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If there were people as hard put to it to pay their taxes, as they are, they would be little better than the slaves of their lords...

My own part, I am plain country, possibly not a great number of them, and facts which will strike a lead to the community...

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NEW YORK, June 15. To his excellency Governor General James Robertson, Governor of New York...

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are already the object of complaint from this cause, and it is a matter of course that...

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Extract of a letter from General Brown, dated Boston 18th June 1840. My flying reports of the British capture...

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From several passages in his memoirs were made about that time. The Dutch indeed were then very frugal; but since those days and that their calamities have not been so pressing, though the common people, on whom the principal burdens of all excises and impositions lie, are perhaps much as they were, a great alteration has been made among the better sort of people in their equipages, entertainments, and whole manner of living.

Those who would have it that the frugality of that nation flows not so much from necessity, as a general aversion to vice and luxury, will put us in mind of their public administration and smallness of salaries, their prudence in bargaining for and buying stores and other necessaries, the great care they take not to be imposed upon by those that serve them, and their severity against them that break their contracts. But what they would ascribe to the virtue and honesty of ministers is wholly due to their strict regulations concerning the management of the public treasure, from which their admirable form of government will not suffer them to depart: and indeed one good man may take another's word, if they so agree; but a whole nation ought never to trust to any honesty, but what is built upon necessity; for unhappiness is the people, and their constitution will ever be precarious, whose welfare must depend upon the virtues and consciences of ministers and politicians.

The great art to make a nation happy, and what we call flourishing, consists in giving every body an opportunity of being employed; which to compass, let a government's first care be to promote as great a variety of manufactures, arts and handicrafts, as human wit can invent; and the second to encourage agriculture and fishery in all their branches, that the whole earth may be forced to exert itself as well as man; for as the one is an insupportable maxim to draw vast multitudes of people into a nation, so the other is the only method to maintain them.

It is from this policy, and not the trifling regulations of lavishness and frugality (which will ever take their own course, according to the circumstances of the people) that the greatness and felicity of nations must be expected: for let the value of gold and silver either rise or fall, the enjoyment of all societies will ever depend upon the fruits of the earth, and the labour of the people; both which joined together are a more certain, a more inexhaustible, and a more real treasure, than the gold of Brazil or the silver of Potofi.

The Tenth Ode of Horace's Book of Epodes, imitated.
Written in December 1781, upon the departure of gen. Arnold from New York.

WITH evil omens from the harbour fails
The ill fated ship that hateful Arnold bears,
God of the southern wind, call up thy gales
And whistle in rude fury round his ears.

With horrid waves insult his vessel's sides,
And may the east wind on a leeward shore
Her cables snap, while she in tumult rides
And shatter into fragments every oar;

And let the north wind to her ruin haste
With such a rage as when from mountains high,
He rends the tall oaks with his weighty blast
And ruin spreads where'er his forces fly.

May not one friendly star that night be seen
Where sad Orion darts his parting ray,
Nor may the ride on oceans more serene
Than Greece triumphant found that stormy day.

When angry Pallas spent her rage no more
On vanquish'd Ilium then in allies laid,
But turn'd it on the barque that Ajax bore,
Avenging thus her temple and the maid.

When tost upon the vast Atlantic main
Your groaning ship the southern gales shall tear
How will your sailors sweat, and you complain
And meanly howl to Jove that will not hear.

But if at last upon some winding shore
A prey to hungry cormorants you lie,
A wanton goat to every stormy power †,
And a fat lamb in sacrifice shall die.

* Ajax the younger, son of Oileus, king of the Locrans. He debauched Cassandra in the temple of Pallas, which was the cause of his misfortune on his return from the siege of Troy.

† The TEMPESTS were goddesses amongst the Romans.

Philadelphia, June 29.
BY virtue of writs of vendition exponas, to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, at the Coffee House, on Wednesday, the 30th of July next, at 6 o'clock in the afternoon, a certain brick messuage or tenement, and lot or piece of ground, situate in the Northern Liberties, containing in breadth, on Third street, continued, northward, 20 feet, and in length or depth 230 feet, to a certain 40 feet alley, running from Brown street to Poplar lane; bounded on the west by said Third street, on the south by William Fair's ground, on the east by the said 40 feet alley, and on the north by Andrew Eardman Lorian's ground; late the estate of Henry Jonas, deceased; under the yearly rent charge or sum of two pounds ten shillings, lawful money of Pennsylvania, payable to William Coais, his heirs and assigns. WILLIAM WILL, Sheriff.

