

reigns; and, while she was dispensing the poisonous pills, she was crafty enough to gild it over with a golden leaf. This duplicity in her behaviour gave her an opportunity of frequenting the Court without suspicion; and, while every body thought she was employed in stifling the evil reports which herself had raised, (though she always gave out such things were told to her); she was in fact the chief instrument in spreading them.

The depth of her policy will hardly meet with credit from those who are not conversant in court intrigues; yet it may be in some measure penetrated by a short retrospect to her past conduct. No one was more forward than the Dowager in applauding the curiosity of the King to visit England; the nation of whose manners he had heard so much, and with whose Sovereign he was so intimately connected, both as a brother and an ally. She even pressed him to undertake the journey, and named the noblemen whom she judged the most proper to attend him: These were persons of inflexible fidelity to his person, and who, she knew, would be most acceptable to his Majesty to accompany him. Her views may be easily discerned in advising the one, and nominating and recommending the other. By the latter, she removed from the kingdom the great enemies to her projects; and, by the former, she acquired the greater freedom to set her incendiary engines to work, and to supply them with fuel to keep them in full play.

The Physician St—see, who had quitted his ordinary practice, was by the King's favour advanced to the peerage, and was now wholly employed at Court. In the absence of the King, the government of the kingdom was, in a great measure, committed to his care, and he had many private conferences with the Queen on the affairs of state. In one of these, it is said, he hinted to her Majesty his suspicions of the Dowager; but she would believe her capable of harm, and rejected his advice with manifest dislike.

Among other arts the Dowager made use of, while his Majesty remained abroad, it was a masterpiece to insinuate into the Queen's mind a jealousy of the King. To do this, his Majesty's long absence furnished her with a favourable opportunity. She even named the persons with whom his Majesty had formed connexions, and was particular in mentioning times and circumstances, that the Queen could not entertain the least doubt of the truth of the intelligence: and although she behaved, on this occasion, with a dignity and firmness superior to her sex, never giving the most distant hint in any of her letters to the King while abroad; yet his Majesty could not help discerning on his return home a kind of reserve in the Queen that was not natural to her, though at that time he attributed it to quite another cause.

This stroke of female policy laid the foundation of every evil that has since overwhelmed the unhappy Queen. It paved the way, in every respect, to facilitate the purpose which the Dowager intended by it. It made the King more easily susceptible of the bad suggestions that were afterwards to be infused. It gave him a suspicion of the officers who attended him, as if they had misrepresented his conduct while abroad, and had reported something to his disadvantage which had reached the ears of the Queen. And it has given the people reason to conclude, that the Queen had formed in his absence that odious connexion which has since been laid to her charge.

WILLIAMSBURG.

The publick may be assured, upon the best authority, that the petition lately presented to his Majesty for an AMERICAN BISHOP was rejected; it having been considered, in its true light, as the desire of a few meddling Priests, and not of the People.

PROVIDENCE, July 4.

Since our last Capt. John Peck arrived here from the river Mississippi, with whom came passenger Joseph Nash, Esq; of this town. By him we learn, that since the conclusion of the peace the French and Spaniards had seduced seven nations of Indians from the English, by means of medals, colours, and other presents, and settled them on the western banks of the Mississippi; but that John Thomas, Esq; deputy superintendent of Indian affairs in that department, has lately arrived there, and, from his former acquaintance with the Indians, and surprising influence he has over them, all the above nations have determined to return and settle on the English side of the river. The warlike nation of the Arkansas have determined to join the Chickasaws, Shawanese, and Cherokees, in a war against the Kickapoos, for killing some English settlers on the Ohio and Mississippi.

We further learn, that an unhappy dispute having lately arisen between the superintendent and Mr. Harris, a merchant's clerk at Fort Bute, on the river, they both drew their swords, when Mr. Harris was killed on the spot, and the superintendent slightly wounded. He immediately delivered himself up, and was to take his trial at Pensacola.

NEW-YORK, July 13.

In our paper of the 29th ult. we gave an account of Capt. Davies, and some other Captains, that left their vessels at sea, and went to Swan's Island, near the Bay of Honduras, in order to turn some turtle, &c. and that they were supposed to be either taken off by the Spaniards, or drowned; since which we have received the following relation of that matter, viz. That the Captains, Davies, Burk, and Chambers, with three of their men, remained on the island the night they went ashore, and next day put to sea to look for their vessels, it being pretty calm, but could not discover them; when they endeavoured to make the island again, but were not able to effect it, and the sea breeze blowing very fresh, they were obliged to bear away, and after nine days got to Rattan, having nothing to subsist on during that time but two dogs and their own urine. Capt. Davies and three of the men died a few hours

after they landed at Rattan, and were buried on the north side of the island.

