may account for the report circulated in London, that Jamaica was to be attacked early in the next summer—an event, that would find some employment for the British fleet and army.

Extract from the JOURNAL of CONGRESS.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1787.

On the report of a committee, consisting of Messrs. Kean, Clark and Grayson, to whom were referred draughts of commissions for the governor, the secretary, and the judges of the territory of the United States north-west of the river Ohio,

Resolved, That the following forms be adopted:

FOR THE GOVERNOR.

The United States in Congress assembled, to A S. Esquire.

WE, reposing special trust and confidence in your integrity, prudence and ability, have constituted and appointed, and by these presents do constitute and appoint you, the said A. S. governor in and over the territory of the United States of America, north-west of the river Onio, and commander in chief of the militia therein; to order, rule and govern the same, conformably to the ordinance of the 13th July, 1787, entitled "An ordinance for the government of the territory of the United States, north-west of the river Ohio," which is hereto affixed. And we do hereby give and grant to you the said A. S. all the powers, authorities and prerogatives, assigned to the governor of the said territory, in and by the said ordinance. And we do strictly enjoin all persons to pay due submission to this our commission. This commission to take effect from the first day of February, 1788, and to continue in force for the term of three years thereafter, unless sooner revoked by congress. In testimony, &c.

[The commissions for the secretary and judges are nearly similar with the foregoing]

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26.

On the report of a committee, consisting of Messrs. Kean, Clark and Grayson, to whom was referred a motion of Mr. H. Lee, with directions to report instructions for holding treaties with the northern and southern Indians,

Resolved, That the executive or legislative, if they be in session, in the states of North-Carolina, South-Carolina and Georgia, be and they are hereby authorised to appoint, each of them one commissioner, who shall, in conjunction with the superintendent of Indian affairs for the southern department, or in his absence, by themselves, negotiate a treaty for the establishment of peace between the United States and the tribes of Indians in the southern department, and any two of the commissioners to be appointed as aforesaid, in conjunction with the superintendent, or in case of the absence of the superintendent, any two of the said commissioners agreeing, their decision shall be final and conclusive; and that the said commissioners shall each be allowed five dollars a day for the time they shall be employed in that business, in full for their services and expences at the place or places where the treaties shall be held.

That the sum of six thousand dollars, being a part of the sum appropriated by the resolution of the 12th of the present month, for holding Indian treaties, in addition to the goods in the hands of the former commissioners for holding a treaty with the southern Indians, be applied to holding the said treaty, at such time and such places as shall be appointed by the superintendent of Indian affairs for the southern department, in conjunction with the executive of the state of North-Carolina, for the treaty with the Cherokees, and with the executive of Georgia, for that with the Creek nation; or, in case of the absence of the superintendent, then the time and place to be appointed by the executive of each state in manner aforesaid. The aforesaid sum to be in full of all charges of whatsoever nature they may be, relative to the said treaty, including the pay of the commissioners and militia: And that the states of North-Carolina, South-Carolina and Georgia, be called on to furnish the aforesaid sum in equal proportion, to be credited on requisitions of congress.

That the commissioners aforesaid be, and they hereby are authorised to apply to the states of North-Carolina, South-Carolina and Georgia, for any number of men, not exceeding one hundred of their militia, for the purpose of guarding and protecting the stores and goods necessary for carrying on the said treaty.

Resolved, That if under the authority given the 2d day of the present month to the governor of the territory of the United States north-west of the river Ohio, he shall think it expedient to hold a treaty with the Indian tribes in the northern department, he shall apply to the commanding officer of the troops of the United States for such a number of men as he may deem proper for guarding and protecting the stores and goods necessary for holding the said treaty; and the commanding officer of the troops of the United States shall cause the said number of men to be marched to such place, and at such time as shall be directed by the governor.

SAVANNA, *November* 8.

Extract of a letter from Hardwicke, Great Ogechee, November 5.

"Last Sunday night about 12 o'clock, six white men, well armed and mounted, went to captain Stiles's; he happened not to be at home; they asked the driver where he was? he informed them his master was down on the salts. They then made some motion to dismount; but the driver, being a sensible fellow, and supposing their intention was to plunder the house, told them the negroes were all armed, and, if they attempted any outrage, he was prepared for them; upon this the fellows rode off. No men of that description being in this district, makes us believe they must be plunderers from St. Mary's."

