

shall take out the said warrant on or before the first day of April next.
And be it enacted, That it shall be the duty of surveyors in returning certificates hereafter to express the quantity and quality of the improvements contained on the land included in the survey or resurvey, and subject to the operation of the warrant, with his opinion of the value of the same, and no exception shall hereafter be taken to any certificate of survey, or resurvey made, or which hereafter may be made, by way of caveat in the land-office, on account of improvements not being returned, provided that nothing in this act shall be taken or construed to affect any case now existing on-caveat before the chancellor.

Pursuant to an order of the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, will be SOLD, at PUBLIC SALE, for READY MONEY, on Saturday the 16th of January next, at the Subscriber's dwelling, in this city,

SUNDRY articles of HOUSEHOLD GOODS, consisting of beds, chairs, kitchen furniture, &c. belonging to the estate of EDWARD HOLLAND, deceased.

All persons indebted to the said estate are required to make immediate payments, and those having claims to make them known, that they may receive their equal dividend of the said estate.

ISAAC HOLLAND, Administrator.
Annapolis, December 30, 1795.

To be SOLD, under a decree of the High Court of Chancery, at PUBLIC SALE, at George-town, on the 15th day of February next,

FIVE country born negro SLAVES, consisting of three men and two women. Six months credit will be given.

JOHN M. GANTT, Trustee.

WHEREAS it has been the common practice of boatmen, who put into Poplar Island harbour, to go ashore a gunning, and cutting timber off Cobler's Neck, without leave or licence, this is therefore to forewarn any boatman whatsoever from trespassing upon said Island or Neck, either by hunting, fowling, or cutting timber, or in any other manner whatsoever, otherwise the transgressors shall be dealt with according to law.

WILLIAM SEARS.
Poplar Island, December 23, 1795.

FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD.

RAN AWAY from the subscriber's plantation, at Nanjemoy, in Charles county, on the 20th inst. a dark coloured mulatto lad, about twenty years old, slender made, and very likely, named BILL, or WILL, and commonly passes amongst those who know him by the nickname of M'DANIEL, has a small scar on the upper part of his forehead, which may be discovered on close examination, dresses himself remarkably neat, has a variety of good clothing. This lad is well known to gentlemen of the turf, having rode for several purses in Virginia and Maryland. He stole and carried off with him a sorrel horse, about fourteen hands high, with a star in his forehead, and branded on the near shoulder with the letter B. There is some reason to believe he will attempt to get into Kent county, in the Delaware state, and pass himself as a free man; FORTY DOLLARS shall be paid for the boy, and TEN for the horse, if secured so that I get them again.

JOHN THOMAS.
Maryland Dec. 24, 1795.

Citizen O'DUHIGG,

RESPECTFULLY informs the public, that he purposes to return to Annapolis, where he means to open a DANCING SCHOOL, the first Monday in January, at the house of Mr. MARIE, and solicits the patronage of the ladies and gentlemen on the occasion.
December 24, 1795.

NOTICE is hereby given, that I intend to apply to the next Saint-Mary's county court for a commission to prove the bounds and lines of three tracts of land, lying in Saint-Mary's county, called CHANCE, LINSTAD and DISCOVERY, agreeable to the act of assembly in such cases made and provided.
ZACHARIAH MATTINGLY.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber intends to apply to the court of Charles county, at their March term next, for a commission to mark and bound his land called LYNN'S SURVEY, lying in Charles county, agreeably to the act for marking and bounding land.
JOHN BRENT.
Charles county, December 22, 1795.

To be SOLD,

A COMMODIOUS DWELLING-HOUSE, in a pleasant part of this city.—Apply to the PRINTERS.
Annapolis.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber intends to apply to the next Anne-Arundel county court, for a commission to mark and bound a tract of land, called LEONARD'S NECK, lying in Anne-Arundel county, as also to mark and bound that part of said tract of land which belongs to him.
RICHARD GARDINER.
December 16, 1795.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY
JOHN HOSKINS STONE,
GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND,
A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS it has been represented to the executive that Cokesbury college, in the town of Abington, in Harford county, was, on the fourth day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five, consumed by fire; and that some malicious persons are supposed to have willfully set fire to the same, and whereas it is of the greatest importance to society, that the perpetrators of such a crime should be discovered and brought to justice, I have therefore thought proper, by and with the advice and consent of the council, to issue this my proclamation, thereby offering a reward of TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS for the discovery of the person or persons by whom the said offence may have been committed; provided, that the said person or persons be brought to justice therefor.

