to Duty, pray bestow." Say, does my Rival boast the Art One solid Comfort to impart, Or heal, like me, the broken Heart? Does she, like me, pour forth the Strain Of Peace on Earth, God will to Men? Merit she has; but, let me say, The highest Merit of a Play, Tho' Shakspeare wrote it, but to name With mine, were want of Sense or Shame. Why should I point to distant Times, To kindred and congerial Climes, Where, Spite of many a Host of Foes, * To God a mighty Temple rose? Why point to ev'ry Land beside Whose honest Aim it is, a Pride, However poor it be, yet still At least, to make God's House genteel? Here, in Annapolis alone, God has the meanest House in Town. The Premises considered, I With humble Confidence rely, That, Phenix-like, I soon shall rise, From my own Ashes to the Skies; Your Mite, at least, that you will pay, And your Petitioner shall pray, &c.

Cecil County, July 30, 1771. COMMITTED to my Custody as a Runaway, a Man who calls himself Charles Connelly, about 5 Feet 6 Inches high, well made: Has on, a brown Cloth Coat and Breeches, old white Jacket, and blue Worsted Stockings, says he came into Baltimore-Town with Captain Richard Hunter; he has a Pass signed by Mr. Andrew Buchanan, but it is supposed to be forged.—His Master (if any) is desired to pay Charges and take him away. (f) RICHARD THOMAS, Sheriff.

WILLIAM ROOKE

Has just imported in the Ship Camden, Capt. Richardson; and the Ship Eden, Capt. Nicholson, from London, and to be sold Wholesale and Retail, very cheap, for Cash, at his Corner Store, the Head of the Dock, Annapolis, a great Variety of GOODS, among which are the following Articles, viz.

OSNABRIGS, brown, white, Russia and Irish Sheeting, Russia Drab, Irish and German Doubls, 3-4 7-8, 4-4. Irish Linens, Bed Bunts, 3-4, 7-8, 4-4, and Apron Breadth Checks and Manchester Cotton Stripes, printed Cottons, Calicoes, and Linen, pencil'd and Copper-Plate ditto, India Nankeens, check and printed Handkerchiefs, Gauze and Lawn ditto, Silk and Muslin ditto, Book Muslin, Catgut, white Parisnet, plain, figured, striped, and spotted Silk Gauze, clear Lawns, fine sprigg'd Lawn Aprons, red Cardinals, plain ditto trimm'd with Ermine, black Sattin and pink Cardinals, plain ditto trimm'd with Ermine and Lace, trimmed and plain Silk Bonnets and Hats, India Pearl Necklaces, Wax ditto, black Velvet for Ladies Necks, great Variety of Silk Blond Lace, Rugs and Blankets, Camblets, Plaids, rich Damascules, Tammies and Durants, black Ruffel, Callimancoes, Irish Stuffs, Crape, pink Broglio, Serge Tenim, drest Tean, mixt Drab, scar et and green Coating, Frizes, plain, white, red, and embossed Flannels, fine French Paste set in Si ver, Ladies and Gentlemens Shoe Buckles, Knee, Stock; and Shirt; Broches ditto, Cruets and Stands, cut Diamond Gias with Silver Tops; Afortment of Ribband, Shoemakers Measures, Lasts, Hammers, Awls, Haft, Nippers and Pinchers; Mason's Trowels and Hammers, Plasterers Trowels, H Hinges, Stock Locks, Bras Cafe ditto, Iron ditto, Chelt, Cupboard, Box, Desk, Drawer and Padlocks; Currycombs and Brushes, Steel, plated, and Metal Spurs; plated, Steel, Pinchbeck, Platina, Bath Metal, Tin and mourning Shoe and Knee Buckles; Paper, enameled and Tin Snuff Boxes, Pocket Looking-Glasses, Slates and Pencils, Needles, Pins, Fishhooks, Hooks and Eyes, Japan'd, Iron, Tin, Bras and plated Candlesticks; Ladies and Gentlemens red, blue, green, and black Leather Pocket-Books, with or without Instruments; an Assortment of Stationary, Boot-Garters, Chaife and Horsewhips, Turkey and common Saddle-Cloths, Curb and Snaffle Bridles, Bridle-Bits, Girths, Saddle-Straps, Bridle Gun Locks, common ditto, Moule Traps, Wood Screws, smoothing Irons, Carpenters Irons, square 4 5 6 7 Inches Iron Bolts, Firmers, Gouges, Chizels, Socket Gouges and Chizels, Augers and plain Irons, Coopers Adzes and Hammers, belt Steel Tenant and Hand-saws, Files and Rasps assorted, Horn, fillegree, gilt and lacquered Buttons, Basket and Death-Head ditto, sewing Silk, Scarf and Twist, Breeches Patterns, Knee-Garters, coloured, stitching, Scotch and Nuns Thread; Silk Laces, Bobbin, Tapes, Gartering, Coat and Shoe Binding, Men and Womens Thread, Cotton, and Worsted Hoes; Penknives, Knives and Forks, Spices, Spectacles, Powder, Shot, and Flints; Sugar-Candy, Epsom and Glauber Salts, Spanish Liquorice, Turlington's Balsam, Godfrey's Cordial, Stoughton's Drops, Jesuits Bark, Hungary and Lavender Water, Ivory and Horn Combs; an Assortment of Tin Ware, ditto Pewter, Ditto Flint Glass, Copper Tea-Kettles, Coffee-Pots and Skellets, Bras Warming-Pans, best Crown Scythes and Stones, Shovel and Tongs, Womens black Sattin, Callimanco, Everlasting, and Leather Shoes; Mens Shoes and Pumps, Spades and Shovels, Seine Twine, Sail Twine, Bed Cords, Lead Lines, Drum, Rock and Perch Lines; Coffin Furniture, white and lacquered; bottled Perry, Gloucester Cheese, Saltpetre, Liverpool Salt; Also to be Sold, Pitch, Tar, and Turpentine; Jamaica Spirit, West-India and Country Rum, English and Philadelphia double and single refined Loaf Sugar, Muscovado ditto, Rice, Indigo, Starch and Blue, Soap and Candles, Mustard, Ginger, Raisins, fine Hyson Tea at 27s. 6d. per Pound, Green at 12s. and best Bohea Tea at 6s. per Pound, Chocolate at 1s. 8d. and Jamaica Coffee at 1s. 6d. &c. &c. (f)

