

that 110,000 men should be employed for the service of the navy for the year 1800, including 22,000 marines.

April 10.

Captain Isaac Bell, of the schooner *Amerjessu*, who arrived here on Monday evening, informs, that on the 21st ult. he spoke the sloop of war *John Adams*, in sight of Guadeloupe, who mentioned to him that the sloop of war *Maryland*, captain Rodgers (and not the *Merrimack*, as erroneously stated by him in a morning paper of Tuesday) was taken by a French privateer of and from Cayenne.

Yesterday morning judge Washington delivered his opinion in the case of the *Amelia*.

The *Amelia* was a Hamburg ship and taken in September last, in going from Calcutta to Europe by a French privateer—after remaining about ten days in her possession, she was recaptured by the Constitution frigate, commanded by captain Talbot. The ship and cargo were libelled in the district court, one half of the net proceeds given to the captors as salvage. From this decree the owners appealed to the circuit court of the United States. The appeal was argued on Saturday last. Mr. Burr and Mr. B. Livingston contended that the decree of the district court should be reversed in toto, or that a much smaller salvage should be allowed. General Hamilton and Mr. Harrison argued in favour of the decree.

Judge Washington, after taking notice of the arguments on both sides, gave his decided opinion that no salvage was due, and therefore reversed the decree of the district court.

It is but justice to judge Washington to say, that we have never heard an opinion delivered in a manner more amiable, elegant, and perspicuous.

We understand the *Amelia* and her cargo sold for about 200,000 dollars, the whole of which will now be paid to the owners, a circumstance which reflects the greatest honour on the administration of justice in the United States.

We are assured, by captain Bass, of the sloop *Betsy*, from East-Florida, that during his stay at St. Augustine, which was 20 days, there came in an express to the governor with information that general Bowles, the Indian chief (calling himself director-general of the Muskogee) has been taken by the Spaniards, and carried into Pensacola.

Our last accounts (which are dated 16 days ago) from Mr. Ellicott, one of the commissioners appointed under the late treaty between the United States and his Catholic majesty, represent him being at Cumberland Island, with several other gentlemen, taking a map of the limits of the two countries, the drawing of the boundary line having been just completed.

#### PHILADELPHIA, April 9.

The legislature of the state of New-York appointed, on Wednesday last, Gouverneur Morris, Esq; senator of the United States, in the room of the hon. James Watson, resigned, Majority in the assembly for Mr. Morris, 6—and in the senate, 30.

Captain Bell, who arrived at New-York on Monday evening from Curacao, informs, that on the 21st March off Guadeloupe, he fell in with the United States frigate *John Adams*, the captain of which informed him that the United States sloop of war *Merrimack*, had been taken by a French ship of war off Cayenne.

April 10.

We hear from respectable authority, that the frigate *Philadelphia* is ordered on the Guadeloupe station.

The account of the capture of the *Merrimack* is highly improbable. Beside that we have heard from her so late as the 17th ult. (when she conveyed a fleet from St. Thomas) we know no French vessel in that quarter who would be bold enough to attack her; she carries 20 guns, is well manned, a remarkably fine vessel, and the courage and skill of captain Brown are unquestionable.

#### CHARLESTON, March 20.

The English brig *Mary*, Steward, which arrived yesterday from Jamaica, is one of eleven sail of vessels, which sailed from Kingston, bound to Martinico, having on board a number of Frenchmen, white and black, who, on the evacuation of St. Domingo by the British, followed them to Jamaica. In consequence of an order from the governor of that island, they were apprehended, and ordered for Martinico: on their way through the Gulf Passage, when off the Hayana, they allege that they were chased by some Spanish frigates, which dispersed them, and in consequence they thought proper to put into this port—probably not being aware of the severe and pointed laws which exist here, against the admission of persons of the above description. The passengers we understand, are fifty-seven in number.

