

NEW-YORK, August 13.

Extract from the journal of Mr. Alexander M. Pherson, commander of the ship *Elderslie* of Glasgow.

Sunday, Aug. 16, 1778, at 2 P. M. Sandy Hook, 12, or 15 leagues distant, wind N. W.

THICK hazy weather, heard several guns to the westward, and soon after several intermitting broadsides.

At 5 P. M. weather more clear, saw two ships to the westward, not more than a league distant, one of which we plainly discovered to be a French rear admiral, of at least 80 guns. Notwithstanding the great disparity of the other ship, which proved to be the *Isis* of 50 guns, capt. Reyner, they came to action, which continued for three glasses with unremitting fury, during which an interval of six or eight minutes was taken up with small arms.

Soon after the French ship falling off, the *Isis* availing herself, with avidity, of the advantage, ran close up round his stern and poured in a full broadside, after which the admiral never worked his ship with any alacrity. The *Isis* immediately ran up and exchanged several broadsides, in which the admiral suffered considerably in his rigging, and fell round head to wind, in which situation the *Isis* poured another broadside into his bow, from which he seemed never to recover, as soon after he wore round on his heel and bore away before the wind, all sail set that was left standing.

The situation of the *Isis*, having her masts, rigging and sails, shattered to pieces, particularly her yards, having neither lifts nor braces standing, and her foremast without a shroud, prevented her giving chase.

NEWBERN, Sept. 25, 1778.

BY a gentleman from Philadelphia, there is an account of a battle having been fought on Rhode Island, between our troops under general Sullivan, and the British army there under general Prescott. No particulars are yet received, but general Sullivan's letter to general Washington, says the conflict was severe, that we kept the field, and have lost a number of brave men. General Prescott retreated into Newport. We hourly expect a confirmation of this matter.

ADVERTISEMENT S.

NEWBERN Sept. 18.

THE subscriber informs the public he disposes of all his lands in the different parts of this state, at private sale until Tuesday the 13th of October next, whatever remains then unsold will be put up on that day at vendue; the situations of the different tracts are as follows: One tract of 215 acres a little way out of town, one plantation upon Neuse river, about 1400 acres, four miles from Newbern, a place so well known both for profit and pleasure as requires no description; one tract about 1185 acres of very good land, on Trent, 28 miles from town; one tract on the freights, Core Sound; several tracts at Cross Creek, esteemed equal if not superior to any in this state; several tracts on Hammond Creek, and some other tracts in different parts of the country, the situations of which shall be told by applying; Also all his lots in town, many of which are very valuable; lots in Beaufort and Brunswick; negroes that are good will be taken in payment for any of the above lands, or money paid by those whom it does not suit to sell slaves but for cash.

All those who have any demands against the estate of the late John Clitherall, Esq; deceased, are desired to bring in their accounts properly attested before the end of October, that they may be discharged before the subscriber leaves town. All those who are indebted to the estate are desired to call and settle within the time mentioned, as there is an absolute necessity for the affairs of the said estate to be brought to a final conclusion.
JAMES CLITHERALL.

WHEREAS I gave a note to Mr. William Low some time ago, which I have been ready to pay long since, but do not know who has the said note, as Mr. Low has left this state; I therefore give this notice that I will not pay any interest for the same after this date. Sept. 18.
WILLIAM SPIGHT.

Chowan County, Sept. 5.

RUN away from the subscriber the 31st of August last, a mulatto fellow named Jack, 25 years old, about 5 feet 7 inches high, well set, a blacksmith by trade, carried away with him sundry clothes amongst which I recollect to have seen him have a striped jacket. Whoever delivers the said slave to me, near Edenton, or secures him in any gaol so that I get him, shall have, if taken in this county, 30 dollars reward, if out of the county, 50 dollars and be entitled to what money he has with him when taken, which (I am informed) is considerable. I do hereby forewarn all persons from carrying the said slave out of the country.
JOHN BAP. BEASLEY.

TO be sold at John Horner Hill's store opposite Richard Ellis, Esq; for ready money: Rum, molasses, sugar, coffee, black-pepper, pimento, copperas, allum, tamarinds, cloths, bandkerchiefs, ready made shirts, knives and forks, scissars, needles, tape, thread, pins, glasses, hair powder, iron, men's shoes, &c. &c.

To be sold at Beaufort, at public sale, on Monday the 2d of Nov. next, if fair, if not, the next fair day, and to be continued, a large, valuable, and well chosen assortment of goods, lately arrived in the ship DEANE, Capt. Bernard Margolli, from France.

CONSISTING of cloths, linens and blankets, shoes, hats, caps, stockings, cotton and wool cards, green and boiled tea, window glass, medicines, spices, nails, knives and forks, penknives, needles, padlocks, coffee mills, sleeve buttons, cork screws, snuffers, scissars, razors, stirrup irons, spoons, buckles, carpenter's and blacksmith's tools, door locks and hinges, fishing hooks, gimblets, bridle bits, scales and weights, whips, pencils, sealing wax, combs and snuff boxes, thread, sewing silk, mohair, sail duck, salt, brandy and wines, &c. &c.

State of North Carolina, Craven County, ff.

By RICHARD ELLIS, and WILLIAM TISDALE, Esq; Justices, two of the Justices for the said County.

NEWBERN, June 27, 1777.

WHEREAS complaint hath been made to us, by James Davis, that a negro fellow named SMART, very black, about 5 feet 8 inches high, well made, and very likely, speaks broken English, but very artful and insinuating, is run away, and is supposed to be lurking about committing many acts of felony.

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.

RICHARD ELLIS,
WILLIAM TISDALE.

N. B. 'Tis supposed he is harboured about Core Sound, as he has been seen there several times. I will give fifty dollars if delivered to me at Green Spring, or 20 dollars for his head.
JAMES DAVIS.

WANTED.

AN apprentice to the printing business. A smart active boy, that can write a legible hand, and read pretty well, will be received. Enquire at the printing office in Newbern.