EN DOLLARS REWARD.

Annapolis, March 17, 177.

TED from co. Thomas Price's regimen Maryland forces, MICHAEL KELLY, an about 25 years of age, 5 feet 7 or 8 inches complexion, pitted with the small-pox, his hair, and is a thick well set fellow. He at Alexandria, where he had been commit.

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rent to a person, for a tavern, the houses and gr the late Mrs. Orme formerly dwelt, near the -works, either with or without the orchard and ing to the plantation. The dwelling-house has w and four above stairs, all well finished, and a garret, and is situated in a pleasant healthy part , on the main road leading from George-Tow Its situation for a tavern is equal to any com is state, and the great complaint of travellers proper stage, is the reason of its being now off . For terms apply to

THOMAS SNOWDEN

REE POUNDS REWARD.

Annapolis, March 4, 177.

EAS a negro man named NED, the property of iber, lately advertised by Mr. Francis Rawlin was hired, is still outlying. He is a stout likely 22 years of age, about 5 feet 9 inches high, ick lips; he has a wife at Mr. James Warren's ge's county, and it is likely he is in that neigh s he was seen lately going that way. Any pers e up said negro, and secure him in any gaol wit deliver him to Mr. Francis Rawlings on Green , shall be entitled to the above reward, beside allows, and all reasonable charges, paid by

DAVID KERR.

R DOLLARS REWARD.

Annapolis, February 28, 177

ED from capt. Alexander Murray's company ancis Ware's regiment, WILLIAM M'CARTY, about forty years old, short hair, about 5 feet high; had on when he deserted a blanket ov at, and his shoes tied with strings; his feet ba en. He says he was an old soldier in the Brit s something of the brogue in his language. Who the said man, so that the subscriber may get hi ave the above reward.

ALEXANDER MURRAY.

Annapolis, March 5, 1777.

and well assorted quantity of superfine broad with trimmings, to be sold by the subscriber, lo nly.

RICHARD BURLAND.

t to buy or hire immediately a negroman.

March 10, 177.

O BE SOLD,

ITY of INDIAN CORN, on application to Mary widow of Caleb, within three miles of Anna w3

or stolen from the subscriber's plantation, near n Charles county, about the last of October, re, about thirteen hands high, ten years old, flanks, nose, and round her eyes, meally, a fe er forehead, which makes a kind of hat; ha s; her brand, if any, unknown. Whoever d mare, and brings her to the subscriber's pla Mr. Thomas Reeder, at Newport, shall receive ward.

WALTER COMPTON.

Harford county, Maryland, Jan. 20, 177.

, for ready continental currency, or Maryland convention money,

ffions, of every kind, in Harford-town, formerly h-town. Any person, inclinable to purchase, e subscriber, on the premises, who will shew proposed to be sold by

ABRAHAM ANDREW.

Annapolis, January 30, 177.

er being appointed commissioner by the late to superintend the business of a loan-office in land for the purpose of borrowing continental use of the United States, agreeable to resolves Congress, gives notice, that an office for that in West-street, Annapolis, in the house that ice is now kept, where constant attendance is

THOMAS HARWOOD, jun.

he plantation of John Watson, in St. Mary's en up as a stray, a dark bay mare, about 1 bright bay colt, about 12 hands high, ne cked or branded. The owner may have her property and paying charges.

January 14, 177.

the plantation of Elie Orme, near Rock ederick county, taken up as a stray, a bay teen hands high, a natural pacer, about se d perceptible. The owner may have him his property and paying charges.

ELIE ORME.

RICK GREEN.

was got by Othello, son of Old Crab; by Morton's Traveller; his great-grand ker's Selima, got by the Godolphin

grass for mares at 2/6 per week; the paid for the use of the horse at the ng. No mares lost out of the pasture ted for.

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MARYLAND GAZETTE.

THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 1777.

An ACT to prevent DESERTION.

WHEREAS several soldiers and mariners duly inlisted in the service of this state, or the United States, or some of them, do afterwards desert, and illegally absent themselves from the service:

e it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall may be lawful to and for any constable, keeper of any public y, inn-keeper, or any other person within this state, to appre d, or cause to be apprehended, any person suspected of being eserter, and to cause such person to be brought before any ce of the peace, living in or near the place where such per shall be taken, who shall examine such suspected person; and by his confession, or the testimony of one or more credible ness or witnesses, upon oath or affirmation, or by the know e of such justice, it shall appear that such suspected person is nlisted soldier or mariner, in the service of the United States, ny of them, and ought to be with the company, troop, crew, essel, to which he belongs, such justice shall forthwith cause to be conveyed to the nearest commissioned officer of the or sea service, as the case may be, or to the public gaol of county or place where such deserter shall be apprehended; such justice shall transmit an account thereof to the secretary war of the United States for the time being, and to the com ding officer of such deserter.

