

on one stalk, in a garden in Rutland, and that an apple tree in an orchard in that town then had apples on it of a second growth, as large as pigeons eggs, and other trees were in blossom!!!—*Swang.*

CHARLESTON, November 2.

From the Barbadoes Gazette.

To the Editor.

St. Anne's Cattle, 2d June 1793.

Sir,
By inserting the following, you will much oblige yours, &c.

JOHN REYNOLDS.

A few days past, was discovered in a garden near St. Anne's barracks, a snake of a most enormous size, measuring in length 13 yards and a half; the circumference of its body by an exact measure was 29 inches; such an uncommon phenomenon never before appeared in this island, and which must no doubt claim the attention of all naturalists. It is truly astonishing, that on the snake's being first discovered, he flew at every object he saw with the fierceness of a lion; several musket balls went through his body, notwithstanding which he made his way at the distance of 150 yards, and remained stationed at the steps leading to the barrack, when a rifle ball put an end to his existence.

As no doubt a snake of such uncommon dimensions must excite the attention of the curious, it may be viewed every day, at a small house close adjoining the barrack, from 11 o'clock in the forenoon till 5 in the evening. It is curious to observe, that on taking out its entrails, a small pocket book was found, containing a silver thimble, a pair of scissors, and a new seven shilling gold coin, all which will be sent home for the inspection of the royal society, whose diligent researches will, no doubt, be exerted to ascertain how it could have made its appearance on this island.

There is no doubt of a strong supposition, that this snake came over in one of the Guinea ships lately arrived; as several European writers make mention of snakes of a large size being found in the interior of several parts of Africa.

It is extraordinary that the teeth of this animal measured four inches in length, and its tongue is infinitely larger than that of an ox. A negro boy about 14 years of age, excited by curiosity, touched the tip of its tongue with his fore finger and thumb, and such was the instantaneous effect of its venomous poison, that his finger and thumb were instantly cut off, otherwise the faculty suppose he must have lost his arm.

BALTIMORE, November 21.

Captain Vibert, of the schooner America, in 43 days, from Cadiz, has brought an account of the action between the French and British fleets in the mouth of the Nile, from on board the Ville de Paris, admiral Jervis.

VILLE DE PARIS, OFF CADIZ,
Sept. 27, 1798.

The commander in chief has inexpressible happiness in communicating to the officers, seamen and marines of his majesty's ships before Cadiz, that an action was fought at the mouth of the Nile, on the first, second and third of August, and under the blessing of God, and the intrepid conduct of the officers and crew of the squadron under the orders of rear-admiral Sir Horatio Nelson, K. B. a most signal and glorious victory was obtained over that of France, as will be the best seen by the number of their ships taken and blown up, as follows:—

French line.

Le Gonorrer, 74 guns, 700 men, taken; Le Conquerante, 74, 700, taken; Le Spartial, 74, 700, taken; L'Aquilon, 74, 700, taken; Le Souverante du Peuple, 74, 700, taken; Le Franklin, 80, 800, taken; L'Orient, 120, 1010, blown up; Le Tonnant, 80, 800, taken; Le Heureux, 74, 700, taken; Le Timoleon, 74, 700, blown up; Le Mercure, 74, 700, taken; Le Guillaume Tell, 80, 700, escaped; Le Generaux, 74, 700, escaped.

Frigates.

Le Dian, 48, 300, escaped; Le Justice, 46, 300, escaped; L'Artimef, 36, 250, burnt; Le Scruufe, 36, 250, dis. sunk.

English line.

Culloden, of 74 guns, 550 men; Theseus, 74, 550; Alexander, 74, 550; Vanguard, 74, 550; Minotaur, 74, 640; Swiftsure, 74, 550; Audacious, 74, 550; Defence, 74, 550; Zealous, 74, 550; Orion, 74, 550; Goliath, 74, 550; Bellerophon, 74, 550.

Frigates.

Leander, 50 guns; Le Mutin sloop, 18 guns.
List of killed and wounded on board the English fleet.

VANGUARD.

Killed—Captain Tedly, of marines; Mr. Thomas Leymour and Mr. I. Taylor, midshipmen; 20 seamen, 7 marines.

Wounded—Rear-admiral Nelson, lieutenants Vessal and M. Adige; Mr. Campbell secretary; Mr. Austin, boatwain; Messrs. Weatherston and Antrim, midshipmen; 60 seamen, 8 marines.

THESEUS.

