

For some nights past two notorious pickpockets, very generally dress'd, with rich laced waistcoats, have picked the pockets of several women on Ludgate-hill, and thereabouts; which they effect by pretending to be in liquor, and requesting a kiss of any well dress'd woman they meet; and whilst one of them holds her in his arms the other picks her pocket.

This morning early two smugglers escaped out of Newgate, by tying pieces of linnen together, and thereby sliding down into Picenix Court in Newgate street.

The several persons lately taken on the coast of Suffolk, charged with smuggling, are ordered from Horsham to Newgate, to take their trials at the Old Baily.

August 30. Yesterday morning early, two persons of distinction went into Hyde-Park, with an intent to fight a duel at sword and pistol, but were prevented by a centinel on guard. [Metinks our Gentlemen of Distinction are become great Fighters with one another, since the Conclusion of the Peace with France and Spain; who during the War were as civil and pacific as any of our Neighbours.]

September 1. According to letters from Lisbon, the French Squadron that lately put into that harbour, and is since sailed from thence, must be gone to the West Indies, as it has a large quantity of warlike stores on board.

September 3. Last Thursday Thomas Stanley was examined before John Copeland and William Browning, Esqrs. when several gentlemen appearing, who have lately been robbed in the county of Surrey, he was, on the Oath of William Clark, Esq; charged with robbing him of a gold watch and half a guinea in money on the 24th. of August last, near Brixton Causeway in the said county; and on the Oath of Dr. Slocock for assaulting and robbing him at the same time and place; also on the Oath of Mr. Richard Prat, for robbing him between Kennington and Clapham, on the 17th of July last, of a purse of money, gold watch, seal set in gold, &c. which were found upon him; he was committed to the New Goal.

We hear that the young Fellow, a clock case maker near Long lane, who was lately taken up for a robbery on the highway, has made such a full discovery of his accomplices, that near twenty persons in that neighbourhood are gone off.

Sept. 6. Tuesday was the first sale of the British pickled herrings at the Royal Exchange Coffee House behind the Change. There were four whole barrels, and fourteen half barrels, which sold in 18 lots. A very great number of buyers met on this joyful occasion, and such a spirit was shewn in purchasing, that one would have concluded that the bidders had the strongest idea of the numberless advantages which must accrue to our island from the establishment of this fishery. One of the whole barrels sold for 10l. 14s. and one of the half barrels for 7l. 14s. which is at the rate of 124l. per Last.

Sept. 6. Last Monday one Pearson, a Scotch taylor, began to walk in Tothil fields, three hundred miles, which he is to perform in six days, for a large wager. He is allow'd to walk every day from four in the morning till nine at night, he walk'd on Monday fifty miles, and had walk'd twenty five at twelve o'clock on Tuesday, but was an hour later in walking the fifty miles than he was the day before.

Windsor, Sept. 7. On Thursday the 6th instant one Edward Jenkins, a bargeman, was taken up by a warrant from lord chief justice Willes, and carried before justice Parr, and by him committed to Aylesbury Goal, where he was conducted under a strong guard. This Jenkins is thought to be the most expert fellow in his calling of any one bargeman upon the river. He was charged with several robberies on the highway in Windsor and Eton, by one George White an accomplice, when in Reading Goal; but he and two other prisoners, against whom White was to have given evidence, found means to beat him very cruelly, so that he died in about half an hour, afterwards; for want of whose evidence he was discharged by proclamation, and another man and his wife, for receiving stolen goods, were acquitted. They belong'd to a large notorious gang, who so much infested Windsor and Eton, and the places adjacent last winter; several of whom have lately been hang'd and transported.

B O S T O N, November 23. 1753

We have advice, That Capt. Cobb in the sloop York, being up at Cheparata, near Chinesto, discovering a schooner aground, he sent his boat to her, whereupon the men left her, and Capt. Cobb's people took possession of her; but not being able to get her off, and a number of the enemy coming down to the shore, they were obliged to quit her, taking only some

provisions and her sails away with them: As soon as the men returned to the sloop, Capt. Cobb fired into the schooner, until the tide arose so as to cover her and then came away. This was the schooner that was under convoy of the brigg lately taken by Capt. Rouse; her lading was chiefly Flour in bulk.

We hear from Chebuets, That the schooner Halifax, which sail'd from hence about three weeks ago, with a great number of passengers, and deep laden, and which was reported to be lost, was safe arrived there; having had one man wash'd overboard, and being obliged to clear the decks in the bad weather they met with.

A N N A P O L I S

We hear that a Death Warrant is issued for the Execution of two Negro Men, condemn'd in Charles County, for Breaking open a Merchant's Store there, in the Night, and Stealing from thence sundry Goods.

Last Friday sail'd from hence, the Ship Fanny and Betty, Capt. Charles Hargrave, for London, with whom went Passengers, Mr. Richard Chase, and Dr. John Stevenson, of Baltimore County.

The same Day sail'd the Snow Samuel and Sarah, Capt. Birshall, for London.

A D V E R T I S E M E N T S.

STOLEN or Strayed out of the Subscriber's Pasture, on the 7th Day of November last, a large Grey Gelding, branded on the near Shoulder T, and on the near Buttock B, some Saddle Spots on his Back, hanging Mane, Switch Tail, several black spots on his Buttocks, and his Gait is all very hard.

Whoever takes up the said Gelding, and brings him to the Subscriber, at West-River, shall have Twenty Shillings Reward.

JOSEPH COWMAN.

IN Pursuance of a late Act of Assembly, Notice is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Mr. Ely Dorsey, on Elk-Ridge, in this County, taken up as Strays, one Iron-Grey Mare branded on the near Shoulder with a Heart struck through with a Dart, has a standing and hanging Mane, long Sprig Tail, and paces fast; and her Colt, much of the same colour, and the same Brand, a natural Pacer, and near three Years old.

Their Owner may have them again, on proving Property, and paying Charges.

IN Pursuance of a late Act of Assembly, Notice is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Capt. John Goffaway, in Anne-Arundel County, taken up as a Stray, a small Bay Horse, no Brand to be seen, and seems to be a Riggling, has a large Slit in the near Ear.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

IN Pursuance of a late Act of Assembly, Notice is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Mr. Benjamin Wheeler, in Prince-George's County, taken up as a Stray, a middle siz'd Bay Horse, branded D L on one Shoulder, and T on the other Shoulder, and S on the Buttock, a small bit taken off the Top of each Ear, one white Foot, and a Star in his Forehead.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

IN Pursuance of a late Act of Assembly, Notice is hereby given, That there is at the Plantation of Mr. Basil Dorsey, on Elk-Ridge, in Anne-Arundel County, taken up as a Stray, a middle siz'd Dark Bay Stallion, a Bald Face, his Hind Feet white, and branded on the near Buttock W.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

IN Pursuance of a late Act of Assembly, Notice is hereby given, That there is in the Possession of Mr. Luke Marbury, in Prince-George's County, taken up as a Stray, a Grey Horse, branded R M.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.