

might be led on too far from the main body, returned to Brunswick. By information of them, gen. Howe, Lord Cornwallis, and gen. Grant, the town when the alarm was first given, quickly left very soon after. In the pursuit, the British riflemen exchanged several sharp fires with the Continental militia, which it is imagined did them considerable injury: I am in hopes that they afterwards will be a strong party to lay between Brunswick and Lancaster, in order to prevent any convoys or parties that might be sent upon an enemy far superior to them in numbers, and well secured behind strong redoubts. Gen. Howe advanced from Rocky-Hill to Brunswick with his army, but as he did not receive his order till very late at night, he did not arrive till the morning had been gone some time."

Published by order of Congress,
CHARLES THOMSON, Secretary.

of a letter from the camp at Middle-Brook, dated June 23, 1777.

I wrote two letters yesterday by different express, an account of our being in possession of Brunswick, and the enemy retreating to a buoy, where we have their main body have reached; their advance about four miles between Woodbridge and Middle-Brook; gen. Maxwell was near them, also with his brigade, and Lord Stirling, with his army, between them and our camp here; near the main (of our troops) in Brunswick. The enemy have thrown their bridge (designed for a crossing) across the Sound from Annapolis to Staten-Bay, by which it is clear they design to retreat, if pushed: the weather last night and this morning has been so wet that nothing could be done, other than to believe, we should have moved nearer to them; great has been attended with such a destruction of property, that marks their despair of possessing this town; and Sir William Howe's reputation, as a general, must be greatly lessened in their own eyes. A confidence in a commander in chief, and the spirits of his troops, can leave them no prospect of ending the campaign with much advantage, which has opened to ingloriously."

CONGRESS, June 20, 1777.

Resolved, That a corps of invalids be formed, consisting of eight companies, each company to have one lieutenant, two ensigns, five sergeants, two corporals, two drummers, two fiddlers, and one musician. This corps to be employed in garrisons, guards in cities and other places, where martial exercises are placed; as also to serve as a school for young gentlemen, previous to their appointment to marching regiments; for which all the subaltern officers, when on duty, shall attend a mathematical school, appointed for the purpose to learn geometry, arithmetic, vulgar and algebraic fractions, and the extraction of roots; and officers of this corps shall be obliged to contribute one day's pay in every month, and stoppages made of it accordingly, for the purpose of purchasing a regimental library of the most approved authors on tactics and the petite guerre; that some of this corps be constantly employed in the service, in the neighbourhood of the places in which they shall be stationed; that all recruits to be brought into the corps and drilled, and afterwards taught into other regiments, as occasion may require.

Extra from the minutes,
CHARLES THOMSON, Secretary.

ANNAPOLIS, JULY 3, 1777.

Monday last the general assembly of this state adjourned on Monday the eighth of September next, after passing the following laws:

- act to continue an act for suspending the power of commissioners for building a court house and Harford county.
- act directing the justices of Frederick county to increase the number of taxables in Washington and every county, and to enable the sheriffs of the counties to collect their proportion of the public moneys settled by the justices of Frederick county.
- act to enable the corporation of the city of Baltimore to sell or lease certain lands, and to enlarge their jurisdiction of the mayor's court of Baltimore.
- act to revive and aid the proceedings of Cecil county court.
- act for the recovery of fines on non-enrollers.
- act to revive the proceedings of Saint Mary's court.
- act to continue an act for enlarging the powers of the governor and the council.
- act to reinforce the American army.
- act to remove the records of the prerogative court.
- act to repeal part of an act to promote the service.
- act to punish forestalling and engrossing, and purposes.
- act for the speedy recovery of small debts.
- act for the special appointment of inspectors.
- supplement to the acts for assessment of property.
- act for the relief of Jean Collineau of Maryland, the kingdom of France. (A private act.)
- act relating to the treasurers.
- act to regulate the militia.
- act for the payment of the journal of accounts.
- act to direct the recording of a deed to Wilkes. (A private act.)

