

# NEW-JERSEY GAZETTE.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1778.

In CONGRESS, Nov. 24, 1778.

**C**ONGRESS took into consideration the report of the Committee of Arrangement, and thereupon came to the following Resolutions:

Whereas the settlement of rank in the army of the United States has been attended with much difficulty and delay, inasmuch as no general principles have been adopted and uniformly pursued;

Resolved therefore, That upon any dispute of rank the following rules shall be hereafter observed;

1. For determining rank in the continental line between all Colonels and inferior Officers of different states, between like officers of infantry and those of horse and artillery appointed under the authority of Congress, by virtue of a Resolve of the 16th of September, 1776, or by virtue of any subsequent Resolution prior to the 1st of January, 1777, all such officers shall be deemed to have their commissions dated on the day last mentioned, and their relative rank with respect to each other in the continental line of the army shall be determined by their rank prior to the 16th day of September, 1776. This rule shall not be considered to affect the rank of the line within any state, or within the corps of artillery, horse, or among the sixteen additional battalions, where the rank hath been settled; but shall be the rule to determine the relative rank within the particular line of artillery, so far as the rank remains unsettled.

2. In the second instance preference shall be given to commissions in the new levies and flying camp.

3. In determining rank between continental Officers in other respects equal, proper respect shall be had to their commissions in the militia, where they have served in the continental army for the space of one month.

4. All Colonels and inferior Officers appointed to vacancies since the 5th day of Jan. 1777, shall take rank from the right of succession to such vacancies.

5. In all cases where the rank between the Officers of different states is equal, between an officer of state troops and one of cavalry, artillery, or of the additional battalions, the precedence is to be determined by lot.

6. All Officers who have been prisoners with the enemy, being appointed by their state, and again enter into the service, shall do it agreeably to the above rule; that is to say, all of the rank of Captains and under, shall enter into the same regiment to which they formerly belonged, and if such regiment is dissolved or otherwise reduced, they shall be intitled to the first vacancy in any regiment of the state in their proper rank, after the Officers belonging to such regiment have been provided for.

7. The rules of rank above laid down between Officers of different states are to govern between Officers of the same state, except in cases where the state may have laid down a different rule, or already settled their rank.

8. A resignation shall preclude any claim of benefit from former rank under a new appointment.

Whereas from the alteration of the establishment and other causes, many valuable Officers have been and may be omitted in the new arrangement as being supernumerary, who from their conduct and services are intitled to the honourable notice of Congress, and to a suitable provision until they can return to civil life with advantage:

Resolved therefore, That Congress gratefully acknowledge the faithful services of such Officers, and that all supernumerary Officers be entitled to one year's pay of their commissions respectively, to be computed from the time such Officers had leave of absence from the Commander in Chief on this account: And Congress do earnestly recommend to the several states to which such Officers belong, to make such farther provision for them as their respective circumstances and merits entitle them to.

Whereas it will be for the benefit of the Service that some rule for promotions be established; therefore

Resolved, That it be recommended to the several states to provide that in all future promotions, Officers rise regimentally to the rank of Captain; and thence in the line of the state to the rank of Colonel, except in cases where a preference may be given on account of distinguished merit.

Resolved, That all Officers who have been in the service, and having been prisoners with the enemy, now are, or hereafter may be exchanged, or otherwise released, shall, if appointed by the authority of the state, be intitled, in case of vacancy, to enter into the service of their respective state, in such rank as they would have had if they had never been

captured; provided always, that every such Officer do within one month after his exchange or release, signify to the authority of the state to which he belongs, his release, and his desire to enter again into the military service.

Resolved, That every Officer so released, and giving notice as aforesaid, shall, until entry into actual service, be allowed half pay of the commission to which by the foregoing Resolve he stands intitled; provided always, that in case of his receiving any civil office of profit, such half pay shall thenceforth cease.

Resolved, That no brevets be for the future granted, except to officers in the line, or in case of very eminent services.

Resolved, That Paymasters, not being of the rank of Captains, Quartermasters, and Adjutants, be intitled to receive twenty dollars per month subsistence money in lieu of rations.

Resolved, That all Officers and persons employed on the staff shall receive for subsistence money one third of a dollar for each extra ration heretofore allowed them.

Resolved, That Adjutants, Paymasters, and Quartermasters taken from the line, be again admitted into the rank they would have been intitled to had they continued in the line. And such Adjutants, Paymasters and Quartermasters not taken from the line, may be admissible into the line, in such subaltern ranks as by a signed certificate from the Field Officers of their respective corps they shall be deemed competent to.

Ordered, That the Committee of Arrangement transmit to the Board of War lists of the Officers of the army arranged by them in the several regiments and corps, specifying the time of their respective appointments or promotions to their present rank, to be registered in the War-Office; and that commissions be issued to the said Officers accordingly. And the Secretary of the Board of War is hereby ordered to transmit copies of the said arrangement to the Commander in Chief of the army.

Resolved, That the Board of War be authorized to finish the arrangement of the army agreeably to the Resolutions of Congress, and that the Committee of Arrangement furnish the Board with such papers and documents as they are possessed of respecting the same; and that all disputes about rank in the army be referred to the Commander in Chief, to be determined according to the rules of the army.

Ordered, That the Board of War forthwith lay before Congress a list of the continental Brigadiers and battalions, together with the states to which they respectively belong.

*Extract from the Minutes,*  
CHARLES THOMSON, Secretary.

*From the PENNSYLVANIA PACKET.*

To the CANDID and IMPARTIAL PUBLIC.

**M**R. Silas Deane having in his Address, in Mr. Dunlap's last paper, thrown many dishonourable reflections on several persons highly trusted by America, and too far distant to answer for themselves, I think it but justice to those injured characters, to request that you will suspend your judgments, until the matter is fully investigated by those whose immediate business it is, and who are most likely to be possessed of the means to establish the truth, when, no doubt, all the parties will receive their due, whether of reward or punishment, and the public good be secured.

In the mean time I hope you will take a view of the several characters, from the commencement of the present contest with Great-Britain; the part they have acted; what they have sacrificed; and what were their probable prospects; and then I am sure you will agree with me, that the narrative is void of probability, and ought to be supported with much better evidence than insinuations, inuendoes, and bare assertions.

