

shares above sixty, and not exceeding one hundred, one vote; and for every ten shares above one hundred, one vote; but no person or body politic shall be entitled to a greater number than thirty votes. All votes at elections shall be by ballot, delivered in person or by proxy.

**Article 9.** No person can be admitted to take his seat as a director, unless he shall be at the time a stockholder, and if he shall at any time cease to be a stockholder, he shall cease to be a director.

**Article 10.** The president and directors first chosen shall hold their seats for twelve months, and may be re-elected at the regular annual elections. If the president shall be chosen out of the number of directors, his place shall be supplied by the directors from among the stockholders.

If a vacancy shall at any time happen among the directors by death, resignation or otherwise, the directors shall elect a director to fill the vacancy for the residue of the year from among the stockholders.

**Article 11.** In case of sickness, or necessary absence, of the president, he shall, in writing, appoint one of the board of directors to act as president *pro tempore*.

**Article 12.** The board of directors for the bank and branch bank shall respectively have power to appoint a cashier, and other officers and servants, for executing the business of the company, and the directors of the bank and branch bank shall jointly fix the compensation to be allowed the presidents for their extraordinary attendance, as well as the salaries to the above said officers and servants, which expences shall be defrayed out of the funds of the company.

**Article 13.** The board of directors shall have power to purchase, rent or lease, proper buildings for the bank and branch bank, and to have such houses fitted up and secured with vaults, &c. at the expence of the company.

**Article 14.** The board of directors at Annapolis and Easton, jointly, shall have power to make, revise, alter or annul, rules, orders, by-laws and regulations, for the government of the company, and that of their officers, servants and affairs, as a majority of them shall deem expedient, provided they are not contrary to law or the constitution.

**Article 15.** The company shall in no case be concerned in any article but notes, bills of exchange, mortgages, stock of the United States, or bullion, except in the case of debts due to the bank, then they shall be fully justifiable in taking any kind of security which they can obtain.

**Article 16.** Ordinary discounts may be made by the president and any four directors, but the president and six directors shall be necessary for the purpose of transacting the general business of the company.

**Article 17.** Stock in the Farmers Bank of Maryland may be transferred by the holder, in person or by power of attorney, at said bank, or at the branch bank at Easton, but all debts actually over due to the company by a stockholder offering to transfer, must be discharged before such transfer shall be made.

**Article 18.** Dividends of the profits of the company shall be made at the end of the first year, and half yearly thereafter, and at the end of every three years a dividend shall be made of surplus profits, which dividends shall be payable to the stockholders on the respective shores at the bank and branch bank.

**Article 19.** The books, papers, correspondence, funds, and every transaction of the company, shall at all times be freely open to the inspection of the directors.

**Article 20.** A majority of the directors of the bank and branch bank may, at any time, call a general meeting of the stockholders for objects relative to the interests of the company, they giving six weeks notice in the public prints, and expressing in said notice the points or objects to be deliberated upon at such meeting.

**Article 21.** Should it happen that a part of the shares in this bank allotted to any county shall not be subscribed for, and shall be returned to the commissioners at Annapolis or Easton, the directors of each bank shall give public notice of the number of shares on each shore unoccupied, and shall notify the time when they will open books at Annapolis and Easton for the disposal of such shares.

**Article 22.** Whenever the state shall become a stockholder to an amount not less than fifty thousand dollars, she shall be entitled to appoint two directors, one for each shore; and for every additional hundred thousand dollars paid by the state, to amount of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars, she shall be entitled to appoint two additional directors in manner as aforesaid; and when the whole amount allotted to the state shall be paid up, then the state shall be entitled to elect eleven directors, say six for the western and five for the eastern shore.

**Article 23.** Before the president and directors shall act as such, they shall take an oath, or affirmation, "that they will faithfully, diligently and honestly, perform the duties of their station;" and the cashier, the book-keeper and clerks, shall also take a similar oath, or affirmation, and shall besides give bonds, with security, to the satisfaction of the board of directors, for the faithful discharge of their duties in their several stations.

