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HIGH-WATER at NEW-YORK, this Week.

Monday,	39 Min. after 11	Friday,	9 Min. after 3
Tuesday,	29 Min. after 12	Saturday,	4 Min. after 4
Wednesday,	8 Min. after 1	Sunday,	3 Min. after 5
Thursday,	5 Min. after 2	*Last Quarter next Friday.*	

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Wheat per Bushel,	6s. od.	Muscovado Sugar,	64s. od.	Fine Salt,	3s. 3d
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New-England, do.	2s. 6d.	Pork,	63s. od.		

Mr. GAINE,

Be pleased to insert the following in your next Gazette, and you will oblige a Number of your Readers in Dutchess County.

IN your Paper of the 13th instant, we find a declaration put forth to the public, to which it is said a great number of the inhabitants of Dutchess County had subscribed, and great numbers daily adding their names.

We who are inhabitants of the same County, avowing our allegiance to his Majesty, and our attachment to the constitution, desiring to remove any disadvantageous impressions from the minds of the public, respecting the inhabitants of this county, have the pleasure (amidst all our anxieties on account of the distractions of the times) to assure the public, that from our observations and informations, not only great numbers, but a great majority of the inhabitants have not bowed the knee to this Baal, but are ready to stand forth in the cause of American Liberty, having chearfully adopted the measures of the Continental Congress, and intend as far as their examples and influence can extend, to carry the same into execution, especially the 7th and 8th articles, professing still to have confidence in the justice and goodness of our Sovereign, as well as the integrity and good sense of the nation; are therefore resolved to join with our brethren in other counties and provinces, in using every constitutional means for redress of grievances, and, to stand or fall with American Liberty; nor can they be prevailed upon by all the wiles of the advocates for ministerial oppression, to sign the above-mentioned declaration;---a declaration big with the doctrine of passive obedience and non-resistance; but we do not find any article of self-denial in all their political creed, for it seems they are resolved to eat and drink what they please.

This article hath put a humorous Wag in the vicinage, to write thus of them: "The Tories (says he) are soon to meet in convention, and after proper consultations and conclusions, and the business of the day is done, they are to have a grand entertainment; and indeed (says he) it is but reasonable, that those patriots who by their industry and application, have procured many blessings, and concerted measures to secure them from the lawless hands of a mob, should afterwards (especially the principle leaders of them) relax their minds, and share those blessings which they have been the means of procuring and defending: how comfortable also to the more ignorant part of the convention (who have been drawn in to sign their creed) to see their leaders indulge themselves in diversions and pleasures, which, like the playing and singing of maidens, is a sure sign that the ship is safe and in a calm. The dinner is to consist of many dishes, but I cannot pretend (says he) to express the sumptuousness or variety of them; there is however to be good English roast beef, ewe mutton and lamb, both roast and boiled, and all well seasoned with certain spices brought from the East-Indies; next to be come a pomposous pye, on one side of which is to be seen a viper, and on the other a pigeon, both curiously formed in paste, denoting the wisdom of the serpent and the innocence of the dove, and on the top a cormorant, with a Ministerial Mandate in his mouth: the filling is to consist principally of *celery* and *pennyroyal*, which it is expected the guests will devour very greadily. But how vain would it be (continues this droll writer) to attempt a description of the whole entertainment; all will be elegant, sumptuous and polite, though there will be no *Jellies*; as for the wines, they are to be particularly rich as have been lately imported from Madeira, or the Western Islands, if such are to be had; for you must know (says he) they intend to eat and drink what they please, consistent with the laws of the land, notwithstanding the Association entered into by the Continental Congress. Towards evening the tea table, with all its equipages and appurtenances, is to be brought in; but the worst of it will be (says this merry fellow) the Landlady will be confoundedly puzzled to furnish the company, there's no India Company's Tea to be had, and Tea they will have, notwithstanding the Meeting is to be after the first day of March. What then is to be done? Why give us Dutch Tea, if you have no other.

"But it puzzels me to think how they will reconcile the use of this fort of tea, with the laws of the land."

Dutchess County, Feb. 20, 1775.

