

VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

WILLIAMSBURG: PRINTED BY DIXON & NICOLSON.

We are desired to publish the following piece from DUNLAP's Pennsylvania Packet, dated March 20.

THROUGH the channel of your paper, I take the liberty of remarking on a passage in a pamphlet just come into my hands, entitled, *Observations on the American revolution, published according to a resolution of Congress, by their committee.* The Gentlemen who principally, if not wholly conducted this work, were Governor Morris, Esq; delegate from the state of New York, and W. H. Drayton, Esq; late delegate from South Carolina; and of those two Mr. Morris had the chief share. Consequently, the honours or errors it contain, are claimable by, or chargeable on, the compilers and conductors only.

The work consists of a collection of the principal state papers, which are connected with the rise and progress of the present revolution, and are arranged in the following order:

A part of the proceedings of Congress in 1774. The motion, commonly called Lord North's conciliatory motion, in 1775, and the resolution of Congress thereon. A paper delivered to Congress by a British emissary. Resolutions of Congress respecting the defence of New York. Declaratory reasons of Congress for taking up arms, dated July 6th, 1775. Petition of Congress to the King of England, July 8th, 1775. Address to the people of Great Britain, July 8th, 1775. Resolutions of Congress, for granting commissions to privateers, of November 25th, 1775, and March 23d, 1776. Resolution of Congress recommending the taking up new Governments, May 15th, 1776. Declaration of Independence, July 4th, 1776. Conference on Staten Island with Lord Howe, reported September 17th, by the committee of Congress appointed on that business. Draught of the bills of the British Parliament received by Congress at York town April the 21st, 1778, and the resolutions of Congress thereon, April 22d, 1778. Address of Congress to the people of America, May 4th, 1778. Collection of letters, &c. &c. which passed between Congress and the British commissioners. The work closes with the proclamation and manifesto of the British commissioners, dated New York, October 3d, 1778, and the manifesto of Congress in answer thereto, October 30th, 1778. The greatest part, if not the whole, of those publications, have at different times, appeared in most of the newspapers on the continent.

The above making up the substance of the work, the only thing that is new in it is the historical connection by which the several declarations, resolutions, &c. are formed into a continued chain, and in this part there is an evident defect amounting to injustice.

It cannot be supposed that the historical part should be complete in so short a compass, but that is no reason it should be unjust in the gross; and as Mr. Morris and Mr. Drayton are the only persons accountable for the defect I shall here take notice of, to them only, I address these remarks.

The reader, by casting his eye on the arrangement of papers in the order in which I have placed them, which is the order they stand in in the pamphlet, will see there is a skip (a flying over I may call it) from the conference on Staten Island, September 1776, to the receipt of the British bills at York town, April 21st, 1778. I shall give the paragraph entire (for there is but one) which unites those two events so widely distant in time, and, on the part of the enemy, so different a complexion.

Page 61. "From this moment," that is, from the conference on Staten Island, "the war raged with the utmost violence, and was prosecuted by the enemy with unabated vigour and barbarity. To recite the numerous instances in which their faith solemnly pledged, hath been broken, would be tedious and perhaps useless: Victory declared herself for a long time in favour of the superiour numbers and superiour discipline, and their insolence was equal to their success. Unable to comprehend the whole of the object they had undertaken, and overjoyed at the acquisition of the minuter parts, already the needy, greedy parasites, of a voluptuous court had, in imagination, carved out our possessions among them, and wanted in the prospect of enjoying the fruits of our laborious industry. Every thing, therefore, which looked like conciliation, was treated as a concession flowing from feebleness of soul. The spirit of despotism, flushed with hope and inured to guilt, turned a hard, unfeeling eye, upon the miseries of human nature, and directed, well pleased, the storm of vengeance on the head of freedom. But that full tide of success which had carried their expectations so high, began to ebb away: The gallant army, commanded by Burgoyne, checked by impediments which nature had thrown in his course, at length submitted, notwithstanding the efforts of the accomplished General, to the determined bravery of their foes. The splendour of our success in that quarter called the attention of Europe to our fortitude and perseverance. The weight and importance of a country which could resist the astonishing efforts made by Great Britain, were evident to the most careless observation. The acknowledgment of our Independence became therefore an object of serious deliberation. Awakened from their dream of glory to a view of their danger, the Ministry of England determined, if possible, to recover what they had wantonly thrown away."

On the 21st day of April, 1778, the Congress, then sitting at York town, received a letter from the General inclosing a printed paper from Philadelphia to the following effect: Draught of a bill for declaring the intentions of the Parliament of Great Britain, &c. &c. &c.

I have marked the exceptionable parts in italicks. The first, which is immaterial to the history, though of some moment to the writer, is a false rhetorical figure, for "hard and unfeeling" are not, in any case, proper-

ties of the eye, but sentimentally, of the heart. A hard unfeeling heart, a deaf ear, and a scornful eye, are the epithets expressive of possible qualities in the parts they are applied to: But according to this Gentleman's derangement of them, he might as well say, a scornful ear or a deaf eye. A man must be little acquainted with feelings, not to know which is their place of residence.

