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THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FREDERICK
COUNTY, MARYLAND.

September 12, 1775—October 24, 1776.

[In 1876, Gen. Bradley T. Johnson, at that time a member of
the Publication Committee, proposed to his friend, the Hon. Lewis
H. Steiner that they edit the Minutes of the Committee of Observ-
ation of the Middle District of Frederick County for publication
as one of the Society's Fund Publications. Dr. Steiner borrowed
the manuscript from the Society, as it was one of the manuscripts
in the collection, and copied it in his regular and careful pen-
manship. The first literary work of his eldest son, then a mere
boy, was to read the copy with the original in company with Dr.
Steiner, to insure accuracy in the copy. Dr. Steiner made some
beginning of acquiring material for foot-notes and General Johnson
began an introduction; but, for some reason, the project was never
carried to completion. Upon Gen. Johnson's death, through the
kindness of his son, the copy of the Minutes was returned to the
Society's library and has been used in this printing of the Minutes.
The importance of the Minutes and the prominence of the members
of the Committee gives the records great value. The capture of
Connolly, the provision for the forces raised in the Province, the
lists of soldiers in the various companies, the constant evidence
of the patriotism of Western Maryland give a varied interest to
these Minutes. As to Minutes of Upper District see Steiner's

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At a meeting of the Freemen of the middle district of Frederick County at the Court House on the 12th of September 1775 agreeably to a resolve of the last provincial convention, the following Gentlemen were chosen a Committee of Observation for said district, viz:

Messrs. George Stricker,\(^1\) Charles Beatty,\(^2\) Christopher Edelen,\(^3\) Upton Sheridan,\(^4\) Baker Johnson,\(^5\) William Beatty,\(^6\) William Blair,\(^7\) Dr. Adam Fisher,\(^8\) Conrad Grosh,\(^9\) John Hanson,\(^10\) George Murdoch,\(^11\) John Adlum,\(^12\) Michael Raymer,\(^13\) Dr. Philip Thomas,\(^13\) William Luckett,\(^14\) John Hans,\(^15\) Joseph Wood, Jr.,\(^16\) John Stoner.\(^17\)

\(^1\) Born 1732; Captain in Smallwood’s Maryland Regt., 14 Jan., 1776; Lieut.-Col. of German Regt., 17 July, 1776; resigned 29 April, 1777; father of Gen. John Stricker; died 1810.

\(^2\) Surveyor, formerly of Georgetown; member General Assembly, 1773; Lieutenant of Frederick County, 1 Feb., 1777 (Commander of County Militia, with rank of Lieut.-Colonel in the Continental Army); Deputy Quar.-Master General 1778; an active patriot throughout the Revolution, frequently mentioned in the Archives.

\(^3\) Served in French and Indian War; member State Constitutional Convention, 1776; Justice for Frederick County, 1777; Sheriff, 14 Oct., 1779; active patriot.

\(^4\) Born in Baltimore County, 1749; moved to a farm near Liberty, Frederick County; member State Constitutional Convention, 1776; State Senator, 1776; Judge of Orphans’ Court, 1777-1800; delegate to second Congress (1791-93); died, 14 Jan., 1800.

\(^5\) Brother of Governor Thomas Johnson; born, 30 Sept., 1749; lawyer; Colonel in command of a Battalion 1776-1780; died 10 June, 1811.

\(^6\) Born 1739; served in French and Indian War; Sheriff Fred’k Co., 1776; Judge Orphans’ Court, 4 June, 1777; Agent for Purchase of Provisions for the army, 25 Mar. 1778; Justice, 21 Nov. 1778; styled “Colonel” in the Archives; died 1 May, 1803. His son, William Beatty, (b. 19 June, 1758) entered the army as Ensign, July 1776 and was promoted to Captain 14 Sept. 1778; killed at Hobkirk’s Hill, 25 April 1781.
And they likewise made choice of Messrs Charles Beatty & Baker Johnson (by Ballot) to attend the provincial Convention at Annapolis agreeably to a resolution of the Convention the 26th day of July, 1775.

At a Meeting of the Committee of Observation for the middle district of Frederick County the 14th Sept 1775, Were present: Messrs. George Stricker, Charles Beatty, Christopher Edelen, Upton Sheridan, Baker Johnson, William Blair, Dr. Adam Fisher, William Beatty, Conrad Grosh, John Hanson, George Murdoch, John Adlum, Michael Raymer, Dr. Philip Thomas, William Luckett, John Haas, Joseph Wood & John Stoner who made choice of John Hanson J[?] Esq[?] as Chairman and Archibald Boyd as Clerk.

*Judge Orphans' Court, Frederick Co., 4 June, 1777; Justice, 21 Nov. 1778.

*Dr. Adam Fischer, born, 1736; graduate of a German University, enjoyed a large practice in Frederick Co.; member State Constitutional Convention, 1776; commissioned surgeon in Col. Beatty's Battalion, 10 Jan. 1777; died 27 August, 1787.

*Commissioned Justice of the Court of Appeals for Frederick Co., 23 May, 1778.

*Born, Charles Co., in 1715; member of Assembly for Charles Co., 1757, 1758, 1761, 1763, 1765, 1767, 1768, 1773; removed to Frederick Co., in 1773; Member of Provincial Convention, 1774; elected Treasurer of Frederick Co., 2 June, 1775; Member of Convention, 1775; Member of Assembly for Frederick Co., 1777, 1778, 1779; Delegate to Congress, 1779, 1781; President of Congress, 5 Nov. 1781; died, 22 Nov. 1783.

*Sheriff Frederick Co., 1765; Continental Commissary; Register of Wills.

*Lieutenant in French and Indian war.

*Born near Chestertown, Kent Co., 11 June, 1747; studied medicine in Philadelphia; moved to Frederick Co., 1 Aug. 1769; Medical Purevyor for county, 1781-83; Elector for Washington; one of the founders of and President of the Med. and Chirurg. Faculty of Md., 1801-15; died at Frederick, 25 April, 1815.

*Captain in French and Indian War; Colonel of Militia, 1776; Justice 21 Nov. 1778.

*Commissioned Justice of Frederick Co., 21 Nov. 1778.

*Born 17 Sept. 1743; Colonel, 1776; commissioned Justice of Frederick Co., 21 Nov. 1778; town of Woodsborough named in his honor.

*See Steiner Family in Germany and America, pp. 25-29.
The Resolves of the provincial Convention held at Annapolis the 26th July 1775 were considered and unanimously approved of.

The following Gentlemen were then chosen a Committee for licensing Suits, viz:

Messrs. George Murdoch, Christopher Edelen,
John Hanson, William Beatty,
Conrad Grosh, Adam Fisher,
Philip Thomas, and

the following as a Committee of Correspondence, Messrs. John Hanson, Christopher Edelen, Philip Thomas,

Resolved unanimously that Messrs. George Strieker, David More, Jacob Young and Roger Johnson be hereby appointed severally to raise a Minute Company agreeably to the Resolve of the Convention.

Whereas James Mackall and Joseph Good have applied for Power to raise companies of Minute Men,

Resolved, that if any of the Gentlemen already appointed should fail of raising their Companies Mr. Mackall and Mr. Good shall have the preference to every other Person.

Resolved, that Messrs. George Murdoch, John Adlum and Adam Fisher be appointed to review the Company to be raised by Cap'n Strieker at Middletown next Saturday, & to report their opinion to this Committee.

The Committee adjourns to Monday the 2d October 1775.

October 2, 1775. At a Meeting of the Committee of Observation at the Court House were present—Messrs. John Hanson, Michael Raymer, George Stricker, William Beatty, Charles Beatty, Joseph Wood, William Luckett, John Adlum & John Stoner.

Mr. Jacob Young who was appointed to raise one of the Minute Companies for this district, not having been able to inlist his number of Men, applied for longer time, the Committee granted him a fortnight's Indulgence, and required that
on Monday the 16th Inst he have his Muster Roll ready to lay before them.

Resolved, that the following Gentlemen be appointed to hand about the Association in the different districts, and to take an account of such as refuse to sign it, as also to take a List of such able bodied effective freemen in their respective hundreds from the age of 16 to 50 years, who have not enrolled and refuse to enrol, with their Reasons whether of a religious or political nature.

For upper Kittockton hundred—James Flemming & Michael Troutman.
Toms Creek—Benjn Ogle, William Shields & William Blair.
Lower Kittockton—Thomas Hawkins & Harman Yost.
Middle Monocasy—John Stoner & Matthias Ringer.
Burnt House Woods—James Wells, Cha WARFIELD & Conrad Dutterow.
Linganore—William Hobbs, Basil Dorsey & Nicholas Hobbs.
Pipe Creek—David Shriver & James Winchester.
Piney Creek—Jacob Good, Abraham Heiter & Robert Beatty.
Lower Monocasy—Alex² Magruder, James Mackall & Lewis Kemp.
Manor—John Carmack, Hazel Waters & John Barrack.
Israel Creek—John Remsberg, John Midach & John Beatty.
Frederick Town—Charles Beatty & Thomas Schley.
Sugar Loaf—Edward Dyer.

The committee being informed that George and Peter Swinehearts had reflected upon, and upbraided in the most indecent Language, such as have enrolled themselves and mustered,—
Resolve that said Swinehearts be summoned to attend here the 16th instant and that Cap'n Stricker be appointed to summon them with a copy of this Resolve.

Resolved, that those persons formerly appointed by the Committee to collect money for the purchasing Arms and Ammunition bring in their Lists to John Hanson Esq' Chairman of this Committee by the 30 Instant to the End that an account be made out and transmitted to the Council of Safety that every Subscriber may have his money repaid him agreeably to the Resolve of the Convention.

Resolved, that the Treasurer of this Committee pay the money in his hands towards the discharge of the Bond passed by a former Committee of this County to the Vandalia Company for Ammunition.

Resolved, that the powder now in the market house be distributed into the different Houses in and about Town, that Messrs. Michael Raymer, John Adlum and Adam Fisher be appointed to make the distribution, and to take proper receipts from those persons with whom they lodge it.

Resolved, that Andrew Grim and Jacob Houser be summoned to attend here the 16th instant to show what foundation they had for saying that Messrs. Booth, Cary & Edelen had attempted to blow up the Magazine.

The Committee adjourned to Monday the 16th Instant.

At a meeting of the Committee 16th Oct. 1775 at the Court House in Frederick Town, were present—

Messrs. John Hanson Junior Esq' in the chair.

Upton Sheridan, William Luckett, Jr.,
Charles Beatty, George Stricker,
Robert Wood, Adam Fisher,
William Beatty, John Stoner,
Baker Johnson, Philip Thomas,
Christopher Edelen, John Adlum,

when the following Resolves were entered into.
Resolved, That Messrs. Christopher Edelen, Philip Thomas, and Baker Johnson be a committee to collect from the Gentlemen heretofore appointed to purchase Arms and Ammunition in this County, Accounts of the money received and purchases made, which they are to state correctly to be laid before the Council of Safety.

Resolved, that Messrs. Upton Sheridan, William M. Beall, Townly Bruce, Jacob Good, Arthur Nelson & Joseph Beall be appointed to receive donations agreeably to the Resolve of the Congress.

George and Peter Swinehearts having appeared agreeably to Summons acknowledged their Error and promised better conduct in future.

Andrew Grim appearing in consequence of a Summons gave in the following Evidence upon Oath.

That on the —— day of ——— meeting in the street with a certain Jacob Houser, he was informed by said Houser that Mr. Booth coming by the market house where the Magazine was kept, the night before about 11 or 12 o'clock with 4 other Gentlemen in his company was challenged by the Guard and ordered to stand—But that in place of doing so he leaped from his horse and abusing the Centinel seized his Gun and had well nigh wrenched it out of his hands—That he, Grim, asking him what Mr. Booth's meaning could be by such conduct Houser made answer that it was thought he, Mr. Cary and Mr. Edelen who were the Gentlemen with him intended to blow up the magazine. And that meeting with Houser at his house next day Houser further informed him that by the Interposition of a number of Gentlemen Mr. Booth & co. had got off with a fine of £9.5 and that Mr. Booth pretended (as was said) he was drunk which however Houser did not believe adding that if a poor man had done what he did it would not have gone so well with him. Houser confirming the whole by telling him there were 100 in Frederick Town would testify what he said to be true.

Resolved, That the Committee are of opinion that the charge exhibited by Grim against Houser is [not] well founded,—
Resolved, that the Report raised and propagated by the said Houser is scandalous and without the least foundation in truth (except that part which relates to Mr. Booth's paying £9.5) that it tends as far as a report from a person in his obscure circumstances can operate to injure the character of the said Gentlemen and to create fears and jealousies in the minds of the People.—

Resolved, that said Houser acknowledge his fault, promise better conduct in future and beg pardon of the Gentlemen offended, which being immediately done, he was then discharged.

Resolved, That as Mr. David Moore has by Letter informed the Committee that he cannot raise a company of minute men agreeably to his Appointment, that Mr. Jacob Good be hereby appointed to raise one in his place.—

Resolved, that Mr. Jacob Young and Mr. Roger Johnson be indulged with another fortnight for raising their minute Companies.

Resolved, that William Derr be appointed to hand about the Association in Israel Creek hundred in the room of John Remsburgh.

The Committee adjourns to to-morrow morning 8 o'clock.

Tuesday, 17th October 1775—8 o'clock A. M. the Committee met according to adjournment.

Whereas a Resolve was entered into by the last provincial Convention to support the civil power in the due execution of the laws, so far as may be consistent with the present plan of Opposition, & whereas it is the opinion of this Committee that it is highly necessary to reiterate a sense of Obedience to the said Resolution upon the minds of the people for the maintenance of Order and good Government.—

Resolved, that it be recommended to the good people of this district to pay a strict regard to the authority of the civil Magistrate in the just execution of the Laws, and that this Committee do and every person ought to unite associate and sol-
emnly engage to support the civil powers in their Authority as aforesaid.

Resolved likewise as the Opinion of this committee, that the duty & Allegiance enjoined by the Oaths necessary to be taken to constitute the magistrate conformably to the Laws of this province, are not inconsistent with our present plan of opposition to ministerial despotism.

From the Examination of several respectable witnesses it is the opinion of this committee that a bay horse—belonging to John Shellman appraised to £21 currency that died two days after his return from the American Camp (having been employed to go thither with Captn Cresap's Company) got his death by the fatigue of the Journey.

Resolved, that these proceedings be printed in the Baltimore paper.

John Larkin complaining of Peter Hoffman for selling salt at 7/6 p Bushell and Mr. Hoffman being from Home—Resolved that said Larkin and Hoffman attend next meeting.

The Committee adjourns till this day fortnight.

At a meeting of the Committee for the middle district of Frederick County at the Court house in Frederick Town on Tuesday the 31st day of Octr 1775—

The following gentlemen were present

Messrs. John Hanson, William Beatty,
George Stricker, John Haas,
William Luckett, Baker Johnson,
Charles Beatty, Philip Thomas,
Conrad Grosh, John Adlum,
Adam Fisher, George Murdoch,
Michael Raymer, John Stoner,
Christopher Edelen, Joseph Wood,

John Hanson Junr Esqr in the chair.

John Larkin having appeared against Mr. Hoffman for selling salt at 7/6 a bushel, and Mr. Hoffman assuring the Committee that it was a Mistake committed by his Wife in his
absence and that his price at that time was 6/ p Bushel, is ordered to refund 1/6 to the said Larkin.

Resolved, that Mr. Jacob Young be indulged with another fortnight for completing his minute company.

The committee being informed that Mr. Roger Johnson was not able to raise a Company agreeably to his Appointment—Resolved, That Mr. James Mackall is hereby appointed to raise one in his place.

The Committee adjourns to this day fortnight.

Tuesday 14 Nov., 1775.
The Committee met agreeably to Adjournment when the following Gentlemen were present—

John Hanson Junr. Esq' in the chair.

William Beatty, Charles Beatty, Adam Fisher, Conrad Grosh, George Stricker,

Philip Thomas, Christopher Edelen, Michael Raymer, John Haas, John Adlum.

Resolved, that Messrs Hanson, Grosh, Raymer & Edelen be a committee to review the minute company raised by Mr. Young next Saturday.

The Committee adjourns to 2 o'clock this afternoon.

2 o'clock P. M. The Committee met according to adjournment.

Mr. Hoffman attending produced the Invoice for his Salt which being satisfactory he is dismissed without censure.

Resolved, that Messrs. Charles Beatty, William Beatty, Harman Yost, John Haas, Philip Thomas, Samuel Plummer, John Stoner & Peter Mantz Capt's of Militia shall meet once a month in this place to join their Companies in Battalion agreeably to the Resolves of the Convention.

Resolved, that Messrs. William Beatty, William Blair & Joseph Wood be appointed to review Mr. Good's Company of
minute men next monday and to report their opinion next meeting.

Resolved, That Captns Joseph Wood, Val. Creager, John Carmack, Jacob Snowderberger, Benjamin Ogle, Robert Wood, James Johnson and Jacob Ambrose do form their Companies in Battalion

Resolved, that by the 28 Instant every Captain of the Militia shall make a return of his muster Roll, as it is hoped by that time that all effective Freemen will be enrolled; but if there should be any so disaffected and obstinate as to refuse, it is desired that those persons formerly appointed to take an Account of them, bring in theirLists, that they may be transmitted to the Convention which meets the fourth of next Month; it is also resolved that those persons appointed to hand about the Association papers bring in a list of all Refusers, and that this Resolve shall be fixed up in the public places of the district that every person may have an opportunity of complying with it.

Resolved, That this Committee think it expedient and necessary to recommend persons proper for field Officers to the several Battalions of Militia to the Convention but the recommendations are postponed till next meeting.

The Committee adjourns to thursday fortnight the 28 Instant.

A List of Enrollments of Militia Companies returned to the Committee by the Captns of the respective Companies, viz.

Captains William Beatty, Charles Beatty, Harman Yost, John Haas,

which are to compose the first Battalion.

Captains Robert Wood Valentine Creager, John Carmack,

[Jacob] Snowderberger,

are to compose the second Battalion
Captains William Blair, Samuel Shaw, 
  William Shields, Robert Beatty, 
  Normand Bruce, Michael McGuire, 
  Abram Heyter, John Kleinhof,

are to compose the third Battalion

Captains Philip Thomas, Michael Troutman, 
  William Luckett, Jr., Philip Rodenpillar, 
  William Duvall, Ludowick Kemp, 
  George Stricker of a Minute Company 
  Jacob Young of do

are to compose the fourth Battalion

N. B. the two minute Companies are added to the last Battalion by consent till two Companies of Militia now enrolling shall be compleated.

Captains David Moore Henry Baker 
  Basil Dorsey

The Committee adjourns to thursday fortnight.

November 15, 1776. At a meeting of the Committee of Observation by special Order, were present

  John Hanson, Junr., George Murdoch,
  Conrad Grosh, John Haas,
  Christopher Edelen, Adam Fisher, 
  Michael Raymer, John Adlum.

Sundry Accounts and Certificates of Expenses incurred on account of the Rifle companies were laid before the Committee whereupon it is ordered that the Committee of Correspondence do make out a general Account against the Congress of said Expences and transmit the same together with the Vouchers to Thomas Johnson Esq, one of the Deputies for the province of Maryland, to be by him laid before the Congress, and that he be requested to receive the money thereby due, and transmit the same to the Chairman of the Committee to be by him paid to the different claimants.
November 21, 1775. The Committee met by special Order. This Committee having received a Letter from the Committee of the upper district acquainting them of their having secured and sent to their care Messrs Connelly, Smith & Cameron persons suspected of being inimical to this country.

Ordered that the said prisoners be put under separate Guards, that Captain Thomas with a Sergeant, Corporal and four privates be a Guard over Connelly, that Captain Beatty with the same number of Officers and privates take the charge of Smith and that Captain Haas with the same number of Officers and privates take care of Cameron and that Captain Mantz have the charge and safekeeping of Connelly's servant.

Resolved, that no person be allowed by the Guard to speak to the Prisoners or to either of them unless in the presence of the Committee or some one of them or by their permission.

Ordered that the Captain and Lieutenant of each company in Frederick Town do search the prisoners for papers &c.

The Committee adjourns to tomorrow morning 9 o'clock.

November the 22, 1775. The Committee met according to Adjournment.

The following papers were then laid before the Committee.
First a letter from John Connelly to John Gibson.

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18 Dr. John Connolly was born in Lancaster Co., Pa. about 1750. He was well connected, and married a daughter of Samuel Semple, a noted Pittsburgh lawyer. In 1774 Lord Dunmore chose Connolly as his agent. Connelly is accused of fomenting the boundary dispute between Virginia and Pennsylvania, and of bringing on the border troubles with the Indians. At the rupture between England and the Colonies he adhered to the former. After his arrest in Maryland he was kept a prisoner until 1781, when escaping to Canada he plotted a descent upon Pittsburgh, and the next year led a force which destroyed Hannastown. Later (1788-89), he was concerned in English intrigues to capture New Orleans, and visited Kentucky with that purpose; but was recognized, and expelled from the country. From Dunmore's war, q. v.

19 Dr. John Ferdinand D. Smyth. A full account of this affair from the point of view of the captive may be found in Smyth's A Tour of the United States of America, 2 v. London, 1784.
Dear Sir

Portsmouth, August 9, 1775.

