

neither continued for her ruin, and for the aggrandizement of France; that under such circumstances the laws of self-preservation would direct the conduct of Great-Britain, and if the British colonies were to become an accession to France, the British nation would render that accession of as little value as possible to her enemy. These United States are not become an accession to France; however, it is but too true that, according to the declaration of the commissioners, they have been during five years the theatre of massacres, robberies, executions, and the violation of the most sacred laws of nature and of nations.

You will finally ask me, what I think of peace or war. I confess that I believe the conclusion of a peace to be possible in the beginning of this year, but that it will be prudent to keep ourselves in readiness for a continuation of the war; it is not my province to define the military operations proper to reduce our enemy; but there is one point, upon which it is important to be very attentive, and that is *commerce*. This object is so interesting to our enemy, that they will look upon peace as if it was made, in case we accept of their manufactures; but if we persist in rejecting and confiscating them, when imported by fraud, it will become an effectual method of making war against that nation, and we will at last convince her of the necessity of a reconciliation, free from all artifice on the side of England, and from ingratitude on our side. The time is come to judge, whether the king of England feels a sincere repugnance for his past offences, or if he means only to offer us the bait of peace, and to draw us into a snare, from which we could not escape, but covered with disgrace, entirely addicted to him, and dependent on his pleasure; as a woman, after having lost her honour, depends on the ravisher who had taught her to coin her duty. If this monarch concludes a solid peace with France, we may hope that hereafter his intentions will be better than before, but if at this moment he has not given his consent to a general and definitive treaty, every proposition of a separate peace is a new injury, to be added to the numerous list of offences we have already experienced."

EULOGY on the death of the honourable Major EDWARD GILES.

—LET the day, the inauspicious day be ever recorded;—let it be marked down in sorrow and lamentation, in which my country so soon was deprived of so mature a genius, and mankind of so faithful a friend.—Unhappy! more than thrice unhappy for me to herald forth such unwelcome tidings, or be witness to that tomb which swallowed up such extensive worth. For my sentiments to be regular my heart is too depressed; and for my tongue not to fault my feelings are too much alive. In the hour of distress the affliction will plead for the imperfection, and it is thus warm from my soul, I present this humble tribute;—a tribute far, very far inadequate to the memory of him, who must ever be dear to us all!

"Saw ye him whom my soul loveth?" was the pathetic language of the disconsolate lover in the "song of Solomon," and in his "book of wisdom,"—how applicable to our present woe.—"Honourable age is not that which standeth in length of time, or measured by a number of years; but wisdom is the gray hair to men, and an unspotted life old age. He was taken away speedily, lest wickedness might alter his understanding, or deceit beguile his soul."—As an instance of the above mentioned facts, I appeal to all who had the honour of his acquaintance; and for the decree, the Omniscience of Heaven is alone sufficient to reconcile it to purblind mortals. This great and good young man early in life devoted himself to science and books.—Possessing a capacity superior to most, and to be excelled by none, he even exceeded Time in the progress of genius.

Having arrived to eminence in his pursuit, and presuming that his country might be benefited by his services, he stepped forth from the closet to the field.

Here we find in him both the soldier and the scholar happily united; and whilst his general was contemplating which most to admire, victory opened the way to glory, and as a singular mark of distinction, he was charged with the first embassy of his laurels. Thus early and thus honourably he acquitted himself to the entire approbation of his country; and this state ever mindful of the services of its subjects, lately appointed him a member in congress.—He had also another engagement of a no less honourable and delicate nature.—But Oh Death!—how cruel was thy triumph;—virtue and merit lie here a victim to thy rage. Instead of the bridal bed, the darksome prison of the grave must now confine the gentle EDWARD; instead of his expected place of rest, the cold earth has become his lodging,—dust and corruption his covering!

His filial affection was equal to his patriotism, and his patriotism equalled in his philanthropy;—never was he seen to turn away from a spectacle of pity;—never did he shut his ears to the voice of distress;—never by an insolent reproach silenced the cries of poverty, nor delayed his bounty to the necessitous.

With resignation he saw the universal terror make its rapid approaches; and after a short struggle yielded to the gloomy conqueror, and with a sympathetic sigh for those he left behind, yielded up his spirit to the Father of Mercies, and the Redeemer of the world.

The angels call, they call'd him from above,
And bid him hasten to the realms of love;
With joy his soul repeats the happy doom;
I come,—ye gentle messengers,—I come!

