

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
cloth,
Common and satin striped
elastic ditto,
Fashionable cord, mixed,
flamped, and plain ca-
stors,
Double mill'd drabs,
Devonshire kersey,
Ladies and gentlemen's su-
perfine coatings,
Common mixt and striped
ditto,
Superfine and common
white, red, scarlet and
yellow flannels,
Green baize, half-thicks,
plains, and kerseys,
Blue, green and white
Kendal cottons,
Fearnought,
Sailors ready made great
coats, jackets and trou-
sers,
Mill'd and yarn stockings
and gloves,
Double rose and common
stripe blankets,
Moreens, taboreens, and
Jones spinning,
Durants, calimancoes and
sine black ruffels,
Bombazeens, slapeens and
bombazets,
Wildbore, cloaking and
common camblets,
Brown and black crapes,
Changeable poplins,
Princess and fancy stuffs,
Fustians, satinets and roy-
al ribs,
Corduroy, velverets, hunt-
ers, and fancy cords
and thickets,
Marcelles, corded dimi-
ties, bed-ticks and
checks,
A beautiful assortment
of swandown, lionet
cloths, 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,
Dowlas, brown roles,
ticklenburges and brown
hempen linens,
An elegant assortment
of tambour'd, striped, cross
barred and plain jaconet
and dres book mullin,

Muslin aprons, handker-
chiefs and cravats,
Superfine 9-8 and 6-4
India jaconet and book
mullins,
A very general assortment
of fashionable light and
dark chintzes and cali-
coes,
Stamped muslin & chintz
shawls,
Ribands, edgetags, tapes &
ferrets,
Worsted bindings and gal-
loons,
Threads assorted,
Shoe ditto, in hanks and
balls,
Sewing, embroidering and
tambour silks,
Pins and needles,
Ladies kid, Morocco and
Ruff slippers,
Luttrings, taffities, modes
and farcenet,
Ladies black, white and
coloured satins,
Gentlemen's black satin &
silk florentines,
Silk velvets, assorted, in
colours,
Girls, youths, and boys
cotton & worsted stock-
ings,
Ladies and gentlemen's
gauze, worsted, cotton
and silk ditto,
Ladies paper, satin and
beaver hats,
Mens, youths and boys
sine 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 gentlemen's
Morocco pocket-books,
with instruments,
Japanned waiters and tea
trays,
Braf 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,
Scin 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 arrears
ages 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 com-
mence 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 brand foal-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 tanner'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 peri-
odical order, with marginal references and notes, to
obviate obscurities created, the consequence of pro-
gressive subdivisions, which necessarily resulted, to an-
swer 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 enu-
merated additions, amendments and repeals, often pro-
duce to his inquiries both doubt and uncertainty. The
MERCHANT and FARMER have also, frequently evi-
denced 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 re-
mains 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 orga-
nization, 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 hu-
man 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 pre-
sented to the next session of Assembly, for their appro-
bation; because the author is of opinion, that it is not
right to interfere with any acts of the constituted au-
thorities, without their previous acquiescence. The
glaring injuries that have grown out of such evil prac-
tices, have already been too manifest to require ani-
madversion, 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.
- IV. That the price will be as moderate as books

of the same kind, con-
taining the same quan-
tity of matter, are sold
for: it cannot be ascer-
tained at present, with
accuracy, what the ex-
pense of printing will
be, and therefore no
fixed price can yet be
promulged.
V. That if any invisible
accident should coun-
teract 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 sub-
scribing.

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 31, 1797.

NOTICE.

INTEND to petition the general Assembly of Ma-
ryland, at their next session, for an act to reliev-
me from debt 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 valu-
able tobacco houses, a very convenient cow house, sta-
bles, a granary, carriage house, and every other ne-
cessary building that the accommodation of a family
could possibly require. There is a very choice col-
lection of every kind of fruit. The apple orchards
have not yet reached maturity and now yield about
thirty hogsheds 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 valu-
able 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 se-
venty and eighty bushels of wheat. A small part of
the purchase money must be paid on the delivery of the
place, which will be on the first day of January
next, and an extensive credit will be given for the
residue. Bonds, with approved security, will be ex-
acted 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 straight 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
slut 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 dress at
home, upper jackets lined with flannel, and excalls
of a drab colour, but they have a variety of other
clothing, 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 for the MARYLAND
GAZETTE, ADVERTISEMENTS, &c.
are once more earnestly requested to pay off their re-
spective 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 re-
fuse 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. F. 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.
ANNAPOLIS.
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