generally affect to consider as totally devoid of judgment or understanding. That the end would sanction the means, however base, has long been the language of tyrants and oppressors, but I trust its influence is over, and that a candid and liberal people, when they find the conduct of any man vile and dishonourable, will not fail to brand him with that ignominy which he merits.

I am, Gentlemen,
With great respect,
Your obedient servant,
And fellow-citizen,
October 1, 1792. RICHARD SPRIGG, jun.

October 1st, 1792. THEN came before me the subscriber, SAMUEL HAMILTON, of Upper Marlborough, and made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, that some time in the month of August William A. Washington, Esquire, of Virginia, was at the house of this deponent, and in conversation with him respecting the ensuing election said, among other things, that he always had the highest opinion of col. Mercer himself, and had heard Mr. Page, then a member from Virginia in congress, say, he was one of the cleverest men in congress from Maryland, that afterwards the deponent asked himself what the President thought of col. Mercer, he answered, he believed he thought well of him, and had never heard any thing to the contrary; that soon after the departure of Mr. W. A. Washington, this deponent mentioned these words in public; that at Prince-George's county court capt. Campbell called this deponent into a room and introduced the report of the President's opinion above alluded to, when this deponent immediately interrupted him and said, he himself could clear up that report which took place in the deponent's house, and then related what is above stated, when capt. Campbell said he was satisfied in believing what the deponent said, that he had written to a wrong man, Bushrod Washington, Esq; and being then interrupted by company coming in, the conversation stopt, and further this deponent saith not.

Sworn before,
JOHN SMITH BROOKES.

October 1, 1792. THEN came before me the subscriber, RICHARD SPRIGG, junior, and made oath on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, that he, being in the piazza of the tavern at Upper-Marlborough, some time in August he believes, heard it publicly said by a gentleman there, that the President thought Mr. John F. Mercer very much his friend, and one of the best members from Maryland, and that the President's nephew had said so at Marlborough.—This deponent further saith, that he mentioned this conversation to one person only, to the best of his recollection; and being asked what nephew of the President's had said it, replied that it was probably Bushrod Washington, Esq; who this deponent knew at times in Marlborough with David Craufurd, Esq; That this deponent heard no more on this subject until the 4th day of September, when he was informed a letter had been written by some one to Bushrod Washington, Esquire, on the subject. This deponent then on an inquiry traced the report to Mr. Samuel Hamilton, of Upper Marlborough, who explained to this deponent what had been said, and by whom, to him. That capt. Campbell, on the 6th day of September, sat down at table, in Mr. Hamilton's tavern, with this deponent, and in the course of conversation told this deponent it was probable his (this deponent's) name would appear or be called in question, (he is not quite certain which) in the course of this business—the deponent asked him "on what occasion?" He replied on some report concerning the President. This deponent then interrupted him, and told him, he (this deponent) found there was some misapprehension in the business, but that the deponent could refer him to Mr. Hamilton, who could clear it all up—Upon which capt. Campbell immediately replied, "he had seen Mr. Hamilton on the subject," and satisfied. And further this deponent saith not.

Sworn before
JOHN SMITH BROOKES.

To the PRINTERS of the MARYLAND GAZETTE.

Gentlemen,

IN the hand-bill issued from your press on Saturday last, by col. Mercer, I am referred to for testimony in two cases, without having been apprised that my name was so to be used—I take no exception to the first appeal the Colonel makes to me, although the declaration of Messrs. Bowie and Clarke had made it unnecessary. But, lest I should be supposed to have in any manner encouraged the propagation of the idle report respecting the President, I think it proper to state the only circumstance that has authorised colonel Mercer to rest his justification upon me.

It is true, that dining some time ago with col. Mercer, I heard it stated by one of the company, that the president of the United States had used the favourable language respecting the Colonel, which he appears, by the certificate of Messrs. Harwood and Munroe, to have repeated; but being fully persuaded that the thing was not true, I then and several times since strenuously advised him never to mention a word of it, until he had obtained incontestible proof of the fact—He seemed to approve of my caution, but has let the story out, and the consequence is such as I foresaw.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your obedient servant,
JOHN KILTY.

