

RIDGELY and EVANS,
 HAVE JUST RECEIVED,
 And Offer for Sale,
 A general Assortment of Goods,
 Suitable to the present Season,
 Consisting of

SUPERFINE, second and coarse broad cloths,
 Common and satin striped elastic ditto,
 Fashionable cord, mixed, stamped, and plain cassimers,
 Double mill'd drabs,
 Devonshire kersey,
 Ladies and gentlemen's superfine coatings,
 Common mixt and striped ditto,
 Superfine and common white, red, scarlet and yellow flannels,
 Green baize, halfthicks, plains, and kerseys,
 Blue, green and white Kendal cottons,
 Fearnought,
 Sailors ready made great coats, jackets and trousers,
 Mill'd and yarn stockings and gloves,
 Double rose and common stripe blankets,
 Moreens, taboreens, and Jone's spinning,
 Durants, calimancoes and fine black ruffles,
 Bombazens, alapeens and bombazets,
 Wildbores, cloaking and common camblots,
 Brown and black crapes,
 Changeable poplins,
 Prince's and fancy stuffs,
 Fustians, fatinets and royal ribs,
 Corduroy, velvets, hunters, and fancy cords and thickets,
 Marfeilles, corded dimities, bed-ticks and checks,
 A beautiful assortment of swan-down, llnnet cloth, mole-skin and tamboured casimer vest shapes,
 7-8 and 4-4 Irish linens,
 9-8 and 5-4 fine Irish and Russia sheetings,
 Russia drab and ravens duck,
 7-8 and 5-4 diaper,
 7-4, 8-4, and 10-4 diaper table cloths,
 Cambricks & long lawns,
 Dowls, brown roles, ticklenburgs and brown hempen linens,
 An elegant assortment of tambour'd, striped, cross barred and plain jaconet and dress book muslin,

Mullin aprons, handkerchiefs and cravats,
 Superfine 9-8 and 6-4 India jaconet and book muslins,
 A very general assortment of fashionable light and dark chintzes and calicoes,
 Stamped muslin & chintz shawls,
 Ribands, edgings, tapes & ferrets,
 Worsted bindings and galloons,
 Threads assorted,
 Shoe ditto, in hanks and balls,
 Sewing, embroidering and tambour silks,
 Pins and needles,
 Ladies kid, Morocco and stuff slippers,
 Lustrings, taffeties, modes and larcenet,
 Ladies black, white and coloured satins,
 Gentlemens black satin & silk florentines,
 Silk velvets, assorted, in colours,
 Girls, youths, and boys cotton & worsted stockings,
 Ladies and gentlemens gauze, worsted, cotton and silk ditto,
 Ladies paper, satin and beaver hats,
 Mens, youths and boys fine and coarse ditto,
 Leipers and rappee snuff,
 Best sweet scent chewing tobacco,
 A very general assortment of best quality pen and pocket knives,
 Ladies and gentlemens Morocco pocket-books, with instruments,
 Japanned waiters and tea trays,
 Brass candlesticks and steel snuffers,
 Shovels and tongs,
 Hearth and sweeping brooms,
 Iron tea kettles,
 4d. 8d. 10d. 12d. & 20d. flat point nails,
 Hob-nails, shoe-tacks, & awl blades,
 Best battle and common gunpowder,
 Patent and common shot,
 Earthen, glass, and China ware,
 Sein twine, &c.

ALSO GROCERIES,

Imperial, fresh hyson, hyson skin, fouchong, and congo teas, coffee, loaf and brown sugar, and a number of other articles too tedious to enumerate.

All of which they are determined to sell at the most reduced prices for cash, or on the usual credit to their punctual customers. They return their sincere thanks to their friends, and the public in general, for past favours, and hope, by their strict attention, to merit a continuance of the same.

All those who are indebted to them by bond or note of considerable time standing, are requested to call and settle the same, and those who are in arrearages on open account of more than twelve months standing, are hereby required to close them by paying up the same, or giving bond or note, with approved security, if required. Those who do not comply with this request may expect that suits will commence against them to the next county court.
 Annapolis, November 14, 1797.