I have safely arrived here and am happy to the greatest degree in having so fortunately escaped the narrow Inspection of my enemies, the enemies to their Country, to good Order and Government. I should esteem myself defective in point of friendship towards you, should I neglect to caution you to avoid an overzealous exertion of what is now so ridiculously called patriotic spirit, but on the contrary to deport yourself with that moderation for which you have been always remarkable and which in this Instance tend to your honor and advantage, you may be assured from me Sir, that nothing but the greatest unanimity now prevails at home, and that the innovating Spirit amongst us here is looked upon as ungenerous and undutifull, and that the utmost Exertion of the powers of Government, if necessary, will be used to convince the infatuated people of their folly. I could I assure you (Sir) give you such convincing proofs of what I assert and from every reasonable person may conclude the Effects, that nothing but madness could operate upon a man so far as to overlook his duty to the present constitution, and to form unwarrantable Associations with Enthusiasts, whose illtimed folly must draw upon them inevitable Destruction. His Lordship desires you to present his hand to Cap*t white Eyes & to assure him, that he is very sorry he had not the pleasure of seeing him at the treaty or that the situation of affairs prevented him from coming down. believe me, Dear Sir that I have no motive in writing my sentiments thus to you further than to endeavour to steer you clear of the Misfortunes which I am confident must involve but unhappily too many. I have sent you an Address from the people of Great Britain to the people of America and I desire you to consider it attentively which will I flatter myself convince you of the Idleness of many declamations & of the Absurdity of an intended Slavery, give my love to George and tell him he shall hear from me & I hope to his advantage, interpret the inclosed Speech to Cap*t white Eys from his Lordship, be prevailed upon to shun the popular Error
and judge for yourself—Act as a good subject and expect the Rewards due to your Service
To Mr. John Gibson I am Dear Sir
near Fort Dunmore Your sincere friend & Servant
John Connelly.

2d A Letter from Lord Dunmore to Capt. White Eyes.
Brother Captain white Eyes.
I am glad to hear your good speech as sent me by Major Connelly, and you may be assured I shall put the one End of the Belt which you have sent me into the hands of our Great King, who will be glad to hear from his Brothers the Delawares and will take a strong hold of it you may rest satisfied that our foolish men shall never be permitted to have your Lands, but on the contrary our great King will protect you and preserve you in the possession of them. our young people in the Country have been very foolish and done many imprudent things for which they must be sorry and of which I make no doubt, they have acquainted you, but I must desire you not to listen to them, as they would be willing you should act equally foolish with themselves, but rather let what you hear pass in at one Ear and out of the other, so that it may make no Impression on your Heart untill you hear from me fully which shall be as soon as I can give you farther Information who am

Your friend & Brother.
Cap’t white Eyes will please to acquaint the Corn Stalk with these my sentiments also as well the Chiefs of the Mingoes & the other Six Nations

Your sincere friend & Elder Brother
Dunmore.

Connelly’s Proposals to General Gage for raising an Army.

Proposals for raising an army to the Westward for effectually obstructing a Communication between the Southern & Northern Governments.

20 John Murray, Fourth Earl of Dunmore, 1732-1809; last colonial Governor of Virginia.
As I have by directions from his Excellency Lord Dunmore prepared the Ohio Indians to act in concert with me against his Majesty’s Enemies in that Quarter and have also dispatched intelligence to the different Officers of the Militia on the Frontier of Augusta County in Virginia, giving them Lord Dunmore’s assurances (that such of them as shall hereafter evince their Loyalty to his Majesty by putting themselves under my command when I should appear amongst them with proper authority for that purpose) of a confirmation of Title to their Lands and the Quantity of three hundred Acres to all who should take up Arms in the support of the Constitution when the present Rebellion subsided: I will undertake to penetrate thro’ Virginia and join his Excellency Lord Dunmore at Alexandria early next Spring on the following Conditions & Authority—

1\(^{st}\) That your Excellency will give me a Commission to act as Major Commandant of such Troops as I may raise & embody on the frontier, with a power to command to the Westward and of employing such serviceable French & English Partizans as I can engage by pecuniary Rewards or otherwise. 2\(^{d}\)ly. That your Excellency will give orders to Cap’t Lord at the Illinois to remove himself with the Garrison under his Command from Fort Gage to Detroit by Ouabaché bringing with him all the Artillery Stores &c. &c. to facilitate which Undertaking he is to have Authority to hire Boats Horses Frenchmen Indians &c. &c. to proceed with all possible Expedition on that rout as the Weather may occasionally permit & to put himself under my Command on his arrival at Detroit. 3\(^{r}\)dy. That the Commissary at Detroit shall be empowered to furnish such provisions as I may judge necessary for the good of the Service and that the commanding officer shall be instructed to give every possible Assistance in encouraging the French and Indians of that Settlement to join me. 4\(^{th}\). That an Officer of Artillery be immediately sent with me to pursue such rout, as I may find most expedient to gain Detroit, with orders to have such pieces of light Ordinance as may be thought requisite for demolishing of Fort Dunmore and Fort Fincastle, if Resistance should be made
by the Rebels in possession of those Garrisons. 5th. That your Excellency will empower me to make such reasonable presents to the Indian Chiefs and others as may urge them to act with Vigour in the Execution of my Orders. 6th. That your Excellency will send to Lord Dunmore such arms as may be spared in order to equip such persons as may be willing to serve his Majesty at our Junction, in the Vicinity of Alexandria &c. &c. If your Excellency judges it expedient for the good of the Service to furnish me with the Authority and other Requisites I have mentioned, I shall embrace the earliest opportunity of setting off for Canada, and shall immediately dispatch Lord Dunmore's armed Schooner (which now awaits my commands) with an account of what your Excellency has done, and that I shall be ready if practicable to join his Lordship by the 20th of April at Alexandria where the troops under my command may fortify themselves under the cover of the Men of War on that Station.—If on the contrary your Excellency should not approve of what I propose you will be good enough to immediately honor me with your dispatches to the Earl of Dunmore that I may return as early as possible.

Whereupon the Prisoners being by order brought separately before the Committee the following Examinations were taken.

Allen Cameron a Native of Scotland which he left for an Affair of Honor and came to Virginia with an intention to purchase back Lands and intended to go to Henderson for that purpose, but finding it difficult to go thro' the back County, encouraged by Lord Dunmore & promised Advancement he agreed to accept a Commission as 1st Lieu* in the Regiment to be raised by Lt. Col. Connelly.

Doct* John Smith, a Native of Scotland, left Charles County, Maryland for political reasons and intended to go to the Mississippi, but finding it impracticable he went to Norfolk, and being induced by Lord Dunmore with promises of Preferment he accepted the appointment of Surgeon to Col. Connelly's Regiment.

John Connelly, a Native of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania,
admits his Letter to Gibson (Copy shewn him) he went 25 July from Fort Dunmore to Lord Dunmore, and delivered him proposals in substance the same with those found in his Possession and in his hand Writing, that he was sent by Lord Dunmore to General Gage with Letters and his proposals enclosed to Gage—that he left Boston 14 or 15 Septr and returned to Ld. Dunmore in the middle of October, that he brought Instructions from General Gage to Lord Dunmore, who granted him a Commission of Lieutenant Col1 Commandant of a Regiment to be raised in the back parts and Canada with Power to nominate Officers which were to be confirmed by Lord Dunmore, that he is now on his way to Detroit, where he was to meet his Commission and Instructions, that he left Lord Dunmore about 10 days ago who had with him two Sloops of 16 & 18 Guns, that the ship on which Lord Dunmore is on board is armed with 68 Guns, that a Vessel of 20 Guns is daily expected from Jamaica, that John Smith never was appointed Surgeon, that he told Smith if he was the Man he represented himself to be it was possible that he would appoint him.

Resolved, that the said Allen Cameron and John Connelly be kept in safe and close custody untill the Orders of the Congress be known and that the Chairman transmit Copies of the Examinations and papers to the Honble the President of the Congress and to the Conventions or Councils of Safety of the Colony of Virginia and this province.

Resolved, that Doctr John Smith be kept in Custody till the further orders of this Committee.

Frederick County, Maryland.
Novr 24, 1775

Sir, I am directed by the Committee of this County to transmit to you Copies of the Examinations of Allen Cameron, John Smith, and John Connelly, and a Letter to one Gibson from Connelly, and Lord Dunmore’s Speech to white Eyes and proposals by Connelly to Genl Gage for the raising an Army for the destruction of the Liberties of the Colonies.—Any Orders relative to the Prisoners will be strictly observed. The Commit-
tee and Inhabitants of this County being determined to pursue every measure which the Congress may recommend to them, as necessary for the preservation of these Colonies at this time of imminent danger.

I am Sir with Respect Your most obedt Servt
To the Congress. John Hanson Junr Chairman

Ordered, that 29 dollars and 3 half joes the property of Connelly be lodged in the hands of the Chairman, for the use of the said Connelly.

Ordered, that John Connelly, Allen Cameron and John Smith be confined above Stairs at Mrs. Charlton's, that the outward Room be assigned to the Guard and Doct'r Smith, and one of the small Rooms for Connelly and Cameron, and that Mrs. Charlton secure the Rooms agreeably to the directions of Messrs George Murdock and Christopher Edelen for which and finding the prisoners with all necessaries she is to be allowed 10/ per day.

John Smith, by Order of the Committee, delivered to the Chairman what money he had being One Guinea, three half Guineas and two Spanish Pistoles which is to be redelivered to him by the Chairman in small sums as he may want it.

Ordered, that 6 Muskets belonging to the Province be delivered to the Guard placed over the prisoners.

Ordered, that Mr. Peter Toffler deliver one pound of powder to Mr. Michael Grosh for the use of the Guard and that he give Mr. Toffler a Receipt for the same.

The Committee adjourns till tomorrow.

The Committee met November 23, 1775, according to adjournment.

The Committee being of Opinion that the prisoners are not altogether safe from Escape at Mrs. Charlton's,

Order, that they be removed from Mrs. Charlton's to Mr. Charles Beatty's and confined in a Room in his house in the upper Story—that the Guard have a Room next adjoining, that Mr. Beatty secure the Room Windows where the prisoners are
to be kept, and that he find them all Necessaries, which he undertakes to do and for the use of the Rooms aforesaid he is allowed 10/ p. day.

The Committee adjourns to the 28 Nov.

Letters from the Chairman to the Honble Conventions of Virginia and this Province.

Sir. Frederick County, Maryland, Nov 24, 1775.

As it is necessary at this time of imminent danger to give every information to our Neighbours that may tend in the smallest degree to prevent the evil designs of our Enemies, have enclosed you Copies of the Examinations of Allen Cameron, John Smith and John Connelly, and a letter from Connelly to one Gibson, Lord Dunmore's Speech to Capt White Eyes, and proposals by Connelly to General Gage for the raising an army for the Destruction of the Liberties of the Colonies with the Resolves of the Committee of this County thereon.

I am very respectfully

Sir

To the honble the President Your most humble Servant.
of the Convention, or the John Hanson Junr Chairman.
Council of Safety of Virginia.

Frederick Town Novr 24, 1775.

Sir. I am directed by the Committee of this District to transmit to you Copies of the Examinations of Allen Cameron, John Smith and John Connelly, a Letter from Connelly to one Gibson, and Proposals by Connelly to Genl Gage for the raising of an Army to the Westward to act in Conjunction with Dunmore for the Destruction of the Liberties of the Colonies.

Any Orders from the Convention relative to the prisoners will be strictly observed.—The prisoners are now under strong Guard, but unless some provision is made for the payment of those on that duty, it is apprehended that in a short time the people will not be prevailed on to attend that Service, which it
is hoped the Convention will take into Consideration and make such Order therein as they may think necessary.

I am with Respect

Sir, Your most humble Servant,

John Hanson Jr. Chairman.

To the honble Matthew Tilghman
Esqr President of the Convention.


Mr. Archibald Boyd, the late Clerk, being absent and the Committee apprehending it will be inconvenient for him to attend in future appoint Benjamin Ford their Clerk.

An Indenture and several Papers being laid before the Committee relative to a Report prejudicial to the Character of George Steier, the Committee are of Opinion that the said Report is groundless, and that the said George Steier is not a Convict as has been reported.

Upon complaint of Hugh Larkin against Val. Black for selling a Sifter at an extravagant price—Ordered, that the said Val. Black do attend on Tuesday Week to answer the said Complaint.

The Committee adjourns till to Morrow Morning 9 o'clock.

(To be Continued)
Dr Papa

Since the departure of the fleet your Letter of the 23d Feb'y came to hand: it was extremely acceptable as all yours are: I am overjoyed to hear my Mama has her health: particularly as I was not a little apprehensive of the contrary: our sollicitude is always proportionable to our affection, absence even heightens our anxiety and makes us generally apprehend those evils, which we stand the most in dread of. Why shou'd you wonder at my silence upon our late glorious Success at Sea? You must have heard that news before it cou'd possibly be conveyed to you in a Letter from me. Nothing can outstrip the speed of same, mobilitate viget viresque acquirit eundo says the Poet and it appears true by the account you received of Sr Edward Hawke's destroying a 11 sail after the action.

There must be a blindness (or to use the french gazette's expression) une fatalité attending their ministry which approaches to dulness and Stupidity: how cou'd they ever hope to envade England with the least appearance of success in their flat-bottom boats, in opposition to so formidable a naval power as we then had at Sea? I was told when in Paris that the largest boats stood the government in a 1000 guineas a piece; how true this information may be I can't determine. Neither did they depend if we may credit the publick report, on any secret intelligence or interest, or insurrection in England, it is certain, there was not the least mention made of the Prince during the whole time their preparations lasted: Had he really been concerned in the scheme it wou'd have been difficult to have kept it entirely concealed from the Publick. Nor can we reasonably suppose they intended a conquest. Their view per-
haps was (if I may once be allowed to turn Politician) to throw into this kingdom a force sufficient to destroy our naval stores, docks, shipping &c before any opposition cou’d be made: a force capable, even when we had collected all the troops we cou’d muster, to render the event of a pitch battle doubtful and precarious.

The consequences of an overthrow cou’d not but prove fatal to this nation: Wherefore it tis highly probable had the French landed in England with 50,000 men we shou’d have granted them their own terms and resigned what we have gained rather than run the risk of losing all by the loss of one battle. What makes me inclined to believe they had no intention of restoring the exiled family, is because such a restoration, in my opinion, wou’d be inconsistent with their own interest and the French will never act, at least knowingly against that primum mobile of theirs. Risum teneatis amici?

The unhappy Earl Ferrers was executed the 16th instant: neither his riches or high birth cou’d exempt him from the ignominious death of a common malefactor they only contributed to render it more dishonourable. Tho’ that unfortunate nobleman deserved some kind of pitty yet was this exercise of Justice highly commendable, necessary, and instructive. Great men may see by this that the laws are not made only for the poorer sort, that they extend to all and can not be transgressed with impunity to no other cause was owing the ascendent the Spartan government had obtained throughout all the other States of Greece and the deference payed to its decisions. The Laws at Sparta ruled the Kings, and not they, the laws. The ancients thought, at least the wisest ancients, that the property, Liberty, and safety of individuals cou’d not be too secure from power and its natural ally, injustice.

(I have consulted the Lottery registers, & the account sent me is agreeable to the same. Yr last years tickets are all blanks except No’s 1971 & 8974 each a prize of 20£) Bar iron I am informed bears an exceeding good price and that no better commodity can be sent to market: If we come to a rupture with Prussia it will still in all probability bear a better.
I propose next month going to see my old master; who lives at Wardour a seat of my Lord Arundel's. He has been twice in town since my arrival; I saw him each time and our interviews were as long as his stay in town, which was but short, and his business which was pressing would permit. I leave you to conceive our mutual joy & satisfaction at our first meeting after so long a separation: certainly no pleasure can equal that of conversing with a person, whom we love & esteem, especially when such esteem is founded on true merit: nihil ego Jucundo contributum sanus amico, says my old Friend Horace, and Mr Jenison is as deserving of the epithet Jucundus as most men. A little before I left Paris a new, compleat, and correct Atlas was published price 10 guineas I had a great mind to buy one, but did not know whether you would approve of it. If you do 'tis' not too late. Have you read Hume's history of the houses of Stuart and Tudor? if not, you have a great satisfaction to come or I am mistaken. Mrs Carbey, Baker, Printz & Crookshanks desire their compliments to you; mine to Mr & Mrs Lawson, to Dr Lyon & the two Croxals: my love & duty to my Mama & Grand Mama. I am Dr Papa

Yr affectionate & dutiful Son

C: Carroll.

P. S. Pray don't forget answering that part of my last Letter relating to Mr Bird the marble merchant, my directions are to C: Carroll in the Temple King's bench walks No 9. but I think yr safest way is to enclose my Letters to Mr Perkins.

May the 22d 1760

Dr Papa

I take this opportunity of writing a few lines by Cap't James Hennick; tho' I have already wrote a more circumstantial Letter to which goes by the same gentleman. I refer you to that Letter as to what may regard me & my little affairs: tho' if you expect to meet with anything material or interesting you will
be deceived. I am now with Mr Perkins; who gives his kind compliments to you.

I desired you in a foregoing Letter to send me some madeira wine, pray don't forget my commission if not too troublesome, or otherwise inconvenient. I think of buying a horse to ride out, as that exercise is recommended to me for the preservation of my health, and as I can't well see the different parts of England without: and I believe you will not be against my making now & then some excursions & Jaunts of pleasure.

I propose, if you consent, to go over next summer that is next year, into Ireland:

But of this scheme more will be said in an ensuing Letter. I shall only add at present that I am well & wish with all my heart that you are. My love to my Mama. I am Dr Papa Yr affectionate & dutiful Son C: Carroll.

[Chas. Carroll Sr to Charles Carroll of Carrollton]

July 14th 1760 [53]

My Cousin Cha: Carroll writes to me from London with all ye Indifference of a Philosopher, that he is very unconcerned about news. Mediocrities says he is not yt ye Best. What Mr Carroll told you Concerning the Result of his voyage to Europe, is Conformable to what I understand from his Son, when I saw him last Sep' who told me his Father had not succeeded at Paris. If it had been thought proper I should know ye motive of his Journey he would Probably have taken th' Opportunity to tell me; But as he did not, I suppose it would not be becoming in me to Push my enquiries any further. I went from Liege (part of Jo: Carrolls letter at Liege Dated March 15: 1760 to his Brother Daniell in Maryland) to Ghent to meet my Csn Charly Carroll in his way from Paris to London. Mr Rozier will give you an act of the great improvement he has made in France, & his Elegant way of living at London.

You see by the above th' People are very Curious & inquisitive
& learn from it, to trust no man with a Secret without absolute necessity, especially if it be of any Consequence.

In yrs of the 10th of Aprill, you say you are not acquainted with Mr Bladen & that you do not desier to be acquainted with him as he is a Gamester, & tht that is not yr only Reason for declining his Acquaintance, this is mysterious, what other Reason have you? He was Civill to me when in London I have been long acquainted with him. His & my Father were neighbours & Acquaintance I am Intimate with Mr Tasker who married his Sister, therefore, if he makes the 1st advances be Polite & Civill, not Intimate.

[Endorsed: Triplicate sent in my letters of July 14: 1760.]

Dr Papa

My last was dated the 16th of May. I have since received your several Letters of the 1st May and 14th July and one from my Mama of the 5th May. The books sent by Capt. Coolidge are safe arrived: those that want binding I shall take care to get bound, those that are double or are of a bad or too old edition shall be sold and replaced by others of a later and better. I propose entering myself of the Inner temple next term: the expence of entry may amount to £4.0.0 or thereabouts: that of commons to 6 or 7 more yearly. Your observation on the Tobo Merchants is well grounded: Your advice concerning them and my dress Judicious: it shall be followed. The only thing I dislike in my present situation is want of company: good, I mean instructive company, is not easy to be met with: genteel company cannot but be attended with great expence, great distractions and loss of time. No application, no study, without an undisturbed, serene, composed mind: independent of these objections the prodigious vacuum that reigns thro' the conversation of genteel company is insupportable to men of a certain stamp. I have not gained half a line since you saw me last, nor am I quite broke of my Stooping. Mr Maccarty's
finances are still ebbing, perhaps when the tide flows again it may bring him up to town with the £ 9.0.0. Jo: Gallot's pledge remains in Mr Edwards hands, if its value be not adequate to the debt, his honesty will not hurry him to redeem it. I am informed he is servant to an officer of the militia, now in camp at Winchester. The Letter sent by Capt Magachan, was wrote in haste: this prevented my referring to former Letters, which, as you desired, are all entered into a book. I repent my having mentioned the interesting Letter, and its irrecoverable loss. Mr Rozier, knows me as well as the gentleman, who wrote the Letter, and is as capable of delivering his opinion and with equal discernment. I shall make it my business to peruse seriously the books of controversy recommended to me. My dining with Mr Sharpe was merely accidental. I happened to meet Mr Calvert at Mr Perkin's house: he politely invited me to come and see him: I accepted the invitation Mss. Plater & Rozier accompanied me to his (Calvert's) house: from whence we went all together to Mr Sharpe's to dine: we were treated handsomely. To Judge from so short an acquaintance with Mr Sharpe, I look upon him to be a well behaved, sensible gentleman. Some months after my Lord Baltimore sent me an invitation to come to his country seat at Epsom and to remain with him during the races: being pre-engaged I could not comply with the latter part of the invitation: however I dined with his Lordship the first day of the races; this was the second time, perhaps it will be the last I shall see his Lordship. Forced by your reasons I must acknowledge the temple to be a more proper place to study the law in than my own home, where business or amusements (too often the Latter) engross our whole attention. Nothing but a sincere love guided by reason, I am persuaded, cou'd have kept me so long from you. The education you have given me, the care you have taken, the trouble and expence you have been at, are Strong convincing proofs of this well regulated love. If I survive the remainder of my life may be easy and ornamental but not happy: your remembrance will always be accompanied with grief: how shall
I ever be able to think of you without shedding tears due to the memory of the best, the dearest, tenderest Parent. but wherefore do I anticipate pains which perhaps I shall never live to feel. Your description of Maryland is quite picturesque: I believe a little Poetical. Pictoribus atque Poetis quidlibet audendum you have made some use of this permission: but by all accounts your encomiums are not unmerited. How displeasing then must the thought be of Leaving such a charming country to avoid the unjust the malicious prosecutions, of an ignorant, base, contemptible rabble. Yet time may perhaps polish and soften their manners; wealth acquired by their own industry may satiate their avarice, and correct at least moderate that eager longing after other men's property. But my chief hopes are founded on our Governors and upper house of Assembly. If we can be assured of always having governors as Just and as moderate as our present Governor, one not to be awed or even ruled by the clamours of a mob we may laugh at and despise its insolence: its giddy fury will turn to its own shame. There are several gentlemen in the upper house, as such they are certainly of too disinterested, enlarged, and noble a way of thinking, than to suffer themselves to be lead into measures, mean, interested, and unjust. They may say, they ought to say, with the bold spirit of the Lyrick Poet odi profanum vulgus et arceo.