As the sense of the reader would have supplied the above defect in the writer, I should not have gone out of my way to have made the remark, had it been in any other paragraph than that which I have quoted, on account of a more important inattention.

The insolence of the enemy after the engagement on Long Island, and their barbarity after taking fort Washington, were far greater than their vigour at any one time of that campaign. I speak this from better knowledge than either Mr. Morris or Mr. Drayton can have, as I was out with the army from the first marching of the associators early in August, and after their return was with General Green at fort Lee till the evacuation, and continued with the army till after passing the Delaware on the 8th of December. I had began the first number of the Crisis while on the retreat at Newark, with a design of publishing it in the Jerseys, as it was General Washington's intention to have made a stand at Newark, could he have been timely reinforced, instead of which, near half the army left him at that place, or soon after, their time being out.

To use a plain phrase, the enemy were then masters of the field, and had it in their power to carry every thing before them. "Flushed with hope and inured to guilt," and in full expectation of conquest, their confidence betrayed them into carelessness, and enabled General Washington to defeat them by a spirited and judicious improvement of their neglects: And I ask Mr. Morris and Mr. Drayton, when it was that their, "the enemy's," "full tide of success began to ebb away?" Truth will, and history ought to say, that it turned at Trenton, and was additionally impelled by the subsequent, and most masterly stroke at Princeton. These two actions disabled and laid the enemy dormant for more than six months afterwards; and by throwing a spirit of joy into the continent, gave life and vigour to the recruiting service for the next campaign. They were hard bought victories, under every disadvantage of winter and misfortune. But the tide, once turned went on; and the conquest of Burgoyne was, properly speaking, the high water mark of our successes.

Why Mr. Morris and Mr. Drayton have, in utter silence, passed over the affairs of Trenton and Princeton, and taken a flight from Staten Island to Saratoga, I cannot conceive. As historians they have reversed the line of facts, and as writers they have not made the most of their metaphor; for had they given honour where it was justly due, and shewn where the tide began to turn in our favour, it would have enabled them to have shewn its full increase in the reduction of Burgoyne, where they have only placed its beginning.

The small remains of the army at that time continued with General Washington, and the citizens of this state and of Jersey, who turned out to repel the torrent which threatened destruction to America, must feel themselves injured by such a partial representation, published under the authority of a committee of Congress. Their services are done away, as if they had never been; and an omission, amounting to oblivion, stands as a contradiction to the fact. This could not unintentionally happen, as the natural order both of time and circumstances threw themselves in their way, and half a page, judiciously compiled, would have united the several links of the chain. I wonder that the metaphor of a tide should not revive in Mr. Drayton an idea of its progress; as he has, I am told, been an *Admiral*—of the *yellow* I suppose.

But this is not the only injustice in the paragraph I have quoted. The compilers say, that, "the gallant army commanded by Burgoyne, checked by impediments which nature had thrown in his course, at length submitted, notwithstanding the efforts of their accomplished General, to the determined bravery of their foes."

The conquest at Bennington by General Starke, which laid the foundation of Burgoyne's defeat, is here unjustly buried under a general description of *impediments which nature threw in his course.*

There is no part in the pamphlet, where half a dozen pages might have been employed to more honour and advantage, than in concisely setting forth the principal circumstances which passed between the conference on Staten Island and the arrival of the draughts of the British bills at York town; for the want of which, the circumstantial connection is lost, and that which is omitted, as well as that which is told, have an appearance of injustice.

Mr. Morris and Mr. Drayton have each of them been so exceedingly industrious in supporting Mr. Deane's impositions, that they seem not to have had time to attend any other kind of duty, and as, I believe, Mr. Deane is now looked on by half that House as a dishonest man, and the other half dare not support him, it will become those two Gentlemen to show on what grounds they have abetted him. The suspicions against Mr. Deane are now too strong to be suffocated, and the evidence too full to be rejected or explained away, and he can but perceive that his character is every day sinking with the publick. That he negotiated a proffered present into a purchase, and either stole, or was privy to the stealing the despatches to cover the imposition, are circumstances which I have no reason to disbelieve.

COMMON SENSE.

P.S. As the pamphlet I have referred to is sent to all the States, the printers in each will do an act of justice to those whose merits are in that performance so greatly neglected, by inserting this piece in their papers.

C. S.

Extract of a letter from St. Lucia, to a Gentleman in this island, dated March 19, 1779.

"It is here that Admiral Byron's Squadron lies, which consists of 23 line of battle, 3 fifty gun ships, and some frigates and sloops; 12 of the first are kept constantly cruising betwixt this and Martinique, to observe the motions of the French, whose fleet now consists of 19 sail of the line, exclusive of frigates. The Count D'Estaing has been reinforced with 7 sail under the command of Monsieur de Gras, which Gentleman, we are told, has superseded the Count in the command; let this be as it will, they yesterday felt bold, and came out of their strong hold of Fort Royal; about 15 sail of them I counted, having, for that purpose, posted myself on an eminence where I could clearly distinguish their movements. Admiral Byron gave the signal for his ships to slip which they all did before 10 o'clock; at about 12 the French fleet formed a line abreast to leeward, and seemed inclinable for action, but upon the English fleets forming their line also, and to windward, the Monsieurs, according to their usual pusillanimity, broke their line, and appeared to me to be running, upon which our fleet gave chase, but I am fearful, as the French had the advantage of the land, being then close abreast of Fort Royal, they wisely entered it, though as our fleet has not yet returned, I am in hopes that they have prevented some of them from getting in, by cutting them off the island and have continued the chase to leeward.

