

The gigantic Inhabitants of the Island discovered by Commodore Byron, had not, it is said, a single offensive Weapon amongst them, but (the dressed in Skins) had, almost generally, Bracelets of Gold upon their Arms; and were attended each with a Dog of an uncommon large Size.

July 1. Yesterday a Cause, which took up Five Hours in hearing, that greatly affects Mankind in general, was tried at Guildhall, before Lord Camden, against a late Commodore of a Squadron of his Majesty's Ships of War, for impressing from a Merchantman, a Free-born Englishman, on board his Ship, and turning him before the Mast for Fifteen Months; when the Jury, which was a Special one, brought in a Verdict for the Sailor of 400 l. it appearing in the Course of the Trial, that the honest Man was kept from his own Ship, an East-Indiaman, and left at Batavia, in the East-Indies, in 1763, from which Island, it is well known (since its being in Possession of the Dutch) it is very difficult for an Englishman to escape.

Same Day, between Six and Seven in the Evening, there was a most violent Storm of Thunder and Lightning, attended with such incessant Rain, as to render many of the Roads about London for some Time impassable. Highgate Hill, quite down to Holloway, appeared as if it had never been a High-Road; and great Damage was done in several Parts of London, by the Water running into Houses, Cellars, &c.

July 5. A few Days since died at Worcester, Mr. Baker, by Trade a Baker; supposed to be a larger and more corpulent Man than the late Mr. Edward Bright. His Coffin measured Seven Feet over at the broadest Part, was bigger than an ordinary Hearse, and was so large that Part of the Wall of the House was obliged to be pulled down in order to get it out: It is supposed to be able to contain Twenty Bushels Measure, and was carried to the Grave by Twenty stout Men.

July 15. Last Thursday the following odd Matter was discovered at Poplar. Two Persons had cohabited together as Man and Wife for upwards of Thirty-six Years, and kept a Publick-House in that Parish; but a short Time ago, the Wife being in a Decline, went to her Brother's in Essex for the Benefit of the Air, and, after some Stay, finding herself near her End, told her Brother, that the Person she cohabited with, was not her Husband, but a Woman; that they were Partners in the Business, by which they had acquired between 3 and 4000 l. Part of which was in Bank-Stock: As soon as the supposed Wife was dead and buried, her Relations set out for Poplar, to claim her Share of the Effects; but the pretended Husband refused to account with them; however, being hard pressed, owned that what the Deceased had declared was true; but early on Saturday Morning, having obtained Women's Apparel, absconded. The supposed Husband had served most of the Parish Offices, &c. The Cause of their living together in the above Manner, was owing to a Disappointment each had met with when young, in Affairs of Courtship.

**ANNAPOLIS, Sept. 25.**  
Thursday Evening last, Departed this Life at his House in Town, JOHN ROSS, Esq; a Gentleman who had served the Public with unblemish'd Reputation, in numerous Stations. At the Time of his Death he was one of the Aldermen of this City, and Lord Baltimore's Deputy Agent, having given up his other Public Employments some Years ago, on an Attack of the Apoplectic kind, a Renewal of which now carried him off, in the LXXXI<sup>st</sup> Year of his Age. Mr. Ross had been a Widower above Twenty Years, was a tender Parent, indulgent Master, and kind Neighbour.

We have just now received the melancholly News of the Death of JOHN BRICE, Esq; of this City, at the House of Mr. Samuel Hanson, in Charles County, Yesterday Forenoon. He was Chief Justice of the Province, an Alderman of the City, and one of the Judges of Assize for the Western Shore, and Died on the Circuit. By his Death his Family has lost a good Head, as Husband, Father, and Master. His Body is expected in Town this Evening.

This Morning arrived here the Sloop *Defiance*, Capt. Elias Howell, in Nine Weeks from Dublin, with 54 Indented Servants.

