

48 RULES for regulating and governing the forces to be raised and employed in the service of the province of Maryland, concluded.

56. That all inferior court-martials shall be appointed by the colonel or commanding officer of the battalion, corps, garrison, party, or station to which the offender belongs, and the members thereof shall take the same oath, to be administered in like manner as the members of a general court-martial.

57. That every court-martial administer an oath to every witness produced before them in the following words, to wit: "You do swear, that the evidence you shall give in the case in hearing, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. So help you GOD."

58. That the members of every court-martial shall take the same rank as they hold in the army, and shall behave themselves with calmness, decency, and moderation, and in giving in their votes shall begin with the lowest in commission, and the sentence of the court shall be given according to the majority of votes, except in capital cases as before mentioned.

59. That in all trials of field officers, two thirds of the number that constitute the court-martial, shall be of the degree of a captain at least.

60. That no person shall suffer death under any article, unless the pain of death is expressly annexed by such article to his crime, nor shall any person be punished for any crime or offence, except for shamefully abandoning his post in an engagement, until he shall be convicted thereof by a general or inferior court-martial.

61. That no inferior court-martial shall be competent to pass sentence for any greater punishment on a commissioned officer than a pecuniary fine not exceeding twelve dollars, or reprimand or censure, or to ask pardon; or on a non-commissioned officer or soldier for a greater punishment than a pecuniary fine not exceeding half a month's pay, or for five days close imprisonment, or for whipping on the bare back not exceeding fifteen lashes.

62. That in all cases where the sentence is discretionary, no general court-martial shall adjudge the offender, if a commissioned officer, to suffer any greater punishment than a fine or forfeiture of his pay to the amount of ten pounds, to make proper concessions or to ask pardon, to be reprimanded or cashiered, or discharged from the service; or if the offender be a non-commissioned officer or private, a forfeiture of his pay for one month, or a fine to the value thereof, close imprisonment not exceeding ten days, or whipping with thirty-nine lashes on the bare back, and drumming out of the company.

63. No sentence of death shall be executed on any offender before the proceedings shall be certified to and approved by the Council of Safety, who may in their discretion pardon the offender; nor shall any sentence of a general or inferior court-martial for whipping, be executed before the same shall be made known to and approved by the commanding officer of the battalion, corps, garrison or station to which the offender belongs, and such commanding officer may in his discretion remit such punishment.

64. All fines shall be paid into the hands of such persons as shall be directed by the court-martial that sit the same, and shall be applied to the relief of the sick of the company to which the offender belongs.

65. That these rules shall be openly and distinctly read at the head of every corps, garrison, company, or part of a company, stationed at any one place, once at least in every month, under the penalty of twenty pounds on the officer commanding such corps, garrison, company or part of a company.

Signed by order, G. DUVALL, clk.

Anne-Arundel county, Elk Ridge. THE subscriber acquaints his brother tradesmen (especially those that have engaged in the country service) that he will furnish them with gun-barrels well forged, fluted, and bored, agreeable to the directions of the honourable the Continental Congress, at the moderate price of three dollars per barrel, which will enable the purchaser and finisher to make a good profit to himself, and will expedite the supplying the provincial magazine, so much wanted and desired. He can, without any unforeseen accident or misfortune, furnish thirty or forty barrels per month, besides those that he finishes for his friends that apply to him for either rifles or smooth guns; and if any of the barrels sold by him to any person should fail on proof with a double charge of powder and ball, he will give another barrel in lieu thereof.

9X AZEL WARFIELD.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of John Eden, late of St. Mary's county, deceased, by bond, note, or book debt, are requested to make immediate payment; and all persons, having any just claims against the said estate, are desired to bring them in, that they may be adjusted.

3w 9X TOWNSHEND EDEN, executor.

February 27, 1776. THE creditors of the rev. Mr. John Macpherson are desired to meet at Port-Tobacco, on the 18th day of March next, to receive their dividend of what money may then be in the hands of the trustees for the creditors of said Macpherson.

3w 9X SAMUEL LOVE, acting trustee.

THERE is at the plantation of Thomas Welsh, in Prince-George's county, near Snowdens iron-works, taken up as a stray, a chestnut roan mare, about 11 hands high, branded on the near buttock N, has a large blaze in her forehead, and appears to be about 3 years old. The owner may have her again on proving property and paying charges.

