August 8. On Thursday, the 31st ult. about five o'clock in the afternoon, the powder-mill belonging to Mr. Thomas Roberts, in Lower Merion, supposed to contain about 60 lbs of powder, was blown up, occasioned by one Richard Sills taking a chissel to empty the mortars, whereby he was driven up to the roof, and so much hurt that he lived but 12 hours after. All his cloaths were burnt, and his flesh was as black as a coal. It is remarkable, about 4 weeks ago a mill that stood on the same spot was blown up, with 150 lbs. of powder. Luckily there was no person near it at that time.

A New-York paper of Tuesday last has the following article:—

"It was yesterday resolved in Congress, that the first meeting of the congress under the new constitution should be at "Baltimore."

"On this question there were thirteen states present:—Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North-Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia, voted in the affirmative——New-Jersey, New York, Connecticut, Rhode-Island, Massachusetts and New-Hampshire, in the negative."

A letter of the 5th instant, from the same place, says—"It is conjectured by many, that, on reconsidering to-day the proceedings of yesterday, previous to ratifying them, they will be altered, or objected to: in consequence of which, New-York will have a chance, and perhaps Philadelphia a second"

It is with singular pleasure that we inform the public, that a child that had been fifteen minutes under water a few days ago in our river, and was taken out apparently dead, was perfectly recovered by following the *directions* published by the HUMANE SOCIETY of this city. A circumstance deserves to be mentioned here that contributed chiefly to the recovery of this child. Many respectable merchants, whose stores are on our wharves, have consented to have the directions of the society hung up in their compting houses—It was by procuring suddenly a copy of these directions in the compting house of Mr. George Latimer, and strictly following them, that the life of this child was saved by Mr. Latimer and others, without the assistance of a physician.

Aug. 9. A Boston paper says, "In the Cato, from France, came passenger, Peter Otsiquette, who we are told is a son to the king of the Six Nations, and whom the marquis de la Fayette some time since sent to France to be educated—He speaks the French and English languages with accuracy, and is acquainted with most of the branches of polite education—music, &c. and is on his way to the Indian country."

PETERSBURG, *August* 7.

The New Constitution rejected by North-Carolina!

By a gentleman from Hillsborough, North-Carolina, we learn, that on Thursday last, the convention of that state finished the discussion of the new constitution—when the question was put on previous amendments, which was carried by a majority of near one third—Amendments were accordingly agreed upon, which are to be submitted to the consideration of the citizens of the United States.

On Friday and Saturday following the convention was debating on the subject of fixing the seat of the government of that state—and at length concluded on appointing commissioners, to fix on the most eligible situation in Wake county, any where within ten miles of the court-house of that county, for that purpose.—After having concluded this business, they adjourned.

Notice to Subscribers.

THE Laws of Maryland, from 1763 to 1784, directed to be printed by the general assembly, under the direction of Alexander Contee Hanson, Esquire, have been lodged in the different counties, for the subscribers, a considerable time, of which due information has been given.—I am, therefore, under the necessity of informing those who have not yet taken their books, that unless they apply for them in one month from this date, warrants will be issued against them, without respect, to compel a compliance with their contracts, the binding force of which has been tried before a magistrate, and after a full hearing, and impartial consideration, judgment has been given in my favour.

Aug. 21, 1788. 1 FREDERICK GREEN.

ANNAPOLIS RACES.

THE JOCKEY CLUB PURSE of SIXTY GUINEAS, will be run for, over the course near Annapolis, on Thursday, the 29th day of October next, agreeable to the rules established by the said club, with this alteration only, that any person, not a member of the club, may start his horse, mare or gelding, for the purse, on paying one shilling in the pound entrance, and be entitled to the purse should his horse win.

Those members of the club, who have not paid up their subscriptions fully, are requested to pay their respective balances to Mr. George Mann, at any time before the race, who is empowered to receive the same.

The members of the club are requested to meet at Mr. George Mann's, at 9 o'clock the morning of the race.

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August 28, 1788.

NOTICE is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that the subscriber intends to petition the general assembly of Maryland, at their next sitting, to confirm his title to a tract of land, lying in Worcester county, late in the possession of William Hopewell, deceased.

1 Richard Spriggs, jun LAMBERT HYLAND.

Annapolis, Cornhill-street, August 20, 1788.

THE subscriber begs leave to inform the public in general, and her old customers in particular, that she continues to keep a lodging and boarding house, in Cornhill-street, for the accommodation of gentlemen; and returns her sincere thanks to her old friends for their patronage, and flatters herself, from her assiduity and attention, to merit their approbation.

