

committee at Charleston... of last month... other matters... Congress, resolved... Georgia hath not... would, from thenceforth... will hold them unworthy... inimical to the liberties... ANNAPOLIS... by left the general assembly... prorogued to Monday... morning last, as two young men... were creeping after some ducks... happening unluckily to cock his... in a bush, and the gun going off... the whole load entering directly... shoulder.

THE PUBLIC LEDGER

RELATIVE TO THE RIOT AT ANNAPOLIS IN MARYLAND.

out a civil war at HOME can be so... detrimental to the nation, as a... LONIES driven to too great a length... with the mother country by... lifting between subjects of the same... great a distance, the COMMERCE of... DEFENCE of the other, depending in... on a mutual harmony and good und... each other; in a word, they may be... together by the strongest interests, those of... ON and PROFIT.

To avert so great a calamity, some of Mr. Stewart's friends proposed, "that the vessel with the tea on board should be immediately burnt," which was executed almost as soon as proposed, and the happy expedient had the desired effect. The mischief they had perpetrated, and the blaze of the vessel pleased and appeased the populace, and in some measure, though it may be presumed not to the extent of their wishes, gratified the malicious and interested, and saved Mr. Stewart, if not from death and destruction, at least from ruin, tar, and feathers.

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this same umbrage to some of their neighbours who had been disappointed of the goods they intended to lay in before the association or non-importation agreement, which was then generally expected, and which has actually taken place, should operate; amongst these there was one house, a branch of a mercantile one in London, and of which Mr. DAVISON, deputy collector and deputy comptroller, is a partner, to which the messrs. Williams were likely to become formidable rivals in trade, who had the misfortune to have a vessel, on board of which the goods were shipped, stranded in the English channel. Chagrined at their own disappointment, and determined that messrs. Williams should not reap the benefit of this seasonable supply by the Peggy, they resorted to every means to inflame the populace, not only to prevent the landing of the tea, but also to procure its destruction.

In this dilemma, messrs. Williams adopted the only prudent method they had left, to extricate themselves from the impending danger; aware of the machinations of their enemies, they wisely refused to enter the teas, or pay the duties, imagining that thereby the people would be satisfied, and that the teas being seized for non-payment of the duties, the officers of the customs would in that case be obliged to land them, even at the risk of tarring and feathering.

But Mr. Stewart, as an owner of the vessel, anxious for dispatch, in order that he might proceed to another port, too precipitately, as appeared by the issue, settled the matter otherwise. He agreed to deposit a bill of exchange at the custom-house, as security for the duty of the teas, which was the very point his enemies wished; for by this measure he laid himself open to the most virulent attacks malice could invent to excite the populace against him, which would end in his destruction.

To forward their malicious and infernal designs, the OFFICER OF THE REVENUE before-mentioned, although the house of which he was a partner had, unmolested, three months before landed teas, used every means in his power, personally, and by the interest of his partner, who is undertaker of the public buildings, and by the means and assistance of every friend and dependant they had in the neighbourhood, endeavoured to stir up the populace against Mr. Stewart, in which they proved but too successful; for having depicted his proceedings as a crime of the most atrocious nature, giving out "that it was done intentionally to entail slavery and heavy taxes on the Americans, and to strike at the root of, and tear up, every privilege British subjects possessed on the continent of America," the minds of the people were so inflamed, that they threatened death to Mr. Stewart, and desolation to his store and dwelling-house.

The mob of Maryland, like the common people of all countries, are ever ready to receive the first impressions, and being too lazy, or too ignorant, to enquire or examine into causes or complaints, they are ever violent in their proceedings; and when a notion is once impressed on them, it is scarcely to be effaced by reason. Can it then be surprising that the committee, who met to enquire into the merits of the affair, (inflamed as THEY were by the incendiaries who set them on) could not put a stop to their rage, though a great majority of the committee were of opinion that the destruction of the tea, and a public acknowledgment of the fault from the parties, was a sufficient atonement for the trespass? Is it surprising that this should not appear, when the death or destruction of Mr. Stewart only could have satisfied their vengeance?

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to any design of taking advantage of the scarcity of goods that now prevails. ALEXANDER OGG.

CUSTOM-HOUSE ENTERED.

Ship Baltimore, James Hanrick, from London. Schooner Harriott, William Lawrence, from Virginia. Ship Friendship, George Gould, for Milford. Brig Christy, Andrew Lee, for Cork. Ship Dulany, Thomas Jarrold, for Milford. Schooner Welcome, Joshua Paine, for Madeira. Sloop Baltimore Packet, John Gwyn, for Virginia. Brig Henry and Joseph, Henry Tuckill, for Drogheda.

