Apollo's Fount.

MODESTY THE BEST POLICY.

WHAT Votery of Fashion so mad to compare,
To a neat pretty Quaker Girl, modest and fair ?
In an easy succession, through life's rugged road,
She passes contented, nor envy's the load
Of gew-gaws and baubles that aid the forlorn ;
Nor pants for the trinkets that fashions adorn.
Let the bells of the day in spankles array'd,
Use whitewash and rogue to aid nature decay'd ;
While the loose chemisetts all those features displays
That modesty tortures, and nature gives way ;
Displeas'd with a covering form'd to disclose,
What virtue must blush at and ever oppose.
Not so the sweet Quaker, with virtue her guide,
Contentment her confidant, prudence her pride ;
With unassum'd modesty, learns to despise
The odious coquetish airs others may prize.
Not fickle at changes, when fashion parades
Its various form'd garments, and virtue invades ;
When each fractious fancy, aloof on the wing,
Is pleas'd with a rattle, and charm'd with a ring.
In her Sabbath-day garment, plain as her mind,
She passes to meetiug, compos'd and resign'd ;
Her native simplicity, freedom, and ease
Hath charms, by dame nature, intended to please.
No wig, frieuzure, or cushon e'er tortur'd her hair ;
Nor art can disguise, or the black or the fair ;
No needless employ to the frieuzieur she gives,
And the furbelow'd millener never receives.
A cent of her cash, to arrange a deform,
And disfigure her pate, like a witch in a storm.
The pattern her granddame, for ages before,
Had chose for a cov'ring and modestly wore,
Continues her choice ; 'tis her pride to conceal
Those beauties that virtue forbids to reveal.
No fashion discovers the swell of her breast ;
Nor custom can shorten the length of her waist ;
With temper unruffled, calm, cheerful, and gay,
She disdains the mean lure to tempt nature astray ;
Nor hold out a beacon, for lovers to gain,
To swell a long list, or increase a base train
Of coxcombs and triflers, bucks, bullies, and beaux :
They're alike her aversion, and mark'd for her foes.
Her manners unsuited the coxcomb to charm ;
The buck and the trifler, her virtues disarm ;
The bully may bluster, boast, banter and swear,
" She's charming, by Heaven's," but lighter than air :
His bravo and bustle the balance displays ;
Contrasted with merit, how little the blaze.
The toy-tinsell'd beau may dance, caper, and scrape,
And outdo dame nature, in framing an ape ;
Her pity excited, disdains the fond ass,
With impudence brazen, yet brittle as glass.
And, while the mean train she thus learns to despise,
Th' dear youth of her choice she knows how to prize ;
His intrinsic worth 'tis her pride to allow ;
Her pleasure to love, and that love to avow.
Thrice happy the youth by Heaven design'd
Her partner and husband, much pleasure he'll find
In the joys she bestows, through the journey of life,
An indulgent mother, and a tender wife.

A witty knave bargained with a seller of lace in London for so much fine lace as would reach from one of his ears to the other. When they had agreed, he told her that he believed she had not quite enough to perform the covenant, for one of his ears was nailed to the pillory of *Bristol*.

Tickets in the Chester Church Lottery, for sale at the Star-Office.

Entertainment.

A LETTER

From an Attorney on the Circuit, to his Mistress in town.

MY DEAR CHARMER,

The *circuit* is now at an end, and the judges and lawyers on their return home ; but no *felon*, sentenced at the assizes, to transportation, could have been in a more wretched plight than your humble servant ; for I can safely make *affidavit*, that each day that I behold not your lovely face, is to me a *dies non*. Cupid, the tipstaff, has served me with an *attachment* from your bright eyes, more dreadful than a *green wax process* ; he has taken my heart into custody, and will not accept of *bail*. Unless you allow of my plea, I must be *non*-suited in a *cause* I have set my heart on. Why will you, while I pine in hopes of a speedy *rejoinder*, hang me up *term* after *term*, by frivolous *delays*, which tend only to gain *time*.

I *filed my bill* as of last. *Michaelmas term*, on the Morrow of All Souls, in hopes, ere this, to have joined *issue* with you. It is now fifteen days from *Easter-day*, and, by your *demurring*, I am as far from bringing my *cause* to an *hearing*, as before I commenced my *suit*. You still delay giving in your *answer*, which is absolutely against the *practice* of all the *courts*. I would willingly quit the fattest *client* there, to attend your business, would you but submit to a *reference* ; and should prefer an *attendance* at your *chambers*, to those of a *master in chancery*.

I stand in great need of an able council to move my suit while I am absent ; that sly slut, Dolly, your chamber-maid, has taken my fee, yet I fear betrays my cause ; she is ever prefering some *cross bill*, which protracts matters, and yet I do not see *in forma pauperis*, being ready and willing to *infeoff* you in a good *jointure* ; and to this I will bind myself, my *heirs*, *executors*, *administrators* and *assigns*, in a deed in which you shall nominate *trustees*.

