

Now therefore, know ye, that we the said Samuel Holten and Rufus King, by virtue of the power and authority to us committed by the said acts of the general court of Massachusetts before recited, in the name, and for and on behalf of the said commonwealth of Massachusetts, do by these presents, assign, transfer, quit claim, cede and convey to the United States of America, for their benefit, Massachusetts inclusive, all right, title and estate of and in as well the soil as the jurisdiction, which the said commonwealth hath to the territory or tract of country, within the limits of the Massachusetts charter, situate and lying west of the following line— that is to say, a meridian line to be drawn from the forty fifth degree of north latitude, through the westerly bent or inclination of lake Ontario, thence by the said meridian line, to the most southerly side line of the territory contained in the Massachusetts charter; but if on experiment the above described meridian line, shall not comprehend twenty miles due west, from the most westerly bent, or inclination, of the river or strait of Niagara, then we do by these presents, by virtue of the power and authority aforesaid, in the name and on behalf of the said commonwealth of Massachusetts, transfer, quit claim, cede and convey to the United States of America, for their benefit, Massachusetts inclusive, all right, title and estate, or and in as well the soil as the jurisdiction, which the said commonwealth hath to the territory or tract of country within the limits of the Massachusetts charter, situate and lying west of the following line: That is to say, a meridian line to be drawn from the forty fifth degree of north latitude, through a point twenty miles due west, from the most westerly bent or inclination of the river or strait of Niagara; thence by the said meridian line, to the most southerly side line of the territory, contained in the Massachusetts charter aforesaid, for the purposes in the said recited acts declared, and to the uses in a resolve of Congress, of the tenth of October, one thousand seven hundred and eighty, mentioned in testimony whereof, we have hereunto subscribed our names, and affixed our seals in Congress, this nineteenth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty five, and of the independence of the United States of America the ninth.

S. HOLTEN,
RUFUS KING.

Signed, sealed and delivered
in the presence of
Benjamin Bankson, jun.
John Fisher,
Robert Patton.

ALEXANDRIA, May 19.

Last Tuesday, being the day appointed by the states of Virginia and Maryland, relative to opening the inland navigation of the river Patowmack, a meeting was held at Mr. Lomax's tavern, consisting of a very numerous assembly of the first people in the respective states. Daniel Carroll, Esq; president of the assembly of Maryland, being appointed to the chair, the subscription books were read as the acts direct, when it appeared that forty thousand three hundred pounds was subscribed, a sum far beyond what was requisite to incorporate the company. The company was of course established, and proceeded to the election of a president and directors, when the following gentlemen were appointed: his excellency George Washington, president; George Gilpin, John Fitzgerald, Thomas Johnson, and Thomas S. Lee, Esquires, directors.

This great and important work is to be immediately begun. The vast consequence that must derive to the middle states when completed, cannot be elucidated but by time, the discoverer of all great events.

The next general meeting is appointed to be held at George-town on the first of August next.

We hear from the southward of a very destructive insect having got among the new wheat, in the neighbourhood of Richmond, by which many crops had received great damage. These insects have been, from time to time, observed further southward.

The Lion, captain Campbell, is arrived in this river from Glasgow, under jury masts, after a passage of nine weeks. She lost her masts in a gale of wind after being fifteen days at sea.

ANNAPOLIS, May 26.

His Most Christian Majesty's packet Le Courier de l'Europe, Monf. Cornic ou Moulin, commander, will sail with the mail from New-York for l'Orient, on the 15th of June next.

LAWS OF MARYLAND.

THE subscriber, printer to the state, takes leave to inform all persons who wish to have a copy of the laws of Maryland, from Bacon's abridgement up to the end of the last session of assembly, with the resolutions of the several conventions, the proceedings of the convention that framed the constitution, the declaration of rights and form of government, and the articles of confederation, that, by order of the general assembly, he shall begin that work in a few months, under the direction of Alexander C. Hanson and Samuel Chase, Esquires; and as he intends to strike but a few copies more than what are ordered for the public use, or engaged by individuals, has sent subscription papers to the clerks of the several counties, and a number of other gentlemen in each county, for the purpose of collecting the names of those persons desirous of securing a copy of this useful and necessary work, which will be printed with a new letter, on a good paper, of the same size, and nearly on the same plan, with Bacon's, to be delivered (at a particular place in each county) bound in leather, at three pounds each copy. Having requested a return of the subscriptions by the middle of August, he hopes those who mean to subscribe will do it before that time, or they will lose the opportunity of purchasing so valuable a book.

FREDERICK GREEN.

Annapolis, May, 1785.

A few Copies of CHAMPION ON COMMERCE, To be sold at the Printing-Office.

