

tacking our little squadron, were in the highest spirits imaginable—I do not mean the Royal Sovereign alone; the same spirit was shewn in all the ships, as they came near me, and although (circumstanced as we were) we had no great reason to complain of the conduct of the enemy, yet our men could not help repeatedly expressing their contempt of them, could common prudence have allowed me to let loose their valour, I hardly know what might not have been accomplished by such men.

Little damages have been received by the ships in general, except the Sterns having been very much shocked by firing the guns; the Mars reports 12 men wounded, but none killed—the mainmast, fore and fore-top-mast yard wounded, and the rigging and sails cut a good deal. The Triumph has shifted and repaired some of her sails, but any damage she has received is so trifling, at least in the captain's eyes, that Sir Erasmus Gower has not thought it worth reporting; indeed the cool and firm conduct of that ship was such, that it appeared to me the enemy's ships dared not to come near her. I take an opportunity of tending this by the Phoenix, lest upon hearing that the French fleet are at sea, their lordships may be under apprehensions for the safety of their ships.

June 28.

From the London Gazette Extraordinary.

Admiralty Office, June 27.

The following dispatch was this morning received from Lord Bridport, K. B.

Royal George, at sea, June 24, 1795.

SIR,

It is with sincere satisfaction I acquaint you, for the information of the lords commissioners of the admiralty, that his majesty's ships under my command attacked the enemy's fleet, consisting of 12 ships of the line, attended with eleven frigates and some smaller cruisers, on the 23d inst. close in with port L'Orient: The ships which struck are the Alexander, Le Formidable and Le Tygre, which were with difficulty retained. If the enemy had not been protected and sheltered by the land, I have every reason to believe that a greater number, if not all the line of battle ships, would have been taken or destroyed.

In detailing the particulars of this service, I am to state, that at the dawn of day on the 22d instant, the Nymph and Astrea being the look out frigates ahead, made the signal for the enemy's fleet. I soon perceived that there was no intention to meet me in battle; consequently I made the signal for four of the best sailing ships, the Sans Pareil, Orion, Russel, and Colossus, and soon afterwards for the whole fleet, to chase, which continued all that day and during the night with very little wind.

Early in the morning on the 23d inst. the headmost ships, the Irresistible, Orion, Queen Charlotte, Russel, Colossus and Sans Pareil, were pretty well up with the enemy, and a little before six o'clock the action began and continued till near 9, when the ships struck; the British squadron were near to Yome batteries, and in the face of a strong naval port; which will manifest to the public, the zeal, intrepidity and skill of the admirals, captains, and all other officers and soldiers employed upon this service; and they are fully entitled to my warmest acknowledgements. I beg also to be allowed to mark my approbation, in a particular manner of captain Domett's conduct, serving under my flag, for his manly spirit, and for the assistance I received from his active and attentive mind. I feel likewise great satisfaction in doing justice to the meritorious conduct of all the officers of every class, as well as the bravery of the seamen and soldiers in the Royal George upon this event, and upon former occasions.

I judged it necessary upon the information I had received of the force of the enemy, to put the Robust, Thunderer and Standard, into my line of battle; but their distance from the squadron, and under the circumstances of little wind, they could not join me till after the action was over. I shall proceed upon my station as soon as I have ordered a distribution of the prisoners, and made other necessary arrangements for the squadron. It is my intention to keep at sea, in order to fulfil every part of my instructions, I have judged it necessary to send captain Domett with my dispatches, who will give their lordships such further information as shall have occurred to him on the victory we have gained.

You will herewith receive a list of the killed and wounded, with the ships they belonged to, and the commanders names.

N. B. I am happy to find by the report made to me, that captain Grindall's wounds are not dangerous.

NOTE. Capt. Domett reports, that the remainder of the enemy's fleet made their escape into L'Orient.

I am, &c.

BRIDPORT.

14 officers and 105 men wounded.
29 men killed.

PHILADELPHIA, August 20.

This day, at two o'clock, a committee of merchants and traders waited on the president of the United States, and presented him an address on the subject of the treaty—in which they explicitly declare their approbation of the conduct of the senate, in their advice and consent to a conditional ratification—their confidence in the decisions of the constituted authorities, &c.—This address was signed by upwards of four hundred names, including the principal merchants and traders of this city. A copy of this address and of the president's answer we hope to lay before our readers to-morrow. [Gaz. U. S.]

