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more than sufficient to convince all Europe of the earnest wish of the republic for peace: That it was trifling with its honour and dignity to suppose the expences of the march of the Austrian troops amounted to that sum; that, as the additional demand of seven millions and a half, made by count de Mercy, it was their opinion that the republic had already made too great sacrifices for the sake of peace, and therefore ought resolutely to oppose any farther concessions whatever. That the confidence the republic has placed in the powerful intercession, and formidable support of France, had hitherto prevented their taking the necessary precaution for their security; but that if all the steps taken by the republic towards a pacification proved unavailing, and it should be obliged to defend its rights and dignity by force of arms, that province would not be wanting to contribute to the utmost of its power towards the preservation of the liberty and the independence of the state as became a faithful branch of the confederacy.

By letters from Paris we are informed, that every possible effort is exerting for putting the navy of France upon as respectable a footing as that of the most formidable of the neighbouring powers; and they further say, that it is in agitation to add thirty-two men to each of the regiments of cavalry, previous to a general review of these corps in the ensuing spring.

The preliminary articles which have been fixed by the high and mighty states and the emperor, is most generally thought will by no means allay the discontent and turbulence that has long been brooding on the continent. The Dutch are very far from being unanimous in making the concessions; the Prussian majesty looks with a jealous eye on the extension of the imperial dominions; nor is it at all probable that the emperor, who has even shewn an active spirit, and hitherto found he had more to ask to obtain, will find his ambition amply gratified, and sit quietly down with his present acquisitions.

ANNAPOLIS, December 8.

On Wednesday the 23d of November, Congress elected the honourable John Hancock, Esq; of Massachusetts, president of that august body. He not being present, they proceeded to the choice of a chairman when the honourable David Ramsey, Esq; of South-Carolina, was elected.

Prince-George's county, December 1, 1785.
To be SOLD, on Tuesday the third day of January next, or the next fair day, at Nottingham,

A PARCEL of healthy country born slaves, consisting of men, women, and children, late the property of Leonard Brooks, deceased. Six months credit will be given, on giving bond with approved security of good interest, if the bond be complied with.
10/7/6 HENRY HILL, jun. executor.

December 7, 1785.
To be sold on the premises, on Tuesday the 20th instant, to the highest bidder, at public vendue,

ABOUT 395 acres of land, part of that well known tract called White-Hall, lying on the Head of South river, about 10 miles from Annapolis and 30 from Baltimore; the improvements are, a good tobacco house, three negro quarters, corn house, and an apple orchard; the soil is remarked for making fine tobacco, and produces excellent crops of Indian corn and small grain of every kind, a sufficiency of wood, and some very good meadow ground. Possession will be given on the first of January next, and five years credit for the money, on the purchaser giving bond upon interest with approved security; the interest to be paid as it becomes due, otherwise the indulgence of credit to be forfeited. Any person who may choose to view the land before the day of sale, will be shown it by applying to Mr. Robert Smith.
1 JOHN PLUMMER.

On Tuesday the 20th of December 1785, will be exposed to sale, by vendue, at Queen-Anne's, on nine months credit,

ALL the estate of Mr. John Liams, late of Queen-Anne, deceased, consisting of negroes, live stock, and household furniture.—All persons indebted to the said estate are again requested to make immediate payment, or they must be dealt with as the law directs.
1 SINGLETON WOOTTON, administrator.

Bedlam Neck, St. Mary's county, December 3, 1785.
I FOREWARN all persons from hunting within my enclosures with either dog or gun.
10/7/6 JOHN SHANKS.

TAKEN up as a stray, by Aaron Spurr, in Anne-Arundel county, a nasty bay GELDING, about six years old, near fourteen hands high, the off shoulder appears to have been broken or slipped, has a small star on his forehead, and branded on the near shoulder G. The owner may have him again on proving property and paying charges.
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By the COMMITTEE of GRIEVANCES and COURTS of JUSTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the committee of grievances and courts of justice will sit every day during the present session, from 9 o'clock in the morning until 3 o'clock in the afternoon.
By order, W. PINKNEY, clk.

Annapolis, October 1, 1785.

THIS is to give notice to all whom it may concern, that I intend to apply to the general assembly at their next session, for a law to confirm my right and title in a lot of ground, in the precincts of Annapolis, which I formerly bought of a certain colonel Charles Hammond, and which was by him purchased of a certain Thomas Larkin, of Anne-Arundel county.
NATHAN HAMMOND.