CHARLESTON, *November* 22.

Captain Kenedy, of the sloop Hannah, from Dominica, informs, that three days after the arrival of the British packet with the September mail, a cutter had arrived from England with an express to the governor. That orders were immediately issued for putting the island in the best state of defence; that all the subjects of France were ordered to appear and take the oath of allegiance to the British government within forty days, or else depart the island by that time. Captain Kenedy also mentions a report having prevailed, that an English squadron had arrived at Barbadoes, and some French ships, with troops at Martinico.

Extract of a letter from a capital House in l'Orient, to a gentleman in this city, dated August 1, 1787.

"To keep you advised on the state of our market, we herewith enclose a general price current of our exports and imports. The price you will find tobacco noted at, is that which was regulated for the farms by a committee last September, and is to continue during Mr. Morris's contract, which will end the beginning of next year. Though other purchasers are guided by the prices of the farm, yet picked hogsheads command occasionally 40 livres per cwt. and upwards.

"Rice has been kept up here to 24 livres per cwt. and though threathened to fall to 20 livres, as it has for some time at Nantes and Bourdeaux, we believe it will soon get up again, the stock on hand here not being great, and the demand for it constant. We lately received some by three different ships from Charleston, to our address, but not in large quantities, owing to its selling so high there; and unless it is lowered, it will not answer to ship any on speculation to Europe, as it can be supplied with that article from the Levant on better terms."

ANNAPOLIS, *December* 27.

Yesterday morning, about ten o'clock, a framed house in this city, belonging to Mr. James West, and occupied by Mr. Thomas Orrick, took fire by accident, and was entirely consumed; the flames having made considerable progress before discovery, no person being in the house at the time, little or nothing was saved. By this unhappy event, the proprietor has sustained a very considerable loss, and the unfortunate tenant is deprived of his all.

**** The Printers take leave to inform their customers, that this paper,* No. 2137, *terminates the year—and they earnestly request those indebted to them to make speedy payments, which alone will enable them to comply with their engagements, and procure the necessary materials for the prosecution of their business.*

December 10, 1787.

BETWEEN twenty and thirty negroes, men women, and children, will be sold at public vendue, the 1st of January next, or if bad weather, the next good day, at the late dwelling house of col. John D. Thompson, in Cæcil county, deceased.—Also a number of plough horses and milch cows, and a variety of farming utensils. Credit will be given, and the terms particularised on the day of sale. The demands against the estate are requested to be made known to

3X JAMES LOUTTIT, W. MATTHEWS, } executors.

A QUANTITY of LOCUST POSTS, from eight and an half to nine feet long, to be sold, by

4 JAMES RINGGOLD.

Kent county, November 7, 1787.

TAKEN up on the east side of Chesapeake bay, in Hunting-field creek, opposite Swan-point, a Moses-built BOAT, ten feet keel, four feet ten inches wide, has three row-locks, two thwarts, and one small oar eight feet long in her. The owner may have her again on proving property and paying charges.

3X JAMES EAGLE.

Upper Marlborough, December 6, 1787.

THE subscriber being appointed by the honourable the chancellor trustee on behalf of the creditors of John Halkerston, an insolvent debtor, hereby gives notice to all persons indebted to the said John Halkerston, to make immediate payment; and all those who may have claims against Halkerston, are requested to furnish a state of them, that they may be settled as far and as soon as may be.

3X SAMUEL HEPBURN.

Chester-town, December 4, 1787.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber, intends to make an application to the justices of Kent county, at the next March court, to grant a commission for marking and bounding a tract of land, lying and being in Kent county, called Kimbolton, and his part of the said tract of land, agreeably to "An act for marking and bounding lands."

3 JOHN CLARK.

December 14, 1787.

FOR SALE, at PUBLIC VENDUE, on colonel Lloyd's plantation, Severn river, the first Monday in March next, if fair, if not the next fair day,

A NUMBER OF VALUABLE SLAVES.