SUSANNA BREWER.

All persons indebted to the estate of John Brewer, late of the city of Annapolis, deceased, are requested to make immediate payment, and those who may have any claims against the same, are desired to bring them in legally proved, that they may be settled, by

1 SUSANNA BREWER, admx.

Charles county, August 1, 1788.

WHEREAS some malicious and evil disposed persons have maliciously, scandalously and diabolically, to the great prejudice of me, the subscriber, propagated sundry falsehoods respecting my conduct as collector of the taxes, particularly, that my being in arrears to the state was caused by my converting the public money to my own use, in making large purchases, and improving the same, in the town of Dumfries, in Virginia. In contradiction whereof, I refer the candid reader to the following certificate, under the hand and seal of the clerk of the court where it is said the purchase was made; the original of which I have in my possession, for the inspection of those who may choose to see it, and in the following words, to wit:

COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA.

Prince William county, ss.

I Robert Graham, clerk of the court of said county, do hereby certify, that Charles Mankin has no conveyance for any lands, lots, or other estate, recorded in this county within ten years past. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of the said county, this twenty-eighth day of July, in the thirteenth year of the commonwealth, one thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight.

ROBERT GRAHAM.

Blush, when this you see, of those assertions, thou false insinuators, if not lost to all sensibility or humanity. Lay your hand on your heart, and consider the cruelty of the diabolical scheme you have taken, to ruin and blast the reputation of him, who calls God to witness, never inclined to injure you.

1 CHARLES MANKIN.

Calvert county, July 30, 1788.

THE subscriber being appointed by the honourable chancellor of Maryland trustee for Bazil Williamson, of Calvert county, an insolvent debtor, requests all persons having claims against the said Williamson, to exhibit them legally authenticated, by the 22d day of August next, otherwise they cannot be entitled to a dividend. I shall attend at Lower-Marlborough for that purpose.

1x WILLIAM LYLES.

August 20, 1788.

NOTICE is hereby given, that application will be made by the subscriber, to the next Anne-Arundel county court, for a commission to ascertain the boundaries and mark the lines of a tract of land called SCANTLY, agreeable to a late act of assembly.

1 JOHN CHEW.

Aquasco, on Patuxent river, July 9, 1788.

RAN away from the subscriber, on the 26th of June last, living at Aquasco, in Prince-George's county, two apprentice lads, viz. REUBEN M'BRIDE and ALEXANDER CURREY, about nineteen years of age each; Reuben had on and took with him two osnabrig shirts and trousers, a gray beaver coating coat, nankeen jacket, shoes and buckles; he is about five feet five inches high fresh complexion, snub nose and short brown hair, and a very good workman. Alexander had on and took with him, two shirts and one pair of trousers of osnabrigs, a gray knap't jacket, and jeans coat, about five feet seven inches high, much pitted with the small-pox, down look, and snuffles in his talk. M'Bride's relations live in Sunberry, Pennsylvania, whither they may attempt to get, or to Kent county, on the eastern shore of Maryland, where Currey has friends, though it is probable they will continue together as they were very intimate. Whoever takes up said lads, and secures them so that their master may get them again, shall have eight dollars reward, and reasonable charges if brought home, paid by

6x 6 w GEORGE VAUGHAN.

CHARLES TINGES,

Watch and Clock-Maker,

INFORMS his friends and the public in general, that he has opened a shop in Church-street, near the church, where he purposes to carry on his business in all its various branches, in the neatest and most fashionable manner, and upon reasonable terms. Those who please to favour him with their commands may depend that every exertion shall be used to render satisfaction.

Annapolis, July 2, 1788. 6x

August 13, 1788.

COMMITTED to my custody, a young man by the name of REUBEN MOORE, on suspicion of horse-stealing, who had in his possession two mares, one a roan about fourteen hands and an half high, about four years old, which he acknowledges to be the property of John Baptist Medley, of Montgomery county; the other a small black mare, about six years old, branded on the near buttock, but so obscure that it cannot be made out, she is about thirteen hands and an half high, shod before, and has a sore back. Whoever own either of the mares are desired to apply, prove property and pay charges, to

2 DAVID STEUART, sheriff of Anne-Arundel county.

WILLIAM CATON,

HAIR-DRESSER,

BEGS leave to inform the ladies and gentlemen of the city of Annapolis, that he carries on the above business in all its different branches, in the house next below the Printing-Office, and flatters himself, that his application and attention to the duties of his profession will merit the countenance and encouragement of the public, whose favours he most respectfully solicits.

