

ANNAPOLIS, May 3.

The Antelope and Felicity schooners, lately arrived at Baltimore from the West-Indies, off the mouth of Patuxent fell in with, and made prize of, a privateer schooner from New-York, called the Jack o' the Lanthorn, of six guns and 36 men, which they have brought safe into port.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman of credit in Holland, to his correspondent in Philadelphia, dated January 23, 1781.

"On the 31st of December last, the Dutch plenipotentiaries, and Mr. Stewart, the Dutch resident at Petersburg, finished their conferences with the Russian plenipotentiaries, and the whole matter having been laid before the empress, and approved by her, the accession of the United Provinces to the treaties of Russia, Sweden, and Denmark, for the mutual protection of the trade and navigation of their subjects, was signed on the 4th inst. and the acts arrived on the 21st. During the whole management of this business, the English left no artifice untried, in order that the republic might be excluded from this alliance; but the empress and her ministry, unshaken, rejected their memorials with firmness, and even with indignation. The money which this republic has now occasion to take up from the subjects thereof, will greatly increase the difficulty to the English to obtain, and sink their stocks still more. You may be assured, that when Sir James Harris, the English minister at Petersburg, gave the empress to understand that her reception of this republic into the alliance might possibly bring on a war between her majesty and his king, he answered, "that this reason should not hinder her from doing what was proper to be done."

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in a public character in Europe, dated February 22, 1781.

"I have for some time deferred writing, in hopes of having it in my power to give you a more distinct information of the actual situation of affairs in Europe at this important crisis, when its attention is turned to the conduct of the empress of Russia and the armed neutrality. It would seem that if the empress doth not openly declare against England, she will at all events protect the Dutch commerce, and this may speedily terminate in open hostilities. The republican party in Holland are in good spirits; Zealand hath dropt the opposition it made to hostile measures, so that at present there is unanimity in the states on that interesting point. The troops from England for America and the East-Indies were embarked and embarking the last of the past month; they consist of 3 or 4000 men, recruits included, and of Fullarton's and another ragged regiment, to use the words of my informant; the greater part of these, it is supposed, are destined to the East-Indies, and commodore Johnstone is named by the public to command an expedition, which is to attack the Cape of Good-Hope on its passage. The protestant associations begin to stir a little; lord George Gordon is acquitted. Stocks have fallen considerably since the Dutch war, not less than two and an half and three per cent. The subscriptions for the loans of the present year, it is generally believed, will be paid in slowly. The Spanish squadron of 30 sail of the line is at sea; that of England, it is supposed, will sail about this period of time."

WAS offered for sale, and stopped, supposed to be stolen or found, a large silver watch, the inside case much worn about the rivet, and marked on the outside I. H. and four small stamps on the inside, in one of which are the letters T. R. Made by George Clark, London, No. 13924. The owner may have it again on proving property and paying charges.

3 X SAMUEL JACOB.

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April 21, 1781.

By virtue of an act of the assembly of Maryland, passed in December 1773, will be exposed to sale, by public vendue, on Monday the 11th day of June next, for gold or silver,

THAT situation for any kind of water-works, known by the name of the CURTIS'S CREEK FURNACE, lying on the head of the said creek, in Anne-Arundel county, about 32 miles by water from Baltimore-town, or seven miles by land, with sundry tracts of land, containing 438 acres more or less. There are, where the furnace stands, a large stone dwelling house, kitchen, meat house, smith's shop, and mill house; all of which, with the furnace, may be made very good. The lands mostly lie on and contiguous to Curtis's, Marley, and Stony creeks, and abound with wood and timber, pine, oak, hickory, and chestnut. Craft for the reception of wood, &c. go up all those creeks. About 100 acres are cleared around the furnace, and two or three small tenements on different tracts rented by the year. A plot of the whole may be seen at the coffee-house in Baltimore, and the lands shewn on application to Mr. Thomas Cromwell near the furnace. Sale to begin at the dwelling house at 10 o'clock a.m.

6 CHARLES RIDGELY, MICHAEL PUE, W. GOODWIN, W. BUCHANAN, 1 BLEANOR DORSEY.

N. B. The sale is deferred, on account of its not having been advertised six weeks successively in the Maryland Gazette, agreeable to law.

Office for the preservation and sale of forfeited estates, April 9, 1781.

