

Importation of gauzes and other vile trash, that, if not properly discountenanced, will soon make us poor indeed!"

Notwithstanding the repeated accounts of the depredations of the Barbary corsairs upon the American trade, there is reason to think the far greater part of the intelligence is fabricated by our old well-wishers in England and elsewhere, for purposes sufficiently obvious. The story of the Turkish cruisers in the West-India seas, is probably of equal authority with the rest, and calculated to operate upon the credulous and uninformed of this country, who think nothing safe, except in British bottoms.

PHILADELPHIA, May 17.

By recent letters from Spain we hear, that the account of the cession of the Floridas to France is premature; but that there was great reason to believe that something of the kind would take place between England and Spain, in exchange for the fortresses of Gibraltar, which would besides be followed by a very favourable treaty of commerce. Should it take place it may prove of a very alarming nature to the United States, both as neighbours and as rivals in several important branches of trade.

Extra of a letter from New-Haven, May 3.

Thursday last, captain White arrived here from Jamaica, in 25 days. He was obliged to quit the island precipitately, before he had completed his business, to escape a seizure. On his passage he spoke a vessel bound to Newport, which had been seized in Jamaica, but made his escape."

Extra of a letter from a gentleman in Lisbon, to his friend in this city, dated March, 1786.

"The Portuguese with their six sail of men of war, have drove the Algerines into the Straits, and another squadron is fitting out to keep our coast clear, so that your colours may safely navigate to Lisbon."

SAVANNAH, (Georgia) April 20.

A correspondent informs us, that a young man, who knew but little of the world, was lately shewing publicly the pieces which he had taken out of the middle of some dollars, that he had cut into half dollars. They are called, whereupon a gentleman present had the curiosity to weigh one of the pieces so cut out, and found it nearly equal to one quarter of a dollar: And that there is information from Philadelphia, that bars of this kind, thus filched from the people of Georgia, and shipped from hence, have been sold to one silversmith there, to the amount of seventy pounds weight of silver? Will the people suffer such plundering to be punished?

Extra of a letter from Ostend, February 8

"Two ships are fitting here by some merchants, under the auspices and with the emperor's particular privilege, for the Newfoundland fishery; they are of 400 tons each. We understand that his imperial majesty has procured permission from France for his ships to exercise within the French limits; and that two will sail annually from this port. They are, however, constantly to use the Austrian flag. The present ships are well provided in every respect."

Extra of a letter from London, March 1.

"The new prophet, who has appeared in the Turkish dominions, increases the number of his followers every day. One very strong inducement is, no doubt, that he has permitted them to drink wine, which was expressly forbidden by Mahomet. Sacrificing to the appetite of the mob, the safest way to gain their favour, and this maxim will hold true from the mob at Constantinople to the independent electors of a borough in England."

ANNAPOLIS, May 25.

On Friday last arrived here the ship Charlotte, captain Andrews, in eight weeks from London.

On the 7th instant, an express arrived in the city of Philadelphia from the Western Country, and brought dispatches which contain the following intelligence, viz. That in the night of the 24th of March, the hostages from the Shawanese nation, together with their interpreter and his family, privately withdrew from our fort at the mouth of the Miami. That several murders had been committed, both above and below the fort; two very recently within four miles of it, on the Kentucky shore. That from threats and insinuations of unfriendly Indians, an attack of that garrison was apprehended; under this idea, a reinforcement is gone down from Fort Mifflin. That the garrison is well supplied with provisions, and plenty of excellent water within the body of the work. That about twenty Indians were lately seen near Fort Mifflin, but their intention could not be devised; and that several of their chiefs had been invited to a talk with Sir John Johnson at Niagara.

On Monday the 8th instant, two companies of the troops, raised for the defence of the posts on the Western frontiers, under the command of that experienced officer colonel J. Harmer, marched from Philadelphia for Fort-Pitt. They are well equipped, and make a very martial appearance, and will doubtless be considered as a seasonable reinforcement to the companies already on that station. Captains Ferguson, of the train of artillery, and M'Curdy, of the infantry, command the above companies. We learn that the company from New-Jersey, under captain Mercer, will also take up their march in a few days for the same quarter.