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Annapolis, February 27, 1776. To be sold at the subscriber's store, for ready money only, A Quantity of pig lead, window glass, white lead in oil, glue, Spanish whiting; likewise 4d. 8d. 10l. and 20d. nails, 3d. 4d. 6d. 8d. 10d. and 20d. brads, and about 50 groce of wood screws, on very low terms; the packages will not be opened, but sold by the barrel or parcel.

9X THOMAS HYDE.

To the PUBLIC.

Head of Severn, about a mile from Severn chapel.

February 28, 1776. THE subscriber being appointed deputy clerk of Anne-Arundel county, hereby gives notice, that the records of said county are removed to his house, by order of the council of safety, where attendance will be given, every Monday, for recording deeds, teaching and giving copies.

REZIN GAITHER.

Attendance will be given every Wednesday and Friday, in Annapolis, for issuing the several processes of the court, by

4X JOHN BRICE.

Maryland, Somerset county, Feb. 25, 1776. THE visitors of Eden school, in the county aforesaid, hereby give notice, that they want a master for said school: Any person inclinable to undertake, that is properly qualified, and can come well recommended, is desired to apply as soon as possible. The master's salary in said school is one hundred and thirty pounds per annum, with diet, washing and lodging found: Signed by request of the Visitors,

w6 9 HENRY LOWES.

FORTY DOLLARS REWARD.

Frederick county, Maryland, Halling's river, February 14, 1776.

RAN away from the subscriber, last night, two Irish servant men, both weavers by trade, viz. Christopher Warren, about five feet four inches high; had on, when he went away, a short pale blue coat, which has been turned, and is double breasted, with black horn buttons, and a pair of brown cloth trousers; he has short curled black hair, a very long nose which appears to lean to one side of his face, dark eyes, and a few blue spots in his face, which appear to be specks of gunpowder; he is about thirty-five years of age.—George Murdy, about twenty years of age, five feet eight inches high, fair complexion, gray eyes, straight black hair; had on, when he went away, two striped country cloth jackets, one pair of striped country cloth breeches. They took with them two horses, two saddles, and two bridles; one a roan horse with a black mane and tail, trots and gallops, branded on the near shoulder LF, about fourteen hands high, and goes dull on the road; the other a small bay horse about fourteen hands high, branded on the near shoulder O, paces and gallops, and shod before. Whoever takes up the said servants and horses, and secures them, so that the owner may get them again, shall receive the above reward, paid by

9 GEORGE SNELL.

N. B. It is probable they may have other cloaths with them; or get their own changed.

STRAYED or stolen, from Mr. James Baldwin's plantation, near Mr. Tooteil's tavern, on the 28th of January, a small black horse; his ears and mane have lately been trimmed, is the full round, has a great many gray hairs in his fetlock, and a long bubbly tail; it is supposed he is gone towards Seneca, which place he came from last. Whoever will deliver him to Mr. James Baldwin, or to the subscriber, in Annapolis, shall receive twenty shillings.

9 EDWARD THOMSON.

Annapolis, February 20, 1776. To be sold at public vendue, by the subscriber, on the second Tuesday in April next (on the premises), by virtue of a power of attorney from Mr. John Robert Key, eldest son and heir at law of Francis Key, late of Cecil county, Esq; deceased,

A VALUABLE plantation, containing about three hundred acres, being part of a tract of land called and known by the name of Anne Catharine Neck, or Carpenter's Point, situate, lying and being in Cecil county aforesaid, at the head of Chesapeake Bay, near the mouth of North-East river, and about three miles from Charles-Town. There is on the said plantation, an exceeding fine fishery, part of which at present rents for near one hundred pounds per annum.

Also to be sold at public vendue, the houses and lots in Charles-Town, formerly the property of the said Francis Key, the day after the sale of the aforesaid plantation.

6 JAMES BROOKS.

Patuxent Iron-Works, February 6, 1776.

BEING desirous of settling the estate of our father, RICHARD SNOWDEN, late of Patuxent Iron-Works, deceased, we request all such as are indebted to said estate to make immediate payment, no longer indulgence will be given them. Also all persons that are indebted to the Patuxent Iron-Works Company, of more than twelve months standing, are requested to come immediately and make payment; and those who have it not in their power to make immediate payment, it is expected they will come and settle their accounts by note or bond. If the above requisites are not complied with, we shall take such measures as will compel a settlement, without respect to persons, although it will be disagreeable to

6 SAMUEL and JOHN SNOWDEN.

February 15, 1775. S L I M.