TO BE SOLD at VENDUE, THE two manors of Beaver-dam and Chaptico, lying in St. Mary's county, in parcels as tenanted to the present possessors, or their wife, as may be most conducive to the purpose intended. Many of the leases are expired, several for the lives of persons yet in being, and others for terms of years yet unexpired. The sale of Beaver-dam will begin at Leonard-town on Tuesday the 29th of May next, and of Chaptico on the Monday following. One fifth of the sum bid to be paid in specie, within three weeks from the day of sale, the remainder in bills of credit of the new emission, one half in two months, and the other half in four months from the day of sale.

2 By order, G. DUVALL, cl.

April 16, 1781.

THE subscriber being appointed auctioneer for Anne-Arundel county, takes the liberty to inform the public, that he has provided a convenient room at Mr. John Shaw's, in Annapolis, for the reception of all kinds of wares and merchandise, and proposes to offer them for sale on the second Saturday in every month, beginning on the 12th of May next. Those who shall be pleased to favour him with their commands, may depend of due care being taken of their interest.

3 JAMES TOOELL, auctioneer for Anne-Arundel county.

LOST on Thursday the 14th of March last, a small gold FRENCH WATCH, with a steel chain (maker's name Ramilius, Paris). Whoever has found it and will deliver it to the subscriber shall have two guineas reward.

3 X GEORGE MANN.

West-river, March 2, 1781.

THIS is to give notice, that I intend to apply to the next general assembly for a confirmation of my title to part of a tract of land lying in Montgomery county, purchased of Mr. Edward Sprigg, junior.

6 THOMAS MORTON, jun.

March 29, 1781.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a petition signed by the subscribers and many others was presented to the last general assembly, praying the confirmation of a road, which was laid out soon after the building of Ellicott's lower mills, and which led out of the Elk-ridge road above Mr. Ely Dorsey's, and between said Mr. Ely Dorsey's and Mr. Michael Dorsey's, also between Mr. Brice Howard's and Mr. Joshua Howard's to the land of Mr. Rezin Hammond, then thro' the land of said Rezin Hammond to the upper corner of Valentine Brown's lane, thence to intersect an accustomed road, then down said Brown's lane to Patuxent bridge, then with the main road to Dr. Pue's lane, then to Hell-town, thence to Balderion's tavern, and so to Ellicott's lower mills; which said petition was referred to the consideration of the next general assembly. Notice of the same will be continued in this gazette for eight weeks, agreeable to the resolve of the honorable house of delegates.

REZIN HAMMOND, M. PUE, JOSHUA HOWARD.

LANDS FOR SALE.

STRING ENLARGED; 644 acres, re-surveyed in January 1775, and certificate returned for 845 acres, examined and passed, by the name of Head-Quarters, but not patented, because of the war: part of Manfell's United Friendship, 359 acres: part of Manfell's Purchase, 1400 acres: The Scheme, 74 acres: these four tracts lie adjoining each other. Part of Windsor-Forest, 1136 acres; this tract lies about 4 miles from the above lands. All the tracts are called Forest-land; a considerable part of them is very good soil; each tract is very well watered, and there are on the whole about 200 acres of good meadow ground. There is little timber on the above tracts, except on the main western fork of the western, or Delaware, falls of Patuxent river, where enough may be procured to build tobacco houses; these lands lie near the great main road from Frederick-town to Baltimore, and between 25 and 30 miles from the latter, and in the neighbourhood of the late Mr. Samuel Manfell. Resolutions, granted for 667 acres, of which about one half is clear of elder tracts; this land lies below Bush-creek, about 8 miles from Frederick-town, near one Solomon Turner's. Part of The Mountain of Wales, 200 acres; this tract lies near Mr. Jacques's Iron-works. In all about 4347 acres. A reasonable price will be taken for the whole; if the tracts are sold separately, the price will be more or less, according to the quality and situation. The title to all the tracts is indisputable. New state money, or bond with security, for tobacco or specie, with interest, will be taken in payment, and the lands immediately conveyed. Enquire of the printers.

April 16, 1781.

TO BE SOLD,

ABOUT 6 or 700 acres of land lying in Frederick county, about 45 miles from Baltimore-town, on which are three small farms, each containing about 70 acres of cleared land, the quality of the soil is equal to most lands in the state for farming; the lands are quite level, have a sufficient stock of timber, good water, and lie contiguous to several good mills. Part of the purchase-money is expected in hand. For further terms apply to Samuel Cleland, living at Pipe creek bridge near the land. If it should prove convenient to the purchaser, two or three negroes will be taken in pay.

This Gazette No. 1790 begins the year with all subscribers to it. The printers request all persons indebted to make immediate payment, which alone will enable them to enlarge the Maryland Gazette.