

lands in the West-Indies; and that whatever, of the manufacture or colonies, or which shall be imported into the same, shall after the be shipped from any of the said whatsoever, except Great-Britain or British islands in the West-Indies, and cargo.
 A limited time, and during this salt, or any goods or commodities of horses, vituals, and linen cloth, the manufacture of Ireland, and goods for majesty's ships, and for his majesty's, or of the produce of the British islands) shall be imported on any pretence; such goods be shipped in Great-Britain directly from thence, upon forfeiture of any vessel, not belonging to Great-Britain, or the islands of Guernsey or Jersey, after the limited time, carrying on any part of North America; or having on board any such fishery, unless the master pramander of any of his Majesty's ships of the superintendance of the American trade under the hand of the governor of New-England, New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland, South-Carolina, Georgia, West-Florida, setting forth that such vessel belongs to his Majesty's subjects of the said colony; it shall be lawful for any of his Majesty's ships of war to protect on of the fishery upon the coast of America, to seize and prosecute all such vessels, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to the French, Spanish, or Dutch fishing, and not carrying on any

N. B. The regulars when in Concord, burnt the court-house, took two pieces of cannon, which they rendered useless; and began to take up Concord bridge, on which Capt. (who, with many on both sides, were soon killed) made an attack upon the king's troops, on which they retreated to Lexington.
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 Canterbury. EB. WILLIAMS;
 P. S. Mr. M-Farlan of Plainfield, merchant, has just returned from Boston by way of Providence, who conversed with an express from Lexington, who further informs, that 4000 of our troops had surrounded the first brigade above-mentioned, who were on a hill in Lexington, that the action continued, and there were about 50 of our men killed, and 150 of the regulars as near as they could determine, when the express came away; it will be expedient for every man to go who is fit and willing.

The above is a true copy as received, per express from New-Haven, and attested to by the committee of correspondence, from town to town.
 Attest.
 Jonathan Sturgis,
 Andrew Rowland,
 Thaddeus Burr, } Committee.
 Job Bitram,

The above was received yesterday at 4 o'clock, by the committee of New-York, and forwarded to Philadelphia, by ISAAC LOW, Chairman of the committee at New-York.

To the proper Judges of Right and Wrong.
 (A story founded on fact.)

RECLUSIO had his lot in life fallen to him in a private part of his country; having a small settlement of land near the Sugar-loaf, which covers it on the west and north-west. On this land he had a plantation, which he cultivated and improved with pastures, meadow, fields, and along meandering lanes through it for the benefit of his flock, which he too took pleasure in seeing. All this he thought he had a right to do, and accordingly laid out, and appropriated this plantation to his own convenience and emolument. He had gates on both sides of his recluse, to admit the cheerful countenances of friendly acquaintance and strangers, whose kind conversation and company contributed to the happiness of his life.

The scene now changes! Contrary to *Reclusio's* expectations, these private rights of his have been invaded, and broke in upon; therefore, Mr. Printer, he desires you will publish some of his hermetical sentiments from your press, that the public may correct him if he is out. He does not think it good breeding to have his fences thrown down, and inroads made thro' his plantation. He does not deem it polite for men to forfake the open ways of men, and pass and repass through his swine-lane; especially with dogs after them; to fright his hogs from their food into the woods! He looks upon such practices to be not only ungentle and unneighbourly, but immoral, and too low for a creature of an upright face to practice, as it is not doing as they would be done by.

