

peeled, through weariness and loss of blood, to desist, and lay down by mutual consent, totally disabled. At this instant a fox unluckily came by, who, perceiving their situation, made bold to seize the concealed prey, and bore it off unmolested. As soon as the lion recovered breath—how foolish, said he, has been our conduct! instead of being contented, as we ought, with our respective shares, our senseless rage has rendered us unable to prevent this rascally fox from defrauding us of the whole.

That the people may be cautioned against those pretended admirers of the constitution, who praise, whilst they aim at its destruction, who artfully stile themselves republicans and friends of the people, who cajole and flatter the people, whilst in their hearts they despise them, I will tell them a tale. "A fox, observing a raven perched on the branch of a tree, with a fine piece of cheese in her mouth, immediately began to consider how he might possess himself of so delicious a morsel. Dear madam, said he, I am extremely glad to have the pleasure of seeing you this morning; your beautiful shape and shining feathers are the delight of my eyes, and would you condescend to favour me with a song, I doubt not but your voice is equal to the rest of your accomplishments. Deluded with this flattering speech, the transported raven opened her mouth to give him a specimen of her pipe, when down dropped the cheese, which the fox immediately snatching up, bore away in triumph, leaving the raven to lament her credulity at her leisure."

That the people may learn how to appreciate such characters, as in one moment will applaud John Adams's talents, judgment, candour, integrity and worth, and in the next will abuse him with the utmost virulence, accuse him of want of knowledge, of corruption and little mean actions, which, I am sure, he would scorn, I have another tale for their perusal. "A poor man, travelling in the depth of winter through a dreary forest, no inn to receive him, no human creature to befriend or comfort him, was in danger of being starved to death. At last, however, he came to the cave of a Satyr, where he intreated leave to rest a while, and shelter himself from the inclemency of the weather. The Satyr very civilly complied with his request. The man had no sooner entered, than he began to blow his fingers. His host, surprised at the novelty of the action, was curious to know the meaning of it. I do it, said the traveller, to warm my frozen joints, which are benumbed with cold. Presently afterwards, the Satyr having prepared a mess of hot gruel to refresh his guest, the man found it necessary to blow his pottage too. What, inquired the Satyr, is not your gruel hot enough? yes, replied the traveller, too hot, and I blow it to make it cooler. Do you so? quoth the Satyr, then get out of my cave as fast as you can, for I desire to have no communication with a creature that blows hot and cold with the same breath."

For the truly religious, who perform their duty, who love their bible, who have therein read that "blessed is he that hath not sat in the seat of the scornful," who know that "evil communication corrupts good manners," and who cannot be ignorant that "the conduct and opinions of men in high stations have an extraordinary influence upon the public mind;" for those christians I have selected the following story "A stork was unfortunately drawn into company with some cranes, who were just setting out on a party of pleasure, as they called it, which in truth was to rob the fish ponds of a neighbouring farmer. Our simple stork agreed to make one; and it so happened, that they were all taken in the fact. The cranes, having been old offenders, had very little to say for themselves, and were presently dispatched; but the stork pleaded hard for his life. He urged, that it was his first fault; that he was not naturally addicted to stealing fish; that he was famous for piety to his parents, and in short, for many other virtues. Your piety and virtue, said the farmer, may for aught I know be exemplary, but your being in company with thieves renders it very suspicious, and you must therefore submit with patience to the same fate with your companions.

Now, to shew that I am not of an unforgiving temper, I will give some wholesome advice to my enemies, and the enemies of my country are in some degree my enemies, whether they be so both in will and deed, or in one of them only. To those who wish to excite disturbances in order to have an opportunity of rivalling those great men, who are deservedly esteemed and honoured by their admiring fellow-citizens; who aim at becoming leaders of parties, and making themselves great; to them I address this tale. "A frog, being wonderfully struck with the size and majesty of an ox that was grazing in the marshes, could not forbear endeavouring to expand herself to the same portly magnitude. After puffing and swelling for some time, she said, "what think you, sister," "will this do?" "far from it." "Will this?" "by no means." "But this surely will?" "nothing like it." In short, after many ridiculous efforts to the same fruitless purpose, the simple frog burst her skin, and miserably expired upon the spot."