Given in council, at the city of Annapolis, under the seal of the state of Maryland, this eleventh day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-five.

J. H. STONE.
By his excellency's command,
NINIAN PINKNEY, Secretary.
GOD SAVE THE STATE.

ALL persons indebted to the estate of WILLIAM THOMAS, late of St. Mary's county, deceased, are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims are desired to bring them in, legally attested, that they may be settled.

ELIZABETH THOMAS, Executrix.
December 16, 1795.

RAN away from the subscriber, living near the middle ferry on Monocacy, Frederick county, about two weeks ago, a negro fellow named JERRY, about 25 years of age, a very stout well-made negro, about 5 feet 7 inches high. He was bought of Doctor Davidge last spring, who formerly lived in Annapolis, where this negro was raised, who, in his masters absence to Britain, was hired out to work at brick-making both at Annapolis and Baltimore-town; at one or other of those places it is supposed he may be found. It is supposed that he carried off with him a bay horse and bridle; the horse is about fourteen hands high, and branded on the left buttock something like J. Whoever takes up the said negro and puts him into gaol in Baltimore or Anne-Arundel county, shall receive SIX DOLLARS REWARD, and if brought home and delivered to me TWELVE DOLLARS.

J. DELAVENCENDIERE.
Frederick county, December 1, 1795.

COMMITTED to my custody as a runaway, a negro man who, when committed, called himself SAMUEL BUTLER, but since says his name is JACK, and that he belongs to GEORGE HARNES, on the South Branch, in the state of Virginia; that he, the said Harnes, purchased him from a certain FREEMAN CARTER, who formerly was a resident of this county; he is about five feet ten inches high, appears to be about twenty or twenty-one years of age, has a very remarkable scar above his right eye which extends up a little in his hair, appears to have been occasioned by a burn, he has also a scar on the right side of his nose; his clothing was only a pair of fustian trousers, a white cloth jacket, and a castor hat half worn. His master is desired to take him away, or he will be sold to discharge his prison fees, &c.

JOSEPH GREEN, Sheriff
of Charles county.
November 28, 1795.

COMMITTED to my custody as a runaway, on the 20th instant, a negro man named SAM, how says he belongs to SAMUEL HARRISON, Herring Bay. His master is hereby directed to pay his fees and take him away, or he will be sold on the 20th day of January next, according to law, by

RICHARD HARWOOD, Sheriff
of Anne-Arundel county.
Annapolis, November 30, 1795.

HAVING suffered much loss by trespasses 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 the HOUSE of DELEGATES, December 14, 1795.

ORDERED, That the bill, entitled, "An act to erect a company, as a body corporate, for the purpose of cutting and making a canal between the bay of Chesapeake and the river Delaware," be published in the Maryland Gazette, Eastern, George-town, Frederick-town and two Baltimore-town newspapers, the Washington Spy, and Dunlap and Claypoole and Bache's Philadelphia news-papers, for three weeks successively, with the year and days on the question for referring said bill to the next session of assembly.

On motion, the question was put, That the further consideration of the bill to erect a company, as a body corporate, for the purpose of cutting and making a canal between the bay of Chesapeake and the river Delaware, be referred to the next session of assembly. The year and days being required, appeared as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messieurs Hopewell, Neale, Pinkney, J. Worthington, Ridout, T. Worthington, Ridgely, Ridgely, of Wm. Merryman, Hollingsworth, Gilpin, R. Bond, W. Bowie, T. Bowie, Quynn, Key, Dennis, Whittington, Corbin, Baer, Brother, Beatty, Shriver, J. Bond, Jarrett, Montgomery, M'Comas, Wincheller, M'Mechen, Ringgold, Barnes, Brooke, Burgess, Oneale, J. Johnson, Lyon, Cresap, Beall.

NEGATIVE.

Messieurs W. Thomas, Spencer, Lloyd, Barrall, Hall, Mackall, Brome, Horrell, Chesley, Parnham, Digges, Roberts, Martin, Sherwood, Carroll, Nutter, Hyland, Steele, Robertson, Ward, O'Bryon, Brown, C. Frazier, Robins, Driver, Mitchell, Clarke, Reinzel.