ALSO, to be SOLD, at said time and place, two fourths, equal and undivided part of a lot or piece of ground, situate in Wicacoa, in Moyomensing township bounded by the Swedes parsonage ground, by an alley on Christian street, by Swanon street, and by the river Delaware; containing on the said alley 88 feet, thence to Swanon street 136 feet, thence to the river 21 1/2 feet, thence up the river 38 feet four inches, thence up to Swanon street, 144 feet four inches, deemed late the estate of Simon Sherlock, deceased; under the yearly rent charge of eight pounds, twelve shillings and sixpence, payable to the trustees of the Swedish congregation. Taken in execution by WILLIAM WILL, Sheriff.

An entire New Work.
Now selling at BELL'S book-store, near St. Paul's church, in Third-street, Philadelphia,
(Price, One Dollar.)
The Real and Genuine
SCHOOL for SCANDAL.

A COMEDY. Acted with bursts of applause, at the theatres in London and Dublin.
Written by RICHARD BRINSLEY SHERIDAN, Esq.
Hold the mirror up to nature, and show vice its own image.

Likewise,
Another entire New Work. Now selling at BELL'S book-store, near St. Paul's church, Third-street, Philadelphia.
(Price, One Dollar.)

The Revolution of America.
By the Abbe RAYNAL, author of the philosophical and political history of the establishments and commerce of the Europeans in both the Indies.
Also, Variety of curious and useful books, in history, divinity, voyages, travels, poetry, plays, novels and entertainment, with Latin and Greek classics, &c.

John McFarlane.
In Third street, nearly opposite the Harp and Crown tavern, has for sale,

CLARET bottled in Europe,
Port wine of the first quality, bottled,
Ditto, in casks,
Madeira in casks,
English porter, bottled,
A few bags of coffee, &c. &c. &c.

The liquors are warranted good and will be safely packed up for those that want for carriage on the shortest notice.

* * * A generous price is given for empty bottles.

The Circulating Library
IS removed to the north side of Market-street, about half way between Front and Second streets, opposite Lætitia court, where books and stationary are sold at the lowest rates. Also books taken in on commission. The proprietor returns his grateful acknowledgments to his customers, and requests a continuance of their favors, which will at all times be punctually attended to by their most obedient humble servant,
WILLIAM PRICHARD.

N. B. Those whose quarter or month is up and do not chuse to renew it, are desired to return the books to the library.
Philadelphia, May 13, 1781.

To the FREEHOLDERS and other ELECTORS of the city and county of Philadelphia, Gentlemen,

AS I intend offering myself a candidate for the Sheriff's office at the expiration of colonel Will's time, I thus early solicit your votes and interest to place me on the return with him at the ensuing election, which favour shall be gratefully acknowledged by, gentleman, your respectful friend and humble servant,
SAMUEL NICHOLAS.

Philadelphia, June 11, 1782. etc

K A I G H N and A T T M O R E,
At their store in Front street, a few doors below Arch street, have for sale,

A LARGE assortment of super and super-fine broad cloths, of most colours.
Scarlet, blue, green, buff, white, purple, and cloth coloured rattinet;
Blue, brown and cloth coloured balloons,
Blue, brown, green, and cloth coloured durants,
Green, blue, and claret colour silk serges,
Laval linens,
Brown coating,
Jean, fulian, and corduroy,
Black serge denim,
Black callimanco,
White corded dimities,
White flannels,
Sewing needles, best sort,
Spectacles and combs,
Women's purple gloves and mitts,
Women's coloured beaver; and white kid gloves,
Coarse and fine cambricks and lawns,
A few pieces of damaged Russia sheeting, to be sold cheap,
Jesuits bark in bottles,
Camphor,
Epsom and glauber salts,
Two elegant brass hanging compasses, for ships cabbins,
Sewing silks, buff, white, straw colour, light colours and cloth colours,
Coarse and fine, white threads,
Twist of the best quality, most colours,
White and orange colour sarinet ribbands,
Jaconet, Colfac and book mullins,
A small chest of best hyson tea,
A new copper still containing 51 gallons, with aworm A large crew jack, for flowing ships holds.

A L S O,
Burlington pork, of the first quality in barrels,
Hogs lard, in kegs,
Gammons, in barrels,
Logwood, by the ton,
Spanish brown and yellow oker, in kegs,
Coarse salt in barrels.

To be SOLD,
A GROUND RENT of sixteen pounds ten shillings per annum, well secured.

To be LETT,
A COACH HOUSE and STABLE, on Zane's street adjacent to the upper end of Market street, the coach house is calculated for running in two carriages abreast, he Stable has room for six horses.

A VACANT LOT, to be lett for a short term of years, situate on Market street, between Seventh and Eighth streets; 33 feet on Market street, and in depth 30 feet. This place might fit a rope maker, or any person wanting to erect sheds, for the reception of carriages, being adjacent to several livery stables.
Apply as above.