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For the year 1786, may be had at the Printing Office.

Maryland, Montgomery county, November 9, 1785.
The subscriber proposes to sell at public vendue, on Thursday the 16th day of March next, if fair, if not the next fair day, if not sold privately before, on the premises, the following lands lying in the county aforesaid, viz.

ABERDEEN, with two small tracts nearly adjoining, in the whole about 180 acres of very level fertile land, whereon are the following valuable improvements, to wit: a commodious two story brick dwelling house, 42 by 30, four rooms, a passage and bar well finished on the lower floor, and four rooms on the upper floor not quite finished, a cellar underneath the whole, with convenient divisions therein, a large and convenient kitchen with a good brick chimney, one other house with a brick chimney thereto, which, with a small expence, might be converted into a store house, a good tobacco house 32 by 22, a large and well constructed stable divided into stalls, several other convenient and necessary out houses, a large garden with a stone wall round it, and adjoining the dwelling house a well of excellent water within a few steps of the kitchen door, about nine acres of excellent meadow now in timothy, and an orchard of apple trees of the best kind of fruit; about 70 acres of this land are yet to clear, the rest under good and sufficient fencing, and the whole adapted to farming or planting; through this tract and close to the dwelling house runs the road from George-town to Frederick town, and is about 13 miles from the former and 30 from the latter, and less than a mile from the court-house of this county; this land is justly esteemed one of the best in the county for a tavern, and has been occupied as such for several years; if not sold at or before the above-mentioned time, I propose to rent it with the house thereon for a term of years.

Five hundred acres, part of a tract of land called Leekin's Lot, lying on the waters of Seneca, about 20 miles from George-town and 35 from Baltimore; the soil of this land is well adapted to the cultivation of fine tobacco, lies level, and abounds in springs of excellent water; a large quantity of beautiful watered meadow might be made thereon at a very small expence; there are about 40 or 50 acres of this land cleared, and rents for 2000.00 of crop tobacco yearly, and the assessment of 200 acres paid by the tenants yearly; the improvements are, a small log dwelling house, a few out houses, and a young orchard of apple trees.

Two hundred and fifty acres, part of a tract of land called Exchange and New Exchange Enlarg'd, lying within a mile of Aberdeen; this land lies level, abounds in springs of good water, and is suitable for either planting or farming, about 30 acres of very valuable meadow ground belonging to it, 40 or 50 acres fresh cleared, under good fence, and in good order for cropping. The rest of the improvements are, a negro quarter and new log tobacco house 32 by 22 covered with shingles.

Addition to Discovery, containing 90 acres; this land lies about 15 miles from George-town, is remarkably strong and rich, abounding in heavy timber and springs of excellent water; there are about 30 acres of it cleared and under a good fence, about three acres of beautiful meadow now in grass; the improvements are, a small log dwelling house, kitchen, a good framed tobacco house, and 200 bearing apple trees of the very best fruit. The title to these lands is indisputable, and the terms of payment will be made very easy to the purchaser by
2 JAMES SUTER.

Worcester county, November 8, 1785.
NOTICE is hereby given to all persons concerned, that a petition will be preferred to the general assembly by the creditors of Jonathan Riggen, late of the county aforesaid, deceased, praying an act to pass to make sale of the real estate of the said Jonathan, for the payment of his debts.
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By the COMMITTEE of CLAIMS, November 14, 1785.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the committee of claims will sit at the assembly room, in the stadthouse, every day during this session, from the hours of 9 in the morning till 3 o'clock in the afternoon, to receive and allow all just claims that may be exhibited against the public.
By order, A. GOLDBER, clk.

Tulip-hill, November 16, 1785.
On Thursday the 15th day of December next, will be exposed to sale, by vendue, at Tulip-hill, the residence of the late Samuel Galloway, at West river,

A NUMBER of horses, mares, colts, and fillies, among which are, a full blooded bay stallion named Silver-Tail, a full blooded black stallion named Comet, a two years old full blooded chefnut colt got by Chatham, a full blooded bay mare, in foal by Mr. Hall's Eclipse, and several three quarters and seven eighths blooded mares, colts, and fillies. Twelve months credit will be given, upon the purchasers entering into bond with good security.
3X JOHN GALLOWAY, JAMES CHESTON.

