

proves that it delights in the happiness of man... and his greater happiness hereafter; with all these blessings what more is necessary to make us a happy and a prosperous people? Still one thing more, fellow-citizens, a wife and frugal government, which shall refrain men from injuring one another, shall leave them otherwise free to regulate their own pursuits of industry and improvement, and shall not take from the month of labour the bread it has earned. This is the sum of good government; and this is necessary to close the circle of our felicities.

About to enter, fellow-citizens, on the exercise of duties which comprehend every thing dear and valuable to you, it is proper you should understand what I deem the essential principles of our government, and consequently those which ought to shape its administration. I will compress them within the narrowest compass they will bear, stating the general principle, but not all its limitations. Equal and exact justice to all men, of whatever state or persuasion, religious or political:—peace, commerce, and honest friendship with all nations, entangling alliances with none:—the support of the state governments in all their rights, as the most competent administrations for our domestic concerns, and the surest bulwarks against anti-republican tendencies:—the preservation of the general government in its whole constitutional vigour, as the sheet anchor of our peace at home, and safety abroad; a zealous care of the right of election by the people, a mild and safe corrective of abuses which are lopped by the sword of revolution where peaceable remedies are unprovided:—absolute acquiescence in the decisions of the majority, the vital principle of republics, from which is no appeal but to force, the vital principle and immediate parent of despotism: a well disciplined militia, our best reliance in peace, and for the first moments of war, till regulars may relieve them: the supremacy of the civil over the military authority: economy in the public expence, that labour may be lightly burthened: the honest payment of our debts and sacred preservation of the public faith: encouragement of agriculture, and of commerce as its handmaid: the diffusion of information, and arraignment of all abuses at the bar of the public reason: freedom of religion; freedom of the press; and freedom of person, under the protection of the habeas corpus: and trial by juries impartially selected. These principles form the bright constellation, which has gone before us, and guided our steps through an age of revolution and reformation. The wisdom of our sages, and blood of our heroes, have been devoted to their attainment; they should be the creed of our political faith; the text of civic instruction, the touchstone by which to try the services of those we trust; and should we wander from them in moments of error or of alarm, let us hasten to retrace our steps, and to regain the road which alone leads to peace, liberty and safety.

Repair them, fellow-citizens, to the post you have assigned me. With experience enough in subordinate offices to have seen the difficulties of this the greatest of all, I have learnt to expect that it will rarely fall to the lot of imperfect man to retire from this station with the reputation, and the favour, which bring him into it. Without pretensions to that high confidence you reposed in our first and greatest revolutionary character, whose pre-eminence services had entitled him to the first place in his country's love, and destined for him the fairest page in the volume of faithful history, I ask so much confidence only as may give firmness and effect to the legal administration of your affairs. I shall often go wrong through defect of judgement. When right, I shall often be thought wrong by those whose positions will not command a view of the whole ground. I ask your indulgence for my own errors, which will never be intentional; and your support against the errors of others, who may condemn what they would not if seen in all its parts. The approbation implied by your suffrage, is a great consolation to me for the past; and my future solicitude will be, to retain the good opinion of those who have bestowed it in advance, to conciliate that of others by doing them all the good in my power, and to be instrumental to the happiness and freedom of all.

Relying then on the patronage of your good will, advance with obedience to the work, ready to retire from it whenever you become sensible how much better choice it is in your power to make. And may that Infinite Power, which rules the destinies of the universe, lead our councils to what is best, and give them a favourable issue for your peace and prosperity.

The following nominations were on Thursday last made by the president of the United States, and confirmed by the senate without a division.  
James Madison, of Virginia, secretary of state.  
Henry Dearborn, of Massachusetts, secretary at war.  
Levi Lincoln, of Massachusetts, attorney-general, in the place of Charles Lee, resigned.  
Robert R. Livingston, (now chancellor of the state of New-York) minister plenipotentiary to France.  
The senate have adjourned.

**ALEXANDER WELSH,**  
Clock and Watch-maker,  
RESPECTFULLY informs the citizens of Annapolis, that he has just removed from Baltimore to this city, to carry on the above business. He assures the public, that every exertion will be used to deserve their favours.  
He repairs clocks and watches of every description.  
N. B. Warranted watches, and some fashionable pieces in the jewellery line, for sale.

**NOTICE** is hereby given, that an election will be held on the first Monday of April next, for the purpose of choosing a representative to congress for the fifth district of Maryland.  
**HENRY HOWARD,** Sheriff of Anne-Arundel county.  
March 10, 1801.

**STEPHEN RUMMELLS,**  
Boot and Shoe-Maker,  
Corn-Hill-street, Annapolis, in the house where Dr. Shaaff formerly lived,

**RETURNS** his sincere thanks to the public at large, and his customers in particular, for past favours for the time he has been in business, and hopes those who have tried his work will continue their custom, they may rest assured that every exertion will be used to give satisfaction; he carries on the business for both ladies and gentlemen, in the neatest and most fashionable manner, and will endeavour to get the best materials.