I question very much wether my Lord Coke stuck to his own distribution of time: he might have been, like many others, no follower of what he ought. I am persuaded, he frequently made as great a deduction from the quatuor orabis as you advise me to: and to Judge of the old gentleman by his rude uncouth style, the Sacre Camend were no great favourites of his: of these and of history I am passionately fond: whatever time I can steel from drudgery and necessary relaxation I consecrate to these. Without a perfect knowledge of history and mankind, which latter is acquired from the study of History and personal experience, there is no possibility of excelling in the law. I might indeed be, what many Lawers are, to use some of Tully's
words, Leguleius quidam cantus, et auctus preco actionum cantor formularum, aneips syllabarum, an insignificant petty fopper grovaling all my life in the mean but painful application to all the little arts of chicane.

I spent the last month in the company of my old master Mr Jenison. After a stay of two weeks at Wardour, the place of his residence, we went to Bath, from thence to Bristol & to Oxford. Our Jant was extremely agreeable; the weather good, the country delightful. We parted at Oxford the 3d instant much against our will. I reached London the same day he Wardour the day following. Thus ended in sorrow, the most agreeable, entertaining, pleasant Journey I ever made.

I return you many thanks for the Pipe of wine you have ordered for my use. As this letter is already too long I shall postpone answering my Mama’s to the next opportunity. Assure her of my love and duty. I am overjoyed to hear her swelling has abated without impairing her health: tho’ if I may credit some private informations, she was once in great danger; this I suppose you concealed from me de industria: Pray don’t deceive me for the future. In all your letters you mention her being in good health and that she sends me her blessing: why can’t she tell me so in her own handwriting? if tis but a line or two. Be pleased to give my love and duty to my Grand-Mama: I beg my compliments to my other relations and friends. I am Dr Papa

Your most dutiful & loving Son

Ch: Carroll.

P. S. this accompanies the news-papers & magazines that I take in, since Mr Edwards removal to Hammersmith.

Oct. 13, 1760. [55]

Dr Charley,

I am very solicitous Mr Darnall should succeed in the Application he intends to make, & have therefore wrote the letter of this Date with a desiyre you should shew it to Mr Calvert, with
Paragraph of the Severall letters refer'd to in it Relating to the same Subject.

Yr Manner of introducing the letter to Mr Calvert must be by telling him your wishes to have a Relative succeed who Appears to be dear to yr Father has prompted you to a step, whch may be Cannot be Justified by Prudence: It must not Appear to Mr Calvert tht you shew him the letter by my order. It must appear to be an Act of yr owne & it will naturally Appear so to him, when you shew him the other letters whch speak the same Sentiments, & Could not be framed to answer the Present Purpose as they were wrote Antecedent to the Event. The letter to him will appear in no other light, than as Conveying an Article of news to you.

Its Possible the letter may help Mr Darnall it Cannot hurt him. As to us it Cannot have any ill Effect, for wee need not give ourselves the least Concern whether Mr Calvert be Pleased or Displeased. In case of the Coll's Death make yr Application on Receit of the letter no time is to be lost. I am
Dr Charley
Yr Mo: Afft Father
Cha: Carroll.

P. S. You may think the severall letters you are directed to shew Mr Calvert are wrote too freely & may give Offence, they may give Offence, & should he shew the least Resentment either by word or by his Behaviour, Ask him who has most reason to be Offended, we who have been ungratefully treated & Persecuted without offence Contrary to all Justice & the Priviledges & liberty Promised by the Charter & one of the 1st laws Enacted here, In Violation of the Solemn Engagements & Promises made to us & our Ancestors by his Ancestors Proclamations inviting & Encouraging our Ancestors to Settle here, or he who but acknowledged to you, tht by Certificates from Persons in Power here he was Convinced of Our Innocence & yet has by Passing the Law which Double taxes us Consented to Oppress us. It is necessary on some Occasions to be firm Resolute & to shew a Proper Resentment & I think Mr Calvert in Particular ought to be treated in this manner, & you are to Raise or
lower yr Tone According to the Disposition you find him in. Enquier dayly whether any news of Coll Taskers Recovery.

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Nov. 27th, 1760  [56]

Dr Charley,

As I wrote to you, this day Mr Browne is still with me, so is Mr Buchanan. My House has been their home above 5 months, this to me has been very troublesome & Inconvenient, I like to enjoy my owne family in Privacy & Retierment as much as Possible. Thinking Mr Browne would return in Sepr or Octr I was willing to Put up with the Inconvenience for sometime & that they should be together while Mr Browne stayed. But on his Return, finding Mr Buchanan did not think of taking Private Lodgings, I Contrived tht he should be Put in mind of it. He is now looking out. But by their Behaviour, I see they are not well Pleased. I have I think payed them a very Great Compliment. But I am in the Case of every man who endeavours to oblige, tht is I have Miscarried by not Continuing still to doe what is inconsistent with my owne ease & quiet. This is to yr self, & I only mention it, least you should hear it from another Quarter. I am

Dr Charley

Yrs &c.

Cha: Carroll.

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Janry 1st, 1761  [59]

Dr Papa,

I cannot begin the new year better than by wishing you a happy one. God grant that you may live to see many: you alone can make them happy Capt Kelty and Herrick are arrived: the latter has brought the Cain spirits and Madeira wine; which Is very good: I am much obliged to you and to the Captain, as it is no easy task to cheat the Custom house officers; Kelty has not as yet delivered his letters. By yours of Octr 13th 1760 and several other letters you seem highly disgusted with Maryland: you certainly have great cause of dis-
content I shou'd not chuse to settle in any place whatever, against yr opinion & approbation: But the same reasons that make Maryland an ineligible abode, make England equally ineligible: to exchange a bad situation for a worse, or equally bad, wou'd argue want of Judgement. Besides the trouble and loss attending such a change, besides the prospect at least the hopes (and those probable too) of our enemies animosity abating (which are all reasons for remaining in Maryland) our importance there, woud determine me, if obliged to chuse between England & Maryland, to give the preference to the latter. Religious persecution, I own, is bad, but civil persecution is still more irksome: the one is quite unsupportable, the other is alleviated by superior motives, which tho' they cannot diminish the real evil, yet enable us to bear it with greater resignation. This makes me chuse a live under an english government rather than under any other. Catholick I mean: for I know of no Catholick country where that greatest blessing civil liberty, is enjoyed. Whatever country I settle in, its welfare & my honour shall be the chief and sole principle of my actions. shou'd I ever be so happy as to be able to protect the innocent, I would not abandon them because weak: nor court their ene-mies and mine with presents of slavery and fear.

15 months are now elapsed since my arrival in England Notwithstanding a pretty serious application during this time, to the Law, I have made little or no advance in it.

This must be owing to my incapacity, to the difficulty of the Study and to want of instruction. Reading Law books & attending the courts is not sufficient to attain the knowledge of the Law unless assisted by the advice of, and conference with skillful Lawers. I know 2 or 3 young Roman Catholick gentlemen who study as Clerks, under the immediate direction of Hutton, Wilmot, & others, persons well versed in the law by long practice & great application: This in my opinion would have been the best way for me to have studied: and this, I dare say was the course my Grand-father persued. There are many introcate passages, obscure reasons of Law, which certainly
gent interpretre often imaginary not real difficulties occur: these frighten the student, almost cast him into dispair and create an antipathy even to what he is most desirous of knowing.

I am sorry for young Tasker: I pity the father who sustained so great a loss: If Mr Darnall shou'd stand competitor for the Secretary's office, I wish him success. I can only wish and hope: woud it were in my power to do more.

I have sent you the London Evening Posts & the Magazines with the considerations on the present German war, a new Pamphlet full of good sense: this will confirm you in those notions, you undoubtedly have all along entertained of our continental connections: Several scriblers have attacked the author, but their lame weak attempts plainly show the superior force of his reasoning and the truth of what he asserts. My Mama, I hope, is quite recovered of her indisposition & the swelling entirely gone off Mr Browne's not coming with the fleet is a great disappointment. I flattered myself with the pleasing hopes of many agreeable entretiens about you both, my friends, and Maryland.

Nothing can make me amends, but a very long letter from my Mama. I long to be with you: even this great Metropolis and all its pleasures do not Sufficiency of absence, they only serve to alleviate the desiderium patria and pains of banishment. My duty to my Grand-Mama & Service to my friends; the Croxalls, Dr Lyon, Lawson & his Lady. I am Dr Papa

Yr most dutiful son

Ch: Carroll.

P. S. Mr Crookshanks and other friends in London desire their compliments. I shall write to Mr Boisou: & take care to forward the letter when it comes to hand: it was not enclosed in yours of Oct. 13th that being only a copy: tho' you mention it in that Letter.
Dr Papa,

Immediately on the receipt of your Letter relating to Mr Darnall I waited on Mr Calvert I came to the point in question by mentioning the premature death of Colonel Tasker; this naturally lead me to enquire who was to succeed him in his office of Secretary. I doubted not but that there would be many competitors, that Mr Darnall certainly would not be so wanting to himself as not put up for that post, which I hoped and wished him to obtain. His answer was somewhat to this purport. He wished Mr Darnall well was willing to serve him but that strange reports were propagated against that gentleman. Then with great warmth & seeming emotion I can't conceive says he how a man who has taken the oaths can be so base as to be Papistically affected or so deep a dissembler as to be a Papist at heart, a Protestant in appearance. Here he paused looked big & stern, but his fire began to cool his ardour abated, he remembered, perhaps, his having been a Papist but his conscience accused him with no self interested action (for which he seems to have a particular horror, for even the thought of a base action had almost set him into a passion) in ceasing to be of that communion, nor since his change with any disillusion or Papistical affection: his conduct has Justified the last.

You may Judge by this he has not Mr Darnall's interest very much at heart, at least I Judged so and urged no further. I turned off the discourse to the late oppressive double taxing law. I asked him how my Lord, or his advisers could consent to a law which they knew to be an open breach of faith & since declared by the Attorney General subversive of the foundations of the Maryland constitution, most iniquitous and unjust by oppressing men, by his own confession, innocent and undeserving of such treatment. His answer was this, I think very puerile, but poor Mr Calvert who never did an interested selfish action designedly startled at the thought of having done one inadvertently; his surprise prevented him from giving a studied reason, & disclosed a short tho' true one. He (my Lord Balti-
more) was advised to it. Besides the Roman Catholicks made not the least opposition to the bill while depending. therefore it was Just to double tax them or they were willing to be double taxed, is this a logical conclusion?

However Mr Calvert gave me a kind of promise, that no such laws if the Roman Catholicks did not give occasion to them by their disaffected behaviour, shou'd for the future meet with the Proprietary's approbation.

I return you many thanks for the Madeira and Cain spirits which are looked upon by the connoisseurs to be very good: the books are all come safe to hand: notwithstanding this supply I shall be put to a pretty great expence in buying others I stand in need of. wou'd you advise me to buy the Statutes at large? this is a very dear work. I shall take care to send the books you want, by the fleet, if I can meet with them in London, if not they must be bought in Paris. I am surprised how Mr Browne and Buchanan, after so long a stay at your house, cou'd be displeased at y'r unwillingness to maintain them longer.

I have seen Mr Macnamara: you need not be apprehensive of too great an intimacy between us. The letters inclosed to me for Monsieur Boisson have been forwarded long ago I wrote as you desired, to Monsieur Boisson, to inform him, care shou'd be taken of his letters to his relations in Maryland, if conveyed to me. I intend to answer my Mama's letter, by the fleet, you may expect also by the same opportunity a longer and more circumstantial letter: this is wrote in haste, the ship it goes by, being to sail in 2 or 3 day's time. As you mention nothing in your letters of some pamphlets, the Magazines, the Way to keep him a new comedy & the news papers, I have some cause to think, that they have not been sent, or if sent not delivered. My Grand Mama's illness gives me great uneasiness, both on account of my affection for her, & the affliction her death will occasion to my Mama: so tender so good a mother, can not be a tender affectionate daughter: try every expedient that may allay her grief. I desire my compliments to Poor Mr Lawson's family: their loss is indeed great, I think young Mr Lawson
(but this between us) is not so sensible of it as he shou’d be. I am almost sorry this reflection has escaped pray remember to the Croxalls & Dr Lyon.

There is no appearance of a peace this winter at least as I can see: we are raising recruits a pace for Germany: There is some talk of an expedition against the French forts on the Mississipi Martinico seems evidently threatened with an invasion.

Marechal de Belle isle died last month at Versailles in a very advanced age: it tis not as yet known who is to succeed him in the post of secretary of war. Daun is to command the Austrian grand army and Laudon an army of 35 thousand men in Silesia: Mr Keith has not been able to detach the empress of Russia from the grand alliance. I am of opinion the king of Prussia will stand his ground again this campaign: which may be the occasion of another if the Powers at war can find means to maintain their forces.

March 22d 1761

Dr Charley

Your Dr Mama died the 12th Inst having been confined to her Room since the 20th of last Decr & her Bed for at least the 3 last Weeks. She was to all Appearance in perfect health looked florid & well, her Complexion fine & clear when she was attacked with 3 or 4 very high fevers, these were Removed by a Blister & she was to all appearance in a fine way when she fell into a very deep melancholy which often affected her senses & understanding, a gentle Emetic contributed greatly to relieve her & restore her to her Senses, & it was repeated. In some days after the 2d Emetic she was taken with an obstinate Bilious Vomiting which was very frequent & tormenting; from the 2d Vomit which I think was given on the 27th of Janr she never had a natural stool all her Evacuations downwards being procured by Clysters, however her Vomitting was much abated, & little was apprehended from it, & which is very remarkable she was generally very temperate & had no sensible fevers until the 5th
Inst., then she also began at times to ramble in her discourse & her fevers which could not be removed wore her away. If 4 Physicians could have saved her I shd still be blessed with her. Our Loss is as great as such a loss can be, to you she was a most tender mother, to me the best of wives being a charming Woman in every sense, remarkable for her good Sense evenness & sweetness of her temper. She bore her tedious sickness with great patience & Resignation, & had all the Spiritual helps the Church can bestow in such cases. Hence, & from the Regularity of her life we have the solid Comfort of a well grounded hope that her Death was precious in the Sight of God. Charity however to one so near & dear to us prompts us to procure her ease from the pains she may suffer for such Transgressions as she may not have Attoned for in this life & therefore I desire you will apply 10 Guineas properly to th' end. I have bestowed here a much larger sum to the same purpose. Nature can hardly support such strokes. Philosophy alone cannot administer any solid Comfort, for tho' Death be the common Lot, tho' many from the Creation have lost as tender mothers & dear wives & will continue to do so to the end of time, we do not find more Consolation from this Consideration that we shd find ease in a fit of the Gout or any other disorder from the Reflection th' many have & will feel as Excruciating pains as ours. Religion in such Cases is the only solid Comforter of the afflicted, by th' we know, th' the God who has Created us has a Right to dispose of us, th' his Dispositions are just & mercyfull & th' it is our Duty to submit to them, hence a Xtian by Resignation (which is his Duty) finds th' ease which nothing else can give him & is according to Gods infinite goodness rewarded with ease in Consequence of his Obedience, Submission & Resignation. I have dwelt so long on this melancholy Subject to soften if possible the 1st impressions it must make on you, & to help you to bear ye loss. You have before you an affecting instance of Mortality, life is but as the Twinkling of the Eye to Eternity, the only serious business of life is to make th' Eternity a happy one & the certainest pledge of a happy Eternity is a lively
habitual faith, pray earnestly for this precious faith & cherish it; having it you cannot act inconsistently & irrationally as to offend yr God. Farewell my Dear Child, I pray to God to bless you & to grant you perfect Health. I am My Dr Charley Yr Mo: Afft Father
Cha: Carroll.

P. S. I have yr8 of the 1st of Janry wch with yr former I will answer soon.

March 28th 1761 [62]

Dr Papa

In my last of the 13th Febry I acquainted you with the conversation I had had with Mr Calvert relating to Mr Darnall, and what little dependence that gentleman cou’d place on Mr Calvert. I sincerely wish for Mr Darnall’s sake that my arguments had been more persuasive, or Mr Calvert’s prejudices less violent not that I believe, Mr Calvert’s bears him any particular grudge or ill will; disaffection & Papistical inclinations seem to form his chief or only objection to Mr Darnall.

You seemed desirous in one of last year’s letters of my being entered of the temple: the expence of entry may come to near 4£, the commons to pretty near seven pounds a year: As my religion is an invincible obstacle to my being called to the Bar (and unless called to the Bar my being entered of the temple is of no signification or use) as attending the commons will infalibly expose me to the worst acquaintance & company, I have been so bold for once as to disobey yr commands. but if these reasons appear insufficient (but I hope they will not) if you still persevere in yr resolution, let me know it, and I will tho’ unwillingly obey.

I have bought of Mr Lewis Croiset’s moral reflexions: I paid a crown for the 2 volu8: this I am sensible is a great deal two much for such books, but the scarcity and the time and trouble of getting them from France, made me give this price; I shall look out for his exercises de piete &c. if not to be had in London,
I shall write to Mr. Crookshanks for them. As Mr. Hume is continuing his history of England, I thought it would be better to buy the whole entire work at once than by peace meals: this is the reason of my not sending by the fleet the 2 volumes already published. Pray let me have a list of your English books to prevent buying the same books over again.

My Lord Peter and his tutor Mr. Galloway are lately arrived in town from France: there is a report of my Lord's going to be married to the youngest Miss Aston: perhaps his dancing at the Redotto with that young Lady the very night of his arrival, may have occasioned this report.

My Accounts of last year's expenses accompany this I hope you will not think them exorbitant; all my care, all my study is to please and satisfy you, if my endeavours prove successful; I am happy and sufficiently recompensed. Mr. Macnamara informs me you have sold the large tract of land at Monocacy for £12500 Sterling: this piece of information surprised me not a little, as you intimated to me in one of your Letters your design of keeping the largest tracts of Land till my arrival in Maryland, that then I might be able to choose either to settle there or leave that country. I do not mention this with a view to blame your measures, which I am fully persuaded are always prudent, or that I am dissatisfied at your selling that land, but only to know whether the good bargain or some other particular reason prevailed upon you to part with it.

Mr. Bird has sent by the fleet a venture of some marble tables; I hope the event will answer his expectation: as I have a value for the gentleman, and he deserves my esteem both by his Character, & polite friendly behaviour to me.

The marble slab, you ordered, goes with the tables: by the bill you will see it is charged at 7s a foot; 5 shillings is the common price; the 2 shillings extraordinary are owing to the double thickness.

I have had no intelligence of the Pipe of Madeira wine you commissioned your Correspondent at the Madeiras to send. Mr. Crookshanks in a Letter of 2d of Feb writes as follows:
Affairs in Portugal are at a stand; Carvalla having pretty nigh accomplished his ends to wit the separation from Rome and overturn of Religion: affairs of religion here, in the same fluctuating state you left them.

I intend to follow yr advice of making a tour thro Holland: I may execute this scheme some time next summer; towards the latter end of this I propose visiting the northern parts of England: I must lay aside the thought of going over to Ireland the present situation of that Isleland, will only renew the memory of past wrongs. Fuit Ilium, et ingens gloria Dardanidum. how unavailing to remember what we cannot revenge! how melancholy to behold, ancient, noble, and once flourishing families now reduced to beggary!

Joseph Gallot called upon me a fortnight ago to pay his debt: as Mr Edwards was entrusted to receive the money, and with some of Gallot’s merchandise for security of payment, I ordered him to pay the money to Mr Edwards he has not as yet called upon him: his place, by his account, is worth 50 guineas a year. Mr Crookshanks has been so obliging as to compose an Atllass of the best maps by several different Authors: the maps cost 269£ 3s the binding 48£ they are bound in 2 octas as you advised.

