

Dec. 2. It was yesterday evening reported, that Tangiers, Tetuan, and Sallee, had declared war against the English.

The merchants in the Turkey trade are in great pain for the Levant, expected from Leghorn; as she has a great quantity of silk on board, and has been sailed from thence about 65 days; eight guineas insurance has been given upon her.

Dec. 9. We hear that of the 18000 men on the establishment of Great-Britain this year, 6000 will be kept on road duty in Scotland; as well to protect the vassals of that kingdom, during the operations of the new laws, for abolishing the tyranny of Highland chiefs.

Dec. 12. A number of men of war are ordered to be fitted for the Mediterranean, which 'tis said Sir Edward Hawke will command, to scourge the insolence of the Sallee men, &c.

Dec. 14. Capt. Ellis, who went as agent with the Dobbs and California galleys to find out the North-West passage, has, we hear, on being examined and approved on by Lord Anson, and others, obtained a commission from his majesty, as commodore of three sloops of war, to make the same attempt again, as afo to try other discoveries.

BOSTON, January 30.

A particular Account of the late Fire which happened at Worcester.

The house of Mr. Joshua Biglow took fire, while all the family, to the number of eleven persons, were securely asleep in their beds; and not only the house, but all the valuable things in it, were soon consumed to ashes. One of the Daughters, a young woman about 16 years of Age, and lodged in a chamber over the room where the fire began, being awaked by the smoke, gave notice to the rest of the house; and the most of them, with the utmost difficulty, escaped out of the windows, without having time to put on their cloaths, and retired to the barn, where they sat in extrem cold for near an hour. 'Till some neighbours could come to their relief. Mr. Biglow and his wife were most miserably burnt, and some of the children much scorched; but, which is the most sorrowful circumstance of all, the young woman who first awaked and gave the notice, and who went back to take care of an infant child, which she was instrumental of saving by throwing it out of the chamber window, did herself perish in the flame, together with a brother of about 18 years. The bones which could be found, were promiscuously gather'd up, and decently buried the same day.

February 12. By Capt. Dowers we learn, that his excellency governor Shirley was most graciously received by his majesty; and that he is appointed one of the commissioners, going to the court of France to settle the line between his majesty's territories in North America, and those of the French king.

Further we hear, that, by his Excellency's influence and application, the Canada bills are put into a good way, and it is thought will soon be paid.

Last Saturday morning, about two o' clock, a fire broke out at the tavern on the end of the Long Wharf, commonly called the Cape-Cod house; which was entirely consumed, together with the furniture, plate, liquors, &c. to a very considerable value: The people therein being awaked by somebody abroad that first discovered the fire, had but just time to save their lives.

KINGSTON (in Jamaica), December 16.

This day an unfortunate accident happened, by which all the powder tents, and houses, at Masquito bay were blown up, trees torn from their roots, and upwards of 14 white people, and a great number of negroes, were killed, and many of both colour wounded: Mr. Martell, the engineer, his wife, and several gentlemen and ladies who were there, and suffered, are in a fair way of recovery. We have no other probable way of thinking what could occasion this sad accident, except that the same morning some people were starting of bomb-shells, which they piled up; and 'tis imagined one or more of them rolling down from the pile, struck fire to as to occasion the loose powder to catch, and communicated itself to the started powder, which was near one of the tents, and occasion'd the whole explosion. It is computed that no less than 700 barrels of powder blew up; besides many live shells bursting, which did the most considerable damage. The new works and tents there are not much damaged.

We are assured, that admiral Pizarro is arrived at Carthagena from Old Spain, as vice king, and that there is likewise arrived a president at Panama and Porto Bello; and that they are resolved, as much as in them lies, to hinder any of the ships from sailing with them. Soon after the president of

Panama's arrival, he embarked on board the Mercury sloop, Capt. George Cunningham, of this island, and proceeded to Porto Bello.

ANNAPOLIS.

We hear that *Margaret Mahaffy*, who has been sundry Times mentioned, as supposed to have been concerned in the Murder of her late Husband, in *Cecil County*, will receive her Tryal at the Bar of the Provincial Court, which is now sitting.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

To be SOLD by PUBLIC VENDUE,

On Tuesday the 15th Day of May next, at the House of the Subscriber in Annapolis,

SUNDRY Sorts of Household Furniture, consisting of Beds, Bedding, Chairs, Tables, Bras, Pewter, and several other Goods, too tedious to mention; for Ready Money only. The Sale will begin at three o' Clock in the Afternoon.

GEORGE DOWNEY.

To be SOLD.

A TRACT of Land, lying on the Eastern Branch of *Potomack River*, conveniently situated for Trade; with a large handsome new Dwelling-House, having four Rooms on a Floor; a good Kitchen, Milk-House, Store-House, Meat-House, Corn-House, Stables, and other Out-House, a fine large Orchard, and a Negro Quarter. Any Person inclining to purchase the same, may know the Terms of sale, by applying to

JOHN LEVITT.

For LONDON,

The Ship *PRUDENCE*, now lying in *Patuxent River*, Capt. FOWER Commander,

WILL Sail with all possible Expedition, having a great Part of her Loading already engaged; takes in Tobacco, with Liberty of Consignment, at Seven Pounds Sterling per Ton.

For Freight or Passage, agree with Capt. *Michael Hubbert* in *Baltimore Town*, Mr. *David Arnold* at *Lower Marlborough*, Mr. *John Raitt* in *Annapolis*, or the late Master on board.

ALL Persons indebted to the Estate of *Osborn Sprigg*, Esq; late High Sheriff of *Prince George's County*, Deceased, are desired to make speedy Payment: And all those who have any legal Demands on the said Mr. *Sprigg's Estate*, are requested to bring in their respective Claims to Mr. *Baruch Williams*, or to

RACHEL SPRIGG, Executrix.

April 4, 1750.

ON Tuesday, the 1st Day of May next, will be Run for at *Upper Marlborough*, in *Prince George's County*, a Prize of THIRTY POUNDS, *Maryland Currency*. And

On Wednesday, the Day following, will be Run for, at the same Place, a Prize of FIFTEEN POUNDS; by any Horse, Mare, or Gelding; each Horse, &c. to carry 120 lb. Weight; and to run three Heats, two Miles each Heat; the winning Horse on the first Day, to be excepted on the second.

The Horses, &c. to be Enter'd with *Benjamin Barry* and *Benjamin Brookes*, on each Day of Rating, by Ten o' Clock in the Morning; and to pay Thirty Shillings on the first Day, and Fifteen Shillings on the second.

All Differences and Disputes, if any arise, to be determined by Mess. *Clement Hill* and *Basil Waring*.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Subscriber, living near *Pickawaxan Church* in *Charles County*, makes and mends all Sorts of Jeweller's and Silver-smith's Work, in the neatest, best, and cheapest Manner; and engraves all Sorts of Coats of Arms, or any other Kind of Engraving. Any Gentlemen that have Occasion to employ me in any of the above Sorts of Work, may depend on being faithfully and expeditiously served, by

Their humble Servant,

JEREMIAH LEVI.

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A NURSE with a good Breast of Milk, of a healthy Constitution, and good Character, that is willing to go into a Gentleman's Family. Such a one may hear of very good Encouragement, by enquiring of the Printer hereof.