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February 5.
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MIFFLIN, president.
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ES IN CONGRESS
y 15, 1784.
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day of September 1777,
B. HOMSON, Secretary.
r, December 26, 1783.
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urchase money shall be
of June next.
V. HARWOOD, clk.
6, 1783; Read and af-
J. DORSEY, clk.
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of such goods, wares and merchandise, so reshipped, shall first give their bond or bonds, with good and sufficient security, to the naval officer, that the said goods, wares and merchandise, or any part thereof, shall not be reloaded in any part of this state, and shall previously satisfy the naval officer for the fees due, and that the said goods, wares and merchandise, were legally imported.
And be it enacted, That the documents, and other papers belonging to the vessels of his Most Christian Majesty, shall be lodged with his consul, or deputy consuls, to be delivered to the masters of such vessels by said consul, or his deputies, on his or their receiving a certificate under the hand and seal of office of such naval officer, that the fees of office, and duties imposed by this state for its separate emolument, have been duly paid.
And be it enacted, That all goods, wares and merchandise, imported for the use and consumption of the minister of his Most Christian Majesty, the minister of their High Mightinesses the United Provinces of the Netherlands, or the minister or ministers of such kingdoms or nations as are or may be in alliance with the United States, shall be duty free; and where any duty has been paid on any goods, wares or merchandise, imported as aforesaid, the same shall be repaid.
And be it enacted, That all duties imposed by this act shall be levied and collected in the same manner, and at the same per centum, as is directed by an act, entitled, An act for the defence of the bay, and to impose certain duties on imported articles, passed November session seventeen hundred and eighty-two.
An additional Supplement to an act, entitled, An act for the liquidation and payment of debts against persons convicted of treason.
WHEREAS by an act, entitled, An act for the liquidation and payment of debts against persons convicted of treason, and the supplement thereto, all persons are authorized to carry into, and lodge with the treasurer of the western shore, their several claims against persons convicted of treason, but neither of the above recited acts fix any time for the distribution and payment of such claims; therefore,
Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed, to advertise in the Pennsylvania and Maryland Gazettes, and Baltimore Journal, eight weeks successively, giving notice to all persons, creditors of the above description of men; to bring into his office their several and respective claims, on or before the first day of October next, otherwise they will be precluded of a dividend of such person's estate, in case the same shall be insufficient to discharge all the just debts that may come in against said estate.
And be it enacted, That the said treasurer shall and he is hereby directed, after the aforesaid first day of October next, to proceed to make distribution and payment according to law, to those creditors who have just claims against said estates.
And, Whereas there may be debts due to the aforesaid persons convicted of treason; therefore, Be it enacted, That the commissioners for the preservation and sale of British property, be and they are hereby directed, to take into their possession all books, accounts, or other papers belonging to such persons, and that they be and are hereby authorized and directed, to collect, and if need be, to sue for and recover, in the name of this state, all such debts, dues and demands, as they shall discover to be due to the persons aforesaid, and pay the same, after deducting ten per cent. commission for their trouble and expence, into the treasury, and that the monies so paid in, shall be considered as part of the estate of the persons to whom due, and applied toward discharging the claims against such estate respectively.
And, Whereas there may have been contracts and sales made by persons convicted of treason with citizens of this or some adjacent state previous to the commission of such crime, and there being no remedy by law for the compelling a compliance with such contracts and sales, Be it enacted, That in all cases where there has been a contract, or sale of any real or personal property, made by any of the persons convicted of treason as aforesaid, which said contract or sale was made and created previous to the commission of the crime of treason as aforesaid, that in such case it shall and may be lawful for the commissioners aforesaid to carry all such sales or contracts into effect, where it shall appear to them to be just and reasonable, and in case of a dispute between the said commissioners and the party or parties, to leave the same to the chancellor, who, upon hearing the parties, may decree upon the same.
The following is taken from a London paper of September 13.
Authentic copy of the decree of the queen of Portugal, for opening a commercial intercourse between her subjects, and those of the United States.
P O R T U G A L
Her majesty has been pleased to order the following decree to be transmitted to her royal court of exchequer, that publication may be made of the same.
WHEREAS by the declaration of the independence of the United States of North-America, the object intended by the royal decree of the 4th of July, 1776, and the publication thereof, by our court of exchequer, on the fifth of the same month, have ceased to operate, We are therefore pleased to abolish and annul the decree and publication aforesaid, and do hereby order, that free entrance be granted in all the ports of our dominions, unto all ships and vessels coming from North-America, in the same manner as was formerly had in the admission of those which arrived from the said colonies in the ports aforesaid, and that hospitality and favour be shewn them, which is usually done to other friendly nations.
Our court of exchequer will see this performed accordingly; and are ordered to cause this decree to be printed and set up in all public places of our city of Lisbon, and of other ports of this kingdom and