For Publick news I refer you to the newspapers & the London Magazines, which I send by this opportunity. I pray God to grant your health and happiness: my best wishes to my friends: my duty to my Grand Mama. I am Dr Papa

Yr dutiful & affectionate son

C. Carroll.

P. S. March 29th 1761

I received this day yr short letter of the 3d of Feb I must confess you have some little reason of complaint: I acknowledge my fault, am sorry, & will atone for it by writing oftener: but then you must not expect letters of this length. I hope my Grand Mama has exchanged this frail mortal life, for a glorious happy immortality. Her death, I knew too well, you’d deeply
affect my Mama: I do not blame her tears: they are the tenderest acknowledgement of humanity: not to be affected at the death of a Parent would argue insensibility: But immoderate grief is unreasonable and unbecoming: to the pious, Just & good death is comfortable, sweet an easy: tis the term the end of misery, the commencement of never ending happiness: is it not therefore unreasonable to lament their death? the decrees of God are irrevocable he has doomed all mankind to die: shou'd we not then humbly submit to his omnipotent, holy, irresistible will? these & such like arguments, I dare say, you made use of to allay my Mama's sorrows: I am overjoyed to hear she begins to get the better of her grief & that her spirits revive: company is the best preservative against melancholy: Pray remind her of our love and for our sakes at least let her be careful of her health, than which nothing can be dearer to me.

Dr Papa

Capt Kilty seeming very desirous of a Letter from me, I cou'd not but comply with his request. I have nothing material or new to add to my last. I commissioned Kilty to bring over some of yr winter Pears, they ought to be packed up in Moss the best preservative against their rotting: I gave him another commission for some hams: they must be newly cured else by the time they get here they will be good for little or nothing. Have you any flowers peculiar to Maryland? If there be such pray Let me have some of the seed.

By the newspapers you will find how the French have been forced to abandon the Landgraviat of Hesse Cassel, after having garrisons in the Capital & other tenable towns: They being now reinforced by the troops from the Lower Rhine are marching forwards in order to raise the siege of Cassel & the other towns besieged or blockaded by the Allies. By the last Holland mail we have an account of an advantage gained by the French over the Hereditary Prince, who tis reported has had 2600 men taken prisoners with the loss of 13 pieces of cannon the number...
of the killed is inconsiderable: we are in hourly expectation of a general engagement between the two main armies: the event will determine the fate of the landgraviat, & perhaps if unsuccessful to the French may bring on a peace.

You will find amongst my letters by Capt. Hanson one from Mr. Rozalini: Mr. Perkins sent it to me; on opening it I soon discovered the mistake, to prevent which for the future Mr. Rozalini had better direct to you at Annapolis. Pray remember me to the Croxalls Henry Carroll, & my other friends. I am Dr. Papa.

Yr affectionate & dutiful son
Ch. Carroll.

P. S. Messrs. Corbey and Pointz present their compliments to you: I am not certain whether this letter will go by Kilty or no, as I understand he has already fallen down the river. No accounts from Germany later than the 28th of March: prayers have been said for my Grand Mama. Mr. Bladen has sent me this day an invitation to dine with him next Tuesday 7th of April. I have not seen him since my arrival in London: he dines very late a little before 4 o'clock I think his servant told me. My objection to an acquaintance with Mr. Bladen proceeds only from what you mentioned to me: I imagine they play high to which I am very averse: As I have no great inclination for cards & am unlucky. Mr. Plater goes with this fleet: we were acquainted, and had I esteemed the company he kept as much as much I do him, our acquaintance had been greater. I am Dr. Papa

Yr affectionate son

All the books you sent me are come safe: C. Carroll.
I thank you for the abridgement of the Acts of Assembly in Maryland.

April 17, 1761 [64]

Dr. Charley

Mr. Danll Dulany our late Commissary Generall & Present Secretary talks of going some time in June to England for the
Recovery of his Health. Upon his Arrivall I would have you visit him & invite him to Sup or dine wth you, if he Repays yr visit Continue to treat him Politely & with a seeming openeness it may hereafter be of service to you. He is a man of Great Parts, of Generall knowledge indisputably the best Lawer on this Continent, a very entertaining Companion when he Pleases, But wth this weakness tht his veracity is questioned, He is very vain & Proud & designing & so much a Politician as not to be over scrupulous in the Measures he takes to answer his Ends. From this sketch you will know how to behave towards him & I give you these Hints now, Because should I write by him I shall say nothing tht I need seal up. I am Dr Charly

Duplicate sent by Mr Jo: Semples C: C: ship to Glasgow Triplicate made out.

Dr Papa

This is just to let you know that I am well: I write now from Mr Perkins' house: he is well and very busy. Joseph Gallowt has turned out honester than I thought him: he has payed me the £11.7.0. Be pleased to send me a list of yr English books: that I may not buy the books you have already bought. I have subscribed to the New Edition of the Statutes at Large in 8°, the whole work in sheets will come to 6 guineas:

My Lord Arundel is expected over in a very short time his Lordship was so obliging as to charge himself with my Atllass: it costs very near £18 sterling: this & buying other Law books will make a considerable gap in the £300 Mr Crookshanks has sent by the same opportunity the Royal Almenack for 60.

Our troops made good their Landing on belle-isle about the 18th April: having been repulsed in a prior attempt with the loss of 500 men: we look upon the reduction of the Isleland as secure: But I refer you to the publick Papers & magazines for further & better intelligence.
I am informed that front seats to see the coronation will cost 12 guineas each: do you advise me to give away so much money to gratify my curiosity:

A Congress is appointed at Strasbourg to be opened in July; but in the interim military preparations go on as brisk as ever: It will be a difficult matter to adjust the various & clashing interests of the Belligerent powers: another decisive battle must determine the fate of Silesia:

Capt Richardson who went out with the fleet has been obliged to put back into Falmouth with 3 or 4 feet water in his whole:

Mr Perkins desires his compliments to you: mine to Messieurs Browne & Buchanan.

I hope my Mama has recovered her spirits & health: I pray my love and duty to her: excuse the shortness of this Letter my next shall make amends. I am Dr Papa

Yr Loving & dutifull son

Ch: Carroll

URIA BROWN’S JOURNAL.
(Continued from Vol. X, p. 233.)

[Through the peculiar paragraphing and punctuation of the original, the first instalment of this Journal was broken off in the middle of a sentence.—Ed.]

Thomas Brook who Departed this Life in the Carolina’s & left Issue:—& Wm Pitt Brook: has departed this Life: the whole of those Children has Issue: and of Course Clement Brook is only entitled to the one-Eighth part of Seventy-two Acre of Land be the same more or Less which was added to a tract of Land Called Ajalon of 120 Acres by a resurvey which Consolidates the same into one entire Survey of Ninety two Acres which may be seen In the name of Thomas Brooke on the then records of the Land Office in & for the State of Maryland.
This 92 Acres, Laying 6 or 8 Miles from Cumberland on Evits Creek in Alleghany County & State of Maryland: Is all I Can discover that will I hope forward Clement Brook's Intrest in 170 Acres of Land near Cumberland rated at $3400 In his Schedule Annexed to his Deed of Trust: to Jno Trimble & Wm Lee; Merchants in Baltimore: Return with Jacob Beeson & Din'd: It now rains Powerfully & Continues untill six o'clock, then slakes away: My Landlord Thomas Brownfield sends his Little son with a Message that Cate was Extremely Ill: I immediately set out to see her, & Directly meet my Landlord with Cate coming to see me, carries her (I was once a Pennsylvanian) into Jacob Beeson's yard, slips the Bridle off, Lays down tumbles & Groans, looks as if Death was Close at hand: By & with the advise of a Doctor Merchant in this Town that accidentally happened here; & the advice of an old Waggoner gave her 3 Gills of Gin mixed with Milk & a quantity of Parsley root stewed in the same: It planely Appears that Cate has a severe 'tack of the Stranguary, stone or Gravel; (as the Irishman says) we wait on her, she wont expire: forces her on the feet & Carries her to the Old Barn, puts her in a Large roomy Stable, where she tumbles down leaves her to die: each Man to his home & I to my friend Jacob Beeson's; his daughter Jane now a Widow did me the favour to Converse with me 'till between 11 & 12 then I paid Cate with Candle & Lantern a Visit:—very Bad indeed, streched on her Broad side, Leaves her in Earnest to see her no more alive. then repairs to the House & retires to Bed. ... 

26th of the month & 4th of the week. Goes home with my friend Henry Beeson, takes Tea with him, in Course of Conversation Discovers as I think, where Clement Brooks 17½ Acres of Land as represented in his Schedule to be near Waines-vill: (The following is an Extract taken from a Letter, wrote by Doctor Solomon Drown of Rhode Island to said Henry Beeson) To wit:—

Wains-Burgh Land, bought in Co: with John Simonson and Clement Brook as tenants in Comon to number of 53 Acres has
had the Taxes paid on our part which was $11.08\frac{1}{2}$, taxed from the year 1797 till December 21st, 1815 @ $1.00 pr year for road tax:—and 75 Cents County tax Levied on $200, as the Amount of Assessment: Hays Prothonotary or recorder can give information respecting the same. removes myself to Jacob Beeson, brings Cate from Pasture to the Stable not so much in Agony but the Complaint remains on her.

This Henry Is a full Bred Land Jobber a native of the West, & Can tell more of the East than I could expect; & his Land Jobbing extends from the Mouth of the Mississippi to Urckland Township Chester County Pennsylvania: He is well acquainted in Harrison County Virginia his Advice to me when I arrive in this County is to Appear solid and firm and persist in Establishing the rights of Lands that my friend Jnº Trimble Claims; as the Tuffest Skin shall hold out the Longest; & surveys on surveys is there nee Deep and deeper. And now my friend Jonny. Notwithstanding all the discouragements that I have met with in this Process so far at the west side of the Great Alleghany forest I am determined if permitted in my slow & Easy way of traveling to become Acquainted with Harrison County Virginia in Earnest: How the Out come will turn is best known to the Sovereign of our world.

27th of the month & 5th of the week. This morning repairs to the Stable Cate strech'd, glad to see me, gets up carries her to Dr Morelands ties her neck up. She knows what's coming is afraid no Veins will raise Cuts a notch no blood:—unties her neck ties it up again & makes a large notch on the opposite side near the under Jaw Blood comes very free takes 128 oz: carries her to the pasture, goes back to Town to the Drugist Shop, gets medicine makes 4 Balls agreeable to the farriers direction as large as Hickory Nuts Gets Moreland the horse doctor & Blacksmith he forces them down her neck: by & with the Advice of my worth friend Jacob Beeson leaves her in the pasture this night.

6th Mo: 28th & 6th of the week. . . . The Barbers in this Country Visits the familys in the Town & precints came on to
take the beard from Jacob: mine also was separated from my face for which I paid $0.0614

Baltimoreans would you believe that good old Jacob Living within two miles of the foot of the Alleghany Mountain & on the West side of the same I mean his Estate two hundred thousand Dollars; at his request this day I wrote his Last Will & Testament which Satisfy's me in regard to his Estate.

6th Mo: 29th & 7th of the week. This morning Visits Cate in the pasture puts the Bridle on her, Carrys her up to the yard, fixes all my harness on her, she keeps her nose too near her nees, takes my Breakfast repairs to Thomas Brownfield Calls my bill $3.62½ Medicine & Doctoring Cate 0.93¾ returns to Jacobs takes my leave of the family, mounts Cate Jacob Mounts another friends horse, proceeds towards Browns-ville Cate's nose a little below her nees gives her the Whip, scarcely can raise a trot lights off & makes a survey around her. Jacob now Advises me to return his Advise not accepted of; determined to go forward if possible, gets on another ½ mile now jam'd: turns in Co: with Jacob to his Dwelling strips Cate & puts her in the former pasture. Now recollects that James Lindsay the Brother-in-law of C: Brooke—said that he would wish to purchase all the rights of Brooke-field near Cumberland; repairs to the Squire a man of not less than 6 feet in Statute of a Lazy Look his Bones Long with Little beef & Fife: —Now friend John I feel myself in a strange Country without Money & determined to get forward to Harrison offers a trade to long Jonney the Squire who exceptes of the same, sells him the one Eight part of 72 Acres near Cumberland on Evits Creek for fifty Dollars & gives him a Draught on Jno Trimble Merchant of Baltimore for sixty Dollars, & receives a great big ugly horse with long teeth & crooked Legs not younger than 7 nor older than 32. which I have named and Called him Fort Cumberland; carries him to Davids the Blacksmiths gets him shod & pays $0.37½ Carries him back to the squires: & during this time long Jon-
ney employs a simple young Lawyer to write the articles of Agreement for the ⅛ part of 72 Acres on Evits Creek; he leaning to the Interest of his employer: A Little spar takes place: I feel myself strong; wrote an agreement ruffly which was Executed & binding me to make a title for the ⅛ part of 72 Acres & no more nor Less the vacancy that was added to Ajalon; repairs to Jacob Beeson takes my super & goes to Bed.

30th of the Mo: & 1st of the week. Leaves Cate after Visiting her in the care of Jacob Beeson. Takes Breakfast Climbs up on the top of Fort Cumberland, moves on easy 12 Miles through what is termed red-stone Settlement to Brownsville. Red-Stone Settlement is a beautiful Hill Country well adapted to plaster. Hills abounds with Coal & Lime Stone, well watered land thin and a great deal worn out. Wheat, Rye & Oats very short but thin, Blackberry bushes thrives well & God Almighty is Principal farmer in Red-Stone, as the Farmers do but little themselves. Brownsvill is situated amongst a Parcel of high & rapid Hills directly on the Banks of the Monongahela is coming to be a flourishing Town: Bridg-port is situated as Brownsville coming to be a flourishing Town; A stranger would think no other than those two Towns were One & the same; Dunlops Creek running through seprarats those two Towns or Boroughs and emptys into the Monongahale, a bridge hung upon Chains over the Creek answers for & affords the communication from Town to Town: where the Post office stands, formerly stood Redstone fort which had command of the river for at least a mile up the same & but a short distance down (Red-Stone R. Creek emptyes in to the River in Sight below Brownsville) Sets upon the highest hill Just back of Town, has a full & beautiful view of Laurel hill at the distance of 14 Miles as well as a great part of Red-Stone, this Eminence gives the Sight full comand of the river for 2 miles up & down, as well as many miles over the River to the West: Those hills in Town & near the same are all full of Coal was introduced by a young Man who was my Guide in to a Coal-pit, that led in horizontally had many turnings & windings, & the earth &
rocks above from 20 to 30 feet thick supported & kept up by having Columns of Stone coal for the same to rest on. when at the farthermost Side, 23 paces or 249 feet in a straight direction carried me Out; this Cave had a masterly & superb appearance, the passages or streets in this pit let a Cart & horse in with Ease & when Loaded goes out easily. Affords Coal in Abundance of an excellent quality: the Monongahela one fourth of a Mile wide Affords banks prodigiously Steep, in common form 15 to 30 feet high which are Continually tumbling in by slips both great & small from the size of one Waggon load to the size of a thousand Loads, carrying with it rocks, stones, Coal, trees & timber as Comes the Way which continually keeps this river in a Muddy situation, some times very much so, this River in time must become a Mile in width & of course will be an obstruction to the Navigation of the same in the time of Low Water: Yet it is & will be a great river of trade, its very crooked source, meandering around & through such a Vast and Extensive Country gives a great & Extensive scope for the opportunity of Trade; which will be embraced by thousands: All the streams that I have seen which emptys into the Monongahalia are more or less related to the river, on Account of their prodigious steep banks sliping & tumbling as the river Banks do, which causes those Creeks both great & small to have large and extensive wide bottoms or Beds not the ¼ part covered with water that has a very disagreeable appearance to the Eye & threatens destruction to its neighboring hills & the strange traveller: The Monongahalea has fish in abundance; among which are a species of pike (which are a fish of pray) as large as Rock fish, that has attacked men when in a bathing and in one Instance flung a man out of a Canoe at the time of the man endeavouring to make a prisoner of the pike, each one tired of the game makes their Escape one to the Water the other to Land:

Browns-ville & Bridge-port will become an Extensive place of trade & a flourishing town with Extensive Manufactorys of different kinds in the same, the Author of all goodness has
Blessed those Hills on which this Town stands from the foundation of the World to the present time, & will yet continue to bless it for Ages to Come:—I put up at Colonel Robert Pattersons in Bridge Port, an Excellen house with good Accommodations Concludes to Change my Cloaths stop all night.

7th Mo. 1st 2nd of the week. Gets up takes some Breakfast feels unwell not fit to travel Continues all day.

2nd of the month & 3rd of the week. Not so well as yesterday writes some, makes some arrangement among my papers & at length not able to travel.

3rd of the month & 4th of the week. This morning takes some breakfast gets ready for a Move Calls my bill . $5.00 gets on Cumberland moves up the River 3 miles Crosses over into Washington County Pennsylvania, ferage . 18¾ cts. moves on passes West Land Meeting house Society of Friends 5 Miles to Frederick town in said County, stops at Joseph Arvycast sign of the is very sick, sick, gets them to make some Chicken soop, very kind to me & after a little gets better. a Gentleman of the name of Morris invites me to take a walk a short distance to a Coal pit lights 2 Candles walks in twists & winds about, not so handsomely Opened as at Brownsville, gets to the far side 67 paces bring me out walks to my putting up place calls my bill $1.00 Moves on 2 Miles & Crosses ten Mile Creek into Green County Pennsylvania, thence 2 Miles to a small healthy little Town called Clairsvill, thence 5 Miles to Jefferson a smart thriving Town, too sick by odds to travel any farther, puts up at John Smiths gets some more soop am used very kind; but has a severe knight of it.

The Country from Brownsville to this place is Beautiful & naturally very rich, the richest bottoms by nature or otherwise I ever saw, lays on this river, yet they are narrow, the Upland adapted to plaster & generally well farmed, the bottoms prodigiously loaded with Grain & Grass, the River & Creek Banks Contains Coal in abundance & Lime Stone those streams of Water fail very much so as not to run their Mills except on the River which does best at those Low times of Water.
4th of the Mo: & 5th of the week. This morning very sick indeed trys to Eat some Breakfast; accidentally falls in with Doctor Reuben Mickle living near Waynes-burgh enquieres after Clement Brook's 17½ Acres, he informs me it is sold for taxes & furnishes me with a news-paper called the Waynes-Burgh Messenger where I see 55 Acres in Franklin Township, Green County of unseated Land advertised for Sale in the name of Brooks & Simonson for taxes to the amount of $22.17 & the day of Sale commencing on 2nd Monday in June 1816 & of Course the sales now past. Calls my bill here which is . $2.40 Clambers on Cumberland thence 6 Miles to Wm Haines an old Chester County Man. Glad to see me, received very kindly into his family his Wife the Daughter of Henry Sidwell Cecill County, trys to eat dinner, & afterwards rides in Co: with my friend Wm Haines 2 Miles to the Borough of Waynes-Burgh searches the Office for recording of Deeds & finds a Deed recorded from Joseph Rice To Solomon Brown, Clement Brook and John Simonson for 53 Acres held as tenants in Common & not at Joint Tenants, the Consideration Money $400.00 & dated the 31st: of December 1797, believing this to be the 17½ Acres Near Waynes-ville Pennsylvania as rated @ $20 p' Acre & as represented in Clement Brooks schedule annexed to the deed of Trust to John Trimble & Wm Lee, Orders a Copy of the same to be made out for me, which was done & paid . $1.25 Put up at John Ingram Sine of the Spread Eagle my bill, 0.50

5th of the Mo. & 6th of the week. Returns home 2 Miles with my friend Wm Haines & Lodges with him had a very restless night indeed, gets up takes a small portion of Breakfast very sick. Calls my bill $0.00 and am kindly invited back when ever it suits me to Come. Goes forward Continually endeavouring to vomit but cannot relieve myself 2 Miles to Wainesburgh Wm Thompson Hayes Prothonatary of this County, introduces me to Isaac Slater a Gentleman who keeps a private Boarding house in the precincts of this Borough they Agree to go & shew me the 53 Acres, we mounts our horses finds it in sight & within a Mile of the Court House; It Lays
high and Dry rather in an Awkerd Manner some thin Land & Some Extraordinary Rich Land; none of the best nor yet the worst Timbered, 3 Sugar Camps & all well occupied. One is a beautiful Camp Elegant Sugar trees indeed Nobody is Cuting & Carry the timber off as by stump. Returns back makes my home with Isaac Slater above named who keeps an Excellent & Orderly House indeed, his Wife an amiable Lady & an Excellent house keeper. I being in a poor State of Health they are verry attentive & kind to me. Accidentally I met with Thomas McGiffin Esquire, a gentleman as well as an Attorney, in this Town, he a residerter in Washington Pennsylvania, who informs me as an Agent to the Executors of John Simonson Esquire he lately exposed to publick sale John Simonsons undivided 1/2 part of the said 53 Acres which was struck off to Joseph Penticast of Washington County at $1.12½ p\$ acre that I will be doing better than he would Expect: Also informs me that at a publick Sale, (I am not certain as to publick Sale) he purchased John Simonsons Interest in the 590 Acres of Land on Hughes River as represented in Clement Brooks schedule annexed to the Deed of Trust to Jnö Trimble & Wm Lee, furnishes me with a Plat & Certificate of Survey, from which I took a Copy & retur’d him the former, he also authorises me to sell his Interest in the Land which was here-tofore the Interest of Jnö Simonson In Harrison County, Virginia on Hughes river. he further informs me that there is papers relative to the Estate of Clement Brook came into his possession Amongst the papers of John Simonson Esq\$ on his return home he will examine & if he finds any relative to the Lands of C: Brook he will write me to Clerks-Burgh on the Occasion.

