

the former. Further particulars of the action were not known when the letter was written; but it was reported at Kinderhook, that the state troops kept the field, and the insurgents marched off with some cattle and other plunder which was in their possession before the action.

We are informed from good authority, that there was another skirmish between the government troops and a party of the insurgents on Thursday last, when there were 5 killed in all, and near 50 insurgents taken prisoners.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Berkshire county, dated February 21, 1787.

"The gaols in these counties are pretty well filled with Shays's officers, (as they are called) and other characters who have been taken, or have surrendered themselves up. However, there are numbers yet, not apprehended, who are as rancorous and seditious as ever—they swear they had rather die in the field, than submit to the conditions of the disarming act. It is absolutely necessary, that the supreme court should hold a session in those counties, as examples of a number of the most rebellious must be made—in the adjoining states, except Connecticut, there are a number of the same stamp with these, who assist them, a party of whom lately rescued Wheeler, some hours after he was taken. From a principle of encouraging emigration, it is thought the Vermontese will give the rebels protection—Shays, it is said, has fixed his abode there—whither his wife and family have gone after him. Every transaction of general Lincoln gains him fresh honour, and every description of persons in the places through which the army has passed, are highly delighted with their attentions to the rights of the citizens."

A gentleman who arrived in town last Wednesday from New-Lebanon, where Shays's army is at present, informs, that an action had taken place between general Lincoln's army and the insurgents, in which the latter prevailed, owing to their being joined a few hours before the action, by colonel Ethan Allen, from Vermont, with 500 well disciplined veterans. All accounts agree that the government army suffered greatly, having above 40 mortally wounded, and about half that number left dead on the field. The insurgents now amount to about 1200 men. The above gentleman met governor Clinton at Peck's Kill, and says that he was summoning out the militia of Dutchess county.

March 13. A Georgia paper relates the following extraordinary circumstance:—A whale, supposed 60 feet long, came across the bows of the ship Charlotte, below Tybee, coming into this river, passed several times under the ship's bottom, and gave her sundry heavy strokes with its tail, without doing her any damage; it afterwards swam to capt. Higgins's pilot-boat, which lay at a little distance, and after repeated strokes sunk her, a boat from the ship having just time to save the people who were on board her.

ANNAPOLIS, March 29.
To the DELEGATES of MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

AT a time when the immediate representatives of the people have thought it necessary to appeal to their constituents, for their sentiments on the subjects of disagreement between the two branches of the legislature, it may not be deemed improper for us, composing the grand jury of Montgomery county March court, before our separation, to offer you our opinion on the subjects of the address of the house of delegates.—We have considered the proposed plan for an emission of paper money, and are impressed with an opinion, that no paper money can now be emitted to retain a specie value, and to answer the salutary purposes of facilitating the collection of substantial taxes, and afford a constitutional relief to debtors. The declared object of the bill, the enabling persons to pay their taxes by borrowing of the public, we think, will not warrant so dangerous an expedient; and we cannot subscribe to the opinion, that a depreciation of money emitted for such purposes will not injure the public, or the individuals of the community; the prospect of an increasing depreciation will encourage a delay of the payment of taxes; and depreciation would not only embarrass the measures of government, but lay the foundation of a succeeding and indiscriminate tax on the honest and practical citizen, and the designing and defaulting debtor. We are unwilling to suppose other motives for the emission than those declared; and are at a loss to account for the new and circuitous mode of obtaining money for the purposes of government; between equals, it would have the appearance of absurdity, to lend with one hand for the purpose of receiving with the other; and between government and its citizens, such a conduct hath an additional objection—the expences and delays attending the collection of public taxes. The bills for the relief of debtors, we consider as destructive to every degree of public and private confidence, as unwarrantable by our constitution, and, as contravening the operation of laws passed since the last tender law, calculated to regain the confidence of the people. Under these impressions, we are free to declare, that the conduct of the senate, on those bills, hath our entire approbation. Without questioning the propriety of your consulting your constituents on new and important subjects, we cannot but express our surprise, that, at this time, on a question so long considered and agitated in this state, and on which a similar vote was given by the late senate, composed of nearly

of the same members as the present, you should think it necessary to adopt so unprecedented a measure. A constitutional indulgence we wish to be granted to debtors; such a one, we think, might be offered, as would prove mutually advantageous to debtors and creditors, without violating the private engagements of men, or destroying every guard afforded by our constitution. We are clearly of opinion, that the people, at this time, are unable to pay the whole of their debts; we would, therefore, beg leave to suggest the plan of giving the effect of judgements to compositions between debtors and creditors.

