

broad, that several proxies acted in congress for those members who could not conveniently come to town, and that the chief reason for congress not suffering the fitting members names to be published, is a consciousness of the many low and base characters they had among them, and whose exhibition to the light would tend at once to stamp ignominy on their whole body, and on their whole proceedings.

Congress locking themselves up, has been a complete nick on the sheriff's bailiffs, who had a few commands with the country members, and who had formed several artful schemes to have taken their birds sitting. But several of the members being old fly cocks, not only embraced the precaution of locking the doors, but took possession on Sunday evening, of several apartments at the exhibition-house, which they have hired till Sunday next, when they purpose to leave town without beat of drum.

Apocryphal Intelligence.—A very able politician having exhibited lunary calculations to prove that the national debt may be paid off at once, by every family in the kingdom making a voluntary surrender of its plate;—all his majesty's present ministers have agreed to let the example. This will be such a test of patriotism, as, from the numerous accounts of their own writers, could not have been produced by some of the former servants of the crown.

NEW-YORK, January 19.

The apprehensions of many gentlemen of this city, largely interested in the safety of several vessels, homeward bound, and long unaccounted for, have been perfectly relieved by the arrival last Friday at Sandy-Hook, of our good old friend captain Dunn, commander of the Greyhound British packet—amongst which are,

- The Edward, captain Coupar, at Dover.
The Duke of Buccleugh, captain Ritchie, in the Downs
The Eagle, captain Blane, at Glasgow, and
The Portland Packet, captain James, at Fal-mouth.

On the 26th of October, the Greyhound, captain Robinson, arrived at Gravesend, from Philadelphia. It is mentioned in private letters, that the British parliament would assemble on the 4th of December, fit a fortnight, and then adjourn until towards the close of January.

There being now in town a sufficient number of representatives in congress, (consisting of nine states), the honourable delegates daily sit, in their apartments, (in the City hall) on the dispatch of national business.

Yesterday arrived the French packet, le Courier de l'Amerique, captain Abaville, from Port l'Orient, in forty-nine days; by which opportunity we are again informed of the departure of the imperial ambassador from the Hague, without taking leave; and by letters from l'Orient, dated the 16th of November, to merchants in this city, that they may depend on war having been absolutely declared by the emperor against the states of Holland.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in Amsterdam, to his friend in New-York, dated November 5, 1784.

"The ambassador of the court of Vienna being recalled, and his departure from Gravenhague having effectually taken place the first instant, without taking leave, and our minister at Vienna, having received instructions from their High Mightinesses to do the same, we are now in open war with the emperor. Twenty thousand Croates are now marching towards our frontiers. The insurance upon Dutch vessels from America to Holland, is twenty per cent."

PHILADELPHIA, January 25.

By an authentic letter from Dublin, brought by the last packet, via New-York, we are informed, that a very material revolution is nearly effected there with respect to credit. The vigilance of the national bank has almost entirely suppressed that paper traffic, which has been carried to such excess, and enabled adventurers, with little or no property, to make a great figure, and sport away upon other mens substance. This has had a very visible effect on the manners of people in business, and has obliged them to retrench their superfluous expences, and live more within the bounds of their income. Our correspondent adds, that none but persons of real property will be able to pass this fiery ordeal.

Yesterday morning a boat was taken up adrift, near this city, in which were the bodies of two well dressed men, locked in each other's arms, and who are supposed to have perished in the cold the preceding night.

The ship West, captain Hendrick Fisher, from Cape Francois, after drifting three or four days in the ice, was, the 15th instant, forced aground in three feet water, on Bombay bar, and it is feared will be lost; yet, as she is a remarkable strong vessel, there are some hopes of her withstanding the reefs of the ice.

Captain Darcey, of the brig Liverpool, from Jamaica, was driven on shore by the ice, on Sunday evening, at Sandy Hook: on his passage, spoke the ship Brothers, captain Jacob Smith, from London, bound to Philadelphia, lat. 30, 40, and long. 74, 30, out 15 weeks, driven off the capes, after losing her top-sail yards, was then endeavouring to get to Charleston. Captain Smith had spoken 22 or 23 vessels driven off the coast.

February 1, 1785. To be SOLD cheap, for cash, A LIKELY NEGRO GIRL, about ten years old; she has been used to wait in the house. For particulars enquire of the printers hereof.

Anne-Arundel county, January 31, 1785. THE subscriber, having received a power of attorney of Mr. John Hall, son of Edward, empowering him to ask, demand, and receive, all and every the debts now due and owing him, Hereby gives notice to all those indebted, by bond, note, or otherways, that unless payment is made by the 20th day of February next, suits will commence to March next, without respect to persons. HENRY BALDWIN.

January 22, 1785. ALL persons that have claims against the estate of Basil Brooke, late of Charles county, deceased, are requested to bring them in that they may be paid, as far as there are assets left by the said deceased, and those that are indebted are desired to pay off their respective accounts without delay. JOSEPH BROOKE, administrator of the deceased with the will annexed.

THERE are at the plantation of Joseph Gill, near South river ferry, in Anne-Arundel county, taken up as strays, in the pasture of Mary Pearson, two mares, the one a roan, about six years old, has no perceivable mark about her; the other black, about ten and a half hands high, and has no perceivable mark or brand. The owner or owners may have them again on proving property and paying charges.

NOTICE is hereby given, that on Tuesday the 8th of February next will be sold, at public vendue, one moiety of the schooner JOLLY CAR, and her tackle, now laying in Annapolis harbour, late the property of James Robinson, jun. deceased, the sale to be held on board the said schooner, at Log's wharf, at ten o'clock. She will carry thirty-two hogsheads of tobacco under her deck. All persons having any claims against the estate of the said James Robinson, jun. deceased, are hereby requested to bring them in, that they may be adjusted; and all those indebted are requested to make payment to JAMES ROBINSON, sen. administrator.