**To be SOLD by the Highest Bidder, on Wednesday the Eighth of October next, for Sterling Cash, good Bills of Exchange, or Crop Tobacco.**

**CHOICE Parcel of NEGROES**, amongst which are two very valuable Blacksmiths, with their Smiths Tools, also Household Furniture, Plate, and Cattle, for Sterling Cash, or good Bills of Exchange. If the Day appointed should prove to be foul Weather, the Sale will be on the next fair Day, and continue 'til all are sold.

ANNE HOLLAND, Executrix of William Holland.

**To be SOLD to the Highest BIDDER, on Wednesday the Eighth of October next, for Sterling Cash, good Bills of Exchange, or Crop Tobacco.**

**TWO Hundred Acres of valuable LAND**, lying in Charles County, near Allen's Fresh; the Soil is remarkably Rich, and a large Quantity of Meadow Ground may be had with clearing; there is on the Premises, several Improvements, viz. one new Dwelling-House 20 by 28 Feet, a double Brick Chimney, and Under-pinned with Brick, three Rooms below Stairs, and two above, all completely finished, a good Kitchen, Smoke-House, three 40 Feet Tobacco-Houses, and sundry other Out-Houses, all in good Repair.

Credit will be given for one Half of the Purchase Money, the other Half to be paid upon Acknowledgment of the Land. The Sale to begin at XII o'Clock, on the Premises, by

JAMES KEECH, junr.

**WANTED, a MILLER, and BAKER**, that understands baking Ship Bread. Any Person that comes recommended as qualified for either Business, may get Employment, by applying to Mr. James Swan, at Allen's Fresh Mills, in Charles County; or, to the Subscriber, at Port-Tobacco.

THOMAS CONTEE.

**WILLIAM PRUE**, having furnished himself with the best of Liquors, hereby acquaints the Public, that he has Open'd TAVERN at his House near Mr. Jacques's Store in Annapolis, where all Gentlemen, Travellers, and Others, who will favour him with their Custom, may depend on meeting with the best of Entertainment, and the kindest Usage.

He also carries on the Hat-making Business as usual, where Gentlemen may be supplied with all Sorts of Hats, made in the newest Fashion.

**Baltimore County, September 15, 1766.**

**RAN** away last Night from the Subscriber's Plantation, near the Northampton Furnace, in Baltimore County, Maryland, two Convict Servant Men, viz.

Stephen Pant, an Englishman, a Shoemaker by Trade, about 5 Feet 8 or 9 Inches high, about 24 Years of Age, swarthy Complexion, much pitted with the Small-Pox, short straight black Hair, has grey Eyes and looks very bold, much Knock-kneed, one of his Great Toes has lately been cut with an Ax, and is now sore: Had on and took with him, an old Cotton Jacket, two Osnabrig Shirts, Country Linen Trowsers, Felt Hat, old Shoes, with a Piece cut out against his fore Toe, a red Calf-Skin Knapsack, with the Hair outside, and has some Shoemaker's Tools in it.

John Garraughty, an Irishman, and has much of the Brogue, about 5 Feet 2 Inches high, 24 Years of Age, swarthy Complexion, short straight black Hair, black Eyes, looks very fierce, and has a large Scar across his Throat where he has attempted to cut it: Had on and took with him, an old Bearskin Coat, full trimm'd, with yellow Gilt Buttons, lined with green Tammy, and has Lappels to it, with a Pocket in the left Inside, Osnabrig Shirt, Country Linen Trowsers, an old Castor Hat, and old single Channel Pumps.

Whoever takes up the said Servants, and secures them in any Goal, so that their Masters may get them again, shall have Forty Shillings Reward if taken Ten Miles from Home, Four Pounds if Twenty Miles, and Six Pounds if out of the County, and Ten Pounds if out of the Province, or Half as much for either, and reasonable Charges if brought Home, paid by

CHARLES RIDGELY, senior.

