

find himself enticed at the year's end. He can spend our labour, if I may so call ship-ve good wages, is the, until the inhabitants demands of agriculture, ne necessary for the sup- But here, we ought to neglect our flax and manufactures, for though e price, yet all that is is so much gain. It is day, than play for non into anchors, ship- timber, and working it manufacturing it into ovitions, wool and flax, a coarser kind, taking of Providence to Ame- gland states at this pe- the wood we burn, com- is a considerable branch

March 4.
Esq; is appointed a the room of Nicholas

mal of congress.
was referred a letter of the legislature of New- proceedings and sentence ases of capture, on the iving delivered in a re- whereupon, t the report be post- mphire, whose interests d, shall be represented

by a resolution of Con- 5, it is recommended al states, to erect courts captures from the ene- was declared, that in allowed to Congress, or appoint for the trial of

plied with by the se- eding appeals to Con- on a more contracted particularly, by their act them only in cases of ed out at the charge of iving the appeal in all ourt of their own state. ous, to appoint a com- pecial appeal, till the en a standing committee determine appeals, from the respective states, a private armed vessel, and other citizens of a the high seas, in the e brigade Lufannah, ession, carried her into ew-Hampshire, and li- e court of the said state, argo were by the said

a Doane and others, e, which being refused, court of New-Hamp- eing confirmed they a- gress, which was refus- into effect, by affel and cargo.

October 1778, the said ongress for a revision of tion being referred to ty, in May 1779, sam- before them in defence

same month, Congress ons of theirs, of March control over all juriti- al states, and they be e effectual measures for they were accordingly ew Hampshire, the le- t of November 1779, t to Congress, to every any foreign nation in, should be interested no further. That in ls was established by over all matters re- pture, then depending mmissioners of appeals Congress. That all r to the completion of ok place on the 11th day the 17th of September proceeding to confid- ave, and others again- n Penhallow, libellant, ce passed by the inter- v-Hampshire;—where- me to the following re-

gresses in such cases were absolutely refused by their legislature, neither Congress nor any persons deriving authority from them, had jurisdiction in the said case.

On the question for postponing as above, it passed in the negative.

After a farther debate on the report, an adjournment was called for and agreed to.

Jan. 22. The committee to whom was referred a petition of captain Paschke, report,

"That it appears, that captain Paschke, served as an officer in count Pulaski's legion, from the 14th March 1777, until the reduction of that corps, the 18th May 1780;—that on the 16th May 1780, Congress resolved, "that the sum of three thousand dollars currency of these states, and a bill of exchange for two hundred and fifty dollars specie, be paid to captain Paschke, late of count Pulaski's legion, (which being dissolved, Congress have no means of employing captain Paschke, though a deserving officer) to enable him to return to Europe."—That not choosing to cross the Atlantic during the war, he held appointments in the quartermasters department, in the southern army, until its dissolution the 13th July 1783: And that he has produced ample testimonials of his bravery, integrity, capacity and industry in the service of the United States: but as the definitive treaty of peace is ratified, nearly the whole of the army discharged, and the commander in chief has resigned his commission, it is inexpedient to make the promotion requested by captain Paschke.

Resolved, That Congress agree to the said report. The committee to whom was referred a letter of the 29th October 1783, from major general Du Portail, requesting some immediate payment for himself and other officers belonging to the late corps of engineers; also a letter from brigadier general Armand of the 15th instant, as well in behalf of himself and other officers belonging to the legionary corps late under his command, as of the said corps of engineers, report,

That the foreign officers lately in the service of the United States, who were not attached to the line of any particular state, complain of great and singular hardships under which they have laboured during the late war. The pay which they received for a considerable time in depreciated money, was very unequal to their actual expences, nor could they be profited by the recommendations of Congress on the subject of depreciation, which afforded immediate relief to the rest of the army, because there was no state to which they could look for the balance of their pay, hence it followed that some of them have depended in a great measure for their support, on remittances from their friends in France, while others less fortunate, have contracted considerable debts in America.—That in their present situation they neither have the means of subsisting in America, nor of returning to their native country, unless some part of the money due them by the public shall be paid."

Whereupon Resolved, That the superintendent of finance take order for paying to the foreign officers of the late corps of engineers, and to the foreign officers lately belonging to the legionary corps, commanded by brigadier general Armand, also to major Secoude, captain Beaulieu, late of general Pulaski's corps, and to captain Ponthiere, late aid to the baron Steuben, such sums on account of their pay as may be necessary to relieve them from their present embarrassments, and enable those in America to return to their native country.