To save expenses, my clerk shall engross it, and it shall be perused by your own lawyer, it being left as a query, how vastly preferable the title of a *femme covert* is to that of a spinster ; but you shall answer short to all my *interlocutory interrogatories*. If I could once obtain a leading order to try my title, by even a jury of your own friends, I am certain I should obtain a verdict in my favor, and recover costs against you ; for I have a good action for attendance and loss of time, though, upon the *postea*, I do not think I could find in my heart to issue a *ca sa* against you, or put you in any court, but that of hymen.

You have equity in your own breast, and from thence I hope for relief ; decree but for me, and the day of *essoign* shall be that of your own nuptials, and the *eve* of the lasting felicity of, dear creature, your humble supplicant, and faithful orator, &c.

T. SPLITCAUSE.

A lady having the misfortune to have her husband hang himself on an apple-tree, the wife of a neighbor immediately came to beg of the widow a branch of that tree, to have it grafted into one in her own orchard :—" for who knows (said she) but it may bear the same kind of fruit."

Colonel Bondes, who was very fat, being accosted by a man to whom he owed money, with a how d'ye, answered, " pretty well, I thank you ; you find I hold my own."—" Yes, sir," rejoined the other, " and mine too, to my sorrow."

A young lady in France has actually *died* with the long-raging influence of *naked elbows*—Her husband stormed, and physicians advised ; but she preferred death to covering her elbows, and determined to *die in fashion*.

Notice.

There will be a Meeting of the New-Market JOCKEY CLUB, at Mr. Stevens's Tavern, in New-Market, the First Tuesday in September next, at which the Members of said Club are requested to attend.

WM. MARSHALL, Sec'ry.
August 23, 1803. 3q

Land for Sale.

THE subscribers offers for sale about two hundred acres of Land, situate in Queen Anns county, in a neck known by the name of *Johny Cake Neck* or *Ogletown*. The above land is directly on Chester river, about five or six miles below Chestertown ; and is an excellent place for fishing, oystering and fowling. Any person desirous of purchasing may know the terms by applying to

CHARLES EMORY, or
WILLIAM S. BISHOP.
Easton, July 12, 1803. tf

N. B. The soil of the above land is good for wheat, corn, tobacco, flax, or oats.

A gentle Carriage Horse, for sale. Enquire at this Office.
August 23, 1803. 3

The Citizens of Talbot

WILL be pleased to accept of my most respectful acknowledgments for their former support and suffrages in my favor ; and for their polite and civil deportment to me ever since I have been in office.—

I beg leave to make known to all the citizens of Talbot, that I am a CANDIDATE for the SHERIFF'S OFFICE, at the ensuing election ; and hereby respectfully solicit the honor of their suffrages and support. I have endeavored to conduct myself in such a manner as to be as little oppressive to the poor as possible ; and as indulgent to the people at large as the nature of my office, and duty would allow me to be ; if, gentlemen, you should think me worthy of a further continuance of your favors, you will no doubt act as free and independent men, and will confer on me the honor of being again your Sheriff.

I am, Gentlemen,
Your most obedient servant,
HUGH SHERWOOD,
of Huntington.
Talbot County, June 7, 1803. tf

To the Free and Independent
VOTERS OF TALBOT COUNTY.

FELLOW-CITIZENS,

HAVING on a former occasion experienced your friendly suffrage, in a considerable degree, at the election of Sheriff for Talbot county, for which I was then a candidate ; and as the time for a new election is approaching, and having still a desire to serve you I take the liberty of making you acquainted with my intention to offer myself a *Candidate* for the Sheriff's Office at the next election. Should you think proper to confide in me your favor will be gratefully acknowledged, by

Your very obedient servant,
PHILEMON WILLIS.
Easton, June 14, 1803. tf

Lower Mill for Sale.

THE subscriber is authorised to sell the LOWER MILL, on the Red Lyon branch, in Queen Ann's county, situated about five miles below the Head of Chester, on the tide water of Chester river. The house is large, contains two water wheels and is well calculated for a Merchant Mill. Grain may be brought to the mill, and flour taken away by water. The stream is among the best on the Eastern-shore. There is also a good SAW-MILL which has constant employment, and the situation is good for the sale of Plank and Scantling. The dwelling is large and very convenient, having three rooms and a passage on a floor.—There are also on the premises, two other dwellings, for a miller, a cooper or sawyer. The property is well worth the attention of any person who wishes to realize money. It will be sold cheap and on a long credit. Apply on the premises to JOSEPH ELLIOTT.