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May 9, 1788.

Pursuant to a decree of the high court of chancery of the state of Virginia, obtained for the sale of the estate of John Semple, deceased, for the payment of his debts, will be sold upon the premises, on Monday, the 8th of September next,

ONE tract of land, in Prince-William county, containing about twenty-two acres, on which is erected a forge, grist and saw-mill, commonly known by the name of the Occoquan Works.—This seat is equal to any in the state for water-works, as it stands on navigable water and is supplied by a large and constant stream.

Also will be sold at the above works, on the same day, one other tract of land, situate on Occoquan river in said county, called Peyton's Land.—Also another tract of land, situate on said river, near the above lands, and in the county of Prince-William, containing 2500 acres; and at the same time and place will be sold, sundry negroes and utensils, appertaining to the said works.

Also will be sold, at the above place and on the same day, a tract of land, laying in Fairfax county, situate on the river Occoquan, and near the above works, containing 3500 acres

And on Friday, the 12th of September next, will be sold on the premises, one tract of land, situate on the Great-Falls of Patowmack, in Loudon county, containing 608 acres, with liberty of cutting wood on about 12000 acres adjoining thereto, belonging to Bryan Fairfax, Esq; also two other tracts of land, near to the Great-Falls and in the county of Loudon, one containing 500 acres, and the other 394 acres, will be sold at the same time and place.

Also will be sold at Leesburg, on Monday the 15th of September next, being the first day of Loudon court, one tract of land, called Read's Land, situate in Loudon county, containing 200 acres.—Also all the land and ore banks, purchased by John Semple of Thomas and Samuel Aubry, situate on Patowmack river and on Catocton mountain; and also the right to a small part within the said Aubry's land, purchased by said Semple from lord Fankerville.

And on Friday the 19th of September next, will be sold at Keeptriste furnace, one tract of land, situate in Berkeley county, on the head of the Shenandoah Falls, called Friend's Ore-Bank, containing about 100 acres.—Also one other tract of land, on the river Patowmack, near the above, containing about 1600 acres, whereon is erected a furnace called Keeptriste.—Likewise a tract of land on the same river, lying in Berkeley county, containing about 400 acres.——The above lands will be sold in tracts, or divided to suit the purchaser better where they are large

The purchaser or purchasers of the Occoquan works, and the lands contiguous thereto, and the slaves, will be allowed credit, upon giving bond on interest, with approved security, to pay one fourth of the purchase money in one year, one other fourth in two years, another fourth in three years, and the remaining fourth part in four years.—The purchasers of the other lands will have one year's credit for one half of the purchase money, and two years for the other half, on giving bond on interest with approved security.——We agree to advertise and make sale of the above lands and property, at the times and places mentioned, as commissioners appointed by the high court of chancery.

14 JOHN LAWSON,
GEORGE GILPIN,
LEVEN POWELL.

N. B. Should any of the days appointed for the sale of the above lands prove wet, the sale will commence on the next fair day.

The sale at Leesburg is mentioned in the above advertisement to be on the 15th of September next being Loudon court day; the court day happens on the 8th of September, the sale, however, is to be on the 15th. For the lands advertised to be sold on Friday the 19th of September next, at Keeptriste, the same times of payment will be allowed as is mentioned in the said advertisement for the Occoquan works and the lands contiguous thereto.

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Annapolis, August 8, 1788.

VACHEL YATES,

STAY-MAKER,

RESPECTFULLY informs his customers, and the public in general, that he has removed to Prince-George's-street next door to Dr. Murray's, in this city, where he carries on his business as usual.

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August 5, 1788.

RAN away from the subscriber, near Nottingham, in Prince-George's county, on the 25th of last month, a negro woman named POLL, about twenty-five years of age, she is something under the common size, has a dark spot in the white of one of her eyes, a scar in each cheek, and is about three or four months gone with child; had on and took with her two osnabrig shifts, one white ditto, a new osnabrig jacket and petticoat, a half worn Russia sheeting ditto, a checked swanskin ditto, a new pompadour ground calico habit, a new coarse lawn apron and handkerchief; it is probable that she may endeavour to harbour in Annapolis or Baltimore-town. Whoever brings home the said servant, if taken out of the county, shall have three pounds reward, paid by

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2 CLEMENT HOLLYDAY.