WHEREAS fanciful conjectures and misapprehensions are in the minds of people in regard to the terrible accident by fire, which happened on the 28th ult. by the destruction of the hospital, it is thought proper to put that doleful affair into its true light, for which reason the following Affidavits are published; and as a report prevails, that there was a great many shavings in the room where it first happened, the contrary is proved by the following affidavits:

City and County of New-York. } RICHARD SMITH and Joseph Forbes, of the said city, house-carpenters, severally make oath, and say, and first the deponent Richard Smith, for himself saith, That on Tuesday morning the 14th day of February, he was working in company with the said Joseph Forbes, in the south-west ward, on the principal floor of the New-York hospital, that upon the accustomed alarm being given, at twelve o'clock, by the knocking of a hammer, for the workmen to go to dinner, he scraped up the land and ashes, lying about the hearth of the chimney, where he had been hours before lighted a fire, with some shavings and light wood, for the purpose of heating the glew-pot, which he had an absolute occasion for, at the work he had been about; and although there was but little or no appearance of fire then in the chimney or on the hearth, the deponent, after so scraping up the land and ashes, then swept away the few shavings about the hearth, and then sprinkled so much water thereon, as to put the deponent out of all fear of any damage while he went to his dinner, which being done, he went out of the hospital front door, with the said Joseph Forbes, and he the deponent locked it after them, thinking the workmen were all gone, and further the deponent saith, that in the room where he had been at work, he does not believe with the shavings and dirt together, there was fe much therein as would fill a two bushel basket, had they been all swept up together.

And the deponent Joseph Forbes, for himself saith, that he was at work in the morning of Tuesday last, in the same apartment in the hospital, with the deponent Richard Smith, who he saw clear up the hearth of the chimney, where the glew pot had been heated, and saw the precaution used by the said Smith, by sprinkling the same with water; and the deponent did not see any fire upon the hearth, that could be noticed for upwards of two hours before he went away with the said Smith to dinner; that before they went out of the door of the hospital, Smith asked the deponent if he thought the people were all out of the building, to which the deponent replied he did; and then they went out, Smith locking the door after them, and proceeded to their dinner; and further this deponent saith not.

RICHARD SMITH.
JOSEPH FORBES.

Sworn the 3d day of March, before me, } GEO. BREWERTON.
City and County of New-York. } Alexander Bates, of the said city, mason, maketh oath, that on Tuesday last at noon, he the deponent, with two of his boys, and two carpenters, coming out of the cellar of the new Hospital, erecting in the said city, in order to go out at the main door to dinner, but on coming to the door, found it locked, and all the rest of the people gone who had been working about, whereupon one of the carpenters pryed the style of the door case, on the side the lock was, till there was room for the bolt of the lock to pass clear, and thereby the door was opened, out of which the deponent with the other persons, went their way, leaving the door unlock'd, and further the deponent saith not.

ALEXANDER BATES.

Sworn this 3d day of March, 1775, before me, } GEO. BREWERTON.
City and County of New-York. } DAVID FAIRLY, of the said city, carman, maketh oath, that on Friday the third of March, the deponent heard Mary Watson say, that on Tuesday last, a little after twelve o'clock, the the said Mary Watson went to the Hospital to get a few chips, when coming to the door, found it only latch'd, which the opened and went in, and likewise two little girls with her; the seeing no workmen there, went into the further most part of the Hospital, and did not see the girls till the had got some chips, and was coming out, when he called to the girls, and they came out of a room, from that part where the supposes the fire began; and likewise drove them out, and came out herself, and latcht the door again, and says she was only there a few minutes, and saw no fire there at all:---The deponent further says that he heard two little girls say, (one belonging to Mr. Webb, the other belonging to Mr. Tevillion) that they went into the Hospital with Mary Watson; and that they went into a room, and going to the chimney, saw a little fire, which they laid on shavings, and blowed it till it burned, and then came out with Mary Watson, and went home, and further the deponent saith not.

DAVID FAIRLY.

Sworn the 3d March, 1775, before me } GEORGE BREWERTON.