On the thirteenth day of June next, the subscriber intends exposing to public sale, at Upper Marlborough;

BETWEEN 1400 and 1500 acres of valuable land, in tracts of 212 to 235 acres; certified by the surveyor of the district in which they lay, to be of good quality and producing white and black oak, walnut, locust, ash, &c. with a sufficient proportion of meadow ground, which certificate will be shewn, also the patents delivered on the day of sale; these lands are situated from one and a half to four miles off the Allegana river, which produces a variety of excellent fish, and at all times affords navigation for boats, and frequently for vessels of three hundred ton, through which conveyance a ready sale may always be made of any article of produce, they have likewise the benefit of the market at Fort-Pitt, which is not farther distant than ten miles, and so situated that no circumstance can prevent its becoming, in a short time, one of the most considerable towns within the United States, it being a key to the greater part of the Western Country. One fourth of the purchase-money to be paid in one month from the day of sale, and the remainder in two years, on giving bond with good security if required, but if the purchaser will pay the remaining three fourths at the expiration of one month from the sale, a discount will be allowed of one third of that sum.

THOMAS HARWOOD, 3d.

May 24, 1786.

To be SOLD at PUBLIC VENDUE, on Tuesday the 20th of June next, for ready money, at the subscriber's house, on the mouth of South river, four miles from Annapolis,

VARIETY of household furniture, consisting of tables, chairs, feather-beds and bedding, glass and china ware, kitchen and plantation utensils, some corn and wheat, cooper's tools, cider casks, about two hogheads of tobacco unpacked; also a fine young saddle mare, with a few cows and hogs; likewise a parcel of books of approved authors, in English, French, and Latin, some of them adapted for the use of schools, all in good order, with many other articles not mentioned. The sale to begin at ten o'clock.

MARY THOMAS.

Annapolis, April 26, 1786.

FOR SALE,

ABOUT seven hundred pounds sterling cost of goods, well assorted, and suitable to the season. Likewise several young negro women, with and without children, late the property of James Tootell, deceased. The store house lately occupied by said J. Tootell, to be rented, for terms apply to

JAMES WILLIAMS,
JOSEPH DOWSON.

Annapolis, May 19, 1786.

JOHN PETTY and Co.

Have for SALE,

A LARGE and elegant assortment of spring goods, which they are determined to dispose of on the lowest terms, for cash, country produce, or state certificates.

JUST IMPORTED,

From London, in the ship Nontuch, captain Johns, **A GENERAL** assortment of European and East-India goods, which will be sold by the subscribers, at their store, at Pig-Point, as usual, for bills, cash, or tobacco.

We are much obliged to our friends, and customers for their past favours, especially those who have been regular and punctual in payment, whom we shall be always ready to serve; and such as have been negligent on that important point, we hope will now, (or in the course of the summer) settle and pay without fail or further notice.

THOMAS TILLARD,
EDWARD TILLARD.

May 16, 1786.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a number of the inhabitants of Cecil county intend petitioning the next general assembly, for a removal of the seat of justice from Charles-town, in said county, to the Head of Elk.

THREE POUNDS REWARD.

May 19, 1786.

RAN away from the subscriber, living near Piscataway, in Prince-George's county, on the fifth instant, a negro man named **WILL**, about five feet five or six inches high, twenty-two years of age, rather of a yellow cast, his face is pretty full of bumps, he has a small scar on his forehead; his apparel is a coarse felt hat, upper jacket made of match-coat blankets, an under ditto of white woollen, with metal buttons marked U.S.A. a pair of half worn nabrig trousers, and old shoes. Whoever takes the above negro and secures him so that his master may get him again, shall receive the above reward, and all reasonable charges if brought home, paid by

SAMUEL EDELEN.

N. B. The above fellow has worked at the whip-law, and can play on the violin.

THERE is at the plantation of Thomas Benlon, living in Anne-Arundel county, near the meeting house in the Fork of Patuxent, taken up as a stray, a gray **GELDING**, about thirteen hands high, seven years old, trots and canters, has no perceivable brand, and appears not to have been docted. The owner may have him again on proving property and paying charges.

ALL persons having claims against the estate of Zachariah Gray, deceased, are desired to bring them in legally proved, and all those indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, to

SOPHIA GRAY, executrix.

Prince-George's county, May 9, 1786.