Congress proceeded to the election of a chaplain, and the ballots being taken, The reverend Mr. Daniel Jones was elected, having been nominated by Mr. Lee.

A N E C D O T E.

A Spanish prince, possessed of humanity, and strictly attached to the principles of justice, resolved to visit the prisoners on board the galleys, in order to enquire into the manner of their treatment and nature of their offences. He accordingly repaired to one of these vessels, and addressing the first convict he met, asked him, "what was the cause of his confinement?" The prisoner replied, that he was perfectly innocent, and that the witnesses who swore to the transaction had been guilty of perjury. Parting from him, the prince accosted a second in the same manner, who answered, that the judge was prejudiced against him, and decided upon his case by evidence that did not amount to a proof of his crime. The young advocate for justice went to a third prisoner, who declared that he was also free from guilt, and sent there by his relations, in order that they might enjoy estates, to the possession of which he was justly entitled. At length the prince came to a fourth, whom he addressed in a similar style, and received this reply, "I am confined here for my repeated and enormous offences; and had it not been for the mercy of the law and my judges, I should have been executed." The sincerity of this reply, opposed to the fallacy of those he had before received, struck the royal inquisitor so forcibly, that he immediately called out to the superintendent of the galley—"Discharge this rascal! turn him out, or he will corrupt the morals of all these honest gentlemen!"—The culprit consequently obtained his liberty, and exhibited a proof, that truth will recommend even the guilty to lenity, while falsehood will ever be despised, occasion its own detection, and ensure his own punishment.

RECEIPT of continental taxes from the state of Maryland, published in pursuance of the 6th article of instructions from the office of finance, dated the 11th day of February, 1784. 8000 dollars.

Received for February, 1784. 8000 dollars. BENJAMIN HARWOOD, receiver.

WHEREAS it has been represented to the United States in congress assembled, "That about nine o'clock in the evening of the 30th of October last, the mail for the eastward being closed and laid on the counter in the post-office at Princeton, some person unknown entered the office and carried off the mail;" the United States in congress assembled, are hereby pleased to offer a reward of three hundred dollars to any person or persons who shall apprehend and secure in any of the gaols in the United States the perpetrator or perpetrators of the aforesaid robbery, so that he, she, or they, may be thereof legally convicted and brought to condign punishment; and for the better discovery and bringing to justice the persons concerned in the robbery of the said mail, they are hereby pleased to promise the same reward of three hundred dollars, with an indemnity to any person who, being an accomplice, shall give information and evidence whereby the principle offender or offenders shall be convicted as aforesaid.

THOMAS MIFFLIN, president.
Annapolis, January 30, 1784.
[The printers in the several states are requested to insert the foregoing proclamation in their newspapers.]

February 27, 1784.
To be SOLD at PUBLIC SALE, on Monday the 29th of March next, at the late dwelling plantation of William Thomas, deceased, near Annapolis,

A NUMBER of very valuable negroes, consisting of men, women, and children, among whom are some excellent house servants; likewise a number of horses and sheep, &c. Twelve months credit will be given for all sums above twenty pounds, on giving bond with approved security.

MARY THOMAS, executrix.

Charles county, February 26, 1784.
THE subscriber requests all persons indebted to the estate of William Reynolds, late of the city of Annapolis, deceased, to discharge their respective balances without further delay. After the very long indulgence which has been given, he flatters himself that this reasonable request will be generally complied with. From those who have it not in their power to pay he will accept of bond with security, but suits will be commenced in all cases without respect to persons, where a settlement is not made in one of the ways above mentioned, on or before the first day of May next.

ALEXANDER TRUEMAN, administrator
de bonis non of William Reynolds, deceased.

Baltimore county, February 4, 1784.
TEN DOLLARS REWARD.

STOLEN out of my stable, on Sunday the 21st of December, 1783, at night, a black HORSE, about ten years old, with a star in his forehead, no brand, about fourteen hands and a half high, shod before, switch tail, lately trim'd, paces, trots, and canters well, and was in very good order when taken away. Whoever will secure the thief, so that he be brought to justice, shall receive eight dollars; and for the horse, if brought to Mr. Joseph Ashmead, in Annapolis, or to the subscriber, in Baltimore county, living on the Head of Back river, two dollars, and reasonable charges, paid by

WILLIAM MACKUBIN.