d, the better to encourage the apprehending and securing h deserters,

e it enacted, That such justice shall give to the person who l apprehend and bring such deserter a certificate, expressing regiment, company, troop, vessel or crew, to which he be gs, and the distance such deserter shall be brought, if such ce shall be informed thereof, if not, then he shall give a cer ate, expressing such of those circumstances as shall come to knowledge, which certificate shall entitle the bearer to the rd of five dollars for the apprehending such deserter, and lve ninetieths of a dollar for every mile therein expressed; any person, who shall convey and deliver such deserter to the er or gaoler as aforesaid, shall receive the same mileage; and said reward and mileage shall be paid by the officer, sheriff or er, to whom such deserter shall be delivered, and the sheriff aoler shall be reimbursed the money by him paid, by the surer of his shore, together with the expence of advertising n deserter, and one fifth of a dollar per day for his mainte ce (to be charged to the continent or state from whose ser such person shall have deserted) and the sheriff or gaoler l immediately publish the name of the deserter, and the com y, troop, regiment, vessel or crew, to which he belongs, or of those circumstances as shall be mentioned in the certifi sent with such deserter, in some one of the news papers of and the Pennsylvania state, for four successive weeks.

o abolish the pernicious practice of harbouring deserters, and chasing from them,

e it enacted, That if any person shall harbour, conceal, en ain, or assist, any deserter from the land or sea service of the ted States, or any of them, knowing him to be such, the per so offending shall forfeit, for every such offence, twenty dol ; or if any person shall buy or exchange, or receive by way pledge, any arms, horse, cloaths, or other furniture, belong to this state, or the United States, or any of them, knowing n to be such, from any soldier, mariner, deserter, or any er person, under any pretence, or shall cause the colour of h cloaths to be changed, or the mark or brand of such horse be altered, the person so offending shall forfeit, for every such nce, twenty dollars, upon conviction by the oath of one or e credible witness or witnesses before any one justice of the ce of the county or city where the offence shall be com ted; the said respective penalties to be levied by warrant from justice to any constable, by distress and sale of the goods and ttels of the offender, the said constable giving eight days no e of the sale of such goods and chattels, by public advertise nt; the whole of the said penalties to the informer, and where informer, the whole thereof to the use of the county or city ere such offender resides; and if any such offender, convicted aforesaid, shall not have sufficient goods and chattels, whereon tress may be made for the penalty, or shall not pay the same hin five days after such conviction, such justice may and shall, warrant, commit such offender to the common gaol, there to ain, without bail, not exceeding three months. And if any h offender shall be a second time guilty of the like offence, d be convicted thereof as aforesaid, and shall not pay the pe ty aforesaid, or have goods and chattels on which the said penalty may be levied by distress as aforesaid, such offender may be adjudged by the said justice, before whom he shall be convicted, to receive a number of lashes, not exceeding thirty-nine.

And be it enacted, That upon information on oath or affirmation, before a justice of peace, by any person entitled to take such oath or affirmation, that such person has good cause to suspect that a deserter is harboured or concealed in any dwelling-house, or other house, it shall be lawful for such justice to issue his warrant to have such house searched, and for that purpose to break open such house, on neglect or refusal to open the door or doors thereof, when demanded; and if any person shall presume to break open any house, on pretence of searching for deserters, without such warrant obtained as aforesaid, such offender shall forfeit twenty dollars to the party grieved, to be awarded by any justice, and levied on the offender's person, goods or chattels, or be subject to an action of trespass, at the election of the party who shall be so injured and grieved.

And be it enacted, That every constable shall repair, as often as the case may require, to any place within his hundred, in which he shall be informed, or may suspect a deserter or deserters may be harboured, or concealed, or dwelling, and shall apprehend all and every such suspected person or persons, and carry him or them before a justice of the peace, under the penalty of twenty shillings, current money, who shall examine and proceed with such person or persons as above is directed; and if any person summoned by any constable to assist, shall neglect or refuse to give his assistance, such person shall forfeit twenty shillings, current money; the said two last mentioned fines to be recovered in manner and form aforesaid, one moiety of each of the said two last mentioned fines to the use of the county or city where such offender shall reside, the other half to the informer, and if no informer, the whole to the county or city.

This act to continue and be in force for and during the present war with Great-Britain.

An ACT to promote the RECRUITING SERVICE.

BE it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That no inhabitant of this state, who shall inlist in any of the battalions raised by this state, or in any of the artillery companies, for the defence thereof, shall be arrested and by civil process taken from the service, unless he shall be indebted to the plaintiff in the sum of twelve pounds sterling, twenty pounds common money, or two thousand pounds of tobacco, verified by affidavit indorsed on the writ; and the estate of no person inlisted, as aforesaid, shall be liable to attachment or execution for debt, or distress for rent, unless the debt or the rent due amount to more than twelve pounds sterling, twenty pounds common money, or two thousand pounds of tobacco; and if any soldier shall be arrested, or any attachment or execution shall issue, or distress be made, contrary to the intent of this act, it shall be lawful for any justice of the peace of the county where the same shall happen (upon complaint by the party or the officer inlisting such person, or by any of his superior officers) to examine into the same by oath, and if such soldier shall be arrested, or attachment or execution shall issue, or distress be made, contrary to this act, such justice shall forthwith discharge such soldier; and, unless it shall appear to him that any fraud, by sale, gift, or waste, hath been committed by such soldier, or the wife or person in whose possession or care the estate of such soldier may be, shall declare such attachment, execution or distress void, and order the plaintiff, or the person making such distress, to pay the costs thereof; provided nothing herein contained shall prohibit the collection of any public, county, or parish tax, due from any soldier.