N. B. The above Fellows had Iron Collars on when they went away: All Masters of Vessels are forewarn'd harbouring them at their Peril.

**County Jail for Debt**, hereby give Notice, that they intend to apply to the next General Assembly of this Province for Relief.

IGNATIUS GREEN,  
JOHN PUMERY,  
JAMES ALEXANDER,  
JOHN DONCASTLE,  
JOHN FULLFORD,  
THOMAS ROBERTS.

**PISCATAWAY RACES.**

**ON** Tuesday the Twenty-fifth of October next, will be Run for, about Half a Mile on the North Side of the Town, the Best of Three Heats, four Times round the Poles, which will be between 2 and 3 Miles to a Heat, A PURSE OF TWENTY POUNDS, free for any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, to carry, for 14 Hands, 126 Pounds Weight, and to rise and fall according to the Rules of Racing, and to pay Twenty Shillings Entrance, if belonging to a Subscriber, if not, or Entered at the Poie, to pay Thirty Shillings. A three Years old Horse to carry a Catch Rider, and to be Entered on the Monday before, with Messrs. Francis King, and Alexander Burrell, in Piscataway.

On the Day following will be Run for, three Times round the Poles to a Heat, A PURSE OF FIVE POUNDS, and the Entrance of both Days, free for any Horse, &c. as above, the Winning Horse the first Day only excepted, and to pay Ten Shillings Entrance, and Fifteen if not a Subscriber, to carry Weight as above.

Proper Judges will be appointed to determine all Disputes which may arise.

**Just Imported, in the Ship Planter's Friend, Capt. Robinson, from Barbados,**

**A** PARCEL of the best Barbados Rum, Spirit, and Sugar, in Hogheads and Barrels, very good Limes, Salt, old Sherry and Madeira Wine, Castile Soap, Oil, Capers, &c. to be sold by the Subscriber, at his Stores on Patuxent and Patowmack, for Bills, Cash, Tobacco, Wheat, Corn, and other Country Produce.—The above Ship will immediately load for London, and will take in Tobacco to Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Hanbury, Mr. Greve, or any other Merchant in London;—her whole Load, to a few Hogheads, is provided, so that she will be very soon ready to sail.

STEPHEN WEST.

I have got a little fine Sicily and Spanish Wheat for Seed; if such can be raised here, it will always sell well Abroad. I want a large Quantity of small white Beans, and Hommony Beans, for Exportation, and will give Four Shillings a Bushel for them for Seven Years.

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**COMMITTED to Charles County Jail** as a Runaway, a Servant Lad about 17 or 18 Years of Age, of a middle Size, who says his Name is William Newman, and belongs to John Burgess, at Elk-Ridge.

His Master is desired to take him away, and pay Charges.

CHARLES S. SMITH, Sheriff.

**FREDERICK-TOWN RACES.**

**ON** Monday the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of October next, will be Run for, on the usual Race-Ground in Frederick-Town, the Best of Three Heats, to be made Three Mile Heats, as near as the Ground will allow, A PURSE OF THIRTY PISTOLES, free for any Horse, Mare, or Gelding, each carrying 10 Stone Saddle and Bridle included.

And, on the Day following, upon the same Ground, and upon the same Conditions, will be Run for, A PURSE OF FIFTEEN PISTOLES, by any Number of Horses, Mares, or Geldings; the Winning Horse the preceding Day only excepted.

Every Person that puts in a Horse, Mare, or Gelding, for said Purse, shall Enter the same with Mr. George Stricker, on the Wednesday preceding the Race; and, for the second Day, on the Saturday; at the same Time shall pay One Guinea Entrance for the first Day, and Seventeen Shillings for the second Day; and if Entered after the aforesaid Time, shall, for the first Day, pay One and a Half Guineas Entrance; and for the second Day, Twenty-five Shillings.

The Time of Starting will be between One and Three o'Clock in the Afternoon.