As to the decency of the performance with respect to that Body, to which America must always owe its safety and happiness, I leave it to those whom it may concern. And the real friends to the independency of America will determine on the propriety of such a publication, in the present situation of our affairs. For my own part, I do reverence the Representatives of the People, and have so warm a concern for the public welfare, that I had much rather my nearest connections should suffer a temporary injustice, than offend the one, or in the least injure the other.

I too, most sincerely wish you to be on your guard. Trust not professions; hear both sides, and judge from well attested facts.

FRANCIS LIGHTFOOT LEE.

Philadelphia, December 7, 1778.

To the Printer of the PENNSYLVANIA PACKET.  
SIR,

Please to insert the inclosed in your next paper.

**M**R. Deane most respectfully presents himself before his countrymen, the free and virtuous Citizens of America, and informs them, that the Honorable the Congress did, on Saturday morning the 5th instant, assign Monday evening (then following) to hear him; and on that evening "Resolved, That he report to Congress in writing, as soon as may be, his agency of their affairs in Europe, together with any intelligence respecting their foreign affairs which he may judge proper." He therefore conceives he cannot with propriety continue his narrative at present: In the mean time he submits it to their good sense, Whether he ought to take any notice of a publication signed Francis Lightfoot Lee, opposed to stubborn and undeniable facts.  
Philadelphia, 8th December, 1778.

## TO BE SOLD,

**A** FARM containing sixty acres, in the township of Amwell, adjoining Hopewell, occupied by John Allen; the whole cleared and under good fence, excepting about ten or twelve acres of choice timber land, reserved for the support of the farm. The land is very fertile, has on it a framed house with three rooms well finished, a barn, stables, barracks, &c. a bearing orchard of a hundred trees, about fourteen acres of good meadow. The land is smooth, lying a little to the sun, and watered with a brook running through it, and a spring before the door. Any person inclining to buy, may apply to the Rev. Abner Brush, residing in that neighbourhood, who will agree on reasonable terms, and give an indisputable title for the same.

ABNER BRUSH.

N. B. The subscriber expects to return in a few weeks to the State of New-York, and to sell within that time.

## Twelve Dollars Reward,

**S**TRAYED from the subscriber, four heifers, three of which are three years old, the others two years old; one of them is red with a white face, two are black or red pied, and the fourth is brindle, all marked with a half crop under the near ear and a slit in the off ear. Any person that informs the subscriber, or John Denton, at Princeton, Somerset county, New-Jersey, where he may get said heifers again, shall have the above reward, or three dollars for any one or more of them, paid by

NEHEMIAH SMITH.

Princeton, Dec. 7, 1778.

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**P**UBLIC notice is hereby given to all persons who have in their custody or power, any goods or chattels, bonds, bills, mortgages, notes, books of accounts, or other instruments of writing, or who are indebted to the following fugitives and offenders, now with the enemy, viz. David Ogden, sen. David Ogden, jun. Uzal Ward, William Stiles, Nathaniel Williams, Thomas Bruen, Griffen Jenkins, Stephen Skinner, Benjamin Booth, Joseph Kingsland, Robert Drummond, Lewis Greenfield, Stephen Farrand, John Wheeler, Ebenezer Ward, jun. Isaac Longworth, jun. Isaac Ogden, Nicholas Ogden, Nathaniel Richards, Jonathan Sayres, Isaac Longworth, Thomas Longworth, John Vanwagener, Garrabrant Garrabrants, Jacob Brower, Garret Wouters, Caleb Sayres, Josiah Banks, Joseph Hallett, Peter Woods, Peter Brown, Benjamin Peirson, Richard Stanton, Richard Yates, Peter Mowrison, George Wells, Thomas Galbreath, Pepper Clopper, Abraham Van Geson, jun. the Rev. Isaac Browne, Derick Schuyler, William Maxwell, Francis Batey, Nicholas Garrabrant, John White, William Brooks, James Colvin, Cornelius Brooks, Thomas Aston, Garret Jacobus, Isaac Kingsland, Henry Stager, Samuel Harrison, Peter Dubois, Aaron Peirson, Hugh Gaine, Isaac Stiles, Samuel Hudinot, Nicholas Hoffman, Dr. Uzal Johnson, John Courter, jun. and James Gray; and shall neglect to make immediate discovery thereof to one or more of us the subscribers, Commissioners for the County of Essex, may expect to be dealt with as the law in that case hath provided.

JOSEPH HEDDEN, jun.

SAMUEL HAYES,

THOMAS CANFIELD,

Commissioners.

State of New-Jersey, Essex County, Dec. 9 1778. 3§

**A** VERY handsome CHARIOT to be sold.— Enquire of JOHN LANE, at the North-Branch of Rariton, New-Jersey. The price Four Hundred Pounds.  
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BOSTON, November 23.

Admiral Byron failed from New-York, on the 18th of October, with 16 sail of the line, several frigates, and about 100 sail of transports, victualling ships and merchantmen; invalids, officers of reduced regiments, Tories, &c.—After proceeding some way with the fleet Admiral Byron with all the ships of the line left it to the care of the frigates, and came to cruize off this Bay, to block up the Count D'Estaing, or follow him wherever he should go. Here they were overtaken by the late storm, in which the Somerset was lost on Cape-Cod: The Somerset was one of five ships that were in great distress. The 74 gun ship arrived at Newport without masts is probably one of them:—And as she makes but twelve in that harbour, it is not unlikely from repeated accounts we have lately received of part of the wrecks of some large vessel or vessels being seen, that the other three are lost.

It appears that Byron's fleet was prepared for a long voyage, if occasion required it: Five hundred barrels of flour have been taken out of the Somerset, great part of which it is hoped may be fit for use.—This with the guns and other things make this wreck no small acquisition.

Saturday last arrived at Marblehead, a schooner from France, Capt. James, who left Nantz the 28th of September.