November 17, 1785.
NOTICE is hereby given, that the inhabitants of George-town, on Patowmack river, intend to present a petition to the general assembly now sitting, praying for an incorporation of the said town.
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October 25, 1785.
NOTICE is hereby given, that the inhabitants of Talbot county intend to petition the next general assembly to appoint commissioners for laying out a town at the court house in said county.
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Montgomery county, November 23, 1785.
FOR SALE,

THE subscriber's dwelling plantation, within four and a half miles of George town, containing upwards of two hundred acres of good farming land, a great sufficiency of wood, water, and meadow; the improvements are, a good frame dwelling house; kitchen, tobacco house, barn, overseer's house, negro quarter, &c. the situation is pleasant, and the title indisputable. For further particulars inquire of
w 2 JOSEPH SPRIGG BELT.

ALL persons having claims against Edward Hall, late of Frederick county, deceased, are requested to bring them in properly proved, and those indebted are desired to make payment to
2 WILLIAM HALL, MARSH M. DUVALL, } executors.

November 29, 1785.
ALL persons having claims against Thomas Liams, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, are requested to bring their accounts in properly proved, and all those indebted are desired to make payment, that the subscriber may be enabled to settle the estate.
2 3 W RICHARD FOGGIE, administrator.

TAKEN up the 11th instant, November, at the subscriber's landing, in Calvert county, three miles from Plum-point, a small BOAT, about fourteen feet keel, five feet wide, with a pitch bottom, she appears to be very good, only a little damaged on her gunwales. The owner may have her again on proving property and paying charges.
2 SAMUEL OWENS.

October 30, 1785.
FOR SALE,

A TRACT of land, containing 586 acres, lying on the south branch of Mattapony river, in Spotsylvania county, Virginia; it is of the first quality in the said county for tobacco, wheat, and corn, and abounds in excellent meadow lands; there are on the said land a dwelling house 38 by 16, with 3 fire places, and other convenient out houses, a water grist mill, a fine orchard of the best kind of fruit, and peach orchards; there are to clear on the said land 450 acres of well timbered land, and there is already cleared good fresh ground sufficient to work 7 or 8 hands to great advantage. This land is for sale on reasonable terms for ready money, or short credit.
3X JAMES CRAWFORD.

October 30, 1785.
FOR SALE,

A TRACT of land, containing 814 acres, lying on Pamunkey river, in Spotsylvania county, Virginia; there are about 200 acres of low grounds of the first quality on the said river, it abounds with fine meadow land; there is land enough cleared and under good fences to work 10 or 12 hands to great advantage; this land is remarkable for fine tobacco, wheat, and corn, a tolerable good proportion of buildings on it, with orchards of apples and peaches; it lies about 28 miles from Fredericksburg, and 45 from Richmond, two of our chief trading towns in Virginia, and is for sale on reasonable terms, for ready money or short credit.
3X FRANCIS MERIWETHER.

TWELVE DOLLARS REWARD.

Annapolis, November 8, 1785.
STOLEN out of the house of the subscriber, on Wednesday night the second instant, three GREAT COATS, one a superfine blue broad cloth, quite new, with very elegant yellow buttons, the pockets on the out side pretty high under the arms; the other two were drab coloured coats, one had a crimson velvet cape, the buttons were covered with the same as the coat; the other had a cape the same as the coat, with mohair buttons. Four dollars reward will be given for either of the coats, and upon conviction of the thief the above reward, paid by
3 GEORGE MANN.

November 5, 1785.

RAN away from the subscriber, living on Anne-Arundel Manor, on the 7th day of September last, a negro man named PUNCH, about 24 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, has a large and long nose; had on when he went away an cinabrig shirt, country cloth waistcoat and breeches, and an old felt hat; it is probable that he may have changed his name and cloaths; he had a large scar occasioned by a burn on one, or perhaps on both of his shoulders. Whoever takes up the said runaway and brings him home, or secures him in any gaol, so that the subscriber gets him again, shall have a reward of three pounds, including what the law allows.
3X JOHN WELCH, son of Robert.

To be rented, or leased for three years,
A VALUABLE FARM, on the north side of Severn river, with a genteel house thereon, and all convenient out houses, &c. Possession will be given between this and Christmas. Application to be made to Richard Burland in Baltimore, or William Goldsmith in Annapolis.
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LOST or mislaid, by Bennet Heerst, of Baltimore county, a certificate for thirty-four pounds four shillings and two-pence, No. 1298, bearing date the first day of June 1784, which he obtained from the loan-office for money lent.
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