N. B. If not sold before the end of the year, the above property will be rented on a long lease.

Red-Lyon Mill, Md,
August 15, 1803. 39

Notice.

THAT the subscriber of Talbot county, hath obtained from the Orphan's Court, of Talbot county, letters of administration on the personal estate of *Perry Parrott*, late of Talbot county, deceased, all persons having claims against said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same properly authenticated ; and those indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment.

HENRY HARDCASTLE, adm'r.
August 23, 1803. 6

To be Rented,

FOR the ensuing year, the Dwelling Houses, Garden, and Yard, at present occupied by Mr. William Hindman, on Wye River. A privilege will be given any person to keep a few cows and horses. For terms apply to the subscriber, living adjacent to said Farm.

WILLIAM DUNN.
Talbot County, August 23, 1803. 39

Notice is hereby given, to the CREDITORS of *John Ringgold*, late of Queen-Ann's county, deceased, that on the last Monday in September next, at the public house of Richard Peacock, at Church-Hill, in the county aforesaid, I shall proceed to make a distribution of the Personal Estate, of the deceased, among his creditors ; and shall pay over to them their respective proportions of the said estate. All the said creditors are therefore requested to appear at the said time and place, with their claims against the said John Ringgold, legally attested.

MARGARET RINGGOLD,
Exe'trix. of John Ringgold, dec'ed,
Queen-Anns county,
August 23, 1803. 39

Wanted to Employ

A SOBER and attentive Journeyman Printer, to work occasionally at case and press. A person that will be as willing to work, as to receive good wages, will meet with employ, if immediate application is made at the Star-Office.——None need apply whose integrity cannot be depended on.
August 16, 1803.

HAVING received information from several of my friends on the Eastern Shore, of a report circulating there, that it was my intention to decline the *Commission Business*—I beg leave to assure my friends and the public generally, that no intimation of the kind has at any time fallen from me ; and that all those who may be pleased to intrust their property to my care, may rely on every exertion being made for their interest, by their most obedient servant,

RICHARD NICOLS.
Baltimore, August 2, 1803. tf

AT a meeting of the President and Directors of the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal Company, held at Wilmington, on the third day of May, 1803,

Resolved, That a payment of five dollars on each share in this Company be required of the subscribers, to be made on or before the first day of September next, to either of the following persons :

Joshua Gilpin	Philadelphia
Joseph Tatnall	Wilmington
Kensey Johns	Newcastle
George Gale	Cæcil County, Md.
Samuel Chew	Chestertown.

Books of subscription for the remaining shares in the Company, are now in the hands of the above persons, by whom subscriptions will be received.

JOSEPH TATNALL, President.
May 24, 1803. 15

Notice is hereby given,

THAT the subscriber hath obtained from the Orphan's Court of Talbot County, letters of administration on the Personal Estate of John Blades, late of Talbot county, dec'd. all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby warned to exhibit them legally authenticated to the subscriber on or before the 10th day of June next ensuing, otherwise they may be excluded from all benefit of said estate ; and those indebted are requested to make immediate payment.

ELIZABETH BLADES, *adm'x.*
August 16, 1803. 6

Notice.

THE subscriber has two HOUSES to rent for the ensuing year, one at Dover Ferry, which is thought a good stand for a Public House ; and the other where George Sewell, now lives in Caroline county, about five miles from Dover-Ferry Any person inclinable to rent will apply to Joshua Driver, esq. or Joseph Edmondson, in the subscriber's absence, who are authorised by him to rent said houses.

PETER EDMONDSON.
August 23, 1803. 3

Easton and Baltimore Packet.

THE subscriber grateful for the many favours he has received since he commenced runing a PACKET between Easton and Baltimore, begs leave to return his thanks to those who have favoured him with their custom, and at the same time to inform them and the public in general that he has erected a GRANERY, on the corner of *Washington* and *Port-streets*, leading to the Landing, Easton—where he will receive grain and haul the same to his packet at his own expence. The Packet will leave Easton wharf on *Saturdays* at 3 o'clock in the afternoon ; and will leave Baltimore, on *Wednesdays* at 9 o'clock in the morning.

For sale a SCHOONER about forty tons burthen, in good order, with a complete cabin for the accommodation of passengers. Also, a SCHOONER, about thirty-five tons burthen, now ready for business.

ROBERT SPEDDEN.
Easton, August 23, 1803. tf

Notice is hereby given,

THAT a petition will be presented to the Legislature at their next session, praying that a public road may be laid out on the line between Lands of Alexander Stewart, and Lands now, or lately owned by Richard Gresham, and near the lane called Quaker-Lane—to run so as to intersect the road leading from Chester-Town to Still-Pond.
August 16, 1803. 6

Two Dollars Reward.