As to those who are active in overturning the government, or at least in promoting a change, with a view to share the spoil, after they shall be crowned with success, I beg them to attend to the following fable. "The bull, and several other beasts, were ambitious of the honour of hunting with the lion. His savage majesty graciously condescended to their desire, and it was agreed, that they should all have an equal share in whatever might be taken. They scour the forest, are unanimous in the pursuit, and, after a very fine chase, pull down a noble stag. It was divided with great dexterity by the bull into four equal parts; but just as he was going to secure his share, said, says the lion, let no one presume to serve him-

self till he hath heard our just and reasonable claims. I seize upon the first quarter by virtue of my prerogative; the second, I think, is due to my superior conduct and courage; I cannot forego the third on account of the necessities of my den; and if any one is inclined to dispute my right to the fourth, let him speak."

I have a story too for those lesser curs, who follow in the train of the bigger dogs, who bark with them, and howl when they howl. "A giant and a dwarf went out to seek adventures. They soon met with a lady in the custody of a troop, whom it was the giant's determination to rescue. He advanced, followed by his faithful attendant, and soon obtained the victory, with no injury whatever to himself, but the poor dwarf lost his arm. The lady, in consequence of this seasonable service, rewarded the giant with her love. In the second or third adventures the giant was attended with the same success, and acquired great booty; but the poor dwarf lost both a leg and an eye. "Come on, my brave lad," said the giant, "I shall soon procure sufficient wealth and honour." "Not another step will I go," replied the dwarf; "I see plainly how it is, you get all the riches and glory, and I bear all the injuries of the combats; I have done from this moment; I have grown a little wiser by experience."

These fables, I hope, will prove both amusing and instructive. I trust that they will be found to answer the exigency of the times, and that a generous public will excuse me for not saying any more at present. Many will, perhaps, think that I have said enough. HISTORIOGRAPHUS.

By virtue of several writs of *feri facias*, to me directed, will be SOLD, at the house of Dr. THOMAS EDGAR, in the city of Annapolis, on the third Tuesday in October next, for ready CASH,

A VARIETY of household furniture, consisting of beds, tables, chairs, looking-glasses, and a number of other articles too tedious to mention; also a variety of doctor's medicine. The sale to commence at 11 o'clock.

JOHN WELCH, Sheriff of Anne-Arundel county.

September 24, 1800.

To be SOLD, on Monday the 20th day of October next, at Mr. WILLIAM CATON'S tavern, in the city of Annapolis,

SIX or eight likely country born SLAVES, consisting of men, women, boys and girls. The sale will commence at 4 o'clock. The terms of sale ready CASH.

JOHN WELCH, Sheriff of Anne-Arundel county.

September 23, 1800.

To be SOLD, on Saturday the 11th day of October next, at Mr. WILLIAM CATON'S tavern,

NEGRO woman, who calls herself CRISS BUTLER, for her prison fees and other expenses. The sale will commence at 12 o'clock. The terms of sale ready CASH, by

JOHN WELCH, Sheriff of Anne-Arundel county.

THE partnership of RIDGELY and EVANS having this day been dissolved by mutual consent, all persons having claims against said firm are requested to present them to JOSEPH EVANS, who is duly authorized to receive and pay all debts due to and from said firm; those indebted to the firm aforesaid, by notes or bonds, are requested to make payment, and those indebted on open account are desired to call and pay the same, or give their notes or bonds, (with security, if required) on or before the first day of January, 1801.

RIDGELY and EVANS.

September 13, 1800.

THE subscriber takes this method to inform the public, and his friends in particular, that he has this day commenced business in the store-house lately occupied by Ridgely and Evans, where he now offers for sale a variety of GOODS, suitable to the present and approaching season, amongst which are, tambered muslins, stamped muslin shawls, chintzes, calicoes, ginghams, muslinets, ribands, superfine clothes, castimers, &c. &c. all of which he will sell on the most reasonable terms for cash.

JOSEPH EVANS.

September 15, 1800.

THIS is to give notice, that the subscriber, of Anne-Arundel county, in the State of Maryland, hath obtained from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, in Maryland, letters testamentary on the personal estate of THOMAS LINTHICUM, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, all persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the first day of April next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand this 23d day of September, 1800.

ASAHEL LINTHICUM, Executor of THOMAS LINTHICUM.

### NOTICE.

THE subscriber intends petitioning the next general assembly of Maryland, for the benefit of an act to be released from the debts contracted under the firm of MAORUDER and HARWOOD.

WALTER W. HARWOOD.

Upper-Marilborough, September 15, 1800.