Annapolis, August 7, 1771. WHEREAS it has been represented to his Excellency the Governor, that in the Night of Saturday the 3d Instant, the House of Mr. James Cheston, in Baltimore-Town, in Baltimore County, was broke open by some Person or Persons unknown, who stole out of a Desk, in the said House, a Sum of Money amounting to about Three Hundred and Thirty-three Pounds One Shilling and Sixpence; his Excellency, for the better discovering, and bringing to publick Justice, the Person or Persons concerned in the said Robbery, doth promise his Lordship's Pardon for such Offence, to any one of them (the Principal or Principals only excepted) who shall discover his, her or their Accomplice or Accomplices in the said Fact, so that he, she or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof. Signed by Order, U. SCOTT, Cl. Con. 1st And as a further Encouragement, the Subscriber, living in Baltimore-Town, in Baltimore County, doth promise a Reward of Fifty Pounds, to any one who shall make a Discovery of any Person or Persons concerned in the above-mentioned Offence, so that he, she or they, may be brought to Justice and convicted thereof. JAMES CHESTON.

ANNAPOLIS RACE

A PURSE of ONE HUNDRED GUINEAS, to be run for only by Horse, Mare, or Gelding, belonging to the Members of the JOCKEY CLUB; Heats 4 Miles each. Four Years old to carry 7 Stone, 5 Years 7 Stone 10lb. 6 Years 8 Stone 7lb. Aged 9 Stone.

On WEDNESDAY 25. A SUBSCRIPTION PURSE of FIFTY POUNDS, give and take; Heats 3 Miles; Horses aged, 14 Hands high, to carry 9 Stone; for every Year under to carry Half a Stone less; and Half a Stone more or less to be allowed for Horses over or under 14 Hands.

On THURSDAY 26. LADIES SUBSCRIPTION PURSE, which, with the Entrance Money added thereto, is expected will amount to FIFTY POUNDS. Heats 3 Miles each; Weights as First Day.

On FRIDAY 27. A PURSE of FIFTY POUNDS, free for any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, to carry 9 Stone. Heats 4 Miles.

The winning Horse each Day is excluded starting for any of the other Plates. Subscribers of Three Pounds or upwards, may enter free for each, or all of the Three last Days Plates. Non-Subscribers to pay Two Guineas Entrance each Day.

General Post-Office, New-York, Jan. 22, 1771. HIS MAJESTY'S Post-Master General, having (for the better facilitating of Correspondence between Great-Britain and America) been pleased to add a Fifth Packet Boat to the Station between Falmouth and New-York: Notice is hereby given, that the Mail for the future will be closed at the Post-Office in New-York, at Ten of the Clock at Night, on the First Tuesday of every Month, and dispatched by a Packet the next Day for Falmouth. By Command of the D. Post-Master General. (12m) ALEXANDER COLDEN, Secretary.

RAN away from the Subscriber, living in Chester-Town, Maryland, Two white Servant Lads, viz. The one named JAMES FRANCIS, belonging to Stephen Bordley, junr the other named GEORGE TIPPINS, belonging to William Bordley. JAMES FRANCIS is short thick set, of a fair Complexion, has fair Hair, and down look, can write a tolerable good Hand, and pretends to know something of Navigation: Had on and took with him, a brown Country made Coat, Country Linen Trousers, a Pair of white broad Cloth Breeches that will not fit him, Two Silver Knee Buckles not Fellows, and a Pair of Shoes that were not made for him, and upon Examination will appear too long and narrow for him. GEORGE TIPPINS is slender made, of a fair Complexion, short light coloured Hair, has been some Time on board of a Man of War, can neither read or write: Had on and took with him, an old blue lapelled broad Cloth Coat, an old Nankeen Coat patched at the Elbows and under the Arms, with new Nankeen, a Pair of light blue Breeches, and a Pair of white Breeches made of Ticking. It is probable JAMES FRANCIS may forge Passes for them both.—Whoever takes them up and secures them, so that the Subscribers get them again, shall receive Five Pounds Reward, from STEPHEN BORDLEY, junr, WILLIAM BORDLEY. (7w)

JOHN BOYD Baltimore, August 10, 1771. Has just received, by the Ship Hazard, Capt. New, LARGE Assortment of Medicines compound and simple, Surgeons Instruments, Shop Furniture, Clyster Syringes, and a few Rupture Trusses easy and commodious for the Patient. Likewise most of the Patent Medicines, with the much famed Nostrums of Ward and Hill. He has a great Variety of Perfumery, Grocery, and Painters Colours, as also a small Parcel of Limners Paints, among which is some superfine drop Lake of a most elegant Tint. All the above Articles he will sell at a low Advance. Gentlemen of the Faculty in particular may depend on the Medicines being excellent in their Kind and moderate in Price. (w6)

THERE is at the Plantation of Pryor Smallwood, taken up as a Stray, a bay Mare, about 13 Hands and a Half high, no perceivable Brand, and trots and gallops. The Owner may have her again, on proving Property and paying Charges.

To be SOLD cheap for ready Money, R. JAMES'S Fever Powders and Pills, with Papers of Direction. Enquire at the Printing-Office.

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