By this vessel we have an account, that the Count D'Orvilliers with the Brest fleet returned to that port about the 20th of that month, without having been able to meet with Admiral Keppel, who they say in France had never failed, or kept out of the way of their fleet:—That the Count D'Orvilliers brought in with him a number of British vessels he had captured, some of them armed vessels, and among others the Fox frigate, formerly captured by Capt. Manly, and retaken in a manner not very honourable to us by the Rainbow and Flora:—That the privateer *Mifflin* from this port, Capt. M'Neil, had taken 13 prizes in her way to Europe, one of which was worth 10,000l. sterling, being a ship belonging to the French, captured by a British cruiser and recaptured by the *Mifflin*; she was claimed by the original owners in France, upon this ground, that the British cruiser who first took her was not commissioned against French, but only American trade.—The prize however, it is said, was adjudged by the French court to the *Mifflin*. We also learn by this vessel, that bankruptcies were increasing in England:—That Spain was going on with her armaments, and every preparation for war; but her Ambassador was still in England, and no appearance of an immediate departure; and that Holland, as usual seemed to be aiming at, and was like to be indulged by England, with a kind of neutrality in the present dispute.

On Saturday a prize brig was sent in here by the privateer Brigantine, Capt. Daniels, who lately failed from this port. The former was a privateer fitted out from Salem, captured by a British vessel, and was going to Europe in company with a number of vessels, among which George Prescott and his suit were embarked. One of his Aid-de-Camps, when they were at sea, got on board this prize, and was brought in with her, a boat, it is said, going from her to fetch his wife and family back; and the vessel in which they were embarked is supposed to be foundered.

Dec. 3. There have been saved from the wreck of the Somerset British ship of war, of 64 guns, which was lately cast away upon the Cape, fifty-four guns of 24, 18, 12 and 9 pounders, with their carriages, 400 barrels of provisions, and 200 barrels of powder, all of which are merchantable. The remaining 10 guns were thrown over before she went ashore.

NEW-LONDON, November 27.

A sloop belonging to New-Haven, which arrived here last week from St. Croix, was taken last Thursday near New-Haven harbour, by a small privateer schooner of 6 swivels. The sloop had about 300 bushels of salt, and a quantity of rum on board. All the people except one, got ashore in the boat.

We have certain advices that four of Admiral Byron's fleet returned to New-York the 18th instant, two of them dismasted.

FISH-KILL, December 10.

His Excellency General Washington passed thro' this town on the 1st inst. on his way to Jersey. The day following the Marquis de la Fayette left this town for Boston, where he is to embark for France.

On Saturday last about 20 British ships, brigs, and smaller vessels, made an expedition up the North-River, as far as King's-Ferry, where they destroyed two or three huts, and took off a barrel of stinking fish; they seemed disposed to do further mischief, but as a large detachment was sent off by General M<sup>r</sup>. Dougal, which arrived in time to defend the place, they went off with precipitation.—On their way down the river they burnt, in a wanton and cowardly manner, two or three defenceless houses at or near Tarry-town.

Reports from L. Island say, That Count d'Estaing has taken seven of the Cork fleet, and five other vessels, and that an English cruiser had taken the French packet and mail: That Gen. Clinton was at a loss what to do, or where he was to go, as he expected orders in the packet, which they apprehend was taken or lost.—In the interim, the British troops were building barracks or huts at Jericho, not far from Hampstead on Long-Island.

A correspondent says, the inhabitants of New-York are heartily sick of their protectors, and with

the time may speedily come when they may be left to themselves; the greater part would rather leave themselves to Whig-mercy than British clemency and protection any longer.

PHILADELPHIA, December 3.

On Tuesday his Excellency JOSEPH REED, Esquire, was proclaimed President of the Supreme Executive Council of this Commonwealth, Captain General and Commander in Chief in and over the said Commonwealth; and the same day the Honorable GEORGE BRYAN, Esquire, was chosen Vice-President of the Council.

The schooner Gates, Captain Amory, arrived at Cape Francois on the 9th ult. with Mr. Robert Lynch Roberts passenger.

DECEMBER 5.

At a GENERAL COURT MARTIAL, held for the Trial of Major General SCHUYLER, Major General Lincoln, President.

Brigadier General Nixon,	Colonel Putnam,
Brigadier General Clinton,	Colonel M. Gift,
Brigadier General Wayne,	Colonel Rufiel,
Brigadier General Muhlenburg,	Colonel Grayton,
Colonel Greaton,	Colonel Stewart,
Colonel Johnson,	Colonel Meggs.

OCTOBER 3, 1778.

The Court, having considered the charge against Major General Schuyler, the evidence, and his defence, are unanimously of opinion that he is NOT GUILTY of any neglect of duty in not being at Ticonderoga, as charged; and the Court thereupon do acquit him with the highest honor.

(Signed) B. LINCOLN, President.

In CONGRESS, December 3, 1778.

Congress took into consideration the proceedings of the Court Martial on the trial of Major General Schuyler; whereupon Resolved, That the sentence of the General Court Martial, acquitting Major General Schuyler with the highest honor of the charges exhibited against him, be and is hereby confirmed.

Ordered, That the proceedings of the said Court Martial be published.

Ordered, That the above Resolution be transmitted to the Commander in Chief.

Extract from the Minutes,

CHARLES THOMSON, Sec.

Dec. 10. On Thursday last arrived in this port the brig Nancy, Captain Doan, in 30 days from St. Croix. On Friday the armed sloop Harriot, Captain Gansel, from the same island, which she left the 5th of November.

And on Saturday the Continental brig Baltimore, Captain Read, from Nantz in France, which he left the last of September.

The report of a second engagement between the French and British fleets off Ushant, on the 29th of August last, is without foundation; Capt. Read having spoke with the French fleet late in September, when nothing material had happened.

The above vessels from St. Croix brought valuable cargoes of West-India produce, with a quantity of European goods, &c. Several other vessels were at St. Croix, bound to Baltimore and Philadelphia.

The Rattlesnake privateer, of 18 guns, Captain M'Culloch, on her passage from Charlestown in South-Carolina to this port, off the Capes of Virginia fell in with the Swift British sloop of war, which she engaged some time in a running fight, when she run ashore and bilged a little to the southward of Cape Henry, and the Swift in pursuing shared the same fate. Captain M'Culloch and his crew landed safe in Virginia; and the crew of the Swift, after destroying the vessel surrendered themselves prisoners of war.—This happened about the latter end of November.

Yesterday afternoon Colonel Hartley arrived in town from the frontiers, where his successful exertions against the Indians and Tories have gained this prudent and gallant officer and his little corps the highest honor.

On Wednesday last Captain Stevens, in a privateer belonging to Egg-Harbour, took the schooner Two Friends, Captain Sion, of 6 carriage and 12 swivel guns, with 22 men, belonging to New-York.

