

In Council, Annapolis, January 23, 1798.

ORDERED, That the resolutions passed by the general assembly at their last session, respecting certificates and bills of credit, be published eight weeks successively, in one of the Philadelphia and Alexandria newspapers, and in one of the Baltimore, Frederick-town and Edenton papers, and the Maryland Gazette.

By the HOUSE OF DELEGATES, December 26, 1797.

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be, and he is hereby authorized to pay off and discharge the principal and interest due on all certificates heretofore issued by the state of Maryland, other than those distinguished as fraudulent ones, provided the same are brought into the treasury for payment, on or before the first day of October, 1798.

Resolved, That all holders of certificates heretofore issued and funded by the state of Maryland, bring the same to the treasury of the western shore for payment of principal and interest, on or before the first day of October next, and that no interest on any certificates heretofore issued, which shall accrue after the said first day of October, 1798, shall be paid thereafter, nor the principal sum until after the end of the next session of assembly.

Resolved, That such part of the five months pay, due to the officers and soldiers of the Maryland line, and due for services on board the barges, as shall not be demanded of the treasurer of the western shore, on or before the first day of October, 1798, be not paid to any person or persons demanding any part of the same thereafter, but be subject to such appropriation as shall hereafter be declared.

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be, and he is hereby authorized, to pay off and discharge the amount of principal and interest of such bills of credit, of the emission under the act of June, 1780, as may be produced and brought into the treasury, on or before the first day of October next.

Resolved, That if the holders of bills of credit, emitted in virtue of the act of June session, 1780, do not bring the same into the treasury of the western shore for payment, on or before the first day of October, 1798, that all interest from that time cease thereon, and the principal not to be paid until after the end of the next session of assembly.

Resolved, That the resolutions passed at the last session of assembly, for limiting the time to the first of July last for bringing in certificates for payment be, and the same are hereby retained.

By order, W. HARWOOD, clk. Thus ordered;

By the senate, December 26, 1797: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk. By the senate, December 29, 1797: Read the second time and assented to.

By order, A. VAN-HORN, clk. by the senate, January 17, 1798.

On motion, ORDERED, That the act, entitled, An act for the direction of sheriffs and coroners in the return of jurors, and for the better regulation of juries, passed at this session, be published as soon as may be for four weeks successively in the Maryland Gazette, East n. George-town, and two Baltimore papers, for the information of the sheriffs and coroners.

By order, A. VAN-HORN, Clk. An ACT for the direction of sheriffs and coroners in the return of jurors, and for the better regulation of juries.

WHEREAS the integrity, exoerience and intelligence of jurors, is indispensably necessary for the due administration of justice: And whereas the sheriffs frequently return jurors very inadequate to the discharge of the important duties assigned to them;

II. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all sheriffs and coroners with or without commission, shall, on or before the first Monday in March next, take the following oath, or affirmation, (as the case may be,) before some judge or justice of the court of the county for which they may have been respectively commissioned, to wit: "I, A. B. do swear, or affirm, (as the case may be,) that in summoning jurors, to be returned to any of the courts of this state, and that in executing every writ or precept which shall come to my hands for the return of jurors, I will use my utmost diligence to summon and return, as jurors, sober and judicious persons, of good reputation, and qualified by the laws of this state to serve as jurors, and to prevent any man being summoned or returned by me, or by any officer under me, who in my judgment will be influenced in determining any of the matters which shall come before him as a juror by hatred, malice or ill will, fear, favour or affection, or by any partiality whatever; and that I will not summon or return as a juror any person, who, in my opinion, or to my knowledge, may be solicitous to be returned upon the panel of jurors;" and that they respectively retain a certificate of such oath or affirmation to be clerk of the court of the county for which such person is commissioned as sheriff, or coroner, within twenty days thereafter, there to be recorded by said clerk, whose duty it is hereby declared to be to record the same amongst the proceedings of the preceding county court; and that in case any sheriff or coroner shall neglect to take such oath or affirmation, or return a certificate thereof as aforesaid, the person so neglecting shall forfeit and pay the sum of fifty dollars, to be recovered by indictment before the district court of the county for which such person is commissioned, and applied to the use of said county.

III. And be it enacted, That no person shall be summoned as a juror by any sheriff or coroner of this state, to two general or county courts successively.