May 24, 1785.

On the 20th day of September next, if fair, if not the next fair day, will be sold on the premises,

A VALUABLE tract of land, lying in Stafford county, Virginia, well watered, and abounding with good timber. The south bounds of the land are within twelve miles of Fredericksburg, and the north bounds about five miles from Dumfries, both considerable and growing towns. The east bounds are about one mile from Aquia warehouse, and crosses Aquia run at the fork where the north and south branches divide, each extending westward through the whole land, and will furnish several valuable mill seats. At the fork of the two branches on the eastern bounds, and where both may be included, there is a remarkable convenient seat, with abundance of water, for a large merchant mill and saw mill, with plenty of stone for building, and heights to erect mills of any construction. Adjoining to this seat are upwards of one thousand acres of uncleared land, abounding with timber proper for a saw mill, such as large white oak and pine, of the latter many large enough for ship's lower masts. The annual rents now on the land are upwards of twenty-two thousand pounds of tobacco, and there are upwards of four thousand acres still unsettled. It is a remarkable healthy place, and from its number of branches and small natural meadows, affords good grazing for stock. The whole is laid off in thirty two lots from one hundred and fifty to three hundred and fifty acres, for the convenience of purchasers; and a draught may be seen, and the land shown on application to colonel Bailey Washington, whose residence is adjoining to it. The conditions and terms of sale are as follow: The lots to be sold respectively at public sale, to the highest bidder, in the ring money, or good London bills of exchange. Good and silver will be taken at its value, and crop tobacco of one thousand net, inspected within the year, will be received in discount at such price as may be agreed on. Deeds to be given with a general warranty. One third of the purchase money to be paid down, one third in two years, and the other third in three years, from the day of sale, with legal interest to be paid annually. Bonds to be given with approved security, and if the annual interest, being demanded, is not paid within three months after it becomes due, the indulgence of credit shall be forfeited, and a suit may be commenced to recover both principal and interest. Any purchaser making the second and third payments, or any part of either, on the day of sale, will be allowed a discount of ten per cent. on such sum. Any person or persons inclinable to purchase the whole before the day of sale, shall have it at a moderate price, on paying down one half the purchase money, and giving bond on interest, with approved security, conditioned as above, for payment of the other half within five years from the time of sale.

WILLIAM FITZHUGH.

Office for confiscated estates, Annapolis, May 22, 1785.

ON Monday the 25th of July next, Natooke Manor, in Dorchester county, will be disposed of at public sale, for current money, or any specie certificates issued by this state, payable the first day of January 1790, with interest annually. Bond with two approved securities to be given.

This Manor contains several thousands of acres, and will be sold in convenient lots for farming. It includes the town of Vienna, which will be laid off anew, and sold in single lots.

CLEMENT HOLYDAY,
GABRIEL DUVAL.

Anne-Arunde county, May 20, 1785.

Will be offered for sale, on Monday the 4th day of July next, if fair, if not the next fair day,

THE subscriber's valuable plantation, containing three hundred and twenty five acres, lying within three miles of Herring Bay, and five of Lower Marlborough, the soil is remarkably good for tobacco, corn, wheat, rye, oats, &c. at this time there are about fifteen acres of excellent tobacco ground lying before the door, which produces as large tobacco as grows in the settlement; this land has a great quantity of meadow ground, about twenty acres cleared, the greater part in cultivation, a sufficiency of rail timber to support the land for many years to come; the improvements are, a new dwelling house twenty four by twenty-eight, a cellar the bigness of the house, a hall, two rooms, and a passage below, completely finished, and four above, a new kitchen, and paved garden built this spring, a milk house, quarter, corn house, tobacco house, overseers house, &c. two good apple orchards and other fruit of different kinds. Two years credit will be given from the day of sale, on paying one third of the purchase money in October next. Possession may be had the first day of November, when a deed will be given to the purchaser, by

GILBERT HAMILTON SMITH.

RAN away from the subscriber, living in Prince-George's county, in the holydays, a mulatto man named ARCHIBALD, about five feet five inches high, 21 years of age, the calves of his legs are very much scarified by a scald; he took with him a gray mare, about 14 hands and an inch high, 5 years old, branded on the near buttock B. C. Whoever takes up and secures the said slave, so that I get him again, shall receive six dollars reward, and four dollars for the mare.

BENEDICT CALVERT.

THE sale of the Newington Rope-walk, with the houses and utensils thereunto belonging, advertised to be on the 20th instant, is postponed till further notice.

