

of April, brought in there. a Register ship, the Cargo of which is computed to be worth 100,000*l.* Sterling. She gave chase to the Enterprize, believing her to be a Merchantman, and coming up with her, was undeceived by a broadside, which almost sunk her, and would infallibly have prov'd their Misfortune, had it not been for the Generosity of one of her Officers; who shewed the English the Leak, and assisted in stopping it; owing it was only Justice to make the Discovery to brave men, who had fought for her, and fairly won her. Ever since she was carried into Port-Royal, the Officers and crew had been maintain'd by capt. Holmes, greatly to his and his Country's Honour, and much to their Satisfaction.

On the 11th Instant, *John Taylor*, Jun. Esq; only Son of the Hon. *John Taylor*, Esq; one of his Majesty's Council of this Colony, was married, at the House of *Ralph Wormly*, Esq; in *Stadifax*, to Miss *Rebecca Plater*, Daughter of the Hon. *George Plater*, Esq; one of His Majesty's Council of the Province of *Maryland*.

We hear from several parts of the Country, that many Negroes, Horses, and Oxen, have dropt down at their Work, thro' the excessive Heat of the Weather; some of which have recover'd, and others died on the Spot.

Custom House, ANNAPOLIS, Entered,
Schooner Peggy, William Davis, from Virginia.
Cleared for Departure,
Schooner Mulberry, John Garrett, for Boston;
Sloop Kent, Edmund Barrett, for Rhode Island;
Sloop Humming-Bird, John West, for Virginia;
Sloop Ranger, George Ferguson, for Boston.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

Prince George's County, August 6, 1747.

RAN away from the Subscriber, near *Patuxent Iron-Works*, about a Month ago, a likely young Mulatto Fellow, Slave to Mr. *John Hepburn*, and Apprentice to the Subscriber; he had on a Cotton Waistcoat, an Osnabrigs Shirt, and Leather Breeches: He has been at Mr. *Hepburn's* Quarter, near *Marlborough*, and frequently seen in that Neighbourhood. Whoever brings the said Slave to the Subscriber, shall have Twenty Shillings Reward, besides what the Law allows.

RENALDO MONK.

Baltimore County, August 4, 1747.

STRAYED from the Subscriber, living near the *Garrison Ridge*, in *Baltimore County*, on the 8th of May last, a Sorrel Horse, about 14 Hands high, has a small Blaze in his Face, several Saddle Spots on his Back, and is branded on the near Buttock TF, both in one Letter, and had a Bell on when he went away: He was seen about 4 Miles below Mr. *Snowden's* Iron-Works, on *Patuxent River*. Whosoever takes up the said Horse, and gives Notice to the Subscriber, so as he may have him again, shall have fifteen Shillings Reward; and reasonable Charge: it brought home.

THOMAS NORRIS.

Queen-Anne's County, near *Queen's Town*, Aug. 3. 1747.

TO BE SOLD, for Bills of Exchange, Current Money, or shippable Tobacco,

A LARGE sortment of English and India Goods, at reasonable Rates, in Wholesale or Retail, by
CHARLES BROWNE.

Prince George's County, Aug. 10. 1747.

THE Subscriber intends for Great-Britain, in the *Queen Elizabeth*, Capt. *Benjamin Clark*. All Persons that have Accounts with him are desired forthwith to Settle.

JOSEPH BELT, junior.

JUST IMPORTED from Barbadoes, in the Sloop *Chester-Town*, John Seager Master,

CHOICE Mountain Malaga Wine, in Quarter Casks. To be Sold by the Subscriber, at the Widow *Burman's*, near the Dock in *Annapolis*.
ANDREW HENDERSON.

STRAYED or Stolen, from the Plantation of the Subscriber, at the Head of *Severn*, a middle siz'd forrel Horse; he has a long Switch Tail, and a large blind Brand on his Buttock and Shoulder.

Whoever takes him up, and brings him home, shall have Fifteen Shillings Reward, and Charges.

THOMAS GOUGH.

