

... sent on board every day. At last, on the 16th of this month, a French ship, from the coast for the Mediterranean, put in here and remained a few days; by her we contrived to send an account of our treatment and bondage to Gibraltar, and hope soon to gain our liberty through the intervention of the English consuls."

An express advice was sent here from Vienna, that the court of France had disgraced and insulted that of England, by her intreaty against her, at the Porte, and that the British a— there wanted sense to require redress: It is fact, however, that our ministry have resolved—to take no notice of these things.

Aug. 19. The following story, which may be depended on as a fact, should be a lesson to ministers, that the court which is usually paid them, is more addressed to the office than the man. A certain person of distinction, the morning after the great Lord Treasurer Oxford had resigned his staff to the queen, came to his lordship's door, and was very solicitous to be admitted to his presence. The porter, John Read (whom Swift has celebrated for the art of giving denials) made solemn protestations that his lord was not at home. The gentleman, equally well versed in the art of gaining admittance, smilingly replied, "It is only your lord's health I'm particularly anxious about; therefore here's half a crown, and let me up stairs." "Well, Sir, (says Read) your honour may go up; but I suppose you know that my lord resigned his staff last night, and that it is given to the Duke of Shrewsbury." The gentleman, who was by this time half way up stairs, hearing this, instantly turned about; "no, I protest till this moment I heard nothing of the matter: be so kind, John, to accept of the other half crown; don't say a word of my being here; and d'ye hear, coachman, drive to the Duke of Shrewsbury's."

Aug. 24. It is asserted, that the much talked of addition of 2,000,000l. to the appointment of a great personage, will be solicited early in the next session of parliament.

It is reported that the ministry intend to give no opposition to the choosing Mr. Wilkes at the next election for the lord mayor of London; satisfied that they never can withstand his efforts with greater prospect of success than at present, while his interest is so weakened, and their influence is so strengthened by the late defection of the patriots, and they are at length persuaded, that when he has been permitted to enjoy the wished for office, both he and the citizens will be more quiet for the future.

It is said a certain courtier told Mr. Wilkes, the other day, that the ministry wished him success at the next election for lord mayor, as it would ruin his popularity. Tell your friends, replies Mr. Wilkes; I would have them clinch the business, by restoring me to my seat in parliament; and whatever may be the consequence to me, it will be the only chance they can ever have of becoming popular themselves.

Aug. 26. By a gentleman arrived last night from Cambridge, we have the most shocking accounts of the damage done by the late rain. At a place called Barkway, about sixteen miles on this side Cambridge, the waters were so out that the stage coach floated, and was near six hours before it could proceed on the journey. From the above place to Wadestone-mills the current was so rapid that it carried all the corn that lay down in the fields entirely away. The inhabitants about that place were obliged to have recourse to their chambers, and their houses were seven feet under water. A considerable quantity of household furniture was driven to a very great distance from them. At Enfield Wash, the coach with great difficulty, for upwards of a mile, was saved from being driven away. The damages to the farmers thereabouts are said to be incredible.

The celebrated doctor William Robertson, author of the histories of Scotland and of the Age of Charles V. who will, it is expected, this winter, gratify the world with a history of America; in treating of the conquest of Canada, and the administration of Mr. Secretary Pitt, now Earl of Chatham, has the following passage.

**The CHARACTER of the EARL of CHATHAM.**

THE secretary stood alone. Modern degeneracy had not reached him. Original, and unaccommodating, the features of his character had the hardihood of antiquity. His august mind over-awed majesty, and one of his sovereigns thought royalty so impaired in his presence that he conspired to remove him, in order to be relieved from his superiority. No state chicanery, no narrow system of vicious politics, no idle contest for ministerial victories, sunk him to the vulgar level of the great; but overbearing, persuasive, and impracticable, his object was England, his ambition was fame. Without dividing he destroyed party; without corrupting, he made a venal age unanimous. France sunk beneath him. With one hand he smote the house of Bourbon, and wielded in the other the democracy of England. The sight of his mind was infinite, and his schemes were to affect, not England, not the present age, only, but Europe and posterity. Wonderful were the means by which these schemes were accomplished; always reasonable, always adequate, the suggestions of an understanding, animated by ardour, and enlightened by prophecy.

