

If Mr. Charles Jenkinson should come again into office, it may be fairly concluded that the present premier is no enemy to the political principles of his predecessor. Lord North was always upbraided by opposition, that he was only an ostensible minister, the puppet of a person behind the curtain: and Mr. Jenkinson was always pointed at by the then opposition, as the agent creature, or mouth-piece of that concealed person. Either, therefore, the change, as far as it related to Mr. Jenkinson, was a gross calumny, or the present premier and the man behind the curtain thoroughly understand one another.

The profound secrecy preserved by the present administration on the receipt of dispatches augers no good to the nation. Englishmen are of an open, candid disposition, and do not like to be trifled with. Not a word has appeared in the gazette from Sir Guy Carleton, though it is well known dispatches of a very interesting nature have been received from him by government in the last packet from New York.

Nov. 22. Friday morning, the first, came ashore during a severe storm, at Waxham, on the coast of Norfolk, a large fish of a species not yet described by the naturalists. It is about five feet ten inches long, and four feet in circumference, and has four legs and paws, the two hinder of which have a joint; from which circumstance it is thought it occasionally fits upright, like the baboon. Its head is round and large, and of a sandy colour. The back is broad, and the belly prominent; and, on the whole, resembles a porpoise, more than any sea production we have seen.

The wind at present is very unfavourable for the arrival of the grand fleet; and as they have been at sea nine weeks to-morrow, there is no doubt but their water and provisions must be nearly exhausted. However, we hope in a very short period to hear of their arrival in the Channel.

NEW-YORK, January 25.

By the Jamaica brig of war, captain Dixon, yesterday arrived, in 21 days from Kingston, Jamaica. From this opportunity we are informed, that the ship, the 74 gun ship, lately engaged with the London, of 90, was totally lost in Sangua Bay, on the north side of Hispaniola, the guns, stores, and men saved. It is said this vessel comes express from Lord Hood, who had been joined by the London and Porbay, and was on a cruise. Don Solano was at the Havana with 10 sail of the line. It is said a French fleet was arrived from Europe at Martinique; and that a conjunction with the Spaniards, and the siege of Jamaica, were relieved on.

Lord Hood was met on the 4th of December, off the north east end of Hispaniola, to intercept the French on their passage to Cape Francois.

Yesterday arrived the ship Financier, with 200 hogheads of tobacco, prize to the Centurion and Pandora; she left the Chesapeake, with other vessels, under convoy of the Emerald, of 36 guns. The Pandora was seen in chase of another of the above number.

The same day arrived his majesty's ship Ceres, with a prize from the eastward.

The name of the line of battle ship, taken in the Caribbean seas, by rear-admiral Sir Richard Hughes, is in the Antigua gazette said to be the Solitaire, carrying 64 guns, one of the count d'Orville's fleet that fought the British under admiral Keppel on the 27th of July, 1778, and, at that time commanded by captain Brequeville.

Rear-admiral Sir Richard Hughes, it is said, has joined admiral Pigot, and augmented his fleet to 23 sail of the line. They had also an account of Sir Richard Hughes having taken the Solitaire of 64 guns, and a French frigate.

Yesterday arrived here the brigantine Nelly, captain Treney, prize to that very successful and fast sailing brig the Fair American, captain Burton. The Fair American fell in with, and took her on Sunday last, and, though a prime sailer, came up with her after a very short chase. The Nelly was bound from St. Thomas's to Edenton, North-Carolina, with a cargo of salt and rum, had been out 11 days, and was within a few hours sail of her port. She brings no more news than the arrival of the ship Jolly Tar, from this port, and that the harbour of St. Thomas's was crowded with vessels.

PHILADELPHIA, January 30.

The following is said to be a copy of the letter written by Mr. Townshend to the directors of the bank of England, (mentioned in our last.)

LONDON, November 23, 1782.

This day the governors and directors of the bank of England, received the following letter from the honourable T. Townshend, secretary for the home department.

Whitehall, November 23, 1782.

GENTLEMEN,

HIS majesty's ministers, anxious to prevent as early as possible, the mischiefs too commonly resulting from speculations in the funds, during the uncertain state of negotiations of peace, between the powers at war, which it is the general interest of all great powers to avoid, have thought it their duty to ask his majesty's permission to communicate to you, that the negotiations now carrying on at Paris, are thought to near a crisis, as to promise a decisive conclusion, either for peace or war, before the meeting of parliament, which will therefore be prorogued from Tuesday the 16th instant, to Thursday the 5th of December, and I have his majesty's commands to assure you that you will receive immediate notice of the same.

(Signed) T. TOWNSHEND.

