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## AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE.

Williamstown, 29<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1765. August 30.

It is with no small degree of surprize that we have of late observed several Northern news papers stuffed with paragraphs of intelligence, extracts of letters, &c. respecting Virginia, which are as destitute of truth, as they are of right reason. However it may be, believe publishers of these papers to be as well satisfied as they can of the authenticity of the intelligence. It is very certain they are often liable to be imposed upon, by designing or credulous correspondents. In the present instance, this is obvious to every one in the least acquainted with the late occurrences in Virginia. In what manner, out of tenderness to our Northern brethren, we take this method to undeceive them, not doubting but they will instantly break off so wretched a correspondence, as well as acquaint their readers of their late error.

6. We hear from Montpelier, that there are already three different attempts made to set on foot a rebellion. The first having miscarried, the last, which had like to proved fatal, broke out on Wednesday morning the 31<sup>st</sup> ult. about a o'clock; but by the assistance of the inhabitants was happily extinguished, without doing any damage, except to a stable behind Mr. Heziciah, where it was made.

Another vessel, the Lord Hyde Packet boat, came from Falmouth. Another packet we hear was ready to sail from Falmouth, but detained on hearing from the late unsuccess of the Stamp-Act had been used in the same manner.

Newport, Rhode-Island, September 30.

1. A letter from a Gentleman of distinction in England, to one in this town, dated July 16, 1765.

"I give you notice of the revolution in the Ministry. I hope it will produce some real benefit to the distressed American. Indeed it is considerably improved, the changes will contribute to the happiness of America."

2. A letter from a Gentleman in Jamaica, dated August 13, 1765. "I have just received from Capt. Loft of this port, 5 weeks hence, a letter taken by a Spanish guarda coasta, and carried to Cadix, where some of his men made their escape, and arrived at Cadix."

3. We hear that the STAMP ACT is now in the province arrived in Capt. Holland, who lies under the protection of one of his Majesty's troops. It is now to be conceived the contentment of the people is so much increased, that this city—Rage, resentment and grief is painted in every countenance, and the moans of one and all our inhabitants seems to be, "Howe! how well LIBERTY!—AMERICA, AMERICA, doomed by a premature sentence to slavery!—was thy loyalty—thy blind obedience—thy exhausted treasures—and the rivers of blood shed by thy sons in extending the glory of the British arms, provoked thy mother thus ungratefully to involve thee in distress, by tearing from thee the darling privileges of thy children?—or was it the perfidy of thy friends, but I cannot proceed—tears of vexation and sorrow stop my pen.—O! my country, my country!"

Yesterday last John Dickinson, John Morton, and on Saturday George Bryan, Esqrs. the committee appointed to meet the congress at New-York, set out for that place.

The committee from the lower counties came to town last Friday, and set out for New-York the next day.

We hear the speaker of the New-Jersey assembly has wrote to all the members to meet at Prince Town, to appoint some of their body to go to the congress at New-York.

By Capt. Stephenson from Livier, but last from Gibraltar, we have advice that the British consul at Tripoli was confined to his house, by order of the Dey; that some Englishmen, from Port-Mahon, had been ballinaded there; and

that the British flag was forbid to be hoisted at that place by the sovereign. This account was sent to the English commandore at Leghorn, in order to give notice to all English vessels of what had happened.

The assembly of Maryland, we hear, have appointed Messieurs Tilgham, Ringold, and Murdock, to assist at the general congress at New-York—Messieurs Killock, Rodney and McKene, are gone on the same business from the government of New-Castle, Kent and Sussex, upon Delaware.

New-York, Oct. 7.—A letter from London, dated August 10, says, I am very sorry to hear such repeated bad accounts from America, but at the same time I have the pleasure to tell you, that it is generally believed; that the new ministry will repeal the STAMP-ACT this next session; for my own part, I make no doubt of it.

Boston, New-England, Oct. 7.—A gentleman in London has wrote, that it was generally reported the Stamp-act, &c. would be repealed by the new ministry when the parliament sits.

Wednesday last arrived here the Senegal sloop of war from Halifax, and remains with the Fortune and Jamaica sloops, and Gaspee cutter.

Capt. Hulme's ship came up to town last Wednesday. All the stamped papers and parchments which came in her are landed at the cattle.

Last Monday a number of prisoners broke out of the goal in this town, and made their escape. Several of whom had been committed on suspicion of being concerned in the riot on the 26<sup>th</sup> of August.

A person of this town, out of curiosity, trying the experiment of raising cotton, has it now in blossom in his garden.

A gentleman in this town sent over in one of the last vessels gone for England, one hundred pounds sterling worth of goods, on account of money's being so scarce that they would not vend.—And we hear that a number of other gentlemen are about making up large packages of goods, in order to be returned.

Newport, Rhode-Island, Oct. 7. We hear the Lawyer of New-Jersey have resolved to lose all business, rather than make use of any stamps. A noble resolution, worthy of universal imitation!

We hear, by letters from New-York, that the Boston commissioners, after their arrival there, waited upon Lieutenant Governor Colden, and acquainted him with their business in New-York. He received them very coldly, and told them that the meeting of the commissioners was unconstitutional, unprecedented, and unlawful, and that he should give them no kind of countenance or encouragement.

Extract of a letter from New-York, Oct. 7.

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that the commissioners from the several governments were arrived, to the number of about 28; and that on Monday last they conven'd; and made choice of the Hon. Timothy Ruggles for their president, and Mr. John Cotton for their secretary.

SAVANNAH, NOVEMBER 14.  
GEORGIA.