A snow from Liverpool arrived at Barbados last May, the Captain of which, being a man of veracity, reported, that about 62 leagues E.S. from that island he discovered a flat curled rock, a little above the surface of the water; that he hoisted out his boat, went close to it, but could find no bottom with a line of 90 fathom:

We hear from Cock-sky, in Albany county, that, on Friday the 3d instant, there fell at that place a most terrible shower of hail, some of it being near the size of geese eggs. The damage done by it is so great, that it is said whole fields of grass and corn are destroyed, and many farmers will have no harvest this season: several calves, sheep, and hogs, were killed, and two negroes, who happened to be out in the storm, were very much hurt.

T O B E S O L D,

By Way of publick Vendue, on the Premises, the 3d of September next, the following Tracts of Land, viz.

NEW-YORK, containing 180 Acres (very well wooded and watered) improved, with an Orchard, consisting of Apple and Peach Trees, a Dwelling House, 24 Feet long, 16 wide, Plank floored and shedded, a very good logged House and Tobacco House double shedded.—Part of Wolliston's Manor, containing 183 Acres, with a Dwelling House 16 Feet square, shedded, Kitchen, Quarter, Corn House, and a large Tobacco House almost new. The above Tracts of Land are very level, suitable for either planting or farming, in good Repair, and commodiously situated, for fishing or fowling, on Cuckold's-Creek, in Cob-Neck, Charles County. They will be sold, jointly or severally, as shall appear most convenient, and a general Warranty given for each of them. Credit will be given for Half the Cash, on giving Bond and good security to

(w6) RAPHAEL BOARMAN, jun.

DANIEL KING, BRASS FOUNDER,

At the Sign of the Bell and Brand, in Front-Street, near Walnut-Street, Philadelphia,

TAKES this Method to acquaint the Ladies and Gentlemen of Maryland, that he intends for Annapolis about the End of this Month or the Beginning of August, with a neat Assortment of Brass Fire Logs and Fenders, Fire Shovels and Tongs, and Chimney Backs for the same, on a new Construction, to be fixed in a neat Manner to Marble, Tile or Wood; all which he can with Safety say are neater and more to Order than any yet made on the Continent; they are equal in Strength to any Iron Fire Dogs, and much easier kept clean. As said King served his Apprenticeship in London, and worked in some of the best Shops in England, he flatters himself he can sell his Work as cheap and give his Employers as much Satisfaction, as though they were to import them. He purposes to open his Work at Mr. John Warren's Tavern in Annapolis, where Orders will be received and punctually complied with, by their humble Servant,

DANIEL KING.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY,

AWHEELWRIGHT, who thoroughly understands his Business, either to be hired or bought. Good Encouragement will be given by John Cavender, near the Dock in Annapolis.

Prince-George's County, July 14, 1772.

COMMITTED to my Custody as a Runaway, Joseph Loviday, says he belongs to the Hon. Col. John Tayloe in Virginia. His Master is desired to pay Charges and take him from

(2w) **RALPH FORSTER, Sheriff.**

TEN POUNDS REWARD.

July 20, 1772.

RAN away last Night from the Subscribers, near the Head of Rock-Creek, Frederick County, Maryland, Two Irish Convict Servant Men, viz.

PATRICK DUFFEE, about 35 Years of Age, 5 Feet 7 or 8 Inches high, a thick well set Fellow, red Complexion, short black Hair, and has a Blemish in one of his Eyes: Had on an old Russia Drab Coat and Breeches, Osnabrig Shirt, Felt Hat, and Country made Shoes and Stockings. He has been in the Country about Eight Months.

THOMAS MARTIN, 25 Years of Age (about the same Height of Patrick Duffee, though not so lusty), dark Complexion, black Eyes, short black Hair, and is marked with the Small-Pox: Had on and took with him Two Osnabrig Shirts, Country Linen Trowsers, old blue worsted Stockings, half worn Shoes, dark coloured Pea Jacket, striped Flannel ditto, and a new Felt Hat. He has been in the Country about Six Weeks.

Whoever takes up the said Servants, and secures them, so that their Masters may get them again, shall receive the above Reward, or Five Pounds for either of them, and reasonable Charges if brought Home, paid by

JOHN BAKER,

BASIL BROOKE.

THERE is at the Plantation of Samuel M'Gray, in Baltimore County, taken up as a Stray, a bright bay Gelding, about 14 Hands high, with a Star on his Forehead, branded thus PS on the near Buttock. The Owner may have him again on proving Property and paying Charges.