Squire McGiffin Attorney at Law in Washington, Attends the Courts in this place; I advise with him how I had best proceed, he thinks I had better get hand-bills struck & put them up at all the publick places in this Borough & send some few to the neighbouring publick places of Business, giving 4 or 5 Days notice, accordingly I wrote an Advertisement to J:
Baker printer; he inform'd me that the Waynes-burgh Messenger would be out in the morning, which would be circulated all through Town in the Course of the Day, & immediately spread throughout the County & some in Washington County (thinks I to myself this will do).

6th of the Mo. & 7th of the Week. This morning discovers that I had a poor nights rest gets up trys to take a little Breakfast, repairs to the printers no paper nor hand bills put to press yet hurry's him, returns after 10, hand bills struck & the Boy putting of them up, discovers he had not printed them as I had wrote; not well pleased at this. Orders him to set the type as I had wrote, and let the same appear in the Waynes-Burgh Messenger as it was not yet put to Press & paid his demand . . . . . . . . . . . . $1.50

Sent my hand bills divers Courses it being 7th of the week gave me a good opportunity the people coming to Town from all directions; Now repairs to one of the Commissioners of the County he living in Town, who is Andrew Buchanan Attorney at Law; enquires after the situation of the 53 Acres discovers the Land is not sold; Escaped in the following Manner To Wit: Parker Campbell Attorney and friend to Joseph Penticast was informed by Thomas McGiffin Esq that the sale of Lands was going on & that Penticasts Part or 1/3 of his 53 Acres would be sold; (all of Washington County except the Land of 53 Acres) Parker Campbell Esq writes to his Brother Lawer, Andrew Buchanan Esq that he would see all the Taxes paid on the said Land, he not knowing the Situation of the partnership, sd Buchanan accepted of his written Assumption the time for his payment not yet come; I repairs to the receiver of Taxes James Wilson Esq and pays him the same as pr his receipt . . . . . . . . . . . . $11.08 which is the Taxes due on the 1/3 part of the 53 Acres that Clement Brooke Claimes near this place.

7th Mo. & 1st of the Week. Cant get well, eats a light Breakfast, gets to the printing office for my Waynes-Burgh Messenger Not put to press yet, discovers that the 4th of July's Celebration was the cause of this Disappointment.
The Country from Jefferson to this place 8 Miles, is an hill country well adapted to plaster, Coal & lime stone in the Hills, midling well watered, land getting thin; grain short but thin, would Do much better if there was good farmers.

Waynes-Burgh is a County & post Town situated in a Hill Country (not the beatifuliest I have seen by a good bit) on an eminence which affords a good View; a good Court house rather the Best to Baltimore, several good & commodious Brick Buildings, but the Antient looking Prison & old looking log Houses, Carries my Views to the sweet waters of Bath; this place has taken a stand shortly after the commencement of the same; it is said that it is now quietly moveing forward Again or at least the inhabitants wish so my friend Isaac Slater's farm in the precincts is a great Asquisition to this Town, it being in a handsome & high State of Cultivation; some Lots & Land in & near this place will not sell for as much now as it did in the first Establishing of the same, other situations Advanced in Value a little, I mean the Lots & Land where there has been no improvement on the same:

8th of the Mo. & 2nd of the week. Finds I rested midling well last night. Eat a midling breakfast, repairs to the Commissioners of Direct Tax, Discovers that John Simonson is taxed with the 53 Acres in the name of 52 Acres of Land the Valuation $200.00 @ 1 mill in the Dollar is $0.20, the Direct tax for 1815, on the said 53 Acres of Land. And the Assignees of Clement Brook is taxed with Lot No 135 in this Borough Valuation $100 @ 1 mill in the Dollar is $0.10, the Direct tax for 1815, from the Books of the Commissioners in this place, it appears that Lot No 135 never has been taxed before 1815. Joseph Gorrell Deputy Sheriff going to Jefferson on business & the Collector of direct taxes living in that place; sends money with him to pay the direct tax. Repairs to the printer the paper not in press yet; takes a look at him said nothing walked away. This afternoon the Waynes-Burgh Messenger is sent to my Boarding house. Examines the same, finds my Advertisement printed nearly in the same words I
have wrote it, he has instituted the word time in Lieu of pay-
ment towards the last of it.

9th of the Mo. & 3rd of the week. This morning finds that
I slept too sound last night, eat a hearty Breakfast, shall com-
plain no more until an Alteration takes place in the System:
Joseph Gorrel came to my boarding house returns me the money
I gave him yesterday morning, & informs that the Collector
at Jefferson for direct taxes has made his return of the delin-
quents, to the principal Collector Wm Cunningham for this
District who lives At Merits Town 25 Miles from off my way
to Clerks-burgh, & it is expected that the principal Collector
has mad his returns to Harrisburgh in Order to make Arrange-
ments for the Sale of Lands Unseated & taxes not paid on the
same, that Lays in the State of Pennsylvania. This day writes
a Letter to William Morehead Esqr residing in Harrisburgh
principal and High Collector for and in the State of Pennsyl-
vania, enclosed two Dollars in said Letter for to pay the taxes
for direct tax as before mentioned, and any percentage & Cost
on Account of non payments arising on the same desiring him
to forward a receipt for the Taxes to John Trimble Merchant
of Baltimore, the Original of said letter is filed amongst the
papers of Waynesburgh, as it was the Copy I sent him, paid
the postage on said letter $0.18 ¾ & the money enclosed was
$2.00 whole amount of & in sd Letter . . . $2.18 ¾
N: B: Any Lands unseated in the State of Pennsylvania that
may & shall be sold on account of Direct taxes for the year
1815, there is two years for the redemption of the same the
money to be paid with 25 p Cent. on the purchase money to
the High Collector of the State at Harrisburgh.

10th of the Mo. and 4th of the week. Four o’clock, the time
now Come according to the Notice of the Hand-bills & Waynes-
burgh Messenger for the Sale of the 1/3 part of the 53 Acres
or 17¼ Acres & Lot No 135 in and near the Borough of
Waynesburgh, repairs to the Court House Joseph Gorrell
Deputy Sheriff now acts as Auctioneer offers the said undivided
1/3 part of the 53 Acres at publick Sale, it was struck off to
Eleanor Pipes Wife of John Pipes for One hundred and thirty-eight Dollars;—next put up Lot No. 135, it was struck off to William Thompson Hays Prothonotary of this County for One Hundred Dollars; the terms of Sale for the above Land & Lot was one fourth of the purchase Money paid in hand, & a Credit on the remainder for 12 Months without Interest, paid the Auctioneer $2.00

Tavern Expences on the Sale 1.68

Paper 0.06

11th of the Mo: & 5th of the week. This day John Pipes & his wife came about the middle of the day & agreed with me if I would make a deduction of Eight per Cent they would pay me all the remainder; they went home & to Come to morrow. After Diner, I to writing a Deed of Conveyance for the same.

12th of the Mo: & 6th of the week. This morning repairs to the said Wm L. Hays Prothonotary, & receives in Bank paper of him $25.00 & his Note at 12 Months from the 10th Instant for Seventy five Dollars which is the Whole Amount of Lot No. 135. Then pays for recording the Letter of Attorney in the office of Greens County $1.06

thence to James Seals Esq'r & acknowledged the Deed of Conveyance to John Pipes & his Heirs for ever for the 17½ Acres or ½ of &c. for which I paid him . 0.25

Paid Andrew Buchanan Attorney at Law for his Advice and Council relative to the property of Clement Brook in this place as p'r his receipt . 4.00

(The first, 2nd & 5th pages of the Deed of trust from Clement Brook to John Trimble & Wm Lee also recorded in Green County Pennsylvania).

Wm T. Hays to have a title made him at the payment of his note of $75.

This after noon John Pipes & his Wife Came to my boarding house & gave me one hundred Twenty-nine Dollars 72 Cents $129.72 which I received in full in Lieu of the $138, & gave said John Pipes a Deed of Conveyance for the ½ part of the 53 Acres, & gave them the Copy of the Deed (which I took
out of the office (To Drown, Brook & Simonson and also the receipt that I received from James Wilson for the Taxes on Brooks part of the 53 Acres.

13th of the Mo: & 7th of the Week. This day endeavoring to sell the Prothonotary's Note of $75.00 tried every likely place in town, then Climbs on Cumberland & goes in Co: With my friend Isaac Slater into the Country to several Likely people for to have money all to No Effect. came back had a Deed of Conveyance wrote and Executed the same for Lot No 135, to the said James Thompson Hayes, this deed with the Note of $75.00 to be put in the hands of John Trimble of Baltimore that when the Money Comes he may Just give up the deed & note; said Hays has examined the deed & is satisfied with it, as will appear by his Signature to the same in the presence of Andrew Buchanan Attorney at Law.

14th of the Mo: & 1st of the week. This morning Calls my bill pays the same $10.50 thence in Co: with my good friend Isaac Slater 10 miles & fed at Longs' (Slater returns home) $0.25 thence 5 Miles into Monongalia County, Virginia, thence 12 Miles to Monongahale River, makes a ferry Boat of Fort Cumberland & gets over the River; into Morgan Town situated among the Hills on the East bank of the Monongahale River; put up at Rebecca Darings Good fare & a Dirty house. This is a County & post Town, an Excellent Brick Court House, several good Brick Houses too many old frames looks rather antient & not thriving but very slow:—The Country from Waynes-burgh, Green County to this place, is a hilly Country Only midling well timbered, the land but thin is Just a Setling & opening and will be soon poor, the few old Settlements prove it, no farmers, no doubt but the land pretty Gennerally adapted to plaster; and all through with Coal and Lime Stone & Sugar trees the streams of Water plentifully Enough but fails in the Summer Season so as not to run their Mills.

15th of the Mo: & 2nd of the week. This Morning fell in with an old Chester County Man James Tibbs Esq who intro-
duced me to Colonel Samuel Hanway the Surveyor for Monongalia County these 30 odd years past, long before Harrison County was struck off the same; Chief of the day spent with him he boldly Asserts after Examining the Books that he kept his surveys in, that the 40,000 Acres was all Taken up with other Lands in the neighboring County before Harrison County was Erected:—and that he much doubts the title of the 590 Acres that John Simonson is Concerned in. This afternoon puts a letter in the Post office informing John Trimble of the procedure at Union Town & at Waynesburgh. Also one other letter for my Wife.

Calls my Bill pays the same . . . . . . $2.25

Rallys Cumberland thence 12 Miles through a Mountaineous Country, every Mile or two a farm Just opening generally thin White Oak Land Tollerably well timbered easily worn out, but can be kept good by the lime Stone & Stone Coal after all the Wood is gone, this road no better than any part of the Alleghany Mountain I saw, the Hills prodigiously long & Steep forming Angles from 15 to 20 Degrees, been and is raining for several days past, Cumberland very hard put too, to get up some of those long Pull's & nearly as bad going down Slippy Indeed; To Smith field a Wooden Town in a Wooden Country & a wooden bred set of Tavern-keepers, with a heavy smell of something like Soldier Legs half rotten After in Bed, little or no sleep.

16th of the Mo: & 3rd of the week. This Morning rains hard determined to Clear out of this nasty place, Calls my bill which is . . . . . . . . . . . . $0.811⁄4 thence 7 Miles through a very Hilly country, 2 or three Settlements, one old Settlement land Compleatly worn out, to Widow Lemon's an old setled place worn out Compleat & Manure Enough to Mire Cumberland around the House & barn, fed and refreshed . . . . . . . . . . . . $0.25 thence 4 Miles through such Country & Land above described to Tyger Valley River, ferryed over on Cumberland (felt a little scary, when about half way the wind blew fresh down the
River) into Harrison County: thence 7 Miles through a Hilly Country some lands opening, & some people a reaping, the first grain I saw Cut or fit to Cut, to an Elegant farm indeed, with a large & commodious Brick house; my heart on Brandywine Hills in the twinkling of an Eye; & after a long Dreary ride on a road (too much like hunting for a Load of Wood) of near 60 Miles was induced to see the Inside of the Brick house, called & found it to be a house of private Entertainment, Dined & fed . . . . . . . . . . . $0.50 the Landlady very Agreeable indeed; shows me her Loaf Sugar, her own Manufacturing off their Plantation in the form of a Cake of Tallow hard & Nice, the Colour of good Brown Sugar, her common Sugar the Colour of dark Brown, but very Clean, her Molasses Superb indeed, equal in Colour & taste to any I ever saw, standing in the piazza & looking up & down this beautiful Valley (which is in timothy as high & as heavy as any I ever saw) extending a mile in length & about 60 perches in Width (some old hay stacks in the meadow) the beautiful hill Country on Each side with Grain stacks on the same of Last years growth, the harvesters Cutting of the new amongst thousands of Dead Trees the whole a Valuable as well as an Elegant Land-scape of the Madera kind; Comes up riding the Land Lord from amongst his hands; After a little Conservation discovers his name to be William Martin & a native of Brandy-Wine hills in Chester County a Grandson of William Cloud a Worthy & rich old farmer of the same place, thence 10 Miles through a handsome Country Very Hilly full of Lime Stone, Stone Coal in abundance Iron oar & Sugar trees, the whole living, & growing & is Actually neighbours to each other the upland thin & the narrow Valleys rich to Clarksburgh.

At the Distance of a ½ or ¾ of a Mile as you approach Clarks Burgh it affords a handsome prospect, there is in said Borough a handsome Brick Court house, the Prison is Stone one story high at first Sight took it for a Blacksmith Shop, the Keyes are lost no prisoners inside, people all good in this County, there are divers good & Commodious Brick & Stone
Houses in this place & some going up, this is rather a thriving Town; it is situated in a Hill Country & Surrounded by higher hills rich & fertile; about 1/4 of a Mile East of & from the West fork of the Monongahale River; Elk Creek running through Town (a Spacious Bridge over the Same) affords a Navigation for six Months in the year to any part of the World; About 1/2 a Mile on the East General John G. Jackson is erecting a Spacious furnace on Elk Creek; & one Mile on the West Colonel Benjamin Wilson is Erecting a Saw Mill & furnace on the West fork of the Monongahela River there is a Merchant Mill in the Vicinity of Town; I have made my Home at Major Daniel Morris's who keeps an Excellent Table; Thus far of Harrison County I am much pleased with, it is generally good farm Land where ever the Iron oar or Stone Coal is found & no Doubt but well Adapted to Plaster.

17th of the Mo; & 4th of the Week. Fore part of the day opened the Land papers for Harrison County, examined the same and made Arrangements for Searches in the office. Afternoon repairs to the office for Recording of Deeds, makes Search for Lemuel Howards Deed of Conveyance to Clement Brook for His one half of the 40,000 Acres of Land. Can find nothing of it; thence amongst the Deeds left in the office for further Proof, there not to be found:—thence to the Superior Courts office no such thing recorded there and am not able to find how Clement Brook holds Lemuel Howards one half of the 40,000 Acres as represented in the Schedule Annexed to the Deed of trust that C. Brook made to Jno Trimble & Wm Lee as Trustees.

Next makes search for the title papers of the 472 Acres of Land near Clarksburgh, as represented in the above mentioned schedule, and after making the several Necessary Searches, as Stated above Cannot find anything to shew how Brook holds the 472 Acres or who he purchased from, nor cannot Discover where the Land lies.

Now for the 660 Acres that David Sleeth sold to Howard & Malsby, which is supposed to be the property of Clement
Brook, makes such Searches & in such places as is described on the left hand page, & Cannot find anything to shew that Clement Brook is entitled to said Land, neither can I discover where it Lays; Sun nearly down to the register tired concludes to adjourn till after Breakfast to Morrow morning.

I should have observed that before I went to the office, I deliver'd my letter of Introduction to Major Thomas P. Moore, Merchant in this town; who after a friendly Conversation took place, went with me to the office and introduced me to John Wilson Junior who is Clerk for Harrison County Court; & in the Course of our Conversation informed me that it was impossible to sell any land in this County either at Publick or private Sale, except where there was a piece Joined some person, or some one that was Already settled on the Land, as there are some Hundreds of thousands of Acres in the Market already, In this County.

I also should have observed, that in the fore part of this day I went to the Post-Office where I received a letter from John Trimble, Merchant of Baltimore with advices to move forward to Zanesville in the State of Ohio to Confer personally with Moses Dillon, & also with Clement Brook; in which letter there was one enclosed to me from my Daughter Eliza: in behalf of herself & the family.

18th of the Mo. & 5th of the Week. Pursuant to adjournment met at the office of records for the Chancery Court & then and there made Search for the suit in the Chancery Court respecting Lemuel Howard & Clement Brook, could find nothing of any such a suit on record, then searches the records of all the different Courts, Can find nothing of any suits in Law or otherwise in any of the records; In making the above Searches there was found on the records; a Deed from John Hall & Phebe his Wife (of the County of Harrison & State of Virginia) To Lemuel Howard & Clement Brook, Dated 20th February 1798, for the Identical 40,000 Acres now in quest, the Consideration Money is $40,000, this is Butted & bounded and described directly as the grant is from the Commonwealth
of Virginia (dated the 10th of July 1797) to the said Lemuel Howard & Clement Brook for the 40,000 Acres. This Deed more than staggering to me, I demanded a Copy of the same for a future perusall & reflection; then Searches on every hand to discover how John Hall came by the 40,000 Acres all to no Satisfaction: Now Commences on the Tax Books & finds Clement Brook & Lemuel Howard Taxed with 40,000 Acres beginning in the year 1801, & ending in 1806 (both years Inclusive @ $76.80 per year, the Valuation was 40 Cents per Acre; & 10 per Cent per Annum on each years Tax; the Tax amounting to $460.80 & the Interest $620.28). Now again we feel out done in finding it has left the Books & for what Cause we know not: Summoned to Dinner, the Clerk some what Tired of me desires me to give him a list of what Taxes I want made out & he will do it by the evening which I did & went to Dinner; this afternoon took a ride out with Colonel Wilson to where he is erecting a Saw Mill & Furnace; here is where Lemuel Howard fell as well as Mallsby Howard & Co; here stands a Pyramid on the Banks of the Monongahela To Wit: a Furnace put here nearly 20 years past, that never was in Blast & a Canal leading to the same from the Monongahela; the Furnace surrounded with Bushes & trees, & grass & Weeds growing out of its sides & the Canall nearly filled up, with its herbage growing forth, & after making a Survey with the Colonel around his works & Oar Banks, takes me to his farm a delightful one indeed, but I fear he will Spoil his fields diging after Oar; next we get into Conversation respecting unseated Lands, he assures me that it is impossible for any person to sell Lands in those Western Counties of Virginia unless it is some chance Spot adjoining some person that is setted or some person that is setled on unseated Lands; & that no Lands will be sold in Harrison or Monongalia Counties this year for Taxes; that the Western Counties of Virginia is in a half state of Insurrection with the Southern Counties of said State, & that in those two Counties, they could get no Collector the present year; for those Counties that have sold
& Collected last year the treasury at Richmond would not receive their paper & the people Cannot get money that will be taken for taxes; & of Course it must Lay over for another year hopeing that the Convention of the State which is to meet at Staunton on the 19th of Next month will be of some benefit to those Counties. Major Moore also informs me that as an Agent for a Gentleman in Philadelphia he enclosed some Charter'd paper of Virginia, and sent on to the Collectors office at Richmond for the taxes, the Principal Collector enclosed the paper & sent it Back informing that no taxes Could be received at the Office untill after the 1st of November next, with out rendering any reason why they would not receive it; the presumption is that after that time they will be done selling all the Lands that will be sold for taxes in the present year, & after that & not longer that the 31st of December next will be the proper time to pay they back arrearages of taxes in: And also I am informed by Colonel Wilson, Major Moore, John Wilson Junr. Clerk of the County of Harrison as well as several other Gentleman of respectability that there is a set of Land Speculators, Land Jobbers and Land Raskals, some of them Continental Surveyors, that are destroying the Corners of Unseated Lands; & some Corners is decayed, & blown down & some by fires breaking out & if a person Cannot find his begining his Land is lost notwithstanding the taxes have been paid from year to year & a many of those surveys has been made & return'd without the Surveyor ever seeing of the Land makes his begining & calls on some side or other from some Survey Adjoining the same that the Corners is said to be there & marked, & in Cases where the Corners Cannot be found the Land is lost to the Owner, they also recommend geting a Surveyor, go with them get the Land run if the Corners can be found & see the lines well marked on all the surveys that I have any thing to do with (or there is a danger in Loosing the same) and that before those heavy tax bills are paid if the Land Cant be found pay no taxes, they are also of the opinion that if the 40,000 Acres be well marked round & Laid out in sections that I should be able to make a favourable report for a great
part of the same; & that in their opinion the Land then would sell in Baltimore or some where East of the Mountains: Wherever the Corners & lines are lost those present Land Locaters Surveys will hold good until the former can be Established.

