

that purpose; or if any person shall give shelter to soldiers straggling as above mentioned, or shall serve them as a guide; or shall furnish them with horses, or any other assistance; the persons so offending may assure themselves of rigorous punishment; either by whipping, imprisonment, or by being sent to seize his majesty in the West-Indies, according as I shall think the degree of criminality may require. I have ordered that every soldier who passes the picquets shall submit himself to be examined by any of the militia, who have any suspicion of him: if a soldier therefore attempts to escape, when ordered by a militia man to stop, he is immediately to be fixed upon as a deserter. Single men of the light horse need not be examined, as they may often be sent alone upon expresses; nor is any party of infantry, with a non-commissioned officer at the head of it, to be stopped. I will give the inhabitants ten guineas for the head of any deserter belonging to the volunteers of Ireland; and five guineas only, if they bring him in alive. They shall likewise be rewarded (though not to that amount) for such deserters as they may secure belonging to any other regiment. I am confident that you will encourage the country people to be more active in this respect, and am, Sir, with much esteem,

Your very humble servant,
R A W D O N.
H. Rugely Esq; major of militia.

Secret. Camden, July 7, 1780.

S I R,
I SEND you the names of some of the field officers, who are at present under general Sumpter's command. Perhaps you may have such acquaintance with some of them, at least with their characters, that you may tempt them with proposals without fear of their betraying you. The service which I would have them perform, is, to advise Sumpter to advance and fix his encampment behind Berkley's creek, where there is a very specious position.

I will promise five hundred guineas to any of them who will prevail upon him to take that step; will give you notice of it; will particularise the enemy's force, and mark what detachments are made to secure their camp from surprise. Whoever undertakes it, may depend upon the strictest secrecy being observed: for, upon that head, I am sure I may rely upon you. Very plausible arguments may be used for counselling Sumpter to take that position: it may particularly be represented, that he would thereby cover the Waxhaws from the incursions of our cavalry, and secure all the grain of that district; that Meehan's detachment, from its halting at Hanging Rock, is evidently weak, and acting on the defensive; and, that as we can support our light troops much more readily from Hanging Rock, than he can sustain his present position, his advanced parties will always be circumscribed in their range; and must always suffer when they fall in with ours. To prevent their having any apprehensions from me, reports might be propagated in their camp, that Caldwell had defeated M'Arthur, and was pressing forward against me: their credulity would ardently embrace a tale so consonant to their wishes; and the asserter might, in spreading it, make a parade of his zeal. The difficulty will be to procure a proper emissary: if he conducts the business well, he shall be rewarded in proportion to the importance of the service. There is in their camp, a lieutenant-colonel Lacey, a prisoner on parole to us, who, endeavouring to persuade Patten to follow his example, has been confined, and injuriously treated by Sumpter; possibly, that may be a good channel for the proposals. No evil can arise from a discovery of the proposals. Sumpter might, indeed, pretend to give into the snare, and might lay an ambush for us, but, as I should march prepared for every occurrence, I might probably draw as much advantage from meeting him in that manner, as if I had been the assailant. We must only take care not to be duped; for if the person whom we try, reveals the affair to Sumpter, the latter may go halves with him; and, to entitle him to the money, may encamp at Berkley's creek, one afternoon, and go off next morning. The terms must be clear, and *bona fide* towards us at least. Should Sumpter be reinforced, I think him likely to take the step without indignation. Shew this letter to major Meehan, and believe me, Sir,

Your very humble servant,
R A W D O N.
Major Rugely.

A New-Jersey paper of the 13th instant mentions, That 6000 of the best troops are embarked from New-York, destined, it is said, for Virginia.

Extra of a letter from Princeton, dated Sept. 17.
"A deserter from Staten-Island tells me, general Clinton is embarked and sailed up the Sound towards New-London, yesterday, with 10,000 men. They had advice of the arrival at Newport, of the second division of French troops."

By his EXCELLENCY
THOMAS SIM LEE, Esquire,
GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND,
A P R O C L A M A T I O N.

W H E R E A S full power and authority is given to me, by and with the advice of the council, to continue the act, entitled, An act to prohibit for a limited time the exportation of wheat, flour, rye, Indian corn, rice, bread, beef, pork, bacon, live stock, peas, beans, oats, and other victual, and for other purposes, from and after the tenth day of this instant, until the end of the next session of the general assembly, and to issue my proclamation accordingly, provided the embargo be continued in the states of Pennsylvania and Delaware, so that the trade of Delaware bay be not open for the emolument of the people residing on the waters, or in the vicinity thereof. And, Whereas it appears, that the embargo hath been continued in the state of Pennsylvania until the thirtieth day of this month, and in the state of Delaware until the twentieth day of October next. I do therefore, by and with the advice of the council, hereby continue the said act, entitled, An act to prohibit for a limited time the exportation of wheat, flour, rye, Indian corn, rice, bread, beef, pork, bacon, live stock, peas, beans, oat, and other victual, and for other purposes, made at a session of assembly, begun and held at the city of Annapolis, on Monday the eighth day of November, seventeen hundred and seventy-nine, until the last day of this month.

GIVEN at Annapolis, this ninth day of September, in the year of our Lord, seventeen hundred and eighty.

T H O . S I M L E E .
By his EXCELLENCY'S command,
T. JOHNSON, junior, sec.
G O D S A V E T H E S T A T E .