Neighbour to *Reclusio* was *Serpentine*, a man who has lain torpid the most part of his existence; he shuns the open ways of men, even when he steps into life! He despises the seven roads, and branches of roads in and through *Reclusio's* land, and would traverse the crooked turnings of his swine lane! This swine-lane passenger thus practising, set *Reclusio* upon invention, who found means to stop the intruder out of his by-road. *Serpentine*, thus topped, arms himself with hell revenge! He curtains this swine-lane story, and takes care, ever to leave out that part, by which the hearer may judge of it as it is. He plats the swine-lane, but never plats himself in it or his accomplices fearing the poor swine fro't in the food and range assigned them. *Serpentine* herein acts in character, but is this just? Is not he that speaks and acts but part of the truth a deceiver? And is not a deceiver, whether he speaks true or false, a liar in the most proper sense of the word? The vulgar think, if they speak words of truth, though it be but in part, they themselves are true: alas! Only try this by the word of truth itself. Let a person keep covered the former part of the first sentence in the reverse of the 14th or 15th psalm, and he will find it reads thus, *There is no God.* Now will any one say he is a true man who reads the scripture thus? Thus true, and thus only, has *Serpentine* been to the case between him and *Reclusio*.

Assured fame relates, *Serpentine* keeps a black scroll, on which he inscribes the names of those unhappy delinquents, he intends at fatal times to "throw chunks in their way!"—lay ye good men, ye learned divines say; is this right? lay too, ye sages in divinity, how deep must *Serpentine* bury his scroll, to prevent its resurrection.

Reclusio never gave *Serpentine* just cause of offence. There are some things set apart for their proper use; some privacies not to be broke in upon;—and is not a man's plantation one of these? will any well-bred man then, or even any man who has a soul, forsake a plain open way, to pull down fences, or skulk through a swine lane, without a proper decorum, and reasons given for so doing? but *Serpentine* grows worse by controul. No frequented place, sacred to its use, can keep out obtruders; even Eden itself, that once happy spot, was infested, and made unhappy by a serpent.

This case may seem a riddle to my country, But it is only a prelude to what must follow. *Serpentine*, it seems, is determined upon *Reclusio's* rights; and *Reclusio* in return, as determined he will never give them up, but will make his rights appear to his country, in whom he reits his confident trust. And that he shall be protected and defended in them, against the daring inroads of all usurpers.

CUSTOM-HOUSE
 ENTERED
 Brig James, John Smith, Cook
 Snow Hoke, John Hyde, Poole
 Schooner Chatham, Ben. Fleetwood, Virginia.

Brig Olive Branches, Oliver Frampton, Bristol.
 Schooner Triton, James Forbes, St. Croix.

C L E A R E D
 Brig Bellefleur, Thomas Rowland, Guernsey.
 Brig America, Richard Stacy, Cadix.
 Schooner Harriet, William Lawrence, Virginia.

Just imported from Barbados, in the schooner Hannah, Capt. Ruffell;

A FEW small casks of the very best old cane spirit, which are to be sold at my store, on reasonable terms, for ready money.
 THO. BROOKE HODGKIN.

Annapolis, April 29, 1775;
 Just imported from Bristol, in the ship Olive Branch, Capt. Frampton;

A PARCEL of indentured servants, amongst whom are several tradesmen, whose indentures are to be disposed of, by
 THO. BROOKE HODGKIN.

GEORGE WATSON
 ABOVE thirty years ago, a weaver by trade, son of George Watson, blacksmith in Town-head of Bervie, in the shire of Kin-shirde, North-Britain. Was about 22 years of age when he left home and went to Maryland. His friends by different informations underfoot he carried on a manufactory at Annapolis in the weaving branch.

If said George Watson is yet alive, and meets or hears of this advertisement, he will know of something greatly to his advantage, by applying to Robert Baines in Norfolk, or to the publishers hereof.
 Robert Buchanan to pay 13 w

Annapolis, April 30, 1775;
 THE subscriber has upon hand about seven hundred pounds first cost of goods, which he will dispose of upon exceedingly low terms.
 ROBERT BUCHANAN.

FOUND between Kent point and Poplar Island in the offing, an anchor about 400 weight. The owner may have it, proving property, paying charges and salvage, by applying to Mr. Patrick Graham in Port-Tobacco, Charles county. 100/6/ w s

WAS taken up by Richard Bennett Lloyd's negroes, at Worton point, some time this winter, a small boat, 13 feet keel, freight rabber, white bottom, the first streak black, the upper streak red; 4 row locks, 2 oars, 4 spritsails; and has an iron chain to her.