DECEMBER 12.

IN CONGRESS, December 10, 1778.

According to order, the House proceeded to the election of a President, and the ballots being taken, The Honorable JOHN JAY, Esquire, was elected.

Resolved, That such Continental vessels of war as shall capture any of the enemy's vessels laden with masts or any other naval stores, bound from any part of Nova Scotia to Rhode-Island or New-York, shall be entitled to the whole of the capture.

Resolved, That the twelve months pay allowed to supernumerary officers of the army, by a Resolution of Congress of the 24th of November last, be made up in the payrolls of the regimental Paymasters, and drawn from them by the said officers respectively.

Extract from the Minutes,

CHARLES THOMSON, Secretary.

TRENTON, DECEMBER 16.

Extract of a letter from Pennsylvania, Dec. 4, 1778.

"I am sorry to inform you of the death of the Rev. RICHARD TREAT, pastor of the Church at Abington. He was taken from us last Tuesday, after a few days illness. Though not personally acquainted with him, you know enough of his character to mourn the loss we have sustained. He was a faint eminent for his piety; and well did he deserve

the epithet of GOOD which was frequently bestowed upon him. In these days of levity and degeneracy he led a life resembling that of the primitive Christians: his whole conduct being formed agreeable to the purity and strictness of the Gospel precepts. He was zealous in the service of his Divine Master, and devoted his life to promote the interests of religion. He was indefatigable in his attention to his flock; and tho' they could allow him but a scanty salary, yet contented with this he neither sought a richer living or solicited a larger stipend. His frugality and economy supplied the place of wealth, and enabled him to live with decency and ease. He possessed a strong judgment improved by sound learning: he was an able divine; judicious in council; kind to his neighbours; faithful and honest in his friendships. Among his other excellencies, he was a firm Whig and a disinterested patriot. The distresses of his country bore heavy on his mind, and her welfare was the frequent subject of his earnest petitions. Such are the outlines of the character of the good man who is at rest from his labours, and hath gone from a world of trouble to the bosom of his heavenly Father. It is happy for him, but society suffered when she lost him."

The Courts of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery for the county of Gloucester were opened at Gloucester on the 17th of November last, and ended on the 5th of this month. During the session Benjamin Bartholomew was convicted of Burglary, and Jonathan Chew, Harrison Wells, William Hammett, John Dilks, John Franklin, Joseph Prat, Joseph Dill, James Birch, Daniel Fufman, Abraham Fennimore, David Lloyd, Lawrence Cox, Gideon Urine, Joshua Dilks, Charles String, Thomas Nightingale, Paterion Cook, and Isaac Lord, were convicted of High Treason. On Saturday se'nnight sentence of death passed against the above offenders.

In a New-York paper of Dec. 2, Brigadier General Browne, (having failed for his government with a number of troops) gives an invitation to all gentlemen refugees and others, who are inclined to settle on any of his majesty's Bahama islands, and offers every encouragement to those who are desirous to retire thither during the rebellion.

We are assured that many of those deluded wretches are about to embrace the offer.

We hear that the Legislature of this State have ordered a genteel sword to be presented to Captain NATHANIEL FITZ RANDOLPH, of Woodbridge, in consideration of his merit and services.

CALEB CAMP, Esq. is elected Speaker of the House of Assembly of this State, in the room of JOHN HART, Esq. detained from public business by sickness.

The Council and Assembly in joint-meeting, have appointed the Honorable John Witherspoon, Nathaniel Scudder, John Fell, Frederick Freelingbuisen, and Elias Dayton, Esqrs. delegates in Congress, for the ensuing year.—The Honorable John Imlay, Esq. Judge of the Court of Admiralty; Joseph Bloomfield, Esq. Register, and Joseph Potts, Esq. Marshall.—Jonathan Deare, Esq. Collector of the Customs in the Eastern district; Capt. Nathaniel Fitz Randolph, Esq. Naval officer. Samuel Dick, Esq. Collector of the Customs in the Western district; Thomas Sinnickson, Esq. Naval officer.—Elisha Boudinot, Esq. Commissary of Prisoners for this State.

The Legislature adjourned last Saturday to Wednesday the 19th of May next, during their fitting the following laws were passed, viz.

1. An Act to authorize and empower the Delegates of the State of New-Jersey in Congress, to subscribe and ratify the Articles of Confederation and perpetual Union between the several States.
2. An Act to revive and continue an act, intitled, An Act to prohibit the exportation of provisions from the State of New-Jersey.
3. An Act to confirm certain private laws passed in New-Jersey, previous to the present constitution.
4. An Act for the support of the government of the State of New-Jersey, to commence the 13th day of October, 1778, and to end the second Tuesday in October, 1779; and to discharge the public debts, and contingent charges thereof.
5. An Act further to suspend the operation of an act, intitled, An Act for regulating and limiting the price of labour, and sundry articles of produce, manufacture and trade, and to prevent forestalling, regrating and engrossing.
6. An Act to raise the sum of one hundred thousand pounds by taxation, for discharging the debts, and defraying the necessary expences of the State of New-Jersey.
7. An Act for instituting a Court of Admiralty, and for directing the mode of appointing custom-house officers in the State of New-Jersey.
8. An Act for amending and maintaining the causeway over the great cedar swamp in the upper precinct of the county of Cape-May, known by the name of the Great Cedar-swamp Bridge.
9. An Act for recovering the arrears of certain taxes.
10. An Act for the relief of John Barber and Caleb Farley, purchasers of certain lands sold by John Barnes, late Sheriff of the county of Hunterdon.
11. An Act for augmenting the fees of Sheriffs and Constables, and for raising the fines to which they are liable for neglect or refusal of duty.
12. An Act for the encouragement of education.
13. An Act to continue an act for regulating the election of the Members of the Legislative Council.

and Assembly, Sheriffs and Coroners, of the State of New-Jersey.

14. An Act for forfeiting to and vesting in the State of New-Jersey, the real estates of certain fugitives and offenders, and for directing the mode of determining and satisfying the lawful debts and demands which may be due from or made against such fugitives and offenders; and for other purposes therein mentioned.

15. An Act to explain and amend an act, intituled, An Act to prevent the subjects of this State from going into or coming out of the enemy's lines, without permissions or passports; and for other purposes therein mentioned.