CLEARED.

Schooner Sally, Edward Wyncott, for Virginia. Schooner Pattery, John Carpenter, for ditto. Ship Friendship, George Gould, for Milford. Brig Christy, Andrew Lee, for Cork. Ship Dulany, Thomas Jarrold, for Milford. Schooner Welcome, Joshua Paine, for Madeira. Sloop Baltimore Packet, John Gwyn, for Virginia. Brig Henry and Joseph, Henry Tuckill, for Drogheda.

Just opened, and to be sold by the subscribers, at their store, on the head of the dock.

A NEAT assortment of stamp cottons and calicoes—a few pieces of neat bed-furniture—a good assortment of three quarter and yard wide Irish linens, from 10 to 30. cost;—yard and half quarter Irish and Russia sheetings—German dowlas—a few pieces of osnabrig and Welch cottons—a large assortment of mens neatest made shirtings—fine twine.

They have also for sale, a large assortment of clothes, English double and single refined loaf sugar—Cheshire and double G. oyster cheese—two groce of porter, and port wine—a few quarter casks of old Madeira and Lisbon wine—all spirits, and rum by the hoghead, quarter cask, or gallon—mofasses—Muscovado sugar—coffee—chocolate, &c. &c.

THOMAS C. WILLIAMS, and Co. N. B. Have likewise for sale, excellent country made beer, in quarter casks; made by Mr. Isaac Perkins, in Kent county. It is much superior to any ever made in this province, it being entirely clear of the common smoky taste.

JOSEPH TOMLIN,

from LONDON.

At his shop near Mrs. Chilton's coffee-house, in Market-street, Baltimore town. MAKES up all kinds of stays, and jumps of pack-thread and bone, of the newest fashion. Likewise tulceens and slips for children, equal to any made in London. Those ladies that please to honour him with their commands, may be assured of having their work done with the greatest care and expedition.

THERE is at the Queen-Tree Patuxent, a boat drifted on the major shore, deep sided, built of cedar, and has two hearts painted on her stern. The owner may have her again, on proving property, and paying charges. J. S. Adams, 10 May 1775.

JUST PUBLISHED,

And to be sold by William Aikman, bookseller and stationer, Annapolis.

1. JOURNAL of the whole proceedings of the continental congress, with General Gage's letter to P. Randolph, Esq; and the petition to the king.

2. An essay on the constitutional power of Great Britain over the colonies.

Likewise a variety of the latest political pamphlets.

W. Aikman has got a few pieces of Scotch Holland, that cost 28 per yard, which he will sell for 51 100 cash.

Chester town, April 10, 1775. ANTHONY BANNING,

Hath just imported in the Hannah, Capt. Russell, from Barbadoes,

A PARCEL of choice rum and old spirit fit for present use, which will be sold cheap by the quantity. He has also for sale, excellent demarara spirit, in punchons, quarter casks, and kegs, at 75 per gallon.

To be sold by SHAW and CUSHOLM, cabinet and chair-makers, in Church-street, Annapolis,

A QUANTITY of mahogany, in logs, plank, and boards, and a variety of looking-glasses in Mahogany frames. They likewise do various kinds of turner's work.

Nottingham, April 2, 1775.

I INTEND to go to England this spring, therefore all persons indebted to me, and those who have any claims against me, are hereby desired to come and settle their accounts, with

JAMES FRY.

NOTICE is hereby given to the inhabitants of Anne-Arundel county, that I will attend at the house of Mrs. Jemima Selby, on the head of South river, on Saturday the 19th day of April next; at Samuel Marshall's, on Monday the first day of May; at William Simpson's, on Tuesday the second day of May; at Mr. Thomas Galloway's, on Thursday the fourth day of May; on Saturday the fifth day of May, at Elk-Ridge Landing; and at Pig-pen on Saturday the tenth day of June, to receive the public dues, lawyer's and officer's fees, and the thirty-two per poll; and as I have declined farming his lordship's quit-rents, and a large number of balances being due to me on that account, those who are in arrears, are hereby requested to discharge the same. A neglect of which will compel me to take compulsive measures for the recovery thereof, which will be disagreeable to

WILLIAM NOKE, Sheriff.

TAKEN up as a stray by Thomas James, a black mare, about 12 hands high, has a star in her forehead, and a small white spot on her back, branded on her near buttock thus NV, and appears to be about 8 or 10 years old. The owner may have her again, on proving property, and paying charges.