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May 23, 1785.
On Wednesday the 8th day of June next, will be let up to the highest bidder, at Pig point, in Anne-Arunde county,

THE land whereon Mr. Richard Lane, jun. lately deceased, lived; there are valuable buildings on it, and other improvements, the soil good. I need not say any thing to enhance the value, as any person who inclines to purchase may view the premises; there are persons who will lease the land at any time.

Also, at same time and place will be exposed to sale, four valuable negroes, a man, two women, and a girl. Time will be given for payment, and the terms made known on that day.

THOMAS CONTEE, executor.
N. B. The land contains 248 and a half acres.

March 29, 1785.

To be SOLD, on the premises, to the highest bidder, on Tuesday the 14th of June next, if fair, if not the next fair day,

A TRACT of land, in Charles county, within ten miles of Benedict, and about the same distance from Magruder's warehouse, called Withers Plains, containing by estimation two hundred and fourteen acres, formerly the property of Richard Parran, late of Calvert county, deceased. Terms will be made known on the day of sale.

THOMAS MACKALL.

THE gentlemen who have become subscribers, according to the act of assembly in that case provided, for founding a college on the western shore of this state, will be pleased to take notice, that elections for choosing visitors and governors of the said college will be held at the following times and places, viz. at the STADT-HOUSE in Annapolis, on the 5th day of July next, at 11 o'clock, where all the subscribers resident in Anne-Arunde county are requested to attend for the election of three visitors and governors, in which they are entitled by the amount of their respective subscriptions. At Nottingham, in Prince-George's county, on the 22nd day of July, for the election of one visitor and governor, by the gentlemen who subscribe to the paper in the hands of the rev. Mr. Claggett. At the court-house, Upper Marlborough, on the 29th day of July, for the election of one visitor and governor, by the gentlemen subscribers to the papers in the hands of George Digges, David Crauturd, and Robert Dick, Esquires, or the rev. Edward Gantt, rev. Mr. Adams, and others, deputed in that county to receive subscriptions.

The election for St. Mary's county, will be held at the court house in that county, on the 13th day of July; at Port Tobacco, for Charles county, on the 14th day of July; at Lower Marlborough, for Calvert county, on the 14th day of July; at George-town, for Montgomery county, on the 15th day of July; at Baltimore-town, for Baltimore county, on the 15th day of July; at which times and places the subscribers in their respective counties, are requested to attend by 11 o'clock in the forenoon, where some one or more of the agents appointed by law, will attend with complete lists of the subscribers in each county, who have either already subscribed, or who may subscribe before the day appointed for the election in their respective counties. The agents appointed by law, are

JOHN CARROLL, RICHARD SPRIGG,
WILLIAM SMITH, JOHN STERES,
PATRICK ALLISON, GEORGE DIGGES.

N. B. Notice will be given in some future paper the time of holding the elections for Frederick, Stafford, and Washington counties, as soon as the agents can obtain returns of the subscriptions in those counties, which they request may be forwarded so that the elections may be held before the 1st day of August.

Just imported from London, and to be sold by the subscriber, at his shop in West-street, near the Town-gate, Annapolis, for cash, the following articles, viz.

AN elegant assortment of ladies set shoe buckles and plated shoe, knee, and stock ditto; neat stands, with eight and five glasses; plain and engraved, silver and plated table and tea spoons; silver and plated coffee, tea, and cream pots; quart caddis; quart, pint, and half pint mugs and cases; elegant plated candlesticks; chain and plain silver, gold, set, and plain rings and earrings; watch springs and pins; watch chains, trinkets, and such &c. &c.

ABRAHAM CLAUDE.

Imported in the last vessels from London, by

WILLIAMS and NETH,

And now opened for sale at their store on the Dock

A GENERAL assortment of goods suited to the season, amongst which are, jeans; lean and sewing twine; sail duck, No. 1 to 3; cordage; leas, and lead lines; sea-compasses; nails of different sizes; broad and narrow hoes; grain and grass hoes; stones; pickles; pewter dishes, plates, basins, and measures; frying-pans; spades; hand, cross cut, and mill saws; files; paint; paint oil; spirits of turpentine; grind-stones; port wine; excellent bottled porter; Gloucester and Cheshire cheese; red and black mon bark; with a great variety of other articles.

They have also for sale; Madeira wine of the vintage 1780, by the quarter cask, or gallon; Jamaica spirit; old West-India rum; loaf, muscovado, and Spanish white sugars; teas; chocolate, &c. All which will sell at reasonable terms, for cash, bills of exchange, or good crop tobacco.

TAKEN up some time in March last, at Knap Point, a small row-boat, made of cedar. The owner may have her again on proving property, and paying charges, on applying to Mrs. Conaway, at Magothy ferry.

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