Killed—Five seamen.
Wounded—One officer, 24 seamen, 5 marines.

ALEXANDER.

Killed—Lieutenant John Collins, 13 seamen.
Wounded—Captains Ball and Creswell, of marines; Mr. Lawson, master; 3 midshipmen, 48 seamen, 5 marines.

MINOTAUR.

Killed—Lieutenant Kircher, of marines; Mr. John Walker, mate; 18 seamen, 3 marines.

Wounded—Lieutenants Irwin and Jewell, of marines; Mr. Thomas Foxton, 2d mauler; 2 midshipmen, 54 seamen, 6 marines.

SWIFTSURE.

Killed—Seven seamen.
Wounded—Mr. William Smith, master; 19 seamen, 2 marines.

AUDACIOUS.

Killed—One seamen.
Wounded—Lieutenant John Jones, Mr. Fent, gunner; 31 seamen, 2 marines.

DEFENCE.

Killed—Three seamen, 1 marine.
Wounded—Nine seamen, 2 marines.

ZEALOUS.

Killed—One seamen.
Wounded—Nine seamen.

ORION.

Killed—Mr. Biard, captain Clerk, 11 seamen, 1 marine.
Wounded—Captain Sir James Saumerez, knight; Mr. Sasler, boatwain; 3 midshipmen, 18 seamen, 6 marines.

CULLODEN.

Killed—None.
Wounded—None.

GOLIATH.

Killed—Mr. William Davis, mate; Mr. Andrew Brown, midshipman; 12 seamen, 7 marines.
Wounded—Lieutenant William Wilkinson, Mr. L. Travis, midshipman; Mr. Strocham School, Mr. I. Payne, midshipman; 20 seamen, 9 marines.

MAJESTIC.

Killed—Captain Westcot, Mr. Z. Ford, midshipman; Mr. Andrew Gilmore, boatwain; 33 seamen, 14 marines.
Wounded—Two midshipmen, captain's clerk, 124 seamen, 15 marines.

BELLEROPHON.

Killed—Lieutenant R. S. Daniel, lieutenant P. W. Lawder, lieutenant G. Jolliffe, Mr. Thomas Eillison, 32 seamen, 13 marines.

Wounded—Captain Derby, Mr. Edward Kerby, mate; captain Hopkins, of marines; Mr. Chapman, boatwain; 126 seamen, 17 marines.

Minute of facts stated in the dispatches to lord St. Vincent.

The French transports ran into the Nile, and Buonaparte landed with only a few days provisions on hand, with about thirty-eight thousand men, two thousand having been cut to pieces on an attempt to land at Alexandria, where they expected a passive reception. The last dispatches state, that the only supplies Buonaparte could get were a little rice and water, brought to him on camels by the Arabs, but that the Turks were taking measures, not only to cut off this succour, but to march against him.

The crew of the Timoleon, when the ship took fire, attempted to save themselves on shore, but were all cut to pieces. The L'Orient's people were in part destroyed in the same manner, and blown up, only a few escaped, perhaps into the woods to starve.

The French fleet at the time of the action, had only five days provisions on board.

[We further learn by Mr. Yates, who came passenger in the America, and who was favoured by admiral Jervis himself with the official particulars above related, that none of the transports were destroyed, having probably run up the bay of Rosetta into shallow water, and that nothing certain had transpired to unravel the future projects of Buonaparte, whether he meant to settle down in Egypt, or whether he cast his wishful eyes on the distant shore of Mangalore. His situation at best appeared to be hopeless—His armed ships captured or destroyed, his transports blocked up, and his retreat cut off—his provisions nearly exhausted, and a supply precarious at least, if not unattainable; and above all, pressed on every side by hordes of Saracens, too barbarous to be worked upon even by French delusion. The forebodings of the invader must forcibly assure him that the despoiler of Italy and the conqueror of Egypt will never be united in the same man, and that he has, fortunately for the world, perhaps, left the channel of Britain to perish on the banks of the Nile.]

We very confidently assured our readers, some weeks since, that Buonaparte's fleet had met with a defeat, and that the French government, by their "gag laws," had endeavoured to stop the circulation of the news; but that admiral Jervis, as soon as the winds of the Mediterranean would admit, would receive and transmit the official account to England, when the world would soon be informed of the grateful event.

Annapolis, November 29.

