

180 men, 14 carriage guns and 30 swivels, in 33 days from Cape Francois, during which time they had taken 6 prizes. Standing in again for the shore, they saw two sloops lying at an anchor in Townsend's inlet, about 16 miles northward of Cape May; and manning out their two boats, they sent them in to take them, which was done accordingly.

A boat belonging to one of these sloops was given to about 27 prisoners to carry them to the Jersey shore. While they were on board the Clinton, they learnt that he had been out from Cape Francois between 8 and 9 weeks, and had taken eleven prizes, five of which they had cut out of Ocricoe, in North Carolina; and that there were then fourteen sail of privateers cruising between Sandy Hook and South Carolina.

Yesterday arrived here Capt. Thomas Blake, late of the schooner Martha, bound from Georgia for this place, laden with white sugar, &c. taken by the sloop La Fortune, capt. Ramong from the Havanna, of 10 carriage guns, consort to the St Michael, and bound into Delaware to join her; this privateer came up on the Jersey side of the bay and mis'd her consort, who went down the other channel; she had her prisoners at Cohansey, and returned to the Capes. While the prisoners were on board they learnt, that 4 sail more of Spanish privateers were fitting out for this coast. This sloop had taken Capt. Edwards in a sloop from St. Kitts, bound hither with W. India goods. At the same time came Capt. Thompson, who had been bound from Virginia to Scotland, taken off the coast; and Capt. Roberts who had been taken in a ship bound from Jamaica to London, by a French privateer, after an engagement of 4 hours, in which the enemy lost 12 men, & Capt. Roberts one.

The Sloop Success, Thomas Jacobs master, was also taken by the St. Michael, on the 22d past bound from Boston to Edenton; they burnt her at sea. She also took in the river the sloop Mary and Jennet, John Gooding, master, of Appoquinimy, laden with flour and wheat.

Two Boston vessels were also drove ashore at the Capes last week by a privateer, who sent her boat & plundered one of them.

Yesterday we also heard from Lewis Town, that four sail were taken in the Offing on Sunday morning last, in sight of the Cape, but who they were is yet unknown. And that a sloop from Boston to Virginia being chased into Lewes road, came to an anchor under the command of the guns of their battery; the enemy however sent in their boat to cut her out; but some shot from the cannon on shore striking near the boat, they put about hastily and went off; and the sloop was afterwards got safe into the creek.

Soon after it was known that the enemies privateers were in our river, a subscription was proposed to raise a sum of money, either by way of gift, or of advance to the government, in expectation of being repay'd by the assembly when they should next meet, in order to fit out immediately one or more arm'd vessels, to clear the bay and coast, and protect our trade: But it seems to be at a stand at present; the little thanks and great censure those met with, who generously equip'd the Warren for the same purpose last year, together with the consideration of the last message from the assembly, having very much discouraged it. As foreign trade is now at a stand, and the port as much shut up, as if the river was frozen. 'Tis tho't the damage already done by the enemy is many times greater than the expence that might have been sufficient, with God's blessing, to prevent it. But that which would have been easy for ALL to bear, is really too hard for a few.

June 9. Friday last arrived here Capt. Drefon, from Madeira, who informs us, that a Spanish Privateer, that had for some Time infested that Coast, was taken, and brought in there by the Chesterfield Man of War.

Sunday last came up here Capt. Scurlock, from Providence, who says, that on Thursday last, in the Morning, about five or six Leagues off of Cape May, he was chased for two Hours by a Brig. which he supposed to be an Enemy.

By Capt. Palmer, from Barbadoes, there is Advice, that Admiral Osborne, in his Majesty's Ship Tilbury, of 60 Guns, and the Sloop Speedwell, with the Fleet under their convoy, were all safe arrived there: And that they were still shut up at Martinico by our Men of War, and were in great Want of Provisions.

