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OF THE
PROCEEDINGS
IN
GEORGIA,
BEGINNING
OCTOBER 20, 1737.

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To which is added,

A STATE of that PROVINCE,

As attested upon OATH

IN THE

COURT of SAVANNAH,

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L O N D O N :

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1740. *March 31.*) On which Occasion, this poor
 Man sailing, within *Port-Royal Island*, in
 crossing a Sound, under a hard Gale of
 Wind, ran upon some Shoals, and staved
 his Vessel, his Son and another escaping
 with their Lives; but himself and one Man
 more drowned.

22. *Tuesday.* One of the two Companies,
 appointed to be raised on the Banks of this
 River, being not yet compleat, which was
 to be commanded by Capt. *La Feit*; the
 enlisting Officer applied to me for the
 Guard-Drum to beat up for Volunteers;
 which I very gladly made him a Compli-
 ment of; hitherto no such Means of Invi-
 tation having been used, but all that en-
 listed, came without a Call; but now the
 Town was grown so exceeding thin, the
 Orphan-House taking off hence such a
 Number one Way, and so many more
 going into the War chearfully and com-
 mendably another, that we were almost
 become incapable of finding Hands suffi-
 cient to carry on the ordinary Guard-
 Duty; and Planting was regarded by very
 few.

23. *Wednesday.* A Boat was sent off early
 this Morning to the General at *Frederica*,
 with an Express from *Charles-Town*, by
 whom Mr. *Jones* and I wrote Letters need-
 ful. The ordinary Club, which meet at
Jenkins's, rode out, with Landlord at the
 Head

Head of them this Day, by Invitation, to an Entertainment provided for them at Mr. *Fallowfield's* Plantation, about eight Miles off; where it may be presumed, it was taken into Consideration, what Steps farther to make in these dubious Times towards settling this Colony upon such a Foundation as would best please them: It having been observed, that at these select Meetings out of Town, usually something extraordinary has been the Subject Matter of their Deliberations; and it is not questioned, but their aspiring Temper is somewhat offended, at a Rebuke one of their Fellow Workers lately met with from the General; who overtaking the Pettyaguas with the *Indians*, on *Friday* Night last, and espying on board one of them, a Man whom his Excellency thought not proper to mix with that Company, knowing him to be a close Attender of the Club, and a busy Person, often passing to and fro betwixt this and the South, which rendered him suspicious of being employed to no good Purposes; he ordered the Master of the Pettyagua to set him ashore that Instant, at the first Place of Landing; which happened to be on the Island called the *Ile of Hope*, whereon Mr. *Fallowfield* is one of the three that are settled there, and where now this Company met: But whether or not it was only to celebrate the Festival of

1740.

April
23.

1740. of St. George, they best knew: Hoisting up
 the *British* Flag, was all I thought need-
 April ful in the Town of *Savannah*.

24. *Thursday*. Enlisting of Men was now the principal Affair in hand; which had so drained the Town, that it was hard to find a Man more to enter: Wherefore it was resolved by the Officer, to make a Visit to the People at work about Mr. *Whitfield's* Plantation at the Orphan-House; which I would have nothing to say to, but left them to do as they pleased, being unwilling to shew the least Discouragement in so important a Service; and not over-fond of meddling, where my appearing in it (I had Reason to apprehend) would be ill construed as a Sort of Sacrilege, in breaking in upon such a Work, carrying on for so pious an Use: Moreover, I knew it was a Matter much in question among the Directors of that Work, whether or not it was lawful in the Sight of God, to take up Arms with an offensive Intent, or on any Occasion, but purely in Defence of our own Lives. In the Afternoon an Officer in the new-raised Troops of *Carolina*, arrived from *Charles-Town*, by the Way of *Purysburgh*, with Letters express from thence for the General, which was incumbent upon us to forward, with what Expedition we could: But indeed, the daily Demand upon us for Boats, and Men
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