By his EXCELLENCY

BENJAMIN OGLE,

GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND,

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS it has been represented to me that the dwelling house of Joshua Gift, of Frederick county, was, on the 11th instant, between the hours of eight and nine o'clock, consumed by fire, and that some malicious person or persons are supposed to have wilfully set fire to the same; 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 one hundred dollars to any per-

son who shall discover the perpetrator or perpetrators thereof, so that he, she, or they, or any of them, be convicted thereof.

Given in council, at the city of Annapolis, under the seal of the State of Maryland, this twenty-sixth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight.

BEN. OGLE.

By the Governor,
NINIAN PINKNEY, Clerk
of the governor and council.

"On Saturday the 24th instant, departed this life, at his seat on West river, in his fifty-ninth year, RICHARD SPRIGG, Esq; a gentleman long and extensively known for his integrity, plain unaffected manners, and unbounded hospitality."

In the Oration on Patriotism, published in the Maryland Gazette, note the following.

E R R A T A.

In the 5th line from the end of the oration strike out "the means of." In the 3d line from ditto, betwixt the words "till" and "resistance," insert "the means of."

By virtue of a decree of the High Court of Chancery, will be SOLD, at PUBLIC AUCTION, on Monday the seventeenth day of December next, on the premises,

THE following tracts or parcels of LAND, lying in Prince-George's county, near Henderson's Chappel, late the property of ABRAHAM CLARKE, deceased, viz. Part of HIGGINS'S LOT, containing 48 acres, ABRAHAM'S LUCK, being part of Peck's Lot, 69 acres, THE CHARLES, 43½ acres, CARRICK'S INDUSTRY, 100 acres, making in the whole one entire tract of 260½ acres of land, which will be sold together, or in separate lots, as may be most convenient to purchasers. The terms of sale are for ready money, or money to be paid on the chancellor's ratifying the sale, at the election of the purchaser or purchasers.

A large proportion of the above lands are in wood, open to a fine range for stock; the improvements are, a dwelling house, kitchen, meat house, corn house, hen house, and tobacco house, all in tolerable good repair, two valuable apple orchards of excellent fruit, and a variety of other fruit trees. A plot of the said lands will be shown on the day of sale, which will commence at 12 o'clock. When the sale is ratified by the chancellor, and the whole purchase money received, a deed of conveyance will be given by the purchaser or purchasers, by

SAMUEL TYLER, sen. trustee.

November 23, 1798.

I WILL sell my plantation, near Port-Tobacco, in Charles county, for cash; the title to the property is solely in the subscriber; it is unnecessary to say any thing respecting it, as no person will purchase without viewing the premises. For terms of sale apply to JOHN RANDALL, Esq; of the city of Annapolis.

JOSIAS W. KING.

To be SOLD, at PUBLIC VENDUE, on Friday the 7th of December next, if fair, or the first fair day, Sunday excepted, at the late dwelling house of JOHN MARRIOTT, of Anne-Arundel county, deceased,

SUNDRY personal property, consisting of horses, cattle, hogs, and some household furniture, and plantation utensils, also a small quantity of corn, fodder, and rye straw, &c. The sale to begin between the hours of ten and twelve o'clock, in the forenoon. The terms of sale for cash.

All persons having claims against said estate are desired to exhibit them, legally attested, as the subscriber is desirous of settling up said estate, and those indebted to make immediate payment.

RICHARD MARRIOTT, Executor.

Head of Severn, November 27, 1798.

Isaiah Mankin,

BEGS leave to inform his friends, and the public in general, that he has taken a counting-room in the east side of the house occupied by Messrs. LEAMON and LEVERING, nearly opposite No: 2, Bowley's wharf, for the purpose of transacting business on commission, where all orders from the country or elsewhere will be thankfully received and duly executed, and flatters himself from an assiduous attention to business to meet the patronage of a generous public.

NOTICE.

ALL persons having claims against the estate of ABELT MULLIKIN, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, are requested to bring in their accounts, legally authenticated, for settlement, and all those indebted are requested to make immediate payment, to

BENJAMIN H. MULLIKIN, Administrator
of ABELT MULLIKIN, deceased.
Forks Patuxent.

THE subscribers hereby forwarn all persons from hunting with either dog or gun in their lands, lying in Anne-Arundel county, on West river, formerly the property of Peter Parrish, deceased.

MARY PARRISH,
SARAH PARRISH.

NOTICE.

I INTEND to petition the legislature of Maryland at their next session, for an act of insolvency.

CLERON CLIMENTE.