reſt baſis of public happineſs. In one, in which the meaſures of government receive their impreſſion ſo immediately from the ſenſe of the community, as in our's, is proportionably eſſential. To the ſecurity of a free conſtitution it contributes in various ways: By convincing thoſe, who are intruſted with the public adminiſtration, that every valuable end of government is beſt anſwered by the enlightened confidence of the people; and by teaching the people themſelves to know, and to value their own rights; to diſcern and provide againſt invaſions of them; to diſtinguiſh between oppreſſion and the neceſſary exerciſe of lawful authority; between burthens proceeding from a diſregard to their convenience, and thoſe reſulting from the inevitable exigencies of ſociety; to diſcriminate the ſpirit of liberty from that of licentiouſneſs, cheriſhing the firſt, avoiding the laſt, and uniting a ſpeedy, but temperate, vigilance againſt encroachments, with an inviolable reſpect to the laws.

Whether this deſirable object will be beſt promoted by affording aids to ſeminaries of learning already eſtabliſhed, by the inſtitution of a national univerſity, or by any other expedients, will be well worthy of a place in the deliberations of the legiſlature.

Gentlemen of the Houſe of Repreſentatives,

I SAW, with peculiar pleaſure, at the cloſe of the laſt ſeſſion, the reſolution entered into by you, expreſſive of your opinion, that an adequate proviſion for the ſupport of the public credit is a matter of high importance to the national honour and proſperity.—In this ſentiment I entirely concur.—And to a perfect confidence in your beſt endeavours to deviſe ſuch a proviſion, as will be truly conſiſtent with the end, I add an equal reliance on the cheerful co-operation of the other branch of the legiſlature.—It would be ſuperfluous to ſpecify inducements to a meaſure in which the character and permanent intereſts of the United States are ſo obviouſly and ſo deeply concerned; and which has received ſo explicit a ſanction from your declaration.

Gentlemen of the Senate, and
Houſe of Repreſentatives,

I HAVE directed the proper officers to lay before you reſpectively ſuch papers and eſtimates as regard the affairs particularly recommended to your conſideration, and neceſſary to convey to you that information of the ſtate of the union, which it is my duty to afford.

The welfare of our country is the great object to which our cares and efforts ought to be directed.—And I ſhall derive great ſatisfaction from a co-operation with you in the pleaſing though arduous taſk of enſuring to our fellow-citizens the bleſſings which they have a right to expect from a free, efficient and equal government.

G. WASHINGTON.

UNITED STATES, *January* 8, 1790.

The preſident then retired—and the houſe returned to their own room—When the preſident's ſpeech being read by the clerk, it was voted, that the houſe will to-morrow take the ſame into conſideration in a committee of the whole on the ſtate of the union.—On motion, it was voted, to proceed to ballot for a chaplain, when, the votes being collected, it appeared that the Rev. Dr. Lynn was re-elected.

Adjourned till to morrow 11 o'clock, A. M.

SATURDAY, *January* 9.

Mr. Clymer, from Pennſylvania, appeared, and took his ſeat.

A letter from the ſecretary of the treaſury, addreſſed to the ſpeaker, was read, informing the houſe that he had prepared a plan, purſuant to the reſolution of the 21ſt September laſt, relative to proviſion for ſupport of the public credit, which he was ready to report, at ſuch time and in ſuch manner as the houſe may be pleaſed to order.

A debate now enſued with regard to the manner and time of communicating the report. With regard to the manner, ſome members inſiſted ſtrongly on the propriety of the ſecretary's delivering it in perſon, and of explaining it to the houſe; becauſe it was not to be expected that the members could thoroughly comprehend a plan of ſuch an extenſive and intricate nature, without previous explanation; others contended, that if it ſhould want explanation, it ought to be given in writing to the houſe; with regard to the time, ſome were for receiving the report immediately, or on Monday next; this was oppoſed. It was ſaid the houſe was too thin at preſent to bring a matter of ſuch vaſt importance before it; but that by Thurſday next the houſe would in all probability have an acceſſion of many members.

After a variety of opinions had been given on theſe two matters, the houſe at laſt came to the following reſolution:

That on Thurſday next this houſe will receive in writing the report of the ſecretary of the department of the treaſury, agreeably to the order of this houſe of the 21ſt of September laſt.

The houſe then reſolved itſelf into a committee of the whole, on the preſident's ſpeech, Mr Baldwin in the chair, and came to the following reſolution:

Reſolved, as the opinion of this committee, that an addreſs be preſented by the houſe to the preſident of the United States, in anſwer to his ſpeech to both houſes, with aſſurances, that this houſe will, without delay, proceed to take into their ſerious conſideration the various and important matters recommended to their attention.

This being agreed to,

Mr. Smith, (S. C.) Mr. Clymer, and Mr. Lawrence, were appointed a committee to prepare ſaid addreſs.