EXCELLENCY THOMAS JOHNSON, Esq;
GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS many of the soldiers who enlisted in the Colonel Smallwood's battalion, and the independent companies, have not yet joined any of the continental troops raising in this state, I therefore thought fit, at the request of the general assembly, to publish this my proclamation, hereby requiring such of them as are on the eastern shore to appear on or before the last day of July next, at further, at any place where col. Richardson's regiment shall be; and such of them as shall be on the western shore, to appear on or before the last day of July next, at the city of Annapolis, or Baltimore, or Frederick-Town, under the penalty of being treated as deserters; and do promise to such who shall so appear, that they shall be admitted to enter for three years, in any of the battalions raised by this state, and shall thereupon receive the continental bounty, and other allowances. And that all persons concerned may have due notice of this my proclamation, the several sheriffs within this state are hereby commanded to make the same public in their respective counties.

Given at Annapolis this thirtieth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and seventy-seven.
THO. JOHNSON.

By his excellency's command,
T. JOHNSON, jun. Sec.

GOD save the STATE.

Lower Marlborough Academy, June 23, 1777.
THE TUTOR of this ACADEMY, considering the difficulty of procuring convenient BOARD for the STUDENTS, and the high price thereof, and desirous of applying some remedy to the inconvenience, and thereby render the seminary under their care as extensively useful as possible, have, by the advice of a number of the trustees, provided a proper and convenient boarding-house for the reception of such young gentlemen as shall choose to reside therein, on the following plan; viz—Every student to provide his bed and bedding, and upon his admission, to pay the sum of fifteen pounds into the hands of the tutors, to be expended in procuring provisions and other necessaries for house-keeping; that the whole expence of boarding be equally levied on all the students, at the expiration of the year; and that just and regular accounts be kept by one of the tutors, to be open to the inspection of the friends of any of the students.—By this plan it is expected that the price of board will not only be considerably reduced, but that great advantages will accrue to the students from being constantly under the eye of the tutors.—Provision will be taken at the current price, if delivered at the boarding house, for the proportion of any of the boarders, or any part of it. The Latin and Greek languages, and all the most useful and ornamental sciences, are taught in this academy, at the moderate price of five pounds per annum, by
STEPHEN B. BALCH, A. B. of Nassau-Hall.
THOMAS LLOYD, of Trinity college, Dublin.
And the English language, writing and arithmetic, at forty shillings per annum, by
JOHN NICHOLS.

To be sold, on the 20th day of August next, THE PLANTATION where the subscriber now dwells, containing 233 acres of land, about one hundred of which are wood land, lying in Montgomery county, about 20 miles from George-Town, and about 35 from Baltimore-Town; whereon is a good dwelling-house, with five rooms on the lower floor, the house new and well finished, a good kitchen, and all other convenient out-houses, a paved yard and garden, a new barn 32 feet by 24, shedded at each end, two good tobacco houses, and an apple orchard with 500 bearing trees, noted for making fine cider; the land exceeding level, and well adapted for making tobacco; Indian corn, or small grain, is well watered, and has a sufficient quantity of meadow ground on it, about 15 acres now in grass, and as much more partly cleared; the plantation all in good repair. The land will be sold on the premises.—To be sold at the same time, ninety acres of wood-land, lying on each side of Rock-Creek, about 15 miles from George-Town, whereon is a noted fine mill seat; the land much burdened with fine timber, and about forty acres of exceeding good meadow ground, the whole of which may be watered with little trouble. Any person inclinable to purchase is desired to apply to the subscriber, who will shew the lands, and make known the terms of sale.
JOHN BAKER.

Mayland, Prince-George's county, June 25, 1777.
WHEREAS there is a report prevailing, somewhat to the prejudice of the character of Mrs. Margaret Hutton—which report says, that on the 9th of April, A. D. 1776, at her own table, Mrs. Hutton called on a lady for a toast—and on "General Washington" being given, peremptorily refused to drink it. This I aver to be an atrocious lie, and therefore take upon me to clear up the aspersion, by setting things in their true colours, as received from Mrs. Hutton herself, and other ladies who were present at the time. Mrs. Hutton was visited, the day abovementioned, by several ladies, among others, the lady of a general; the preference was given her; she was called on, and gave, "General Washington," which was by all the company, without exception, drank. Mrs. Hutton was then desired to give a toast; her reply was, "We will leave politics and public toasts for gentlemen, and wish for 'Peace and Quietness,' for I hate spinning." The reason why this matter had not been set to rights earlier is, the persons concerned were, till within a few days last past, ignorant of such a matter having been rumoured.