PURSUANT to the directions of an act, entitled, "An act for the further relief of the securities of Thomas Williams, late collector of the tax and public dues in Prince-George's county, and other purposes therein mentioned, notice is hereby given, that the several debtors of the said Thomas Williams, for public dues and taxes, (except the deputies of the said Thomas Williams, or persons who acted as such, or persons who are about to depart from Prince-George's county, or who shall remove, or be about to remove his, her, or their property out of the county aforesaid, or in any manner whatever dispose of the same, unless it be for the purpose of discharging the said arrears) are allowed until the first day of July next to pay and discharge the same, after which period, an indiscriminate execution will take place, (if the said arrears are not paid, on application of the subscriber, or such persons as he shall appoint for that purpose, he being veiled by the other securities, with the whole and sole power of making the collection,) to prevent which attendance will be given on the 9th and 10th of June at Magruder's ferry, the 11th and 12th at Nottingham, the 13th, 16th and 17th at Piscataway, the 19th, 20th and 21st at Bladensburg, the 22d, 23d and 24th at Queen-Anne; and the whole of Prince-George's county court week at Upper Marlborough when and where all those in arrears are requested to attend with such receipts and vouchers as they may be possessed of, for payments made the said Thomas Williams, or any of his deputies, and where all persons may see their respective accounts fairly and distinctly drawn off, with the credits given as they stand on the books of the late Thomas Williams, which has been done at a very considerable expence and trouble, for the express purposes of giving satisfaction to the inhabitants, and to save the carriage of large and heavy books from place to place. From the inattention of the people in general, heretofore, with respect to the request made by the securities, for all to come and settle their accounts, it is to be presumed they conceive that their accounts are finally closed on the books of Mr. Williams; I therefore take this opportunity of informing such, that few, very few accounts of the most wealthy and respectable are closed, and as they have not taken the smallest pains of satisfying the securities, it is hoped after this, that such as have receipts in full will be friendly enough to bring or send them in, that they may be compared with the books. This will prevent their being called on, and steps taken that will be disagreeable; as he flatters himself that those who know him, cannot possibly conceive that it will give him pleasure to distress a fellow-citizen, nor ought it to be expected that those who are reduced by an act of benevolence, to the hard condition of being obliged to answer for the failure, mismanagement, and indiscretion of another person, can patiently submit to the loss of thousands, sooner than distress those, who have from causes not so laudable, delayed the payment of their public dues. But to remove as far as possible the distressed situation of the people for want of cash, good found new imported crop tobacco will be received in discharge of said arrears, at the following rates, viz. Queen-Anne and Upper Marlborough at 37/6, Taylor's Landing and Pig-Point at 35/6, Nottingham, Lower Marlborough, and Magruder's at 32/6, Bladensburg, Broad-Creek, Piscataway, Hunting-Creek, and Benedict at 30/6 per cent. it paid by the first day of July, after which no one will attempt to complain if their property should be executed and sold for half its value, nor let any flatter themselves that their property, if taken, will not be sold, for the collection must be made, even should property sell but for a tenth of its value, at no further indulgence can be given by

RINALDO JOHNSON.

April 25, 1786.

MRS. SMITH intends to open a boarding school for young ladies, in Annapolis, next Tuesday, the second of May, and to teach them drawing, tambour, embroidery, open work, crowning, netting, with a variety of other fine work; also plain work and marking. She will give the greatest attention to the health and improvement of the young ladies entrusted to her care.



THERE is at the plantation of John Bolton, near Elk-Ridge church, in Anne-Arundel county, taken up as a stray, a strawberry roan **GELDING**, with a blaze in his face, branded on the neck with something like an X, about nine years old, thirteen hands high, trots and gallops. The owner may have him again on proving property and paying charges.

THE subscriber continues to receive claims against the United States until the first of June.

JOHN WHITE, commissioner of accounts.

THREE POUNDS REWARD.

West river, April 26, 1786.



RAN away from Mr. William Young, of Baltimore-town, an African negro man named **TOM**, the property of the subscriber, about five feet six inches high, thick and well set, round face, little beard, squints, and is about twenty-eight years old; had on when he went away, a felt hat, blue jacket lined with white flannel, black velvet breeches, yarn stockings, and strong country made shoes, with the soles full of hob nails; he was seen on the road to Upper Marlborough a few days after he run away with a snuff coloured cloth coat on. Whoever takes up the said runaway and delivers him to Mr. William Young, in Baltimore, or to the subscriber, at West river, shall have the above reward, besides what the law allows, and all reasonable charges.

JAMES CHESTON.