**Article 24.** That whenever any person or persons are indebted to the said bank for monies borrowed by him, her or them, for bonds, bills, mortgages, or notes given or endorsed by him, her or them, with an express declaration written in the body of the said bill, bond, mortgage or note, that the same shall be negotiable at or in the said bank, and shall refuse or neglect to make payment thereof at the time the same becomes due, and the president and directors of the

said bank shall cause the said debtors, or any of them, to be sued for the recovery of the same, such debt, from the time the said writ or writs for the recovery of the same is or are issued, shall be and become a lien in law upon the lands, tenements, hereditaments and real estate, of the debtor or debtors against whom the said writ or writs shall so issue, and so continue until the said debt, and costs incurred for the recovery of the same, be fully paid and satisfied; provided always, that the president of the said bank at Annapolis, or the president of the branch bank at Easton, to make such writ or writs a lien in manner aforesaid, shall, before the same issues, make an oath, (or affirmation, if he be of such religious society as by the laws of this state are allowed to affirm, where otherwise he would be compelled to swear,) ascertaining whether the whole or what part of the sum expressed to be paid in and by the said bill, bond, mortgage or note, is really and truly due to the said bank, and leave such oath or affirmation with the clerk who issues such writ, to be by him preserved and kept among the papers in such suit.

And, as a short mode of recovery in an institution on these general principles is of the first importance, as affording great security, therefore the charter of incorporation shall provide a facile and expeditious mode, by way of execution, to secure the punctual payment of all sums of money which may become due to the said bank on notes, bills of exchange, mortgages, bonds or otherwise, in the same manner that money due to the banks of Maryland and Columbia is secured to be paid.

**Article 25.** All notes offered for discount by any person or persons, shall, on the face thereof, be made negotiable at the Farmers Bank of Maryland, and when the drawer shall not reside in Annapolis or Easton, such note shall be made payable at the house of some person at Annapolis or Easton, and notice given by the proper servant of the bank at said house, that such note hath become due, shall be, to all intents and purposes, held and considered to be as completely binding on the drawer and endorsers as if notice had been personally served on each of them.

In witness whereof we have hereunto set our names, or firms, the day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and four.

### This is to give notice,

THAT if those persons who are indebted to the estate of JOSEPH FOREMAN, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, do not come in and pay off their respective balances, on or before the twentieth day of August next, that suits will be commenced against all delinquents to the next county court, likewise against all persons who purchased property at the sale of the said Joseph Foreman's effects, and have not yet paid up agreeably to the terms of sale.

ANNE FOREMAN, Administratrix, w. A.

### Notice is hereby given

TO the creditors of WILLIAM WELLS, an insolvent debtor, of the city of Annapolis, that the subscriber hath been by the chancellor appointed trustee for their benefit, and that the chancellor hath limited and appointed the twenty-second day of November next, before which day they are to bring in and declare their claims to me the subscriber.

All persons indebted to the said William Wells, previous to the seventh day of January last, are hereby requested to pay the same, without delay, otherwise coercive measures will be resorted to without respect to persons.

NICHOLAS BREWER.

July 25, 1804.

### NOTICE.

IT being inconvenient for me to leave home for the purpose of collecting debts due me, which arose while I resided in Annapolis, therefore I have authorized WILLIAM WHITTINGTON to receive and settle all such accounts as now stand open on my books, and hope that all those indebted on the same will call and make immediate payment to him, without further trouble.

JAMES WEST.

Mr. West having authorized me to settle all the accounts standing open on his books, therefore all those persons who do not come in to settle their small balances due thereon, will take notice, that I shall put the law in force agreeably to directions, without respect to persons.

WILLIAM WHITTINGTON.

July 25, 1804.

WHEREAS numberless trespasses have been committed on the subscriber's plantation, this is to forewarn all persons from coming on the said premises on any pretence whatever, as I am determined to prosecute all offenders with the utmost rigour of the law.

JOHN B. WEEMS.

N. B. No person need apply for any future favour, as I am determined to grant none.

J. B. W.

July 24, 1804.

TAKEN up as a stray, by the subscriber, living at the Head of Severn river, in Anne-Arundel county, a brindled COW, with a young calf, has some white about her legs, marked with a crop and under bit and a hole in the right ear, and a crop, hole, and a slit in the left. The owner may have her again on proving property and paying charges.

JACOB IGLEHART.

