

indifferent. Why ought not then the above qualities to make an equal appearance in a fair shining character? A spot of lying here, and a patch of scandal there, to my mind produce a very bright and very general effect. The only difficulty in this matter is, to get over an aversion to names. Men of moderate talents and but little resolution are too subject to this prejudice. But great minds, whose views are large and comprehensive, and who are possessed of a vast degree of fortitude, will not be bound down by such shackles. And such is the instance before us.

"It may seem to some that this gentleman has a natural taste for these practices; as a hog naturally delights to wallow in mud; as a dog devours with relish his own vomit; or like the Hottentot, whose sole pleasure is to be loamy and stinking. But I rather think it is the fruit of reflection, produced by the mighty efforts of a great mind, which disdains the servile observances of decency, honour and truth.

"An old English author, speaking of one whose virtues had brought him twice to the pillory, says, 'He doeth lye and beefpattene in such guyse, that he wolde carrie the paulm from Sathan his verie selfe, and all his impes. Nath'ls he is reputed of meeche abillitye, though his mouth and penn be full dirtie and foule, like unto a jacke, or vaulte of necessarite use.'" In truth there have been such characters in all ages, though like the subject of the foregoing paragraph, they have not always found their way to the pillory, whatever their merits might be; it shall be my endeavour to rescue all such persons from the obloquy under which they lie, as well as the gentleman who is the subject of my present speculations. And I think I shall be able to prove to general satisfaction that their characters have been much mistaken."

I shall add nothing more on this subject; the piece above mentioned will, in all probability, make its appearance in due form and time.

A CORRESPONDENT.

Messieurs GREEN,

AT a time when all orders of people are looking with impatience for instructions to the general assembly on the subject of paper money, I thought it might not be unacceptable to the public, to give them the sense of the justices of the peace, and the grand jury of Talbot county, publicly declared and subscribed at their county court, held last week at the court-house. Yours, A. B. March 12, 1787.

To John Roberts, Hugh Sherwood, John Stevens, and John Gibson, Esquires, representatives in general assembly for Talbot county.

WE the subscribers, Freemen of Talbot county, deeply impressed with the ruinous and fatal effects of the paper emissions, during the late war, on the morals and commerce of the inhabitants of the United States,—having now immediately before our eyes the depreciated state of paper, issued on the best funds, and guaranteed by the faith of the state—conceiving that from a want of confidence in one another, and in our legislature, no paper money can, at this time, long retain stability and credit—convinced of the impropriety of laws, that may in any sort contravene the system formed for paying our proportion of the national debt—desirous to support our credit, and to fulfil all our engagements, as well public as private, and confirmed in our opinion by the reasons and arguments published by the senate, in justification of their conduct in giving their negative to the bill for an emission of paper money; which reasons and arguments we conceive to be unanswerable, because no attempt has been made to answer them, do instruct you, gentlemen, our representatives in general assembly, to vote against, and by all lawful and constitutional ways and means to oppose the passage of the bill, entitled "An act for an emission of bills of credit," or any other that may be brought before you, liable to the same or equal objections.

John Bracco, Jere. Banning, Richard Johns, and Will. Dawson; justices. Howes Goldsborough, foreman grand jury, John Singleton, Will. Mullikin, Thomas Martin, Peter Denny, John Kersev, jun. Edward Eubank, William Lumbden, Will. Webb, Lloyd Tilghman, William Coward, John Roile, William Skinner, Oakley Hadaway; grand jurors.

"'Tis finish'd now, the great decisive part!  
"The world's subdu'd, and Heav'n has all my heart!  
"Earth's gaudy scenes, and pomp of courts, adieu!  
"For ever now, I take my leave of you!  
"For Oh! the light himself with rays divine,  
"Breaks in, and God's eternal day is mine!  
"Died at Upper Marlborough, in Prince-George's county, on the 11th day of March, Mrs. MARY COWLES, wife of Mr. Richard Contee, and eldest daughter of David Craufurd, Esq; aged nineteen years. Let it be remembered that this day was the anniversary of her birth!—It is an instructive moral!—but what a sad reverse!—Joy and festivity shined in that, but this is closed in grief and mourning!—that promised her fond parents a train of happy years to come, but this has shown us; her life is ended 'ere 'twas well begun!—Short indeed was the span, but virtue had enlarg'd it!—She practiced those various virtues, and was adorned with those

amiable accomplishments, which so eminently distinguish the softer sex!—And in the exercise of her relative duties she exhibited a pattern for experienced age!