Annapolis, June 4, 1777.
THE Printer of this GAZETTE is under the disagreeable necessity of informing his Customers, that the extraordinary advance in the price of paper, and every other material for the printing business, obliges him to raise his price to fifteen shillings per annum, which he intends to charge from the beginning of February last.—Those who disapprove of this measure, are requested to give him immediate notice thereof, to settle and pay off their respective accounts to the present time, at the old price, and have their names struck out.—Such as do not give him this notice, he shall conclude agree to the advanced price; and their papers will be continued and sent accordingly.

Persons subscribing for this paper from the above date to be charged fifteen shillings the year, and to pay seven shillings and sixpence at the time of entering.

LOST BY LENDING,
By the PRINTER hereof,

SUNDRY volumes of the VOTES and PROCEEDINGS of the LOWER HOUSE of ASSEMBLY of MARYLAND—The 5th volume of the MARYLAND GAZETTE—the PROCEEDINGS of the TUESDAY CLUB—BACON'S Laws, &c. &c.
Whoever has all or either of the above books, are desired to send them to the Printing-Office, and the favour will be acknowledged.

Prince-George's county, Queen-Anne, June 17, 1777.
THE co-partnership of RICHARD WOOTTON and Co. being dissolved some time past, necessity obliging a settlement of said concern, it is hereby requested of all persons indebted to said co-partnership, or to the subscriber, on bond, note, or open account, to make immediate payment: Those that have availed themselves from the present times, by hitherto refusing, and being backward in the settlement of their open accounts, or not paying interest due on their obligations, are earnestly requested to make the necessary settlements as soon as possible, or there will be steps taken to compel payment without further notice, which recourse will be exceeding disagreeable unto
SINGLETON WOOTTON.

EIGHT DOLLARS REWARD.
Calvert county, June 13, 1777.
RAN away, the first of last month, a negro man, named WILL, of a yellowish complexion; about 26 years of age, 5 feet 9 or 10 inches high; had on an old white country kersey wove waistcoat and breeches, and an dsnabrig shirt. He was seen, about three weeks ago, in the neighbourhood of London-Town, and was then on his way to Baltimore.—Whoever takes up said negro, and secures him in any goal, so that he may be had again, may receive the above reward, including what the law allows, and reasonable charges, if brought home.
BENJ. MACKALL, 4th.

Annapolis, June 12, 1777.
STRAYED from the plantation of Richard Burlingame, on the north side of Severn river, about five or six weeks ago, a large valuable red COW, with remarkable large horns, which grow almost upright; she gave milk when she went away, and may be known in the neighbourhood by her having a very short tail. Any person who will deliver her at the plantation from whence she strayed, shall receive 20s. reward.
STRAYED from Samuel Maynard, living near Herring-Bay, a small black MARE, about 12 hands 3 inches high, trots and gallops, marked ES. Whoever takes up the said mare and brings her to the owner, shall receive fifteen shillings reward.

SIXTEEN DOLLARS REWARD.
STRAYED or stolen from Daniel J. Adams, the 19th instant; out of Mr. John Darnold's plantation, near Frederick-Town, two GELDINGS, viz. one a roan, about 15 hands high, branded on the near buttock IF, switch mane and tail, has a snip on his nose, trots, paces and canters, shod all round. The other a dark gray, three years old, about 14 hands 2 inches high, branded on the near buttock I, switch mane and tail, paces and canters, has been lately gelded, and not yet well of the operation. Whoever takes up said geldings, and will deliver them to the owner at Mr. Peter Grosh's, in Frederick-Town, or to Mr. Peter Grosh, shall receive the above reward, and all reasonable charges.
ANY person or persons, who will undertake the STOCKING of MUSKETS for this STATE, may have any number, and all the materials found, by applying to
JOHN SHAW, Annapolis.

Wanted, a quantity of OLD BRASS, for which a good price will be given.

On Monday the 21st of July will be exposed to SALE by auction, at the LODGE near the FERRY-HOUSE, opposite Alexandria,

THE valuable and well chosen LIBRARY of the Rev. Mr. BOUCHER, containing a complete set of the Greek and Latin Classics, Dictionaries, Lexicons, and a variety of other school-books, entertaining Miscellanies and Novels, a choice collection of the English and French poets, the most approved writers on Agriculture, Biography, Chronology, History, Geography, Mathematics, Philosophy natural and moral, Law, Physic, and Divinity. Should the LIBRARY be disposed of by wholesale, before the day appointed, the public shall have timely notice.
At the said time and place will be sold a quantity of household furniture, such as beds, chairs, tables, &c. by
OVERTON CARR, Attorney for the Rev. JONATHAN BOUCHER.