16. An Act for appointing a Commissary of Prisoners for the State of New-Jersey, and vesting him with certain powers.

17. An Act for defraying sundry incidental charges.

Extract of a letter from Elizabeth-Town, Dec. 6, 1778.

"Last Wednesday night a fleet of about sixty sail, failed up the North-River, having on board the grenadiers and light infantry of the army, and two British regiments. Gen. Clinton, Sir William Erskine, and Gen. Matthews are with the detachment. About the same time a small fleet failed up the East-River—

What their design is, we have yet to learn—It was conjectured that they intended to try to re-take the last division of the Convention troops, or perhaps to attack the fort at West-Point; but to-day we are informed that the troops that went up the North-River have landed at Tarry-Town; if so, I imagine it is only a ravaging scheme.

"P. S. The Commissioners have failed for England in the Roebuck, and with them are gone Lord Cornwallis and General Grey."

We are credibly informed that the enemy, mentioned in the above extract, precipitately returned to New-York; having plundered and carried off a few cattle, hogs, &c. of which, it is said, they are in great want.

It is reported that the Britons and Tories intend shortly to make an excursion from New-York to Shrewsbury; but, as their late disaster on the plains of Monmouth must still be recent in their memory, and as a considerable part of the American army is now in this State, under the immediate direction of the Commander in Chief, we presume there is little danger: Yet it has been deemed proper to be prepared, and with this view, we are told an order has been issued to drive off the cattle from the neighbourhood where it is most probable the enemy may attempt to land.

\* \* \* Wanted by the Printer hereof, TWO Journeymen. They will be exempted from actual service in the militia, and receive handsome wages.

THE inconveniences attending the usual mode of taking in or collecting subscriptions for a Newspaper, especially in times of public commotion like the present, have induced the Publisher of the NEW-JERSEY GAZETTE, upon consideration, to alter the plan upon which he proposed to proceed the ensuing year when the advertisement in number 51 and 52 was given to the publick. To avoid the necessity of opening accounts against the individual subscribers, and the difficulties attending the settlement of numerous arrearages of small sums, he means to pursue the following plain and easy expedient, which will be more certain and cheap to his kind Customers and less embarrassing to himself.

Every Gentleman who will become a subscriber for twelve papers shall receive two more for his trouble, and so in proportion for a greater number.

The subscription-money to be paid to the Publisher by the persons engaging for the papers at or before the expiration of each quarter; and, to enable those to be punctual in making their remittances, the individuals who compose each packet are expected to pay by quarterly advances.

The several persons who become Subscribers to the Publisher, will find a proper mode of keeping accounts with those whom they engage for, exemplified in the accounts for the preceding year, which will shortly be sent with the several packets.

The Publisher will be obliged to the several Gentlemen who collected subscriptions for him the preceding year to continue their kind offices for the ensuing on the plan now proposed.

If this mode can be carried into practice, the Publisher agrees to lower the price of the Gazette to a Dollar and an Half by the quarter.

It is hoped the above will meet the approbation of the Publick as being more advantageous in every respect than the other plan of publication. By this means the Paper may be carried on without loss, and the State served by a repository of Intelligence and useful Knowledge highly interesting to all.

As it is of importance to know what preparation ought to be made, and the number of papers which will probably be wanted, it is earnestly requested that all practicable dispatch may be used in sending in the subscriptions agreeably to the above Plan by the first of January next.

The Publisher returns his acknowledgments to the Publick for their great encouragement hitherto given, in this arduous undertaking; and he flatters himself that, with their further assistance, the Plan which he now wishes to prosecute can be readily carried into execution, which, as it will take less time, will enable him to bestow more pains in collecting the most interesting and entertaining Matter for the benefit and amusement of his Readers.

ISAAC COLLINS.

## Almanacks for 1779.

DUTCH and English almanacks to be sold by JOHN DUNLAP, in Market-street, Philadelphia.

Pocket almanacks may be had by applying as above.

On SATURDAY next, the 19th inst. December, will be sold at the Vendue-store where the subscriber now lives, opposite Capt. Clunn's, in Trenton,

### A Variety of MERCHANDIZE,

Amongst which are,

A Large assortment of linens and checks: Also HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, amongst which are several feather beds, a desk, two dining tables, and many other articles. Likewise two milch cows, one young horse, and some hay. Likewise for private sale, an exceeding handsome RIDING CHAIR.

FRANCIS WITT.

N. B. Wanted at said store, a quantity of FLAX-SEED.—Hard cash will be given for a quantity of GOOD WHEAT.

### To be sold by the subscriber,

In the Lane opposite the College in PRINCETON, SNUFF in bladders or smaller quantity, needles by the thousand, imported salt at seven pounds a bushel, almanacks for the year 1779, by the gross or dozen, as low as may be purchased at the printers, and the high Dutch almanacks by the dozen or single, writing paper, sewing silks of various colours, and sundry other articles.

JOHN DENTON.

Princeton, Dec. 17, 1778.

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### Stephenson and Canfield,

At their STORE opposite Capt. Peter Dickenson's, in Morris-Town, have for sale a suitable assortment for the season, such as

COARSE broad cloths, coatings, scarlet cloth for cloaks, shoes, stockings, beaver, catior and wool hats, calicoes, Irish linen, check, muslins, lawns, cambrick, pelong, buckram, camblets, everlastings, sagathy, sewing silk of all colours, fine thread, pack and pound pins, needles, playing cards, pipes, pen knives, knives and forks of the best kind, ink powder, gun powder, snuff, tobacco, basket buttons, regimental buttons, silk twist, coloured thread, ribbands, ferreting, tape, ivory and horn combs, crooked and coarse ditto, coffee, allspice, indigo, scissars, silver shoe and knee buckles, and flock ditto, brass shoe ditto, thimbles, hatters bow strings of the best kind, some mathematical and navigation books, one large brass kettle, salt of a good quality, which they will sell as reasonable as the times will admit, for cash or country produce. 6\*

THE subscriber will give the highest price for all the merchantable CYDER that is delivered at his stone-ware potting manufactory at Trenton, for two weeks from this date.

