Peter Bond

People of London Town, Maryland

Peter Bond was an indentured servant who twice ran away from his master: Alexander Ferguson. Ferguson ran a tailoring business, along with several other ventures, and this was where he employed Bond. Bond’s first flight took place in 1754. Though he was caught, Bond was not deterred from trying again. This time, he disguised himself as a sailor, took to a canoe on the South River, and rowed away.

Maryland Gazette, 31 January 1754

Maryland Gazette, 16 October 1755

Ferguson was intent on catching him after his first escape, and posted notices in the Maryland Gazette. Perhaps Ferguson had given up on keeping Bond at his task, because his second advertisement offered to sell the indentured servant to any sea captain who wanted him. Unfortunately, there are no other known references to Bond.

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