s, liberties, properties, and every oth..r
ng.

Fort Johnston, June 24, 1775.

to make you my acknowledgements for
munication of the false, malicious and
ort, that has been propagated of me in
e province, of my having given encou-
he negroes to revolt against their masters;
ade myself you kindly intended thereby
n opportunity to refute so infamous a
rly embrace this occasion, most solemnly
that I never conceived a thought of that
. I will further add my opinion, that no-
ver justify the design falsely imputed to me,
ouragement to the negroes, "but the as-
ared rebellion of the king's subjects, and
all other means to maintain the king's go-

therefore, sir, to request the favour of
he most effectual means to prevent the cir-
is most cruel slander, and to assure every
om you shall communicate on this subject,
m entertaining so horrid a design. I shall
and heartily disposed to concur in any
hat may be consistent with prudence, to
oes in order and subjection, and for the
of peace and good order throughout the

I am,
With great respect, Sir,
Your most obedient humble servant,
JO. MARTIN.

Lewis H. De Rosset, Esq;

nanimously, That his excellency governor
he whole tenor of his conduct since the un-
nces between Great-Britain and her colo-
nifested himself an enemy to American li-
e rights and blessings of a free people; and
many wanton exertions of power as gover-
rovince, his hostile and dangerous letters to
and general Gage, replete with falsities
sentations of the true state of the province,
ed himself to hold principles abhorrent to
humanity, and justly forfeited all confi-
he people of this government.

nanimously, That notwithstanding the very
that have been taken by those who call
riends to government, and their favourable
of the emphatical words between turned
the body of the above letter, to make them
uage different from their true import, they
plain English, and in every construction of
justification of the design of encouraging
revolt, when every other means should
erve the king's government from open and
ellion. And the public avowal of a crime
and truly black a complexion could only
a soul lost to every sense of the feelings of
nd long hackneyed in the detestable and
pose of subjugating these colonies to the
lavery.

By order,
R. COGDELL, chairman.

Committee-Chamber, Newbern, August 10

wing letters have fallen into the hands of
tee. Their alarming tendency sufficiently
or their publication. As governor Martin
, as a provincial governor, in his unremit-
o commence hostilities against this province,
al orders to him different, or his officious
e the people of his government prompt-
malevolent principle?

North-Carolina, Cape-Fear, June 23, 1775.

ir,

the liberty to inclose herewith a letter to
artin, whose safe arrival I am most anxious
wind having been easterly almost ever since
e.

extremely obliged to you if you can send
e royal standard I mentioned to you some
without it if that is not to be had, a good
rquis, of the size of the colonel's tent in the
a tent bed to fit the boot of it, and furni-
matrass, bolsters and pillows, to be sent by
ound to Cape-Fear river, or in default there-
ern, directed to the care of Mr. Cornell.
ejoice to see a prospect of a happy termina-
deplorable times, that more or less threaten
s of every man throughout the British do-

liments and warmest good wishes attend
s. White, and all your family, and I am,
r yours, JO. MARTIN.

n. Henry White, Esq.

to give you your due additions on the out-
etter to obviate prying curiosity.

loop of war, Cape-Fear river, July 21, 1775.

ceived your letter of the 15th inst. by Mr.
nam, and highly approve your proper and
duct; while I cannot sufficiently express my
and contempt of the proceedings of Capt.
ncer and his unworthy confederates.
the other friends of government, have only
ur ground firmly, and unite against the sedi-
y do against you, in firm assurance that you
and effectually supported. I wait here to
purposes of the friends of government, or I
been among you. At a proper season you
I shall render myself among you, and is
ne let nothing discourage you.
of rebellion has lately received a most se-
n New-England, and I have not the least
ll that country is by this time entirely re-
Majesty's army, which, by my latest ad-
rrying on its operations with the utmost

ead may be assured of my attention to all his
proper time.
compliments may be presented to Colonel
and am, Sir,
Your most humble servant,
JO. MARTIN.

ol. James Cotton, Anson County.

ANNAPOLIS, *November 2.*

Charles town, October 26, 1775.