Talbot court-house, April 3, 1775. To be sold by the subscribers, all their goods on hand, consisting of a variety of articles, which with the addition of some linens, will make out a good spring assortment. A person inclinable to begin the mercantile business at this place, where there will be good opening, and will purchase the goods aforementioned, may rent the store-house now made use of by us, with all the conveniences thereto belonging. As the settlement of this partnership account is earnestly requested, all persons indebted, are desired to settle and pay of their balances.

CHAMBERLAINE and Comp.

To be sold at public vendue, on Tuesday the 25th day of this instant, at the dock in Annapolis, A LARGE schooner flat, which has not been built above ten months; she is twenty-nine feet keel, twelve feet beam, and three feet eight inches in the hold; she is full rigged, and is a swift sailor; and being more particularly built for the owners use by his brothers, in all likelihood is well done; but since that the owner is dead, and she is now to be sold by his mother, living in the swamp.

SUSANNA TUCKER.

Baltimore, April 3, 1775. TO BE SOLD,

A BRICK house, situated on Market-street, in Baltimore town, has been built two years, is forty-two feet front, and forty-four deep, has four rooms on each floor, and is well adapted for a merchant, having a good store and counting house; the lot is two hundred and twenty-six feet deep, extending from Market-street, to German-lane.

Also a tract of land situated on the north branch of Shannadoih river, in Augusta county, Virginia, containing 210 acres, called the Great Plain, remarkable for the fertility of the soil; there is on the said tract, a merchant mill, saw-mill, and oil-mill, all in good repair, and in the driest season, plentifully supplied with water from a never failing spring; the source of which is not more than a quarter of a mile from the mills.

Also one other tract near the former, containing 270 acres of good timbered land.

Also one other tract adjoining the first mentioned tract, containing 570 acres. Extraordinary good land, proper for hemp, grain, or grass.

Also one other tract adjoining the second mentioned tract, containing 253 acres.

For further particulars concerning the lands, apply to Alexander White, Esq; in Winchester, who will give directions how the lands and mills may be viewed, and is empowered to dispose of the same.

We intending to decline the dry goods trade, have upon hand about three thousand pounds sterling cost of goods, which we would dispose of on very moderate terms.

Prince George's county, April 3, 1775. To be sold to the highest bidder, on Monday the 15th instant, on the premises,

THREE hundred acres of land, whereon William Deal lately lived; the land lies in a square, well watered and timbered; there is about 10 or 15 acres easily cleared into meadow; the land is very fertile. Likewise 100 acres lying in a long square, adjoining Mr. Walter Williams, both tracts within two miles of Baldwin's tavern. The title and terms will be made known on the day of sale.

JEREMIAH BELT

To be sold on Monday, the eighth day of May next, by the subscriber, pursuant to the last will and testament of James Skokoron Briscoe, deceased,

A TRACT of land lying in St. Mary's county, containing upwards of two hundred acres, there are valuable improvements on the land, to wit; a dwelling-house with three rooms on a floor, with a good kitchen and all other convenient out-houses, barns, tobacco-houses, stables, &c. there are about twenty acres of very fine meadow land, part of it cleared. The land is about four miles from Patuxent river, and about the same distance from Cole's Warehouse. To be sold at the same time and place, a like young negro weaver, and two children, by

MARY BRISCOE, Executrix.

Baltimore county, Patapsco Neck, April 3, 1775.

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.

For apprehending a Runaway.

JAMES, a mulatto slave, sometimes known by the name of Vulcan, but commonly answers to the name of Buck, took on abrupt leave of his overseer last Wednesday, and has not yet returned; he is a dark mulatto, about 5 feet 10 inches high, strong made, feisible, artful, and deceptive in conversation, firm and daring in his efforts to perpetrate villainy; free of mild temper, and plausible in speech; he has frequently travelled through a considerable part of this and some part of the province of Pennsylvania; is well known, it is supposed, in the borough and county of Lancaster; and is acquainted with Philadelphia; may probably therefore re-visit those places. His working cloaths were a home manufactured long cloth waistcoat with sleeves, and breeches, yarn stockings, osha brig shirt, and good shoes, nailed with hobs; he is possessed of and has taken with him a blue German serge coat, a green broad cloth vest, two pair of cotton and one pair of thread stockings, two white shirts ruffled at the breast, a good coffee hat with band and buckle, a pair of good gumps, with a pair of double rimmed silver buckles. He has a mark of distinction, which from modesty, or some other motive, he is careful to conceal; one of his ears (but which is forgotten) is remarkably less than the other. The above reward will be paid if he should be taken up out of the province, or 60 miles from Baltimore town, in the province, and brought home, five pounds if at the distance of 40 miles, three pounds if 30, and forty shillings if 20 miles, with reasonable travelling expences, including the legal charge under the act of assembly, by

THOMAS JONES.