So it was resolved in the affirmative.
True extract from the minutes of the House of Delegates.
By order,
W. HARWOOD, Clk.

An ACT to erect a company, as a body corporate, for the purpose of cutting and making a canal between the bay of Chesapeake and the river Delaware.

WHEREAS the opening of the communication between the bay of Chesapeake and the river Delaware, by means of a canal, will be attended with very beneficial effects to those parts of the state of Maryland that lie on the bay of Chesapeake, and on the waters that empty themselves into the said bay, and many persons are willing to subscribe large sums of money to effect so useful a work, and it being just and proper that they, their heirs and assigns, should be empowered to receive reasonable tolls for ever as a compensation for the money advanced by them in carrying the work into execution, and the risk they incur,

II. *Be it enacted, by the general assembly of Maryland*, That it shall be lawful to open books for receiving and entering subscriptions to the amount of _____ dollars, in shares of _____ dollars each share, for the cutting said canal, and perfecting the navigation thereof, under the management of _____ at Elkton, _____ at Chester town, _____ at Easton, _____ at Vienna, and under the management of such persons, and at such places, in Delaware and Pennsylvania, as shall be appointed by acts of the legislatures of those states; that the said books shall be opened on the _____ day of _____ and shall continue open for this purpose until the _____ day of _____; and on the _____ day of _____ there shall be a general meeting of the subscribers at the town of _____, of which meeting notice shall be given by the said managers, or any four of them, in the Maryland, Delaware and Pennsylvania newspapers, at least one month before the said meeting; provided, that if the same time of receiving subscriptions, and of meeting, should not be appointed by all the said states, then there shall be a meeting of the subscribers at the time by them appointed, at the place aforesaid, notice whereof to be given as aforesaid, and the subscriptions made at the times and places appointed by Delaware and Pennsylvania shall then be received, and such meeting may and shall be continued from day to day till the business is finished; and the acting managers, at the time and place aforesaid, shall lay before such of the subscribers as shall meet according to the said notice, the books by them respectively kept, containing the state of the said subscriptions, and if one half of the capital sum aforesaid should, upon examination, appear not to have been subscribed, then the said managers, at the said meeting, are empowered to take and receive subscriptions to make up the deficiency; and a just and true list of all the subscribers, with the sums subscribed by each, shall be made out and returned by the said managers, or any four or more of them, under their hands, to the general court for the eastern shore of Maryland, and the supreme courts of Delaware and Pennsylvania, to be there kept and recorded; and in case more than _____ dollars shall be subscribed, then the same shall be reduced to that sum by the said managers, or a majority of them, by beginning at, and striking off a share from, the largest subscription of subscriptions, and continuing to strike off a share from all subscriptions under the largest and above one share, until the sum is reduced to the capital of _____ dollars, or until a share is taken from all subscriptions above one share, and lots shall be drawn between subscribers of equal sums, to determine the numbers in which such subscribers shall stand on a list to be made for striking off as aforesaid; and if the sum subscribed still exceeds the capital aforesaid, then to strike off by the same rule, until the sum subscribed is reduced to the capital aforesaid, or all the subscriptions are reduced to one share, and if there still be an excess, then lots to be drawn to determine the subscribers who are to be excluded to reduce the subscriptions to the capital aforesaid; which striking off shall be certified in the list aforesaid, and no person shall subscribe less than one whole share; provided, that unless _____ of said capital shall be subscribed as aforesaid, all subscriptions made in consequence of this act shall be void; and in case _____, and less than the whole of said capital shall be subscribed as aforesaid, then the president and directors, appointed as herein after mentioned, are hereby empowered and directed to take and receive the subscriptions which shall be first offered, in whole shares as aforesaid, until the deficiency shall be made up, a certificate of which additional subscriptions shall be made, under the hands of the president and directors for the time being, or of a majority of them, and returned to, and recorded in, the courts herein before mentioned.

III. *And be it enacted*, That in case one half of the said capital, or a greater sum, shall be subscribed as aforesaid, the said subscribers, and their heirs and assigns, from the time of their said first meeting, shall be, and are hereby declared to be, incorporated, by the name of The Chesapeake and Delaware Canal

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