To be SOLD,
A LIKELY young negro wench that has been used to house work; she has two small children, a boy and a girl, the eldest about six years of age. Enquire of the printers. *H. Magnificus*

NOTICE is hereby given, that a petition will be presented to the next general assembly for the state of Maryland, praying that a law may pass to prevent the putting down hedges or weirs adjoining the town of Bladenburg, in Prince-George's county. *Geo. Biggs*

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By his EXCELLENCY WILLIAM PACA, Esquire, GOVERNOR of MARYLAND, A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the house of senate stands adjourned to the first Monday in April, and the house of delegates to the first Monday in May next, and affairs of high importance and concern, proper for the consideration of the General Assembly, requiring a meeting as soon as well may be: I HAVE therefore appointed Monday the twenty-first day of April next, for the meeting and holding of the General Assembly of this State, of which the several sheriffs are hereby enjoined to give public and due notice.

GIVEN at Annapolis, this twenty-sixth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-three, and in the seventh year of our independence.

WILLIAM PACA.
By his Excellency's command,
THOMAS JOHNSON, jun. Secretary.
SO GOD SAVE THE STATE.

By Authority.
At the THEATRE in ANNAPOLIS, on Saturday, April 19, 1783.

BY THE AMERICAN COMPANY of COMEDIANS, Will be presented a TRAGEDY, called **The GRECIAN DAUGHTER.**
EVANDER, Mr. HEARD;
DYONISIUS, Mr. Wall; MELANTHON, Mr. Lewis;
PHOCION, Mr. Smith; ARCAS, Mr. Church;
GREEK HERALD, Mr. Davids.
PHILOTAS, Mr. RYAN.

And the Part of EUPHRASIA, by Mrs. RYAN.

Between the Play and Farce, a COMIC DANCE.
The principal Characters, by Messrs. Rouffell, Messrs. Patterson, Lewis, Tilyard, Smith, Mrs. Elm, Mrs. Potter, and Mrs. Parsons.

To which will be added, AN ENTERTAINMENT, called **The LYING VALET.**

SHARP, by Mr. RYAN.
JUSTICE GUTTLE, Mr. Lewis; BEAU TRIPPET, Mr. Davids; DRUNKEN COOK, Mr. Atherton.
GAYLES S, by Mr. WALL.
MELISSA, Mrs. Elm; Mrs. GADABOUT, Mrs. Parsons; Mrs. TRIPPET, Mrs. Potter.
KITTY PRY, Mrs. RYAN.

The Doors to be opened at Six, and to begin precisely at Seven o'clock.

Tickets to be had at Mr. Mann's, at Mr. Middleton's, at the Coffee-house, and at Mr. Faris's, near the Theatre.
BOX, One Dollar. PIT, Five Shillings.

March 20, 1783.
ALL persons indebted to Mr. John Parran, jun. late of Calvert county, deceased, are requested to discharge their accounts immediately, and such as have any claims against his estate, are desired to send in their accounts legally proved, that they may be settled by JOHN CHESLEY, jun. administrator.

Maryland, Kent county, February 27, 1783.
NOTICE is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that the subscribers, to her with the heirs of the late James McClean, Esq; intend petitioning the next general assembly for the purpose of having his will confirmed.
JOHN KENNARD, } executors.
JAMES PIPER, }

March 24, 1783.
RAN away from the subscriber, living in Anne-Arundel county, near South river ferry, on the 9th of January last, a likely black negro woman named HENRY, twenty-five years of age, about five feet six inches high; she has remarkable large eyes, the whites of which are very clear; she has been brought up to plantation work; had on, when she went away, a white country cloth jacket and petticoat, crocus shirt, yarn stockings, and a pair of shoes with three soles to each; she likewise carried with her a calico jacket and petticoat, with large red flowers on them, a check apron and handkerchief, a pair of linen mitts, a pair of calfskin shoes with high heels and brass buckles; it is supposed she will try to pass for a free woman, as several have been lately set free in the neighbourhood. Whoever takes up said negro woman, and brings her home, or secures her so that I may get her again, shall be entitled to receive twelve Spanish dollars for their trouble.
GASSAWAY RAWLINGS.

Baltimore county, February 1783.
THE subscribers give notice, that they intend to petition the general assembly of this state, at the next session, for an act to empower them to sell all the land conveyed by William Butler, deceased, to Robert Christie, formerly sheriff of Baltimore county, on a trust not executed by him, or such part of the said land, as may raise money sufficient to satisfy a debt due on a mortgage of the said land made by the deceased, and afterwards all the creditors of the deceased, according to their respective claims.
EDWARD STEVENSON,
MARY BUTLER, mother of the deceased,
SARAH BUTLER, widow of the deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a petition will be preferred to the general assembly, at their next sitting, by the executors of Elie Vallette, late of the city of Annapolis, deceased, for a law to enable them to sell his real estate for the payment of his debts.

