

dente, who conversed with an Express from Lexington, who farther 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 by Express from Newhaven, and attested by the Committee of Correspondence from Town to Town.

JONATHAN STURGIS,
ANDREW ROWLAND,
THADDEUS BURR, } Committee.
JOB BARTRAM, }

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.

THIS Morning the Committee of Correspondence met, and have determined to send Expresses to the Southward.—It is now full Time for us all to be on our Guard, and to prepare ourselves against every Contingency. The Sword is now drawn, and God knows when it will be sheathed.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

DOBBS COUNTY, N.
By HENRY GOODMAN and ROBERT WHITE,
Esquires, Two of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for said County.

WHEREAS Complaint hath been made this Day to us, by John Court, that a Negro Man named CHARLES, about 20 Years old, Country born, a short, thick, well set Fellow, and of a black Complexion, hath absented himself from his said Master, and is supposed to be lurking about, committing many Acts of Felony in this Province.

THESE are therefore in his Majesty's Name, to command the said Slave forthwith to surrender himself, and return home to his said Master. And we do also require the Sheriff of the said County of Dobbs, to make diligent Search after the said Slave, and him having found, to apprehend and secure, so that he may be conveyed to his said Master, or otherwise discharged as the Law directs; and the said Sheriff is hereby empowered to raise and take with him such Power of his County as he may think fit for apprehending the said outlying Slave. And we do hereby further, by Virtue of an Act of Assembly concerning Servants and Slaves, intimate and declare, if the said Charles doth not surrender himself, and return home, immediately after the Publication of these Presents, that then any Person or Persons may kill or destroy the said Slave, by such Means as he or they shall think fit, without Accusation or Impeachment of any Crime or Offence for so doing, or without incurring any Penalty or Forfeiture thereby.

GIVEN under our Hands and Seals, this 29th Day of April, 1775, and in the 15th Year of his Majesty's Reign.

HENRY GOODMAN,
ROBERT WHITE.

N. B. Whoever takes up the said Slave, and brings him home, shall receive a Reward of Twenty Shillings, and Five Pounds for killing him.

ELOPED from the Brigantine Friendship, in July, 1774, two indentured Servants, viz. GEORGE TAVERNOR, about 18 Years old, very slender, and pitted with the small Pox, and calls himself a Groom or Horse Jockey, EDWARD GILKS, about 23 Years old, a short hump'd Back Person with red Hair, and is by Trade a Currier or Leather Dresser. 'Tis supposed said Servants are working at or near Newbern. Also ran away in August last, a new Negro Fellow, by Name QUAMINO, about 4 Feet 10 Inches high, and about 30 Years of Age, has a Scar above his right Eye, his Teeth are filed, and is marked with his Country Marks; had on when he went away, a Collar about his Neck with two Prongs, marked G P, and an Iron on each Leg. Whoever delivers said white Servants and Negro to Henry Young in Wilmington, shall receive 6l. Proc. Money for the Whole, or 40s. for each, and reasonable Charges, or secures them in any Gaol so that they may be had again. Wilmington, April 10, 1775.

ALL Persons indebted to the Estate of Capt. John Richardson, deceased, are requested to make Payment, to enable me to finish my Administration next County Court. It is hoped this Notice will be sufficient.

THO. HASLEN, Adm.

May 4, 1775.

CrAVEN COUNTY, N.
By JOHN HAWKS, and LANCELOT GRAVE BERRY, Esquires, Two of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for said County.

WHEREAS Complaint hath been made to us, by James Biggleston, that a Negro Slave belonging to him, named JEM, about 28 Years of Age, a stout likely Fellow, about 5 Feet 7 Inches high, and is Country born; had on when he went away, a light coloured milled Duffil Jacket and Breeches, and check Shirt, hath run away from his said Master, and is supposed to be lurking about, doing Acts of Felony in this Province.

THESE are therefore in his Majesty's Name, to command the said Slave forthwith to surrender himself, and return home to his said Master. And we do hereby command the Sheriff of the said County of Craven to make diligent Search after the above-mentioned Slave, and him having found, to apprehend and secure, so that he may be conveyed to his said Master, or otherwise discharged as the Law directs; and the said Sheriff is hereby empowered to raise and take with him such Power of his County as he shall think fit for apprehending the said Slave. And we do hereby, by Virtue of an Act of Assembly of this Province concerning Servants and Slaves, intimate and declare, if the said Jem doth not surrender himself, and return home immediately after the Publication of these Presents, that any Person or Persons may kill and destroy the said Slave, by such Means as he or they shall think fit, without Impeachment or Accusation of any Crime or Offence for so doing, or without incurring any Penalty or Forfeiture thereby.