PHILADELPHIA, MARCH 31.

FRIDAY last were brought prisoners to this city, a midshipman and 6 seamen belonging to the frigate Delaware, who informs, that the Delaware, Richmond and Spinx, were the beginning of this month cruising in the bay of Chesapeake; that on the 14th a fleet of six or eight vessels came down, out of which they took the Friendship, commanded by a Frenchman from Baltimore for Marfailles, with 270 lhd. of tobacco, and the snow Polly, Capt. —, from Alexandria for Amsterdam, aboard of which the above prisoners were put to navigate her to New York; but in the evening of the 21st instant being off Egg Harbour, in company with the Delaware, Spinx, and a ship full of soldiers, from Halifax for New York, the wind came on to blow very hard, which drove the above snow on shore on Brigantine Beach, where the vessel and cargo will, in all probability be saved. The people took to their boat, and got safe to the beach.—The above ship from Halifax was also drove on Flat Beach, about the same time with the snow; she proves to be the ship Mermaid, from Halifax to New York, with about 170 Scotch soldiers on board, who, with women and sailors, amounted to about 200 souls, and our accounts say, that only 45 out of that number are saved, the remainder perished. It is further said, the ship had 30,000l. in specie on board, which is not yet found. The Capt. of the ship is among those who perished; there are several land officers among those who are saved. *Extract of a letter from Brigadier General Maxwell, dated Elizabethtown, March 28, 1779.*

"Yesterday and the day before about 28 sail came into the Hook, mostly transports from England. At the same time landed at New York, a Hessian Colonel with between 3 and 400 English troops from Halifax. General Clinton is returned to New York, and it is reported that their expedition to the eastward has failed, as they alledge owing to the storm, but more likely (if true) that they have found the troops alarmed that way. There is no account of the British troops or vessels being returned yet; they may be towards the east end of Long Island.

"I am informed that Admiral Gambier is on the outside of the east end of Long Island, with 6 or 7 ships and frigates; his design, it is said, is for New London, to take our vessels there.

"Their troops to the southward, it is said, are very sickly. A report in New York says, that their accounts from the West Indies are bad; that General Grant is beat by the French."

Fourteen transports out of the 28 which had failed to the east end of Long Island, supposed to convey a number of troops from thence on an expedition to New London, to destroy several vessels in that harbour, were cast away on Fisher's island, in the sound off Stonington, and it was expected the greatest part of them would be lost. It is said that Sir Henry Clinton had returned to New York from the failure of this expedition, which had been some time in agitation.

A Gentleman from the eastward informs us, that last Wednesday night a party of armed Tories went to the house of the Hon. Robert Ogden, Esq; in Suffex county, New Jersey, and robbed him of hard money and plate to the amount of 5000l.

WILLIAMSBURG, APRIL 16.

THE sloop Comet, Capt. Hews, from Virginia for St. Eustatia, with tobacco and staves. Sloop Swift, Capt. Gold, from Baltimore bound for St. Eustatia, with tobacco, are taken and carried into New York.

The Dove, Capt. Haywood, the Ranger, Capt. Hinton, the St. Tammany, Capt. Cuninghame, the —, Capt. Baine, the —, Capt. Selden, from St. Eustatia, and a large French ship, mounting 20 guns, from Hispaniola, are safe arrived in James river, with valuable cargoes. In the Dove, came passenger, Jonathan Loring Austin, Esq; of Boston, the Gentleman who carried to France, the important news of the surrender of General Burgoyne and his army.

This day arrived in town, Count Pulaski, with his retinue, &c. on their way to the southward.

MARRIAGES] Mr. FRANCIS DANDRIDGE of King William, to the amiable Miss LUCY WEBB, of New Kent.

Capt. ADDISON LEWIS of the light horse to Miss SUKEY FLEMING, a very amiable young Lady.

DEATHS] At Eltham in New Kent, Mrs. ELIZABETH DAWSON, relict of the late Rev. and Hon. William Dawson, in the 70th year of her age.

Mr. ALEXANDER PURDIE, of this city (printer to the the common-wealth) who endured a tedious and painful illness with a Christian fortitude. His death is much regretted, as he was a tender husband, indulgent parent, and a kind master.

On Sunday last was interred in the church yard of this city, the remains of Mr. ARCHIBALD WILLIAMSON, a native of North Britain, who

has resided here a few years; he possessed so much benevolence and goodness of heart, that he gained the universal good will and esteem of the small circle of his acquaintances. The fraternity of free and accepted masons attended his corps to the grave in the usual form of procession, thereby manifesting the respect due to the memory of a deceased worthy brother.

To be sold at this printing office, Dr. Hammond's ANTIMONIAL ESSENCE, do. strong SPECIFIC PILLS with directions.

Extract of an act intitled An act for raising a supply of money for publick exigencies.