"Long and lingering was her illness, which she sustained with the most christian fortitude, and with the most perfect resignation to the divine will, she met her premature fate, and on Sunday evening, betwixt the hours of five and six, she gently breath'd her last!

"Her remains were respectfully deposited in the family burying-ground on Tuesday evening!

"Youth, virtue, dwelt, and sense and sweetness there,  
"Oh! view the change, and drop a pensive tear!"

George-town, March 10, 1787.

WHEREAS I purchased from Mr. Richard Thompson a tract of land in the neighbourhood of George-town, called Fox, and passed four bonds for the same, bearing interest from the first of December, 1784, the first for £. 500, payable the last day of said month, the second for £. 100, payable in September following, the third for £. 500, payable the first of February, 1786, and the fourth for £. 500, payable the first of February, 1787; and whereas I agreed to let Mr. Thomas Tiltott have two fifts, Mr. William Deakins one fifth, and Mr. Stephen Sayre one fifth of the said purchase, provided each of them paid me his respective proportion of the purchase money in time to enable me to comply punctually with my engagements to the said Richard Thompson for said land; and whereas Stephen Sayre, Esq; removed from this country to Europe, and directed me to draw on his correspondent, John Reynolds, Esq; in London for his proportion of said payments as they became due, in compliance with which I a constantly drew on the said Reynolds, who protested the bills; this is therefore to give notice, that the one fifth part of the said land called Fox, which was intended for Stephen Sayre, Esq; will be exposed to public sale, at George-town, at the house of Mr. John Suter, the 10th day of April next, on the following terms, £. 171 12 3 to be paid on the day of sale, and the balance in six months from that day, and provided the last payment shall not be punctually made the first payment to be forfeited. The said land adjoins the addition to George town, and binds on the river for upwards of 3000 feet, where ships can lay within 20 feet of the shore almost the whole distance; it is needless to say any thing more in its favour; it is patented for upwards of 120 acres, but does not hold out near that number of acres. WILLIAM BAYLY.

TO BE LET,

THE HOUSE that Mr. John White lately occupied. Inquire of Margaret Reith, last John Hamilton

Newport, Charles county, February 27, 1787.

NOTICE is hereby given, that I shall petition the next general assembly, for a law enabling me to let as much of the property of Benjamin Burch, late of Charles county, deceased, as will satisfy a debt due from him to Thomas H. Ridgate which I have paid, the said Ridgate having obtained judgment against me for the aforesaid sum in consequence of my being surety for the said Burch, and also to satisfy a separate claim which I have against the said estate. JOHN WINTER.

January 29, 1787.

APETITION will be preferred by sundry inhabitants of Charles and Prince-George's counties to the next general assembly, praying that the road (now a private one) leading from Samuel Hanson, Esquire's, in Charles county, to Specker's ferry, Potomack inspection route, and a number of the most capital fisheries on Patowmack river, may be created into a public one. James Hanson for

Friday, February 2, 1787.

COMMITTED to my custody, a likely young negro fellow, about nineteen or twenty years of age, says his name is BAPFIST, and that he belongs to Mr. Leonard Clements, in Charles county. His owner is desired to come or send and take him away, and pay charges. JOHN CARTWRIGHT, Sheriff of St. Mary's county.

March 6, 1787.

CHATHAM,

WILL stand this season at Mount Asaph, in Charles county, about six miles below Piscataway, and about ten above Port-Tobacco, and cover at three guineas, but if the money be sent with the mares, or if paid by the first day of August next, he will cover at three pounds fifteen shillings, and two and six-pence to the groom.

CHATHAM was got by Mr. Fitzhugh's Regulus, who was got by Fearnought, who was got by Martindale's Regulus, who was got by the Godolphin Arabian. Chatham's dam was Mr. Brent's Ebony, who was out of Selima, got by colonel Tasker's Othello, who was out of Selima, got by the Godolphin Arabian. Jenny Selima was got by the Godolphin Arabian. Jenny Dismal is the dam of Regulus; Jenny Dismal was got by old Dismal, who won a thousand guineas sweepstake, and five king's plates without being once beaten. Jenny Dismal's dam was got by lord Godolphin's White-foot, her sire by the Godolphin Arabian. Good pasturage at two shillings and six pence per week, but I will not be answerable for escapes or accidents. T. HANSON.