IV. And be it enacted, That every sheriff and coroner hereafter commissioned within this state shall, before he be allowed to proceed on the execution of his office, besides the usual oaths or affirmations as required by the constitution and laws of this state, take the oath, or affirmation, (as the case may be,) above prescribed, before some judge or justice of the court of the county

for which such person may be commissioned, and return a certificate of such oath or affirmation to the clerk of the court of the county for which such person may be commissioned, there to be recorded as aforesaid.

V. And be it enacted, That the different sheriffs or coroners of this state shall not, after the end of this general assembly, summon as a juror in any case, or return upon a panel as a juror, any person who may not have arrived to the age of twenty-five years, and who doth not possess the other qualifications required by the constitution and laws of this state.

VI. And be it enacted, That after the end of this session of assembly no justice of the peace shall be exempt or privileged from being summoned and returned upon the panel of jurors to the county court, or general court of this state, any former law to the contrary notwithstanding.

VII. And be it enacted, That after the passage of this act the sheriffs of the several counties of this state shall not permit their deputies, or any of them, to summon any juror or jurors whom they have not directed them to summon.

VIII. And be it enacted, That the sheriffs of the several counties of this state shall return to their respective county courts a panel of forty-eight jurors, qualified as aforesaid, out of which the said respective courts shall direct the clerk to draw, by ballot, twenty-three persons, who shall be empanelled and sworn to serve as grand jurors during the term to which they shall be summoned; and the persons remaining upon the said original panel shall attend the court, and serve as petit jurors.

IX. And be it enacted, That in all civil cases called for trial in the general and county courts, in which a jury shall be necessary according to the laws and constitution of this state, twenty persons from the panel of petit jurors shall be drawn, by ballot, by the clerks, under the direction of the said respective courts, and the names of the twenty persons shall be written upon two lists, and one of the said lists shall be forthwith delivered to the respective parties, or their counsel in the cause, and it shall and may be lawful for each of the said parties, or their counsel, to strike out four persons from the said list, and the remaining twelve persons shall thereupon be immediately empanelled, and sworn as the petit jury in such cause; and if the said parties, or their counsel, or either of them, shall neglect or refuse to strike out from the said list the number of persons hereby directed, it shall and may be lawful for the respective courts aforesaid to direct their clerks to strike out from the list of the party or parties who neglecting or refusing the number of persons herein before mentioned, and the remaining twelve persons shall be empanelled, and sworn as aforesaid; provided nevertheless, that nothing herein contained shall be deemed, or construed to take away the right of any person or persons to challenge the array or polls of any panel returned, in the manner always allowed by the laws of this state, or in any manner to affect or change any of the provisions contained in the act, entitled, A supplement to an act concerning petitions for freedom, passed at November session, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-three.

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

MR. ALLEN, on board the Ranger, Annapolis. Nicholas Brice (2), Aza Beall, Thomas Barrer, Annapolis; Richard Booth, West river. Right rev. Thos. J. Cleggitt, D. D. care of William Cooke, John Callahan, William Coe, Annapolis. John Davidson, Joshua Dorsey (2), Benjamin Doctor, Benjamin Dulany (2), Annapolis. John Gwinn (2), Mr. Guerin (2), William Gilmore, Annapolis; John Galloway Son, West river. William Hammond, Samuel Harvey Howard, Zeb. Hollingworth (3), Annapolis; William Harwood, Richard Harrison, Anne-Arundel county. Henry Johnston, Annapolis. Providence Lane, care of John Brice, Mr. Langlois, Thomas Lisbey (3), Annapolis. Robert Milligan, John M'Iver, Richard Mackubin (2), Gilbert Murdoch, Annapolis; Joseph Maccubin, Anne-Arundel county. Edward Nicholls, Annapolis. Martin O'Dubigg, Annapolis. Postmaster, Thomas Pyper, Smith Price, Annapolis. Henry Ridgely, Benjamin Ringgold, care of John Galloway, John Ridgely, John Rue, care of William Logan, Annapolis. Sheriff elect of Anne-Arundel county, James Steele, Annapolis. Colonel Tootle, J. A. Tarascon, John Tayloe, Annapolis. Levin Winder, Eliz. Whitewood, capt. H. Wilson, on board the schooner Felicity (2), Annapolis; John Weems, jun. Herring creek. John Young, Annapolis.