THIS is to give notice, that the subscriber intends to ride post from this place to New-York, and return here as usual, on every Tuesday afternoon;---he also proposes to erect a complete and commodious STAGE WAGGON, to go from his own house in Hanover, and call at the house of Joseph Morris, to the house of Thomas Kenney, Esq; and from thence set off at five o'clock on every Tuesday morning, commencing the first Tuesday in May next, and proceed after day to Powles-Hook; calling at the following places, viz. at the house of Silvanus Cicely, and Matthias Winins, at Paslick River, at the house of Nehemiah Woodruff, at Springfield; at the house of Josiah Pearson, at Newark, and from thence proceed to Powles-Hook:---From which last place laid Stage will set off on its return at five o'clock every Tuesday morning, and come through Newark, Springfield and Paslick, (without calling at Hanover) to this place on the afternoon of laid day:---As the stage must set off early to perform this journey timely, the passengers are requested to come over the river on Wednesday evening. The rate for each passenger from this place to Powles-Hook, will be four dollars New-York currency, and the like sum for each returning passenger, and so in proportion for those taken in along the road; bundles, &c. belonging to passengers, and not exceeding fourteen pounds weight, to be carried free. The public may depend that the subscriber will use his utmost diligence and care to render satisfaction to every person that will encourage him in his undertaking. And as he flatters himself that he has given satisfaction to the Gentlemen that have employed him for some years past in sliding post from this place to New-York, he requests the continuance of their favours, assuring them that he will faithfully exert himself to merit their future approbation.

Morris-Town, 4th March, 1775. CONSTANT COOPER.

The Morris-Town Stage Waggon,

Which was first set on foot, and has been for upwards of four years continued by

DANIEL *and* SILAS BURNET,

BEING provided with good accommodations for passengers, Ladies or Gentlemen, will set out every Thursday morning early from Powles-Hook ferry, and from the other stages on the road (weather permitting) at the usual times.

The proprietors have also adopted proper measures to secure the goods committed to their care, from being lost or stolen on the passage, and will be answerable for their safe delivery, according to directions: They therefore hope, from their former customers and others, to meet with the encouragement they shall constantly use their best endeavours to deserve.

To be SOLD at public Vendue,

To the highest bidder, on Friday the 7th day of April next, by the subscribers, executors of the last will and testament of Joseph Reed, Merchant, late of Amwell, in the county of Hunterdon, West-New-Jersey, deceased,

A SMALL FARM, situate in Amwell aforesaid, fronting the great road leading to the Union Iron Works, about a mile of Ringos's Tavern, and fixteen miles from Trenton, containing 48 acres of land, on which is a large two story dwelling house, four rooms on a floor, an excellent repair, where a fine for the sale of all kinds of merchandize, has been kept with very good success for upwards of forty years past. There is on the premises a fine house, smoak house, chair house, a large new barn, stables, barracks, a bearing orchard, a well of good water, that never fails in the dryest seasons; about fix acres of good clover and spear-grass meadow, watered by living springs, a garden paled in, with a variety of fruit trees. The whole in good fence, and divided into proper fields, except about eight acres of wood-land.---Also to be sold the same day, twenty-seven acres of wood-land, situate about a mile from the said small farm, fronting the aforesaid great road. The title to the whole is deemed indisputable. The vendue to begin at two o'clock in the afternoon, on the premises, when attendance will be given, and conditions made known by

JAMES KIRKPATRICK,
JOHN HART, and } Executors.
SAMUEL TUCKER }

Trenton, March 2, 1775.

To be SOLD,

By way of public vendue, on Monday the 17th day of April:

A Suitable place for a merchant, tavern, or any other public business, being near a cross road at Clark's-Town, in Orange County, about half a mile from the road, and a church, in a pleasantly situated, about 5 miles from the North-River, with a good road to the landing, and between 2 and 3 miles from the Court-House. The place has on it a good dwelling-house, with four rooms on a floor, with a cellar, and a kitchen under the same; also a compleat summer-house of 18 feet square, with two doors and four large glass windows, and a compleat cellar under it for storing bottles of liquor; Also a good barn and stable, a good pump and garden, and variety of fruit trees, with many other convenientcies too tedious to mention. Likewise to be sold at the same time, another place, with a good dwelling house thereon, having four rooms on a floor, and is a good stand for a tanner, shoemaker, or any other business, about 2 and two miles from the English meeting-house at Kakiate, and on the main road from Harvertraw to Kakiate, and five miles from Harvertraw Landing, to which there is a good road to the same. The conditions of the vendue will be made known on the day of sale, by the subscribers, at Clark's-Town. JOHN WEAVER.