2 ARTHUR BRYAN.

To be SOLD, at PUBLIC VENDUE, on the premises, on Friday the 18th day of January next, if fair, if not the next fair day, (on three years credit,) and possession immediately given,

PART of that valuable and well known tract of land, called White-Hall, containing 246½ acres, the soil is well adapted to Indian corn, and fine tobacco, situated within 11 miles of Annapolis, 25 of Baltimore, and 9 of Queen-Anne; any person inclinable to purchase, may view the premises on or before the day of sale, by applying to John Watkins, living on the premises; also all the personal estate of said Watkins, consisting of sundry negroes, men, women and children; horses, hogs, cattle, and sheep; a variety of household furniture and plantation utensils; cash must be paid for all sums under five pounds, bond with approved security will be required for all above. All persons having claims against John Watkins, on his own account, (also as executor of his father) are requested to bring them in; those indebted are once more desired to make payment, to

2 HENRY HALL, trustee for John Watkins

Strawberry Hill, December 10, 1787.

THE SALE of the effects of the late Dr. JOHN SPRIGG, which was put off the 26th day of November last, will certainly be on the first day of January next, at his late dwelling plantation.

2X RICHARD SPRIGG.

November 21, 1787.

ON the petition of George Dent, of Washington county, to the chancellor, praying the benefit of the act of assembly, respecting insolvent debtors, notice is hereby given to the creditors of the said petitioner, that the ninth day of January next is appointed for a meeting of the said creditors at the chancery office in the city of Annapolis, and that a trustee or trustees will be appointed on that day, on their behalf, according to the direction of the said act; and it is ordered that this notice be published six weeks in the Maryland Journal and Baltimore Advertiser.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,
2 Reg. Cur. Can.

NOTICE is hereby given, that Alpheus Beal and Josiah Beal, mean to petition the general assembly at their next session, for a law to make good their title to a tract of land, purchased by them of Silas Simkin, by the name of Good-will. 2

Talbot, November 24, 1787

I WINN WINSHIP, of the county of Talbot, and state of Maryland, do intend to petition the honourable the general assembly of the said state, praying an act may pass to annul the marriage with my wife Maria; all persons concerned, who have any objection, are desired to take proper notice of the same. 2

December 8, 1787.

ALL persons in any manner interested, are requested to take notice, that a suit is commenced in the court of chancery by Charles Carroll of Carrollton, assignee of Edward Stevenson, to obtain a conveyance of the legal title to the said Charles Carroll of and in two hundred and ninety-one acres of land, more or less, part of a tract or parcel of land called Fell's Retirement, lying and being in Frederick county, according to a contract for the sale thereof to the said Stevenson, made on the tenth day of March, 1774, by a certain Henry Thompson, as attorney and on behalf of Allen Pearson of Liverpool, in the kingdom of Great-Britain, merchant, the said Charles Carroll being ready to pay the purchase money now due on the said contract to the state of Maryland, or to such person or persons entitled by law to receive the same. 2

Charles county, December 7, 1787.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of the honourable Richard Lee, Esq; deceased, late of the county aforesaid, are desired to make speedy settlement of their accounts, either by payment or giving bonds with security, and by renewment of bonds already given, with security; and those who have claims against said estate, are requested to bring them in properly authenticated; if due regard is not paid to the above notice, suits will be commenced, by

2 GRACE LEE, ALICE LEE, } admxs. of Richard Lee.

THIRTY DOLLARS REWARD.

Nanjemoy, Charles county, December 1, 1787.

RAN away from the subscriber, the 15th of October last, an Irish servant man named THOMAS WALSH, five feet three or four inches high, rather stout made, freckled, dark hair, very little or none on the top of his head, generally keeps a handkerchief tied thereon; has a down look when spoken to, about twenty two years of age, a whitesmith by trade, took with him sundry cloaths, likewise a neat polished steel mounted pistol, the barrel about nine inches long, engraved on the barrel Philadelphia, on the lock Perkin and Coutty. Whoever secures the said servant so that I get him again, shall receive the above reward and reasonable expences for bringing him home.

2 JOHN THOMAS.

TAKEN up as a stray by William Gardner, living on Elk-Ridge, in Anne-Arundel county, a brown HORSE, about 13 hands high, branded on the left buttock something like V, has a long switch tail, his left hind foot white, and appears to be about eight years old. The owner may have him again on proving property and paying charges. 2