EVERY naval officer shall, half yearly, on the 25th day of April and October, render an account upon oath to the publick Treasurer, of all duties by him received pursuant to this act, in the preceding half year, and pay the money for such duties, deducting five per centum for the same. And the clerk of each county or corporation court, shall on the same days, half yearly, render an account upon oath to the said Treasurer, of all taxes by him received for marriage and ordinary licences, and for duty upon tobacco exported by land in the preceding half year, and pay the money for such taxes, deducting five per cent. for the same. And every naval officer or clerk of a court failing to render such account, shall forfeit and pay the sum of five hundred pounds for every offence.

To be SOLD for ready money, before Mr. Bradley's door in Petersburg, Tuesday the 18th day of May,

TWO hundred and seventy five acres of LAND, a small distance from Petersburg, lying on the Rowanty road, and partly bounded by Warwick Swamp, belonging to the estate of Major Edmund B. Dickinson, deceased, a good title will be made by

(11) ROBERT NICOLSON, Adm.
WILLIAMSBURG, April 16, 1779.

To be SOLD to the highest bidder for ready money, before the Raleigh door in this city, on Monday the 26th instant (April) at 5 o'clock in the afternoon,

ABOUT seventy five acres of LAND a little below this city, adjoining the lands of Doctor Galt and Mr. Humphrey Harwood, very proper and convenient for pasturage: It will be sold in lots as it stands inclosed.—At the same time will be sold, for ready money (if not disposed of by private contract before) the tenement at present occupied by Mr. Philip Moody, opposite the tanyard.

MATTHEW PEARSON.

WILLIAMSBURG, April 16, 1779.

I WILL give extraordinary wages to a good BLACKSMITH and NAILER, that is capable of acting as foreman in my shops.

(11) JAMES ANDERSON.

To be SOLD for ready money, at publick auction, on Wednesday the 21st instant (April) at Capt. Matthew Wills's, in Warwick county,

THE reversion of that valuable plantation whereon Mrs. Mary Jones now lives, in the said county, containing 250 acres, with very good houses, chiefly brick. (11) HARWOOD JONES.

To be SOLD agreeable to the last will and testament of Benjamin Fox, deceased, of James City county, on Thursday the 29th instant (April) on the premises,

THAT valuable ordinary whereon the said Fox lived, containing about 100 acres of land, within 12 miles of Williamsburg, and 4 of Cartwright's ordinary, it is esteemed the valuablest spot on that road for a tavern, the houses are commodious, convenient, and in good repair, immediate possession will be given the purchaser. Also will be sold at the same time and place, EIGHT likely Virginia born NEGROES, belonging to the said estate.—All persons having demands against the said estate, is desired to apply that day for payment, and those indebted thereto, are requested to pay off their respective balances.

(211) JOHN BROWNE, for
The ADMINISTRATORS.

WANTED ON FREIGHT,

SEVERAL vessels to carry coal, from the falls of James river to Baltimore and the Head of Elk, in the months of April, May, and June. (11) WILLIAM RONALD.

MANCHESTER, April 2, 1779.

WARWICK county, April 10, 1779.

ALL persons that have demands against the estate of Mr. Benjamin Wills, deceased, are desired to bring in their accounts properly attested, as they may receive payment; and in order to enable us to comply with the above, those indebted are requested to make speedy payment, or their bonds and accounts will be immediately prosecuted without farther notice. (211) THE EXECUTORS.

THE annual meeting of the treasurer, trustees, and subscribers to the fund for the relief of the widows and orphans of Clergymen, will be held at William and Mary college, on Saturday the 8th of May. The trustees for the present year are, the Rev. Messrs. James M. Fontain, Henry Skyring, William Leigh, Thomas Davis, Samuel Shield, and Thomas Lundie. The preachers are the Rev. William Andrews in the morning, and the Rev. Henry John Burges in the afternoon.

(By order) JOHN BRACKEN, Treasurer.
WILLIAM PIERCE, Clerk.

TO be SOLD, on Monday the 10th of May, the very valuable LIBRARY and PHILOSOPHICAL APPARATUS of the Rev. John Camm, deceased, the sale will begin at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, at the house of the Rev. John Bracken in this city.

TAKEN up, on Tinkers creek, in Botetourt county, a bay mare about three years old, not broke, is neither docked nor branded, trots naturally, has a few gray hairs on the near shoulder, about 13 hands 3 inches high, has a felt growing over her eyes, something like glass eyes. Appraised to 50l. (11) ALEXANDER MCCLURE.

FREDERICKSBURG, April 3, 1779.

IGIVE this publick notice, that I have purchased of Mr. John Wiggleworth of this county, one lot or half acre of ground situate in this town on the main street, formerly the property of Mr. William Houston, saddler, whereon he and his son Hugh lived and died, and now in the occupation of Mr. John Green, saddler, and Mary Sybre. I hereby forewarn all persons from purchasing the same of any other than myself, having paid and advanced the said Wiggleworth 834l. in part of the purchase money, and being ready to pay him the balance agreeable to contract. I am determined to assert my claim; I have accordingly brought a bill in the High Court of Chancery, to compel the said Wiggleworth, to make me deeds for the said lot with the improvements thereon.

