

her stores and men; four other ships are also greatly disabled.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 2.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman at Philadelphia to his friend here, dated on Tuesday last.

"Wednesday the 5th instant, the British fleet of 31 sail, 19 of the line, appeared off Chesapeake, when the French, 24 sail of the line, weighed and stood out for them. The British admiral immediately gave a signal to form the line ahead and to windward. The French, as they came up, engaged readily ship for ship. The two admirals being in the van, commenced the action; the wind dying away, the rear of both fleets, say 9 of the French and 7 of the British, could not get up to action. The engagement was very severe and constant for two hours and forty minutes, in which time the British line was broke twice, and soon after joining the last time, the wind springing up, a signal was given for the British to haul their wind, and make the best escape they possibly could. The French gave them chase till Saturday night, 9 o'clock; very little wind all this time. A private signal was given for the British to alter their course, and on Sunday morning saw nothing more of the French. Sunday afternoon, the Terrible, a British 74, hove out a signal of distress; the frigates went to her relief, saved all the men and stores, and she shortly after went down. Many of the British ships were very much injured; and on Wednesday the 12th, only 26 sail of the 31 had got into New-York. This account I have from a person who was on board one of the British frigates in the engagement."

Extracts of letters written by doctors Brown and Johnson of the Southern army, forwarded by a gentleman at Richmond, on the 24th ult. to his friend in this town.

"At Hataugh, near Santee, 53 miles from Charles-town, South Carolina, on Saturday the 8th of September, an engagement commenced between general Greene and the main body of the enemy's army, in which the former lost from 250 to 300 men; the enemy's loss was 300 killed, 60 wounded, and 340 prisoners, not wounded; total 700.

"All the officers of colonel Washington's corps were either killed, wounded, or taken, except capt. Clarke. The colonel was missing, but is since returned slightly wounded.

"Monday the 10th, a heavy firing was heard, but no account of the event; however, as general Greene had sent a body of fresh troops after the enemy's flying army, there is no doubt of a total defeat.

"Officers of our army killed, colonel Campbell, of Virginia; major Ruthertford, captain Godman, and lieutenants Porterfield, Goodwin, Polk, Luik, and Dayton, of North-Carolina; capt. Dobson, of Maryland.

"Officers wounded, general Pickens, colonels Henderson and Middleton, lieutenants Martin, Giles, and Moore, of South-Carolina; lieutenants Dixon and Dudley, of North-Carolina; major Edmonds and lieutenant Finn, of Virginia; colonel Howard and lieutenants Polk and Ewing, of Maryland."

Letters just received from Philadelphia advise, that admiral Digby, with three sail of the line and two frigates, had arrived at New-York from England.

ANNAPOLIS, Oct. 4.

On Monday last, Allen Quynn, and Samuel Chafe, Esquires, were elected delegates to represent this city in the ensuing general assembly.

The same day, John Hall, Nicholas Worthington, Brice Thomas Beale Worthington, and William Brogden, Esquires, were elected delegates for Anne-Arundel county.

Mr. Chafe's illness, for the last week, has necessarily obliged him to postpone the publication of his further remarks on Mr. Carroll's address.

Mr. CHASE has asserted in his publication of the 27th inst, that he cannot credit my assertion, "that I gave credit to the reports circulated in 1778, and therefore advised the instructions." He assigns as a reason for this his opinion, "that being acquainted with a publication, which he had prepared, respecting my conduct, I solemnly declared (he does not mention to whom) that I did not intend, or aim the instructions at him."—I never made any such declaration, so far from it, I told Mr. John Laurence (the person, I apprehend, alluded to) and who called on me, as I then supposed, at Mr. Chafe's request, that the instructions were general, that Mr. Chafe was not named, that if the cap fitted him, he might wear it, and I added, that if a brother of mine had lain under similar imputations, he should not enter my doors before he had cleared up his character to my satisfaction. This I aver was all that passed between

Mr. Laurence and myself on this subject. If Mr. Chafe was otherwise informed, he was deceived. CH. CARROLL OF CARROLLTON. Doohoragen, Oct. 1, 1781.

September 20. WHEREAS sundry persons make a daily practice of sending carts to take wood from the subscribers lands (under pretence of having leave from one or other of them) to the damage and treas thereof; this is therefore to forewarn all persons whatsoever under taking off said lands any wood whatsoever under that pretence, as they are determined not to suffer it any longer. MARY HESSELIUS, B. OGLE, W. THOMAS.

