

Resolved, That the commanders of the private armed vessels of the United States, be authorized, by law, to take or destroy any cruizers of the French republic, which shall attack them on the high seas for the purpose of search or seizure.

Resolved, That the commanders of the public armed vessels of the United States be authorized and directed to take or destroy any cruiser of the French republic which may be found attacking, on the high seas, any public or private vessel of the United States, for the purpose of search or seizure.

Resolved, That the commanders of the public and private armed vessels of the United States be authorized to retake any vessel of the United States which may have been captured by the cruizers of the French republic, and to take or destroy any cruiser which may have made such capture.

Resolved, That the public armed vessels of the United States be authorized and directed to take or destroy all armed cruizers of the French republic which may be found on the coast of the United States within of the shore.

The house went into a committee of the whole on the bill respecting alien enemies, and after agreeing to some amendments, and undergoing some discussion, it was agreed to, and ordered to be read a third time tomorrow. This bill provides that, whenever there shall be a declared war between the United States, and any foreign nation, or any invasion, or predatory incursion, shall be perpetrated, attempted or threatened against this country, all unnaturalized aliens of such country here, shall be liable to be apprehended, restrained, secured, and removed as alien enemies, and their goods and effects subject to a just retaliation of any unusual severities and confiscations, which shall be suffered by the citizens of the United States, in the country with which we are so at war, &c. And any person so obstructing the execution of this act, or who shall harbour and conceal any alien, liable as an enemy, knowing him to be such after the proclamation of the president, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and liable to a forfeiture not exceeding one thousand dollars, and be imprisoned nor exceeding seven years.

Annapolis, May 31.

To the PRESIDENT of the UNITED STATES.

SIR, WE, the undersigned jurors attending the circuit court of the United States for the district of Maryland, think it our duty to address you on the alarming situation into which our public affairs have been brought by the unconciliating spirit, ambition and rapacity of those who now govern the republic of France.

At the first dawn of the revolution in that country, we fondly hoped that a new era was opening upon mankind, when liberty, justice and humanity, would take the place of slavery, rapine and cruelty, which had but too long disgraced the world. Allured by this delusive phantom, many of us long excused the errors, and apologized for the crimes of that ill-fated people.

But at length our eyes are opened, when we see them aiming deadly blows at the small remains of republicanism in Europe, and menacing us also with destruction, the only people on earth who have ever shown them sincere friendship, and who have nothing to reproach ourselves with as to them, but too fond, too blind an attachment.

On a calm retrospect of the conduct of your illustrious predecessor, and a view of the measures which have been pursued during your administration with regard to that nation, we can perceive nothing which ought to have offended, nothing unattempted that could have averted the calamity with which we are threatened, unless we had chosen to have become their ally in a war foreign to our interests, and probably fatal to our independency. Anxious as we always have been, and still are, to avoid war, yet we are persuaded that there is one evil greater and more dreadful, national degradation, the certain harbinger of slavery. Accept then, Sir, our assurances, as in some measure representing our district, that you will find us animated with the spirit of freemen, and determined at all hazards to defend the rights and independency of our country, and if there be any of a different sentiment, as hath been presumptuously asserted, they will be found few indeed.

John Campbell,  
Richard Perrett,  
Isaac Pollock,  
Charles Carrill, Jun.  
John Galloway,  
Denton Jaques,  
George Kennedy,  
Patrick Murdock,  
Evan Lewinn,  
William Lee,  
Samuel C. Hall,  
Annapolis, May 8th, 1798.

William C. Brent,  
Charles Wallace,  
James Williams,  
Alexander Greer,  
Samuel Bayly,  
William Dallam,  
Randolph B. Latimer,  
Samuel Robertson,  
Thomas Nowland,  
J. J. Bugh,  
John R. Key.

ANSWER

To the JURORS attending the CIRCUIT COURT of the UNITED STATES for the district of MARYLAND.