To be SOLD PEREMPTORILY,

At public vendue, on Saturday the first day of April next, at two o'clock in the afternoon, on the premises;

THE large two story stone house and gardens, near the Town Wharf, in Newark, being a part of the estate of Col. Josiah Ogden, deceased, very commodious for a Gentleman, or any public business, and within one quarter of a mile of the new Academy, where a Latin School will be opened the beginning of April next, by an experienced master. The conditions of said vendue will be made known at the time of sale, by

DAVID OGDEN,
JACOB OGDEN, and
ISAAC LONGWORTH.

PUBLIC Notice is hereby given, pursuant to an act of the Governor, Council, and General Assembly of the province of New-York, passed the 19th day of March now last past, entitled, "An act for the more effectual registry of mortgages, and for securing the purchasers of mortgaged estates;" that on the 10th day of October next, at ten o'clock in the morning, there will be sold on the premises, by the subscriber, at public auction or vendue, to the highest bidder, A L L that certain farm or parcel of land situate, lying, and being in Rumbout's Precinct, in the county of Dutchess, beginning at the east corner of a lot of land now, or late, in the possession of William Edwards, by an elm sapling marked; thence 54 degrees and 50 minutes east, 57 chains and 40 links, to a white oak tree marked on two sides; thence north 21 degrees and 30 minutes west, 24 chains, to a white stone found it; thence south 54 degrees west, 23 chains, to, or near, the middle of a pond of water; thence north 24 degrees and 30 minutes west, 12 chains and 40 links, to an island on the north side thereof, to a white ash sapling marked; thence westward along the creek, as the said creek runs, to the land now in the possession of William Edwards, to the place where it first began, containing 208 acres and a half of land, whereof 7 acres and a half are allowed for pond; with all and singular the appurtenances to the same belonging.---Which said farm and parcel of land, and premises, were, by deed bearing date the first day of January, in the year of our Lord 1772, mortgaged by Peter Lockey, late of Rumbout, to the subscriber, for securing the payment of £. 250, with interest, on or before the first day of October then next. The conditions of sale will be made public on the day of the vendue, before the sale begins, and title deeds executed by the subscriber, to the purchaser, subject to the proviso in the said act of assembly in favour of other mortgages, judgments at law, and decrees in equity, prior to the said sale, by

CHARLES LE ROUX.

LANDS

To be sold upon terms very advantageous to the purchasers, by order of the executors of the late Mr. William Kelly, of London, and formerly of New-York.

A Tract of upwards of two hundred acres of excellent wood land, at White Land, in the Great Valley, in Chester County, in Pennsylvania, not more than 28 miles from the city of Philadelphia. Enquire of the quality, of Mr. John Ord, in Philadelphia.

A house and lot of ground on Cowfoot-Hill, 85 feet wide, and 57 feet long, now possessed by Mr. John Thompson, and next door to Alderman Blagge's.

The house in which Mr. Kelly formerly lived in Wall-Street, nearly opposite to Mr. Van Horne's. This lot is 45 feet wide, and 111 feet deep, and the house in the best repair.

The house, and about 5 acres of ground (formerly Mr. Emot's) opposite to the Great Bridge in Elizabeth-Town, together with another lot adjoining the first lot, and containing near 5 acres more, as pleasantly situated as any lands in that flourishing town.

500 acres, or one undivided fourth part of the 2000 acre tract at Turkey, in the county of Essex, in New-Jersey, on the S. E. side of Passaick River, which was heretofore returned for the four daughters of Michael Kearney, deceased.

500 acres in two tracts at Cesne Brook, in the county of Essex, formerly Henry Leonard's, being about 10 miles from Newark.

A variety of excellent farms in a tract of upwards of 6600 acres, occupied already by above 30 families, situated at New-Town, near the Court-House in Suffex County,---or the whole tract together.

A farm of about 160 acres, formerly Capt. Bowers's, in the township of Hanover, in Morris County, now in the possession of Nathaniel Seabury.

