

to the brave men under his command, all con- fusing, call aloud for our redoubled efforts. Our army is weak, and reinforced it must be, to act on the defensive or offensively, as circumstan- ces may require; reinforcements proportionable to those demanded from this, are to be furnished by the other States: The fall of Charles town, and the distresses of our brave friends, in that quarter, have infused fresh vigour into the councils of America; let us, like the Romans of old, draw new resources and an increase of courage, even from defeats, and manifest to the world, that we are then most to be dreaded, when most depressed.

By order of the general assembly, DAN. of St. THO. JENIFER, Pref. Sen. JOSIAS BEALL, Spr. ho. del.

LONDON, April 4.

ADVICES were yesterday received in town from Holland which meant on, that a body of French troops, to the amount of 20,000 men, are on their march along the Flemish coast, where they are going to take up their station; and that this has caused no small alarm in the Dutch dominions.

BOSTON, June 15.

Last Thursday evening arrived at Newport, after a short cruise, His Most Christian Majesty's frigate l'Herminie, commanded by the chevalier de la Touche, the day before at 7 A. M. five leagues to the S. E. of Montock point, he discovered a ship, a sloop, a schooner, and a snow, all armed, he immediately bore down on the ship which met him half way, a most furious engagement commenced, which lasted an hour and a half within mark: shot, when the English frigate sheer'd off. The rigging of the Herminie was so much cut as to prevent M. la Touche from bringing the enemy (who was at that time, and during the whole of the engagement to the windward) to a second action; after firing three guns, to which the enemy did not answer, he chased (in sight of the British frigate, who made no efforts to prevent him) with as much sail as he could make, the schooner to Montock point, in six fathom water, the wind calming, and M. l'Touche not chusing to approach nearer the land, he sailed for Newport. The ship M. l'ouche engaged mounted 30 guns 18 and 12 pounders on her gun deck; on her quarter deck and fore-castle, she had nine pounders, the number not certain.

June 19. Tuesday arrived at Salem, a ship from Cuba, in 45 days, the master of which informs, that he sailed in company with a Spanish fleet of 23 sail of the line, and 14,000 troops, supposed to be destined for Jamaica.

Saturday last arrived here captain Atkins from Cales, he sailed from thence in company with the above fleet, and left them going into Teneriffe to get wine.

NEW-LONDON, June 16.

Last Tuesday captain John Clark arrived here in the brig Argyle, in 17 days from Cape Francois, with a cargo of salt and molasses. In lat. 31. 21. long. 70. 30. he saw five sail of ships to the eastward, standing to the northward, which he took to be a French fleet that sailed from the cape 5 days before him, bound to Philadelphia with stores for the congress. On the 6th inst. he spoke captain Collins in a brig from Philadel- phia, 9 days out, and that morning again saw the above fleet standing N. N. W. and soon af- ter heard some very heavy cannon.

PHILADELPHIA, July 4.

From Livingston's Royal Gazette of June 23, 1780. Extract of a letter from St. Christopher's, May 25.

Nothing worth notice has occurred in this quarter since my last, except a trifling brush the other day between six of our copper bottoms and almost the whole of the French Squadron. Sir George Rodney being determined since the last action to prevent the French from getting into Fort Royal, has been ever since dancing after them to the windward of Martinico, and the other day being pretty near up with them detached six of the fastest sailing vessels to bring the rear division of the French to action, judging before their van or rear divisions could bear away so as to double on our ships, that his whole squadron would be up, so that he could bring on a general action, but such was our unhappy fate, that in the critical juncture, when three ships got into action, an unfavourable flaw of wind drove the British fleet farther to leeward, and gave the rear and center divisions of the French an opportunity of mauling our six ships at an unmerciful rate, they were called away, but damaged considerably with the loss of near

one hundred and forty men. However they are now in good order and about four leagues to leeward of the enemy between Barbados and Martinico."

In CONGRESS June 19, 1780.

Resolved, That if any person or persons shall take and prosecute to conviction, any person who shall prepare, engrave, stamp, forge, or print, or cause or procure to be prepared, en- graved, stamped, forged, or printed, the counter- feit resemblance of any paper bills of credit, issued, emitted, or made by congress, or who shall counterfeit or sign the name or names of the signers to any true bills to such counterfeit paper, with the intention that such counterfeit paper shall be passed in payments or received as genuine and good bills, whether the same be so passed or received or not; or who shall pay or tender in payment any such counterfeit money, or deliver the same to any other person or per- sons, with an intention that such counterfeit pa- per be passed, paid, or received, as and for good and genuine, knowing the same to be forged or counterfeited, upon every such conviction, and procuring a certificate thereof, under the hands of the judges before whom such conviction shall be had, or either of them, such person or persons shall receive of the continental loan-officer of the state where such conviction shall be had, the sum of two thousand dollars in the present continen- tal currency, which the said loan officer is hereby directed and required to pay out of any public money in his hands, and to charge the same to the United States.

Extract from the minutes, CHARLES THOMSON, Sec.

TREASURY OFFICE, July 23, 1780.