Mount Vernon, March 12, 1787.

ROYAL GIFT, and the KNIGHT of MALTA,

Two valuable jack-asses,

WILL cover mares and jennies at Mount Vernon this spring for five guineas the season. The first is of the most valuable race in the kingdom of Spain. The other, lately imported from Malta by the way of Paris, is not inferior.

ROYAL GIFT (now five years old) has increased remarkably in size since he covered last year, and not a jenny, and scarcely a mare, to which he went missed.

The KNIGHT of MALTA will be three years old this spring, is near fourteen hands high, most beautifully formed for an ass, and extremely light, active and sprightly; comparatively speaking he resembles a fine courier.

These two jacks seem as if designed for different purposes, equally valuable; the first by his weight and great strength, to set mares for the slow and heavy draught; the other by his activity and quickness for quicker movements on the road. The value of mares, on account of their longevity, firmness, hardiness, and cheap keeping, is too well known to need description.

MAGNOLIO,

STANDS at the same price for four pounds the season; the money, in every case to be paid at the stable before the mares or jennies are taken away; no accounts will be kept.

Good pasture, well enclosed, will be provided at half a dollar per week for the convenience of those who incline to leave their mares, and every reasonable care will be taken of them, but they will not be enticed against theft or accidents.

George Richards, JO: MAIRE, overseer.

By his EXCELLENCY

WILLIAM SMALLWOOD, Esquire, GOVERNOR of MARYLAND,

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the senate stands adjourned to the twentieth day of April next, and the house of delegates, to the twentieth of this instant, and affairs of great importance requiring the immediate consideration of the legislature; I have therefore, in virtue of the powers with which I am invested, appointed Tuesday the tenth day of April next for the meeting and holding of the general assembly of this state, of which the several sheriffs are hereby enjoined to give public and due notice.

Given at Annapolis, this thirteenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven.

W. SMALLWOOD.

By his Excellency's command, T. JOHNSON, jun. sec.

March 1, 1787.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of Mr. Benjamin Brookes, late of Prince-George's county, deceased, are requested to settle the same, and those who have claims against the said estate are desired to make them known to

SARAH BROOKES, executrix.

TAKEN up a-drift, a large CANOE, dimensions as follows, twenty-three feet long, two and an half feet wide, twenty inches wide in the bottom, has six timbers on one side, and seven on the other, she is painted red. The owner, proving property and paying charges, may have her again by applying to

JAMES EARLE KSON, living on Kent-Island.

Annapolis, July 21, 1786.

Lands for Sale.

THE subscriber has for sale all that tract of land called Beall's Plantation and Snowden's Reputation Supporte, containing about 700 acres, situated on the head of South river, about three miles from navigable water, and contiguous to the estate of Mr. Richard Hopkins, of Gerard.

This is a most eligible situation, being twelveabout miles from the city of Annapolis, twenty-eight from Baltimore-town, twenty four from George-town, and seven from the inspection houses of Indian Landing and Queen-Anne, is well adapted for corn, wheat, and particularly tobacco, also well timbered and watered, a very good mill stream runs through it; there is some meadow ground, and much more may be made.

The improvements upon it are, a good dwelling house with three large rooms on each floor, kitchen, quarter, cornhouse, stables, tobacco house, a very fine apple orchard, together with a number of other valuable fruit trees.

Mr. Richard Hopkins will shew the premises above mentioned; further particulars may be had of the printers, of Messieurs William Patterfon and brothers, Baltimore, or of

JOHN WADDINGTON, in Philadelphia.

N. B. If a purchaser don't offer soon for the above plantation it will be rented. Mr. Waddington will be at Mr. Mann's tavern the middle of March, and will treat for it.

THE subscriber has just received a large assortment of fashionable London plated ware, among which are the following: tea-urns, sauce-tureens, bread baskets, oval castors, coffee-pots, tea ditto, mugs, goblets, waiters, cream-jugs, candlesticks, salts, mustard-tankards, sugar-basons, ditto tongs, punch ladles and bowls, strainers, plated buckles and spurs, which he will sell low for cash or good bills on London.

STEPHEN CLARK.