



THE FARMER'S WIFE
OR
THE COMPLETE
COUNTRY HOUSEWIFE.

CONTAINING

<p>Full and ample DIRECTIONS for the Breeding and Management of TURKIES, FOWLS, GEESSE, DUCKS, PIGEONS, &c.</p> <p>INSTRUCTIONS for fattening HOGS, pickling of PORK, and curing of BACON.</p> <p>How to make SAUSAGES, HOGS-PUDDINGS, &c.</p> <p>Full INSTRUCTIONS for making WINES from various Kinds of English Fruits, and from Smyrna Raisins.</p> <p>The METHOD of making CYDER, PERRY, MEAD, MUM, CHERRY-BRANDY, &c.</p> <p>DIRECTIONS respecting the DAI-</p>	<p>RY, containing the best Way of making BUTTER, and likewise Gloucestershire, Cheshire, Stilton, Sage, and Cream CHEESE.</p> <p>How to pickle common English FRUITS and VEGETABLES, with other useful Receipts for the Country HOUSE-KEEPER.</p> <p>Full INSTRUCTIONS how to brew BEER and ALE, of all the various Kinds made in this Kingdom.</p> <p>Ample DIRECTIONS respecting the Management of BEES, with an Account of the Use of HONEY.</p>
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To which is added

The Art of Breeding and Managing SONG BIRDS:
Likewise a Variety of RECEIPTS in COOKERY,
And other Particulars, well worthy the Attention of Women of all Ranks residing in the COUNTRY.

*Instructions, full and plain, we give,
To teach the Farmer's Wife,
With Satisfaction, how to live
The happy Country Life.*

L O N D O N,
Printed for ALEX. HOGG, in Pater-noster Row.
(Price One Shilling and Six-pence.)

What are two or three interesting details you see in the image? What do they tell you about life on colonial farms?

What are two or three interesting pieces of information in the book's table of contents? What do they tell you about life on colonial farms?

Key Question: Based on this information, how accurate do you think the headline "Study Shows Farmers Spend Several Hours Playing Cards Each Day" is?

Life in Cities

Philadelphia . . . [now has] three hundred and fifty-seven houses, diverse [many] of them large, well built, with good cellars, three stories, and some with balconies . . .

There inhabits most sorts of useful tradesmen as carpenters, joiners, bricklayers, masons, plasterers, plumbers, smiths, glaziers [glass cutters], tailors. Shoemakers, butchers, bakers, brewers, glovers, tanners, fellmongers [people who sell animal skins], wheelwrights, millwrights, shipwrights, boatwrights, ropemakers, sailmakers, blockmakers, turners, etc.

There are two markets every week and two fairs every year. In other places markets also, as at Chester and Newcastle.

—Excerpts from the writings of William Penn, 1683, 1685



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What do they tell you about life in colonial cities?

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Key Question: Based on this information, how accurate do you think the headline “Unemployment Rises in Cities—Colonists Return to Mother Country” is?

Rights of Colonists

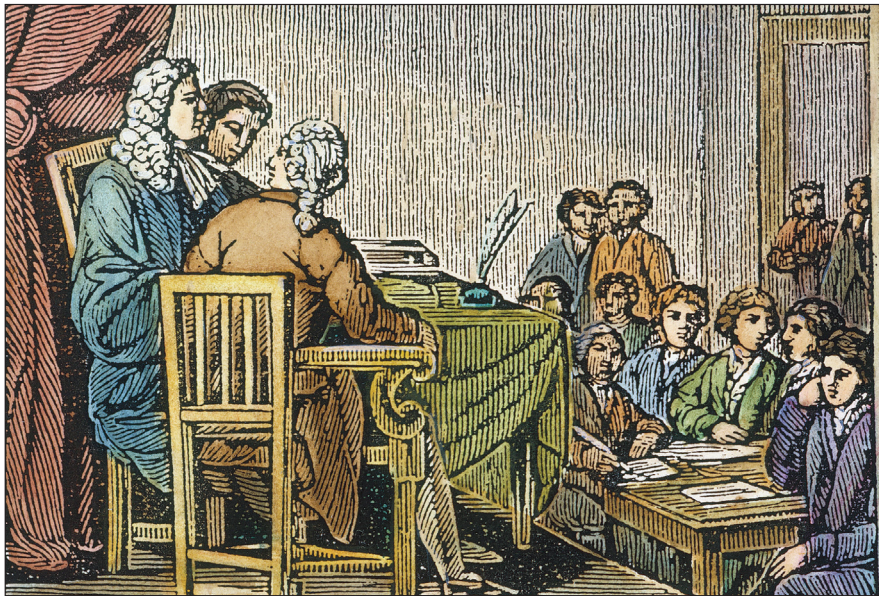
And that for redress of all grievances, and for the amending, strengthening, and preserving of the laws, Parliaments ought to be held frequently.

That the pretended power of dispensing [doing away] with laws, or the execution of laws, by regal authority, without consent of Parliament, is illegal.

That election of members of Parliament ought to be free.

That the freedom of speech, and debates or proceedings in Parliament, ought not to be impeached, or questioned in any court or place out of Parliament.

—Excerpts from the English Bill of Rights, 1689




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Key Question: Based on this information, how accurate do you think the headline “Colonists Ignore Principles of Self-Government” is?

Life for African Americans



TO BE SOLD, on WEDNESDAY 3^d AUGUST next,
By COWPER & TELFAIRS,
A C A R G O
Of 170 prime young likely healthy
GUINEA SLAVES,
Just imported, in the Bark Friends, William Rofs Master, directly from
Angoia. Savannah, July 25, 1774.

