

pidity during the winter. Indeed we have many instances of this truth, particularly a few years ago, after a severe frost, the banks of the river Elbe, in Germany, broke down in many places, when there were found an amazing quantity of swallows, hung together in clusters, quite in a torpid state, but as soon as they were exposed to the powerful rays of the sun, they became lively and active.

**NEW-YORK, January 15.**

Yesterday arrived his majesty's ship Alalanta, in three weeks from Halifax. We are informed, that on the passage the admiral with le Pluton, a 74, belonging to the count de Vaudreuil's squadron from Boston; the gentleman who commands this cruiser, it is said, spoke with the enemy, and by excellent conduct fortunately escaped from capture.

Last Saturday was brought into our harbour, the ship Puz Ultra, captain Herman Kniebel, prize to the Charming Polly, captain Mibey, configned from Mess. Van Eupen, of Antwerp, and others, to Mr. Wynkoop, merchant at Philadelphia; among other articles, the ship on board a large quantity of dry goods; 77 chests, weighing 29,000 lb. of tea, and 142 lasts of salt.

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>, in the afternoon, was sent in here by his majesty's ship the Renown, John Henry, Esq; commander, the brig Grace, captain Oswald, from Philadelphia for Europe, loaded with tobacco. And, the schooner Polly and Alley, captain Connel, from Philadelphia and, for the West-Indies, loaded with flour. The above vessels left Philadelphia on Christmas day, in company with three others.

The brig mentioned in our list to have been taken by his majesty's ship Lion, and not arrived, came up on Sunday; she is the Elizabeth, captain Cornelius, from Amsterdam for Philadelphia.

We are told, that the French fleet under the command of the marquis de Vaudreuil, consisting of 13 sail of the line and some frigates, sailed from Boston the 24<sup>th</sup> ultimo.

**CHATHAM, January 15.**

By a gentleman from London, via New York, who left it late in November, we learn, that a number of the ministry have assured lord Shelburne they will abandon him, unless the plan of the late lord Rockingham is pursued, which was, to grant peace and independency to America; that the people of England, tired with the war, are heartily disposed for peace; that Mr. Laurens, late president of congress, was to have come over in the same ship with him, but his indisposition, which, it is thought will be fatal, prevented him.

We are told, from pretty good authority, governor Franklin has wrote to his friends in New-York, that a peace will certainly take place between the belligerent powers before spring; and that the refugees will be provided for by government.

**PHILADELPHIA, January 22.**

Reports from Elizabeth-town, mention the arrival of a packet at New-York from England, but that no late advices had yet transpired.

It is also reported from the same quarter, that the Indians have destroyed several of the royal refugees, who went to form a settlement in Nova-Scotia.

A report prevails in town, said to have been brought from Boston, that the preliminaries of peace are agreed on by the commissioners, from the respective belligerent powers, assembled at Paris.

**Prince-George's county, January 21, 1783.**

**WHEREAS** my wife Bridget Hanlan hath left me, and has endeavoured to run me in debt; I do hereby forwarn any person or persons from having dealings with her on my account, as I am determined not to pay any debts she may contract after the date hereof.

MES HANLAN.

**THERE** is at the plantation of Rezin Hammond, at the Head of Severn, a large strayed pied bull, mostly white, his sides and neck spotted with red or brindie spots, has a bit out of one of his ears. The owner may have him again on proving property and paying charges.

**THERE** is at the plantation of Mrs. Rachel Hammond, at the Head of Severn, a strayed red and white steer, appears to have both ears cropt. The owner may have him again on proving property and paying charges.

**SIXTEEN HARD DOLLARS REWARD.**

**LEFT** the subscribers's plantation, in June last (the first day of the Whitsuntide holyday), **NEGRO CLOE**, about twenty-five years of age, a short, thick, well made negro, very black, and flat nos'd. She is a slothful, idle person, and had been formerly brought up about the house, though latterly her labour has been required in the field. She went off without any the least provocation either from her master or overseer. She is addicted to running away, and perhaps her unwillingness to return now, is not less owing to the shame of seeing the negroes whom she deprived of their cloths, than the dread of correction. Whoever secures the above negro wench in any gaol, or brings her to the subscriber, residing in Charles county, near Allen's-Freth, will receive the above reward, paid by

B. FENDALL.

Charles county, Maryland, January 3, 1783. **THIS** day was committed to my custody as a runaway, and is now in my gaol, a negro man, who says his name is Jerre, and that he belongs to Edward Edelen, in Prince-George's county. His master is desired to pay charges and take him away.

CHARLES MANKIN, sheriff.

**WANTED**, as an apprentice by the printer hereof, a lad who can read and write well.

**A LIST of Letters remaining in the post-office,** Annapolis, which if not taken up before the fifth day of April next, will be sent to the general post-office as dead letters.

**JOHN BROWN**, Prince-George's county; John Barnes, Annapolis; Lydda Bryant, Maryland; Hanion Britcoe, Dr. John Hanion Britcoe, Chaptico; John Bouton (3), Port-Tobacco.