Annapolis, October 2, 1792.

With Permission.

RAYNER TAYLOR,

MUSIC PROFESSOR, ORGANIST,
And Teacher of SINGING, HARPSICHORD, PIANO FORTE, &c.

Lately arrived from London,

WILL give a MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT on a nouvel plan, in the ensuing week. He will be assisted by a young lady, (his pupil) a vocal performer. The performance will consist of several pieces on the piano forte by Mr. Taylor; an interlude, called "The Ambitious Countryman," and a whimsical performance, in two parts, called "The Flights of Fancy," consisting of comic and pastoral songs, duets, &c.

N. B. Further particulars will be expressed in the bills, and due notice will be given of the night of performance.

Annapolis, October 3, 1792. 1X 10d 7/6

Taken by virtue of a writ of *fieri facias* to me directed, and will be SOLD, on the PREMISES, at PUBLIC SALE, for CASH only, on Wednesday the 17th of October next,

A TRACT or parcel of LAND, containing about 250 acres, the property of JOSEPH BRISCOE, lying and being in Kent county, and lying on the main road leading from Chester-town to George-town, and distant about one mile from Sims's tavern. The title will be made known on the day of sale. The sale to begin at eleven o'clock. Attendance will be given, by

10d 7/6 PHILIP REED, Sheriff.

Chester-town, September 14, 1792.

Taken by virtue of a writ of *fieri facias* to me directed, and will be SOLD, on the PREMISES, at PUBLIC SALE, for CASH only, on Thursday the 18th of October next,

A TRACT or parcel of LAND, containing about 170 acres, the property of PEREGRINE COOPER, lying and being in Kent county, and lying near the main road leading from Chester-town to George-town, and near the mills of John Wilson and the late col. Perkins. The title will be made known on the day of sale, which will begin at eleven o'clock. Attendance will be given, by

10d 7/6 PHILIP REED, Sheriff

Chester-town, September 14, 1792.

Agreeably to an order of the orphan's court of Charles county, will be sold, at public sale, for ready money, on the first MONDAY in November next, in Port-Tobacco,

UPWARDS of SIXTY HOGSHEADS of new INSPECTED TOCACCO.

JOHN FORBES, Attorney for
Elizabeth Ridgate, Adm'rx.
Sept. 25, 1792. of Thomas How Ridgate.

Virginia, Richmond, Sept. 26, 1792.

I REQUEST of Mr PARKER FOWLER, of Maryland, to inform me in what part of that state he resides, and what estate is in his hands belonging to his nephew, Joseph Fowler, whose mother married Peter Desain, and removed to this state, and brought him with them. Joseph Fowler died in the American army in 1777, and left me his widow and three children; they are now alive. In case of the death of Mr. Parker Fowler, I will be much obliged to his heirs, executors or administrators, or any other person who will be so kind to give me the above information as speedily as possible through this channel, and I will most cheerfully defray the cost.

1 2d ANNE FOWLER.

A Guinea Reward.

LOST, yesterday afternoon, from the ferry on the road of Baltimore to Annapolis, a French Gold WATCH, painted on the dial face *Nantes*, with a black riband and small gold key. Whoever finds it, and will return it to Mrs. BREWER's, in Annapolis, or to the Printing-Office, shall receive the above reward. w 3

Annapolis, October 3, 1792. 10d 7/6

PLANS
OF THE
City of Washington,

To be had at the compting-house of Wallace & Muir,
At HALF A DOLLAR.

St. Mary's county, September 10, 1792.

WHEREAS a certain Elizabeth Jenifer purchased a tract of land, lying in St. Mary's county, called Papaw Fields, of the commissioners of confiscated property, and the subscriber afterwards intermarried with the said Elizabeth, and at her particular desire and consent he exchanged the aforesaid land with a certain Thomas Smoot, for which he give his bond for the conveyance of the same, and before the matter was settled the said Elizabeth died, which put it out of his power to comply with his agreement;—This is therefore to give notice, that the subscriber intends to petition the next general assembly of Maryland for an act to authorise and empower him to convey the same agreeable to the tenor of his bond.