To be let to mares the ensuing season, at Sandgate farm, close by Mr. Stuart's rope-walk, and within a mile of Annapolis,

THE high bred English horse, S. I. M., full fifteen hands high, rising seven years old. Skin is of a beautiful dark chestnut colour, was got by Wild-an's Babram, his dam by Rogers's Barren, his grandam by Sedbury cut of lord Portmore's Ebony; is well suited to breed for either the saddle or turf, being remarkably light, and quick in his movements, free from any blemish or incumbrance of gum, and is imagined equal to any horse on the continent, four mile beats at nine stone. He will be let at six dollars, for the season, and half a crown to the groom, and as at so low a rate the cash will be expected before the horse is led out. Good pasture for mares to be had at half a crown a week, or at half a dollar, with proper feeding.

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WANTED immediately, a number of hands who are acquainted in the different branches of the manufacture of fire arms—good wages and encouragement will be given to such as have been used to work in any branch, according to their proficiency and industry, either by the piece or time.—As good locksmiths, or other neat hiers, will be soon handy in making several parts of gun-locks, to such also I will give good encouragement.—There are many servants about the country who would be very useful in the necessary business I am now engaging in; I should be glad to be informed of such, and wish to hire them, or purchase their times of service of their masters.

9 ISAAC HARRIS.

N. B. I want to hire a good file-cutter.

STRAYED or stolen from Annapolis, on the 24th of November, a bright bay horse, about 14 hands and an inch high, paces, trots, and gallops, has a long mane, is shod before, and has a scar upon his back occasioned by a set fall. Whoever will deliver him to Mr. Garretson, in Annapolis, or to the subscriber, shall receive 20 shillings.

9X OVERTON CARR.

Annapolis, Nov. 5, 1775.

RAN away last night from the subscriber, the two following servants, viz. William Webster, an Englishman, a batter by trade, about 5 feet 8 or 9 inches high, 23 years of age, long, dark brown hair, curled behind, turned up before, and curled at the ears, thin faced, thick lips, and walks parrot-toed; is a forward talkative fellow, and can be very complaisant when he pleases. Had on and took with him, a light blue gray cloth coat and waistcoat, the coat has been turned, one red cloth waistcoat, one pair white Russia drab breeches, one white linen shirt, two brown Russia sheeting ditto. It is probable he has other cloaths, or may have changed those described.

Charles Tippin, or Tippins, by trade a gardener, and can work a little at the carpenter's business, about 5 feet 6 inches high, remarkably thick set, full face, short brown hair. Had on and took with him, a short brown working coat with metal buttons, a blue cloth jacket with sleeves and metal buttons, good buckskin breeches, one pair white Russia drab ditto, one white shirt, two brown Russia sheeting, ditto, and may have sundry other cloaths.

The above servants went off in a two masted boat, and four oars, in company with some others. They took a pair of shabraig sheets, which it is supposed they intend to make sails of.—Whoever will secure the above servants, so that their master may get them again, shall receive 20 shillings for each, if 40 miles, 40 shillings for each, if 100 miles; or if out of the province £3 for each, and if brought home, reasonable charges, paid by the subscriber.

WILLIAM REYNOLDS. N. B. Webster had an argosy that was raised and cocked in the military fashion, lined with new white linen, plain buckskin, and good buckles; they took with them a large black dog with white feet and breast, remarkably fat and strong.

THE COUNCIL OF SAFETY desirous of forwarding the intentions of the convention in promoting the manufacture of salt, salt-petre, gunpowder, and fire-arms, request any persons who are inclined to engage on liberal encouragement in the manufacture of fire-arms, or to erect a powder-mill in the neighbourhood of Baltimore town, where it will be most beneficial, or salt, or salt-petre works, that they will send their proposals in writing to Gabriel Duvall, clerk of the council of safety, and they shall be attended to and speedily answered.

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TO BE SOLD.

A VALUABLE tract of land, containing 280 acres more or less, situated upon Rock creek in Frederick county, within four miles of George-town and eight of Bladensburg, 150 acres whereof are in wood, and the remainder inclosed by a good fence; there are about ten acres of the aforesaid land may be made good meadow with little trouble. I have likewise for sale 25 acres of land near or adjoining the town of Upper Marlborough, in Prince George's county, with good improvements thereon, and a valuable mill in good repair, and grinds all seasons. For terms apply to Robert Whitaker near the aforesaid town, or William Belt in Frederick county.

March 5, 1776.

To be sold by the subscribers, A FEW barrels and half barrels of strong and small beer, brewed by Mr. Isaac Perkins, in Kent county. This beer is allowed to be the best made in this province.

9X THO. C. WILLIAMS and co.