7th Mo: 19th and 6th of the Week. This morning James Arnold Deputy Surveyor of Harrison County came to Town I was introduced to him & inform'd that he would be likely to give me information respecting the situation of the Lands that I was in quest; I invited him into my room & Laid down the 40,000 Acre tract to him, his name as Assistant Surveyor to that tract stared him in the face. I immediately put the question, was thee ever round that 40,000 Acres, he in a friendly manner evaded the Answer & turn'd the Conversation (I immediately under the impression that he never saw the Land) discovering he was a Man of information never put the question Again, enquired after the quality of the Land he gives a poor account of it, it is poor & Hilly he would not pay the Taxes for it & be obliged to keep it, does not know whether any Iron oar, Stone Coal, Lime Stone or Salt on it, or not, he informs of a Prior right on the whole of the Land & all the adjoining Lands but hopes it will be of no Consequence he is interested in that quarter himself: I enquired of him the nature of John Halls Deed, he new Hall and supposed that Howard & Brook had employed him to hunt the Land and paid him something for his Trouble & took his Deed to prevent him from disposing of it any other way; I then enquired of him respecting the suit of Howard & Brook told him the Searches that I had made for it & could not succeed in finding of it, he informed me that likely it was recorded in Morgantown Monongalia County as there was a District Court held there, I employed him to make search in that office as he was on his way there, & report to me when he return'd.

Now returns to the office & am presented with a tax bill so long as my leg To Wit: the same old 40,000 Acres of Land yes Identically the same, Taxed in the name of Swan Warner & Clement Brook beginning with the year 1799, 1800, 1801, 1802, 1803, 1804, 1805, 1806, 1807, (for the year 1808 no tax
in the State) 1809, 1810, 1811, 1812, @ $76.80 p^r year & 10
per Cent p^r annum on the same; and also for the year 1813
$51.20, with its 10 p^r Cent p^r annum, and also for the years
1814 & 1815 $68.80 for each year with its 10 p^r Cent
p^r annum and again for the year 1816 $18.00. Only with
the 10 p^r Cent as usual; the whole amounting to $1199.20
& the intcrest on the same $1101.52 now who is this Swan
Warner I never heard of him before neither Can I find any
person that ever new or heard of him. John Wilson Junior
& Clerk of Harrison County says that for $150.00 Dollars
he will get a Law passed by the Legislature of Virginia to strike
off all the taxes in the name of Clement Brook & Lemuel
Howard as represented on page 78 & also that the law be ex-
tended to put $20.00 p^r Annum on all the years that is taxed
in the name of Swan Warner & Clement Brook which would
reduce the taxes on the 40,000 Acres to less than $1000 for
this tax bill I paid him the amount marked on the back of the
same $3.52 And for the Copy of the deed from John Hall
for the 40,000 Acres I paid $3.20 as marked on said Copy:
Now am handed a Bill of taxes $2.56 is what I paid for
making out the same as marked on the back, for the 472 Acres
near Clarks-burgh as represented in the shedule &c: begining
with the year 1800, 1801, 1802, 1803, 1804, 1805, 1806, 1807
(remember no taxes in Virginia for 1808) 1809, 1810, 1811,
1812 @ 90 Cents p^r year, 1813 is $1.20. 1814, 1815, & 1816
@ $1.60 p^r year the whole Amounting to $17.00 and 10 p^r
Cent p^r Annum on each years tax amounts to $11.82. Next
a bill of taxes for the 590 Acres as held & represented in the
Schedule Situate on Hughs's River Harrison County Virginia
& taxed in the name of Clement Brook & John Simons & re-
turned delinquent for the years 1800, 1801, 1802, 1803, 1804,
1805, 1806 @ $0.94 p^r year amounts to $6.58 & 10 p^r Cent
p^r Annum on the same amounts to $9.20 & now left the Books
for which no Cause Can be given; I paid for this bill as marked
$1.12 And now a bill of Taxes In the name of Maulsby Howard
& Co. paid $1.00 for the same, this represents the Deed from
David Sleeth to Howard & Malsby for 960 Acres & return'd
delinquent for the years 1802, 1803 and 1805 @ $1.51 per year. Amounts to $4.53 and 10 cents per annum for non-payment amounts to $5.97.

Next I had the 40,000 Acres entered in the name of Clement Brook and will be taxed in his name from this till farther orders:—The 472 Acres will remain to be taxed to Clement Brook; The 598 Acres is entered and will be taxed in the name of Clement Brook & Thomas McGiffin until further orders: (see this Thomas McGiffin on page 58). And as for the 960 Acres it is to stand as it is until further orders: Next, I think it would be right and proper to nominate and appoint the before John Wilson as agent over these several tracts of lands & he be authorized to pay the taxes yearly as they become due & to correspond with John Trimble from time to time & to do all things necessary towards the said premises, and I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint him as agent in and unto the said lands above & before described until John Trimble shall say otherwise & for his attention & services the said Trimble will be in duty bound to make him a reasonable compensation.

20th of the Mo: & 7th of the week. This day went to George Arnold Esq., Deputy Surveyor & Brother to the before named James Arnold for information respecting the different tracts presents him the 40,000 Acre tract which draws a smile from his long jaws. This same George & James Arnold were the proprietors of the 70,000 Acre tract which the 40,000 Acres is bounded on, for the first & second courses. George informs me that he surveyed the 70,000 Acres. I asked him if he was all round it, yes he was on the two first lines and marked them well, which was sufficient for his purpose; Does thee think thy Brother James was ever round the 40,000 Acres; yes he knew very well that I had run the 2 first lines & marked them which was also sufficient for his purpose; Did thee ever know anything of a certain John Hall, yes he was a kind of surveyor; what is the meaning of John Halls Deed to Howard & Brook for 40,000 Acres, one year after the Commonwealth of Virginia had granted it to the said Howard & Brook; the
meaning is this John Hall was a Land Speculator & a Land Hunter & Informed him of the Vacancy, he Butted & Bounded of the 2 first lines with our 70,000 Acre tract, & then made the Survey himself and return’d the same to James Arnold which enabled him to make his Survey, then next Sells his right to Howard & Brook and in Order to make them Safe & Easy, gives a General Warrantee; where is John Hall, why, Hall & his Wife are both Dead, did they leave any Estate behind them, no not a Cents worth. Now we shall learn something about Land Speculating presently: Is this Land worth paying the $3000 & some hundreds of Dollars of taxes on it. O yes it is so; what sort of Land is it in Common, Very hilly but not rocky, many good rich Bottoms, the hills one side rich the other poor, well Timbered, plenty of Iron Oar, Stone Coal Lime Stone, Salt Licks & Mill Seats, with a Navigation to some parts of the Land, that is into or up Steer Creek & not more than 10 Miles from any part of it to navigation; in short he thinks the 40,000 Acres ought not to be given up but to pursue it until I place it on a good foundation & have it permanently fixed; he also speaks Well of the 960 Acres, the 598 Acres & if the 472 Acres is near Clarks Burgh it must be Valuable.

He appears to be a poor Man & spent the Chief part of the day with me in my enquires, I asked him his Charge, he thought it should be two dollars but Change could not be come easily he took $1.62½.

21st of the Month & 1st of the week. This Day was writing all through the day. A very wet difficult Harvest, travellers Continually riding with their Great Coats on; Several days last week fire kept in private Rooms & in the different offices in Town.

22nd of the Mo: & 2nd of the week. Colonel James Pindall Attorney at Law is recommended to me as Council; I repairs to his office & makes my Embarrassments known to him; he strongly recommends me to employ John Wilson before named to petition the Legislator of Virginia for a redress on the 40,000 Acre tax bill; & further saith that Clement Brooks Deed of
trust ought to have been Executed in such manner as the Court would Order a record of it & Sent on here to be recorded; & that Brook might in the present situation sell any part or the whole and his title would hold Good; or if any of Brooks Creditors should Come on they Could seize the property in part or in whole & that there should be a decree obtained in Court of Chancery for the recording of it yet, & in doing that, he thinks the 960 Acres might be secured for the use of his C: Brook's Creditors; He supposes that the 472 Acres near Clarks-burgh might have been a grant to C. Brook from the Governor of this State, he being Acquainted with the Clerk of the Land Office writes to make a Search for the same & write him the result by the first male; he also writes to the Clerk of the District Court held at Richmond to Examine if there be any deed there in favour of C. Brook from Lemuel Howard for the one half of 40,000 Acres, also if there be a Deed there from Malsby & Howard to C: Brook for 960 Acres, And Also if there be a Deed from any person to Broo for 472 Acres. And writes a third Letter to Morgan-Town Desiring the Clerk of the District Court to make the 3 Different Searches To Wit: Is there a Deed for the $40,000 a Deed for the 960 Or a Deed for the 472 Acres to Clement Brook? I paid for the postage of Colonel Pindals 3 Letters . . . . $0.50
I Also paid Colonel Pindel for Council &c. @ pr his receipt . . . . . . . . . $20.00

This Afternoon James Arnold returns from Morgantown, reports that there is no Account of any suit on the records there, in any of their Courts respecting of Howard & Brook.

Colonel Pindal goes on to Staunton (as one of the Convention for Virginia) the 19th of next Month, he then will examine the records of the Chancery Court for the State of Virginia, respecting the Chancery suit between Lemuel Howard & Clement Brook on Account of the 40,000 Acres, & will write the result to John Trimble Merchant of Baltimore; & to myself at Clarks-burgh.

7th Mo: 23rd & 3rd of the week. This morning has an interview with Lawyer Pindal; brings forward my business this
far & settles up my bill in this place which is $10.75. Major Moore has just received a letter from the City of Philadelphia informing that Benjamin O Hoge did sell at public auction in that City 5000 Acres of Land in Harrison County; J. W. Albright became the purchaser at seven @ $0.07 pr. Acre. It is situated on Elk River a south Easterly Course forty five Miles from Clarksburgh; thence 6 Miles through a thin piece of Country; where the Land is old completely worn out, the farming extremely ornary in general; some Wheatfields will produce from 3 to 7 Bushels to the acre & none that I saw will go 15 Bushels to the Acre, flax short, Oats & Grass looks Well, plaster will Work if applied; to Major William Haymond’s who is County Surveyor of Harrison County his wife just return’d from Abel Bond’s makes report that Bonds wife 44 years of Age, was this day delivered of a Daughter & Son, the Mother & Children likely to do well, the Major a grave solid Man, quite smart & active extremely kind & friendly Aged 77 years, his wash Bowl the Knot of a tree Colour & shape of a negars foot, makes some little searches this evening: Adjourns till the morning.

DISTURBANCES CONCERNING THE DELAWARE BOUNDARY.

BERNARD C. STEINER.

Some documents recently copied in the British Public Record Office for the Library of Congress tell an interesting story of a hitherto unknown difficulty between the Delawares and Marylanders in June, 1774. Mason and Dixon had run their celebrated line, but Harford’s guardians had as yet failed to sign their return. Governor John Penn, impatient at the delay, wrote Governor Eden that he proposed to issue an ex parte proclamation, establishing the boundary; but Eden replied, dissuading him from issuing it at that time. Penn stayed his hand until September, and Eden sailed for England in the
latter part of May, leaving Richard Lee, President of the Council, in charge of the Proprietary government. News that Penn intended to publish such a proclamation, however, came to the Eastern Shore, where Colonel Dagworthy represented Penn's interest and where Dagworthy was represented by his brother in law, James Mitchell, and by the latter's son. Trouble followed and "confusion," in the upper part of Worcester County, on the Pennsylvania side of the east and west line. News of these disturbances, in the shape of depositions, was sent by Colonel John Dennis to William Allen and Benton Harris at Snow Hill and by them to President Lee, with the request that he advise them how to act to prevent bloodshed. Dagworthy kept a "number of offenders," armed with guns and swords, who allege that they are in Pennsylvania and will kill any officer attempting to serve process on them. The whole correspondence was sent by Lee to England, but we know nothing of the further course of events on the Eastern Shore. Stephen Bissell deposed that he was in the cabin of William Dunlap in the cypress swamp on June 14 when thither came James Mitchell, Jr., with a sword, and with him Abraham Betts, John Watson, and about eight others with guns. They took away guns which were in the cabin and, on the next day, both the Mitchells, Betts, and Watson, with sundry others came again and called to Bissell: "Come outside without arms or by God, we will shoot you." He obeyed and the Mitchells guarded him back to the cabin, swearing that, if they found any persons there, they would "sacere" him. They took his three guns from the cabin and "Old Mitchell" ordered him to take everything out of it. He answered that he had not sufficient strength. Mitchell replied that he did not look as if he had and ordered him to take his books out of his chest, bear them to John Buckworth's fence, and then depart and not let them see him come back. They promised that they would not disturb his meat or goods; but, when he returned, on the next day, he found the cabin torn down and the meat and the chief part of the goods exposed to the mercy of the weather, or of ill disposed persons. Half a barrel of hog's lard was
spoiled and several pieces of meat had been eaten by dogs. Dagworthy was reported to have gone to Philadelphia for Penn's proclamation and to have told Jonathan Nottingham, constable for Worcester, not to serve precepts.  

1 John Beacham deposed that, on the same day, with William Dirickson and John McCormack, he went into the cypress swamp for shingles and heard a gun. Then he saw James Brown running and crying: "The Mitchells are going to kill me." Mitchell and others then came up. When McCormick took up his gun, Mitchell, with his sword drawn, "caught" hold of it and bade McCormick let it go. He refused and, as they struggled, though McCormick "showed no design to do injury" to Mitchell, the latter "made passes with his sword and put it to McCormick's belly, and made a thrust and ran it into McCormick." Then, pulling out his watch, he said to the Marylanders that "he would give them five minutes to go out of the swamp, or kill them." He took McCormick's gun and shot Dirickson's ox that was drawing a cart. Belitha Godfrey deposed that, on the fifteenth, he went with Beckworth into the swamp, at the request of David Evans, to bring out a "negro fellow," Southy, the slave of John Tull, who had been shot by the elder Mitchell. On entering the swamp, they saw Mitchell behind a stump. He "raised his gun at them and asked were they come for the dead?" They responded, "Yes," and he then told them to "come and take him away, the son of a bitch, he has got enough." They picked up the wounded man, who complained that they hurt him, when Mitchell said that "if you do not let them carry you away immediately, I shall blow your brains out." After they had removed the negro, Godfrey returned, with Israel Townsend, and met Mitchell, who told them that he imagined a posse would be raised to take him and his son, but he "would blow them to hell with his cannons," by which he referred to swivels at Dagworthy's which had been set on carriages.

1 Henry Layton and John Buckworth (a marksman) swore as to this.

2 A marksman. Thomas Dazey, a marksman, John Needy, and Henry Verdman, a marksman, swore with him.
CALVERT MEMORABILIA.

[The following excerpts concerning members of the Calvert family are reprinted from "Hearne's Remarks and Collections," vol. ix, (Oxford Historical Society, vol. lxv). Readers of the Magazine will recall that the articles on Benedict Leonard Calvert, in vol. 1: 274, and vol. 3: 191, as well as the Calvert Pedigree in vol. 2: 369 are all based on the same authority.]

January 5, 1725/6.

Yesterday call'd upon me Mr. —— Calvert, Brother of my honorable Friend, Benj. Leonard Calvert, Esq. This Gent. is a year younger than Benj. He hath been in Mary Land & many Places. His Brother Benj. is just return'd from Rome, and other foreign Places, where he spent his time to very good purpose in collecting & seeing Antiquities. But he could not have access to many MSS., for want of Catalogues, & upon account of the Disorder of most, if not all, of their Libraries, to say nothing of a sort of shiness upon account of Principles of Religion. Even Montfaucon himself told Mr. B. L. Calvert that he could not see some MSS. at Rome, tho' I cannot tell for what reason. Yet I heard Mr. Freebairn of Edinburgh give another Account. For he told me that when he was a good while together at Rome, he met with such Civility as to obtain the sight & use of any MS. he desired, and, indeed, he transcrib'd many Things from thence, some of wch relate to Mary, Q. of Scots.

Mr. Calvert told me that his Sister, who married Mr. Hyde of Kingston Lisle, hath two Children (I think he said both Boys) living by the said Mr. Hyde, and that she is big of another. She is a very pretty, good-natured young Woman, younger than either of the Gentlemen. [p. 77]

Jan. 11, 1725/6.

My Friend the honourable Benedict Leonard Calvert Esqr's Father (who died Ld Baltemore, April 16, 1715) was, as I am
inform'd from all hands (notwithstanding my Friend be quite otherwise), a very loose, debauch'd Man. And 'tho his Lady (Sister to the present Earl of Litchfield) was a most beautifull, lovely, large Woman (as he was also a very handsome Man), yet when he liv'd at Woodstock Park, wch was his, & wch he at last sold for about 8000 lbs., 'tho it was worth a vast deal more, he could not be contented with her, but lay much with (generally more than with his Lady) a fine, beautifull young Girl, one Mrs. Grove, that is still living in Woodstock, but never yet married, now about 30 Years old, & still very handsome, to the great discomposure of his Lady, whom he used very barbarously, and would often (when he came late home a-nights) force out of her Bed quite, as it were, naked, & for fear, she would hide herself, & sometimes run up to the top of the House, & at other times apply to a Friend, not far off, for Cloaths in that condition to hide her Nakedness. Since that, I am told the present Lord Baltemore (who is unmarried) keeps the said Mrs. Grove company, as his Father did. His Mother, the said Lady Baltemore, being thus used, 'tis said for that reason frequented other Company also, tho' she was otherwise a very good, charitable Woman, & of an excellent Temper, quite contrary to my Lord. She died (as I observed formerly), Janu. 22, 1720. Her Husband, the Ld Baltemore, was a strange, proud Man. The fore-said Mrs. Grove's own Mother (who is said to have been a Whore also) upheld her Daughter in her Debauch'd life, & even when her Daughter lay at Mr. Ives's in Oxford, for some time, with my Ld, where they bedded together as Man & Wife, the Mother was there likewise, & they frequently rid out together in the Coach. This I heard for certain Yesterday.  [p. 80] 1726. Oct. 16 (Sun., 17mo. Kal. Nov.)

On Thursday last call'd upon me a younger Brother of my Friend, the Hon'ble B. L. Calvert, Esq., viz. the same that Call'd last Winter. His Brother, my Ld Baltemore, was also in Town with him, but I did not see my Ld, with whom I have no acquaintance. This younger Brother is married. His Lady hath miscarried of one Child, and now she is big again. He seems to be a very good natured young Gentleman, but all the
Learning of this Family is lodg'd in my Friend above-mentioned. [p. 205]

1726

Aug. 6 (Sat. 8vo. Idus Aug; The Transfiguration of our b Ld & Saviour in Mount Tabor).

Yesterday my Friend, the honble B. Leonard Cavert, Esq., left Oxford between 11 and 12 Clock, & rode in a Chaise to Ditchley to see his Uncle & Aunt, the Earl of Litchfield and his Countess.

He told me his Brother, Edwd Calvert, is married, & that his wife was then big with Child when he call'd upon me some time ago, tho' I understood from himself (viz. Mr. Edw. Calvert) that he was not married, but it seems he bantered.

Dec. 15 (Th. 18° Kal. Jan.).

On Sept. 26, 1726, Mr. Calvert told me that he hath an Uncle call'd Mr. Paston, who is a very curious Gentleman. He is a Roman Catholic. He lives at Pauntley in Gloucestershire. He married Mr. Calvert's Aunt, viz. the Lady Anne Calvert. She is his second wife. His Estate (at least the greatest Part) is Abbey Lands, and thrives with him, as it is a general Observation that Abbey Lands thrive in Roman Catholic Hands, tho' not in others. Mr. Charles Hyde is Chaplain to him. Mr. Paston's Son married a Mrs Courtney, a Lady of great Understanding & Virtue. They were married in 1725. Her Brother (who is a Protestant) hath many old, valuable Writings. Mr. Calvert then told me that the Great Tithes of Kipling, near Richmond in Yorkshire, belong'd to the Priory of St. Agatha, i.e. Richmond juxta. The foresaid young Mr. Paston (William Paston Esq) lives at Horton, near Badminton in Gloucestershire. This Horton belong'd to the Church of Salisbury.

Mr. Calvert at the same time told me that in the Cathedral Church of Gloucester (in the Chancell) on several Tiles of the Pavement is, Domnus Thomas Sebrok abbas.
At Gloucester is a Monument, call’d K. Osrick’s. But Mr. Calvert gave good reason, from the Crosses and flour de Luces being in the Crown, to think that it is long after the Conquest.

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1727.

Feb. 15 (Ash Wednesday).

Yesterday called upon me, a little after 12 Clock, a Brother (whom I had never Seen before) of my Friend the Honble Benedict Leonard Calvert, Esq. There was with him another young Gentleman, Mr. Grove of Grove near Wantage. They staid with me about an hour, and we had much discourse about Italy & Maryland, my Friend Bened. above mentioned being about going to be Governour there, viz. in Maryland.

The said Mr. Grove is a very pretty man and ingenious. He was of Pembroke College, where Dr. Banting (he said) before he was Head, was his Tutor. He is brother of Mrs. Grove that was Miss to Mr. Calvert’s Father & is still a very pretty Woman, tho’ she still lives freely. Mr. Grove said that their Family is as old as the Danes, & that Grove by Wantage was denominated from them, whereas I thought that they had taken name from that Place, & so indeed I am still inclined to believe.

These two Gentlemen told me, that the late Dr. Cadogan’s Things are either selling or about to be sold, I mean his Pictures & Curiosities of that kind wch they say are very fine & one Picture of some very fine Woman is so very extraordinary, as that a prodigious sum is designed to be bid for it.

My. Friend B. L. Calvert picked up in Italy a very considerable Collecyon of Curiosities, wch it seems are come over. One of them is an old Statue of Scipio Africanus very fine. I wish it were nicely engraved. I must enquire of him, where twas found. Also I must get a List of him of his chief Things, whether Books, Prints or Medals, that he procured in his Voyage. [p. 272]
THE HARRISON FAMILY OF DORCHESTER COUNTY

1. Christopher Harrison ¹ of Appleby, Co. Westmoreland, England, is the earliest known ancestor of the Dorchester family. His will, dated June 20, 1733 and proved Oct. 1, 1733, is on record in Carlisle. This is witnessed by Thomas Harrison and James Perkins; and in it he mentions his wife Jane, his daughter Sarah, and his son Christopher, "not yet 21."