10d 15/ W. R. SMOOT.

By order of the Chancellor,

A PUBLIC SALE will commence on the Tuesday in October, at three o'clock afternoon, and will continue the following day all is sold, of the property of STEPHEN C[illegible] book-seller, in the city of Annapolis, consisting quantity of books of numerous denomination[illegible] tionary of various kinds, many articles of d[illegible] an elegant parcel of plated ware and jewell[illegible] sundry household furniture, for the benefit creditors of the said Stephen Clark. The [illegible] the sale as follows, viz. purchasers to an amo[illegible] exceeding ten pounds to pay ready money, [illegible] chasers to a greater amount to give bond, [illegible] curity, for paying the purchase money, with [illegible] within six months from the time of sale. No [illegible] be delivered until bonded for or paid.

JOSEPH CLARK, T[illegible]

All persons indebted to the said Stephen C[illegible] requested to make immediate payment to the [illegible]

Annapolis, October 1, 1792. 1X

Anne-Arundel county, Sept. 1, 1[illegible]

THE partnership of EDWARD and M[illegible] CAI HALL, being mutually dissolved, [illegible] quently necessity calls for a final close of the [illegible] that they may make good their engagement[illegible] fore immediate payment from those indebted [illegible] firm is humbly requested—pray attend.

1 ED. and M. H[illegible]

Frederick-Town Gaol, Sept. 17[illegible]

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subs[illegible] tends to make application to the next assembly for an act of insolvency, to release h[illegible] debts which he is unable to pay.

10d 15/102 THOMAS SCH[illegible]

Upper-Marlborough, Sept. 25, 1[illegible]

COMMITTED to my custody as a run[illegible] mulatto lad, about 20 years of age, by the [illegible] of TOM, who says he belongs to Daniel M'C[illegible] Fairfax county, Virginia; he is five feet four [illegible] and a half high; had on and with him the [illegible] lowing articles of cloathing, viz. one blue cl[illegible] jacket, and ditto overalls, three osnabrig shi[illegible] pair ditto trousers, two osnabrig jackets, and [illegible] felt hat bound with linen. The owner is de[illegible] take him away by the 8th day of November, [illegible] will be sold for his fees and other charges by

1 WILLIAM D. BEALL, Sheri[illegible]
Prince George's county.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscri[illegible] tend petitioning the general assembly o[illegible] land, at their next sitting, to pass a law to [illegible] a will, purporting to be the last will and [illegible] THOMAS SEMMES, now a lunatic, but who [illegible] full possession of his reason at the time he execu[illegible] will, and for dividing the property, real and p[illegible] as there stated, after making such provision for [illegible] the said Thomas Semmes, as the wisdom of the [illegible] bly shall deem expedient.

James Semmes,
Joseph Milbourne Sem[illegible]
Ignatius Semmes,
Aquilla Scott,
Anne Semmes,
Mary Semmes,
Catharine Semmes,
Elizabeth Semmes.

10d 16/10½

NOTICE.

I HEREBY forbid all persons hunting, with [illegible] gun, on my lands lying on Fishing creek [illegible] ster creek, and on my dwelling plantation [illegible] napolis.

October 3d, 1792. 1 J. T. CH[illegible]

NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscri[illegible] tends to prefer a petition to the next assembly of Maryland, to confirm his title [illegible] tracts of land, in Anne-Arundel county, [illegible] him by his late father James Sanders.

1 ROBERT SAND[illegible]

THE subscriber being unable to disch[illegible] debts intends to petition the general a[illegible] at their next session, for an act of insolvency.

3 WILLIAM KEENE.
Dorchester county, September 12, 1792.

THE OFFICERS of the MARYLAND [illegible] who have disposed of their certificates at a [illegible] ciated value prior to the establishment of funds [illegible] United States for their payment, are requested [illegible] at Annapolis on the second TUESDAY in [illegible] next, at which time propositions will be laid [illegible] them from the officers of the Massachusetts a[illegible] lines of the late army of the United States.