GENTLEMEN, I THANK you for this address. The French revolution was a phenomenon, so unusual in the modern history of the world (although the changes of dynasties were common in the great empires of antiquity) and held up to our view in the amiable light of reformation and regeneration, while its deformities were carefully concealed from the public in America, that it is not surprising, that a new era was thought by many to be opening upon mankind. It is now apparent to all men, that slavery, rapine and cruelty, have been augmented and multiplied, instead of being succeeded by liberty, justice and humanity.

I rejoice that your eyes are at length opened; the deadly blows aimed at the small remains of republicanism in Europe, and the menaces of destruction against us, who have nothing to reproach ourselves with, but too fond, too blind an attachment, cannot fail to alarm every candid mind.

The satisfaction you express in the conduct of the executive authority of this country towards France, is very acceptable. Many strong indications have escaped, from time to time, for several years, that nothing would satisfy the French rulers short of our becoming their ally in a war, foreign to our interests, and fatal to our independency, by becoming tributary to their ambitious views of universal domination, by sea and land, and to the rapacious avarice of influential individuals.

This national degradation, the certain harbinger of slavery, or rather slavery itself, is certainly an evil greater, and more dreadful than war.

Your determination, at all hazards, to defend the rights and independency of your country, shews you to be animated with the spirit of freemen, and does you great honour.

JOHN ADAMS.

Philadelphia, May 18, 1798.

By AUTHORITY.  
THEATRE.

On FRIDAY EVENING, June 1, 1798,  
Will be presented, a comic opera, never performed here, called,

INKLE and YARICO.

A prologue to be spoken by Mr. McGrath.  
End of the play, Matrimonial Squabbles: or,  
The Spirit of Contradiction.

After which "The little farthing rush-light: or,  
Jew's Wedding," by Mr. Bates.

To which will be added, a comedy of two acts, called,

THE OLD MAID.

After the farce, Mr. Bates will sing the comic medley of "Four and twenty fiddlers all on a row."

Box TICKETS at One Dollar, PIT TICKETS, at Three Quarters of a Dollar, to be had at Mr. Criff's Hotel, the Ticket office, and at the Printing-office. No money taken at the doors of admission, nor any persons allowed behind the scenes.

The curtain to be raised at seven o'clock.  
CH. C. M'GRATH.

To be RENTED,

And possession given in December,

THE plantation whereon the subscriber now lives, known by the name of the RISING SUN, it lies on the road leading from Annapolis to Baltimore and Fredericktown, and is a very convenient house for a tavern, having a good stable, and every necessary out house.

The subscriber has for sale a quantity of locust, cedar and walnut poles, which he will deliver at Annapolis, Baltimore, or at his landing on Severn river. For terms apply to

AUGUSTINE GAMBRILL.

Head of Severn, Anne-Arundel county,  
May 29, 1798.

In CHANCERY, May 26, 1798.

ON application to the chancellor, by petition in writing, of STEPHEN WATKINS, of Anne-Arundel county, praying the benefit of the act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at the last last session, on the terms therein mentioned, and a schedule of his property, and a list of his creditors, so far as he can ascertain the same, on oath, being annexed to his petition, and the chancellor being satisfied, by competent testimony, that the said Stephen Watkins is, and at the time of passing the said act was, a citizen of the United States, and of this state, and the said Stephen Watkins, at the time of presenting his petition, having produced to the chancellor the assent in writing of so many of his creditors as have due to them, according to the list aforesaid, the amount of two thirds of the debts due by him at the time of passing the said act; it is therefore adjudged and ordered, that the said Stephen Watkins, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted once in each of three successive weeks in the Maryland Gazette, before the sixteenth day of June next, give notice to his creditors to appear in the chancery-office, at eleven o'clock, on the second day of July next, for the purpose of recommending some person to be trustee for their benefit, on the said Stephen Watkins's then and there taking the oath prescribed for delivering up his property.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,  
Reg. Cur. Can.

ALL persons having claims against the estate of A RACHEL WATKINS, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, are requested to bring them in, legally authenticated, and those that are indebted to said estate are desired to make immediate payment, to

THOMAS LUSBY, Administrator.  
Annapolis, May 30, 1798.