A petition of Chriſtopher Saddler, of Nova-Scotia, was read, praying relief againſt a ſeizure of his veſſel and cargo, which was made at the port of Boſton, for a violation of the impoſt law of the United States, of which at the time, he aſſerts, he was totally ignorant.

The houſe then adjourned till Monday 11 o'clock.

This morning, about one o'clock, the bake-houſe of Mr. Richard Fleming, of this city, was diſcovered to be on fire, and the town alarmed; but, notwithſtanding the exertions of the citizens, it entirely conſumed his dwelling houſe, with the tenement adjoining thereto, and alſo the dwelling houſes of Mr. Henry Sybell and Mr. William Wilkins, and three warehouſes.

On Monday the 22d of February, if fair, or on the firſt fair day thereafter, by direction of the honourable the chancellor of Maryland, will be SOLD at PUBLIC AUCTION, on the dwelling plantation of WALTER PYE, near Port-Tobacco,

ALL that part of the property of the ſaid Pye which was heretofore mortgaged to the ſubſcriber. The ſaid property conſiſts of twenty-nine negroes, with their increaſe, a valuable blooded mare and two colts. The negroes will be ſold in ſuch convenient parcels as ſhall be agreed on between the ſubſcriber and the truſtees of the ſaid Pye. The purchaſers are reſpectively to give bonds with good ſecurity, for paying the purchaſe money, with intereſt, from the day of ſale, at two equal annual payments; and the ſubſcriber is to join with the ſaid truſtees in making effectual conveyances. w4

THOMAS HOW RIDGATE.

Port-Tobacco, January 14, 1790. 100 9/4

IN CHANCERY, January 15, 1790.

ISAAC DAY, *verſus*, JOHN WHITSEL, and others. } ORDERED, That the ſaid John Whitſel appear before the chancellor, in court, on Monday the 15th day of March next, to anſwer, on oath, the bill of the ſaid Iſaac Day.

By order, SAMUEL H. HOWARD,
1 Reg. Cur. Can.

IN CHANCERY, January 18, 1790.

ON the application of HENRY HALL, truſtee for John Watkins, an inſolvent debtor, ORDERED, That the creditors of the ſaid John Watkins do bring in and declare their reſpective claims to the ſaid Henry Hall, on or before the firſt day of June next, in order that the ſaid claims may be liquidated and adjuſted:—ORDERED, likewiſe, That the above order be publiſhed three weeks ſucceſſively in Meſſrs. Green's and Mr. Goddard's news-paper.

Teſt. SAMUEL H. HOWARD,
1 Reg. Cur. Can.

NOTICE.

I FORBID all perſons hunting with dog or gun on my lands near Annapolis, which I purchaſed of Mr. Ogle; many perſons having frequently committed treſpaſſes under pretence of hunting.

J. T. CHASE.

January 19, 1790. 1

THE ſubſcribers hereby inform, that they intend to petition the juſtices of Frederick county, at the enſuing March court, to iſſue a commiſſion for marking and bounding their parts of the following tracts of land, ſituate in the county aforeſaid, viz. Come by Chance and The Reſurvey on Good Neighbourhood, agreeable to the act of aſſembly, entitled, An act for marking and bounding land.

NICHOLAS COPPLE.
MICHAEL OVELMAN.

January 8, 1790. 100 9/4

January 13, 1790.

RAN away from ISAAC KENT, in Frederick county, Virginia, a likely young negro woman named ALLEY, about eighteen years old, well grown and not very black, is very notable, has one crooked finger, a very long head, flat noſe, thick lips, and large eyes; ſhe is a very ſwanky awkward looking negro, has tongue enough, and never without a lie in her mouth, and will deceive almoſt any perſon; ſhe croſſed at George-town the eleventh of December, and paſſes for a free woman; that her miſtreſs had married a methodiſt preacher and ſet her free, and had changed her name and likewiſe her cloathes; ſhe is a great thief; had on a Welch cotton petticoat and jacket, and cotton petticoat, coarſe ſhoes and ſtockings, and oſnabrig ſhift; it is likely ſhe has changed her tale and cloathes too before this. This negro belongs to Elizabeth Dare, living in Calvert county, near Lower-Marlborough—ſhe was only lent to Iſaac Kent. Whoever takes up the ſaid negro woman, ſo that the owner may get her again, ſhall receive TEN DOLLARS REWARD, paid by 100 7/6 ELIZABETH DARE.

Annapolis, January 10, 1790.

ALL perſons having claims againſt the eſtate of WILLIAM DAVIS, junior, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceaſed, are requeſted to bring them in properly authenticated by the 25th day of February next, and all perſons indebted are deſired to make payment, to

1 ALLEN QUYNN, Adminiſtrator.

Hardy county, December 19, 1789.

COMMITTED to the gaol of Hardy county, Virginia, a likely negro man named GEORGE, who ſays he belongs to MATTHEW EVERFIELD, of Prince-George's county, Maryland. The owner is requeſted to come and prove his property, pay charges, and take him away.

100 7/6 ABEL RANDALL, H. S.

December 30, 1789.