To be Sold at Private Sale, any Time before the 18th of
next Month.

THE PLANTATION, containing one hundred acres, on which the
subscriber lives, very pleasantly situated on Savannah River in sight
of town. The terms of sale may be known by applying to
July 21, 1774. RICHARD WYLLY.

W A N T E D,
AN OVERSEER thoroughly qualified to undertake the settlement of
a River Swamp Plantation on the Alatamaha River. Any such
person, who can bring proper recommendations, may hear of great en-
couragement by applying to NATHANIEL HALL.

*T*HE subscriber being under an absolute necessity of closing his concerns without de-
lay, gives this last publick notice, that all persons indebted to him by bond,
note or otherwise, who do not discharge the same by the first day of October next,
will find their respective obligations, &c. in the hands of an Attorney to be sued for
without distinction. It is hoped tho' e concerned will avail themselves of this notice.
PHILIP BOX.

RUN AWAY the 20th of May last from John Forbes, Esq.'s plantation in St.
John's parish, TWO NEGROES, named BILLY and QUAMINA, of the
Guinea Country, and speak good English. Billy is lusty and well made, about 5 feet
10 or 11 inches high, of a black complexion, has lost some of his upper teeth, and
had on when he went away a white negroe cloth jacket and trowsers of the same.
Quamina is stout and well made, about 5 feet 10 or 11 inches high, very black,
has his country marks on his face, had on when he went away a jacket, trowsers
and robbin, of white negroe cloth. Whoever takes up said Negroes, and deliver
them to me at the above plantation, or to the Warden of the Work-House in Savan-
nah, shall receive a reward of 20s. besides what the law allows.
DAVIS AUSTIN.

What are two or three interesting pieces of information in this newspaper excerpt? What do they tell you about colonial life for African Americans?

Key Question: Based on this information, how accurate do you think the headline "African Merchants Make Fortunes Trading Cloth for Rum" is?

Religion

And before ye sermon was done there was a great moaning and crying out throughout the whole house . . . “What shall I do to be saved?”. . . The cries were piercing and amazing so that the minister was obliged to desist . . . and after that we descended from the pulpit and discoursed with the people . . . We sang an hymn and prayed and dismissed the assembly.

—Excerpt from the diary of Reverend Stephen Williams,
1841

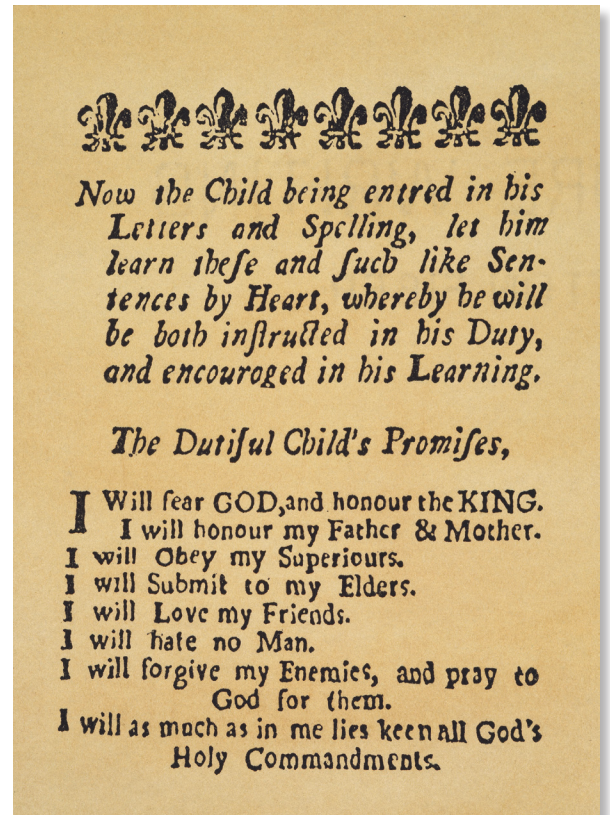


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Key Question: Based on this information, how accurate do you think the headline “Preachers Stir Colonists into a Frenzy” is?

Education



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What are two or three interesting pieces of information in the excerpt from the *New England Primer*? What do they tell you about education in the colonies?

Key Question: Based on this information, how accurate do you think the headline “Shocking Investigation: New England Schools Lack Spelling, Reading, and Arithmetic” is?

Colonial Families

July the 1, 1769, Saterdag. A fine clear day. Very hot. I have been unwell all the weeke, dirty and tired all most to death.

Tuesday. Clear and very hot. O, I am very unwell, tiered almost to death cooking for so many peopel.

July the 13, 1769, Thirsday. This day is forty years sinc I left my Father's house and come here, and here have I seene littel els but harde labour and sorrow, crosses [suffering] of every kind. I think in every repect the state of my affairs is more then forty times worse then when I came here first, except that I am nearer the desierered haven [desired heaven]. A fine clear cool day. I am un well.

—Excerpts from the diary of Mary Cooper, 1769



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Key Question: Based on this information, how accurate do you think the headline “New Survey: American Wives Say They Work Harder Than Servants” is?

Leisure

Clear. my Girls had Some Neighbours to help [them] quilt a Bed quilt. [Fifteen] ladies, they began to quilte at [3] pm, finisht & took it out [in the evening]. there were 12 Gentlemen took Tea. they Danced a little while after Supper, behavd Exceeding Cleverly; were all returnd home before [the 11th hour].

—Excerpt from the diary of Martha Ballard, 1790



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Key Question: Based on this information, how accurate do you think the headline “Colonists Use Honeybees to Get Work Done” is?