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JOHN HASELGROVE.

To be SOLD in the city of Williamsburg, at the June Oyer court, MARK ANTHONY, a beautiful bay horse, well marked, 8 years old, near 15 hands high, got by old Mark Anthony, and came out of a full blooded mare. He is very fleet, and his colts remarkably likely. He was purchased out of the estate of Mr. Littlebury Hardyman, by the Rev. Richard Hewitt, deceased, of whose executor I bought him.

LITTETON SAVAGE.

ALL persons having demands against the estate of the late John Smith, Esq; of Hanover, are requested to apply for payment immediately, and those indebted to the estate either on account of private dealings with the said Mr. Smith, or to the store kept by him in Hanover town, are also earnestly desired to pay off their respective balances, as the situation of the estate requires a speedy settlement.

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WILLIAM ANDERSON.

TAKEN up, along the bay shore in Northampton county, between Cherrystone and Old Plantation, on the 26th of December last, a small decked boat, about 20 feet keel, her fore-mast was carried away a little above her deck, and had one anchor and about 15 fathom of cable to it, which was in her hold. She had neither sails nor rigging.

(11)

GEORGE SAVAGE.

TAKEN up, in December last in Warwick county, a dark bay horse near 15 hands high, a small star in his forehead with a snip down to his nostrils, his off fore foot has a little white, and his near hind foot white half way his leg, hanging mane and switch tail. The owner may have him by applying to the subscriber living in James City county, near Jamestown, on proving his property and paying charges.

DAVID BARRICK.

WILLIAMSBURG, March 31, 1779.

FOR sale, best brown sugar, French rum and coffee, by the hoghead or bag, blue cloth suitable for negroes, and a few pipes of wine.—I will give cash for bills on France, Holland, England, or the West India islands. Any Gentlemen that have money due them, and cannot ascertain the amount, I will take their bills conditionally, and charge no damages on protests. Goods will be exchanged at a moderate price, for a few hundred pounds of new feathers.

SAMUEL BEALE.

FOR sale, the land whereon the subscriber now lives, in the county of Hanover on Northanna river, about ten miles from the upper end of the county, containing 1190 acres by old surveys. On this tract there is a considerable quantity of very valuable low grounds, two ten acre lots of well watered timothy meadow, good orchards, and a great variety of exceeding good buildings, mostly new. The high land is generally very fertile, the place remarkably healthy, and not more than one third of the land cleared. For terms apply to

45 ISAAC WINSTON.

FOR SALE,

THE plantation whereon I now live, lying in King William county, about four miles wide of the courthouse, containing 332 acres, has all convenient buildings for a family, and a good apple and peach orchard. I will treat with any person privately, between this and June King William court; but should I meet with no agreeable offer, it will then be exposed to auction. Possession will be given next Christmas.

(11)

THOMAS ROSE

FOR sale, at my shop in Richmond town, a very handsome phaeton, with harness for a pair of horses. With the carriage may be had a fine bay gelding. Any person disposed to purchase may know the price by applying to

(11)

PETER MAUGEE.

FOR sale, a tract of land containing by estimation 700 acres, situated on Pamunkey river, below and joining the town of Newcastle, in Hanover county. The land is exceeding good, part of it low grounds on the river, with a dwellinghouse, offices, and a very fine orchard.—Also another tract of land, containing 400 acres, lying on Matotoquin creek, in the aforesaid county four miles below Newcastle; there is a fine situation for a mill on this tract, on a never failing stream. For terms, apply to the subscriber living in the upper end of Hanover county.

(11)

WILLIAM WADDY.

FOR SALE,

AGENTEEL new Boston made chaise, lined with fine white broad-cloth, has an exceeding good leather top with springs and harness for two horses, inquire of the printers hereof.

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At a Court of Admiralty held in the city of Williamsburg, the 16th day of March 1779.

ORDERS, that the clerk of this court make proclamation in the Virginia Gazette, for three weeks successively, requiring all persons interested in the ship Georgia packet and cargo, lately captured by the Bellona privateer, against which, a decree of this court hath passed, to come and claim the same within the time prescribed by law, otherwise the court will proceed to a final decree, and distribution of the money arising from the sale thereof, in such manner as is by law required.

§ (A Copy)

WILLIAM RUSSEL, C. C.

KING HEROD, lately purchased by Mr. Kennon Jones and myself, of Ralph Wormley, Esq; stands at my plantation in Dinwiddie county, and will cover by the season at 80 dollars each mare, the money to be paid before they are put to the horse. Good and extensive pasturage, gratis, but cannot be answerable for escapes.

ABRAHAM SMITH.

King Herod was got by Col. Baylor's horse Fearnought, out of a gray mare bought by Mr. Braxton when he was in England, called Kitty Fisher, she was got by Cade, a horse of Lord Godolphin's by his Lordship's Arabian, which was reckoned the best horse in his time for getting fine running horses. Her dam was got by the Cullen Arabian out of Bald Charlotte, one of the finest mares in England. Kitty Fisher was the property of the Marquis of Granby when she was sold, and was engaged in a sweepstake for 3600l. his Lordship being abroad his whole stud was sold, and the mare bought by me at 3 years old.