SETH SWEETSER,

RETURNS his thanks to his customers and the public in general for past favours in the line of his business, and informs them that he still carries on the Boot and Shoe-making Business in all its branches, in the best manner. He has just received a large quantity of the best Boston bend seal-leather, which he will sell on reasonable terms; for cash, or green hides; he has also for sale, hide-leather and calf skins, and all kinds of Shoe-maker's tools, shoe-thread, resin, linseed, whale and tanger's oil, and sundry other articles too tedious to mention.

N. B. He has a valuable young Wench for sale, that is used to Kitchen work.

**PROPOSALS
 FOR PRINTING
 A DIGEST
 OF THE
 LAWS OF MARYLAND,**

FROM THE YEAR 1785, TO THE PERIOD OF PUBLICATION:

Containing all the Laws from that to the present time, inclusive.

THE object which this intention contemplates, is to publish every Law, now in force, in periodical order, with marginal references and notes, to obviate obscurities created, the consequence of progressive subdivisions, which necessarily resulted, to answer the annual purposes of legislative convenience. The Laws within this space of time, include all our STATUTES, since HANSON'S COLLECTION, and many of them, of the first importance to the people.

The complaints which have been frequently made by the student, in toiling through the dreary course of many perplexing sessions, unavoidably clouded by enumerated additions, amendments and repeals, often produce to his inquiries both doubt and uncertainty. The MERCHANT and FARMER have also frequently evidenced a solicitude, that these Laws were comprised in a clearer view, to abate the difficulties that occur in perusal. Hence it becomes the duty of the citizen, during intervals of leisure from necessary avocations, to digest a plan to remedy the evil.

The multiplicity of Laws is one of the grievances attendant on free governments, for when a Law, which is the "rule of our civil conduct," is enacted at the will of a despot, or aristocratic body, it generally remains fixed, and without frequent alteration or addition. On the contrary, when a REPRESENTATIVE, or FREE GOVERNMENT, LIKE OUR OWN, act in a legislative capacity, from the very freedom and spirit of the organization, our codes are naturally swelled to a more bulky size; sometimes from the frequency of change in our representation, and sometimes from kindred causes. Though this is one of the consequent defects (for human perfection is unattainable) of free governments, yet when we consider the unparalleled privileges and blessings we enjoy, under our Constitutions and Laws, unknown to any nation in the civilized world, we should not be unmindful of our duty, unanimously to co-operate in the most earnest and zealous benedictions to Heaven, for such signal marks of divine favour.

This plan, more copiously displayed, will be presented to the next session of Assembly, for their approbation; because the author is of opinion, that it is not right to interfere with any acts of the constituted authorities, without their previous acquiescence. The glaring injuries that have grown out of such evil practices, have already been too manifest to require animadversion, and too severely felt by us a people, not to discourage repetition. The whole, it is trusted, will be found useful to the magistrate, the merchant, the farmer, and the mechanic. If it should prove so in event, the labours of the compiler will be abundantly rewarded.

CONDITIONS.

- I. That this work will be printed and bound in one volume, and put to press as soon as the subscription is sufficiently enlarged to defray the expenses of printing.
- II. That the whole will be printed on good paper and good type.
- III. That each subscriber, at the time of subscribing, shall pay *Five Dollars* in advance, for every copy subscribed for, (to enable the printer to go speedily through with the work) and the balance on delivery of the book.
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of the same kind, containing the same quantity of matter, are sold for: it cannot be ascertained at present, with accuracy, what the expense of printing will be, and therefore no fixed price can yet be promulged.

V. That if any invisible accident should counteract this plan, so as to produce miscarriage, or to prevent it from being carried into execution; in such case, or cases, the money advanced, shall be returned to the respective persons subscribing.

Subscriptions received by Messrs. James Rice, & Co. and George Hill, booksellers in Baltimore, and by Frederick Green, Annapolis.

CHARLES FARIS,

Clock and Watch-Maker,

RESPECTFULLY informs his friends, and the public in general, that he has received a few **SPRING CLOCKS**, and an assortment of gold, gilt, and silver warranted **WATCHES**, gold, gilt, and steel **CHAINS**, and a variety of **JEWELLERY**, and other articles in his line, which he will sell low for **CASH**.