Sunbury, June 28, 1782.
ALL persons that have any demands against the estate of Casper Weitzel, late of the town of Sunbury, deceased, are requested to bring in their accounts properly proven, and those that are any wife indebted to the said estate are desired to make immediate payment to JOHN WEITZEL, Administrator. 4*

AMERICAN MUSEUM.

THE days of admittance to view the collection of natural and artificial curiosities, paintings, &c. are Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, and the hours for each company at eleven and twelve o'clock in the forenoon, and at four, five and six o'clock in the afternoon, allowing an hour for each company; which, to avoid inconvenience to themselves, it is hoped will not exceed six, or at most eight in one set.

For the information of those who are desirous to visit this collection, a paper, giving a short account of its contents, will be delivered with the ticket, which are to be had in the forenoon of every day (Sundays excepted) at the subscriber's house in Arch street above Fourth street, at half a dollar each.

P. E. DU SIMITIÈRE.

Five Pounds Reward.

RAN away the 13th of June, 1782, from the subscriber, living in Little Creek hundred, in the state of Delaware, a mulatto man shewing of the indian blood, named LOTT, about forty years old, five feet nine or ten inches high, thin visaged, shews some gray hairs in his beard, he is apt to get drunk, and very abusive when he is so, the forepart of his hair lately trim'd, and bushy behind, had on when he went away, a small round hat half worn, strip'd linen trousers, an under jacket, the fore parts white, the back gray, short blue and white strip'd coat, a white home spun linen shirt, shoes almost new: took with him two pair of tow trousers, and a greyish coat half worn. Whoever apprehends and secures the said servant, so that his master may have him, shall receive the above reward and reasonable charges, by me, J. WHEILTON.

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.

RAN away from Cornwall furnace in Lancaster county, on Sunday the 23d instant, two NEGRO MEN, one of them named Jem, a stout lively fellow, about twenty one years old and about five feet ten inches high, has lately had the small pox, had on when he went away, a short blue coat with a red cape, a scarlet vest coat, a pair of black velvet breeches and a cocked hat. The other called Mingo, about five feet seven inches high, and about twenty eight years old, very talkative, had on a good shirt and a good pair of tow trousers. Whoever apprehends and secures the said negroes, so that their master may have them again shall have the above reward, or ten dollars for either of them, and if brought home, reasonable charges paid by June 24, 1782. CURTIS GRUB.

May 30, 1782.

WHEREAS public housekeepers, distillers and others, retailing spirituous liquors, within the county of Lancaster, have for some time past greatly neglected to pay the duties and rates imposed by law, for raising a public revenue by excise, and easing the good people of this state in their taxes. There are therefore to inform all the above persons, that they must pay off all their arrearages without delay; and in future the tavern keepers must pay off all their excise duties before their licences will be renewed, otherwise they will be indicted as keeping tipling houses. Distillers and other retailers not tavern keepers, are to take out permits from me or John Offner, Esq. deputy collector of excise in the borough of Lancaster; and in case of failure, the law will be put in force against them without respect of persons. For the convenience of the people, I shall attend during the court of quarter sessions, for August term next, at the house of Adm Reigart, inn keeper in Lancaster, to do the business of my office. * WILLIAM HAY, Collector of Excise.

SIX DOLLARS REWARD.

RAN away from the subscriber, living in Hamilton township, Cumberland county, a servant man named JAMES HANNAH, about 18 years of age, smooth faced, short fair hair, down looking, sloop shouldered, close kneed, and thick angled. Had on a shirt and trousers of coarse tow cloth, a blue thick cloth jacket, a new wool hat, and patched shoes. Whoever takes up said runaway, and secures him in any goal, or else where, so that his master shall have him again, shall receive the above reward, and reasonable charges, paid by me, ROBERT PEEBLES.

N. B. Perhaps he may change his name, and say he is free, he being supposed to have had company who affords him help.

TO BE SOLD by the subscriber living in Shippensburg, a stone house in said town, 35 feet by 30, two stories high, completely finished, a cellar under the whole, neat granaries which will contain several hundred bushels of grain, a stone kitchen, a well of good water within two perches of the kitchen door, two lots of ground well fenced and otherwise in good order for a garden, which would render it very suitable for a tavern or store, also two barns.

Likewise 255 acres of excellent land well timbered, within two short miles of the town aforesaid. The purchaser may expect an indisputable title for both or either, as it may suit him. On paying the third of the purchase in hand, sufficient time will be allowed for the remainder. 4w FRA. CAMPBEL.

Southwark Auction,

TOMORROW morning, will be sold by auction, a large assortment of merchandise as usual. A large house hold furniture and wearing apparel, &c. &c. WILLIAM BROWN.

N. B. Hand-bills will be discontinued for the future, except on particular occasions.