Dec. 16th, 1778. BERNARD HANLEN. 2†

### TO BE SOLD,

At the forks of Little-Egg-Harbour River, in Gloucester county, State of New-Jersey,

THE premises whereon the subscriber now lives, with all the buildings and improvements thereon, to wit, a saw-mill and grist-mill, both remarkable for going fast, and supplied with a never failing stream of water. The mills are within a mile and a quarter of a landing to which vessels of seventy or eighty tons burthen can come: Scows that carry seven or eight thousand feet of boards can go loaded from the mill tail. There is a sufficient quantity of pine and cedar timber to supply the saw-mill for a great number of years, and also a great quantity of cedar fit for rails, near the water side, which may be easily exported to those parts of the country where they will sell to great advantage. There is also on the premises a dwelling-house that will accommodate a large family, also a barn, stables and out-houses, a number of houses for workmen and tradesmen, also wet and dry good stores, and indeed every building necessary to render a place convenient for carrying on business and trade extensively. Any person inclining to purchase may be further informed by applying to the subscriber, at the place aforesaid.

Dec. 14th, 1778. 3w† ELIJAH CLARK.

THIS is to give notice, that there has been judgment entered the last court against Thomas Millidge, Stephen Skinner, Anthony Hollenhead, John Troop, John Steward, Ezekiel Beach, Joseph Conliff, Hugh Gaine, John Boyls, John Thorborn, Asher Dunham, William Deaman, Philip Van Cortland, Jacob Hilar, Humphrey Devanport, William Howard, George Beatee, Jacob Demarest, Isaac Hornbeck, John Bowlsby, Edward Bowlsby, Charles Bowlsby, Richard Bowlsby, Thomas Hufk, Lawrence Buskirk, Samuel Ryerson, and Nicholas Vurlandt, as the law directs, for their having joined the enemy against their country; and all persons that have any demands against any of their estates, are desired to meet and make it appear at the house of Matthias Burnet, Esq. in Hanover, on the second Wednesday in January next, at ten o'clock A. M. that it may be settled; and all persons indebted, are desired to pay the money as soon as possible, or have any of their effects, to deliver them up to the Commissioners, or they may depend upon being dealt with as the law directs.

ALEX. CARMICHAEL, } Commis-  
AARON KITCHEL, } sioners.

Morris-County, Dec. 7, 1778.

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## TO BE SOLD,

BY THE SUBSCRIBER,

TWO very good brick dwelling-houses and lots of ground, situate in the town of Salem, between the church and court-house. The lots contain 75 feet front and about 300 feet depth. The dwelling-houses were both put in very good repair lately. On the premises is an excellent garden well planted with fruit and fenced in with cedar, and other conveniences. The situation is as good as any in the town, and will either suit a gentleman of fortune or may be divided into two convenient lots so as to suit a couple of families. Also about eight acres of excellent meadow within a quarter of a mile of the town, very capable of improvement, will be sold together with the above premises. The reason of sale is that the subscriber is going soon to remove his family to Burlington. For particulars enquire of

JOHN CAREY.

Piles-Grove, Salem County, Dec. 2d, 1778.

### PETER HULICK,

STAY-MAKER, in TRENTON, from NEW-YORK, BEGS leave to acquaint the Ladies of this town and the country in general, that he makes on the shortest notice, stays of all kinds, turned, plain, pack thread, and straw cut, after the newest, neatest and most fashionable manner, either French or English; likewise growing Misses to give and preserve a shape truly perfect. Those Ladies who please to favour him with their employment shall find him ever ready to serve them to the utmost of his ability, with integrity, gratitude and dispatch. He returns his grateful acknowledgments to those Ladies who have already favoured him with their custom, and assures them that it shall be his chief study to merit theirs and the public's esteem.

P. S. Ladies may be served at the greatest distance, by sending the length before and the width of the top and bottom of their waist. 4w\*

AT an inferior court of Common-  
Law, held for the county of Essex, on the 15th day of September last, were returned inquisitions for joining the army of the King of Great-Britain, and other treasonable practices found against Cavilear Jewit, Ichobod Best Barnet, William Luce, John Smith Hetfield, Job Hetfield, Abel Hetfield, Broughton Rhynolds, Richard Miller, John Willis, Jacob Tooker, James Hetfield, James Frazee, Samuel Oliver, jun. James Moore, Jonathan Oliver, Samuel Smith, John Stites, jun. Daniel Moore, John Morfe, Isaac Stanbury, Thomas Burrows and John Folker; of which proclamation was made at said Court, that if they, or any on their behalf, or any persons interested, would appear and traverse, a trial should be awarded; but no traverses were offered: Therefore NOTICE is hereby given, That if neither they, nor any in their behalf, nor any interested, shall appear and traverse at the next Court to be held for the said county, the inquisitions will then be taken to be true, and final judgment entered thereon in favour of the state.

JOHN CLAWSON, Commissioner.

Elizabeth-town, Nov. 14, 1778. 2

STRAYED or stolen off the commons at Trenton, some time in October or November, a forrel mare, with a blaze in her face, between three and four years old, scant fourteen hands high, trots and paces, long mane and tail. Whoever takes said mare and secures her, so that the owner may have her again, shall have Ten Dollars reward, and reasonable charges paid by the subscriber in Trenton. JOS. CLUNN.

### 160 DOLLARS Reward.

BROKE out of gaol on the third day of this inst. Richard Haden, committed for being concerned with counterfeit money, and carrying on correspondence with the enemy; and Joseph Ward, committed for stealing; and one John Willis, also committed for stealing. They all broke out together. Whoever will take up and deliver to me, or at the gaol of this county, said Haden, shall receive One Hundred Dollars, and for either of the others Thirty Dollars each, from me

ALEX. CARMICHAEL, Sheriff.

Morris county, Dec. 7, 1778. 2w†

### RICHARD NORRIS,

STAY-MAKER, from LONDON,

BEGS leave to inform the Public, that he makes all sorts of stays and jumps, turned and plain, French and Mecklenburgh, after the newest and neatest fashion. He prevents by a new and approved method, the appearance of any cast or rise in the hips or shoulders, or other defect in the shape of the body, which method has been established by the society of stay-makers of the city of London. Ladies that reside at any distance, by sending their measure, may be supplied on the shortest notice and at as reasonable prices as the times will afford.—He returns his sincere thanks to those Ladies who have already favoured him with their custom, and intreats a continuance of it, and their kind recommendation, which he will make it his study to merit.