TAKEN up as a stray, by John Cross, living at the plantation of Daniel of St. Thomas Jenifer, Esq; in Charles county, a dark bay MARE, about 13 hands and a half high, she appears to be old and creck fallen, has a small star on her forehead, and branded on the off buttock S. She came to the plantation about the middle of February last. The owner may have her again on proving property and paying charges. 1876

Charles county, September 12, 1781. AGREABLE to law will be sold at public vendue, at Port-Iobacco, on Tuesday the 13th day of November next, for ready cash, a very likely young negro man named George, if not sooner applied for by his master. The said negro was committed to my custody as a runaway on the 21st day of July, 1780, by the name of George, the property of John Nelson, I suppose it ought to have been Arthur Nelson, as a certain Mr. Arthur, of Frederick county, says the said negro was once his property, and that he sold him to one Alexander, of Augusta county in Virginia, and from thence he was sold to one Mitchell, near Charles-town, South-Carolina. BENJAMIN CAWOOD, sheriff.

Annapolis, September 25, 1781. COMMITTED to my custody as a runaway, a negro man by the name of JACK: he is much pitted with the small pox, and says he belongs to Thomas Jones in Talbot county. His master is requested to pay charges and take him away. THOMAS HARWOOD, sheriff of Anne-Arundel county.

Calvert county, September 19, 1781. TAKEN up in August last, on the western shore of Chesapeake bay, near a place called the Governor's Run, a small boat, appears to be very old and much wreck'd. The owner may get her again on proving property and paying charges. EASOM EDMONDS.

THE inhabitants of Queen-Anne's county intend to prefer a petition to the general assembly of the state of Maryland, for an act of assembly to dispose of the old court-house and other public property in Queen's town, and to purchase a quantity of land at the head of Corfica creek, whereon the public buildings for the use of the county may be erected, at such time and particular place as by the judgment of the general assembly shall be appointed and ascertained; and in the mean time for holding the courts of election, and the county and orphans courts, at the dwelling house now occupied by Elijah Minor, near Chelter-mill, and directing the clerk and other public officers, to attend there until public buildings can be erected for the accommodation of the public, at the place directed and ascertained by the general assembly. 3 w 8

TO all whom it may concern; the inhabitants of Washington county, do hereby give notice, that they intend petitioning the next general assembly for a division of the said county into two. To be SOLD, RENTED, or LEASED. THE dwelling house where the subscriber now lives, and several lots in London-town. For terms apply to the subscriber on the premises. WILLIAM BROWN.

Upper-Marlborough, Sept. 4, 1781. STOLEN out of the subscriber's pasture near this place, on Sunday evening the 25th ult. a middle sized black horse, 8 or 9 years old, one of his hind feet white, has been used to the draught, paces a little, it is not certain whether he has any brand, if any it is I. H. The person bringing him to the subscriber, or giving information of him so that he may be got again, shall receive two dollars specie reward. SAMUEL HEPBURN.

Office for confiscated estates, Annapolis, August 27, 1781.

PURSUANT to an act of the general assembly of Maryland, passed at their last session, will commence the sale of all the property, both real, personal, and mixed, late belonging to James Russell and company, commonly known by the name of the Nottingham Company, consisting of about 12,000 acres of valuable land, situate in Baltimore county, and about 12 miles from Baltimore-town; 160 slaves of different ages and sexes, amongst whom are several valuable tradesmen, such as forgers, colliers, blacksmiths, carpenters, &c. stock of every kind, household furniture, and farming utensils. On the premises are two excellent forges, one furnace, and two grist-mills, all in good repair. That part of the premises called the Long-Cain, where the forges stand, is in point of situation perhaps equal to any on the continent for water-works, the Brandywine not excepted. Besides two mills which are already built, eight or ten more may be erected, and from the same dam and same race be supplied with a great abundance of water in the driest seasons. The iron-works, together with a quantity of lands, negroes, and stock of every kind sufficient for carrying them on, will be sold in undivided shares, not exceeding tenths; or the lands and property of every kind will be divided into small and convenient parcels, and sold separately, as may appear at the time of sale best to suit the wishes of the purchasers, and the intention of the state. The sum bid to be paid in specie, or in the bills of credit emitted in this state, by the act to enable the treasurer of the western shore to draw and sell bills of exchange, and for an emission of bills of credit if necessary. Credit will be given to the purchasers to the first day of January 1786, upon their giving bonds with two good securities, each having real property in this state to the value of the purchase money. The sale will begin on the 10th day of November next, at capt. Phillips's, that noted tavern, about 12 miles from Baltimore-town, which being part of the premises will also be sold.