N. B. The highest price given for old silver.
 Annapolis, November 8, 1797.

NOTICE.

INTEND to petition the general assembly of Maryland; at their next session, for an act to relieve me from debts which I am unable to pay.

JOHN F. BEALL.
 Charles county, October 18, 1797.

A Bargain Offered.

I will SELL, on moderate terms,

THAT valuable FARM on Kent Island, lately occupied by Dr. JONATHAN ROBERTS. It is situated immediately opposite to the city of Annapolis is healthy and commands a very extensive view of the Chesapeake. It contains about three hundred acres of land, and is in very high cultivation. The soil is well adapted to the production of wheat, corn and tobacco. The improvements consist of a good frame dwelling house, a large commodious brick quarter, two valuable tobacco houses, a very convenient cow house, two stables, a granary, carriage house, and every other necessary building that the accommodation of a family could possibly require. There is a very choice collection of every kind of fruit. The apple orchard have not yet reached maturity and now yield about thirty hogheads of cider, and several hundred bushels of excellent winter apples. The former proprietor of this place being a man of considerable industry and taste has taken uncommon pains to procure not only valuable fruit, but every other tree that are calculated to beautify and adorn a farm. There are several acres covered with locust and black walnut trees, planted by him, and now in perfection. The houses are all in excellent repair, and the fences in good order. There is seeded for the benefit of the purchaser between seventy and eighty bushels of wheat. A small part of the purchase money must be paid on the first day of January next, and an extensive credit will be given for the residue. Bonds, with approved security, will be exacted from the purchaser, and an indisputable title will be given him by

JONATHAN R. WILMER.
 November 7, 1797.

JAMES MATTISON,

HATTER,

In the house formerly occupied by ROBERT COUDEN, Esq;

RESPECTFULLY informs the public in general, and his customers in particular, that he has just received and will be constantly supplied with the best Canada beaver, raccoon and fox, and other materials of the best quality; he will be able to supply those who may honour him with their commands, with hats of a superior quality, on the shortest notice, and most reasonable terms.

An active LAD, about 15 years of age, would be taken as an apprentice.
 Annapolis, October 19, 1797.

Eighty Dollars Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber's farm, about seven miles from Annapolis, on Wednesday, the 5th instant, two slaves, WILL and TOM; they are brothers. WILL, a freight, tall, well made fellow, upwards of six feet high, he is generally called black, but has rather a yellowish complexion; by trade a carpenter and cooper, and in general capable of the use of tools in almost any work; saws well at the whip saw, about thirty years of age, when he speaks quick he stammers a little in his speech. TOM, a stout well made fellow, a bright mulatto, twenty-four years of age, and about five feet nine or ten inches high; he is a complete hand at plantation work, and can handle tools pretty well. Their dresses at home, upper jackets lined with flannel, and overalls of a drab colour, but they have a variety of other cloathing, and it is supposed they will not appear abroad in what they wear at home. Will writes pretty well, and if he and his brother are not furnished with passes from others, they will not be at a loss for them, but upon proper examination may be discovered to be forged. These people, it is imagined, are gone for Baltimore-town, as Tom has a wife living there, with Mr. Thomas Edwards. For taking up and securing the two fellows in the goal of Baltimore-town, or any other goal, so that I get them again, a reward of eighty dollars, and for either forty dollars.

THOMAS HARWOOD.
 Annapolis, April 10, 1797.

ALL persons indebted to the MARYLAND GAZETTE, ADVERTISEMENTS, &c. are once more earnestly requested to pay off their respective balances. Those whose accounts are more than twelve months standing, it is hoped, will pay particular attention to this request, as no apology will be necessary for compulsory measures should they refuse or neglect to comply with it.
 FREDERICK GREEN.

NOTICE.

THE COMMITTEE OF GRIEVANCES and COURTS of JUSTICE will sit from nine o'clock every morning until three o'clock in the afternoon.
 By order,
 JNO. P. HARRIS, Clk.

By the COMMITTEE OF CLAIMS.
THE COMMITTEE OF CLAIMS will sit every day, during the present session, from nine o'clock in the morning until three in the afternoon.
 by order,
 S. MAYNARD, Clk.

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