By the arrival of the eastern post on Monday last, we are informed of the death of the honourable major-general lord Sterling. We have no particulars as to the place where his lordship died or the disorder which deprived America of this valuable officer.

Feb. 1. By late accounts from Rhode-Island we learn, that a recaptured vessel had arrived there. The British cruiser which first took her informed, that they had spoken a vessel from Corke, the people of which said,

that great commotions had lately prevailed in Ireland, inasmuch that a severe action had been fought between the volunteers and the regular troops, in which many fell on both sides. We have no particulars of this interesting news, but shall probably soon know whether the account be true or not.

Calvert county, January 30, 1783.

To be sold to the highest bidder, on Wednesday the 5th day of March next, if fair, if not the next fair day, at the late dwelling plantation of Samuel Hance, deceased, for cash, or bond with approved security if required, with six months credit,

SUNDRY NEGROES, consisting of men, women, lads and children; also horses, black cattle, sheep, hogs, and household furniture, by
DANIEL RAWLINGS, } executors.
SAMUEL HANCE, }

Intendant's office, February 7, 1783.

THE house of delegates having resolved, that every collector in arrears to the public for assessment, or tax, or any public monies in the years 1779, 1780, and 1781, be immediately sued, the intendant of the revenue takes the liberty of informing such debtors, that, notwithstanding the above resolution, if any persons who are so indebted, will exert themselves in making payments of a considerable part of their debts, that he will strike off the actions where suits are commenced, and remit a part of the whole of the 20 per cent. imposed on them by law for their non-payments, and that such of the collectors who are in arrears for 1782, and do not immediately make payments, may expect their bonds will be put in suit.

DANIEL of ST. THOMAS JENIFER, Intendant.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a petition will be preferred to the general assembly, at their next sitting, by the executors of the late Vallette, late of the city of Annapolis, deceased, for a law to enable them to sell his real estate for the payment of his debts.

February 12, 1783.

THE members of the Annapolis JOCKEY CLUB are desired to meet at Mr. Mann's, in Annapolis, on Saturday the first day of March next, at eleven o'clock.

Port-Royal, February 9, 1779.

UPWARDS of two years ago I was struck with a paralytic stroke, which afflicted me very much; it happened that I met with Mr. Logan, who promised to make a cure of my leg and arm, without any inward application, by applying a kind of ointment; I found in about a fortnight a great deal of relief in my right arm, knee, and ankle; from the anguish of the gout it continued rather longer than I expected. I write this for the good of mankind.

EDWARD DIXON.

Gloucester county, April 14, 1779.

I HEREBY certify, that Mr. Logan has been cured with rheumatic pains these six years, and captain Winton sent Mr. Logan to see her; when he came he said he could relieve her, and in three weeks time she was clear of all pains in her arms. This I write in behalf of Mr. Logan, as several doctors have had her in hand and did her no good.

EDWARD LAYTON.

Baltimore, August 6, 1779.

THIS is to certify, that Mr. Logan, of Annapolis, prescribed medicines for John Hayman, who was confined to his bed with the rheumatism for a long time, by which I was restored to perfect health.

JOHN HAYMAN.

Kent county, April 11, 1781.

MICHAEL EARLE, Esq; who had a white swelling for about sixteen years, was also restored to perfect health by Mr. Logan's medicine.

Prince-George's county, February 8, 1782.

A GENTLEMAN who had the ples and gravel for about sixteen years, was also restored to perfect health by Mr. Logan's medicine.

I ALSO relieve palfies, rheumatism, gout, gravel, fluxes, contractions of the limbs, white swellings, droopy, running ulcers, &c. &c. I will take patients at my own house, or elsewhere in Annapolis; but cannot attend any in the country, except such as are confined to their beds. Constant attendance will be given, by their very humble servant,

WILLIAM LOGAN.

THERE is at the plantation on which Tyler Baldwin live, near Annapolis, a red and white spotted cow, small and low in flesh, appears to have a crop and swallow fork in the right ear, and a bit out of the left. The owner may have him again on proving property and paying charges.

TAKEN up as a stray, by Charles Ridgely, son of John, on Elk-Ridge, in Anne-Arundel county, a bay horse, about 15 hands high, 12 or 14 years old, has a star and snip, no perceivable brand, shod before, and trots naturally. The owner may have him on proving property and paying charges.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of Joseph Walker, jun. late of Prince-George's county, deceased, either by bond, note, or open account, for dealings at his store in Upper Marlborough, or otherwise, are desired to make payment immediately, and all those who have claims against said estate are desired to bring them in to Mr. Isaac Walker, who is fully authorized to settle the same for
HENRIETTA MARIA WALKER, executrix.