IN virtue of an act of assembly, entitled, An act to enable the treasurer of the western shore to draw and sell bills of exchange, and for an emission of bills of credit, if necessary, BILLS OF EXCHANGE, at forty days sight, drawn on the trustees of Maryland in Europe, are now selling, and will continue to sell, at the treasury office in Annapolis, until the 5th of August, at not less than forty five for one on the sterling money, turned into currency at the exchange of L. 166 13 4 for L. 100 sterling. Paid TH. HARWOOD, treas. w. sh.

July 11, 1780.

Office for stating and settling the public accounts. THE commissioners find it necessary, for the public service, to give further notice, that the honourable assembly, at their March session, 1780, enacted a law, entitled "A supplement to the act for the assessment of property, the 15th section whereof is as follows:—" And be it enacted, That the several collectors, at the time of settlement of their accounts with the commissioners of the tax for their county, shall account to the said commissioners for the treble tax due by law in their counties respectively, and the said collectors shall pay the treble tax by them collected, or which by law they ought to collect, to the treasurer of his shore, at the time appointed by law for the payment of the public assessment, and in case of default they shall be answerable for and liable to pay an interest of 20 per cent on the said sums; and every collector, who hath collected the treble tax, and omitted to pay the same into the treasury, and every collector who by law ought to have collected the treble tax, shall be accountable for the treble tax due by law in his county to the commissioners for stating and settling the public accounts."—And, whereas the duty en- joined by law on the collectors hath in many instances been totally neglected, and in others only in part complied with, the several collectors will therefore be pleased to take notice of the necessity there is for making due returns and payments regularly for the future, and that a report of the proceedings on this law will be laid before the honourable assembly at their next meeting.

Signed per order T. GASSAWAY, CLK.

W. W. W. ANNAPOLIS, July 4, 1780.

TO BE SOLD, A LIKELY young country born MU- LATTO FELLOW, who has had the small pox; or he would be exchanged for a likely boy, with a proper allowance for the dif- ference. Enquire of the printer.

LAW S of MARYLAND, passed March session, 1780, may be had at the printing-office.

Tulip Hill, June 20, 1780.

COPPER STILL, containing 12 gallons, with a pewter worm; 1 ditto of 10 gallons, with a copper worm; 1 copper worm of 40 gallons; 1 pewter worm that will hold near 1200 weight; 1 worm tube; 20 small tubs, with tops, will hold 200 gallons each, which by putting a proper head to them will make exceeding good cider casks; a parcel making troughs and old iron. To be sold for 1000 dollars. JOHN GALLOWAY.

THERE is at the plantation of Stephen Lenham, near Bladenburg, in Prince- George's county, taken up as a Gray, a Light bay HORSE, about 13 hands and a half high, branded W Q on the near buttock, and paces. The owner may have her again on proving his property and paying the cost of this advertisement. 1000 dollars. JOHN GALLOWAY.

Calvert county, June 26, 1780. TAKEN UP in the bay, on the 19th inst. about 15 miles above the mouth of Patuxent, a BATTOE, about 20 feet long, built with pine plank. The owner may have her again on proving his property and paying the cost of this advertisement. 1000 dollars.

Prince-George's county, May 26, 1780. A PETITION will be offered to the next session of assembly, after this notice has been given eight weeks, for an act to admit the recording and to give effect from the date to a deed executed in this county, by Matthew Sparks and Margaret his wife, to John Hammelton, a tract of land lying in the aforesaid county. JOHN HAMMELTON.

Charles county, April 17, 1780. I HAVE in my custody, committed as a runaway, a negro man who calls himself Davis, and says he belongs to Mr. James Lloyd on James river; he says he is about twenty-three years of age, he is a middle sized fellow, remarkably black, and speaks good English; tall on, when delivered to me, a striped country cloth jacket and breeches, country linen shirt, one pair white yarn hose, and one pair black coloured mixed yarn ditto, a pair of old shoes and an old country cotton cap. His master is desired to pay charges and take him away. BENJAMIN CAWOOD, sheriff.

WILLIAM FRICHARD, BOOKSELLER and STATIONER, in Market street, Baltimore.

BEGS leave to inform the friends of litera- ture and science in Annapolis, that he has again returned to Baltimore, where he has opened a commodious book store, and has for sale books in various bindings, and in most modern languages; where gentlemen of the bar, the faculty, or the gown, may furnish themselves upon as reasonable terms as the times will admit of. He hopes by an assiduous attention to the improvement of his collection, with such additions as the unsettled state of the times will per- mit, and by reasonable profits, to prove himself not unworthy the favourable countenance of the public in general and his friends in particular, as he flatters himself his conduct in his line of business will not fail of giving satisfaction to those who may honour him with any command in either the bookselling or stationary branch. Their most respectfully obedient humble servant, WILLIAM FRICHARD.

N. B. Books given in exchange for books, or ready money for any gentleman's library.

March 4, 1780. STOLEN out of the stable of the subscriber, at his quarter near the city of Annapolis, on the night of the twentieth day of February, last, a chestnut sorrel MARE, about thirteen hands three inches high, eight or nine years old this spring, flaxen mane and tail, one hind foot white, branded on the near buttock C D, paces and gallops, and carries her head when pale very low. Any person who will give informa- tion, or secure the said mare so that the owner may have her again, shall receive one hundred dollars, and if brought home one hundred and fifty dollars, and any person securing the mare, so as he may be brought to justice, shall receive a reward of one hundred dollars, paid by WILLIAM WATSON.