The present state of our roads require the interposition of the legislature.

We approve our present constitution, in all its parts, and pledge ourselves to transmit it entire, and unimpaired, to our posterity.

William Deakins, jun. foreman; Thomas Cramphin, Thomas Beall, of George, Bernard O'Neill, William Bayly, Thomas Johns, Henry Brooks, Edward Jones, sen. Richard Anderson, Richard Brook, Henry Hillary, Henry Gaither, Samuel Harwood, Edward Crow, jun. Lloyd Bealle, Samuel B. White, Solomon Simpson.

Annapolis, March 28, 1787.
THE subscriber begs leave to inform the public in general, and his friends in particular, that he still continues to carry on the turning business in all its various parts, such as turning of bed-stands, &c. making of spinning-wheels; and, in a word, carries on all the different parts, which are too tedious to mention, at his house and shop, backside of the Stadt-house. Those who please to employ him, may depend upon having their work well executed, on the most reasonable terms. He acknowledges, with gratitude, the favours he has formerly received from his friends, and hopes for their future countenance.—And is their very humble servant,
JAMES ROYSTON.

March 28, 1787.
THE subscriber humbly presumes to beg leave to inform the public in general, and his old steady friends and acquaintances in particular, that he has now removed from the blacksmith's shop, lately occupied by him, near the old church yard, to Green-street, fronting the market-house, where he carries on all sorts of blacksmith's work in every different part, either for shipping, plantation work, or farmers, &c. His readiness always to oblige, he hopes, will entitle him to the favour of every one who perfectly know him, and he expects the continuance of their former favours, as he will always endeavour, early or late, not to disappoint, shall do his work to perfection, and in every thing study to merit the approbation of every one who please to employ him.—And is their very humble servant,
SIMON RETALLICK.

Upper Marlborough, March 20, 1787.
WANTED,
A DEPUTY CLERK, in Prince-George's county court. Any person well acquainted with that business, who can come well recommended, may meet with encouragement, on application to
J. R. MAGRUDER.

Prince-George's county, March 20, 1787.
CINCINNATUS,
Is esteemed by judges a horse of perfect beauty, and his whole frame a display of nature's greatest maturity. He is a fine bay, delightfully dappled, has a snip, and one white foot, rising five years old, in high condition and full primed virility, and will cover mares this season for the moderate sum of eight dollars. His fire (whole lineaments he so truly bears) was the noted and much admired ARABIAN, whose get stands so generally approved—His dam was got by Dr. Hamilton's imported FIGURE—His grand-dam by DOVE—His great-grand-dam by colonel Taker's OTHELLO, upon Old SELIMA.—From such premises, it may be presumed, that no horse can be better calculated for the purpose of getting stock, either for the turf or saddle.—Cincinnati is the property of the subscriber, and stands in Upper Marlborough.
JOHN SMITH BROOKES.

TEN POUNDS REWARD.
Severn, March, 1787.
STOLEN out of the subscriber's stable, on the 10th of February last, two HORSES, one has since been returned, the other is still missing, and is a dark roan, about fourteen hands high, seven years old, with a bushy tail and thick mane, branded on the near buttock with the letters C W. Whoever will give information, so that the above horse may be had, shall receive four dollars, and on securing the thief, or thieves, who stole said horses, and supposed to be the persons who on the same night broke open my meat-house, and carried off from four to five hundred weight of bacon, shall, on information of their being confined in any goal, so that they may be brought to justice, receive the above reward of ten pounds, by
JOHN BRYAN.