A most melancholy accident happened last night near this place. The dwelling-house, kitchen, and a negro-quarter, belonging to Mrs. Key, on the place called Carpenter's Point, together with almost all her furniture, were reduced to ashes. But, what in a peculiar manner rendered the scene distressing, was, two women who perished in the flames. Mrs. M'Alwain, a young married lady from Frederick county, who, a few days before, had come to Mrs. Key's, (with whom she lived when a girl) with an intention of lying in with her first child. The other was a white girl, who slept in the chamber with her, in the character of a servant: The roof of the house beginning to fall in, near to where a labouring man slept, was the first thing which gave the alarm. He with difficulty got down stairs and waked Mrs. Key, who, notwithstanding the utmost danger of being buried in the flames, flew up to the chamber where Mrs. M'Alwain slept, and seizing her by the hand, endeavoured to wake her, begging that she would come down, the house being all on fire. At that instant, the flames began to beat on the stair case, and Mrs. Key, not without being scorched, rushed down. It appears probable, that Mrs. M'Alwain never got out of her bed, although she answered Mrs. Key, and said she was coming; as her remains were found the next morning in the cellar, just under where her bed stood, and the child of which she was big, about half consumed, at a little distance from her. By what accident, or in what manner the fire at first broke out, is at yet wholely unknown. There is some reason to believe it was done designedly, and some of Mrs. Key's own negroes, are not altogether unsuspected.

BY THE COUNCIL OF SAFETY OF MARYLAND, October 21, 1775.

THE COMMITTEES OF OBSERVATION are requested to compleat their returns of the minute and militia officers, and the companies of militia formed in battalions, agreeable to the resolves of the late convention, as soon as may be, that the proper commissions may issue.

By order,
ELEAZER M'COMB, Clerk.

THE COUNCIL OF SAFETY desirous of forwarding the intentions of the convention in promoting the manufacture of salt, salt-petre, gunpowder, and fire-arms, request any persons who are inclined to engage on liberal encouragement in the manufacture of fire-arms, or to erect a powder-mill in the neighbourhood of Baltimore-town, where it will be most beneficial, or salt, or salt-petre works, that they will send their proposals in writing to Gabriel Duvall, clerk of the council of safety, and they shall be attended to and speedily answered. tf

Anne-Arundel county, October 25, 1775.

A MEETING of the COMMITTEE of OBSERVATION for this county is desired at the house of Mr. John Ball in the city of Annapolis, on Friday the third of November next. As the meeting is called on business of general concern to the county, it is expected that the members will attend.

THE subscriber proposes to remove with his family some time in the month of December, from the plantation he now lives on in Calvert county, on Battle creek; requests all persons who have any claims against him in the aboveaid county, to bring them in, that they may be adjusted and paid; and all persons who are indebted to me, on bond, note, or open account, for dealings, since my residence here, are requested to settle their respective balances as soon as possible. I have for sale, a parcel of cattle, consisting of cows and calves, heifers, steers and yearlings, also some horses, mares, colts, and some sheep and hogs, a seine and ropes, a large canoe, and a fine well built boat, about 16 feet in the keel, all which articles I will dispose of on every reasonable terms, for cash, and may be treated with at any time for the same, between this and the last of December next.

4 w GEORGE WHEELER.

WANTED TO PURCHASE,

A TRACT of good land, situated on Patowmack river—between George-town and Port Tobacco, consisting of 500 to 1000 acres—healthy and having good spring water convenient. Any person having such a tract to dispose off, may hear of a purchaser, by applying to the printer, or Thomas Lendrum in Annapolis. 6 w

Maryland, Talbot-county, October 23, 1775.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away on the night of the 21st instant, two convicts, viz. William Manly, a well made fellow, about 25 or 30 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, of a surly countenance, is a labourer, and understands something of horses: had on when he went away, a short blue coat about half wore, and either a spotted jean, or brown cloth jacket, flannel drawers, strong home-made gray yarn stockings, and good strong English made shoes; he is an active fellow, and will probably change his name and forge a pass; he speaks the Lancashire or north of England dialect.

Anne Wilson, who calls herself the said Manly's wife, a middle sized thin looking woman, about 40 or 45 years of age, is in a tolerable good dress, handy at doing house-work, and speaks the same dialect as Manly.

Whoever takes up and secures the above convicts, so that I get them again, shall receive if taken in this province, 40 shillings for the man, and 20 shillings for the woman; and if taken out of this province, 3 pounds for the man, and two pounds for the woman. It is imagined they would make down the bay, as they stole and took with them a new canoe, a frying pan, a copper tea-kettle, several Irish linen shirts, provisions, &c.

If they are took up and put in jail, a letter directed to the subscriber, will be duly attended to. w 3

JAMES BRADDOCK.

Calvert county, October 21, 1775.