The ordinary feelings which make life amiable and indolent; those sensations which soften and allure and vulgarize, were unknown to him. No domestic difficulties, no domestic comforts, reached him; but aloof from the sordid occurrences of life, and unsullied by its intercourse; he came occasionally into our system, to counsel and to decide.

A character so exalted, so strenuous, so various, so authoritative; astonished a corrupt age; and the treasury trembled at the name of Pitt, through all her glisses of venality. Corruption imagined, indeed, that she had found defects in this statesman, and talked much of the transparency of his glory; and much of the ruin of his system; but the history of his country,

and the calamities of the enemy, answered and refuted her.

Nor were his political abilities his only talents. His eloquence was an era in the senate, peculiar and spontaneous, familiarly expressing gigantic sentiments and instinctive wisdom. Not like the torrent of Demosthenes, or the splendid conflagration of Tully, it resembled sometimes the thunder, and sometimes the music of the spheres. Like Murray, he did not conduct the understanding through the painful subtilty of argumentation; nor was he, like Townshend, for ever on the rack of exertion, but rather lightened upon the subject, and reached the point by the flashings of his mind, which, like those of his eye, were felt, but could not be followed.

Upon the whole, there was in this man something that could create, subvert, or reform; an understanding, a spirit, and an eloquence, to summon mankind to society, or to break the bonds of slavery asunder; and to rule the wildness of free minds with unbounded authority; something that could establish or overwhelm empire, and strike a blow in the world that should rebound through its history.

**BALTIMORE, November 9.**

We hear that several persons have received very remarkable benefit in their sight and hearing, by applying to Dr. Graham, oculist and aurist, who lately arrived in this town, from Philadelphia. We hear that his stay here will be no longer than the 25th of December.—Those therefore who have occasion for assistance ought to apply soon.

**ANNAPOLIS, NOVEMBER 18.**

Last Saturday Mr. Robert Pinkney was unfortunately killed by a fall from his horse, just without the city gate.—He was a useful citizen, generally respected, and has left a widow, with three small children; to lament the loss of an affectionate husband and tender parent.

On Tuesday the general assembly of this province met here, when his excellency the governor was pleased, in very few words, to recommend to their consideration the several matters contained in his speech at the opening of the last convention.

Cleared for Barbados, on Monday last, the brigantine *Jilting Frigate*, formerly the *Nancy Wright*, Mordecai Gift master.

**November 18, 1773.**

By the committee of grievances and courts of justice, NOTICE is hereby given, that the committee will attend every day, during this session, at three o'clock in the afternoon, at the assembly room, in order to hear such matters as may come properly before them.

Signed by order of the committee,  
**JOHN COURTS JONES, Clk.**

**November 10, 1773.**

Agreeable to a power from Henry Truman, to be sold by the subscriber, on the premises, the second Tuesday in December next, to the highest bidder, for sterling cash, or good London bills of exchange,

A VALUABLE tract of land, containing within its boundaries about 300 acres, lying in the lower part of Prince George's county, on which is a tolerable good dwelling house with two brick chimnies, and other out houses, a good orchard, and a quantity of exceeding good meadow land.  
w 3 **ALEX. HOWARD MAGRUDER.**

**Charles county, November 10, 1773.**

To be sold, for cash and good London bills, on Wednesday the eighth day of December next, at the late dwelling plantation of Gerard Neal, deceased, in Cob-Neck,

A PARCEL of very likely country born slaves, consisting of men, women, boys and girls, and among them a good house carpenter. The sale to begin at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and continue till all are sold.  
w 3 **ANN NEAL, executrix.**

To be sold, for ready money or short credit, on the first day of December next, at the late dwelling plantation of John White, deceased, on the head of South river, near Ducker's mill,

A PARCEL of household furniture, horses, cattle, hogs, sheep tobacco and corn, &c. The sale to begin at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and continue till all are sold.  
2w **JOSHUA RIDGELY, } administrators.  
CORNELIUS BARRY, }**

N. B. All persons indebted to the said estate are desired to make immediate payment, and those who have accounts against the same are desired to bring them in regularly proved, that they may be settled.