Extra of a letter from an officer in the Western army, to his father, dated Fort Wayne, June 10, 1795.

"I have just time to inform you of my arrival at this post the third instant, after encountering a fati-

guing though generally a pleasant trip of eleven hundred and odd miles down the Ohio, and up to the source of the Wabash river, which is within nine miles of this place. I passed, and halted at a number of Indian villages, and was treated friendly by all but one party, who was rather insolent than otherwise, these were some Kickapoo, but principally Potowattomies, situated on the banks of the Thipacanos, a river of considerable size, which empties itself into the Wabash, about one mile from the town. However, by soothing language, and impressing upon their minds the fatal consequences which must await their tribe, should they insult the flag I bore, I was permitted to pass, after presenting to them about two gallons of whiskey—that liquor so destructive to these wretches. My journal I shall forward you by the first safe conveyance.

"The Indians are beginning to collect for the treaty, but in so tardy a manner, that it is problematical whether it will be held in all this month, or, in fact, until the middle of the next. I rather think the latter. Such delays I remember hearing you say, was not uncommon, when the late Sir William Johnson had the superintending of Indian affairs, under the British government—the British are using every exertion to prevent the Indians meeting, but will not, I think, succeed. Every day fresh parties though small ones arrive; numbers are encamped around us, and several for miles are raising corn, in the vicinity of our post. This conduct bespeaks good intentions towards us, whether they bear them in their breasts or not—I cannot enlarge on this subject, as this letter is only intended to assure you of my success."

PETERSBURG, August 13.

In the night of Thursday last, we had a most powerful torrent of rain which raised the creeks and rivers in this neighbourhood, at least twelve feet above their usual height, and much higher than has been known for upwards of seventy years. The run which passes across Water-street commonly called Brick-house Run was overflowed to such a degree by day break on Friday morning, as to be two feet above that part of the street, and the houses were in the greatest danger; one of them, a large two story house, was nearly washed down—the current carried away so much of the street as to be rendered impassable. That part of the town which lies next the landing, was entirely overflowed on Friday, and near two thirds of the houses, have either moved from their foundations or have crushed down; most of those that are now standing have received such injury, that it is apprehended they will fall when the water abates. The bridge and saw mill, near Campbell and Wheeler's mills, and the bridge that leads from this town over Appomattox river, have been carried away. All the mills in this neighbourhood are very much damaged, and some are totally destroyed. We hear that this flood has been very general throughout the country, and that the losses in mills, houses, bridges, crops, &c. far exceed any thing of the kind within the knowledge of any man living.

ANNAPOLIS, August 27.

The hon. Edmund Randolph, Esq; has resigned the office of secretary of state.

WHEREAS the subscriber, for and on account of the securities of the late THOMAS WILLIAMS, former collector of the taxes in Prince-George's county, did, in the month of December, 1789, by virtue of an order from the commissioners of the tax of said county, expose to public sale real property to a considerable amount, which was chargeable with, and liable for, the arrearages of taxes due in the years 1780, 1781 and 1782, and which was, in many instances, (to prevent injury to the owners) bought in, by a friend employed by the securities, at little more than the amount of the arrearages then due, under an impression and hope, that the proprietors would immediately come forward and discharge the respective claims, and take back their lands, but hitherto this friendly interposition has availed nothing; in most instances the arrearages remain unpaid, and the securities left to the disagreeable alternative, of exposing the real property a second time to sale, or of instituting suits for the recovery of the lands; the latter case, although they have every assurance of success if adopted, is attended with such expence and delay, that they have determined upon the former: Whereupon notice is hereby given, that I shall EXPOSE to PUBLIC SALE, at the town of Upper-Marlborough, on Friday the 12th of September next, (being in Prince-George's county court week) all the REAL PROPERTY heretofore taken in execution by order of the commissioners of the tax of said county, and by me advertised for sale in December, 1789, where the arrearages of taxes still remain unpaid.

RINALDO JOHNSON.

To be SOLD, at VENDUE, on Saturday the nineteenth of September next, at the court-house, in Port-Tobacco, Charles county,

ABOUT SEVEN THOUSAND POUNDS of A CROP TOBACCO, belonging to the estate of the late general SMALLWOOD, by the

ADMINISTRATRIX.