Guitavus B. Campbell, Charles county; Alexander Contee, Nottingham; William Courts, Monf. Chevert, Jery Chate, Geo. Chapiin, Mrs. Callahan, Jol. Court, Annapolis.

Daniel Defaussure (4), Annapolis; Sarah Darnall, Prince-George's county.

John Eden, St. Mary's.

John Forbes, Philip Ferguson, Benedict; Jof. Ford, St. Mary's; Charles Fenley, Prince-George's county.

George Gray, Port-Tobacco; rev. George Guldie, Maryland; James Gignilhat, Hagar's-town; rev. Edward Gaunt, Calvert county.

Dr. Ephraim Howard of Henry, Maryland; Aquila Hall (3), Annapolis; Vernon Hebb, St. Mary's; Joseph Hagon, Charles county; Joseph Hopkins of Gerard, West river; Johns Hopkins, South river.

O. via Jerningham, Charles county; Rinaldo Johnson, Patuxent; Thomas Jennings, Thomas Johnston, corporal Isaac Johnston, Annapolis; Anne Jenner, Dr. Daniel Jenner, Walter H. Jenner, Port-Tobacco.

James Leatch (2), Lyon's-creek; J. Lloyd, John Landale (3), Annapolis.

William McBryde, Somerset county; John Meek, Charles county; John McCus, Annapolis; Luke Minbury, John Mitchell, Pkittaway.

Wilfred Neale, St. Mary's county; Anne Neale, Port-Tobacco; Ward Newton, Calvert county.

Alexander Ogg, Hunting-town.

Allen Quinn, Annapolis.

William Richardson, Caroline county.

Mrs. C. Slye, Port-Tobacco; Captain Stottard, Annapolis; reverend Robert Smith, sey mond; Abraham Simmons, Pig-point; James Stone, Hunting-town.

Treasurer of the western shore; James Tucker (2), Thomas Tucker, West river; John Tennant (2), Maryland.

C. Th. Wederhant, Queen-Anne's county; William L. Weems, Robert Wade, jun. Prince-George's; Mr. Welch, Joseph Williams (2), Annapolis.

**To be RENTED** for one year, or a term of years not exceeding seven,

**A COMPLETE** double geared merchant mill and a distillery situated on the head of a navigable creek of three miles extent, and siting into Patuxent river, about a mile from the mouth of it, near Kouby-hill. The mill is acknowledged to be as compact and good a piece of work as any in the state, and remarkable for her produce of superfine flour. The lower story of the house is of stone, and contains the whole works, which are moved with great velocity by one wheel of sixteen feet diameter; she carries two pair of stones, one French bur, the other Cologn stones; her bolting works are complete, and distinct for superfine, common flour, and ship stuff, and she has a wire barrel screen and fan fixed for cleaning the grain as it runs to the hopper; there is a chimney and fire place in the mill; and at about thirty yards distance, on a hill, is a commodious dwelling house for a small family. The distillery stands upon a level with the mill, at about twenty feet distance, and is conveniently supplied with water conveyed in troughs or gutters from the penstock of the mill, leading over the whole works; there are four copper stills, one of 125, and three of 60 gallons each, and a copper boiler of about 60 gallons, with mashing tubs, &c. and a good malt-kiln in the house. Adjoining is a peach orchard well fenced in, containing 2000 bearing trees about five years old, and marries to produce hay for 20 or 30 cattle. The tenant, if he pleases, may have land contiguous (some already cleared) to make a small farm. It is an excellent place for hogs, and there is a good breeding stock, with a cart, four working oxen, some other cattle, and three slaves, two men and one woman, who are now working at the distillery, all or any of which the tenant may have or not at his option. The man who at present manages the mill is a valuable carpenter, and the owner would incline to remove him. Some of the running gear, &c. of the mill, are now a little out of repair, but will be delivered to the tenant in complete and perfect good order. The situation of these works, so near the mouth of Patuxent river, one of the best harbours on the bay, and to which so many vessels resort and are daily passing, ensures a good market for live stock and all other kinds of provision. A lease will be given and security required for the punctual payment of the rent, and return of the works, &c. at the expiration of the term. Apply to Col. WILLIAM FITZHUGH, near Lower Marlborough, in Calvert county.

P. J. Plater and Fitzhugh having declined the fulling business, will rent the fulling-mill, dwelling house, fuller's shop, and all the utensils thereunto belonging, with or without two slaves, a man and his wife, the man a complete taylor and dresser of cloth, and the woman can shear, comb, and press, is a cleanly servant, and can wash, cook, &c. The fulling-mill is about one hundred yards distant from the grist-mill and distillery, and will be rented separately or jointly with them. If the fulling-mill is not rented before the first day of April next, her materials will be sold, viz. five pair of fuller's shears, a press, screw and plates, cards, fulling paper, shearing boards, dye-stuffs, &c. &c. with a dying copper of about 60 gallons. Apply as above.