N. B. He now resides opposite Mr. Stacy Potts's, in Trenton. 3w†

ALL persons who have just demands against the estate of Thomas Folkes, late of the Township of Nottingham, Burlington County, deceased, are requested to bring them in that they may be discharged; and those that are indebted to said estate, are desired to discharge the same. 2\*

Chesterfield, Dec. 5, 1778. THO. THORN, execut.

From the PENNSYLVANIA PACKET, of Nov. 28.

TO THE PRINTER.

I WAS much amused in perusing Sir Henry Clinton's letter with which you favoured the public on Tuesday.—The hyperbolical knight will not be outdone by his predecessor in office, he avails himself of his rhetoric, and I must do him the justice to say, discovers judgment in the choice of his figures.—He appears to know the difference between *auxeses* and *meiosis*, and can apply them both as best suits his purpose,—when he describes his enemy's force he boldly usurps the former,—when he treats of his own loss he as naturally glides into the latter,—thus, like his brother Falstaff's men in buckram, our advanced corps grew in his eyes from 5 to 12,000 men, and with a degree of address peculiar to a British commander in chief, he would persuade the world that his slain at Monmouth amounted only to 124, tho' we gave the rites of sepulture to upwards of 300. Rife, honest ghosts! parade your aerial shapes, and bid your General swear! inform him that he will find a better reason for the divorce of so many from their once loved bodies,—in the heat of the American fire, than in that of the sun,—bid him learn to blush, and reverence truth.—But I crave your pardon, gentle spirits, for invoking you to so vain a purpose.—He who can leave his enemy in possession of his dead, wounded, and the field of battle, then take a moonlight flitting and cry victory, may justly be regarded as incorrigible.

I forbear entering into a detail of the unfortunate retrogradation which took place till General Washington's presence rallied the troops and gave us victory,—because it would involve the consideration of an affair, sub judice.—I shall conclude therefore with condoling Sir Henry upon his loss of the French tongue.—Since the rupture between his nation and France, he appears to be sick of every thing gallic,—no more will he transcribe *debouche*, *a portee*, *en mesure*, which used to frolick at random in his letters. Perhaps he begins to apprehend that the Marshal de Broglie is *a portee* to make a descent into England, and that he will find very practicable *debouches* for his columns to march to St. James's.—What think you, Sir, of seeing in a list of prisoners, *one king*.  
Your's sincerely. MILES.

**THIRTY DOLLARS REWARD.**

STRAYED or stolen on Monday night, the 7th of December, from the subscriber's stable, a strawberry-roan horse, about 15 hands high, branded with a C on the near buttock, shod all round with shoes pretty much worn, trots and paces. Whoever takes up and delivers said horse to the subscriber in Trenton (the thief being secured) shall have the above reward, viz. Fifteen Dollars for the thief, and Fifteen for the horse, paid by CONROD KOTTS. 3†

STRAYED or stolen from a waggon in Trenton, on the 27th ult. at night, a brown Mare, about 14 hands high, coming five years old, has a small bunf on the near side close by the flank, natural trotter, one quarter blooded. Whoever takes up said mare and secures her so that the subscriber at Newark Mountains may get her again, shall receive Twenty Dollars reward, and reasonable charges, paid by WILLIAM LOOKER. 4†

STRAYED or stolen from the subscriber, on the night of the 2d December, 1778, living near Pasfaick Falls, at Acquackanonk, in Essex county, two Horses, one a bay, about fourteen hands high, a natural trotter, rising five years old, branded FP on the right thigh; the other a dark brown, eight or nine years old, rather inclines to pace, has a middling large star in his forehead, branded FP on the right thigh, and about 14 hands high. Whoever will take up and secure said horses, shall have a reward of Twenty Dollars for each horse, and all reasonable charges paid by me JOHN POST. N. B. The brands are supposed not to be very plain. 4†

**Twenty Dollars Reward.**

LOST in the evening of the twenty-fourth of November last, between Pennington and Jacob Birdsell's, in Amwell, a parchment POCKET BOOK, containing about Thirty Pounds in money and some writings of value. Likewise lost at the same time, one yard and one quarter of linen, supposed to have been dropt with the said pocket book. Any person that has found them, and will be pleased to return them, with the money, shall be entitled to the above reward from the subscriber. SAMUEL BIRDSALL.

N. B. About half the above-said money was of Jersey Loan-Office chiefly in small bills, among which were two old Three Pound bills. 2w†

**THIRTY DOLLARS Reward.**

WAS stolen, the night that the enemy left Philadelphia, a white fleabitten HORSE, about 15 hands high, near ten years old, inclines to pace more than trot, canters well, has no ear mark or brand, and is middling well made. Whoever takes up said horse so that the owner may get him again, shall have the above reward, paid by Warminster, Bucks. 3\* CHARLES GARRISON.

**One Hundred Dollars Reward.**

STOLEN from Paramus-Church, the 30th day of October last, two HORSES, one a large black horse, with a large star and snip, and all four of his feet white almost to his knees, five years old, and 15 hands high, paces and trots. The other is a bay, with a small white snip down his face, natural trotter, four years old, and about fourteen hands and a half high. It is thought they were stolen and carried to Powles-Hook, by some of the Tories in that part.—Whoever takes up said horses and brings them to John Okerman, at said church, or to the subscriber at Trenton, or secures them so that they can be got, shall receive the above reward, paid by either of the men, and all reasonable charges, paid by JAMES PATTON. 3w†

STOLEN on Friday night last, from the subscriber, at the Crooked-Billet, in the Manor of Moreland, Philadelphia County, a sorrel STALLION COLT, three years old, about 15 hands high, natural trotter, has a large neck, and his mane and tail are of the same colour as his body. Whoever takes up said horse and the thief, that the owner may have the horse again, and the thief be convicted, shall have One Hundred Dollars reward, or Fifty Dollars for the horse only, and reasonable charges, paid by Dec. 8. 1778. 3w† ALEXANDER MEANS.

THE Honourable General Mifflin having been pleased to appoint me to discharge the debts of the Quarter-Master department in the counties of Bergen, Morris, Essex, Middlesex, Monmouth, Somerset and Hunterdon, contracted between the 5th of October, 1776, and the 3d of March, 1778; and having this day received money for that purpose, those who have accounts, properly certified, may call at my office in Springfield, or at the following places, where I propose to attend for the convenience of the inhabitants. At Brunswick the 15th of December. At Quibble-Town the 16th and 17th. At Morris-Town the 22d and 23d. At Baskinridge, (White's Tavern) the 24th. At Newark-Mountains (Cundit's Tavern) the 28th. At Princeton the 5th and 6th of January. And at Trenton the 8th and 9th. State Lottery Tickets may be had at the first mentioned places till the last of December. Nov. 30. 1778. 2w|| JAMES CALDWELL.