**Western Shore of Maryland.**  
**GENERAL COURT, OCTOBER TERM, 1799.**  
**ORDERED** by the Court, That in all cases where rules are laid to declare, or to plead, such declarations or pleadings be filed by the tenth of April and the tenth of September respectively next following the term at which such rule was laid; and that all alterations and amendments of plots, made under warrants of resurvey issued from this court, be made and returnable the tenth of April and tenth of September respectively next following the term at which leave shall be given, to add to or amend any such plot.  
Telt. 2 **JOHN GWINN, Clk.**

**THIS** is to give notice, that the subscriber hath obtained from the orphans court of Prince-George's county, letters of administration on the personal estate of **THOMAS BOYD**, late of said county, deceased, all persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the first day of September next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate, as distribution of the assets then in hand will be made to the creditors, at Queen-Anne-town, in said county.

And, pursuant to an order of the said court, will be sold, at public sale, at the subscriber's house, on Friday the 27th day of March next, for ready money, all the personal estate of the said Thomas Boyd, consisting of negroes, stock, household furniture, and plantation utensils. The sale to commence at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. Witness my hand.  
**MARGARET BOYD,** Administratrix.  
February 28, 1801.

**THIS** is to give notice, that the subscriber of Charles county, hath obtained from the orphans court of said county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of **CLEMENT CLEMENTS**, late of Charles county, deceased, all persons having claims against the said deceased, are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at or before the 21st day of September next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand this 24th February, 1801.  
2 **SAMUEL CHAPMAN.**

**NOTICE.**  
**ALL** persons having claims against the estate of **JULIET BREWER**, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, are requested to come in with their respective accounts, duly authenticated, on or before July next, and all persons indebted to said estate are desired to make immediate payment, to  
2 **NICHOLAS JOYCE,** Administrator.  
Anne-Arundel county, March 1, 1801.

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The following is an extract from the report of the committee of the House of Delegates appointed to examine the work.  
"THE committee to whom was referred the memorial of William Kilty, having referred to the resolutions of the general assembly, by which the memorialist has been appointed to revise and prepare for publication a complete edition of the laws of this state now in force, and inspected the manner in which the work has been executed, are of opinion that the same has been prepared with great labour, and distinguished accuracy and ability."

**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.**

**Ten Dollars Reward.**  
**RAN** away from the subscriber, in the month of December last, a negro woman, about 28 years of age, 5 feet 4 or 5 inches high, good proportion to her height, took with her her child, she calls it **AUSTIN** or **JACOB**; she has petitioned for her freedom, and calls herself **ALLY JOICE**; it is expected she is upon Carroll's Manor, as she has frequently been there, or harboured about Annapolis, she has many acquaintances there. Whoever takes up said woman and child, and secures them, or her, in Annapolis gaol, or if brought home, shall receive the above reward, by the subscriber.  
2 X **JAMES SANDERS,** Living in Anne-Arundel county, near Queen-Anne.  
March 5, 1801.

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List of stamp duties. Government of the United States. And a variety of other useful matter.  
Officers of the revenue. Departments of state, treasury, war, navy and judiciary.

**THIS** is to give notice to the creditors of **EDWARD PYE**, an insolvent debtor of Charles county, that the subscriber hath been, by the chancellor, appointed trustee for their benefit, and that the chancellor hath limited and appointed the 25th day of April next, before which day they are to bring in and declare their claims to me, the subscriber.  
X **LUKE F. MATTHEWS,** Trustee.

**COMMITTED** to my custody as a runaway, on the 29th of October last, a negro man named **ALLEN**, of a dark complexion, about 21 years of age, and 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, who says he is the property of a Mr. **JOHN SIMMS**, of South Carolina, and formerly the property of capt. Thomas Rogerfon, of this county. His owner is desired to come and take him away, otherwise he will be sold according to law.  
X **THOMAS PRICE,** Sheriff Charles county.

**NOTICE.**  
**ALL** persons having claims against the estate of **BENNETT HOPEWELL**, late of Saint-Mary's county, deceased, are desired to render the same to the subscriber, duly authenticated, before the twentieth day of July next, as no claims will be paid after that day, and all those indebted are requested to make immediate payment, to  
**BENNETT HOPEWELL,** Administrator.  
December 30, 1800.

**TAKEN** up as strays, by the subscriber, living near the Head of Severn, in Anne-Arundel county, three **COWS**, one a black and white, marked with a crop and slit in the right ear, and a crop and hole in the left; the other two red and white, one marked with a crop in the left ear, and a crop and slit in the right, the other with an under cut in each ear. The owner or owners may have them again, on proving property and paying charges.  
X **HENRY WOODWARD.**

**Forty Dollars Reward.**  
**RAN** away from the subscriber, on the 19th of October last, negro **JACOB**, 35 years of age, about 6 feet high, smooth face, high forehead, his wool growing in a peak leaves his temples bare, speaks low and rather hoarse; had on and took with him when he went away, a brownish cotton coat, a blue coarse short coat with metal buttons, old breeches, osnabrig shirt, and a match coat blanket; his Sunday apparel, a purple cloth coat with rimmed buttons, nankeen breeches, mixed worsted stockings, and half boots; he professes to be a Methodist, and has been in the practice of preaching of nights; it is expected he is harbouring about the city of Annapolis, West river, South river, South river Neck, or Queen-Anne, as he has a wife at Miss Murdoch's. Whoever takes up and secures said fellow in any gaol, so that I get him again, shall receive the above reward, paid by **THOMAS GIBBS**, living near Queen-Anne.  
N. B. All masters of vessels and others are forewarned harbouring, employing, or carrying off said fellow at their peril.  
3/ **T. G.**  
March 7, 1800.

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