

MR. DAVIS,

For the sake of public justice, please to publish the following transaction in your paper. I am preparing a full state of the case for the eye of the public, which with proper affidavits, shall soon be laid before them, when they will then be judges how far we are ruled by upright magistrates.

T. H. E. Bellona, privateer lately brought in here several prizes in which were several slaves. These prizes, with all their property, were legally condemned by the judge of the admiralty, and sold accordingly. Notwithstanding which this very judge, together with Dr. Alexander Gaston, gave several of these negroes passes, to go about their business. That after the said slaves were sold at open market, the said judge issued a warrant to a constable to take one of the said slaves out of the possession of an honest purchaser, and that the said constable, aided by a great posse of men with Dr. Gaston at their head, went to the man's house with drawn weapons and demanded the slave he had just purchased. On the person's refusal to deliver him, Dr. Gaston ordered him and his negro both to gaol, and had his posse been as willing to obey as he was to command, the man would certainly have been carried to gaol. At length the constable took the slave and carried him to gaol, and upon his master's demanding him of the judge, was told, that on giving him security in the sum of 2000l. he might have him.— The judge, in vindication, shews an affidavit of the slave's freedom, made by some of the prisoners of war, one of which 'tis said was a mulatto, and says, as it was made in presence of Col. Leech, it ought to be binding. On which this question arises. Has the judge of the admiralty, or Col. Leech, permitted Aliens, prisoners of war, and English Tories, out of the pale of our constitution, and debarred the privileges of it, to take an oath to divest an American citizen of his property?— Capt. Doan, of this place, is just arrived from New York, where he has been kept a prisoner some time, in common with all ranks of prisoners, and when he came away, left a number of poor Americans suffering in a loathsome prison ship, who could not be released till exchanged. How is it then that we find the judge of the admiralty, and Dr. Gaston, giving passports to prisoners of war, at least, if they are not slaves. Several prisoners of war, now in town, on being ordered to gaol, on Capt. Doan's arrival with the rate of our prisoners, plead their parole given them, by the first magistrate in town, they said, the judge of the admiralty. Pray, Mr. Davis, tell us, if you can, whether this conduct is whiggism or toryism.

## I M P A R T I A L.

The commissioners for emitting the money, agreeable to act of assembly, met the first instant at Kingston, according to appointment. But the paper mill having been injured by the late rains, they adjourned to the 1st of November, when the contractor for the paper has promised to have it ready, when the commissioners will then proceed on that business.

## A D V E R T I S E M E N T S.

## TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.

Ran away from me in Newbern, a negro wench named Sall, a short, thick, yellowish wench, well known in Newbern. She has been seen in company with Billico, a fellow of Mr. Sanders's, and is supposed harboured by him.— Whoever delivers her to me, or secures her in any gaol, shall have the reward. (3) MARY GORDON.

## W A N T E D I M M E D I A T E L Y.

A quantity of wharf logs and lightwood posts, and about 6000 three foot shingles. Any one willing to supply them are desired to apply to Mess. Ogdens, at their store in Newbern.

Who have for sale Herxham's genuine tincture of bark, esteemed an excellent medicine in fevers, &c. (3)

## F O R S A L E,

Two new cables 120 fathom each, one 9 inches, the other 11 inches French measure, equal to a 10 and 12 inch English cable, and suitable for a vessel of 200 tons burthen. Any person inclinable to purchase may apply to Mr. John W. Stanley, or Messrs. Thomas and Titus Ogden in Newbern. (4)

State of North Carolina, Beaufort County, ss.

To the Sheriff, constables, and all other officers of the said county.

WHEREAS Sarah Blango Moore (free negro) has this day made complaint to me, one of the justices for the county aforesaid, that she was last night robbed of two of her own children, by three men in disguise; one a boy about six years old named Ambrose, the other a girl named Rose, of the same age, they being twins; and that she hath just reason to suspect several idle and disorderly persons within your precincts to have taken the same.

These are therefore in the name of the State to command you and each of you to search diligently within your respective Bailiwicks for the said robbers, and to make hue and cry after them from Town to Town, and from one county to another: And if you shall find the said robbers, that then you apprehend them and carry them before some justice of the peace where they shall be taken, there to be examined concerning the premises; herein fail not.

GIVEN under my hand and seal this 11th September, 1778.

THOMAS BONNER.

## B O Y L E A L D W O R T H, Limbner.

JUST arrived in this town, paints LIKENESSES on the following conditions, viz.

Portraits for rings,	130	} Dollars.
Do. for bracelets,	100	
Do. in crayons, as house ornaments from 1 to 2 feet,	75	

N. B. Enquire for Mr. Aldworth at Oliver's tavern.  
Newbern, Sept. 29.

Craven County, Oct. 1.

TO be sold at public sale on Thursday the 22d of October, at the late dwelling house of Moses Almand, deceased, on Brice's creek, all the stock, consisting of cattle, horses and hogs; likewise corn, wheat, and tobacco, and the house and kitchen furniture, &c. Six months credit will be allowed the purchasers, giving bond with approved security, before the property is altered.

All persons who have any demands against the said estate are desired to bring in their accounts properly attested; and all who are indebted to the estate, are desired to settle before the next county court.

PERRIN ALMAND, Administrator.

LETTERS remaining in the POST-OFFICE at Newbern, September 15, 1778.

FRANCIS Hodgson, of the sloop Sea Flower,  
William McCoy, Craven county.  
Capt. Isaac Bartholomew, Beaufort.  
Mr. Daniel Yeats, on Trent River.  
Col. Jacob Blount, near Newbern.  
William Blount, Esq; 2 letters.  
Capt. Thomas Blount, of the 5th N. C. regiment, 3 letters.  
Brig. Gen. Allen Jones, Halifax.  
Messieur J. D. Kern, merchant.

RICHARD COGDELL. P. M.

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.