Since our last two French Flags of Truce from Hispaniola arrived in our River, one of which is taken by a Boat and Hands with a Commission from the Government of the Jerseys, and carried to Burlington for Condemnation: She had before been plundered of her most valuable Goods by a Providence Privateer. The other is seiz'd by the Collector of his Majesty's Customs of this Port. 'Tis said there is another in this River, and that more are expected. There is Advice by these Flags, that a very large French Fleet lies at Cape Fran-

cois, waiting for convoy to return Home; that they were in great Want of Provisions, and under continual Apprehensions of being attack'd by Admiral Knowles.

ANNAPOLIS, June 22.

We have certain Information, that Capt. James Goodridge, bound to Boston, in a fine Sloop called the *Sarab*, who loaded up the Bay, was taken a few Days ago, as he lay at Anchor off of York River, by a Privateer. They strip'd him, and then set him and his Boy ashore upon Cape Henry, and went off with the Sloop and the rest of the Crew.

We hear from Virginia, that the Loo Man of War has mann'd the Privateers which she took, and taken them out on a Cruise with her.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

TO be Sold by the Subscriber, Good Barbados Rum at 7s by the Gallon, clear Mu covado Sugar at 1s per Pound, Molasses at 5s per Gallon, bolted Flour at 17s 6 per Hundred, Pipes, Chocolate, and sundry other Goods, by
GABRIEL BUTLER.

TO BE LET by Caleb Dorsey, living near the Landing on Elk Ridge,

A Store-House, with all Conveniencies, ready fitted for keeping a Store, situate near the said Landing, at the Head of Patuxet-River; where is a Dwelling-House, a large Rolling-House with Weights and Scales, and several other Conveniencies, to be Let with the said Store, if required.

Just imported from London, in the Ship William, AN Assortment of European Goods, to be sold by the Subscriber in Baltimore-Town, at very reasonable Rates, for Cash or Bills of Exchange, he intending to leave the Province at the Sailing of the Fleet.

JOHN CAVAN, jun.
N. B. Any Person inclinable to purchase Half, or the Whole, may have them at 30 per Cent. Bills of Exchange.

THIS is to give Notice, That James Carr, has indentured himself, as a Servant, to the Subscriber: All Persons are therefore forwarn'd not to entertain, harbour, or any ways deal with, the said James Carr, without proper Leave from the Subscriber, on any Account whatever, as they will thereby avoid the Penalties inflicted by Act of Assembly, for Offences of that Kind, and which will surely be put in Execution against any Offenders in this Case.

WILLIAM CHAPMAN, jun.

TO BE SOLD by the Subscriber, by way of public Vendue, on Monday the first Day of August next, A very valuable Tract of Land, situate on the North Side of Patuxet-River, about three Miles above the Ferry, whereon is a Plantation with sundry Improvements, viz. two Dwelling Houses, a good Corn-House, Milk-House, and four good Tobacco-Houses, a large Orchard of 200 bearing Apple Trees, and a very rich Iron Mine. The Sale to be on the said Plantation at Twelve o' Clock, by

JOHN DORSEY, jun.

IF James Fenn, the Son of John Fenn, who came into this Country from England about ten Years ago, be now living, and will apply to Mr. James Wood, Chief Mate of the *William*, Capt. Samuel Wood, now lying in Patuxet, or to the Printer hereof, he will hear of something very much to his Advantage. He is tall of Stature, is a Ship-Carpenter by Trade, served his Time in London River, and; it is said, has work'd in Annapolis, and several other Places on the Bay.

JUST IMPORTED, in the Ship Baltimore, Capt. John Anter from London,

GREAT Variety of European and India Goods, at very reasonable Rates, for ready Money, or Bills of Exchange, by the Subscriber, at his Store over against Mr. Bordley's, near the Stadt House in Annapolis.
JOHN RAITT.

RAN away from the Subscriber, of Dorchester County, on the 29th of May past, an Irish Convict Servant Man, named Owen Carter, about 20 Years of Age, of middling Stature, and a likely smooth-fac'd Fellow, of a pretty good Complexion. He had a check Shirt, striped long Breeches, an old brown Summer Coat, and a short white Jacket. It is suspected that he is gone towards Philadelphia. Whoever takes up the said Run-away, and returns him to his Master, or secures him so that he may be had again, shall have Five Pounds Reward, paid by

WILLIAM BRUCE.