S. GREEN, D. P. M. None of the above letter will be delivered without the money. January 1, 1798.

THE subscriber has eloped from him many NEGRO MEN whom he has reason to think are employed by white people to work for them. He do hereby forewarn all persons from dealing with or employing my said negroes in any manner whatever, as I shall in that case prosecute every offender to the utmost rigour of the law. BENNETT DARNALL. January 26, 1798.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of JOHN ALLEN THOMAS, late of St. Mary's county, deceased, are desired to make immediate payment, and those having claims against said estate are requested to bring them in, legally authenticated, to Mr. JOHN WEEMS, at Leonard-town, or to the subscriber, at Annapolis. JAMES THOMAS, Executor. April 6, 1797.

### An Overseer Wanted.

I WISH to engage an overseer for the remainder of this year, to superintend and manage a small farm. None but a single man who can come well recommended to me for his honesty, sobriety and attention, need apply, but to such an one liberal wages will be given.

### A Distillery to be Erected.

I WANT to employ some person who understands planning, and who can build, or will superintend the building of a small though complete distillery for the distillation of grain, to such an one a liberal compensation will be made for his services; the work must be done by contract, and if deemed necessary security will be required, after which the money contracted to be paid will be advanced as it may be wanted. This distillery is to be erected within five miles of this city.

J. H. STONE.

Annapolis, February 6, 1798.

To be SOLD, at PUBLIC SALE, on the first Monday in March next, on the premises, if fair, if not the first fair day ensuing,

THAT valuable and well known plantation wherein JOSEPH GALLOWAY now dwells, situated on West river, in Anne-Arundel county, containing about 980 acres of very valuable land, the situation high and healthy, commanding an extensive and beautiful view of the Chesapeake Bay, West river and Herring Bay, in a fine sporting country, and convenient to fine oysters, fish, and wild fowl in the proper seasons, great part of the land is of the first quality, and lays level, with abundance of meadow ground, and a sufficiency of wood land with care and attention to supply the uses of a farm. The title is pure, and conveyance will be executed to the purchaser on payment of the purchase money, and it will be sold on a credit of one, two, and three years; and at the same time and place will be sold 48 valuable slaves, consisting of men, women, and children, 50 head of cattle, and 11 horses and mules. Purchasers to any amount not exceeding £20 to pay cash, above the sum to give bond, with approved security, payable in 12 months. All persons having claims against Joseph Galloway are requested to produce them to the subscribers, on or before the day of sale, properly authenticated.

JOHN GALLOWAY, } Trustees for the  
DAVID LYNN, } of said estate.

January 10, 1798.

By virtue of a writ of *venditioni exponas*, to me directed by the judges of the general court, will be EXPOSED to PUBLIC SALE, on the premises, on the fifteenth day of March next, for READY CASH,

THE following lands, to wit: HENRY'S PART, Part of CONCLUSION, Part of INVASION, and Part of CUMBERLAND; the whole is supposed to contain five hundred and forty acres, more or less, being the property of WILLIAM RUSSELL, and which were taken to satisfy a judgment obtained by JOHN MOORE against said Russell. The sale will commence at twelve o'clock.

RICHARD HARWOOD, Late sheriff of Anne-Arundel county.

February 1, 1798.

### SETH SWEETSER,

RETURNS his thanks to his customers and the public in general for past favours in the line of his business, and informs them that he still carries on the Boot and Shoe-making Business in all its branches, in the best manner. He has just received a large quantity of the best Boston bend foal-leather, which he will sell on reasonable terms, for cash, or green hides; he has also for sale, hide leather and calf skins, and all kinds of Shoe-maker's tools, shoe thread, resin, linseed, whale and tanner's oil, and sundry other articles too tedious to mention.

N. B. He has a valuable young Wench for sale, that is used to Kitchen work.

### Forty Dollars Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber, some time in September last, a dark mulatto man named SAUL or SOLOMON BOOTH, about 23 years of age, 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, stait made, and talks very smoothly. Whoever takes up the said fellow, and brings him to the subscriber, shall have the above reward, if taken in the state of Maryland, if out of the state the above reward and reasonable charges paid by the subscriber, living about six miles from Hagarstown, on Antietam creek, Washington county.

JOSEPH CHENEY.

January 17, 1798.

NOTICE is hereby given to all persons having claims against the estate of BENJAMIN CARR, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, to bring in their accounts, legally attested, like with all those indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, as further indulgence cannot be given.

BENJAMIN CARR, }  
ROBERT CARR, } Executors  
ROBERT WELCH, }

January 12, 1798.

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