

POETS CORNER.

To the Author or Authors of two scandalous papers lately made public, intitled CATALOGUES.

THOU miscreant, dead to every sense of shame,
Thou dark assassin, murderer of fame,
To wit or humour thou hast no pretence;
Thou wretched mangler of common sense,
Didst ever know a great and generous mind
Deal out dark slanders on the female kind?
They better know the tender sex to prize,
And, touch'd with pity, soften at their sighs.
Grant they have failings, is't not mean to blame
What we should rather pity than condemn:
Each nymph mark'd out by thy infernal rage
Ranks high in beauty's, and in virtue's page;
And each so perfect, that 'tis hard to tell
In every virtue which does most excel:
Despise ye fair his venom'd rude assault,
Scandal gives fame where merit is the fault;
For fairest characters can scarce assuage
The burning rancour of a villain's rage.
Invidious wretch, henceforth thy slander spare,
And cease with lies to wound the helpless fair;
May't thou to fear for ever be confin'd,
Nor feel the transports of a peaceful mind.
Such wretches are their country's disgrace,
Curs'd and disper'd as cankerworms of peace,
Sway'd by each passion, curs'd by inward strife,
In public bad, and worse in private life;
Thy malice sure was kindled from below,
And virtue's friend must ever be thy foe.
In each attempt the coward still we mark,
Who deals his hell-bred slanders in the dark.
May every curse torment thy ranc'd mind
With envy's rage, and conscious guilt combin'd:
But yet take care thy rancour to disguise,
And, if 'tis possible, for once be wise;
For tho' our vengeance for a while may nod,
Dastard take care, for justice shakes the rod:
And grant, kind heaven, this to be thy lot,
Living detested, and when dead forgot.

Rock Castle, December 16, 1773.

ALL persons having claims against John Morton Jordan, deceased, late of the city of Annapolis, are desired once more to bring in their accounts legally proved immediately, that payment may be made. Sundry persons have at different times told me that they have claims against the estate, for tobacco shipped, &c. and have hitherto neglected (if they have any such legal claims) to bring them in; this is to give them notice, that the administrator is paying over the balance of the money come to his hands, to carry the direction of the deceased's will into execution, and looks upon it that after this public notice given, that those who neglect to bring in their accounts will be for ever barred, and the administrator not liable for any debts of the deceased that may hereafter come against him. Those who are indebted to said estate are desired to make immediate payment, otherwise suits will be brought against them to the next court, without exception.

REUBEN MERRIWETHER, administrator with the will annexed, of J. M. J. with respect to his effects in this province only.

RAN away from the subscriber's plantation, near Poplar Spring Chapel, in Anne Arundel county, an Irish convict servant, named Lawrence Connolly, about eighteen years old, swarthy complexion, slim made, speaks much in that dialect: had on and took with him, a blue coat and waistcoat double breasted, white shirt, worsted stockings, new shoes, and a Carolina felt hat. Whoever takes up the said servant, and delivers him to Charles Porter, overseer on said plantation, or the subscriber living on Elk-Ridge, shall receive as a reward twenty shillings if taken twenty miles from home, thirty shillings if thirty miles; forty shillings if forty miles, and three pounds if out of the province, besides what the law allows.

JOHN DORSEY.

December 15, 1773.

WENT away about ten days ago from the house of the subscriber in the city of Annapolis, a young mulatto woman, called Moll or Polly, about twenty three years of age, thin and low in stature; she is supposed to be secreted either on the north side of Severn or elsewhere; by a negro man of Mr. John Brice's, called Paul, with which negro she keeps company; if any person except the negro abovementioned will bring the said mulatto woman to the subscriber, they shall be handsomely rewarded for their trouble, and whoever harbours or entertains her shall be prosecuted with the utmost rigour of the law.

CHARLES CARROLL of Carrollton.

FIFTEEN POUNDS REWARD.

May 20, 1773.

RAN away from the subscriber's plantation, in Frederick county, on the head of Bennett's creek, on the 17th inst. at night, a convict servant man, named William Flint, about 22 years of age, born in the west of England, a spare slim fellow, about 5 feet 8 inches high, of a swarthy complexion; short black hair, and has lost one of his fore teeth: he had on, and took with him, a white cotton jacket, brown cloth ditto much worn; a pair of leather breeches black and dirty, two white shirts, two pair of stockings and shoes, and a new felt hat; it's possible he may have changed his name and apparel, as he has a sum of money with him.

Whoever takes up the said servant, and brings him either to John Plummer, overseer on the above-said plantation, or to the subscriber living in Anne-Arundel county, near Elk-Ridge church, shall have the above reward for their trouble, besides what the law allows, paid by HENRY RIDGELY.

TO BE SOLD, BY THE SUBSCRIBER,

THREE hundred acres of patent land, and about thirty acres leased land for ninety-nine years, all joined together, lying in Baltimore county, about ten miles from Bush-Town, on the main road that goes from Bush to York-Town, Pennsylvania, about twelve miles from Joppa, and about eighteen from Baltimore-Town; the land is good, and will suit either for farming, or planting tobacco; it is likewise well situated for a tavern or store, as it lies on the main road that all the waggons from the upper mills go to Baltimore-Town, and joins the land of Mr. Abraham Whitaker, where he now lives, who is building and letting lots to several people for keeping taverns and stores; it is well adapted for such business, as it lies in the heart of a settlement where there are large quantities of wheat made, and many merchant mills convenient; there are on the land two small plantations; on one of them a small dwelling house in middling good repair, a good barn, and a large apple orchard of good fruit and bears well; on the other plate there is a middling good large dwelling house in pretty good repair, and other convenient houses, and a small apple orchard of good fruit; there likewise may be made meadow enough to support the place with hay, without much trouble. Any person or persons inclinable to purchase, may see the above land by applying to Mr. Abraham Whitaker, or the subscriber. Likewise to be sold, a large two story brick dwelling house in the town of Joppa, on a water lot, the house is almost new, has four rooms on a floor, and eight fire places, cellars under the whole, and a neat store made of one of the rooms, which is quite private from the other part of the house, and now rented to Walter Tolley, jun. Esq; Any person inclinable to purchase the aforesaid house and lot, may know the terms by applying to the subscriber living in the fork of Gunpowder, near Joppa. The title of the whole indisputable.