RAN away from the subscriber, the 20th instant, a negro man, named Leven, about 26 years of age, 5 feet 5 or 6 inches high, his head has lately been shaved on the top: had on and took with him, a gray half-thick coat lined with osnabrigs, with metal buttons, a white country cloth ditto without buttons, country cloth breeches, and a pair of tolerable good shoes and stockings. I will give one guinea for apprehending and securing him in any jail.

W. SMITH.

Annapolis, October 25, 1775.

TWENTY SHILLINGS REWARD.

TAKEN away, or borrowed from off the paling at the bottom of the governor's garden, on Monday night last, or early on Tuesday morning, an old seine net, about thirty fathom long, which had been left hanging there for some days by the servants and negroes, to whom it had been lent, who are responsible for it. The above seine is well known to most of the fishermen about Annapolis, and elsewhere, is remarkable in being made of very strong double twine, now much worn, and mended in many places, and has had a cod added sometime ago, made with different twine. If any person will give information thereof to Mr. Smith, at the governor's, so that it may be had again, shall have the above reward.

THREE POUNDS REWARD.

SOME evil disposed person on Tuesday night last, broke open the governor's stable in the folly, and let out his gray stallion; which might, though fortunately was not, have been attended with great loss, and that to him.—Any person discovering the perpetrator thereof, so that he may be convicted, shall receive three pounds—and notice is hereby given, that care may be taken in future, as any further attempts of this sort, will perhaps be attended with disagreeable consequences.

R. SMITH.

St. Mary's county.

To be sold at public sale at Leonard-town, on Tuesday the 14th day of November next, for ready cash, the following negroes, part of the estate of the late John Black, deceased,

A WENCH 35 years of age, and her three children, the eldest a boy about 13 years old, very well grown; the other two girls, one 6 years old, and the other 5, and a large likely fellow middle aged, by

SUSANNA BLACK, executrix.

N. B. All persons that have any just claims against the said John Black's estate, are desired to bring them in legally proved, as they may be discharged, and likewise those indebted to the said estate, are requested to make payment. S. B.

Annapolis, October 24, 1775.

CHARLES [illegible]COB, watch-maker, who was late in partnership with A. Claude, has just opened a shop next to John C. Lindsey's tavern, and facing the late R. Chaselin, in West-street, where he hopes his former customers in town and country will favour him with their custom, which he will endeavour to merit by a constant application to his business.

N. B. All orders from the country shall be strictly observed, and all work sent home as soon as done by the return of the post.

July [illegible] 1775.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away last night from the subscriber, living near the Northampton iron-works, Baltimore county, Maryland, a convict servant man, an Englishman, named Thomas Hardy, about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, gray eyes, short gray hair, about 32 years old, limps in his walk; he has a small hole in one of his lips, lost most of his teeth, talks in the north country dialect: had on and took with him, a white country cloth jacket, country tow linen trousers, good English shoes, two osnabrig shirts, old felt hat; he may have other clothes. Whoever takes up the said servant and secures him, so as his master gets him again, shall have 20 shillings if 10 miles from home, 30 shillings if 20 miles, 40 shillings if 30 miles, 3 pounds if 50 miles, and the above reward if one hundred miles from home, and reasonable charges if brought home, paid by,

2 w JOHN ROBERT HOLLIDAY.

TO be sold by the subscribers, a valuable tract of land, lying in Frederick county, about 16 miles from George-town, containing 300 acres, about 100 acres cleared and under good fence; possession will be given the purchaser the first of September next. Any person desirous to purchase, may see the land by applying to Mr. Simon Nickolls, near the premises.

tf DAVID CRAWFORD,
WILL[illegible] BRAKINS, jun.

October 4, 1775.

By virtue of a deed of trust, to us the subscribers, executed by Mr. Jonathan Pinkney, and for the use of Mr. William Roberts, will be publicly sold to the highest bidder, for sterling money,

A LOT of land lying in the city of Annapolis, distinguished by the number 71, on which are a brick dwelling-house and other improvements, lately in the occupation of Mr. John Ball, innholder; this lot is subject to an incumbrance in the loan-office of £225 sterling, and some interest; this money must be paid out of the purchase, and the residue to the use of William Roberts, by the trustees: this valuable lot, and the improvements, will be sold to the highest bidder, on Saturday the 4th day of November next, at 11 o'clock, in the forenoon. Six months credit will be given to the purchaser, on giving bond and good security, with lawful interest thereon.