THIS is to notify, that the next assembly will be petitioned to direct an immediate sale of the house of the late Lloyd Dulany, Esq; at Annapolis; also a final settlement of that gentleman's affairs, in order that his creditors may be satisfied in their just demands, at least as far as his property will admit. 4 8 w

ANNAPOLIS RACES.
To be run for, over the course near this city, on Wednesday the 23d day of April,

A PURSE of SEVENTY-FIVE POUNDS.
A free for any horse, mare, or gelding; heats four miles each; four years old to carry seven stone, five years old seven stone twelve pounds, six years old eight stone seven pounds, and aged nine stone.

On Thursday the 24th, A PURSE of FORTY POUNDS, free for any horse, mare, or gelding, four years old or under; heats two miles each; three years old to carry a feather, and four years old seven stone; the winning horse the first day to be excluded from starting the second.

Any horse winning two clear heats shall be entitled to the purse. The horses to start each day at eleven o'clock. Three horses to start each day or no race. Entrance for the first day three pounds, for the second thirty five shillings.

The horses to be entered with Mr. George Mann the Tuesday preceding the race, or pay double entrance at the post.

Proper judges will be appointed for the race. N. B. No person will be permitted to encumber the course with booths without leave from the clerk of the course.

Office for confiscated estates, Annapolis, Feb. 4, 1783. Pursuant to an act of the general assembly of the state of Maryland, will be sold at public auction, on the 14th day of April next, at the town of Vienna,

SEVERAL thousand acres of fertile lands, beautifully situated on the river Nanticoke, generally known by the name of the Indian Lands (it having been granted to a tribe now extinct). It will be surveyed and laid off into convenient farms, and proper persons will attend on the premises for several days before the sale, to shew the different lots to any person who may incline to purchase. One third of the purchase money to be paid in thirty days; another third in two years, and the remaining third in three years; bond and security will be required.

On the day of sale, at the same time and place, and on the same terms, will be sold, a number of valuable slaves; consisting of men, women, and children; late the property of Alexander Hamilton.

By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

Annapolis, March 13, 1783.
FOR SALE,

AN elegant assortment of LADIES APPAREL, consisting of silk, satin and calico gowns, and other dresses; also petticoats, cloaks, aprons, handkerchiefs, caps, &c. being the effects of Mrs. Manbridge, late of this city, deceased; which will be sold cheap, for ready money, at the request of the administrator, by ELIZABETH OWEN, residing at the free-school.

Mrs. Owen, having been used to the mantua-making business in London, can, if required, alter the dresses into what form ladies please.

To be sold on Tuesday the 15th of April, if fair, if not the next fair day, at Newington rope-walk,

A NUMBER of valuable negroes, viz. rope-makers and plantation men; the utensils belonging to the rope-walk; a chariot, sulkey, large scales and weights, such as are made use of in warehouses, and a few articles of household furniture. Twelve months credit will be given upon bond and security. MARY McCULLOCH, executrix, CHARLES STEUART, JAMES McCULLOCH, } executors, of James Dick, deceased.

Office for confiscated estates, Annapolis, Jan. 23, 1783. Pursuant to an act of assembly passed at the last session, will be exposed to sale, by way of auction, at Baltimore-town, on the first day of April next,

SEVERAL thousand acres of land, late the property of the Principio company. The lands will be surveyed and laid off in convenient farms and seats for gentlemen; the quality of the lands and their contiguity to that flourishing town, from which they are distant but a few miles, render them extremely valuable. One or more persons will attend on the premises, where the Kingsbury furnace stands, for three days before the day of sale, to shew the different lots to any person who may incline to view the same. One third of the purchase money to be paid in thirty days, another third in two years, the remainder in three years. Bond and security will be required on the day of sale.

By order, J. DORSEY, clk.

February 24, 1783.
NOTICE is hereby given, that the trustees for Charlotte-Hall school, intend to meet at the Cool Springs, in St. Mary's county, on the first Tuesday in April next, if fair, if not the next fair day, in order to contract and agree with some person to build a school house sufficient to accommodate sixty scholars, masters, and servants.

Signed per order, HENRY TUBMAN, register.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the vestry of Shrewsbury parish, in Kent county, purpose preferring a petition to the next general assembly for the state of Maryland, to have a law passed to empower them to dispose of the glebe belonging to the said parish. Signed per order of the vestry, EBENEZER RYNER, register.

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