By order of the commissioners, JOSEPH BAXTER, clk.

St. Mary's county, Sept. 8, 1781. To be sold, near the head of St. Mary's river, at public vendue, on Thursday the 18th of October next, for tobacco or hard cash,

A PARCEL of very likely young negroes, and a large quantity of very valuable household furniture, consisting of beds, tables, chairs, looking-glasses, and many other articles too tedious to mention; also stock of every sort. Those who purchase in tobacco may, if they chuse, have credit, upon their giving bond and security for the payment of it. SARAH WATTS, executrix.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a petition will be preferred to the next general assembly of this state, for an act to pass, making the repair and keeping the causeway that leads through Potomoke swamp to Snowhill-town, in Worcester county, a public charge upon the said county in general. CLEMENT HOLLYDAY.

THE subscriber intends to petition the next general assembly of this state, setting forth his claim, and praying to be put into possession of that part of Calverton Manor in Charles county which is included in the lines of a tract of land called Indian Creek, to which he apprehends he has a just title. EDWARD LLOYD.

THE following are a list of the certificates for money taken from me by a number of armed men, on the night of the 13th of March 1781, viz 10 state of Maryland certificates, dated November 6, 1778, numbered 628 to 637 inclusive, for 1333 dollars each, and 4 other state of Maryland certificates, dated November 6, 1778, numbered 638 to 641 inclusive, for 666 dollars each, also 2 state of Maryland tender certificates in the name of John Bolton, No. 34 and 35, for 100 currency each. The public are cautioned against the receiving or taking an assignment, as payment will not be made on them. EDWARD LLOYD.

July 31, 1781. NOTICE is hereby given, that application is intended to be made to the next general assembly of Maryland, by a number of the freemen of Cecil county, to have an act passed for a special election, in order to take the sense of the county where the court of justice ought to be fixed, and the election be held two days where the court house now stands, two days at the Head of Elk and two days at Charles-town, and that proper judges be appointed to hold the election. 3 w 8

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For the MARY CARROLL that I attempted to p... clause in a bill sent jected; and that a... face bonds would not... predicament; and he... speculation, about th... lues to some affidavits... gates on this subject.

I admit that I voted to the legislatures of the continental bills of credit of debts; and I want... that my object was hon... tion was to give cred... of universal use, and... contribute their aid to... ways admitted, that the... good and salutary purpo... suspension, because it w... not to have answer d... Carroll ascribes my vot... tender to an error in jud... of temper. I will accep... his intolerable vanity... to imagine his judgment...

At the time of passing the making the paper money debts, as proper and nec... dit. The very great and... arts of our open and fel... pace and events of the... debtors and creditors, con... extensive depreciation. on a petition from the fa... repeal of the tender law, ... sinesly resolved, "That... that time, would be hig... of America, destructive t... ruin of many individuals...

ber. At July session 1775... repeal the tender law, 10... due before the first of Ju... times they proposed to su... old debts; but without m... any case. It is a fact no... whig creditors, in general... dit for their debts, and th... the disaffected, evaded th... Scotch and British factors... their principals (especially... counties) and afterwards... their books of accounts, to... of our merchants, warm... received their debts from t... in the depreciated curren... entirely ruined, if not ena... and British creditors. A g... ion, therefore, would ha... more inconvenience and inj... a continuance of the law... general repeal, or suspens... few more in the senate an... with wealth, warmly urged a... session, and were pleased to... who differed in sentiment... for any case but what affe... signature would prevent a... debts, they cared not what... ed.

But I benefited myself by Carroll has not ventured to... but he implies it by asking... truly inform the public. Th... tion to satisfy Mr. Carroll... opinion I wish to preserve... an-office, and not exceed... creditors, when the depreciat... merable. I received for land... more 1776, above twice th... by the tender law, and... and well improv... ed and well improv... ed a sum of money in debts... I have sunk one third o... considerable sum I expended i... received the money when de... one. If I had refused, w... been raised? The records...