Judges will be appointed to determine all Disputes that may arise.

Three reputed Running Horses to Start for the Purse, or no Race.

**COMMITTED to Charles County Jail** as a Runaway, a Man who says his Name is John Mackey, and that he belongs to Levi Stephen, Surveyor of Land in York Town, in Pennsylvania. His Master is desired to take him away, and pay Charges.

JOHN BOZMAN, Sheriff.

**Patuxent Iron-Works, Sept. 5, 1766.**

**To be LEASED for FIVE or SIX YEARS,**

**THE** Plantation whereon Henry Wright Crabb, Deceased, lately liv'd. It lies in Frederick County, about 12 or 14 Miles from George-Town. It has a very good Dwelling-House on it, with Three Rooms on the Lower Floor, and Three Above, together with a very good Kitchen, and all other Out-Houses, a Paled Garden and Yards; very fine Apple, Peach, and Cherry Orchards, and a large Timothy Grass Meadow. The Plantation is all in very good Repair, and is an exceeding fine one, either for Farming or Planting. Any Person inclinable to take a Lease of the same, may know the Terms by applying to

THOS. SAM<sup>l</sup>. and JOHN SNOWDEN.

**ANNAPOLIS, Sept. 11, 1766.**

**THE** Commissioners appointed by Lord BALTIMORE, give Notice, That on Wednesday the 22<sup>d</sup> of October next, being the 2<sup>d</sup> Day of the Provincial Court, they will meet at the Subscriber's House, in order to sell his Lordship's Manor of Collington, lying in Prince-George's County. The Authority of the Commissioners, and the Terms of Sale, may be known by applying to

JOHN CLAPHAM.

**ANNAPOLIS, September 9, 1766.**

**To be SOLD by the SUBSCRIBER, at his House next Door to Mrs. Wilkins's,**

**CHOICE BOHEA TEA**, at 7/6 per Pound by the Dozen, or 8s. the single Pound.

THOMAS B. HODGKIN.

**THE** Subscriber, having just supplied himself with a new and fresh Assortment of SADDLERY GOODS, hereby acquaints the Public, That he still continues to carry on the SADDLER'S BUSINESS in all its Branches, at the House where Cornelius Garretsen formerly lived, almost opposite to John Ball's, in Annapolis, where all his good old Customers, and Others, may depend on being supplied with any Articles in his Way, as cheap, if not cheaper, than can be imported, or had any where on the Continent: Those who please to indulge him with their Custom, may depend on being served with Care and Dispatch, by Their most humble Servant,

HENRY CATON.

He hopes those Gentlemen whose Accounts are above one Year standing, will assist him with their Balances, to enable him to carry on his Business.

**TO BE SOLD,**

**THE** following Plantations, &c. viz. Cubb Hills, lying on the Great Falls of Gunpowder, containing about 900 Acres. Tibbi's United Inheritance, lying on Middle River, containing 640 Acres.

The above Lands are well adapted either to the Planting or Farming Business. There is on both the Plantations, a Dwelling, and other convenient Houses, with Orchards, &c. and plenty of Timber; and on the former two or three Streams fit for Mills.

About 90 Acres of Land, lying at the Point in Baltimore.

Also, Three Houses and Lots in Baltimore-Town, all in good Repair, one of which is a noted Tavern, and now kept by Mr. Henry James.

Any Person inclinable to purchase, may know the Particulars, by applying to the Subscriber, living near the Premises, in Baltimore County.

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THOMAS SLIGH.

**Baltimore-Town, September 1, 1766.**

**I** DO hereby give Notice to all my Creditors, That I intend to apply to the next General Assembly, for an Act to be passed in my Favour, that on giving up all the Estate I have in the World, to the Use of my Creditors, I may be relieved out of Custody; and this my Request I hope will be approved of by my Creditors, who must reasonably think that my Family relies on me only for their daily Bread.

MATBURY HELMS, junr.