JOHN HAMOND DORSEY.

ANY gentleman, who is qualified to teach the classics, by applying to the visitors of King Williams school, in the city of Annapolis, will be treated with on the following terms. His annual stipend to be £. 55 sterling certain, and £. 5 currency to be paid by each scholar in the latin school: to a person, who shall be capable of discharging the office of usher, will be given £. 30 sterling per annum certain, and £. 2: 10 currency paid by each scholar as abovementioned: to a scribe who can teach English, writing, and arithmetick, will be given £. 6 sterling certain per annum, with every advantage arising from the scholars he instructs, and liberty to make his own bargain with their parents. There are very good apartments in the house, besides those appropriated for the use of the scholars with a good kitchen and cellar: these being entirely for the use of the master, will render it a very comfortable place of residence. Any engagements the visitors enter into, cannot take place till the 3d day of April next, and to prevent trouble, it is to be hoped that no persons will make application who are not properly qualified to fill the abovementioned stations.

Signed by order,

JOHN DUCKETT, register.

JUST IMPORTED, In the Molly and Betsey, Captain Nicholson; from London, and to be sold, by the subscribers, at their store on the dock, in Annapolis, on very reasonable terms, for cash or short credit.

NEAT and general assortment of European and East-India goods.

WALLACE DAVIDSON and JOHNSON,

Annapolis, November 23, 1773.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of Walter Dulany, Esq; deceased, are requested to make immediate payment; those indebted by bonds or notes, who cannot comply with the above, are desired to renew without loss of time, as otherwise they will be put in suit. They who have any claims are to bring them in proved as the law directs, to

DANIEL DULANY, jun. administrator.

December 7, 1773.
To be leased for a term of years.

THE WINDMILL and GRANARY in the city of Annapolis. For Terms apply to

DANIEL WOLSTENHOLME,

or

DANIEL DULANY, junior.

N. B. If not leased between this and April next they will be offered for sale.

August 18, 1773.

RAN away from the subscriber, near Elk Ridge church, the 8th inst. an English convict servant, named Edmund Nunin, about 5 feet 8 inches high, 21 years of age, well made, fair complexion, gray eyes, wears his hair, one of his teeth stands farther forward than the others: had on when he went away, an ornabig shirt, roll trousers, felt hat, and coarse new shoes: he pretends to know the duties of a sailor, may have changed his name, and forged or otherwise fraudulently obtained a pass. Whoever takes up and secures said servant, so that he may be had again, shall have if 30 miles from home, three pounds, if out of the province five pounds (including what the law allows) and reasonable charges if brought home.

THOMAS SAPPINGTON.

WANTS EMPLOYMENT.

A YOUNG man of an unexceptionable character, who writes a good hand, and is well versed in book-keeping and the management of a store. For further particulars enquire of the Printers.

RICHARD BURLAND,

TAILOR AND HABITMAKER,

FROM

L O N D O N,

LA TE foreman to Mr. Robert Pinkney, deceased, takes this method to acquaint the public, that he has opened shop at the house where formerly Mr. Philip Hammond kept store, near the market-house.

He takes this opportunity to assure those ladies and gentlemen who may please to favour him with their custom, that he will make it his constant endeavour, by punctuality, and a strict attention to business, to merit their lasting approbation.

Annapolis, November 23, 1773.

ALL persons who have any demands against the estate of Robert Pinkney, late of this city, deceased, are desired to bring their accounts in legally proved, that they may be adjusted, and all those indebted to the said estate, are desired to make immediate payment, to

PRISCILLA PINKNEY, Administratrix,

JONATHAN PINKNEY, Administrator.

N. B. The times of several valuable Tailors to be disposed of.

Annapolis, December 8, 1773.

P R Y S E and P A R K E R,

COACH AND COACH HARNESS MAKERS from London.

TAKE this method to acquaint the public, that they have just furnished themselves with a large quantity of the best materials for the coach-making business, which they now carry on, in all its various branches, at their shop just without the Town-gate, opposite the smith's shop; and flatter themselves they can give as great satisfaction to those ladies and gentlemen who please to favour them with their commands as any of the trade, as they have had many years experience in the most eminent and approved of shops in London. All orders shall be punctually executed on the shortest notice and on the most reasonable terms.

Said Pryse carries on the saddlers and harness-making business as usual, and hopes, from his constant endeavours to oblige, for a continuance of encouragement from the public.

TEN DOLLARS REWARD.

November 27, 1773.

RAN away from the subscriber in Dorchester county, an Irish servant man, about five feet nine or ten inches high, named Joseph Anderson, schoolmaster, but 'tis like he may change his name, has a thin visage, about thirty years of age, wears his own hair tied behind, but short, gray headed: had on when he went away, old furrow coat, a thin jeans coat, a knit pattern jacket with buttons covered of the same, old leather breeches, a pair of ribbed worsted stockings, a pair of English shoes, pinchbeck buckles, English hat cut in the fashion, check shirt, and black Barcelona handkerchief: 'tis supposed he has taken with him about eighteen or twenty pounds in cash that was stolen. Whoever takes up said servant, so that his master may get him again, shall have the above reward and reasonable charges, paid by

THOMAS ENNALLS, 3d