According to authentic family records his wife was Jane Gilpin.

Issue (according to his will):—

2. i. Christopher Harrison,² b. 1717 Nov. 17; d. 1799 Feb. 6; m. 1739 Feb. 7 Mary Caile.
   ii. Sarah Harrison.

2. Christopher Harrison ² (Christopher ¹), son of Christopher and Jane (Gilpin) Harrison, was born Nov. 17, 1717 and died Feb. 6, 1799. He lived and died in Appleby, England, where he was a "grocer," according to a statement in the will of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Margaret Caile. On Feb. 7, 1739, he married Mary Caile (b. 1716, Oct. 7; d. 1782, Aug. 2), daughter of John and Margaret Caile (See Caile Family, this magazine post).

In St. Lawrence Church, Appleby, there is an extended tombstone record of him and his family.

* These genealogies are due to a large extent to the investigations made by Mrs. Clara Earle and Miss Dandridge.

† In Bishop Nicholson's Episcopal Visitation of the Diocese of Carlisle in 1703 there is recorded an inscription on a seat, at the Choir entrance of Brough Church: "Mr. Chrst. Harrison, Parochuset Rectoriae Firmarius S.S. fieri fecit Deo O.M. etc. 1682." This Christopher Harrison was matriculated at Queen's College, Oxford, June 14, 1649. His history is known. A seal brought to America by the family bears arms identical with those confirmed to William Harrison, of Tower Ward, London, Nov. 24, 1607, whose pedigree is given in the Harleian MSS., Visitation of London, 1633-35, p. 355, and who descended from a Cumberland family.
Issue:—

3. i. Robert Harrison, b. 1740 Nov. 5, d. 1802 May 16; m. 1770 Oct. 10 Milcah Gale.
   ii. Sarah Harrison, b. 1743 May 14; d. 1745 Nov. 5.
   iii. Margaret Harrison, b. 1745 Dec. 6, d. 1785 July 23; m. Rev. Gilpin Gorst (1726-1803) son of William Gorst, Steward of Appleby Castle. Issue:

4. iv. John Caile Harrison, b. 1747 Sept. 3, d. 1780 Nov. 8, m. 1773, Nov. 18, Mary Caile.
   v. Christopher Harrison, b. 1749 June 22, d. 1752 Aug 12.
   vi. Thomas Harrison, b. 1751 July 15, d. 1830 Mar. 20; m. Margaret Birbeck (d. 1833 Jan. 21, aged 79).
   Issue: i. Christopher Harrison, d. 1853 Apr. 27, aged 72.
       ii. Robert Harrison, d. 1795 Feb. 1, aged 3.
   vii. William Harrison, b. 1753 Oct. 14, d. 1836; m. ——. No issue.
   viii. Jane Harrison, b. 1755 Sept. 9; d. 1755.
   ix. Mary Harrison, b. 1758 Dec. 25, d. 1759.

3. Robert Harrison (Christopher, Christopher 1), son of Christopher and Mary (Caile) Harrison, was born in Appleby, England, Nov. 5, 1740, and died in Maryland on May 16, 1802. He came to the colony in Mar., 1755, bringing letters for Governor Sharpe. In one of these he is recommended for an office “on account of his alliance.” The Governor was importuned repeatedly by Pownall, Sir Richard Abdy and others to appoint Mr. Harrison to a suitable office; but he was unable for various reasons to do anything for many years. Finally the Governor writes back to England that he has appointed “Mr. Robert Harrison, merchant of Cambridge” to be Sheriff of Dorchester County at Martinmas, 1767. This office he held for two years. In 1770 he was one of the three Commissioners appointed to build the new Court House in Cambridge.

As the Revolution approached he took a leading part in Dorchester. He was a Deputy to the Maryland Convention of June 22, 1774, and also to the Association of the Freeman of Maryland, July 26, 1775. His name also appears among the Dorchester Justices in the years 1777, 78, 79, 80, 81 and 83.

He was appointed in 1776 First Major of the Lower Battalion of Dorchester; on May 20, 1778, he was commissioned Colonel of the battalion; and in Feb., 1781, he was reappointed.

In 1786 he was one of the Trustees of the Poor; and

in 1791 he was appointed Associate Justice of the Fourth Judicial District.

His wife was Milcah Gale (b. 1751, June 20, d. 1780), youngest child of George Gale of Somerset County and his wife Elizabeth Airey, whom he married Oct. 10, 1770. He called his home, near Cambridge, Maryland, "Appleby" after the town of his birth.

Issue:

1. Mary Harrison, b. 1774 May 23, d. 1840 Sept. 14, m. 1802 Oct. 10 Jacob Loockerman, son of John Loockerman, Jr. (See Loockerman Family post.)
2. Christopher Harrison, b. 1775 Aug 29, d. 1862 Apr. 4, unm. He was the first Lieutenant Governor of Indiana 1816-1818, and helped to lay out the city of Indianapolis. He returned East in 1835 and lived there till his death. He is buried at "Fair View," Talbot Co.
3. Elizabeth Harrison, b. 1777 Aug. 27, d. 1857 Oct., m. 1803 Apr. 28 Andrew Skinner.

4. John Caile Harrison 3 (Christopher 2 Christopher 1), son of Christopher and Mary (Caile) Harrison, was born in Appleby, England, Sept. 3, 1747, and died in Maryland, Nov. 8, 1780. Soon after coming of age he crossed the ocean to Dorchester County, Maryland, to join his brother Robert. The first official record of him is as being Clerk of the Committee of Observation of Dorchester County in 1776; and in September of that year he was appointed Ensign of a Company of Militia in the 19th battalion. He held about this time the office of Register of Wills, which he resigned in May, 1777; and from then till 1780 he was Clerk of Court of Dorchester.

On Nov. 18, 1773, he married his first cousin, Mary Caile (1756-1812), daughter of Hall and Elizabeth (Haskins) Caile (after his death, she married Judge Thomas James Bullitt. See Caile Family this Magazine, post).

Issue:

6. i. Hall Harrison, b. 1774 Oct. 13, d. 1830 Sept. 3; m. 1800 Mar. 17 Elizabeth Galt.
ii. Hannah Harrison, b. 1777 Nov. 20; d. 1799 Nov. 4, unm. [According to another record, she d. 1779 Oct. 4.]
iii. William Harrison, b. 1780 July 7; d. 1827 Nov. 29, unm.

5. Elizabeth Harrison 4 (Robert 3 Christopher 2 Christopher 1), daughter of Col. Robert Harrison and Milcah Gale, was born at "Appleby," near Cambridge, Md., Aug. 27, 1777, and died in Oct., 1857. On April 28, 1803,
she married Andrew Skinner (b. 1763, Sept. 11; d. 1843, Aug 18), of "Fair View," Talbot County, son of Andrew and Anna (Sutton) Skinner.

Issue:—

i. John Gale Skinner, b. 1804 d. in the West.
ii. William Skinner, b. 1806, d. 1831.
iii. Mary Amelia Skinner, b. 1809, d. 1879.
iv. Louisa Skinner, b. 1811, d. 1831 Nov. 5.
vi. Milcah Matilda Skinner, b. 1817 Sept. 4. d. ——, m. 1839 Nov. 14 Henry Cooke Tilghman (b. 1808 June 28, d. 1880 Feb. 19) son of Richard Cooke and Elizabeth (Van Wick) Tilghman.

Issue:

ii. Richard Cooke Tilghman, b. 1843 Oct. 18, d. 1873 Jan. 14; m. 1871 Dec. 5 Agnes Riddell Owen. Issue.
iv. Fannie Tilghman, b. 1848 June 4, m. 1872 Nov. 5 Robert Hough. Issue.
v. Anna Sophia Tilghman, b. 1851 Apr. 29, m. 1886 Mar. 11 Powell Hollyday.
vi. Sallie Skinner Tilghman, b. 1853 July 12; d. 1865 July 5.
vii. Susan Williams Tilghman, b. 1855 May 2.
viii. Milcah Matilda Tilghman, b. 1857 May 2, m. 1892 May 3 John Lusby Pascault.
ix. Nannie Buchanan Tilghman, b. 1860 Sept. 23, d. 1863 Feb. 15.

vii. Robert Sutton Skinner, b. 1820, d. in the West.
viii. Sally Lloyd Skinner, b. 1822 Oct. 27, d. 1884; m. 1847 Henry Robert Wilson (b. 1819, d. 1908).

Issue:

i. James Andrew Wilson, b. 1848 d. 1849.
ii. Henry Melville Wilson, b. 1849.
iii. Elizabeth Skinner Wilson, b. 1852 m. 1882 Wilson Presstman Heyward. Issue.
iv. Mary Wilson, b. 1854 d. 1866.

6. Hall Harrison 4 (John Caile, Christopher, Christopher 1), eldest child of John Caile and Mary (Caile) Harrison, was born at Cambridge, Md., Oct. 13, 1774, and died in Baltimore, Sept. 3, 1830.

He came to Baltimore when still a youth, was apprenticed to Mr. George Grundy as clerk, and brought up in the dry goods business. He lived in Mr. Grundy's family until his majority, when he went to England and visited his relations in Appleby. A portrait of him is in the family, on the back of which is written "H. Harrison sailed from Baltimore on the ship Carrollton, Capt. Martin, May 14, 1797." He came back to Baltimore after a
few years; and on March 17, 1800, he married Elizabeth Galt, daughter of Robert * and Elizabeth † (Thompson) Galt of Coleraine, Ireland. At this time she was on a visit to her uncle, Hugh Thompson, of Baltimore.

In 1802 or 3 he moved to Easton, Md., and was Cashier of the Branch of the Farmer’s Bank of Maryland until 1810, when he returned to Baltimore and formed a partnership with Govert Haskins in the iron business, on Bowly’s wharf. In 1811 this partnership was dissolved; and he formed a new one with Maj. Thomas Yates. On the death of the latter after a year, Samuel Sterett joined him; and the firm became “Harrison and Sterett, Vendue Merchants.”

Issue:—

i. Elizabeth Harrison, b. 1800 Dec. 22, d. 1801 Apr. 7.

7. ii. William Gilpin Harrison, b. 1802 Feb. 3, d. 1885 Nov. 17, m. 1832 Anne Elizabeth Ross (d. 1833 aged 20).

iii. Thomas Bullitt Harrison, b. 1804 Jan. 8, d. 1829 Sept. 12 unm. He was on the unfortunate U. S. Sloop of War, the “Hornet,” which foundered at sea. He was returning from Vera Cruz, Mexico, as a guest of the officers of the ship.

8. iv. Mary Caile Harrison, b. 1805 Dec. 29; d. 1873 July 10, m. 1826 Aug. 17 Thomas Oliver.

v. Robert Galt Harrison, b. 1807 Sept. 12, d. 1811 Aug. 23.

9. vi. Hugh Thompson Harrison, b. 1810 Feb. 8, d. 1872 June 21; m. 1834 June 3 Eliza Catherine Thompson.


viii. Margaret Sprigg Harrison, b. 1813 Mar. 27, d. 1893 Apr. 17 unm.

11. ix. Samuel Thompson Harrison, b. 1815 Jan. 13, d. 1857 Nov. 5, m. 1846 May 5, Emily Kuhn.

12. x. George Law Harrison, b. 1816 Oct. 1, d. 1885 Aug. 26 m. (1) 1845 Jan. 25 Maria Jeanette Bathurst; (2) 1855 Nov. 20 Helen Troup Davidge.


xii. Elizabeth Thompson Harrison, b. 1820 July 21, d. young.

7. William Gilpin Harrison 5 (Hall, 4 John Caile, 3 Christopher, 2 Christopher 1), son of Hall Harrison and Elizabeth Galt, was born Feb. 3, 1802, and died Nov. 17, 1883. In the year 1832 he married Anne Elizabeth Ross (d. 1833 aged 20), daughter of William and Catherine Worthington (Johnson) Ross, of Frederick, Md. They had only one child, who died at birth.

He was one of the leading business men of Baltimore

* Son of William and Elizabeth Galt.
† Daughter of John Thompson, of Muckamore, Ireland.
and one of its most respected citizens. He began his business career by continuing his father's business as "vendue merchant," and he soon was forced by its growth to limit it to the sugar and molasses trade. He was most successful, and became prominent in all the business life of the city. In 1853 he was elected President of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, a position he held until 1856. Just before the Civil War he was an unsuccessful candidate for Congress, his opponent being Henry Winter Davis. In 1861 he accepted an election to the Maryland House of Delegates; and, upon the legislature being suppressed by the military forces of the national government, he, with Teackle Wallis, Otho Scott, Charles Pitts, Lawrence Sangston, W. H. Gatchell and others, was arrested and imprisoned, first at Fort McHenry and Fortress Monroe, and finally at Fort Warren, Boston Harbor. Here he was kept for fourteen months. At the close of the War he resumed his business activity, becoming a Director in the Canton Company, President of the Union R. R. Co. in 1870, a Director in the Franklin Bank, and President of the Baltimore Fire Insurance Co.

His home on Eutaw Place was the home of the entire family, many living there and all regarding it as the family centre.

He was for many years a vestryman of St. Luke's Church and was deeply interested in all the religious and charitable work of the city. When he died his executors found that during his lifetime he had given away over $1,000,000.

8. MARY CAILE HARRISON 5 (Hall, John Caile, Christopher, Christopher 1), daughter of Hall Harrison and Elizabeth Galt, was born Dec. 29, 1805, and died July 10, 1873. On Aug. 17, 1826, she married Thomas Oliver (b. 1802, June 7; d. 1848, Dec. 29, at Naples), son of Robert and Elizabeth (Craig) Oliver.

Issue:

i. Mary Oliver, b. 1827 May 18; d. 1840 July 25.
ii. Robert Oliver, b. 1829 July 27; d. 1830 Aug.
iii. Robert Oliver, b. 1831 Mar. 8; d. 1836 May 7 unm.
iv. John Oliver, b. 1832 Aug. 12; d. 1836 Dec. 25.
v. Thomas Harrison Oliver, b. 1834 Aug. 20; m. 1901 Nov. 23, Alicia Lloyd daughter of Col. Edward and Mary Eager (Howard) Lloyd of "Wye." No issue.
vi. Elizabeth Oliver, b. 1836 May 12; d. 1908 Sept. 12 unm.
vii. Margaret Sprigg Oliver, b. 1839 Apr. 26; d. 1902 Apr. 4; m. 1864 June 7 Henry Fenwick Thompson, son of Henry Anthony and Julie Zelina (de Macklot) Thompson. He d. 1910 Oct. 11.

Issue:
   i. Henry Oliver Thompson.
   ii. Charlotte de Macklot Thompson.

9. **Hugh Thompson Harrison** 5 (Hall, 4 John Caile, 3 Christopher, 2 Christopher 1), son of Hall Harrison and Elizabeth Galt, was born Feb. 8, 1810, and died June 21, 1872. On June 3, 1834, he married Eliza Catherine Thompson (b. 1813, Jan. 19; d. 1892, Nov. 20), daughter of Craven Peyton Thompson, of Alexandria, Va. (see Hayden's "Genealogies," p. 629).

He graduated from Yale College in 1831 and received the Master's degree in 1839. He studied for the ministry of the Episcopal Church, graduated from the Seminary in Alexandria in 1832, was ordained Deacon on Dec. 2, 1832 and Priest in 1833. He held charges first in Queen Caroline Parish, Va., and later in St. John's Parish, Howard County, Md.

Issue:
   i. Hall Harrison 6 (Rev.) b. 1837 Nov. 11; d. 1900 Feb. 5; m. 1876 Nov. 4 Agnes Spottiswoode Kennedy (b. 1838 May 10, d. 1907 June 30) daughter of Hon. Anthony and Sarah (Dandridge) Kennedy. No issue.
   ii. Elizabeth Harrison, b. 1836 Feb. 17, d. 1866 Mar. 12, unm.
   iii. Richard Sprigg Steuart Harrison, b. 1840 Mar. 31; d. 1901 Dec. 15; m. 1864 June 9 Sally Dorsey Pue (b. 1836 Jan. 15, d. 1892 Dec. 26) daughter of Dr. Arthur and Sally (Dorsey) Pue.

   Issue:
      i. Rebekah Harrison, b. 1865 Sept. 11.
      ii. Katherine Harrison, b. 1867 Jan. 18.
      iv. Eleanor Rogers Harrison, b. 1869 July 30.
      v. William Gilpin Harrison (M.D.), b. 1842 Mar. 27, d. 1895 Aug. 30 unm.
   v. Mary Caile Harrison, b. 1847 June 25, d. 1905 Aug. 15 unm.

10. **John Caile Harrison** 5 (Hall, 4 John Caile, 3 Christopher, 2 Christopher 1), son of Hall Harrison and Elizabeth Galt, was born Mar. 3, 1812, and died June 9, 1859. On May 20, 1839, he married Sarah Barker (b. 1819, July; d. 1908, July 31), daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Hazard) Barker of New Orleans. (After his death she married, on Jan. 2, 1866, the Hon. William H. Hunt.) He was in partnership with his brother William, and was manager of the business in New Orleans.
Issue:

i. John Caile Harrison, b. 1840 Feb. 16, d. 1893, m. Mary Burger. Issue two children, d. in infancy.

ii. Thomas Bullitt Harrison, b. 1841 July 28, d. 1885 Feb. 25; m. 1869 Nov. 16 Mary Boykin Williams (b. 1851 May 18) daughter of David Rogerson and Katherine Boykin (Miller) Williams of Society Hill, South Carolina. Issue:

i. Katherine Williams Harrison, b. 1871 Apr. 4; m. (1) 1894 Oct. 17 Gough Winn Thompson (b. 1860 Aug. 30, d. 1903 Nov. 17); (2) 1904 Dec. 3 Frank Gambrill Baldwin (b. 1870 Oct. 25, d. 1905 May 9). Issue first husband.


iii. Robert Barker Harrison, b. 1878 May 14, m. 1907 June 6 Virginia Elizabeth White (b. 1885 Oct. 5). Issue.

iii. Jacob Barker Harrison, b. 1844 Nov. 6, d. 1910 July, m. (1) 1874 June 6 Delia Fragley (d. 1898 Feb. 11); (2) 1904 Dec. 6 Rebecca Spritz. No issue. He lived and died in New Orleans.

iv. William Gilpin Harrison, b. 1846 Nov. 5; d. 1867 Oct. 11 unm.


11. Samuel Thompson Harrison 5 (Hall, 4 John Caile, 3 Christopher, 2 Christopher 1), son of Hall Harrison and Elizabeth Galt, was born Jan. 13, 1815, and died Nov. 5, 1857. On May 5, 1846, he married Emily Kuhn (b. Mar. 10, 1816; d. Oct. 22, 1848), daughter of Charles and Elizabeth Hestia (Yard) Kuhn, of Philadelphia. He was a planter in Louisiana. Issue:

i. Charles Kuhn Harrison, b. 1847 Feb. 26, d. 1908 Apr. 20, m. 1868 Dec. 30 Louisa Triplett Haxall (b. 1847 Apr. 25, d. 1911 Aug. 18), daughter of Bolling Walker and Ann (Tripplett) Haxall. Issue:

i. Anne Triplett Harrison, b. 1869 Oct. 10, m. 1898 Apr. 12 George Somerville Jackson. No issue.

ii. William Gilpin Harrison, b. 1871 Sept. 6, d. 1902, June 14 unm.

iii. Emily Kuhn Harrison, b. 1872 Sept. 30, m. 1897 Nov. 17 W. Stuart Symington, Jr. Issue.

iv. Charles Kuhn Harrison, Jr., b. 1874 Aug. 13.

v. Bolling Haxall Harrison, b. 1876 Jan. 29, m. 1904 May, May Stevens.

vi. Louisa Haxall Harrison, b. 1878 Mar. 31, d. 1915 Mar. 20, m. 1903 Apr. 29 George Reily. Issue.

vii. Samuel Thompson Harrison, b. 1880 Apr. 17, d. 1894 Dec. 23.

viii. Hall Harrison, b. 1881 Oct. 29.

ix. Hartman Kuhn Harrison, b. 1883 Aug. 31, m. 1912 Oct. 19, Katharine Barton Jones.
12. **George Law Harrison**\(^5\) (*Hall,\(^4\) John Caile,\(^3\) Christopher,\(^2\) Christopher\(^1\)*), son of Hall Harrison and Elizabeth Galt, was born Oct. 1, 1816, and died Aug. 26, 1885. He was twice married, first on Jan. 25, 1845, to Maria Jeannette Bathurst (b. ——; d. 1850, June 28), daughter of Matthew and Anne (Dickey) Bathurst; second on Nov. 20, 1855, to Helen Troup Davidge (b. 1829, Mar. 14; d. 1885, Jan. 2), daughter of Dr. John Beale Davidge and Rebecca Troup, his second wife. He was a merchant in Baltimore.

**Issue, first wife:**

i. Annie Bathurst Harrison,\(^6\) b. 1846 Oct. 20; m. 1885 Apr. 28 Frank Moss. No issue.

ii. Bess Harrison, b. 1848 Feb. 26; m. 1874 Nov. 12 Thomas Murphy Dobbin, son of George W. and Rebecca (Pue) Dobbin.