WANTED, as an apprentice by the printer hereof, a lad who can read and write well.

THERE is at the plantation of Rezin Hammond, at the Head of Severn, a large strayed pied bull, mostly white, his sides and neck spotted with red and black spots, has a bit out of one of his ears. The owner may have him again on proving property and paying charges.

Office for confiscated estates, Annapolis, Jan. 23, 1783. Pursuant to an act of assembly passed at the last session, will be exposed to sale, by way of auction, at half more-town, on the first day of April next,

SEVERAL thousand acres of land, late the property of the Principio company. The lands were surveyed and laid off in convenient farms and tracts for gentlemen; the quantity of the lands and their proximity to that flourishing town, from which they are distant but a few miles, render them extremely valuable. One or more persons will attend on the premises, where the Kingbury turnace lands, for three days before the day of sale, to show the different lots to any person who may incline to view the same. One third of the purchase money to be paid in thirty days, another third in two years, the remainder in three years. Bond and security will be required on the day of sale.

J. DORSEY, clk.

To be SOLD, at Newington Rope-walk, near Annapolis, on Tuesday the 18th of February,

A NUMBER of valuable NEGROES, consisting of plantation men and women, two house wenches, a woman cook, and a number of small boys and girls; to be sold for ready money, or short credit upon bond with good security, by
MARY McCULLOCH,
CHARLES STEUART,
JAMES McCULLOCH.
N. B. Likewise some household furniture, and a chair a most new.

January 1, 1783.

To be SOLD, or LEASED on reasonable terms, **A VALUABLE PLANTATION**, near the head of Stony-creek, whereon there is an exceeding good and new dwelling house, and many other convenient and necessary out houses, in good order, near the dwelling, which stands on the main road between Severn-river and Baltimore; would well suit a private gentleman's family, or any inclinable to go into a public way of business, and is situated within half a mile of two merchant mills. The soil is good, well timbered, and there is excellent water very near the dwelling. For further particulars enquire of the subscriber in Annapolis.

NICHOLAS MACCUBBIN, son of Joseph. N. B. The plantation contains 500 acres, and is situated very conveniently near the water.

January 20, 1783.

RAN away from the subscriber, living in Anne-Arundel county, near South river ferry, on the 24th of December 1782, a likely dark mulatto negro man named PLATO, 24 years of age, about 5 feet 3 or 10 inches high, he is a good carpenter, cooper, and lawyer by trade, he is a little near kneed; had on when he went away, a crocus shirt, white country cloth jacket and breeches, coarse yarn stockings, a coarse pair of shoes, with four soles to each, and a straw hat, he carried with him several other cloaths, it is supposed that he will try to pass for a freeman. Whoever takes up said negro, dead or alive, and brings him home, or secures him so that I may get him again, shall be entitled to receive twenty Spanish dollars for their trouble.

GASSAWAY RAWLINGS.

Office of Finance, November 8, 1782.

NOTICE is hereby given, to all whom it may concern, that counterfeiters have appeared of the notes issued from this office, struck on copper-plate, in the following form: "At sight pay to the bearer twenty dollars, for which this shall be your sufficient warrant," which notes are signed by me, and directed to Mr. John Swanwick, Philadelphia. There were some notes of the same kind for fifty and some for eighty dollars, which may perhaps be also counterfeited, though none have been yet discovered. The counterfeiters are badly executed, and might with care be detected; but, from an apprehension that such arts would be practised, I long since desisted from issuing them, and cancelled those which were brought in for payment. There are now out only sixteen thousand six hundred and seventy dollars, and as no great inconvenience can arise from putting a stop to the circulation of so trivial a sum, the public are cautioned against receiving any notes struck on copper plate, and signed with my name. All persons holding those which are genuine, are desired to send them to Mr. Swanwick, and receive the money.

ROBERT MORRIS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a number of the inhabitants of Cecil and Kent counties intend to prefer a petition to the general assembly at their next session, to pass a law for erecting a new county out of part of Kent and Cecil counties, and calling the same Smallwood county.

Prince-George's county, January 21, 1783.
WHEREAS my wife Bridget Hanlan hath left me, and has endeavoured to run me in debt; I do hereby forwarn any person or persons from having dealings with her on any account, as I am determined not to pay any debts she may contract after the date hereof.

JAMES HANLAN.

TAKEN up as a stray, by Elecius Thompson, in Anne-Arundel county, an iron gray gelding, near 14 hands high, about 6 or 7 years old, neither dock'd nor branded, standing mane, and shod all four. The owner may have him again on proving property and paying charges.