#### NORFOLK, April 5.

The sloop *Bachelor*, Hatchard, 24 days from St. Vincent's, came up yesterday. In a Kingston paper of the first of March we find the following paragraphs:

We are concerned to state, there is every reason to believe that a very great proportion of the London outward bound fleet is taken. Only 30 out of 60 sail had reached Barbadoes, and 3 that had been captured have been retaken. In short, we understand several were seen from the *Spirites* going into Guadeloupe.

Two of the *Corkites* are said to be arrived at Barbadoes from which circumstance it would appear likely to have experienced bad weather, and to have been dispersed. Several are said to have taken a San...

#### Annapolis, April 17.

On Tuesday afternoon last, one of the Kent Island ferry boats, by a sudden squall of wind, upset in the mouth of the river, by which accident one person was unfortunately drowned.

#### Sixth Congress of the United States.

At the first session, begun and held at the city of Philadelphia, in the state of Pennsylvania, on Monday, the second of December, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine.

An ACT to extend the privilege of franking letters and packages to Martha Washington

BE it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of the United States of America in congress assembled, That all letters and packages, to and from Martha Washington, relict of the late general George Washington, shall be received and conveyed, by post, free of postage, for and during her life.

THEODORE SEDGWICK,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

TH. JEFFERSON,

Vice-President of the United States,

and President of the Senate.

Approved, April 3, 1800,

JOHN ADAMS,

President of the United States.

WE are authorized and requested to inform the freemen of the fifth district, comprehending Anne-Arundel county, (including the city of Annapolis) and the city of Baltimore, that Mr. G. Duvall offers himself a candidate at the ensuing election of ELECTORS of president and vice-president, to be held on the second Monday of November next.

Mr. Duvall, if elected, will vote for that able and distinguished patriot and statesman, THOMAS JEFFERSON, Esquire,—THE FRIEND OF THE PEOPLE.

RESPECT for my fellow citizens of the fifth district of this state, induces me to acquaint them, that after the business of the approaching terms of the general court shall be finished, I shall assign the reasons, through the channel of this paper, which will influence me, if chosen an elector, to give a decided preference to MR. JEFFERSON, as president of the United States.

G. DUVALL.

Annapolis, March 31, 1800.

WE are authorized to inform the voters of this district, composed of the cities of Baltimore and Annapolis, and Anne-Arundel county, that Jeremiah T. Chase, Esquire, will, if chosen, serve as an elector for the president and vice-president of the United States; he is decidedly in favour of John Adams, the friend of liberty and the constitution, as president.

Calvert county, April 9, 1800.

By virtue of a deed of trust from major THOMAS HAWKWOOD to the subscriber, will be SOLD, at PUBLIC VENDUE, on Friday the 9th May next, if fair, if not the first fair day, at Lower Marlborough, in the county aforesaid,

ONE tract or piece of rich land, containing fifty-five acres, contiguous to said town.

Twenty valuable country born slaves, men, women and children, among them some good house servants, sundry horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, and household and kitchen furniture.

A small proportion of this property will be sold for CASH, the residue on a credit of twelve months, the purchaser giving bond, on interest, with approved security.

JOSEPH WILKINSON.

THE subscriber respectfully informs his friends, and the public in general, that he has taken the house lately occupied by CHARLES STEUART, Esq; deceased, in Church-street, opposite Mr. Clement's, and a door above capt West's, and near the stable-hoof, where he intends opening a BOARDING HOUSE, where gentlemen and ladies may be accommodated, by the day, week, month, or year, in a genteel manner, on the most reasonable terms. He will use every exertion to give satisfaction. Likewise stables for horses, and a yard for carriages or stages.

GILBERT MURDOCH.

N.B. All persons indebted to the subscriber on store account are requested to make immediate payment; as he has declined store-keeping, wishes to close his books. Longer indulgence cannot be given.

G. M.

April 16, 1800.

#### NOTICE.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of Dr ALEX. ANDER-EDMONSTON, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, are requested to make speedy payment, and those having claims are desired to bring them in, legally attested, that they may be discharged.

THOMAS EDMONSTON, Administrator.