Positively will be SOLD, by order of the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, on Thursday the 9th day of October, at eleven o'clock, if fair, or the first fair day thereafter, at the late dwelling of WILLIAM CHAPMAN, deceased, for CASH,

TWO likely valuable young negro men, one woman and two small children, and one negro girl, 9 or 10 years old, and some household furniture, among which is a valuable bed. All those having claims against said Chapman's estate are once more requested to bring them in, legally authenticated, on or before the day of sale, otherwise they may be excluded by law, as the assets will be paid away, and those indebted are requested to make immediate payment, as longer indulgence cannot be given.

LEONARD SELLMAN, Who is authorized to settle said estate.

September 15, 1800.

RAN away from the subscriber, on or about the 31st of August last, a negro woman named SALL, who is a petitioner for freedom, and calls herself SAVOY, she is of a dark complexion, about five feet and an inch high, stout made, and when spoken to is rather pert; it is likely she is in Annapolis, or in the neighbourhood of South river Neck. Whoever takes up and secures the said negro, so that I get her again, shall receive a reward of FIVE DOLLARS, paid by

JAMES IGLEHEART, On the Head of South river.

September 16, 1800.

By the CORPORATION of the City of Annapolis, September 4th, 1800.

ORDERED, That 200 copies of the by-law to prevent persons from places infected with the prevailing contagious fever from coming to and remaining within the limits of this city, be immediately printed in hand-bills, and distributed, and that the same be inserted in the Marland Gazette.

By order, A. GOLDER, clk.

A BY-LAW to prevent persons from places infected with the prevailing contagious fever from coming to and remaining within the limits of this city.

Be it established and ordained, by the Mayor, Recorder, Aldermen and Common Council, of the city of Annapolis, and the authority of the same, That no person or persons who shall or may come from or through the city of Baltimore, or the precincts thereof, or from the borough of Norfolk, in Virginia, shall, after the passage of this law, enter into this city, or the precincts thereof, until such person or persons obtain from one of the health committee, a permit in writing, to enter; and that such permit shall specify the name of the person, and the time he shall remain, not exceeding the space of ten hours.

And be it established and ordained, by the authority aforesaid, That if any inhabitant or inhabitants of this city, or the precincts thereof, shall, after the passage of this law, receive any person or persons coming from any of the infected places aforesaid, without a permit as aforesaid, such inhabitant or inhabitants shall, for each person received as aforesaid, forfeit and pay the sum of three pounds six shillings and eightpence current money, and the like sum for every hour such person or persons shall remain in his, her or their house.

And be it established and ordained, by the authority aforesaid, That if any inhabitant or inhabitants aforesaid shall permit any person or persons to remain in his, her or their house for the space of one hour after the expiration of the time specified in the permit, such inhabitant or inhabitants, for each person, shall forfeit and pay the sum of three pounds six shillings and eightpence current money, and the like sum for every hour such person or persons shall remain as aforesaid.

Provided, That nothing herein contained shall prohibit any person or persons who shall or may have been absent from the said places for the space of ten days, and in good health, to enter this city.

And be it established and ordained, by the authority aforesaid, That instead of the health committee heretofore appointed, John Davidson, Allen Quynn, James Williams, John Randall, James Mackubin, Frederick Grammar, Jonathan Pinkney, William Alexander, Archibald Golder, Vachel Stevens, William Brown, jun. John Brice and Francis Mary de Lalandelle, be and they are hereby constituted and appointed a committee of health.

And be it established and ordained, by the authority aforesaid, That all fines and forfeitures accruing under this act may be recovered by presentment or indictment, or before the mayor, recorder, or any one alderman, in a summary way, one half to be applied to the informer, the other half to the use of the corporation.

September 4, 1800: Read the first and second time and assented to.

By order, A. GOLDER, Clk.

Proclaimed. THOMAS W. HAWLTT, Sheriff.

### The subscriber has for SALE,

A FEW elegant prints of THOMAS JEFFERSON, Esq; vice-president of the United States, in handsome gilt frames, ditto the WASHINGTON FAMILY, dressing-glasses, tea-caddies, portable writing desks, gentlemen's chests of tools, plate baskets lined with tin, house bells, chamber lamps, with wicks for burning in the night, gilt oval frames for pictures, boxes of paints for drawing, black lead and camel hair pencils, files, billiard-racks, wood-saws, wire senders, maps of Maryland, and a variety of household furniture.

JOHN SHAW.

Annapolis, August 6, 1800.