Likewise will be publicly sold to the highest bidder, on Tuesday the 21st day of the same month, (for sterling money)

A VALUABLE plantation on the north-side of Severn-river, in Anne-Arundel county, containing by estimate 400 acres more or less, with some improvements; it lies about seven miles from the city of Annapolis, and now in the tenure and occupation of Mr. Jonathan Pinkney. Six months will be given for payment, on giving bond with good security, and paying lawful interest thereon.

THOMAS HARWOOD, jun.
5 X JOHN BULLEN.

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 an abrupt leave of his overseer last Wednesday, and has not yet returned; he is a dark mulatto, about 5 feet 9 inches high, strong made, sensible, artful, and deceptive in conversation, firm and daring in his efforts to perpetrate villainy, but 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, osnabrig 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 castor hat with band and buckle, a pair of good pumps, 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 forgot) 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 tf 22 THOMAS JONES.

To be sold on the premises, on the 14th day of November next, agreeable to the last will and testament of Thomas Belt the 3d, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, and to be conveyed by the heir at law,

A VALUABLE tract of land, containing about two hundred and ninety acres, situated on the river Patuxent, and about half a mile from the ferry Mount Pleasant; the soil is light, and noted for very fine tobacco, there are two dwelling houses, one tobacco-house, and a corn-house, all new, with other convenient out-houses, besides an exceeding fine water mill that carries two pair of stones, one of which cost between seventy and eighty pounds common money, her works are new and compleat, with many other conveniencies too tedious to mention.

There will be sold on the same day, a parcel of negroes, consisting of one fellow, two wenches, and four children; likewise three white servants, one of which is a good carpenter, one other a miller, and the other one a boy that understands shaving and dressing of hair. There will be likewise for sale, a parcel of horses, hogs, cattle, sheep, and household furniture, with many other articles by tf

5 WILLIAM BELT, and
THOMAS HARWOOD, } admrs.

N. B. Bonds will be taken with security for sums more then five pounds, for less the money must be paid down.

THE subscriber hereby informs the public in general, and in particular her kind customers, that she has got her fulling-mill in compleat order, where all gentlemen and others may depend on having their work done in the best manner, by applying to their most obedient humble servant, 3 w 3

CASSANDRA DUCKER.

TAKEN up by the subscriber about the middle of June last, in Patowmack river, a little above the mouth of St. Mary's river, a ship's yaul, 15 feet keel, 6 feet 9 ½ inch beam, clincher built, white bottom, the two upper streaks painted of a dove colour, with white stripes along them—the inside painted all red, a ring-bolt in the head and stern, and one on each side the middle beam or hat—there are places to row five oars—were in her when taken up, a brass compass, two masts with spritsails, two oars, an iron chain, some sailors were seen to leave the day she was taken up. The owner may have her again, on proving his property, and paying charges, by applying to Mr. Uriah Forrest, at Leonard town, St. Mary's county. 4 w 3 JOHN BUDD.

THERE is at the plantation of Samuel Wesh, living in the upper part of Anne-Arundel county, a bright bay mare, with a star in her forehead, about 13 ½ hands high, appears to be about 5 years old, branded on the near buttock thus 8, trots and gallops well, and goes a shufling kind of pace. The owner may have her again, on proving their property, and paying charges. 3 X

JUSTUS SEABERT,

Peruke-maker, and gentlemen and ladies hair-dresser,

BEGS leave to inform those gentlemen and ladies that please to honour him with their commands, that he has taken the house formerly possessed by Mr. John Hepburn, upon Cornhill, where he carries on his said trade in all its various branches, viz. cutting of hair in the neatest manner, and making perukes, ladies hair rolls, curls, &c. after the newest taste, and in the genteelest fashion; and as he has had many years experience both at Paris and London, he doubts not but to give full satisfaction to those that please to employ him, and he hopes to meet with the favour and approbation of the public, as he is determined to execute all orders in the neatest manner, upon the most reasonable terms, and with the strictest punctuality. tf

SIX DOLLARS REWARD.

RAN away last night from the subscriber, living at Christiana Bridge, Newcastle county, an English servant man, named James Blight Collins, by trade a rope-maker, about 5 feet 6 inches high, 23 years of age, red full smooth face, brown complexion, wears his own hair, and a good scholar: had on when he went away, a blue coat, spotted swanskin jacket, tow trousers, old hat, and it is likely he will go to Annapolis and apply to be a clerk, or a schoolmaster. Whoever secures him, so that his master may have him again, shall have the above reward, and reasonable charges, paid by me, w 5

5 X ROBERT SHIELDS.