#### NOTICE.

It is hereby given to the sundry debtors to the estate of the late SIMON RETALLACE, blacksmith, unless they will pay off their several accounts, on or before the 1st of April next, to the subscriber, to enable her to settle the estate, that said will be deemed immediately paid, and such persons will not be compelled to pay.

ELIZABETH RETALLACE, Administrator.

February 11, 1800.

In CHANCERY, April 15, 1800.

WILLIAM RILEY,

An insolvent debtor of Prince George's county, MAKES application as a trader, by petition to the chancellor, in writing, praying the benefit of an act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, there is annexed to his petition a schedule of his property, and a list of his creditors; on oath, as by the said act is required, the chancellor is satisfied, by competent testimony, that he is at this time, and was at the time of passing that act, a citizen of this State, and of the United States; it is thereupon adjudged, and ordered, that he appear before the chancellor, in the chancery office, on the third day of November next, for the purpose of taking the oath by the said act required, in presence of his creditors, and that by causing a copy of this order to be inserted once in each of three successive weeks, before the third day of May next, in the Maryland Gazette, he give notice to his creditors to attend on the said third day of November next, for the purpose of recommending a trustee for their benefit, and to lodge with the chancellor, within six months from the time of the last publication, (if they shall think fit) their dissent to his being admitted to the benefit of the said act.

Tell. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,

Reg. Cor. Can.

THIS is to give notice, that the subscriber, of Montgomery county, in the State of Maryland, hath obtained from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, in Maryland, letters of administration with the will annexed, on the personal estate of ROBERT PIGOTT, late of Toulouse, in France, deceased, all persons having claims against the said deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the 31st day of December next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the estate. Given under my hand this eighth day of April, 1800.

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JOHN MASON.

#### To be SOLD;

On the 22d day of this instant, April, at Mr. Canon's tavern, in this city,

THE HOUSE belonging to the heirs of THOMAS STONE, deceased. The terms will be made known at the time of sale.

THE subscriber returns his thanks to his friends of Anne-Arundel county, and herewith informs them, that he has declined the notion of coming forward at the ensuing election as a delegate for the office of sheriff.

BARUCH FOWLER.

April 9, 1800.

#### New Stage at the Lower Ferry.

WILLIAM HADDAWAY, Jun.

RESPECTFULLY informs the public, that he has just started a new stage, which will start from his ferry, twenty-one miles below Easton, every Tuesday morning, and runs to Easton, and returns the same evening to the said ferry, where there may be a sure passage across the bay to Annapolis, or West river, well accommodated in every respect. Fair for passengers from the ferry to Easton one dollar and twenty-five cents; way passengers six cents per mile.

N.B. Gentlemen who may chance to cross the bay at any time, when the stage is not appointed to run, may be accommodated with a stage, or horse and saddle.

April 2, 1800.

NOTICE is hereby given to all whom it may concern, that on the first Monday in May next I intend to prove my right and title to a tract or parcel of land, lying and being in Charles county, Maryland, called and known by the name of *Now-such*, which formerly belonged to NORLEY MADDOX, deceased, therefore, if there should be any person that pretumes to set up any claim to said land, they are hereby requested to attend on said land, agreeable to this notice, and make it appear according to law.

HENRY MADDOX.

February 10, 1800.

#### NOTICE.

WE, the subscribers, having obtained letters of administration on the estate of THOMAS KELSO, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, do hereby give notice, that all persons who have claims against said estate are requested to bring them in, legally authenticated, according to law, and all those who are indebted in any manner to said estate are requested to make payment, to

CUMBERLAND DUGAN,

NICHOLAS R. MOORE,

Of Baltimore county,

Administrators.

#### Notice to Creditors.

THE subscriber having obtained letters of administration, with the will annexed, from the orphans court of Baltimore county, on the estate of Mr. JOSEPH CLARK, late of said county, deceased, all persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, on or before the twenty-fifth day of September next, they will otherwise be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand, this fourteenth day of March, 1800.

THOMAS K. BAILE, Administrator.

Baltimore.