RANAWAY from the subscriber on or about the 26th of July last, an Apprentice Boy, named Edward Bradshaw, about sixteen years of age, his cloathing not particularly known. It was proved in Court on the 2nd. day of August eighteen hundred and three, that he was taken off by a certain William Flint, Sadler, in Cambridge, Dorchester county, who, no doubt, has a wish to conceal the boy. All persons are hereby forewarned from harboring or secreting the said Apprentice, at their peril, as I am determined to put the law in force against any person who shall harbour him after this notice.

All Captains of vessels are forwarned taking said Apprentice from this shore.

BENJAMIN SKINNER.
Easton, August 23, 1803. 3

N. B. The above reward will be paid if delivered to Mr. T. Fisher, in Easton, or four dollars if delivered to me in Baltimore. B. S.

Testaments & Spelling Books, for sale at the Easton book-store.

Subscribers to the Star.

The fourth year since the establishment of the STAR, will expire on the 30th of August next, with the 52d number of the present year ; when an half yearly payment will become due from original subscribers. To such as have complied with the terms of the paper, the Editor presents his grateful acknowledgments. To that portion of his subscribers who have received the Star from *one* to *four* years without paying for the same, or more than a small portion of their dues, he particularly requests a settlement of their accounts up to that date.

Such as do not attend to this notice, and stand indebted for more than *two years* on the first of September next, their names will be erased from the list of subscribers, and put on a list for collection, in the hands of proper authority, which will be equally as painful to the editor, as it will be offensive to them. This determination in the editor, he hopes may not give offence, when he assures his subscribers that it is equally as impossible for him to publish the Star, for *their* gratification, without receiving payment for the same, as it would be for a virtuous *republican* to turn *federalist* under the present administration.

Star Office, July 26, 1803.

For Sale or Rent,

A VALUABLE and well improved Farm, containing about 450 acres of land, of which 300 are cleared, under good fencing, and is at present in a high state of cultivation. This Farm is situated on the Main Ditch of the Long Marsh in Caroline county, and adjoining an estate of Mr. William Hemsley—distant from Duck Creek about 20 miles, and from Centreville 15. Upon it are, a dwelling house, negro quarters, stable, meat house, and other necessary buildings for a farm, also two houses for the curing of tobacco—to the growth of which the soil is well adapted. There is likewise a flourishing orchard of upwards of 300 apple trees.

To a person who would pay down one third of the purchase money, a liberal credit would be given for the balance. If a sale should not be made before the 1st day of September next, then the farm will be to rent. Persons who would wish to view the above mentioned property, are requested to call on the Rev. Samuel Keene, Jun. or Mr. Woolman Warner, residing on the Marsh, who will shew the property, and are authorized to contract for the same, or if convenient, application may be made to the subscriber in the city of Baltimore.

March 22. JAMES CHESTON.

COMMITTED to the goal of Prince George's county, Maryland, on the second day of July, a black fellow, by the name of *Jack*, about twenty-two years of age, five feet six inches high, has a scar on his left cheek near his eye, and some grey hairs on his head ; his clothing an oznaburg shirt and trousers ; says he was sold not long since by Joseph Griffiss of Calvert county, Maryland, to a person living in one of the southern states from whom he made his escape ; his owner is requested to release him from goal, or he will be sold for his prison fees as the law directs.

THOMAS MACGILL, Sheriff.
Prince George's County, Md. July 19, 1803. 2m

Notice.

WAS committed to my custody, as a runaway, on the fifth July, (instant) a negro boy, who calls himself *Jonathan*, says he belongs to a certain William Husk, near Battletown, Virginia ; he is about fifteen years of age, four feet ten or eleven inches high ; has a sullen down look, and a stammering in his speech ; his clothing is an old linen shirt, spotted cloth doublet, and white cloth overalls ; as also an old wool hat, much worn. LAWRENCE BRENGLE

Sheriff of Frederick County
Fredericktown, July 26, 1803.

WAS committed to the goal of Baltimore county as a runaway, on the eighth instant, a negro man, who calls himself *Edward Jackson* ; he is about 30 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches high, stout and well made, has lost the greater part of his left ear, has a scar on his breast, and one on each hand over his thumbs, has on a white kersey jucket, blue cloth trousers, and oznaburg shirt—he says he is free and came last from New Orleans. If he is not released, he will be sold for his goal fees according to law.

JAMES WILSON, Sheriff.
June 21, 1803. tf

House Plaistering.

THE subscriber takes this method of informing his friends and the public that he is now provided with assistance, which will enable him to transact such business in the line of his profession as may be required, with neatness and dispatch : He therefore solicits the patronage of the public.

JAMES BALLENTINE.
Easton, August 16, 1803. 3

For Sale.

A FEW Kegs of Tamarinds, well put up—Also a few pots of Guaver Jelly. Apply at the Star Office.
July 26.