THE ſubſcriber being anxious to ſettle the eſtate of HENRY MAY, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceaſed, once more earneſtly requeſts all perſons indebted to ſaid eſtate upon bond, note or open account, to make immediate payment, otherwiſe he will be compelled to bring ſuit againſt them without reſpect to perſons, and all thoſe having claims againſt ſaid deceaſed are requeſted to bring them in legally authenticated.

4X RICHARD BEARD, Executor.

To be Sold,
AT PUBLIC SALE,

On Wedneſday the 10th day of February next, if fair, if not the next fair day,

THE PERSONAL PROPERTY of the late GERARD BOND, conſiſting of fifty negroes, work horſes, horned cattle, ſheep, hogs, plantation utenſils, houſehold furniture, and about three hundred barrels of corn. Twelve months credit will be given, and bond with intereſt and approved ſecurity will be required. All perſons having claims againſt the eſtate of ſaid Gerard Bond are deſired to bring them in legally authenticated on that day, and thoſe indebted are requeſted to make payment to w4

Rd. BOND, Executor.

St. Mary's county, January 5, 1790. 2

Charles county, December 17, 1789.

WHEREAS I gave my bond to Samuel Chandler on the twelfth day of December, ſeventeen hundred and eighty-ſix, conditioned for the payment of one hundred pounds current money, on or before the twenty-fifth day of June, ſeventeen hundred and eighty-nine, upon which bond a ſuit is brought and now depending in Charles county court—I do hereby forewarn all perſons againſt taking an aſſignment of the ſaid bond, as there is a mere trifle due upon it.

5 HUGH COX.

NOTICE.

THE creditors of captain Thomas Dent, late of Prince-George's county, deceaſed, are hereby deſired to bring in their claims lawfully authenticated to the ſubſcriber, on the ſeventeenth day of March next, when attendance will be given at colonel Beanes's, in Piſcataway, that there may be an equal diſtribution made of the proceeds of the ſale of the property to his creditors, and to have the eſtate finally ſettled, therefore thoſe who neglect to comply with the above requeſt will not be entitled to a dividend hereafter—thoſe who are indebted to the ſaid eſtate are earneſtly deſired to make immediate payment, for no longer indulgence can be given.

ELIZABETH DENT, Adminiſtratrix.

December 10, 1789. 2

A LIST of LETTERS remaining in the Poſt-Office, Annapolis, which, if not taken up before the fifth day of April next, will be ſent to the General Poſt-Office as dead letters:—

GEORGE ASQUITH, Zachariah Allen, St. Mary's county.

Nicholas Brewer, George Bacchus, Adam Boyer, James Button, Annapolis; Richard Bond, Chaptico.

Jeremiah Chaſe, Richard Clark, Annapolis; Thomas Carroll, care of captain Grennal, Leonard-town; James Clark, care of James Alexander, Muddy Creek; Abraham Crapter, Liberty-town.

James Dick, Stewart, and Co. William Deakins, care of Wallace and Muir, Annapolis; Thomas Duckett, Prince-George's county; Richard Darnall (2), Bennett Darnall, Patuxent.

Judith Ellicott, Ellicott's Upper Mills; James Edlen, Prince-George's county.

Captain Moſes Foſter, of the ſhip Nantes, Annapolis.

John Gwinn (2), Rev. James Glaſsbrook, Annapolis; Oliver Grace, care of John Magruder, Upper Marlborough; James Gun, Leonard-town; D. Germain, Piſcataway; Samuel Godman and Co. Elk-Ridge Landing.

Joſeph Hancock (2), care of Dr. James Murray, Walter Hellen, care of Wallace and Muir, Annapolis.

Thomas Johnſon (3), Samuel Johnſon (2), Jeſſe Jarrett, Annapolis; Warren Dent Jenifer, Port-Tobacco.

John Kilty, Annapolis.

Thomas Lanſdale, Prince-George's county.

Richard Mackubin (2), Luther Martin, John Moore, Annapolis; Arthur M'Carter, Port-Tobacco.

James Nicolls, Annapolis

Edward Oldham, Annapolis.

Thomas Rutland (2), Henry Ridgely, capt. Charles Ridgely, Annapolis; Jean Fred. Rouviere, care of Edward Reynolds, Hunting-town.

Robert Smith (2), William Smith, care of Richard Fleming, Davalt Shriber, capt. Scott, Annapolis; Thomas Snowden (2), Patuxent Iron-works; Mortough Sullivan, living with George Digges; Sarah Shanly, Upper Marlborohgh; Rev. Joſeph Simpſon, St. Mary's county.

William Tilghman, James Tilghman, jun. care of William Cooke, Annapolis; Thomas Tillard, Herring Bay.

Burton Whetcroſt, John Welſh, Annapolis; Robert Ward, Patuxent; Gabriel Wood, Leonard-town.

F. GREEN, D. P. M.

*** All perſons ſending to the Poſt-Office for letters, are requeſted to ſend the money, as none will be delivered without. 2