hours they return'd home with light hearts and a loaded boat. This enabled him to add fish to his store, and by degrees, such a number of boats and necessary materials, as raiss'd him from the degree of a poor parson, to that of an eminent merchant. Gain produced an emulation among the people, who should be most industrious. The clergyman divided the profits fairly, and settled a correspondence with the merchants at Cork, who took off all the fish as fast as they could cure and barrel them. By this means, the poor village of Bantry grew gradually into a handsome town, filled with artificers and tradesmen. When the clergyman had brought his designs to this happy period, he left the future conduct to his son, and betook himself to the more peculiar care of his flock; and at length having succeeded far beyond his hopes, banish'd ignorance, indolence and poverty, and constituted in their head, religion, industry and wealth, he left this world for a better; and his son one of the most eminent merchants in Ireland.....I have only to add, that this story gave the first hint of that glorious project now on foot, for establishing the WHITE HERRING FISHERY.

NEW-YORK, August 13.

Extract of a Letter from Halifax, dated July 22, 1750.

"Your favour of the 7th of May, found me at Minas, which is about one hundred miles up in the country, where I have been since the 6th of April, and am return'd but yesterday: We went from hence with about 400 men, in order to take possession of the Isthmus, which is between the Bay Verte, and Bay Fundy; but when we came there, behold we found all the Indians of the river St. John's, all the Mickmack tribes of Indians, in number about 700, with the same number of disaffected French inhabitants, and about 200 regular troops, ready to receive us, making in all about 1600 fighting men, and their situation so good, that if we had had an equal number to theirs, we should have found it a difficult matter to have dislodged them; therefore we thought it most prudent to defer the attempt of taking possession, until a more favourable opportunity, (which I hope will not be long e'er it happens.) If we get possession of this neck of land, with a good fort on it, it will be out of the power of all the Indians in America to disturb us; tho' we do not get it this summer, yet we shall the next.

About 15 days ago I had a hard brush with a body of the rebel French, and about 50 Indians, on the Cobiquid side of the bay of Minas: I endeavour'd to surprize them in the night, but the black-arses kept too good a guard, and I was disappointed in this attempt; however I attacked them about half an hour after day break, with one hundred men with me; and tho' they were very well posted in a thick wood, yet after our second fire they quitted it, and fled to the village de Bourke which was just near them, thinking to keep possession of it; but we rushed on them and beat them from thence, setting up the Indian howl after them all the time we chased; a great many of them may thank their heels for their lives; we killed three of them, and I believe wounded many; and we had but one man killed, and none wounded.——We have built a very fine fort in the heart of the country, (tho' we were threatened to be devour'd before we could get it half finish'd) which commands the river St. Croix and Diziquid, and overlooks seven villages: The land about the fort, and where the villages are, is extremely rich; all the inhabited lands in the back parts of this country is extremely fertile, and situated near five navigable rivers, in which rivers the tide rises at full Moon about fifty or sixty foot.

PHILADELPHIA, August 9.

By late advices from England, we are assured, that on the 15th of May last, after a hearing of six days, in the cause depending in the high court of chancery, between the honourable the proprietaries of the province of Pennsylvania complainants, and the right honourable the lord Baltimore, proprietor of the province of Maryland, defendant; wherein the complainants demanded the specific performance of an agreement executed in the year 1732, for running two lines as boundaries of Pennsylvania and the three lower counties; the lord chancellor, after declaring that he had not taken time to consider the matter from any doubt on which side the equity of the cause lay, but as it was an affair of great extent and consequence, to view it in all its parts, decreed, That the agreement subsisted, and was obligatory on the parties; That they should within three months sign commissions to seven persons, who, or any three of them, should have authority to run the lines according to the agreement; and particularly directed in the decree, That effectually to inforce the execution of the decree, and avoid unfair proceedings, the cause should be left open, for the more easy application of either party, as in the cause, for redress; and that the defendant should pay the plaintiffs charges, occasioned by the defendant's commissioners endeavouring to violate the agreement, the expences of executing the commission to examine witnesses in America, and all other costs in the suit.

ANNAPOLIS.

Since our last, we have collected some further Account of the *Spanish* Fleet, which met with bad Weather at Sea, and were, some of them, forced into *Norfolk*. We are assured that the whole Fleet, which left the *Havanna*, consisted of three Galleons, four Register Ships, one Brigantine, and one Sloop, under Convoy of one *Spanish* Man of War of 50 Guns: They were parted at Sea by bad Weather. One of the Galleons, a Register Ship, and the Sloop, are at *Norfolk*, and have brought in a vast Sum of Money; the Galleon had 350 Chests of Dollars on board, and a great Quantity of Cochineal, Sugar, Indigo, Cocoa, and Dying-Wood: One Passenger on board her had 200,000 Dollars, and a great Quantity of Diamonds. They lost all their Masts, and flung over all their Guns, which were 40, at Sea; and when she came into *Norfolk*, had fourteen Feet Water in her Hold. The other Ship belongs to the *Portugueze*, her Cargo consisting of Cocoa, Cochineal and Money; having 600,000 Dollars register'd, and a great Quantity besides. The Brigantine, as we mentioned before, was lost; but all, or the greatest Part of her Money saved. The Man of War, called (in *English*) the *Greyhound*, commanded by Capt. *Connell*, an *Irish* Gentleman, after losing all her Masts, Rudder, and Guns, at Sea, drove ashore on *Matchepungo* Shoals, off *Worcester* County, in this Province, with 7 Feet Water in her Hold; where she now lies a Wreck. After she struck, the People hoisted out her Boats, but they stove alongside, being about a quarter of a Mile from the Shore; after which they made a Raft, on which they brought a good deal of Money ashore; but two Men, and two Chests of Money, were wash'd off and lost; and two other Men, attempting to swim ashore, had tied so much Money round their Waists, that they sunk with it, and were drowned. The Captain hired two Sloops to carry his Men, and what Money they could save, round to *Elizabeth in Virginia*. She had on board, besides Money, *Spanish* Snuff, *Spanish* Tobacco, and a great Quantity of Mohogany, the best which could be got, for the King of *Spain*'s new Palace at *Madrid*. The People at and about *Worcester* County, are every Day, in good Weather, fishing what they can out of her, and have found a considerable Booty.

By the Man of War's being lost, about 20 *Englishmen*, who had been made Prisoners by the *Spaniards*, and were on board her, have got their Liberty. One of the Men belonged to Capt. *Walter Wrench*, in a fine Ship from *Virginia*; who, we hear, was seized at the *Havanna*, where Capt. *Wrench* now remains a Prisoner.

What is become of the rest of the *Spanish* Fleet, we have not as yet heard.

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WILLIAM STEUART.

IN Pursuance of a late Act of Assembly, Notice is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of *John Carmack*, in *Frederick* County, the Two following Strays; *viz.*

A large Bay Mare, a natural Pacer, with one white Foot, several Saddle Spots on her Back, and branded on the near Shoulder C R, and on the near Buttock S, both brands very plain to be seen.

A Grey Mare full of black Spots, and has been Burnt for the Fistula, branded on the near Shoulder and Cushion W, and with a Blotch on both Buttocks.

The Owner or Owners, may have them again, on proving their Property, and paying Charges.