ON the 30th of last month, parted an anchor near Kent point, in three or four fathom water, the anchor about four cwt, the stock bound with four iron rings, supposed to be left with it about four or five fathom of cable, the buoy made of cedar, painted red, and stung, and about eight fathom of a 1/2 inch buoy rope. It is strongly presumed that a boat belonging to St. Mary's, on Patowmack, has taken up this anchor. Whoever has it, are requested either to advertise, or return it to Col. Edward Lloyd, on Wye river, or the subscriber in Annapolis, who will pay a reasonable charge for his or their trouble.
 A. BRYAN.

TO be sold by the subscriber, one lot of ground in George-town, whereon are several good buildings. Any person inclinable to purchase, may know the terms, by applying to Mr. William Deakins, Junr. in George-town, or the subscriber on Captain John, Frederick county. 100/6/ ALEXANDER OFFUTT.

To be sold by the subscriber, for ready money, at Upper Marlborough, on Monday, the fifteenth day of May next, if fair, if not, on the next fair day.

A BOUT twenty country-born negroes, amongst which are several young breeding women, boys and girls, from eight to fifteen years of age. The sale to begin at 12 o'clock.
 PHILIP CLARKE,
 GEO. M'CLARKE,
 ROGER CLARKE.

N. B. London bills will be taken at the current exchange.

To be sold at public sale, to the highest bidder on the premises, the sixth day of June next.

TWO hundred and fifty acres of land in Frederick county, Maryland, lying about five miles from George-town, whereon is a good plantation well improved, with necessary buildings for planter or farmer, an exceeding good apple orchard, some good marsh for meadows, the land is well timbered and rich, suitable for planting or farming, the purchaser will have liberty to sow a crop of fall grain soon as he may choose; possession will be given the first day of December next. Six months credit will be given for one half the purchase money, and twelve months for the other half, on giving bond with good security. w s
 NATHANIEL SLICER.

To be let to the lowest bidder, at the Cook Springs, in St. Mary's, on Monday the first day of May, if fair, if not, the next fair day.

THE building of an over-look water mill. At which time the trustees for Charlotte Mall are requested to attend.
 HENRY TUBMAN, clerk.

TAKEN up as a stray by William Boulds, living in Newtown Neck, St. Mary's county, about five miles from Leonard town, a small gray horse, about thirteen hands and one inch high with one white hoof, not branded, about fifteen years old; the above horse was sold last fall to a certain Anthony M'Kiadley. The owner is desired to take away the said horse, and pay charges.

To be sold on Wednesday the last day of May next, to the highest bidder, on the premises,

A TRACT of land called Willson's inheritance, lying in Frederick county, near the Sugar-Loaf mountain, containing by patent 1500 acres, on which are two plantations, improved on nearly 1000 acres of the aforesaid land in the following manner: That on which Jonathan Willson lives, has a dwelling-house and kitchen under the same roof, with a large back of three chimneys between them, a quarter for slaves, with a large chimney, two large well built tobacco-houses, the one shingled; the other double covered; there is a wheat floor in one of them, and serves as a barn. There are likewise most other convenient out-houses and garden. There are small orchards of apples, peaches, and cherries, a small meadow, fine pastures and fields all under good fencing, with convenient divisions; in the best repair.

The other whereon John Willson lives, has a dwelling-house with 2 rooms on the lower floor, and 1 three above stairs, besides a passage room; it has two brick chimneys, and a cellar under it walled in with stone; it is quite finished, and runned off in the neatest manner with wainscoting, plastering and painting. There is a good kitchen and quarter with brick and stone chimneys; three large tobacco-houses, two of them almost new; a new thatched barn 60 by 24, besides a new thatched 60 feet cow-houff, and most of all other convenient out-houses. On this plantation is a fine thriving young apple orchard, just beginning to bear, a peach orchard, with other fruit bearing trees, garden and yards, and a very pretty meadow.