Annapolis, January 18, 1785. THIS is to inform my debtors, that I am in great want of money, and necessity will oblige me to put the law in force against those who do not make payment before the 10th day of February next. JOSEPH BREWER.

Prince-George's county, December 17, 1784. To be SOLD to the highest bidder, on Tuesday, the 15th day of February next, if fair, if not the next fair day, at the house of Samuel Dove, ABOUT four hundred and fifty acres of land, lying in the county aforesaid, about four miles from Alexandria; the said land hath plenty of timber, excellent water, and good improvements, with a good apple orchard, and other kinds of fruit. The premises may be seen any time before the day of sale by applying to the subscriber. Extensive credit will be given for the greatest part of the purchase money on giving bond on interest with approved security, to HENRY HUMFREY.

BY virtue of a law passed this present session, for altering the time for holding the courts, notice is hereby given, That Saint Mary's county court will be held on the Monday before the fourth Tuesday in March, and on the Mondays before the first Tuesdays in June and September. Charles county court, on the Monday before the first Tuesday in April, and on the Mondays before the second Tuesdays in June and September. Prince George's county, on the Monday before the second Tuesday in April, and on the Mondays before the fourth Tuesdays in June and September. Calvert county, on the Monday before the third Tuesday in April, and on the Mondays before the third Tuesdays in June and September. Cecil county, on the Monday before the second Tuesday in March, June, and October. Talbot county, on the Monday before the first Tuesdays in March, June, and November.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD. Annapolis, December 23, 1784. RAN away from the subscriber, some time in the month of September last, a negro woman named LUCY, formerly the property of Benedict Calvert, Esq; of Prince-George's county; is about five feet four inches high, and has lost one eye; her wearing apparel is unknown. Whoever secures her so that her master may get her again, shall receive thirty shillings if taken up ten miles from home, if twenty miles fifty shillings and if out of the state the above reward, including what the law allows, and reasonable charges if brought home, paid by ARCHIBALD GOLDER.

Annapolis, January 26, 1785. FOR SALE, FIFTY acres of good level wood land, on Rhode river, in Anne-Arundel county. For terms apply to THOMAS HARWOOD, in Annapolis.

To be SOLD, For want of Employ, A VERY valuable NEGRO MAN, about twenty years of age. The terms will be made known, by applying to the subscriber in Annapolis. JAMES MACKUBIN.

Maryland, January 20, 1785. WANTED IMMEDIATELY, A SKILFUL architect, who can be well recommended, with a sufficient number of hands, to build a genteel country villa the ensuing summer; some money will be advanced, also bricks and lime, &c. will be furnished. A letter directed to the subscriber in Prince-George's county, near Upper Marlborough, will be duly attended to. ROBERT DARNALL.

LOST out of my pocket, about twelve weeks ago, a depreciation certificate, No. 2117, granted to John Bask, soldier of the Maryland line, for the sum of sixty pounds specie. Any person finding the same, producing it to the subscriber, living at George town, or William Campbell at Annapolis, shall receive a guinea reward. All persons whatever are forewarned receiving the same as it is my property. It is hoped that the treasurer will stop it, should it be offered him in payment. WILLIAM BAYLY.

FOUND on the west-rn side of Kent land, on the 23d of December 1784, a BOAT about fourteen feet keel, clinch work, with a white bottom marked on her stern ARTHUSA. The owner may have her again on proving property and paying charges. JOHN SLINNEY.

LOST, On Wednesday, January 12, 1785. By GERARD CROWN, Near Patuxent river, in Prince-George's county.

A CERTIFICATE, dated September 19, 1782, in favour of Francis Clements of Montgomery county, for £. 6) 10 3 specie. The person who has found the same shall receive a reward of twelve dollars on delivering it to the subscriber. FRANCIS CLEMENS.

CAME to the plantation of John Mercer, living on the Head of South river, some time last year, a large red and white steer, with a cop in the ear, an under and over bit in the left, and a mark on the left horn. The owner may have him again on proving property and paying charges.

St Mary's county, November 4, 1784. COMMITTED to my custody as a runaway, a negro by the name of BOB, who says he belongs to one Frederick Hearn, of the state of Virginia, and lives in Norfolk; had on a pair of striped cneck trousers, a small round hat, coarse linen shirt, and an old spotted coat; he is about 5 feet 8 inches high. The owner is desired to pay charges and take him away. SAMUEL ABELL, the sheriff.

TO BE SOLD, ABOUT 1300 acres of land, lying near the Head of Severn, about 16 miles from Annapolis, and 17 from Baltimore; the soil is adapted both to farming and planting, and has the advantage of a very large tract of meadow ground, a considerable part of which is cleared and may be improved at a small expence; the land is chiefly wooded, and the lower parts abound with a great variety of lofty timbers, it is well watered, and has a good seat for a mill, and only six miles from navigation. For terms apply to the subscriber in Annapolis. JAMES STEUART.

Baltimore November 3, 1784. TO BE RENTED, A VALUABLE plantation, five miles from Annapolis, situated on navigable water, on which is a very convenient dwelling house, with out-rooms suitable for a farmer or planter; on this place there is also, an apple and peach orchard, sundry good springs, very convenient; the land good, and will produce good crops of small grain or tobacco. For terms apply to the subscriber, in Calvert-street Baltimore. RICHARD BURLAND.

The printers, for want of paper, can only publish a half sheet, and of consequence are obliged to defer the latter part of the Supply bill, and several advertisements, till next week.