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The most interesting Debates in the House of Commons that ever were agitated in that august and venerable Senate, the Speeches and Proceedings on the late Acts of Parliament, that were intended to sap the Foundations of American Freedom, and reduce these once happy Regions to a State of Ministerial Vassalage.

The Proceedings on those Acts of Parliament will be mentioned in Order as they were passed, and consist of the Speeches of Lord Chatham, Lord Camden, Lord Effingham, the young Marquis of Granby, the Bishop of St. Asaph, Governor Johnson, Mr. Wilkes, Mr. Burke, William Temple Luttrell, Mr. Cruger, and others; also the Petition and Remonstrance of the Lord Mayor and City of London.

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The following American Papers that have been published by the Continental, and Provincial Congresses, in Pursuance of passing the above destructive Acts of the British Parliament, viz.

The Addresses of the first and second Continental Congresses to the King, their Addresses to the People of Canada, to the People of England, and Ireland, and to the People of the Twelve united Colonies of America: Also the Address of the Provincial Congress of Massachusetts-Bay to the People of England, after the Battle of Lexington.

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To the PUBLIC.

THIS is the first Attempt in this Province to perpetuate the Memory of those noble and venerable Senators who have stood foremost in the grand Struggle for American Liberty; and has been promoted and encouraged by a Number of worthy and patriotic Gentlemen in the upper Settlements of this Province, who are already subscribed for near 500 Copies, that they may be

or yet had the American Periodical Publication, though they are not yet published, and die from the Newsum of the Defore piz-en-

GRAVEN County, N. C.
By **ROBERT ORME** and **THOMAS WEBBER**, Esquires, two of his Majesty's Justices for said County.

WHEREAS Complaint hath been made to us by *Joseph Brock*, that a Negro Man named **BILLICO**, about 21 Years of Age, about 5 Feet 9 Inches high, a black well set Fellow, Country born, well known in this County, formerly the Property of *Josiah Holt*, is supposed to be lurking about, and committing many Acts of Felony.

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 *Craven* to make diligent Search and Pursuit 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 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 Slave doth not surrender himself, and return home, immediately after the Publication of these Presents, that then any Person may kill or destroy the said Slave, by such Means as he or they may 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 28th of August, 1775, and in the 15th Year of his Majesty's Reign.

ROBERT ORME.
THOMAS WEBBER.

N. B. Whoever apprehends and secures the said Slave, so that I may get him again, shall have 20s. if brought alive, or 5l. for his Head. He is supposed to be lurking about the Town of *Newbern*.

JOSEPH BROCK.

This Day is published,

And to be sold at the PRINTING-OFFICE in Newbern, Price 1s. 6d.

The CRISIS.

A PERIODICAL Paper lately published in London, in 8-Numbers. It is a true Portrait of the present Times, and wrote with great Freedom. It has been consigned to the Flames by the present pious Parliament, the common Hangman having burnt it in several Places in London by their Order.

NEWBERN, August 9, 1775.

THE Subscriber requests all Persons who are in any Way indebted to him to make Payment as speedy as possible, to enable him to satisfy his Creditors.—The noted and well situated Tavern in which he lives to be let, and the Furniture, &c. to be sold cheap to any Person who will rent the same. If it should not suit the Person who may rent the House to purchase the Furniture, &c. it will be sold at private or public Sale. Bond and Security will be required for the yearly Payment of the Rent. He has likewise several valuable Negroes, consisting of Men, Women, Boys, Girls, and Children, which he will also dispose of cheap for ready Money, with a Crop of Indian Corn, Rice, &c. as it now stands; and will let the Plantation, which is situated within four Miles of this Town, between *Newse* and *Trent* Roads, to any Person that the same may suit, giving Bond and Security for the Payment of the same.

EDMUND WRENFORD.

Just Published, and to be sold at the Printing-Office, Price Eight Pence,

THE SPEECH of the Right Honourable the EARL OF CHATHAM, in the House of LORDS, January 20, 1775. On a MOTION for an ADDRESS to his MAJESTY, to give in-

POETS CORNER

To HOPE. AN ODE.

COMPANION of the Heart's-born Mind,
The gen'rous Friend of human Kind,
Sweet Hope! thy Aid impart,
Remove each gloomy, coward Fear,
Mean Distrust, and black Despair,
And cheer my drooping Heart.

Not with that fleeting Air of Joy,
Which visionary Minds employ,
Inspid, low, and vain;
Let them their fancy'd Good pursue,
I envy not their Bliss in view,
But seek a nobler Gain.

Beyond the narrow Bounds of Time
Direct my panting Soul to climb
Immortal Heights above;
Within the Vault, where God displays
His bright illimitable Rays
Of Wisdom, Pow'r, and Love.

The Mind long hid in Darkness lay,
Till Revelation's golden Key
Unlock'd the Gates of Light;
Then, led by thee, she knew to trace
The Path to endless Happiness,
With Freedom and Delight.

O glorious HOPE, by thee we fear
Beyond what PLATO cou'd explore,
Or SOCRATES defin'd;
No more shall Doubts and Fears arise,
Let Sceptics sacred Truth despise,
To thee and Nature blind.

When low'ring Storms tumultuous rage,
Thy Influence only can assuage
The agitated Breast;
One Gleam from thee inspires Delight,
Dispels Affliction's darkest Night,
And lulls the Soul to rest.

Freely to all thou dost impart
The sweetest Transports of the Heart,
To Mis'ry ever dear;
Reviv'd by thee, the Wretch in Chains
Forgets his Load of Grief and Pains,
And stops the falling Tear.

While thro' this Wilderness I stray,
Do thou and Wisdom point the Way
To meek CONTENTMENT'S Bow'r;
There let me pass my future Days,
Unknown to Fame; with home-felt Ease
Enjoy the tranquil Hour.

To be LET, by the Subscriber, for the Term of ten Years, on moderate Rent,

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COMMITTEE CHAMBER, September 26, 1775.
A GREABLE to a Resolve of the Provincial Congress, lately held at *Hillsborough*, the Freeholders of the County of *Craven* are requested to meet at the Court-House in *Newbern*, on the third Tuesday in October next, and elect any Number, not exceeding Five, proper Persons to represent them in the next Provincial Congress, and to elect Two