GIVEN under our Hands and Seals, this 3d Day of May, 1775, and in the 15th Year of his Majesty's Reign.

JOHN HAWKS,
L. G. BERRY.

N. B. The above Negro Slave is supposed to be harboured or kept out by his Wife, named Rachel, a Wench belonging to Mr. Isaac Fenwille, and it is very possible he is lurking in the Neighbourhood of his Plantation. Whoever will take him up and bring him to me, shall receive a Reward of three Pounds for his Trouble.

JAMES BIGGLESTON.

TAKEN up on Adams's Creek, and committed to the Public Gaol in Newbern, on Saturday the 8th of this Instant, a short well set Negro Man, near five Feet high, about 30 Years of Age, full faced, Country Marks in his Temples, and his Teeth filed sharp, (supposed to be the same Slave some Time past committed to Christevet County Gaol) he speaks little or no English, and cannot, or will not tell his Master's Name. The Owner may have him again on proving his Property, and paying Charges, by applying to

JOSEPH CRISPIN, P. G.

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R U N A W A Y S.

ELOPED from the Subscribers on Wednesday the 26th Inst. two newly imported Men Slaves, named KAUSHEE and BOONUM, abut 6 Feet high, and, perhaps, 30 Years of Age.—They absconded in Company with three other Slaves about two Months ago, and were taken up at Broad-Creek, about 10 Miles off, and brought back by William Gatling of that Place, who has since purchased a Wench who was imported with them; from which it is supposed they are lurking about that Neighbourhood. Whoever takes them up and brings them home, shall have Forty Shillings reward from

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Newbern, April 27, 1775.

POETS CORNER.

S I R,

If you think there is any Merit in the following Lines, you may give them a Publication; depend they never yet appeared in Print, upon the Word of
Your humble Servant,

W. D.

GRANT me, good God! this Wish, to crown
Give me one faithful Friend, I ask no more;
Let ev'ry Action prove his steady Mind,
Unblemish'd be his Fame, his Sense rein'd;
Pleas'd when I'm pleas'd, and chearful when I'm

Soothing my sickly Soul to make her glad:
To stem the Current of rude Passion's Tide,
May all his Steps in Reason's Channel glide:
Sweet be his Temper, and his Soul sincere,
Let ev'ry social Virtue centre there.
With such a rare, accomplish'd Friend as that,
I'd spend each leisure Hour in honest chat;
To him disclose the Secrets of my Heart,
And ev'ry latent Want and Wish impart:
At his Disposal all I've got shou'd be,
My Purse, my Heart, my Life, my Liberty.

HOMERUS.

ONE HUNDRED POUNDS REWARD.

WHEREAS on Friday the 3d Instant, two Men came to my House, who lodged there that Night, and eat Breakfast next Morning; when they gave me a Thirty Shilling Bill to change in Order to pay their Reck'ning. I accordingly went into a Room adjoining to change it, when they rushed in upon me, presenting their Knives at me, and ordered me to deliver up my Keys; and upon my telling them I had not the Keys, they made my Negro Wench bring them a Hammer, and compelled me to break open the Chest, when they took thereout a Pair of Leather Breeches, a Pair of Leather Slugs, &c.

One of the above Men is about six Feet high, between 25 and 30 Years old, of a sandy Complexion, sandy red Beard, and has a downy Look; had on a swiff coloured Surcoat Coat, with a Flap off the left Skirt, a blue Jacket, and black Breeches, and wore a large black Face sorrel Stallion, about 14 Hands high, all four Feet white, and was lame with swelling. The other is about five Feet seven Inches high, between 28 and 30 Years old, has curled Locks, full mouthed, talks very pretty, and is lame in his right Knee and Leg; had on a pale blue Surcoat Coat, Leather Breeches, a half-worn smooth-brim'd Hat, Leggins the same as the Surcoat, and a silver sword; and took with him a black roun North, (the Property of the Subscriber) near 22 Hands high, about 7 Years old, one of his Feet white to the Pasterns, has a Roman Nose, full of grey Hair, pretty lively, a natural Trotter, and brandled on the rear bottom I W.

Whoever apprehends the above Parties, and secures them and the Money, shall receive the above Reward, or in Proportion to the Money they shall find with them.

JOHN FOY.

Craven County, February 6, 1775.

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