By His Excellency JAMES WRIGHT, Esquire, Captain-General, Governor, and Commander in Chief of His Majesty's said Province, Chancellor and Vice-Admiral of the same,

# A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS it has been represented to me, That Denys Rolle, Esq. a member of the present parliament of Great-Britain for the town of Barnstable, now residing in Savannah in the said province, the Hon. James Habersham, Esq. president of the council of the said province, Thomas Moodie, Esq. deputy secretary of the same, George Baillie, Esq. commissary of the same, and Simon Munro of the same place merchant, have at different times, to wit, the said Denys Rolle, Thomas Moodie, George Baillie, and Simon Munro, in the morning of yesterday, being the thirtieth instant, and the said James Habersham in the morning of this day, severally received threatening letters, written in the words, figures, and letters following, and severally directed as hereunder, viz.

To  
Dennis Rolls Esqr.  
in  
Savannah

to be left at  
Joseph Wrights }

Savannah 27th October 1765  
As We the inhabitants of the town of Savannah has a Great Reason to believe you are the unhappy person appointed Stamp-master for this province, We therefore desire you without delay on your receiving this to declair by advertising at the Exchg. & the market & the pump if you are the person or not, if you dont we Shall judge you to be the person and the Consequence that shall happen you may Judge, therefore your Emediate Notice will oblige fr, yr. Humbl. servts. the townsman

To  
Dennis Rolls Esqr.

the  
Honbl.

James Habersham Esqr

Mr Habersham

Savannah 30 October 1765  
fr here is Great Reason to be Leave you are the person appointed the Stamp master for this province and if you dont Emedately Convince the inhabitants by yr. advertising at the Excha: ye. market & the pump you will be suspected to be the person or if you know any thing if the paper is here or the person that is appointed you must Emedately on Receiving this do as above Or the Conquence that Will arise you may Easily Judge, We are fr. Free people

To  
Thomas Moody Esqr.

pr. favr }  
Capt Williams }

Savannah 27th October 1765  
We the inhabitants of the town thinks you have the Stamp paper in yr. possession therefore if you have or not, you must on Receiving this Letter Declair by publick advertising at the Excha. & the Market & the pump if you have it or know where it is, As Otherwise We shall Judgee you to have it & the Conquence that will arise We Leave you to Judge We are

fr. your humbl. servts.  
the townsman

To  
Ths. Moody Esqr.

Mr

George Baillie  
Merchant

pr. favr }  
Capt Williams }

Savannah 27th October 1765  
As we the inhabitants of the town of Savannah has Sufficient Reason to beleave your Ship brot. in the Stamp paper for this province and that the Same may be Lodged in Some of your Stores therefore we desire you'l Emedately on Receiving this, advertise if you know any Thing of its being

here, you must advertise at the Exchange, the market, & the pump, Or otherwise we Shall suspect you have it in your Stores, and the fatal Conquence that may arise from this you may Judge, We are fr yr. Humbl.

To  
Mr. George Baillie

Servts. The Townsman

To

Mr

Simon Munro  
Merchant

pr favr }  
Capt Williams }

These

Savannah October 27th 1765  
As We the Inhabitants of the town has Reason to Suspect you to be the person appointed to be the Stamp Master here, therefore We desire You without any delay to advertise at the Market, the Exchange & the pump if you are the person or not Or otherwise, your not doing that will make us beleave you to be the person, and the Conquence, that may follow, We Leave you to Judge and am fr.

your Humble Servant

The townsman

To

Mr Simon Munro  
Mercht.

For the better discovering and bringing to justice the person or persons concerned in writing and sending the said threatening letters, or either of them, I do hereby promise his Majesty's most gracious pardon to any one of them (except the person or persons who actually wrote the said letters, or either of them) who shall discover his, her, or their accomplice or accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof: And, as a further encouragement, I do hereby promise a reward of fifty pounds sterling to any person or persons making such discovery as aforesaid, (except as above excepted) to be paid by the publick treasurer of this province upon the conviction of any one or more of the offenders.

Given under my hand and the great seal of his Majesty's said province, at Savannah, the thirty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and sixty-five, and in the sixth year of his Majesty's reign.

By his Excellency's command,  
Thos. Moodie, Dep. Secr.

J.A. WRIGHT.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

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By His Excellency JAMES WRIGHT, Esquire, Captain-General, Governor, and Commander in Chief of His Majesty's said Province, Chancellor and Vice-Admiral of the same,

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WHEREAS divers acts of parliament have been passed for preventing and suppressing riots, routs, and unlawful assemblies, and for punishing the offenders according to their deserts, that thereby the peace, quiet and safety of the publick might be more effectually secured and preserved; AND WHEREAS I have received information that some notorious riots have lately happened in the town of Savannah, THEREFORE, for the preventing and suppressing of such riots and tumults, and for the more speedy and effectual punishing the offenders therein, I have thought fit, by and with the advice of his Majesty's Council, to issue this my proclamation, notifying to all his Majesty's subjects in this province, that all such persons as have, or hereafter may be concerned in such riotous and unlawful assemblies as aforesaid, will be proceeded against, prosecuted, and punished, to the utmost rigour of the law. AND I do hereby charge and command all judges, magistrates, constables, and other peace officers whatsoever, strictly to observe and pay due obedience to this my proclamation, by doing all that in them lies, and that they are by law required to do, for preventing and suppressing any riot or tumultuous assembly that may hereafter happen within this province, as they will answer the contrary at their peril: And all his Majesty's liege subjects are hereby required and commanded to be aiding and assisting herein.

Given under my hand and the great seal of his Majesty's said province, in the Council Chamber at Savannah, the thirteenth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and sixty-five, and in the sixth year of his Majesty's reign.

By his Excellency's command,  
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