*** The Printers of the different papers [illegible] state are requested to insert the above in their p[illegible]

Allegany county, August 1, 1[illegible]

TAKEN up as a stray, by the subscriber, [illegible] MARE, about 14 hands high, about [illegible] ten years old, a star and snip, natural pacer, [illegible] ceivable brand. The owner is desired to com[illegible] property, pay charges, and take her away.

3X JOHN GR[illegible]

Annapolis Race

N TUESDAY the 9th day of [illegible] will be run for, over the cour[illegible] JOCKEY CLUB PURSE, of [illegible] AS, free for any horse, mare or ga[illegible] erty of a member of the Club; a[illegible] ds, six years old to carry 120 p[illegible] 110 pounds, four years old 98 po[illegible] old a catch. Heats four miles.

n WEDNESDAY the 10th of O[illegible] CLUB PURSE of TWENT[illegible] three and four years old colts and [illegible] pounds to fillies. The horse [illegible] excluded running the second. [illegible]

n, THURSDAY the 11th, a SU[illegible] SE of FORTY GUINEAS, fre[illegible] or gelding, the horses winning [illegible] s excepted; to carry weight agree[illegible] e Jockey Club. Heats four mile[illegible] y horse winning two clear hea[illegible] purse. Three horses to start for [illegible] or no race. Entrance eight dol[illegible] e riders to be dressed in silk jack[illegible] alf boots.

e horses to be entered each day pre[illegible] Mr. George Mann, and to start [illegible] k precisely. Proper judges will b[illegible] ce. 3X

This is to give No[illegible]

HAT the subscriber intends to p[illegible] to the next general assembly o[illegible] ession in November next, to liqui[illegible] aim against the said state.

Mary Anne Elizab[illegible]
ptember 4, 1792. 5

OTICE is hereby given, that a [illegible] of the PROTESTANT EPISCOPA[illegible] ng in the parish of St. MARGA[illegible] TER. w 6

4 CHARLES
ne-Arundel county, September 1[illegible]

John Hyde,

onduit-Street, opposite Mr. GEO[illegible] new building,

HERE he carries on the BOOT[illegible] MAKING BUSINESS, in a[illegible] es, in the neatest and most fashio[illegible] the lowest terms; having procu[illegible] r of the best workmen, he is ena[illegible] business in the most extensive ma[illegible] with pleasure, inform his friends a[illegible] e can serve them upon the most [illegible] and on the shortest notice, as he [illegible] supplied with the very best ma[illegible] ned to carry on his business wi[illegible] uality and dispatch. Gentlemen w[illegible] negro shoes, may be supplied on th[illegible] ith any quantity of the best quali[illegible] educed prices. He also carries on [illegible]

Tanning and Currying B[illegible]

its various branches, in the neatest a[illegible] where the best prices are given for r[illegible] S, and all orders for leather thankf[illegible] thfully executed. He returns his [illegible] l thanks to his friends and custo[illegible] ncouragement he has experienced [illegible] s since his commencement, and [illegible] ting attention, to merit a continu[illegible]

apolis, August 1, 1792.

Bacon's Law

be SOLD at the PRINTING [illegible] ANNAPOLIS.

may be had, the late edition of th[illegible] RYLAND. And also, a few co[illegible] s, since that publication. 3

FOR SALE

TRACT of LAND, containing [illegible] and three hundred acres, in Pri[illegible] on the east side of the Eastern Br[illegible] les from the federal city, and the s[illegible] ladensburg; there is a good meadow [illegible] ouses. Application may be made [illegible] PONSONBY, in Bladensburg, or [illegible] in Piscataway. tf

ALEXANDER HAM[illegible]
ember 23, 1791. 3d

MMITTED to my custody as a [illegible] he name of JOE, a stout well made [illegible] nce says his name is JEM, and th[illegible] y of RICHARD LEE, of Lancaster [illegible] a; he is about 5 feet 9 or 10 inch[illegible] scar over his left eye, his cloat[illegible] cloth jacket and breeches and a [illegible] after is desired to take him out of [illegible] will be sold agreeable to law.

3X F. HAMERSLEY,
St. Mary's county.
ember 1, 1792.