Newport, Charles county, February 27, 1787.
NOTICE is hereby given, that I shall petition the next general assembly, for a law enabling me to sell as much of the property of Benjamin Burch, late of Charles county, deceased, as will satisfy a debt due from him to Thomas H. Ridgate which I have paid, the said Ridgate having obtained judgment against me for the aforesaid sum in consequence of my being surety for the said Burch, and also to satisfy a separate claim which I have against the said estate.
JOHN WINTER.

Prince-George's county, March 18, 1787.
The Imported Horse
ECLIPSE,

STANDS this season at Collington Meadow, and covers at four guineas a mare, and seven shillings and six-pence to the groom. Those gentlemen, who favoured me with their mares heretofore, shall have them, or the same number, covered on their own account, at three guineas a mare. ECLIPSE is in high health and order, and his pedigree is equal to any horse in America.

UNION,
STANDS at the same place, and will cover at two guineas a mare, and five shillings to the groom. UNION is now in high health and order. Either of those horses are for sale. I have also several high bred colts and fillies for sale.

RICHARD BENNETT HALL.
Pasturage for mares at two shillings and six-pence per week, but will not be answerable for accidents of escapes.
R. B. H.

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

WHEREAS the senate stands adjourned to the twentieth day of April next, and the house of delegates to the twentieth of this instant and affairs of great importance requiring the immediate consideration of the legislature; I have therefore, in virtue of the powers with which I am invested, appointed Tuesday the tenth 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 thirteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-seven.

W. SMALLWOOD.
By his Excellency's command,
F. JOHNSON, jun. sec.

George town, March 10, 1787.
WHEREAS I purchased from Mr. Richard Thompson a tract of land in the neighbourhood of George-town, called Fox, and paid four bonds for the same, bearing interest from the first of December, 1784, the first for £. 500, payable the last day of said month, the second for £. 100, payable in September following, the third for £. 500, payable the first of February, 1786, and the fourth for £. 500, payable the first of February, 1787; and whereas I agreed to let Mr. Thomas Tillotson have two fifths, Mr. William Deakins one fifth, and Mr. Stephen Sayre one fifth of the said purchase, provided each of them paid me his respective proportion of the purchase money in time to enable me to comply punctually with my engagements to the said Richard Thompson for said land; and whereas Stephen Sayre, Esq; removed from this country to Europe, and directed me to draw on his correspondent, John Reynolds, Esq; in London for his proportion of said payments as they became due, in compliance with which I accordingly drew on the said Reynolds, who protested the bills; this is therefore to give notice, that the one fifth part of the said land called Fox, which was intended for Stephen Sayre, Esq; will be exposed to public sale, at George-town, at the house of Mr. John Buter, the 10th day of April next, on the following terms, £. 171 13 3 to be paid on the day of sale, and the balance in six months from that day, and provided the last payment shall not be punctually made the first payment to be forfeited. The said land adjoins the addition to George-town, and binds on the river for upwards of 3000 feet, where ships can lay within 20 feet of the shore almost the whole distance; it is desirable to lay any thing more in its favour; it is patented for upwards of 120 acres, but does not hold out near that number of acres.
WILLIAM BAYLY.

January 29, 1787.
A PETITION will be preferred by sundry inhabitants of Charles and Prince-George's counties to the next general assembly, praying that the road (now a private one) leading from Samuel Hanton, Esquire's, in Charles county, to Speake's ferry, York-mokey inspection house, and a number of the most capital fisheries on Patowmack river, may be created into a public one.

November 15, 1786.
NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber intends to prefer a petition to the next general assembly of the state of Maryland, to pass a law to enable her to sell and dispose of a tract of land in Worcester county, known by the name of Philip's Adventure.
HANNAH BISHOP.

February 16, 1787.
NOTICE is hereby given, that I intend to apply to the next general assembly to confirm the title of a tract of land, lying in Charles county, called Grub's Venture or Crane's Low Grounds, which I purchased from a certain George Crane, and to be released from any composition for the said land.
BELAIN POSBY.

THERE is at the plantation of Joseph Selby, on the Head of South river, in Anne-Arundel county, taken up as a Bray, a black MARE, about thirteen hands and an half high, as no perceivable brand, paces, trots and gallops; hanging mane and switch tail, appears to be about eight or nine years old, and with foal. The owner may have her again on proving property and paying charges.
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