C. BRAXTON.

*. The publick may be assured that King Herod is one of the highest bred horses this country has produced.

RALPH WORMLEY.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of John Moody, late of this city, deceased, are desired to make immediate payment, and those who have any demands against the said estate, are desired to bring in their accounts properly proved and receive payment.

(11)

MARGARET MOODY Administratrix.

GRANBY, a beautiful high blooded imported horse, will cover mares this season, at my stable in Powhatan county, at 20 Dollars the leap (the cash to be paid down) or 50 Dollars the season, to be paid when the mares are taken away. Good pasturage gratis, but I will not be answerable for any loss.—Granby is a son of the Bellsize Arabian, from a shock mare; his grandam was got by Old Cade, a son of the late Lord Godolphin's Arabian, whose blood has been highly esteemed for many years, his great grandam was a Hartly mare, known by the sportsmen to be the best in England. Granby is a fine bay, fifteen hands one inch high, with strength in proportion, and equal in form and beauty to any horse in America.

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JOHN HARRIS.

RUN away from the subscriber on the 22d of March, a mulatto slave called MATT, about 25 years of age, 5 feet 10 or 11 inches high, was inoculated for the small pox last May, and bears the marks very plain in his face, formerly the property of Mr. David Russell, merchant in Blandford, who purchased him of Mrs. Jane Vobe in Williamsburg, and is well known by most Gentlemen who frequented the general courts in that city. His dress when he went off was a blue cloth coat, buff jacket and leather breeches, shoe-boots, &c. but as he carried away sundry other clothes and is a sensible fellow, make no doubt but he will change his dress, and endeavour to pass as a free man, he probably may have procured a pass, as he did once before, when he eloped, in which he changed his name to William Bird (alias) Matt Davenport. His address being very clever as a waiting-man, he may probably endeavour to hire himself to some Gentleman. This is to forewarn all masters of vessels and others from employing, or harbouring him, as they shall answer for it at their peril. Any person that secures the said slave so that I get him again, shall receive 30 Dollars reward, and if delivered to me in Petersburg 100 Dollars.

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ALEXANDER G. STRACHAN.

SIXTY DOLLARS REWARD.

RUN away from the subscriber in Mecklenburg county, some time in June 1778, a Virginia born negro fellow named SUFFERER, about 31 years old; he carried with him when he went away, a country made shirt and breeches, a short brown cloth coat turned up with white, with pewter buttons. This fellow was advertised by Charles Hanson of Smithfield, in August last: I expect he will endeavour to get to Elizabeth City county, where he was bred. Whoever will bring the said negro to me, shall have the above reward.

(11)

JOHN ARMISTEAD.

WHEREAS many persons are still indebted to the late copartnership of Miller and Heslop, for dealings at their store, formerly kept at Mount Pleasant, on Mattapony, in the county of Spotsylvania, and to the subscriber for dealings at Fredericksburg, I therefore desire (if they have common honesty) now when money is plenty, they will pay me, if not, I must have recourse to the laws of this Commonwealth, to which I am partly attached, but to which I at present can have no recourse under my present circumstances. And whereas suits were brought against several, soon after the dissolution of the copartnership, the 10th of February, 1773, at which time the debts became the sole property of the subscriber, and to whom no payment will be valid. Nevertheless, I hereby offer to acquit them of all costs (the lawyers fees only excepted) provided they pay me the interest due on their respective balances.

(811)

JOHN MILLER.

*. Who has for sale, several well situated houses and one lot in the flourishing town of Fredericksburg. For terms apply to me in Port Royal.

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD.

DESERTED from Williamsburg, Stephen Hawk and William Thompson, both Englishmen; they were enlisted on the new establishment to serve in the continental army 18 months, in the room of draughts for the said city. HAWK is very stout, five feet five inches high, has dark brown hair, round shoulders, a down look, and pitted with the smallpox, he pretends to be a sailor, and said he was on board the Randolph frigate when she was lost. THOMPSON is five feet seven inches high, has dark brown hair, a pale thin face pitted with the smallpox, and several red spots about his mouth and nose, he is a nailor by trade and commonly wears a leather apron, very talkative when in liquor, and is well known in Suffolk and Portsmouth. Any person who will apprehend the said deserters and deliver them to the commanding officer of the militia of this city, shall have the above reward, or fifty dollars for each.

* John Mitchell, James Waters, William Stone, and Jean Lazerat, are hereby ordered to return to the commanding officer of this place immediately, otherwise they will be deemed deserters and treated accordingly.

WHEREAS by a late act of Assembly, the distillation of grain is prohibited, provided publick contractors will purchase it at 15s. per bushel; to put a stop to such a pernicious practice, as well as to supply the magazines plentifully, I do hereby give notice, that a generous price exceeding 15s. per bushel, will be paid for all Indian corn, rye, barley, wheat or spelt, delivered to the commissary of purchases at Winchester, Leesburg, Alexandria, Dumfries, Fredericksburg, Staunton, Charlottesville, Hanover town, Richmond, Manchester, Petersburg, and Smithfield, who will likewise contract with those who cannot deliver it, to take it from their plantations.