July 23, 1772.
WHEREAS my Wife Sarah White has eloped from my Bed and Board, these are to forewarn all Persons from crediting her on my Account, as I will pay no Debts of her contracting after the Date hereof.

RICHARD WHITE
T O B E S O L D,

Pursuant to the last Will and Testament of Henry Hall, of Anne-Arundel County,

ALL the Lands belonging to the Deceased, lying in Frederick County, in Two large Bodies, viz.

Part of Middle Plantation, on the Branches of Liganore, being all that Tract of Land not heretofore sold out or contracted for by the Testator in his Life Time, containing in the Part now to be sold about Three Thousand Acres. The Soil in some Places good, in others stoney and broken; the whole full of Timber, and within Ten Miles of Frederick-Town.

The other Lands lie on the Branches of Bennett's Creek, consisting chiefly of the Henry and Elizabeth enlarged; also some lesser Tracts lying contiguous, such as Ebony Marsh, The Land of Promise, Miller's Grove, Partnership, and others adjoining, containing upwards of Three Thousand Acres; within Fourteen Miles of Frederick-Town and Thirty from George-Town; Plenty of Rail Timber and Firewood, and in some Places Meadow Ground: Also an excellent Mill Seat, and one of the best Ranges for Stock in that County; the Land good for Wheat or Tobacco.

The Sale to begin at Frederick-Town, on the Thursday of Frederick County August Court.—The Title is thought to be indisputable. The Heir at Law, who is now of Age, will join in the Deeds if required. The Terms will be made known on the Day of Sale. Attendance will be given by

THOMAS WATKINS, } acting
THOMAS HENRY HALL, } Executors.

July 14, 1772.

TO BE SOLD AT PUBLICK VENUE,

On Wednesday the 19th Day of August next, at the House of Samuel Swearingham, in Frederick Town,

A TRACT or Parcel of Land called Pleasant Plain, containing One Hundred Acres, more or less, lying on the main Road leading from Annapolis to Frederick Town, and within 12 Miles of said Town. Likewise a young Negro Wench, who has always been brought up to House Work, and understands every Thing that is necessary to be done in a House. The Sale to be for ready Current Money, Sterling Cash, or good London Bills of Exchange. **THOMAS RUTLAND, jun.**

Baltimore, July 4, 1772.

WILLIAM HAMMOND
Has just imported, in the Hope, Capt. Hooper, the

Choptank, Capt. Coward, from London, and the Cicely, Capt. Hanby, from Liverpool,

A GENERAL Assortment of European and East India Goods, suitable to the Season, which he will sell Wholesale, at his Store in Mr. Gugg's Buildings, on very reasonable Terms, for Cash, Country Produce, or short Credit. (6w)

Annapolis, July 15, 1772.

THE Subscriber, having furnished himself with Two compleat Workmen in the Shoemaking Business, acquaints the Publick, that he makes all Kinds of Mens Shoes, Ladies Silk and Stuff ditto, in the neatest Manner: Also Boots at a low and reasonable Price.

(3w) **JOHN HOWARD:**

Charles-Town, Cecil County, July 7, 1772.

IN consequence of several Barrels of Fish being stolen at different Times, since the Middle of May last, from the Subscriber's Fishery near Charles-Town, as well as from sundry other Persons near the same Place, and having received Intelligence of a Couple of small Schooners cruising in Elk-River, whose Manner of trading was suspicious, I procured a Couple of Vessels to go in search of them, who were so fortunate as to overtake them. The People belonging to the Schooners seeing themselves pursued, and being conscious of guilt, forsook their Vessels, and made their Escape to Shore. There were found on Board several Barrels of Herrings and Shad, some of them the very Fish stolen from me, and some belonging to others, who have since made their Property appear; there was also on Board a Quantity of Seine Rope, Tobacco, Ship Blocks, and sundry other small Things, which I presume were stolen; the Owners, upon proving their Property, and paying their proportional Part of the Expence, may have them again; and the Vessels (unless claimed by the Owners within Two Months) will be sold by publick Vendue, to defray the Expence and Damage sustained on the Occasion.

(w4) **EDWARD PARKER.**

ROBERT BUCHANAN

Has just imported, in the Hope, Capt. Hooper, from London, and has for Sale, upon the lowest Terms, wholesale or retail, at the Store next Door below the Coffee House,

A GENERAL Assortment of Goods, amongst which is a Variety of genteel Silks, Chintzes, Millinery and Broad Clothes; best Hyson Tea at 20s. fine Green at 12s. 6d. superfine Bohea at 10s. and common Bohea at 5s. per lb.

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