PREMIUMS offered for the Advantage of the British American Dominions by the Society instituted at London for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce.

The person in any of our American colonies who shall first raise and cure from his own plantation, and import into the port of London, within six years from the 25th of March 1759, 500 lb. wt. of good raisins, shall be entitled to a certificate, under the hands of two or more justices of the peace residing in the county, or of the minister and church-wardens of the parish where such raisins were raised and cured, setting forth that the said raisins were raised and cured at the plantation mentioned therein, and such certificate backed or countersigned by the governor or chief magistrate of the colony, will be expected by the society at the time the premium is claimed.

W I N E S.

At producing wines in our American colonies will be of great service to those colonies, and also to this kingdom, it is proposed to give to that planter, in any of our said colonies, who shall first produce, within seven years from the 5th day of April 1758, from his own plantation, five tons of white or red wine, made of grapes, the produce of the colonies only, and such as in the opinion of competent judges appointed by the society in London shall be deemed deserving the reward, not less than one ton thereof to be imported at London, 100l.

A certificate, under the hands of two or more justices of the peace residing in the county, or of the minister and church-wardens of the parish where such wine was made, setting forth that the wine was grown and made at the place mentioned therein, and that the remainder of the wine is equally good with that imported, and such certificate backed or countersigned by the governor or chief magistrate of the colony, will be expected by the society at the time the premium is claimed.

N. B. For the cultivation of vines, and the making of wine in different countries, see Miller's distil. edit. 1739.

P O T - A S H.

For every ton of merchantable pot-ash, made in any of his Majesty's dominions in America, imported into the port of London within the year 1764, 4l. except the several claims shall amount to a greater sum than 400l. in which case the said 400l. shall be divided amongst the claimants, in proportion to the respective quantities imported by each.

P E A R L A S H.

For every ton of merchantable pearl-ash, made in any of his Majesty's dominions in America, imported into the port of London within the year 1764, 4l. except the several claims shall amount to a greater sum than 400l. in which case the said 400l. shall be divided amongst the claimants, in proportion to the respective quantities imported by each.

O L I V E T R E E S.

A premium of 100l. will be given for the greatest quantity, not less than 500 plants, of olive trees, of the same species as those from which the finest Italian oil is produced, properly planted, and effectually fenced and cultivated within any of the British colonies upon the continent of North America, southward of the river Delawar, confining of the greatest number of vines, not less than 50, actually producing the true Malaga grape, from which the belt raisin is made.

And 100l. for a like plantation or vineyard, confining of not less than 25 plants, producing the said grapes.

The same premiums for vines or raisins shall be continued to the year 1770, with the following additional N. B. N. B. It will be expected that the claimants for the above premiums should, at the time of making the claim, produce a quantity, not less than 6 lb. of raisins, certified to have been actually produced from vines for which the premium is claimed.

V I N E S F O R W I N E S.

A premium of 200l. will be given for the greatest number, not less than 500, of the plants of the vines, which produce those sorts of wines now consumed in Great-Britain, which shall have been properly planted, and effectually fenced, secured and cultivated within any of the British colonies upon the continent of North America, to the northward of the river Delawar, considered as one district, between the 1st of April 1765 and the 1st of April 1767.

And 50l. for the next greatest quantity, not less than 100 plants.

The like premiums will be given, upon the same conditions, for the greatest number of vines in like manner planted and cultivated as above, within the same time, in any of the British colonies on the continent of North America, to the northward of the river Delawar, considered as one district.

And the same premiums, for the greatest quantity in like manner planted and cultivated within the same time, in the Bermudas.

N. B. The person who shall be intitled to the premium for making five tons of wine, as published in the list of premiums in 1761, shall not be entitled to these premiums.

The like premiums will be given, upon the same conditions, for the greatest number of vines, which produce those sorts of wines now consumed in Great-Britain, which shall have been properly planted, and effectually fenced, secured and cultivated within any of the British colonies on the continent of North America, to the northward of the river Delawar, or in the Bermudas, each to be considered as one district, between the 1st of April 1765 and the 1st of April 1768.

The claims upon the foregoing articles of culture to be respectively ascertained by a certificate under the hand and seal of some known magistrate, or chief officer of the county, parish, district, precinct, township, or other division of the colony or island, within which parish, county, or other division of such colony or island, the article for which the premium is claimed has been planted, that the said article, expressing the number of plants, or acres, as the case shall be, and the name of the planter, has, of his own knowledge, or has been proved before him to have been planted, and effectually fenced and cultivated within the said colony or island, between the times specified in the advertisement, and was under actual and proper culture at the time of signing such certificate.

H E M P.

A premium of 100l. will be given to the person who shall, between the 1st of January 1764 and the 1st of January 1765, produce the greatest quantity, not less than 20 tons, of good merchantable hemp, fit for cordage, from land not before used in that culture, in any part of the provinces of Nova Scotia, New Hampshire, Massachusetts Bay, Connecticut and Rhode Island, considered as one district.

For the second greatest quantity, not less than ten tons, 50l.

For the third greatest quantity, not less than five tons, 25l.