On Monday the tenth day of February next, will be sold at public sale, at Queen-Anne, in Prince-George's county,

**T**HE noted high bred running horse **CHATHAM**, the property of the late John Lestrange Brogden.

**HUMPHRY BELT,**  
**THOMAS WATKINS,** } executors,  
**WILLIAM BROGDEN,** legatee.

**Office for confiscated estates, Annapolis, Jan. 23, 1783.** Pursuant to an act of assembly passed at the last session, will be exposed to sale, by way of auction, at Elizabeth-town, on the first day of April next,

**SEVERAL** thousand acres of land, late the property of the Principio company. The lands were surveyed and laid off in convenient farms and sections for gentlemen; the quantity of the lands and their proximity to that flourishing town, from which they are distant but a few miles, render them extremely valuable. One or more persons will attend on the premises, where the Kingbury furnace stands, for three days before the day of sale, to shew the different lots to any person who may incline to view the same. One third of the purchase money to be paid in thirty days, another third in two years, the remainder in three years. Bond and security will be required on the day of sale.

By order, **J. DORSEY,** ca.

**To be SOLD**, at Newington Rope-walk, near Annapolis, on Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> of February,

**A NUMBER** of valuable **NEGROES**, consisting of plantation men and women, two house wenches, a woman cook, and a number of small boys and girls; to be sold for ready money, or short credit upon bond with good security, by

**MARY McCULLOCH,**  
**CHARLES STEUART,**  
**JAMES McCULLOCH,**

**N. B.** Likewise some household furniture, and a cart, riot a mott new.

**To be SOLD, or LEASED** on reasonable terms, **A VALUABLE PLANTATION**, near the head of Stoney-creek, whereon there is an excellent good and new dwelling house, and many other convenient and necessary out houses, in good order, near the dwelling, which stands on the main road between Severn-terry and Baltimore; would well suit a private gentleman's family, or any inclinable to go into a public way of business, and is situated within half a mile of two merchant-mills. The soil is good, well timbered, and there is excellent water very near the dwelling, for further particulars enquire of the subscriber in Annapolis.

**NICHOLAS MACCUBBIN,** son of Joseph.

**N. B.** The plantation contains 500 acres, and is situated very conveniently near the water.

**DROVE** on shore, a few days ago, opposite the subscriber's plantation, on Kent-Island, Queen-Anne's county, in the state of Maryland, a Moses boat, about twelve feet keel, with turpentine bottom, and has a ring-bolt in stem and stern. Whoever owns the said boat, is requested to make application to the subscriber (who resides on the spot), prove his property, pay charges, and take her away.

**QUILA BROWNE.**

**RAN** away from the subscriber, living in Anne-Arundel county, near South river ferry, on the 24<sup>th</sup> of December 1782, a likely dark mulatto negro man named **PLATO**, 24 years of age, about 5 feet 8 or 10 inches high, he is a good carpenter, cooper, and lawyer by trade, he is a little near kneed; had on when he went away, a crocus shirt, white country cloth jacket and breeches, coarse yarn stockings, a coarse pair of shoes, with four soles to each, and a straw hat, he carried with him several other cloaths, it is supposed that he will try to pass for a freeman. Whoever takes up said negro, dead or alive, and brings him home, or secures him to that I may get him again, shall be entitled to receive twenty Spanish dollars for their trouble.

**GASSAWAY RAWLINGS.**

**Office of Finance, November 8, 1782.** **NOTICE** is hereby given, to all whom it may concern, that counterfeiters have appeared of the notes issued from this office, struck on copper-plate, in the following form: "I fight pay to the bearer twenty dollars, for which this shall be your sufficient warrant;" which note are signed by me, and directed to Mr. John Swanwick, Philadelphia. There were some notes of the same kind for fifty and some for eighty dollars, which may perhaps be also counterfeited, though none have been yet discovered. The counterfeiters are badly executed, and might with care be detected; but, from an apprehension that such arts would be practised, I long since desisted from issuing them, and cancelled those which were brought in for payment. There are now out only sixteen thousand six hundred and seventy dollars, and as no great inconvenience can arise from putting a stop to the circulation of so trivial a sum, the public are cautioned against receiving any notes struck on copper plate, and signed with my name. All persons holding those which are genuine, are desired to send them to Mr. Swanwick, and receive the money.

**ROBERT MORRIS.**

**ALL** persons indebted to the estate of Jacob Luby, deceased, are desired immediately to settle and pay the same, and all persons having just claims against the said estate, are desired to bring them in properly authenticated that they may be adjusted by

**ELIZABETH LUBY,** administratrix.

Charles county, Maryland, December 22, 1782. **THIS** day was committed to my custody as a runaway, and is now in my gaol, a negro man called and known by the name of Clem. Rullin, and says he belongs to captain Duvall, of Frederick county. His master is desired to pay charges and take him away.

**CHARLES MANKIN,** sheriff.

**NOTICE** is hereby given, that a number of the inhabitants of Cecil and Kent counties intend to prefer a petition to the general assembly at their next session, to pass a law for erecting a new county out of part of Kent and Cecil counties, and calling the same Smallwood county.