

NEWBERN, August 11, 1778.

WHEREAS my wife KATY has eloped from me, I take this public method to inform all persons from trusting her on my account, as I will not be answerable for any debts she may contract from the date hereof. JAMES FLETT.

"Brown had a narrow escape: Three of the enemy's horse reconnoitring, were discovered by one of our piquets and fired upon. Some officers riding out to know the cause, one of them perceived a man of low stature on foot; the officer pursued, but the little fellow nimbly gave him the slip in the swamp. Many things were picked up which the fugative in his hurry left behind him, and indubitably prove the identity of the person: Two of the articles were, a small green coat laced with gold and faced with buff, and a handkerchief marked T. B. In a pocket of the coat was a letter from Major Prevost, addressed to Col. Brown, dated Gordon's Mill, June 19; wherein he expresses some anxiety for the safety of his person, and styles him "the life of his corps." This letter, as it contains a plan of operations against us, affords useful intelligence.

"By an express just arrived from Governor Houstoun we learn, that having detached General Screven of the militia, with 100 horse to hang on the enemy's rear, a skirmish ensued yesterday with Colonel Brown's Rangers, now joined by Major Prevost with 400 Regulars and Schowolites. Screven was obliged to retire, with the loss of one killed and three wounded; of the latter is a Lieutenant-Colonel, who received a ball through the breast and arm. We made an officer prisoner, by whom we learn that Brown's Rangers do not exceed 150 men. The action happened 25 miles to the southward of this camp."

NEWBERN, August 21, 1778.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Baltimore, to his friend in this town, dated July 23.

"A frigate of 36 guns, and 11 sail of transports, from Corke to New York, with provisions, have fallen into the hands of the Count d'Estaing, at Sandy Hook. The transports are since arrived in Delaware. You may depend on this intelligence, just received here."

There is great probability of the loss of Capt. Goodrich, in a 10 gun sloop, that has lately done so much mischief on this coast. The sloop was seen off Hatteras by the pilots the day before the late gale of wind, and the day after there came ashore the roundhouse of a vessel, several gun-carriages, swabbs, and other things belonging to guns, a square sail bomb, and other spars, which indicates the loss of some vessel; and as that sloop has not been seen since, it is likely to be her.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

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THE subscriber takes this method of acquainting the public that James Flett, (taylor of this town) hath unjustly traduced the character of his lawful, prudent, and virtuous wife—And he further adds, that he will be accountable for any transgression said Flett can make evident against his wife.—Therefore he expects the public will consider said Flett an unjust and cruel man, if he cannot prove any reason for acting in so vile a manner.

Metbinks I bear Mrs. Flett } If from truths sacred paths I've stray'd,  
express herself thus, } Convince the world I do,  
  } If not the world with justice may,  
  } Transfer the same on you.  
  JOHN HORNER HILL.

LETTERS remaining in the POST-OFFICE at NEWBERN, viz.

- ONE for Mrs. Francis Harvey, near Cox's Ferry.
- Mr. Francis Hodgton, sloop Sea Flour, 1 do.
- Mr. Dugald Cambell, Newbern, 1 do.
- Mr. William Mecoy, Craven county, 1 do. 5th July.
- Mrs. Judath Dyer, Newbern, 1 do. 18th do.
- Mr. Archibald Gillespie, Bogue Inlet, 1 do. 25th do.
- Mr. Waightill Avery, Attorney General.
- Mrs. Judath Dyer, Newbern, 1 do. 1st Aug.
- Mr. John Steel, New River, 1 do.
- Major William Fenner, Newbern, 1 do.
- Capt. Jehiel Tinker, Newbern, 1 do. 7th do.
- Monsieur Listre, Newbern, 1 do. 8th do.
- Mr. John Cowpet, Tar River, 1 do. 14th do.
- Mrs. Elizabeth Washington, Tar River, 1 do.
- Mr. William Blount, 1 do. 19th do.
- Mr. Henry Dixon, Beaufort, 1 do.

R. COGDELL, P. M.

State of North Carolina, Craven County, fl. By ALEXANDER GASTON and RICHARD ELLIS, Esquires, two of the Justices for the said County.

WHEREAS complaint hath been made to us by Frederick Fonville, that a negro slave named Peter, black fellow, aged about 44 years, about 5 feet 5 inches high, ran away in December last.

These are therefore 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 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 state 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.

ALEX. GASTON. RICHARD ELLIS.

N. B. Whoever apprehends the said slave, and delivers him to me, shall have 10 dollars, or 20 dollars for his head. FREDERICK FONVILLE.

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