To be SOLD,
A BRICK and two framed HOUSES—as they now are in Bloomsbury-square, to which there are two lots of ground under lease for ninety-nine years, four of which are expired; late the estate of William Buckland, deceased. For terms of sale, apply to Mr. Lancelot Jacques, in Annapolis, or the subscribers,
DENTON JACQUES,
JOHN RANDALL.

June 21, 1777.
LAND to be SOLD.
ABOUT 3000 acres, being part of a tract called the Refurvey on the mountain of Wales, 600 of which lie adjoining to Great Conococheague, on which there are two small improvements; the other part lies on Little Conococheague, on which there is a small farm of about fifty acres cleared, fifteen of it in good meadow.—The soil exceeding good, and well adapted for small grain, and a very fine range for stock.—For title and terms, apply to the subscriber, living at Fort-Frederick Furnace.
DENTON JACQUES.

I want to hire a few negroes, to cut cord wood at the above furnace, for which good wages will be given.
STOLEN or strayed, some time before Christmas last, from Dr. Alexander Hamil, Smith's lot, in Frederick-Town, a dark bay HORSE, near fourteen hands high, paces and trots, branded on the near buttock and shoulder SB, the brand on his buttock not very perceivable, some part of one of his hind hoofs white. Whoever takes up the said horse, and brings him to Dr. Alexander Hamil, Smith, in Frederick-Town, shall receive six dollars reward, and if brought home to the subscriber, living near Herring-Bay, eight dollars.
SAMUEL BIRCKHEAD.

For SALE,
SEVERAL very valuable HORSES and MARES, three and four years old this spring—among them some of the blood.—They may be seen at Mr. Denton Hammond's plantation, on the north side of Severn river, near the ferry.
REZIN HAMMOND.

THERE is in the possession of Robert Tyler, Prince-George's county, taken up as a stray, a small sorrel MARE, about five or six years old, twelve hands and a half high, has a blaze in her face, long docked, and branded on the off buttock thus—; she trots and gallops, and is dull. The owner may have her again on proving his property, and paying charges.

DESERTED from the ship DEFENCE, on Sunday the 29th ult. the two following men:
RICHARD HARDING, a Londoner, about 5 feet 4 or 5 inches high, pock-marked, full-faced, and from his speaking appears to be a sensible, manly fellow, he is one of the men who were pressed on board the frigate, but discharged afterwards: Had on, when he went away, a short green sailor's jacket, thin linen breeches, and white thread stockings, a small round hat with a stone buckle, and other cloaths, and may probably change his dress; he had a pair of silver shoe and knee buckles, which it is likely he may sell, as he has no money, unless some has been advanced him by some privateer's man. He served his time with Thomas Pritchett, near M'Gruder's mill, about 12 miles from George-Town, Patowmack.
JOHN FLANNAGAN, an Irishman, but by his tongue would be taken for an American, about 5 feet 8 inches high, has long dark hair tied behind, fore eyes, and is a little bruised: Had on, when he deserted, a blue jacket, long trousers, new shoes and stockings, a flapped hat, and is a well-built strong fellow.
Whoever will secure the above men, and send them to the ship Defence, or inform the officers thereof, so that they may send for them, shall have the above reward, or thirty dollars for each, and reasonable charges paid.
GEORGE COOK, Commander.
N. B. As two or three horses were missing in Annapolis the night they deserted, it is probable they may have stolen them to facilitate their escape.

Prince-George's county, June 21, 1777.
COMMITTED to my custody as a runaway, a negro lad, by the name of WILL, who says he belongs to Mrs. Paterfon, of Virginia. His mistress is desired to take him away, and pay charges.
THOMAS DUCKETT, Sheriff.

TAKEN up in Patuxent-River, about the first of June last, a six hoghead FLAT, with a ring-bolt in her stem. The owner may have her again, on proving property and paying charges.
JAMES SMITH.