THE subscriber takes this method to inform the publick, that he has furnished himself with every thing necessary for the accomodation of travellers and others, and has opened a tavern on the north side of Severn river, in the house formerly kept by Mr. Page: where his best endeavours shall be exerted to oblige all who may think proper to favour him with their custom.  
4w **JOHN ROWLINS,**  
N. B. Said Rowlins and Barnes, carry on their business as usual, and hope for encouragement from the publick.

**S C H E M E**

**L O T T E R Y**

For raising the sum of five hundred and six pounds five shillings, to be laid out in building a market-house in Chester-Town, and in repairing the town-wharf, and erecting ferry stairs for the convenience of the public passing to and from Queen-Anne's county.

No. of Prizes.	Dollars.	Dollars.
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800 - - - - - - -	5 - - - - -	4000

968 Prizes.  
1282 Blanks.  
2250 Tickets, at 4 dollars each, are 9000

First drawn 50  
Last drawn 50

But a little more than one and a quarter blanks to a prize.  
Fifteen per cent. to be deducted for the above purposes.

The necessity of repairing the town wharf, and building ferry stairs, for the convenience of the public, will be readily acknowledged—and the ruinous condition of the market-house, must induce every friend to the prosperity of the town or country, not only to wish, but to assist, in having it removed, and a neat and convenient edifice erected in its room. To effect these good purposes the above scheme is offered,—and it is presumed a lottery so favourable to the adventurers, and justly for such good designs, cannot fail to meet with the favour and patronage of the publick.

The drawing is to begin on the 22d day of February next, at the court-house in Chester-town, under the inspection of the following gentlemen, who are appointed managers, and will give bond, and be on oath faithfully to discharge the trust reposed in them, viz. Thomas Smyth, Eleazer M'Comb, Col. Richard Lloyd, John Maxwell, John Voochess, James Hynson, John Page, Jeremiah Nicols, Thomas Ringgold, William Sluby, jun. and Dr. William Bordley. As soon as the drawing is finished, the fortunate numbers will be published in the Annapolis, Baltimore and Philadelphia news papers, and the Prizes paid by the respective managers who signed the tickets.

Tickets may be had of the managers, and of Messieurs Gilpin and Jurey of Kent county, of Messieurs Richard Tilgiman Earle, & Co. of Mess. Hopper and Kent, and of Mr. Robert Brown, of Queen-Anne's county, of Mr. John Clapham, and Mr. Charles Wallace, at Annapolis, and of Mr. James Cheston, at Baltimore.

**Saint Mary's county, Nov. 11, 1773.**

COMMITTED to my custody as runaways, two mulatto men, viz. James Fillis, about 26 years of age, 5 feet 4 inches high: has on and with him, one white shirt, three ofsnabrig ditto, one linen coat, one searought ditto with metal buttons, one country cloth jacket, one pair of ofsnabrig trousers, a pair of ofsnabrig breeches, yarn hose, a pair new shoes, an old hat, and says he belongs to Robert Dorman of Richmond county, Virginia. Ackby Sorrell, about 22 years of age, 5 feet 4 inches high: has on and with him, two ofsnabrig shirts, one white ditto, one blue coat with metal buttons, country made-fustian jacket, a pair of ofsnabrig breeches, a pair of old fustian ditto, yarn hose, a pair of old shoes, a felt hat bound with worsted binding, and says he belongs to Richard Mitchell of Lancaiter county, Virginia. Their masters are desired to pay charges and take them away.  
3 w **HUGH HOPEWELL, Sheriff.**

**Bladensburg, October 28, 1773.**

To be sold to the highest bidder, by the subscribers, on Saturday the 20th of November next, at Mrs Church's tavern, for ready money, or good bills

of exchange,  
**SEVEN YOUNG LIKELY COUNTRY BORN SLAVES.**  
2 w **HENRY HARDY, junior,  
NICHOLAS BOOTH,  
JAMES HOGGAN.**

**August 31, 1773.**

STRAY'D or stolen out of the subscriber's lot late last night, a large light strawberry roan horse, with a thin mane and switch tail, his nose and face are mealy, is shod before, his brand unknown; his ears in particular are very dark, paces, trots and gallops. Whoever will secure said horse and give notice to the subscriber, shall have if taken in Anne-Arundel county ten shillings, and if in any other county one pitole, and if out of the province three pounds; and if stolen and the thief convicted thereof five pounds.

**WILLIAM REYNOLDS.**