Annapolis, February 25, 1784.
To be SOLD by PRIVATE SALE,

A VALUABLE tract of land lying on Severn river, about five miles (either by land or water) from Annapolis, well known by the name of Worthington's-point, containing about 350 acres, plentifully wooded, about six acres meadow, and a good deal more may be made at a small expence; it abounds with never failing springs of excellent water; remarkable for its healthy situation, and fine prospect of the beautiful river Severn and Chesapeake bay; it is a very noted place for both fishing and fowling, it being a neck of land about two thirds surrounded by water, which make it well calculated for stock; the improvements are, a good dwelling house, two rooms on a floor, kitchen and negro quarter, a good milk house, meat house, barn, stable, and corn house, a large new paled in garden, two apple orchards, &c. The land joins John Hall, Esquire's dwelling plantation; it is in pretty good order. Possession will be given at the time of sale if required.

At the same time the land is sold, there will be for sale (either with or without the land) some valuable negroes, stock of different kinds, with plantation utensils, &c. For further particulars and terms apply to

JAMES WILLIAMS.

December 25, 1783.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber intends preferring a petition to the next general assembly of Maryland, to pass an act enabling the executors of Levi Hopkins, deceased, to sell so much of the real property which did belong to the said Levi, as will be sufficient to discharge his debts.

LEVIN HOPKINS, executor.

To be SOLD, or rented by the year, and entered on the 15th of March next,

THE houses and lot belonging to the subscriber, in Annapolis, the dwelling house is large and commodious, containing four rooms, a passage, and a light closet on a floor, two of the rooms are very elegant; there are good cellars, a kitchen and other offices under it, and adjoining to the house is a building, containing an excellent kitchen, laundry and pantry, and very good rooms above them for servants, and cellars below. There is also on the same lot, a coach house, stable, dairy, and meat house, and a large strong warehouse, which would make it convenient for a person in trade.

Also to be rented, the house and lot, lately in possession of Clement Holliday, Esq; it is a handsome building, beautifully situated on the river Severn, and very convenient for a small family. For the terms of both, or either of the above houses, apply to the subscriber, personally, or by letter, at his seat on Patowmack.

RICHARD LEE.

Frederick county, January 26, 1784.
THE sale of my plantation in Calvert county, on the 20th instant, being prevented by the severity of the weather, notice is hereby given, that it will certainly be on Monday the 22d day of March next, at the place and upon the terms, heretofore advertised.

PATRICK SIM SMITH.

FOR SALE,

A BEAUTIFUL well formed full bred covering horse, his colour a deep chestnut, five years old the ensuing spring, and fifteen hands high, his sire colonel Tayloe's noted horse Yorick, his dam a Dotterel mare, out of colonel Tayloe's famous mare Camilla. Also will be sold on very reasonable terms, for ready money, two stout, handsome, full blooded fillies, well grown, and three years old the ensuing spring. For terms apply to the subscriber in Annapolis.

ARTHUR BRYAN.

Treasury-office, Annapolis, January 10, 1784.

AGREEABLE to an additional supplement to the act, entitled, An act for the liquidation and payment of debts against persons convicted of treason, passed at November session, 1783; Notice is hereby given to all persons, creditors of the above description of men, to bring into the treasury-office their several and respective claims on or before the first of October next, otherwise they will be precluded of a dividend of such person's estate in case the same shall be insufficient to discharge all the just debts that may come against said estate.

THOMAS HARWOOD, Tr. W. S.

Anne-Arundel county, February 20, 1784.

To be SOLD on Monday the 8th day of March, at the dwelling house of the late Mr. Abraham Simmons, for ready money only,

SEVERAL country born slaves, consisting of women, boys, and girls, some horses, hogs, cattle, and sheep, plantation utensils, and some household furniture.

PRISCILLA SIMMONS, executrix.
All persons indebted are desired to pay.

WANTS a PLACE.

A PERSON qualified to act as coachman or groom, who can be well recommended. Enquire at Mr. Mann's.

Annapolis, February 23, 1784.

ALL persons having just claims against the estate of Edward Knowles, late of this city, deceased, are desired to bring them in legally proved, and all those indebted are requested to make immediate payments, that the demands against said estate may thereby be the sooner complied with.

MILCAH KNOWLES, administratrix,
THOMAS ORRICK, administrator.

Baltimore, January 1, 1784.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons indebted to Messrs. Speirs, French, and Co. merchants in Glasgow, for dealings at any of their stores on the western shore, that I am fully empowered to receive the debts due said company, and shall constantly attend here for that purpose; those who have it not in their power to pay at present, I expect will at least come and renew their obligations.

ARCHIBALD MONCRIEFF.

THE subscriber intends petitioning the general assembly of this state at the next session, for a law to record a deed of bargain and sale made by Thomas Noel, deceased, of two tracts of land, viz. one called Edmondson's Purchase, and the other the Range, situate and lying in Caroline county, to Charles Frazier, of said county.

CHARLES FRAZIER.