Annapolis, Sept. 21, 1780.
To be LET, and entered on the third day of November next,

T H E H O U S E , G A R D E N , and S T A -
B L E S , now occupied by Mr. JOHN
B A K L , in this city. For terms apply to
M A R Y R E Y N O L D S ,
next door to Mrs. James Singold's.

T H E subscribers request all persons, having claims against ELIE VALETTE, deceased, to make them known as soon as convenient to Thomas Harwood, of the city of Annapolis; and those indebted are desired to make payment.

E L I Z . V A L E T T E , executrix,
T H O . H A R W O O D ,
W I L L . B R O G D E N , } executors.
J O H N B R O G D E N , }

September 11, 1780.
T H E R E are for sale, at col. Sharpe's plantation, near Annapolis, several full blooded horses, particularly a beautiful bright bay horse, five years old, fifteen hands high, which was got by col. Lloyd's Traveller; his dam was by Gorge's Juniper, his grand dam by Morton's Traveller, and his great grand dam by the Godolphin Arabian.

A chestnut colt, four years old, fifteen hands high, which was got by governor Eden's horse Badger; his dam by col. Tarker's Othello, his grand dam by Morton's Traveller, and his great grand dam by the Godolphin Arabian.

A chestnut colt, two years old, fourteen hands and a half high, got by sweeper, which was got by Dr. Hamilton's Figure; his dam was by Morton's Traveller, and his grand dam by the Godolphin Arabian.

J O H N W I L L I A M Y E L D E L L .

T R E A S U R Y - O F F I C E ,
Annapolis, Sept. 13, 1780.

N O T I C E is hereby given, that bills of credit are now in the office for exchanging the quota of this state of the bills of credit emitted by congress, agreeable to an act of the general assembly.

STRAYED or STOLEN, from W L I A M W A T S O N ' s , on the 12th day of September instant, a dark bay HORSE, about 8 or 9 years old, with a large switch tail, has two saddle spots upon the fore part of his back, is rough shod all round, one foot-lock trimm'd, the other three not, paces only when rode. Whoever delivers the said horse to William Watton or Beale Hammond in Baltimore county, shall receive one hundred dollars reward. 60 Dollars

September 14, 1780.
To be SOLD by public VENDUE, on Monday the 25th instant, on the premises,

O N E moiety of a tract of land called Beale's Reserve, containing 126 acres, lying in Prince-George's county, about 3 miles from the town of Queen-Anne, on Patuxent river, subject to a dower of £.4 specie annually; there are some improvements, with an orchard of about 100 bearing apple trees, and sundry other fruit trees, the soil is well adapted to making corn and tobacco.

And on the following Tuesday the 26th inst. will be sold by public vendue, on the premises, one other moiety of a tract of land called Scott's and Berge, lying in Anne-Arundel county, about 2 miles from London-town, containing 215 acres, subject to a dower of £.6 13 4 specie annually, there are some old buildings, and upwards of 300 bearing apple trees, with many other valuable fruit trees; a very excellent meadow may be made with but little trouble and expense, the land very suitable for farming. Good titles will be made to the purchasers by STEPHEN MOOR.

N. B. The sale to begin at 12 o'clock each day.

Sept. 14, 1780.
F O R S A L E ,

A H E A L T H Y strong negro man, about thirty-five years of age; he is a good carter and ploughman, and understands all sorts of plantation business, he has been several voyages to sea, and would make a good sailor. For terms apply to Messieurs Eastman and Neth, merchants, Annapolis.

Cecil county, Sept. 4, 1780.

N O T I C E is hereby given, that the vestry of St. Mary Anne's parish, do intend to petition the next general assembly of this state, to pass an act to enable them to sell and convey the glebe land in said parish, and to put the money arising therefrom to interest, until another tract of land more convenient for a glebe, can be purchased.

Signed by order of the vestry,
T H O . H U G H E S , reg.

September 6, 1780.

T H E subscriber, having formerly petitioned the general assembly of Maryland for a law to remedy some defects in his title to the water lot No. 12, and part of the water lot No. 13, situate in Chelster-town, on Chelster river, in the said state, hereby gives public notice (agreeable to an order of that honourable house) that he intends to apply to the next general assembly, at their first session, to have the prayer of his said petition granted, of which all concerned are desired to take notice.

E L E A Z E R M C O M B .

Anne-Arundel county, Sept. 13, 1780.

N O T I C E is hereby given, that the subscribers intend to prefer a petition to the next general assembly of this state, praying an act may pass to confirm the last will of Joseph Watton, late of Anne-Arundel county, planter, deceased.

J O H N P O L T O N ,
M A R Y P O L T O N .

Frederick county, Maryland.

W H E R E A S the subscriber obtained a warrant out of the land-office in the year 1763, which warrant was executed, and a certificate returned to the land-office, by the name of Hill in the Middle, agreeable to the rule and practice of said office, and all other requisites complied with; but before the issuing of a patent, he was under the necessity of bringing an action of trespass and ejectment, which action is now depending in the general court: These are therefore to give public notice, that after this shall have been advertised eight weeks, he intends to apply to the general assembly for an act to pass, to direct the register of the land-office to issue a patent, or to enable him to prosecute the said suit, in as good and ample a manner as if the said patent had issued.

J O H N T R A M M E L L .