And be it enacted, That the creditors aforesaid shall not be affected by the act of limitations, from and during the time they shall be precluded as aforesaid, from prosecuting their claim, nor shall the delay of suing out execution, during such time, operate so as to prevent the suing out the same, after the discharge of such debtors from the service; and if the act of limitations be pleaded, this act, and the special matter, may be given in evidence on the general replication.

And be it enacted, That any recruiting officer may inlist in any of the battalions raised by this state, or in any of the artillery companies, for the immediate defence thereof, and retain in such service, any apprentice or servant, whose time of servitude shall not exceed eighteen months, and shall not be valued by some justice of the peace, at more than sixteen pounds common money; and in every such case the magistrate shall deduct from the value of the said servant or apprentice, the sum of six pounds common money, for freedom dues, if such servant or apprentice should be intitled to any freedom dues at the expiration of his

Extract of a letter from Providence, March 25.

"The continental army in this state fills fast. A deserter came off from Newport this week; he proves to be a Hessian sergeant, and says, that all their men would desert if they could get away. He says, all the *ladies of pleasure* at Newport are taken up and confined in the common gaol; the officers, both Hessian and British, frequently meeting at the houses of those *ladies*, quarrelled about the beauty of their doxies; which coming to gen. Prescot's ears, he ordered them all into gaol. Count Knipflatch, a Hessian major, and a Hessian captain, late- their night, they had not [illegible] The next morning we took possession of the town, and the d[illegible] following the ships fell down below Croton river. These marauders (according to their usual practice) plundered and abused some houses, and burnt several others, carried off a few cattle and sheep, and some light articles from the public stores. Our principal loss is in rum, molasses and flour, which we destroyed, and a quantity of sugar burnt by the enemy in the commissary's store. The militia, on the first alarm, turned out with the greatest alacrity, and marched to our assistance, and if these British heroes had stand a day

easure of paying them mber of flat-bottomed preserved, so that the ly.

I A, *April 8.*

man of this city, now in dated 13th March last.

as made American pro nnd. Another act has ll Americans taken after t immediately to London, ported to the East-Indies on the late success of the n daily expectation of a ritable."

ilsburg, dated March 24.

matters have a very gloomy n has returned from the In ccounts of Indians being af the Kittanning and this post, oo tedious to mention. A lled one Andrew Simpson, of capt. Moorhead's, near Simpson, and left a tom and a piece of writing in pgara, 8th February, 1777, chiefs of the Mohawks, O eecas, Tuscaroras, Missara le Virginians and Pennsylva e purport of which is, that on their lands on the Ohio ring us to quit them imme sequences---that we have no (as they call it) of col. But s we know he has no army ink that our design is against they insist on our quitting d not make any excuse, by Congress, &c. of their be

orementioned intelligence of war was held at this as determined that it would wford's battalion, and two attalion, at Fort Pitt and l further orders, and that ely sent to the Kittanning, following places---Logg's d Cox's."

hath conferred the dignity in, on Robert Eden, Esq;

S S, *January 14.*

nental money ought to be expressed. In the respective these states for whose benefit stand bound to redeem the value; and the pernicious American liberty to impair by raising the nominal value her species of money what against and prevented:

of credit, emitted by autho ass current in all payments e states, and be deemed in inal sum in Spanish mil ed r shall offer, ask, or receive by gold or silver coins, bul of money whatsoever, than nt thereof in Spanish milled bills for any lands, goods, s than the same could be person or persons in gold or of money whatsoever; or or commodities for gold or ecies of money whatsoever, or the said continental bills be deemed an enemy to the es, and to forfeit the value or house, land, or commo And it is recommended pective states to enact laws other penalties, on offen vent such pernicious prac

to the legislatures of the make the bills of credit ful tender, in payment of a refusal thereof an ex hat debts payable in ster th continental dollars at xpence sterling per dol all other debts and con at the rate fixed by the re of Spanish milled dollars, commended to the legislatures tes, to pass resolutions that for drawing in and sinking mitted by congress, at the se veral periods fixed, or that shall be fixed by congress.

That it be recommended to the legislatures of the several states, to raise by taxation, in the course of the current year, and remit to the treasury, such sums of money as they shall think will be most proper in the present situation of the inhabitants; which sums shall be carried to their credit, and accounted for in the settlement of their proportion of the public expences and debts, for which the United States are jointly bound.

their quotas of the