**BORDEN-TOWN STAGE.**

THE subscriber begs leave to inform the Public, That his Stage-Boat will sail from the Crooked Billet Wharf, at Philadelphia, every Saturday evening or Sunday morning (as the tide may serve) for Borden-Town; and that a Waggon will proceed from thence to Brunswick on Monday morning, and return to Borden-Town the day following, from whence the Stage-Boat will proceed on Wednesday to the Crooked Billet Wharf.

Goods and passengers will be conveyed with care and convenience as heretofore.

JOSEPH BORDEN.

**TO BE SOLD,**

And immediate possession given, A Valuable PLANTATION, situate at Matchepoux, in the fourth ward of Amboy, and county of Middlesex, adjoining Mr. Nicholas Van Wickle's; containing 228 acres, about 140 of which are cleared, the remainder good wood land, abounding with plenty of chefnut for fencing. There are on the premises a dwelling-house one story and half high, with three rooms below stairs and two above, though may be divided into four, a kitchen adjoining, a well of good water at the door, and a never failing spring about 60 yards off, very suitable for a spring-house, a new barn now erecting, 42 feet long and 22 feet wide, a young thriving orchard of excellent fruit, about 10 or 12 acres of meadow, part whereof is very good, and 30 more may be made at a small expence. The upland being natural to grass, renders it exceedingly well adapted for grazing, but will also produce good crops of wheat and other grain. The farm will divide very conveniently into six or seven fields, every one of which may be supplied with never failing water. The situation is peculiarly advantageous, being about four miles from Spotswood and the same from Englishtown, where there is a constant market and the highest prices given for all kinds of farmers produce. There are several grist and saw mills within a mile of the place, and wood may readily be transported to New-York market, it being not more than five miles to navigable water to that city. It is also convenient to sundry places of worship, and is surrounded by a neighbourhood of the most reputable farmers. The crop of green corn will be sold with the premises, if agreeable to the purchaser. For terms apply to Mr. HENRY DELATUSH; on the farm, or to the subscriber in Mansfield and county of Burlington. December 1, 1778. JOHN POPE.

STRAYED or stolen from near Elizabeth-Town, on Sunday night the 25th of October, a brown MARE, about 14 hands high, half blooded, very straight limb'd, a natural trotter, and thin of flesh. Whoever takes up the mare so that the subscriber gets her, and the thief is secured, shall have Forty Dollars reward, Twenty for the thief and Twenty for the mare, with reasonable charges, paid by DANIEL HUNT, in Maidenhead. 6\*

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PRACITIONERS of PHYSICK may be supplied at moderate prices, at the Printing-Office in Trenton, with the following Articles; JESUITS BARK, JALAP, RHUBARB, SENNA, EPSOM'S SALTS, SAL ARMONIAC, TARTAR EMETIC, GUM ASSAFOETIDA, GUM MYRRH and MANNA—All of the first quality.

DESERTED from my quarters at Princeton, the 20th day of this instant, (November) a certain recruit, named Elisha Osborne, about 25 years of age, pock-marked, blue eyed, short light coloured hair, about 5 feet 10 inches high; had on when he deserted, (which was two days after his enlistment) an old hat, striped jacket, old buckskin breeches, German-town stockings, and old shoes.—Whoever apprehends and secures him in any gaol in the United States, so that he may be sent to his regiment, or delivered to me at Princeton, shall receive THIRTY DOLLARS reward, and reasonable charges. EPHRAIM MARTIN, Col. 4th Jersey Regt.

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**JOHN RAMSAY,**

At BOTTLE-HILL, 4 miles from MORRIS-TOWN, INTENDING soon to remove to Philadelphia, will dispose of the place where he now lives, with 18, 25 or 40 acres. There is on the place a great variety of fruit, a barn, stable, and other out-houses; a good well at the kitchen door, a tolerable garden, &c. The purchaser by paying one half or a third of the value, may have what time it best suits to pay the balance.

Also a strong healthy NEGRO FELLOW, about 23 years old, brought up to the blacksmith and farming business; a good horse, a few barrels copperas, and some excellent old Geneva in hogheads.

**Twenty Dollars Reward.**

STRAYED or stolen, from the subscriber at Trenton, on the night of the first of November last, a dark brown Horse, about thirteen hands and an half high, one white hind foot, short switch tail, has a very high carriage, trots and canters. Whoever takes up and secures said horse, that the owner may have him again, shall receive the above reward, and all reasonable charges, paid by JOSIAH CONKLING, living at Trenton. 2w†

TO BE SOLD, by ALEXANDER DOUGLASS, near Trenton Mills,

BEST old GENEVA by the gallon or barrel; also WHISKY by the barrel and gallon. 3\*

**ROCK SALT,**

Of the FIRST QUALITY, will be exchanged by Mary Moore, of Morris-town, for butter, pork, or any sort of grain. 4||

War-Office, November 18, 1778.

THE several Deputies and Assistants in the Departments of Quarter-Master General, Commissaries General of Purchases and Issues, and Commissary of Hides, are hereby strictly enjoined and required forthwith to make the returns to this Board, and the Officers at the head of their different Departments, which the regulations of Congress pointing out their respective duties, direct.—It is expected that immediate attention be paid to this requisition.

By order of the Board,

P. SCULL, Secretary.

**To be SOLD by the Subscriber,**

A Small FARM, containing between 40 and 50 acres, situated half way between Morristown and Chatham, on a very public road, nearly opposite Mr. Stephen Rose's cyder mill; it has on it a good house with three rooms cieleed, and an entry on the lower floor, a small building adjoining with a cellar under it, and one under the house; a barn and new bark house, a pond that is never dry, in the same lot; a spring of good water near the house, an orchard that affords 70 or 80 barrels of cyder, a garden paled in, English and red cherries, peaches and plumbs; some wood-land and meadow. The purchaser by paying one half the money, and good security for the rest, shall have an indisputable title from JAMES TOMPSON. 4†