## Foreign Intelligence.

SWEDEN.

GOTTENBURG, May 25.

A RUSSIAN courier, with very important dispatches for count Woronzow, at London, arrived from St. Petersburg yesterday and will take his passage in the Earl of Leicester packet, with this day's mail; he has been detained a short time on his journey by the breaking up of the ice in the gulph of Bothnia, as have the Prussian mails, one of which reached this place to-day. The courier relates that the entrances of the French into the independent states, in search of emigrants, and the murder of the duke d'Enghien, have given great umbrage indeed at the court of St. Petersburg, and that some strong measures will be taken in consequence.

The gun-boats destined for Stralsund are fitting out here with all possible expedition. They are formidable vessels, carrying each a 42 pounder in the bow, and another in the stern, besides a number of swivels, and from 60 to 100 men.

STOCKHOLM.

COPY OF THE ORDER FOR COURT MOURNING.

On Saturday the 19th of May, his majesty's court is to go into mourning for eight days, for the late duke Louis Henry d'Enghien: fringes are to be worn until the 24th inclusive, and afterwards jewels and blond lace until the 26th inclusive, when the court is to be out of mourning.

ENGLAND.

LONDON, June 6.

Yesterday arrived the Hamburg mail of the 22d ult. with one from Gottenburg. The former brings little of importance in addition to that of the 25th, which had previously come to hand. The Gottenburg mail confirms the accounts of the indignation expressed at the courts of Petersburg and Stockholm by the murder of duke d'Enghien, with intimation of certain strong measures to be adopted in consequence. Count Woronzow, the Russian ambassador, has received some important dispatches by this conveyance, and a messenger arrived at the same time with a paper from J. B. Warren. General Stricoff, Russian officer, high in the confidence of his Imperial majesty, is also arrived in town, and is supposed to be the bearer of some communications of the last importance.

Yesterday Mr. Fox and Mr. Grey had an interview with Mr. Pitt, in Downing-street, before the meeting of the house of commons, and which lasted for an hour and a half. We do not pretend to know the subject of the conference.

Yesterday the king took an airing in the same coach with her majesty, which is the first time since his first appearance abroad, and the report in the royal circles was, that his majesty is considerably amended in health within the last two days.

Several of the morning and evening papers have positively asserted that an expedition was on the point of sailing against the Cape of Good-Hope, and the names, not only of the commander, but even of many of the inferior officers who were to be employed, have been mentioned with the greatest confidence;—we can assure our readers, that these statements are completely destitute of foundation. There is no expedition in agitation against the Cape, of course no officers can have been appointed to the command. We mention this circumstance, to caution the public against giving credit to the assertions of those papers which not having the means of obtaining authentic information, supply the deficiency by conjecture and invention.

The arrests of individuals on the German territory, particularly opposite to Strasburg, still continue, and most of the victims are escorted by French *d'armes* and Austrian cavalry, and thus transported to Strasburg. By order, as it should seem, of the French emperor, all the emigrants have been obliged to quit the Brigaw.

Mr. Drake and family are safely arrived at Berlin and have taken up their residence in the house of the British minister.

June 7.

We are happy to state, that on Monday evening advices were received at Portsmouth from captain Bernet of the Tribune, of his having, in company with the Decade and Hydra, driven 35 sail of gun-boats into a nook, near Cherbourg, and that with the assistance of a bomb, he was of opinion they might be destroyed; in consequence of which the Professor bomb, captain C. Jones, was immediately ordered to join the squadron, and sailed on Tuesday morning.

A letter from Constantinople says, that gen. B. had declared that France could not see, without resentment; the Turks forming any nearer connection with Russia and England, than those already existing; in consequence of this, the Turkish government issued orders to augment both the sea and land forces.

Some of the foreign papers assert, that the French flotilla for the invasion of England will consist of 500 vessels, and that no landing will be attempted until the number is completed and assembled.

Sir W. Poulteney gave a superb dinner to Mr. Livingston on Monday last, at Bath-house, Piccadilly, and yesterday he dined at Sir Francis Baring's, where a large party was assembled. Mr. Livingston is returning to France about the 30th instant. The duke of Bedford has invited him to pass a few days at Woburn during the ensuing sheep shearing.