W. AYLETT, D. C. G. P.

STRAYED or **STOLEN** from Rutherford's ordinary, in Goochland, late in January last, a likely bay horse about 14 hands high, hanging mane and sprig tail, brand (if any) forgot, some saddle spots, and a spot of hair grows in a curling manner on both his hind legs, he is apt to chew or break his bridle, is high spirited and young. I will give 20 dollars for information where he may be had, and 100 on conviction of the thief if stolen.

W. AYLETT.

THE subscriber has for sale, the hull, masts, and yards of a new vessel, intended for a brig, completely finished and ready to launch, of the following dimensions: 56½ feet keel straight rabbit, 20 feet 2 inches beam, and 8 feet hold. She was built by Matthew Gayle, at East river warehouse. For terms apply to the printer, or Francis Willis, Esq; in Gloucester county.

JOSEPH SMITH.

FREDERICKSBURG, March 15, 1779.

FOR sale, by wholesale or retail, blankets, coarse broadcloths, sailors under jackets, an assortment of Irish linens, cambricks, white sheeting, britannias, checks, of nabrugs, white and brown thread stockings, felt hats, mens shoes, womens stuff and leather shoes, red, white, and blue bunting, writing paper, white and coloured sewing thread and silk, metal and twist buttons, silk and hair twist, pins and needles, penknives, snuffers, large fish hooks, hoes, axes, nails from 4 to 20d. brimstone, Indigo ground, logwood, copperas, green and bohea tea, a quantity of coffee, loaf and brown sugar, French rum and peach brandy; also sundry medicines, viz. bark, rhubarb, jallup, salts, Spanish flies, &c. for tobacco, hemp, or cash.

JOHN BROWNLOW.

As there is no inspection at Royston's or Fredericksburg warehouses, I will purchase uninspected tobacco lying at said warehouses.

THE parish of Drydale in the counties of Caroline and King & Queen, is now vacant by the resignation of the late incumbent. Any minister of the Church of England, of approved moral character and abilities as a preacher, who may incline to fill this cure, will meet with a very good glebe and a genteel subscription for his support therein.

THE CHURCHWARDENS.

For SALE, in the town of Fredericksburg,

A LOT on the main street below the market-house, on which is a convenient dwelling-house; it has two rooms with fire places below stairs, a large closet, passage, and genteel portico, with four rooms above, two of which have fire places; also a large store adjoining the house. The lot and garden is well inclosed and has all convenient out-houses, with two tenements. The lot and houses were formerly the property of doctor H. Haab. — Likewise an excellent cook wench about 35 years of age, inferior to none. It will be most agreeable to exchange the houses and lot, for lands above the town. Application may be made to Mr. James Somerville, merchant of Fredericksburg, or to the subscriber in Hanover town.

WILLIAM MARSHALL.

STOLEN out of the subscribers house, on the night of the 18th instant (March) a pair of brass barrel holster pistols, one of the ramrods has a worm on it, and the stock of one of them is cracked and has a piece of brass let in with a dufftail on each side and rivited through; also a surlout coat of a light gray, with blue binding, a pair of white yarn mittings, a pair of black gray yarn wrappers, and one plaited spur. Whoever will bring, or give such intelligence that the above articles may be got again, shall receive 50 dollars, and on conviction of the thief, 100 dollars.

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THOMAS CARTWRIGHT.

EIGHTY DOLLARS REWARD

FOR apprehending the following deserters belonging to the Virginia state garrison regiment of infantry now stationed, near Williamsburg, Thomas Tisdale, a Virginian, born in Hanover county, about 23 years old, 5 feet 8 inches high, brown complexion, brown hair, black eyes, had on when he went away a blue regimental coat turned up with red, a red jacket and breeches. Charles Valentine, a mulatto, born in Surry county, Virginia, 28 years old, 5 feet 9 inches high, well made, had on the same uniform as above. James Collier, a Virginian, born in King & Queen county, 16 years of age, 5 feet 2½ inches high, fair complexion, light hair, blue eyes, and well made, had on same uniform as above. John Bunns, a Virginian, born in King & Queen county, 16 years old, 5 feet 2 inches high, light eyes and brown hair, with the same uniform as above. Whoever apprehends the said deserters, and conveys them to the commanding officer at Williamsburg, York, Hampton, or Portsmouth shall have the above reward, or 20 dollars for either of them.

Given under my hand at head quarters Williamsburg, March 13, 1779

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EDWARD WALLER, Capt. Com. S. G. R.

ECLIPSE, the property of Col. John Harris of Powhatan county, in full perfection, stands at my plantation at the Meadow Bridges, and will cover mares the ensuing season, at 25 dollars the leap, and 60 dollars the season; the money for the leap to be paid at the stable door. Gentlemen who live at a distance, and put mares by the season, will be found good pasturage, gratis, but I will not be answerable for losses, notwithstanding every precaution shall be taken to prevent any. Eclipse, now rising 8 years old, is of a high elegant form, a beautiful bay, finely marked, full 15 hands 3 inches high, was got by Old Fearnought, his dam a fine imported mare, got by Shakespeare, in England; who was looked on to be one of the first stud horses in that kingdom.