FOUND adrift, at the mouth of South river, a quantity of SCANTLING. The owner may have it again on proving property and paying charges.  
May 1, 1798. WILLIAM PURDIE.

A MEETING of the SOCIETY of the CINCINNATI will be held at capt. Sears's tavern, in Baltimore, on Wednesday the fourth of July next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon; the members of said society are requested to give their attendance.

By order of the president,  
ROBERT DENNY, Sec.

May 21, 1798.

NOTICE,

THAT the COMMISSIONERS of the TAX for Anne-Arundel county will meet in the city of Annapolis to hear appeals, and will continue sitting for twenty days from the date hereof.

By order,  
NICH. HARWOOD, Cl. Co. Tax, A. A. Co.

In CHANCERY, May 22, 1798.

ON application to the chancellor, by petition in writing, of SAMUEL MAYNARD, of Anne-Arundel county, praying the benefit of the act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at the last session, on the terms therein mentioned, and a schedule of his property, and a list of his creditors, so far as he can ascertain the same, on oath, being annexed to his petition, and the chancellor being satisfied, by competent testimony, that the said Samuel Maynard is, and at the time of passing the said act was, a citizen of the United States, and of this state, and the said Samuel Maynard, at the time of presenting his petition, having produced to the chancellor the assent in writing of so many of his creditors as have due to them, according to the list aforesaid, the amount of two thirds of the debts due by him at the time of passing the said act; it is therefore adjudged and ordered, that the said Samuel Maynard, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted once in each of three successive weeks in the Maryland Gazette before the fifteenth day of June next, give notice to his creditors to appear in the chancery-office, at eleven o'clock, on the twenty-second day of June next, for the purpose of recommending some person to be trustee for their benefit, on the said Samuel Maynard's then and there taking the oath prescribed for delivering up his property.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,  
Reg. Cur. Can.

FOR SALE,

Taylor's Landing Warehouses,

On Patuxent river, near Queen-Anne.  
For terms apply to DANIEL CLARKE, of Prince-George's county, or  
DANIEL CLARKE, jun.  
of Frederick town.

May 8, 1798.

To be SOLD,

TWO HORSES, and  
A good BOAT.

H. STIER.

Annapolis, May, 1798.

In CHANCERY, May 10, 1798.

ON application to the chancellor, by petition in writing, of CHARLES SHANKS, of St. Mary's county, praying the benefit of the act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at the last session, on the terms therein mentioned, and a schedule of his property, and a list of his creditors, so far as he can ascertain the same, on oath, being annexed to his petition, and the chancellor being satisfied, by competent testimony, that the said Charles Shanks is, and at the time of passing the said act was, a citizen of the United States, and of this state, and the said Charles Shanks, at the time of presenting his petition, having produced to the chancellor the assent in writing of so many of his creditors as have due to them, according to the list aforesaid, the amount of two thirds of the debts due by him at the time of passing the said act; it is therefore adjudged and ordered, that the said Charles Shanks, by causing a copy of this order to be inserted three weeks successively in the Maryland Gazette before the tenth day of June next, give notice to his creditors to appear in the chancery-office, at eleven o'clock, on the 22d day of June next, for the purpose of recommending some person to be trustee for their benefit, on the said Charles Shanks's then and there taking the oath prescribed for delivering up his property.

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,  
Reg. Cur. Can.

F. M. De Lalandelle,

INFORMS his friends and the public, that he has purchased the stock in trade of WILLIAM ANDERSON, in Annapolis, consisting of DRY and WET GOODS and GROCERIES, to which he has made considerable additions, and waited only for the first arrivals to complete an extensive assortment, he has to give every satisfaction to all those who will honor him with their custom. He has also for sale, A mulatto man, about 42 years old, who is an excellent hand at any plantation work, is a very rough carpenter, understands making tobacco heads, may also do very well to tend a grist-mill country custom. Also,

A negro lad, about 18, who can do any kind of plantation work, has been used to take care of his employer. They are sold for no fault, but merely for want of employment.