Algrave, that all persons may have due notice thereof, and none plead ignorance of the same.
Given at S. Sebastião de Major, the 13th of February, 1783.
Signed with her majesty's cypher. And in order that all persons may have notice of this royal resolution of our lady aforesaid, we have caused these presents to be printed, and affixed at all public places of this city, and other parts of this kingdom, agreeable to the tenor of the decree above mentioned.
Lisbon this 17th of February 1783.
(Signed) Gonfalo Jose da Silveira Preto, Jose da Costa Ribeiro.

TO THE PUBLIC.
AS a citizen deeply interested in what concerns the welfare and prosperity of my country, I beg leave to address you on a subject, which in my opinion concerns you nearly; and relying on the indulgence of a people, ever respectful, I hope, of those rights and privileges which they have established to themselves, by one of the greatest and most vigorous exertions that ever adorned the history of mankind, I shall freely offer whatever my mind may suggest, in the relation of a fact highly tending to debilitate their authority as citizens, and to divert them of the appellation of freemen.
Since the arrival of Sir Robert Eden and his family, I have observed their conduct with the eye of a jealous republican; and, from an instance sufficiently strong to divert my mind of the least spark of doubt, I am induced to believe that they, by their coming here at least, intended as no service, if not the greatest injuries in their power; and I hold it as incontrovertible, that those who were our enemies during a just and necessary war, have not such an immediate command over their passions, as so suddenly to become our bosom friends. This, to men of little or no consideration, may seem an illiberal conclusion, or the result of some private animosity; but to convince such, if any there be, that these sentiments do not flow from such a channel, I shall hasten to relate what at once confirmed my apprehensions, and induced me to communicate them to the public.
About a month ago, the register of the land-office had a patent presented to him, which he observed had been lately signed by Robert Eden; whereupon he immediately waited on the governor and council, gave them all the information in his power relative to the matter, and requested their advice and direction. The council then wrote to Sir Robert, reproaching the measure, and requesting him to inform them, whether he had signed such patent? If so, Under what pretext he had done it, and whether, under an idea of any then existing power as governor? Also directing him to deliver all the patents in his possession to the register of the land-office.—Sir Robert returns an answer, expressing great anxiety and surprise that the affair was discovered; confesses that he had executed such patent, though not under a conception of any power as governor; but that the patents were prepared for signing before he left the country, and that consequently he deemed himself equally bound to execute them, as to fulfil any contract that he might have made previous to his departure. He tells them, that he did it for the ease of the persons concerned, and to prevent trouble to the land-office. He at the same time informs them, that he had not done it rashly, or without deliberation; that he had taken the advice of two of his friends, before he had signed the patents. He promises in his letter to deliver all the patents in his possession (amounting, I have understood, to about fifty) to the register; and here, as far as my information goes, the matter rests.

Thus, my fellow citizens, have I endeavoured to communicate to you an affair, which I should not have conceived (however void of principle the man might be) he, or any other person within the reach of our laws would have dared to be guilty of. We ought to guard against every and the least encroachment on our rights; but when a man shall acknowledge, in contempt of our liberties and laws, that he had signed patents which he knew were not valid, for the sake, I suppose, of gaining some pecuniary advantages or other interests, what can we think of such conduct? We cannot suppose that he did it through ignorance, because it is well known that he is a man of abilities; therefore he must have had some inimical design. It is notorious, that Sir Robert's family have raised themselves to their present rank and dignity, by their address and cunning, and that they have been our constant enemies. Mr. William Eden (his brother) had for a long time pushed the parliament to oppress us, and was as inveterate against us at the conclusion of the peace, as he was at the beginning of the war.
After having maturely considered these circumstances, do you not feel yourselves animated with the highest resentment at such an encroachment on your liberties? Are you not struck with uncommon surprise, at the commission of so palpable and unparalleled a piece of audacity? Shall this country, after she has, by the fortitude, bravery, and virtue of her citizens and friends, gained every thing which freemen wish, calmly suffer such an insult? No; I trust that our assembly, when convened, will shew in a spirited manner their resentment at such conduct.
C I V I L S.
RECEIPT of continental taxes from the state of Maryland, published in pursuance of the 6th article of instructions from the office of finance, dated the 28th day of February, 1783.
Received January, 1784. Dollars, 90ths.
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BENJAMIN HARWOOD, receiver.

