SUPPLEMENT to the MARYLAND GAZETTE.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1788.

# PROPOSALS

For printing by subscription,

*A Geographical and Topographical*

# HISTORY OF AMERICA,

*Containing, exclusive of the History of South-America:*

A DESCRIPTIVE account of the thirteen United States of America, generally and individually.

In justification of the attempt, to undertake so arduous, so necessary, and expensive a publication, the Author can only assure a generous and spirited public, whose indulgence he has already experienced, that he is totally detached from every occupation which could impede his progress in completing this great work with care and precision.

Independent of that assistance necessarily derived from a profusion of materials on this subject, it is his intention, as well as duty, to collect information from seminaries of learning and men of letters, wherever dispersed in the respective states.

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The history of South-America.

The history of North-America.

The history of every state in the union, from personal observation, and such documents, journals, and records as may appear conducive to complete an historical treatise of such importance.

This part of the history will necessarily assume a biographical form; as the life, death, and misfortunes of illustrious characters concerned in the memorable contention for American independence will be delineated —without prejudice, from authorities whom *prejudice itself*, at his hour of calmness and candour, would not easily suspect of partiality or misrepresentation.

CONDITIONS.

1. That this history shall consist of four volumes, each containing 400 pages, printed on fine paper, Octavo, and a new letter—Price 5 dollars.

2. That three volumes shall be delivered to the subscribers in the year 1788, and the first as soon as possible, for which they are to pay 4 dollars, principally on the delivery of the work.

3. These volumes will contain, exclusive of maps, a variety of elegant engravings, taken from the Abbe Saviero Clavigero's new history of Mexico.

4. The fourth volume will then go to press, and be delivered on the payment of one dollar. This is to contain a map of the western territory.

5. As the actions and events of wars within the United States in this century; but—particularly the great scenes of the late revolution, may amplify materials to exceed the limits above described, gentlemen, disposed to continue subscribers in supporting the continuation of this history, are to pay considerably less than the price stipulated for the first four volumes.

These volumes are to be printed by Messrs. Prichard and Hall, in Philadelphia.

The whole of this history will be collected, digested and compiled by JOHN O'CONNOR, Esq; a barrister at law in the kingdom of Ireland, and now a traveller in America. 10

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Anne-Arundel county, West river, January 15, 1788.

TAKEN up as a stray, by Joseph Watkins, a dark bay HORSE, about thirteen hands high, neither docked or branded, about five years old, has four white feet, and shod before. The owner may have him again on proving property and paying charges. 3X

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August 21, 1787.

# LANDS for SALE.

THE subscriber has for sale, all that *Tract of land*, called *Beall's Plantation*, and *Bateman's Field*, (being part of *Snowden's Reputation Supported*) containing from a late survey 676¼ acres, situated on the head of South river in Anne-Arundel county, about 3 miles from navigable water, 12 from the city of Annapolis, 28 from Baltimore-town, 24 from George-town, and about 7 from the inspection houses of Indian Landing, and Queen-Anne, is well adapted for corn, wheat, and particularly tobacco.

This plantation has not been tenanted for 3 years, is a most pleasing and desirable situation, and capable of great improvement at a very small expence; there are 259 acres of timber land, a greater part of the timber is very valuable.—The subscriber would prefer disposing of the whole in one lot, but has no objection to making several of it, the timber land is conveniently situated for making such divisions in equal proportions, and there are many pleasant situations for erecting different buildings; it is also well watered—a very good mill-stream runs through it, and there is some meadow ground, and much more may be very readily made. The improvements upon it are, a good dwelling house with three rooms on each floor, kitchen, quarter, corn-house, stables, tobacco-house, and two very fine apple orchards, one of which contains 220 trees, together with a number of other valuable fruit trees.

A plan of this estate may be seen at Mr. Vachel Stevens, surveyor, Annapolis, who will shew the premises; also at Messrs. William Paterson, and Brothers, Baltimore, and further information had—for price, terms, &c. apply to

20 JOHN WADDINGTON, in Philadelphia.

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Port-Tobacco, November 2, 1787.

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD.

RAN away a few weeks ago, a negro man named BOB, abouth six feet high, a dark mulatto, by trade a blacksmith, and is also a rough carpenter; his cloaths are unknown, as he took with him a variety; when he speaks it is in a loud voice and very earnest; he has a scar in the palm of his right hand. He had in his possession a written permission, signed by Walter Pye, his former master, to hire himself wherever he chose, and with this and a forged pass it is likely he will endeavour to make his escape; he was seen at Annapolis during the last races, and went towards Baltimore. Whoever will secure the said negro Bob, so that we get him again, shall receive the above reward, on application to major John Swan of Baltimore, Robert Couden, Esq; of Annapolis, or the subscribers.

J. H. STONE, and CO.

N. B. All masters of vessels are warned not to take him on board their vessels. 12

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Anne-Arundel county, January 28, 1788.

To be SOLD, or RENTED, and possession immediately had,

THE fulling and grist-mills newly rebuilt at the Head of South river, with sixty acres of land, well wooded, whereon is a good dwelling house, and other necessary out houses, with a good apple orchard and other fruit trees, about eight acres of meadow, well improved. Any person inclinable to treat for the same, may know the terms by applying to Leonard Sellman, living near the premises, or to the subscriber, near Pig-point. 2 LEONARD GEARY.

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Timonium, Baltimore county, January 26, 1788

THIS is to give notice to the creditors of Archibald Buchanan, deceased, that the executrix has settled with the orphans court, for all the property that came to her hands; that she has commenced suits on all the bonds, accounts, &c. on which she has any reasonable expectation of recovering the money; that the books of the said deceased, are in so deranged a situation, that she fears they are not worth settling: she is ready and willing to shew the same to the creditors, and is desirous to deliver them up to said creditors for their use;—she will meet the said creditors any time before the 24th of March next.

2 SARAH BUCHANAN, executrix.

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mittee, that the said report, with the [illegible] and letter accompanying the same, be submitted to a convention of delegates, to be chosen by the people of this state.

*Resolved*, As the sense of this committee, that it be recommended to the people of this state to choose, by ballot, delegates to meet in convention, for the purpose aforesaid; that the number of delegates to be elected be the same number as the members of assembly from the respective cities and counties; that all free male citizens of the age of twenty-one years and upwards be admitted to vote, and that any person of that description be eligible; that the election be held on the third Tuesday of April next, at the same respective places where the elections for the members of assembly shall be held, and be continued by adjournment, from day to day, until the same shall be com-

elected general James Jackson governor of that state for the present year.

*Feb. 7.* It is a subject of congratulation, as well to merchants and traders, as to the navigators, and their friends, that seventeen vessels have arrived in this port since last Thursday; almost all of which have had long and tedious passages, being 5, 6, and 7 weeks on the inclement winter's coast of America.

PHILADELPHIA, *February* 14.

*Extract of a letter from a gentleman at Boston, to his friend at New-York, February 4.*

"Our convention will pass the federal government by a considerable majority. The more it is examined, the more converts are made for its adoption.—This you may rely on."

ter to your consideration, he has requested me to accompany the letters and pieces he meant to send you, with a few lines recommending his scheme to your attentive perusal, and if you shall find his principles well founded, his deductions justly drawn, and the result such as he flatters himself it is, that you will, as far as you shall judge proper, favour him with your countenance in his system, and endeavouring to obtain the rewards promised for the discovery."

A CAUTION!

The public are desired to beware of counterfeit DOLLARS, which are now circulating in this town. They are of the impression of 1782, remarkably bright, and appear as if just covered with quicksilver; they look somewhat rough, are brighter than the genuine ones, and tolerably well executed.