This tract of land is of two sorts, some distinguish it by the terms of spling and timber land; The best of the spling land produces good tobacco, and in general it is fruitful for Indian corn, and all manner of small grain. The timber land is strong, and produces large fine tobacco; a large increase of corn of any kind of grain. There is a due proportion made of each kind of these lands to both plantations. The spling land affords more fence-rails and fire-wood than needs; and the timber land affords all kinds of timber to support the plantations. These two plantations will suit two gentlemen planters exceedingly well; either a single son, or two kind neighbors. We have used them as planters; but they might easily be inverted into two good farms. They lie at the distance of 35 miles from Bladensburg, and 50 from George-town market. Any gentleman may view the premises before this and the time of sale, and know the right; which is indisputable. But this no gentleman may be disappointed in any circumstance; no bid for this land can be valued under 36 shillings sterling per acre; and the subscribers must receive 6000 sterling at least, paid them between this and 8 penibus next. And then, upon giving bond upon interest, with security, if required for the remaining part of the money to be paid in a year from that date; conveyance will be made to the purchaser, and possession given before next Christmas day if required.
 JONATHAN WILLSON.
 JOHN WILLSON.

FOR FIVE DOLLAR REWARD.
 RAN away from the subscriber, on Tuesday night last, two servant men; viz: Thomas Spears, a joiner, born in Bristol, about 25 years of age; 5 feet 8 1/2 inches high; slender made; and a coule voice—he has short sandy coloured hair, light grey, or rather blue eyes; a little pock-marked and freckled; he took with him a coat, waistcoat, and breeches; of light coloured duffel, with black horn buttons; another light coloured cloth waistcoat, (I believe a little tarred) old leather breeches, check and osnabrig shirt; a pair of new mill'd yarn hose, a pair of old ribb'd ones; a new pair of osnabrig trowsers; and a felt hat but little worn.
 William Webster, born in Scotland; and talks broad; about 5 feet 6 inches high; 30 years of age; well made, with light brown hair, (short) and a round face; he took with him an olive coloured coat, pretty much worn, with black horn buttons; a duffel waistcoat and breeches (from the same cloth of Spears) new osnabrig trowsers; check and osnabrig shirt. Whoever apprehends the said servants, and delivers them at my dwelling-house in Fairfax county, shall receive the above reward; or twenty dollars for each, from
 G. WASHINGTON.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.
 RAN away from the subscriber, living in Calvert county, at Lower Marlborough, a likely negro girl, named Mary, about 15 years of age, seven years of age, had on when she went away, a black quilted petticoat lined with green, a blue waistcoat with green sleeves; also took with her, a Spanish cotton petticoat and a calico waistcoat, she is of a dark brown complexion, very smart in conversation; it is supposed that she is gone to the Eastern shore, with her mother, who had with her a young child, and is a free woman, the above-mentioned Mary is also free at the expiration of the age of thirty one. Whoever takes up the said Mary, or secures her so that the subscriber may get her again, shall be entitled to a reward of three pounds if taken on the Western shore, or five pounds if taken on the Eastern shore the above reward; and reasonable charges paid by
 ANN YOUNG.

Prince George's county, April 20, 1774
 COMMITTED to my custody as a runaway, a negro man, who calls himself Jos, and says he belongs to Clement Gardner, of St. Mary's county. His master is desired to pay charges, and take him from
 FRANK LEEKE, sheriff.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.
 STOLEN from the subscriber last night, the 14th instant, living near Philip Hammonds saw-mill, Anne-Arundel county, a horse 14 hands high, 4 years old, between an iron gray and roan; the off fore-foot inside a large piece brake from the hoof, on the 4th shoulder marked T, and on the neck buttock K, from and gallops. Whoever secures said horse, T that the owner may get him again, shall receive three pounds; and if the thief be convicted, the above reward, with all reasonable charges if brought home, paid by
 JOSHUA WATTS.