Whereas we have lately seen in this, and *Pennsylvania* Gazettes, an Advertisement of *Robert Sutcliffe*, wherein he asserts a pretended Right to about 470*l.* Sterling, due from us, and thereupon has made several groundless and unjust Reflections on us. Therefore, to prevent it's making any Impressions on our Prejudice, on the Minds of Readers who are unacquainted with the Affair, we think it necessary to inform them, That at the last Provincial Court held for this Province, we obtained a Judgment for an Attachment against the Effects of *Robert Sutcliffe*, and *Wells Bowen*, for a considerable Balance due to us; and that before *Robert Sutcliffe* left this Province, we often propos'd to him to leave our Accounts to indifferent Merchants, or other Gentlemen here, to be settled (as Mr. *Sprigg* had to him in *London*, to Merchants in this Trade, which he declined); and have done the same to his Attorneys in fact, before and since he went away, which they all have refused to do; and that we are still willing to do the same, altho' we have little Doubt of having the Effect of our Judgment; that then it will best appear to the World wherein either of us have done the other injustice, or have been ungrateful. But we declare that we are not willing to have our Accounts arbitrated at *Philadelphia*, because we are apprehensive that the Merchants there may not be acquainted with the Customs of our Trade; and because the settling our Affair at so great a Distance from our Habitations will necessarily be attended with a great deal of Trouble, Lots of Time, and Expence, and put us under Difficulty to get our Witnesses there; and if he should delay the Settlement, he will thereby effect what he threaten'd, to plague us all he could. That as he by his Advertisement has owned the Possession of our Bond, and has not denied that it is fully paid and satisfied, we submit to the Judgment of others the Justice of his Refusal to deliver it up, and whether we are not justifiable in publishing what we did to prevent the Assignment of it, since we never heard, 'til his Advertisement, what became of it, or the Use he intended to make of it. As the rest of his Advertisement relates to a Discourse with *John Hepburn*, Esq; concerning our Bond, we refer the Reader to his Letter, for the Truth of *Robert Sutcliffe's* Assertions relating thereto.

OSBORN SPRIGG,
THOMAS CLARK,
JOSEPH BELT, Junior.

'Messieurs *Sprigg*, *Clark*, and *Belt*,
'Gentlemen,

Marlborough, Aug. 4, 1747.

IN Answer to yours of the first Instant, I assure you, that on reading Mr. *Robert Sutcliffe's* Advertisement, I was much surpriz'd at that Paragraph wherein he asserts, that on his leaving *Maryland*, you got me to endeavour to get your Bond from him, by Arguments with which you furnish'd me; a Fact he well knew to be absolutely false. I never in any Manner apply'd to get your Bond from him, or any Person concern'd for him; nor was I ever desired so to do by either of you: On the contrary, the last Time I saw Mr. *Sutcliffe*, after some Conversation on an Account of my own, he introduced the Subject of your and his Difference in Accounts, and of his detaining your Bond: At his Request I look'd over his Account against you, and objected to some Articles of Charge, that I thought unprecedented in the Tobacco Trade, and that could not be supported: He then told me, that on his State of the Account (of which he would give up no particular Article), there was a Balance due him of 460*l.* If you would pay him 400*l.* he would give up the remaining 60*l.* and your Bond; or if you would enter into Bonds to arbitrate the Accounts by Merchants at *Philadelphia*, where only he could expect an impartial Adjustment of them; that then he would leave your Bond in my Hands to be deliver'd up, otherwise he would make every Use he could of it, to compel the Payment of the Sum he claimed. I freely told him my own Sentiments, how unlikely either of the Proposals were to take Effect; and how ill it appear'd to me to detain that Bond, the Payment of which I had seen very fully acknowledged by a Receipt in your Hands; tho' I was well assur'd, the Bond could not avail him to the Purposes he intended: He then answer'd me, that he knew it was not strictly justifiable, but that you had used him ill, and he was determin'd to fight you with your own Weapons; on which Answer I dropt the Subject. As to the low Reflection design'd on me think it too contemptible to deserve any Notice: I am,

Gentlemen,

Your humble Servant,

JOHN HEPBURN.