Baltimore, January 15, 1784.
I HEREBY give notice, that I intend to petition the general assembly of this state at their next session, for a restoration of my confiscated property, or a compensation therefor.
EBENEZER MACKIE.
R. Gouden

February 2, 1784.
FOR SALE,
A VERY valuable plantation, containing about five hundred and five acres of land whereon the subscriber now lives, in Montgomery county, about seven miles from Bladensburg, twelve miles from George-town, and the same distance from the court-house; the soil is well adapted to Indian corn, fine tobacco, and small grain; on it is plenty of wood-land to support the plantation, likewise a very valuable mill seat. The improvements are, a good dwelling house, kitchen; negro quarters, two good tobacco houses, with all other necessary out-houses, good apple and peach orchards. If not sold at private sale, it will be exposed at public vendue, on the twenty-second day of April next. The terms of sale will be made known to any person applying, or on the day of sale. Possession to be given the first of December next.
B. Harwood SAMUEL HARWOOD.

TAKEN up as a stray, by Philemon Warfield, living in Anne-Arundel county, near the Head of Severn, at the sign of the black horse, a bright bay mare, about twelve and a half hands high, with a hanging mane, switch tail, shod all fours, trots and gallops, about eight years old, no perceivable brand. The owner may have her again on proving property and paying charges.
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HIS Most Christian Majesty's packet the COURIER DE L'AMERIQUE, commanded by M. le Chevalier D'ABOVILLE, will sail for Port l'Orient, on or about the 15th of January next. Letters to go in her mail are received at the New-York post-office; and the public are hereby informed, that the French packets are an immediate channel of conveyance for letters from and to all parts of the continent of Europe; the general post-office at Paris having a daily intercourse with all its capitals.
WILLIAM SETON, Deputy Agent.
New-York; December 24, 1783.
Letters for all the French packets will be received at all the post-offices within the United States; the inland postage of such letters (from the office into which they are delivered to that at New-York) must be paid at the office in which they are left, or they will not be forwarded.
Philadelphia, December 29, 1783, 3
[The printers throughout the United States are requested to insert the above.]

[St. Mary's, January 12, 1784.
ALL persons that have any claims against the estate of Henry Sewall, late of St. Mary's county, deceased, are requested to bring in their claims by the tenth day of March next properly authenticated, and those who are indebted to the said estate are requested to settle and pay off their accounts by that day, that the estate may be finally settled.
M. SEWALL, executrix.

THERE is at the plantation of Mrs. Deborah Sellman, on Patuxent river, near Queen-Anne, taken up as a stray, a red brindie heifer, three or four years old, her mark is two crops and a slit in the left ear. The owner may have her again on proving property and paying charges.
LEONARD SELLMAN.

Anne-Arundel county, December 16, 1783.
To be SOLD at public sale, on the premises, on Saturday the 31st day of January, 1784, if fair, if not the Monday following,
A VALUABLE tract of land lying at the lower end of Anne-Arundel county, containing upwards of 400 acres, about four miles from Herring-bay, and three miles from Lyon's-creek, on Patuxent river, a healthy situation and fine water; the soil is equal to any land in the neighbourhood, and well adapted to Indian corn, fine tobacco, and small grain; on it is plenty of wood, and it is well timbered; the improvements are, a good dwelling house, kitchen, meat house, milk-house, overseer's house, negro quarters, two tobacco houses, with two good apple orchards, and a peach orchard, &c. the plantation all under good fence and in fine order for cropping. One third of the purchase money to be paid on the day of sale. Six months credit will be given for one third, and one year's credit for the other third of the purchase money, on giving bond on interest from the day of sale with approved security.
At the same time and place will be sold by public sale some valuable slaves, consisting of men, women, and children, the stock, cattle, horses, hogs, sheep, &c. for ready money.
Annapolis, January 25, 1784.
THE above advertisement being handed to the public without a signature, and the time too near at hand for due notice of the sale, I postpone it till the first day of March next, when all gentlemen inclined to purchase may depend on the strict attendance until the sale be finished.
2 SAMUEL LEWIN.

January 17, 1784.
To be SOLD, for crop tobacco, at public vendue, at the late dwelling plantation of James Leatch, deceased, near Lyon's-creek, in Calvert county, on Monday the 13th day of February next,
A NUMBER of valuable country born NEGROES, consisting of men, women, and children. Eighteen months credit will be given it required, on giving bond with good security.
3 X STEPHEN STEWARD.