**Issue:**


ii. Rebecca Dobbin, b. 1877 Sept. 27.

iii. Anne Bathurst Dobbin, b. 1879 Dec. 6.

iii. Mary Caile Harrison, b. 1850 Feb. 2, d. 1850 Aug. 16.

**Issue, second wife:**

iv. Helen Troup Harrison, b. 1856 Nov. 10, m. ——, Robert Sale-Hill. No issue.


vi. Margaret Sprigg Harrison, b. 1859 Mar. 2; m. 1881 Apr. 26 Mordecai Dawson Tyson (b. 1855 Jan. 16, d. 1901 Jan. 5).

**Issue:**

i. James Wood Tyson, b. 1883 Dec. 2.


viii. Henrietta Troup Harrison, b. 1865 Nov. 5, m. 1890 June 4 Henry Augustus Rowland (b. 1848 Nov. 27, d. 1901 Apr. 16).

**Issue:**

i. Harriette Heyer Rowland, b. 1891 June 24.

ii. Henry Augustus Rowland, Jr., b. 1892 July 18.

iii. Davidge Harrison Rowland, b. 1897 Dec. 25.

ix. George Law Harrison, b. 1871 Nov. 28, d. 1902 June 5; m. 1895 Florence Patterson Mordecai, daughter of Randolph and Emma (Brown) Mordecai.

**Issue:**

i. George Law Harrison, d.

ii. Florence Patterson Harrison.

*(To be Continued.)*
Monthly Meeting, Monday, October 11, 1915.—The regular monthly meeting of the Society for the month of October was called to order at 8 o'clock p. m., with President Warfield in the chair. The Recording Secretary being absent, Mr. Edward Stabler, Jr., was appointed Recording Secretary, pro tem. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

The election of new members resulted as follows:

Mr. J. Altheus Johnson, Mr. Charles Bancroft Carroll,
Mrs. Catherine F. Walker, Mr. Charles Hodge Benson,
Mr. George A. Steele.

The resignations of Dr. Annie Heloise Abel and Mr. Henry P. Janes were read and accepted.

Dr. Steiner, of the Committee on Publications, reported that Volume 35 of the Maryland Archives had come from press and was ready for distribution, the volume being entitled, “Proceedings and Acts of the Assembly of Maryland—1724-1726.”

The Necrology was then read as follows:

On June 21, 1915, Mr. Nicholas P. Bond, elected a member of the Society in 1902.
On July 13, 1915, Mr. Jacob H. Furst, elected a member of the Society in 1906.
On July 17, 1915, Mr. Reuben Foster, elected a member of the Society in 1902.
On August 14, 1915, Past President Mendes Cohen, elected a member of the Society in 1875.
On August 28, 1915, Ex-Mayor Thomas Gordon Hayes, elected a member of the Society in 1892.
On September 7, 1915, Vice-President Michael Jenkins, elected a member of the Society in 1876.
On October 8, 1915, Col. Osmun Latrobe, elected a member of the Society in 1880.
Judge Stockbridge spoke of the unusual heavy losses which the summer months had brought in the membership of the Society, and after referring to some of the valuable services which some of these members had rendered to the Society, offered the following resolution which was passed unanimously:

Resolved, That the November meeting of the Society be set apart as memorial meeting devoted to the memory of Past President, Mendes Cohen, and our late Vice-President, Michael Jenkins.

That the President appoint a committee of five to prepare a suitable memorial to the memory of our late friend and Past President, Mendes Cohen, and to present it at the November meeting of the Society.

That the President also appoint a committee of five to perform the same duties in regard to our late Vice-President, Michael Jenkins.

The President thereupon appointed the following committees:

As to Mr. Cohen—Hon. Henry Stockbridge, Chairman; Dr. Bernard C. Steiner, Mr. William M. Hayden, Mr. Edward Stabler, Jr., Mr. Moses R. Walter.

As to Mr. Jenkins—Mr. Douglas H. Thomas, Chairman; Mr. William F. Lucas, Jr., Mr. Faris C. Pitt, Mr. Decatur H. Miller, Jr., Mr. Lawrason Riggs.

Mr. Spencer offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

"That the Maryland Historical Society send its congratulations and good wishes, on the eighteenth day of October, 1915, to Mr. William W. Spence, a Life Member, upon the attainment of his one hundredth birthday, with the earnest hope that, in the kind Providence of God, he may be still longer spared to us and to the city of his adoption."

There being no further business before the Society the meeting adjourned.
Monthly Meeting, Monday, November 8, 1915.—The regular monthly meeting of the Society for the month of November was called to order at 8 o'clock p. m., with President Warfield in the chair. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

The balloting upon the names of the candidates for membership submitted at the last meeting of the Society resulted in the following being elected:

J. Hambleton Ober; Frederick T. F. Johnson; Mrs. Charles E. Parr; E. C. Price; David Pinkney Cowan; G. Ernest Bantz; Herbert H. Bowen; John M. Deponai; Rev. B. W. Bond, D. D.; Mrs. Emily Hendric Klinefelter; Miss Sarah Elizabeth Stuart; Rev. Joseph Brown Turner; Allan C. Girdwood; J. Henry Furst; George Harrison; J. Edward Harrison; Miss Caroline V. Sudler; William S. Thomas.

The Recording Secretary announced that the only death in the membership during the past month was that of Mr. William Wallace Spence, on November 3, 1915.

Under the heading of the reports of committees, Judge Stockbridge submitted the following report:

"The Maryland Historical Society records with sincere sorrow the death of Mendes Cohen, on August 13, 1915. From the time of his election to active membership in the Society in 1875, he took an energetic part in its activities.

"As member and Chairman of the Library Committee he rendered most efficient and valuable service, and was largely instrumental in obtaining considerable additions to the Society's Collections. Most noteworthy of these were his services which resulted in securing the valuable Calvert Papers, which have shed most important light upon the Provincial history of Maryland.

"As Corresponding Secretary from 1882 to 1904, he was assiduous in the performance of the duties of that office, without in any degree relaxing his zeal and labor along other lines of the Society's interests. His wide personal acquaintance combined with his attentive discharge of the duties of the Sec-
retary materially contributed to extending a knowledge of this Society and the historical resources at its command.

"Though of shorter duration his service as a member of the Finance Committee, and as one of the Trustees of the Athenæum were characterized by equal zeal and earnest activity.

"Elevated to the Presidency of the Society in 1904, he continued by annual re-election, to occupy that high office until his declination to accept further election in 1913. A dignified, firm and courteous presiding officer, he maintained the best traditions of his predecessors in the office. Not only at the meetings of the Society, but at those of the Council as well, he was a faithful attendant, taking an interest in every detail of the Society's affairs and aiding by his ripe experience and wise counsel. His zeal for the advancement of the Society and his labors for its success never flagged.

"He was a generous contributor to the guaranty funds which have made possible the publication of the *Maryland Historical Magazine*, while his deposit of the Carroll Papers in April, 1915, and his generous bequest to the Society's Endowment Fund showed that his devotion to the Society continued to the very end.

"Of his time he gave freely and gladly to the Society. No subject was too small or trifling in his estimation to be deserving of his consideration. Whether he was called upon to act as host and greet the guests at such a gathering as the reception given by the Society to the American Association for the Advancement of Science, or to labor over the financial affairs of the Society, and the method of keeping its accounts, he was never found wanting in the performance of any duty which devolved upon him. His thorough investigation of books, manuscripts and other objects offered for sale to the Society, and his sound judgment in deciding what should be done after such investigations were of great value.

"Eminent in his profession, though for a number of years he had retired from its active practice, he retained throughout his life his varied and important interests, of which his con-
nection with this Society was but one. Of his many services to this city, mention has been made by other bodies with which he was directly or officially connected. These have voiced in no uncertain tones the value of his skill as an engineer in the early work looking to the construction of an adequate system of sewerage for Baltimore, and to the solving of its difficulties, to which he brought the wisdom of long and active experience in engineering problems; of the value of his experience and counsel as a Trustee of the Peabody Institute, his survivors upon that Board have already placed an enduring memorial upon their records, and as a member of the City Art Commission, representing this Society, he always gave to the City of Baltimore the judgment of a trained eye, and a conservative and cultured mind.

"It was his aim for this Society not only to acquire a valuable store of materials for the Society's collections, but also to see this store made available to and utilized by students, and he welcomed to the rooms of the Society every investigator who was attempting to solve any historical problem by using the Society's collections. His venerable figure was known to all who came to this building.

"Those of us who were brought into frequent personal contact with Mr. Cohen will long cherish his memory with a profound sense of the privilege we enjoyed in knowing him, even though the erstwhile familiar form and features will no longer pass in and out of these portals. It is, therefore, fitting that we place this minute to his memory upon the Records of this Society, to form a lasting tribute to one whom we so highly esteem, and that at the same time a copy of it shall be sent to the family of Mr. Mendes Cohen.

Henry Stockbridge,
Bernard C. Steiner,
William M. Hayden,
Edward Stabler, Jr.,
Moses R. Walter."
In moving the adoption of this report, Judge Stockbridge spoke in part as follows:

"In moving the adoption of this minute, Mr. President, may I be permitted to say just one word? It is difficult for those of us who during a number of years have been closely associated with Mr. Cohen, not to fall into a reminiscent vein, nor do I feel that it is entirely out of place so to do. The Minute which has just been read deals mainly with the work of Mr. Cohen as a member of this Society, but there was one feature of that work, and in fact about all the various matters to which Mr. Cohen gave his attention, which cannot be too strongly emphasized; that was his painstaking accuracy, even in matters of small detail. Not one of us ever felt for an instance that there was any occasion to verify a statement which he might make. Guarded and exact in expression, no one ever felt any doubt or hesitancy as to a fact of which he had spoken.

"He knew this Library as few, if any others, did; he knew not merely the exterior appearance or the binding of the volumes, but he knew their contents, and he possessed that rare faculty of discrimination which enabled him to properly and accurately analyze and adjust, if not to reconcile, conflicting views and statements. His wide and varied experience, his extended knowledge and scientific attainments had served to develop a broad scholar of ripened judgment and a thorough gentleman. His demise is not merely a loss to this Society, but comes to this community and to this State, and to us personally who had been wont to consult with him and rely upon him as an affliction, the full extent of which we can as yet but partially realize."

In seconding the motion for the adoption of the report, Dr. Bernard C. Steiner said in part:

"For thirty years, Mr. Cohen sat, facing the members, either at the right hand of the President of this Society, or in the President's chair, so that every one who came to the meetings knew his face and learned how great was his devotion to the
interests of the Society. No descendant of Aaron in the temple at Jerusalem was ever more careful that the ritual of the Mosaic law be fulfilled, than was Mr. Cohen that the affairs of the Society were properly carried on. Yet when we recall that massive, venerable form, it is not of Jewish high priest that we are apt to think, so much as of a Roman Senator in the best days of the Republic. If he had been a Conscript Father in the time of Cato the elder, the two men would have walked in the Forum together and would have understood one another. Both made the same refusal to equivocate or to palter with error, both held the same relentless and tireless pursuit of truth. We well remember how, when Mr. Cohen desired to ascertain the truth upon any subject, he would say, in his unforgettable tones, ‘Very well,’ as each question was answered, and would then proceed with further questions, until the object of his search had been attained, or he had exhausted the information of the one questioned. That love of truth kept him open-minded and prevented him from growing old mentally. The last time I saw him, he was in his library, a few days before he went to the country for the summer. While we talked, he was called to the telephone on a matter of business, and I heard him say: ‘Please call me up at another time, for I am busy now, as my friend, Dr. Steiner, is with me,’ There was a great disparity of years between us, but, this open-mindedness had kept him so that he could keep friendships with those much younger than himself. We do well to place on the minutes a permanent record of one who served the Society so well for more than a generation of men.”

In presenting to the Society the question of adopting the report of the Committee, President Warfield spoke of his association with Mr. Cohen since 1879, a period of thirty-six years, and dwelt especially upon the inspiring influence of Mr. Cohen’s personality upon the minds of the young men who came into the Society. He said Mr. Cohen’s devotion to historic ideas had aroused in him a deep interest in historic research, and
that this devotion of Mr. Cohen had been a priceless asset to
the Society. He said further:

"I remember with pleasure the day when Mr. Cohen called
at my office to inform me that a number of the members of the
Maryland Historical Society desired that I should be their next
President. He said that he was giving up the Presidency of
the Society only because he realized the cares and responsibili-
ties of that office had become too great a tax and strain upon him
in his advancing years. I, of course, felt greatly complimented
and honored in being called upon to fill a position, the duties of
which had been so ably and efficiently performed by Mr. Cohen,
whose administration reflected honor and distinction upon the
Presidency.

"Mr. Cohen had devoted the best years of his life to the
interests and welfare of this Society. It was the work of a life-
time. He assured me that in relinquishing the Presidency, his
interests in the Society and efforts to promote its welfare did
not lessen in any respect, but that as long as he was given time
and strength, the affairs of the Maryland Historical Society
would continue to receive the best that was in him. This high
resolve Mr. Cohen fully and completely lived up to. Scarcely
a week passed, until his final illness, that Mr. Cohen did not
come to my office to talk over the affairs of the Society and to
contribute suggestions as to the work for the furtherance of its
aims and purposes.

"His earnestness, enthusiasm, sound judgment and unswerv-
ing devotion to the best interests of, not only the Maryland
Historical Society, but of the community at large, gave con-
clusive proof that he was a most desirable and valuable citizen.
His bearing, his courtesy, his consideration of his fellowmen
stamped him as a Maryland gentleman of the highest type."

The report of the committee submitting the minutes on the
late Mendes Cohen was adopted unanimously by a rising vote.
The following report was then presented by Mr. Douglas H.
Thomas, chairman, who moved its adoption:
"Resolved, The death of Michael Jenkins, member since 1876 and Vice-President of this Society at the time of his demise, September 7, 1915, is received by us with inexpressible sorrow. The magnitude of his great worth to the community in which he lived, and for the welfare of which he devoted his versatile talents, has been recorded in the spontaneous outburst of a public grief as significant as it is sincere.

"Those who had the opportunity to get a true perspective of his life's work were rewarded by the inspiration derived from the noble qualities of his mind and heart. In him the cardinal virtues were co-ordinated by his natural appreciation of the good, the true, and the beautiful in life. His mental development and conduct were governed by the highest ideals. Gentle, modest, just, with motives so pure they were never questioned, these explain the universal esteem in which he was held and the fragrant memories attaching to a life so full of the best endeavor and accomplishment. Time alone can heal the wound wrought by his death.

"We wish to thus record our deep and heartfelt tribute to his memory.

DOUGLAS H. THOMAS,
Chairman.
FARIS C. PITT,
WM. F. LUCAS, JR.,
DECATUR H. MILLER, JR.,
LAWRASON RIGGS,
Committee."

The motion was seconded by Mr. Lucas. After expressions of sentiment and esteem from some of the members present, President Warfield called for a vote upon the motion. In doing so he spoke of his high personal regard for Mr. Jenkins. He recalled the deep and continued interest which Mr. Jenkins had always taken in the affairs of the Society and of his many benefactions to it.

The motion adopting the minutes in regard to Mr. Jenkins was passed unanimously by a rising vote.
The following report was then submitted by General A. C. Trippe, chairman of the committee appointed to present a memorial in regard to the late Wm. Wallace Spence:

"The Maryland Historical Society called together by the death of Mr. William Wallace Spence, to testify their appreciation of his membership and regret at its severance, adopted the following minute:

"His life encompassed more than a century. Beginning in the City of Edinburgh on the 18th day of October, 1815, the autumn of Waterloo, it ended November 3, 1915, in a turmoil of the nations of Europe, the like of which earth has never known before.

"He came to this country in 1833, and nine years after settled in Baltimore. He brought little of money with him, but had his national traits: energy, sagacity and thrift, indomitable will, and the guerdon of his father's faith. With such capital he began business in this city and when he retired in 1883 he stood among the first of our business men, having accumulated a large fortune and was a director in many of our largest financial institutions, where his judgment and experience made his advice invaluable.

"When he came to Baltimore it numbered one hundred thousand and two hundred inhabitants, and in the simplicity of its life might be called a great village. He left it one of the largest, best equipped and well governed cities of the continent.

"Then the borders of our country, except in one direction, hardly reached the Mississippi, and the Indian trails carried the pioneer to the Pacific. He lived to see those Indian trails become mighty railroads carrying thousands of travellers and carloads of tonnage to the thriving States that had gone up in this unknown land. He told of his first journey from Edinburgh to New York that lasted seventy days, and had made it latterly in six days.

"But it is of Mr. Spence as a man rather than as a merchant we would speak here.

"He was deeply attached to the Presbyterian Church of his
forefathers and gave largely of his means to support and extend it. His gift of the library to Union Seminary in Richmond is but one of his many benefactions.

"He loved children and was treasurer of the Egerton Home for many years.

"His charities were not confined to his own Church.

"With Dr. Julian J. Chisolm he founded the Presbyterian Eye, Ear and Throat Charity Hospital, the first institution of the kind in this city, nearly all of whose work is for the benefit of those outside of its fold.

"He was a director of the Home of the Incurables and connected with many other organizations of charity and good works.

"With a heart in sympathy with the suffering he had a replica of Thorwaldsen's statue of Christ placed in the vestibule of the Johns Hopkins Hospital, that trusting in Him it represented, the sufferer might find rest and comfort for body and soul.

"He knew the virtue of patriotism and the lesson of patriotic example. He retained his affection for the land of the heather and thistle, as of the race from which he sprung, and caused the heroic statue of William Wallace, who died for Scotland's liberty, to be placed by the lake in Druid Hill Park as an ever-present memorial to patriotic duty whether successful or not.

"Mr. Spence became a member of this Society in October, 1854, and continued in active membership uninterruptedly until his death, a period of sixty-one years. He knew its value. That the efforts of our ancestors to found this colony and defend it against aggression was the great heritage of its sons. He feared the luxury of success as bringing on enervation of the patriotic spirit, and believed that nothing could keep alive the sense of duty to country so well as the story of the struggles of our ancestors to establish this State and the heroic deeds of the Maryland Soldiers to maintain and save it. And this knowledge our Society fostered and this patriotic spirit it inculcated in printing and publishing the records of the wise and brave of our people who had gone before us.
“And so, full of years and service, in the faith of his fathers which enabled him to meet the event with confident hope of a better life, he has gone from our midst into the world that is beyond.

A. C. Trippe,
Isaac T. Norris,
W. Hall Harris,
Wm. M. Pegram,
Richard M. Duvall,
Committee.”

General Trippe called attention to the fact that in the death of Wm. Wallace Spence the Society had lost the last surviving member who had joined upon the demise of the Baltimore Library Company. Mr. Spence, however, was, he said, more than a connecting link between the old and the new and between the past and the present. Mr. Spence had continued young in years and in spirit, never losing his interest in the problems of the day, nor his desire to see their successful outcome. Towards the accomplishment of these things he continued unto the end to expend his best efforts. The motion of General Trippe moving the adoption of the minute was duly seconded.

Governor Warfield in expressing his appreciation of the keen interest which the late Mr. Spence had always taken in the Society, and for the valuable assistance which he had rendered it, called for a vote upon the resolution. By a rising vote the motion adopting the resolution was passed unanimously.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.
Maryland Records: colonial, revolutionary, county and church, from original sources by Gains Marcus Brumbaugh, volume I, 1915 (editions of 600 copies), large octavo, pp. x + 513.

Under this title Dr. Brumbaugh has gathered a miscellany of Maryland historical and genealogical material, which will be useful to the investigator. The book is good in its typography and paper. Some of the documents are reproduced in photographic facsimile, which, of course, ensures accuracy, but, when reduced from the size of the original, is not so legible in some cases, as ordinary type and the use of these facsimiles adds considerably to the cost of the work. It might have been wished that all of the census of 1776 should have been published in one volume, but we are grateful for the privilege of possessing part of it in conveniently accessible form, and hope that further facts will appear in some later volume. The varied character of the information contained in the volume before us may be seen from the contents: Census of 1776 for parts of Prince George’s, Anne Arundel, Charles and Frederick Counties; marriage licenses for Prince George’s County, 1777-1800, and for St. Mary’s County, 1794-1864; two militia muster rolls of Prince George’s County, 1799; early birth and marriage records and tombstone inscriptions from All Saints’ Parish, Frederick County; and poll list of presidential election of 1796 for Frederick County. The last named document has a considerable interest, as the vote was taken before the days of secret ballot, and each voter is recorded with the party for whose nominee he cast his vote.

In the Journal of the American Irish Historical Society, vol. 14, at p. 207, there is an article by Michael J. O’Brien on “Irish Pioneers in America”; and at page 215, “Irish Statesmen in Maryland” by the same author.

The Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society, (April, 1915) contains the continuation of the “Bibliography
of American Newspapers, 1690-1820," by Clarence S. Brigham. Pages 130 to 192 are devoted to Maryland Newspapers, and the list here given is important and valuable to students and investigators.

The Hord Family of Virginia: A supplement to the Genealogy of the Hord Family, compiled by Rev. Arnold Harris Hord. n. p. 1915, pp. 120.

CORRECTION.

Merryman Family.

Md. Hist. Mag., vol. x, no. 3 (September, 1915), page 297:
Nicholas Bosley Merryman married Willie McCleskey (not McCloskey).

Elijah Gitting Merryman, b. 19 Feby. 1858.
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