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D. TRUEHEART.

FOR sale, the three following **STUD HORSES**, viz. **REGULUS**, formerly the property of William Fitzgugh, Esq; of Chatham, so well known from his performances on the turf. **RANGER**, an imported horse of very high form and blood, remarkable for getting handsome horses for the saddle or carriage, and full of spirit. **AGAMEMNON**, a beautiful bay colt rising four years, he was got by the famous horse Apollo, out of the noted mare Jenny Cameron, he is near 16 hands, finely marked, and might cover this season. Having several fine colts coming on, is the reason I would part with those mentioned.

WILLIAM BLACK.

A negro **BLACKSMITH** to be hired by the month or otherwise, an exceeding good workman, understands all manner of plantation work, ship work, riding carriages, &c. for terms apply to

W. B.

THE NOTED HIGH BRED HORSE
OLD SELIM, now in high perfection, stands at my stable in Sussex county, to cover mares from the 1st of April, to the 15th of August next, at 20l. each. Good pasturage gratis, and the greatest care taken of the mares, but I will not be liable for any accidents that may happen.

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RICHARD PARKER.

THE HIGH BRED IMPORTED HORSE
OSCAR, will stand the ensuing season at my plantation in Dinwiddie county, and will be let to mares at 25 dollars the leap, or sixty dollars the season; the first to be paid down, the last when the mares are taken away. Great care will be taken of the mares, and extensive pasturage is provided, but I will not be liable for accidents. Oscar will be for sale at the close of the season, and the terms made known on application. Also for sale immediately, for ready cash or tobacco, **YOUNG SNIP**, a beautiful bay, rising four years old, remarkably stout and active. Young snip was got by Oscar, his dam by Old Fearnought, his grandam by Valiant, and his great grandam by Tryall.

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ROBERT TURNBULL.

PEGASUS, a fine bay, 15 hands high, stands at Newmarket, in Caroline county, and will cover mares the ensuing season, at 20 dollars the leap, and 40 dollars the season; the money to be sent with the mares. Good pasturage will be found the mares that may be sent a distance, gratis, but I will not be answerable for any escapes. Pegasus was got by Old Fearnought, out of the noted mare Jenny Dismal, who was imported by the late Col. Baylor.

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JOHN HOOMES.

LIBERTY, a beautiful bay horse, in high perfection, rising five years old, stands at my house in Chesterfield county, and will cover mares the ensuing season at 12 dollars a leap, and 30 dollars the season. LIBERTY was got by the noted horse Jack of Diamonds, who was brother to Old Fearnought, his dam by Babram, his grandam by Aristotle, his great grandam by Valiant, and his great great grandam by Old Triall. Pasturage gratis, but will not be answerable for any that may get away.

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R. C. ANDERSON.

FOR sale, a tract of very valuable **LAND** in the county of Berkeley, containing about 900 acres, 150 of which is cleared, and in good order for cropping, likewise 50 acres of good meadow; it has on it a small house, barn, orchard, &c. with an exceeding fine spring, and to prevent any farther trouble, the price is 45s. sterling an acre, or currency at the course of the exchange. For farther particulars inquire of

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JAMES NOURSE.

MERCURY, a beautiful formed horse, and in great perfection, stands near Petersburg, and will cover at 9l. the leap, and 20l. the season; the money to be sent with the mares. Good pasturage gratis, but I will not be answerable for escapes. Mercury was got by Old Janus, out of the high bred mare Calista, that was the property of the late Hon. William Byrd, Esq;

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JOSEPH JONES.

HECTOR, an imported hunter, upwards of 15 hands high, stout, strong, active, and well formed, stands the ensuing season at my house near Blandford, in Prince George county, and will cover mares at 6l. the leap, or 15l. the season; the money to be sent with the mares, or paid before taken away. Pasturage gratis, and the greatest care will be taken of the mares, but will not be liable for escapes. Hector was imported for a genuine hunter of the stoutest kind, by his Excellency Governour Reed, of Pennsylvania, his pedigree signed by Richard Crofts, Esq; by which his stock was from the Godolphin Arabian, his dam, out of one of the finest mares then in England.

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WILLIAM CALL.

APOLLO, will stand from the 1st of April, to the last of June, at Marlborough (my late father's seat) in Stafford county, and cover at seventy dollars the season, or twenty dollars the leap; the cash to be paid to my steward there.

Apollo is full blooded, his sire the noted Apollo, late the property of Col. Alexander Spotswood, his dam begot by Ranter, now the property of Mr. William Black, on a Sober John mare, which the late Col. John Baylor sold my father for full blooded. He is now rising four years old, full 15 hands three inches high, a blood bay, and allowed by all who have seen him, to be a perfect horse except his head, which is said to be like the Fearnought breed. — Marlborough is one of the first pastures in America, a neck of upwards of 2000 acres of high land, and 500 of marsh, occupied now by thirteen hands only, formerly seventy odd; this circumstance alone is sufficient to assure customers, that their mares will (contrary to custom) be returned in good order, and in all probability safely kept, to which ends, due attention will be paid, but I will not be answerable for any escapes or other accidents.

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JAMES MERCER.