A variety of farms in the township of Gageborough, which is a very fine tract in the county of Gloucester, in the second tier of towns from Connecticut River,---or the whole township together, containing 24,000 acres, with an addition of 5 per cent. more for highways.

The lots No. 10, 15, 20, 21, 26, 40, 49, 64, 74, and 81, (each containing 559 acres) in Schuyler's patent near Canigderage Lake, in the county of Tryon.

A farm of 350 acres, in the manor of Fordham, in West-Chester County, now possessed by Charles Dougherty and another small farm in that manor, possessed, at present, by Adrian Lafarge, with a small lot of about an acre, to the northward of the road from the New Bridge to the town of West-Chester. Col. Lewis Morris owning the moiety of these lands, will join in the conveyance.

A mortgage title to 32 acres, near Whippany River, in New-Jersey, adjoining to Everal tracts possessed by Jonathan Johnston, Abraham Carlisle, and Samuel Ford; and upwards of 56 acres formerly returned to Lord Stirling, on Stoney Brook, being a branch of Whippany River: These lands were mortgaged by Timothy Conner.

A small, but valuable, farm of 50 acres, in Salisbury, in Litchfield County, in Connecticut, possessed by Capt. James Bird: It has an orchard of 400 bearing apple trees, yielding 50 barrels of cyder per annum.

A mortgage title to three acres in Pembroke Tribe, in Bermuda, laying between the lands of Richard Pitt, Jonathan Outerbridge, Thomas Waterman, and the school lands.

The moiety of the following lots in the Great Patent of Kayaderosseras.

	Acres.		
No. 13 in 3d allotment,	205	No. 2 in 26th,	2300
13 in 4th,	588	7 in 17th,	2234
11 in 5th,	618	9 in 18th,	100
1 in 7th,	470	10 in 19th,	115
21 in 8th,	817	11 in 20th,	1609
2 in 9th,	1783	9 in 21st,	3520
4 in 10th,	60	3 in 22d,	1763
10 in 11th,	723	4 in 23d,	2443
2 in 12th,	517	13 in 24th,	855
4 in 13th,	1880	1 in 25th,	1059
9 in 14th,	2500		
12 in 15th,	1000		

If any persons are desirous of knowing the price, or title, they may apply to the subscribers, who have power from the executors to make the sales, and execute proper conveyances.

WILLIAM SMITH,
ABRAHAM LOTT.

TO BE SOLD,

THE noted grist mills in the Great or Lower Nine Partners, in Dutchess County, about three miles from Hudson's-River, or publick landings at Pawling's Purchase (alias Stastburgh) belonging to the subscriber.

These mills are well built, and have two pair of the best Esopus stones, three bolts that turn by water; in the mill house are four stoves and a half, a cellar under the whole, and at a proper distance from the mills a good dwelling house, two rooms on a floor; also another house with a large leanter to it, fixed for flaring albes, and making pot-ash; a new barrack and stables, all in good repair; a very fine conveniency for a fulling-mill near the grist-mills; together with two hundred acres of land, whereof about fifty acres are clear, great part of it is meadow ground, and a bearing orchard of about fifty fruit trees, all in good fence; the remainder well timbered, and the whole well watered. The advantages attending this place are too many to enumerate here; it is situated in a very flourishing part of said country, where several public roads meet, and on the main road that leads from the main body of said Nine Partners (so well known for the extraordinary produce of wheat) to Fish Kill Landing, which makes it one of the best situations for business. For terms of sale apply to the subscriber, in Rhynbeck Precinct, who will give an indisputable title to the purchaser.

PETER D'WITT.

FIVE POUNDS Reward.

BROKE *out in the 6th of February, 1772, at the borough-town of Westchester, a servant Mulatto Boy, but assumes the name of Michael McKelson; he is about 6 feet high, fine made, has black eyes and black hair, by trade a shoemaker. He formerly livvid at Tappan, in Dutchess County, and is now supposed to be at the Fish Kills. Whoever secures him, and brings him to the said good, shall have the above reward, from the subscriber, sergeant of the guard of the borough-town of Westchester.*

JOHN VALENTINE.