August 17, 1795. *Adm. Smallwood*

HAVING suffered much loss by trespassers on my plantation near this city, I now give notice, that I will prosecute all those who commit the like in future.

BENJAMIN OGLE.

August 22, 1795.

By virtue of a deed of trust from THOMAS BOND, Esquire, will be SOLD, to the HIGHEST BIDDER, on the premises, in St. Mary's county, at the house of MARY POWERS, on Saturday the nineteenth day of September, seventeen hundred and ninety-five,

THAT VALUABLE TRACT OF LAND, being part of a tract of land called LONG LOCK FOR COME AT LAST, contains about 300 acres, the land is well timbered, and has some valuable swamp land on it, and is in good tenable repair.

—ALSO,—

The dower in a TRACT of LAND called TARMANA and DEVONSHIRE, to be SOLD on the same day and place, which rents for 400lb. tobacco per year. The terms will be made known on the day of sale, by *Augustine Halliday*

JESSE LOCK.

August 5, 1795.

By virtue of an order from the orphans court, will be SOLD, on the sixteenth of September next, if fair, or the first fair day, Sunday excepted, at the late dwelling house of Mr. TYLER BALDWIN, deceased,

A QUANTITY of STOCK, consisting of work HORSES, Cattle, Sheep and Hogs, also, some Household Furniture, Plantation Utensils, and a quantity of Tobacco, in bulk, and the Wearing Apparel of the deceased, with a small quantity of Corn, and the like of Bacon, with sundry other articles. The sale to begin at eleven o'clock in the forenoon. The terms of sale to be for CASH.

NICHOLAS BALDWIN, } Executors of

AND } Tyler Baldwin

SAMUEL BALDWIN, } deceased.

August 25, 1795. *10/27/95*

THE subscriber having rented STRAWBERRY HILLS, near this city, hereby forewarns all persons from trespassing on it in any manner whatever.

H. J. STIER.

Annapolis, August 25, 1795.

Annapolis Races.

THE ANNAPOLIS JOCKEY CLUB RACES will commence on the Tuesday after the 1st Monday in November next, over a fine course near this city.

By order,

JESSE DEWEES, Secretary

JOCKEY CLUB.

Annapolis, August 24, 1795.

NOTICE is hereby given,

THAT the subscriber intends making application to the general assembly of this State, at their next session, in order to be relieved from debts which he is entirely unable to pay.

HYLAND GEARS.

Kent county, State of Maryland, 1795.

Runaways in Custody.

COMMITTED to my custody, on the 19th of this instant, two negro men, one of them first his name is WILLIAM, and that he belongs to Jacob CASTER, in Moore county, near Cross creek, in North-Carolina, and that he has been runaway these twelve months; the other says his name is TOM, and that he belongs ZADOCK CLAGETT, merchant, in George-town, Montgomery county. Their masters hereby requested to pay charges and take them away in two months from the above date, or they will be sold, according to law, for their prison fees and other charges, by

RICHARD HARWOOD, Sheriff

of Anne-Arundel county.

August 25, 1795. *10/27/95*

By virtue of an order from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, will be SOLD, at PUBLIC SALE, on Tuesday the 8th day of September next, at the late dwelling of STEPHEN STEWARD, late on West river, for READY MONEY, and continued from day to day until all is sold,

ALL the personal property of the said Steward, consisting of valuable HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, plantation utensils, a valuable stock of HORSES, Cattle and Sheep, a set of Blacksmith's Tools, and upwards of twenty valuable NEGROES, consisting of Men, Women, and two Children, amongst them is a good house carpenter. The sale to commence at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

BENJAMIN HARRISON, administrator de bonis non.

By virtue of an order from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, will be SOLD, at PUBLIC SALE, on Tuesday the 8th day of September next, at the late dwelling of STEPHEN STEWARD, late on West river, for READY MONEY, and continued from day to day till all is sold,

ALL the personal property of the said Steward, consisting of some HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, a large stock of HORSES, Cattle, Sheep and Hogs. The sale to commence at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

BENJAMIN HARRISON, Administrator.

An APPRENTICE

Wanted at this Office.