

diffuse the information, than, from my age and other circumstances, is in my power.

At your request, communicated by my friend Henry Orth (health permitting) I will attend at Lancaster, and explain the subject fully. I remain your friend.

VALENTINE KETTERING.

The speaker of the senate of Pennsylvania.

Whereupon, on motion, the said letter was referred to Mr. Pearson, Mr. Porter, and Mr. Lower, to consider and report thereon.

March 6.

Mr. Pearson, from the committee to whom was referred the letter signed Valentine Kettering made report; and the same was read as follows, to wit:

The committee appointed to hear the communication of Valentine Kettering, relative to his cure of the bite of a mad animal,

Report, That they conferred with the said Kettering on that subject, who informed them, that he uses the herb called Red Chick-weed, which, when ripe, or in full-bloom, he gathers, and dries in the shade, reduces it to a powder, and gives a small table-spoonful at one time, to a grown person, in beer or water, in weight one drachm and one scruple; for a child, an equal dose, but given at three different times, or it may be eaten on bread with butter, honey or molasses, as the person chuses: For a beast, a large spoonful; if by weight, two drachms and one scruple. When used green for a beast, cut the herb fine, and mix with bran, &c. When given to swine, mix the powdered herb with meal of any kind (dose as above) in little balls.

He assures us he has given it to persons many weeks after they were bitten, and never knew it fail: and never gives more than a single dose, unless to children, as above. He further says, it is an excellent cure for cuts and wounds, on the human body.

When green, mash it, drop of the juice into the wound, and bind the herb, so mashed, on; and that the proper time to sow the seed, is about the beginning of April, and should be sown thin.

He also informs us, that he is now seventy-five years old; was born in Germany, and came from thence, with his parents, to Pennsylvania, when eleven years of age; that his mother brought the seeds of the herb amongst her garden seeds: That he has presented to your committee, for the use of the members, a quantity of the herb and seed; and says he will give of the seed to others, who will please to call on him for that purpose.

They also learn, from the rev. Henry Muhlenberg, that it is an annual plant, known, in Switzerland and Germany, by the name of Gauch-heil, Rother Meyer, or Rother Hunerdarm; in England, red Pimpernel; by botanists, as he is informed, Anagallis Phœnicea. That it should be gathered in June, when in full blossom. In Germany, he understands, the usual dose was thirty grains of the powder, taken four times a day, and continued one week, in smaller doses; the wound washed with a decoction of the herb, and some of the powder strewed in it. That the plant is cultivated in many gardens, and grows near Baltimore and Havre-de-Grace, spontaneously, in great plenty.

Your committee therefore offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the speaker be requested to present the thanks of the senate to Valentine Kettering, for his benevolent and valuable communication.

March 8.

The report of the committee, to whom was referred the letter signed Valentine Kettering, was read the second time, and the resolution therein contained was adopted.

Extract from the Journal,
GEO. BRYAN, C. S.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lancaster, March 10, 1802.

SIR,

With pleasure I herewith transmit to you an extract from the journal of the senate containing a vote of thanks for your humane and liberal communication, of a cure for the bite of a mad animal. And permit me to observe, that should the application of your specific be the means of relieving the world from the fatal effects of that disease (hydrophobia) the most of all to be dreaded, you are not merely entitled to the thanks of the senate of Pennsylvania, but to the gratitude of all mankind.

I am, Sir, your friend,
SAMUEL MACLAY,
Speaker of senate.

Mr. Valentine Kettering,
Dauphin county, Pennsylvania.

CHARLESTON, March 6.

Captain Marden arrived yesterday from St. John's, East-Florida, informs, that in consequence of the predatory war now waged by the Indians under the direction of Bowles, the residents on St. John's river were removing their property as fast as possible; and the settlements were nearly deserted. About three weeks since, three Chehaw Indians (a town on the American line) were killed near Ford's Bluff, by a scouting party; and the day before captain Marden failed, a party of Indians came down, and plundered one of the plantations: they were pursued by a detachment of Spanish troops from St. Augustine, overtaken, and fired upon. The troops succeeded in recovering the property; and it was supposed severely wounded many of the Indians, the traces of much blood being visible—three of the Spaniards were also wounded.

Bowles had declared to Mr. Patic, who had gone in search of his negroes, that his principal object in declaring war, was to obtain plunder; that he had directed the Indians to shed no blood, but to take as many prisoners as possible, with the view of being well paid for their ransom.

BALTIMORE, March 24.

FROM GIBRALTAR.

Previous to captain Dawson's departure, information was received at Gibraltar by Mr. Gavino; the American consul; that the infamous renegade admiral, in the service of the bey of Tripoli, whose frigate has long been blockaded there, had obtained permission of the emperor of Morocco, (our very dear friend and ally!) to cruise against the American commerce. The pirate was then at Ceuta, distant about fifteen leagues from Gibraltar; where he had completed his crew, had taken in provisions, and was hourly expected at Gibraltar, to man and fit out his vessel for a cruise. The United States frigate Essex was lying at Algeiras; and captain Bainbridge, her commander, had been informed by the consul, of the hostile intentions of the Tripolitan admiral: Captain B. will, if he should dare to venture out, give a good account of him. [N. Y. paper.]

A letter from Port-Republican, dated February 16, says, "At St. Marks the negroes pillaged every thing, even the American vessels; the sailors they carried on shore and into the woods, and we know not yet their fate. Captain Guier, in a brig from Wilmington, had a considerable sum in specie taken from him, and the other vessels were pillaged even to their cabin utensils."

At an election held on Saturday the 20th instant, for directors for the bank of Columbia, George-town, for the ensuing year, the following gentlemen were returned as duly elected:

John Mason, William Marbury, Francis Deakins, Marsham Waring, John Laird, Notley Young, Uriah Forrest, J. M. Lingan, James Dunlop, Charles Worthington, Robert Brent, David Stewart, of Dodon.

At a meeting of the board which was held on the same day, John Mason, Esquire, was unanimously chosen president, and George Murdoch, Esquire, of Frederick-town, a director to fill the vacancy occasioned by the choice of the president.

Arrived at the seat of government on Friday evening last, his excellency Arthur St. Clair, governor of the territory N. W. of the Ohio.

March 26.

We are informed from a respectable source, that Mr. Dupont (the son), who returned on Wednesday from the city of Washington, set out again on Thursday from this city for the same, for the purpose of obtaining the loan of six millions of dollars for the use of the first consul of the French republic. He intends, if possible to procure three millions in specie, and take the residue in stores for the use of the fleet in the West-Indies.

[N. Y. Gazette.]

From the Gazette of the United States. BIOGRAPHY OF WASHINGTON.

It is for the interest of literature and for the honour of our country that none but an authentic and correctly written biography of Washington should receive the patronage of Americans. Such a biography is now in the work-shop of an artist eminent for his erudition, and possessed of the materials which were collected by Washington himself. The public are therefore requested to defer subscriptions to the daily proposals for lives of this great man, as the editor has authority to state that an accurate and elegant performance on this subject will very shortly be presented to the world.

* * * The printers in the different states are desired to give the above note a corner in their respective papers.

To be SOLD, at PUBLIC AUCTION, by the subscribers, on Monday the 26th of April next, if fair, if not the first fair day, at the late dwelling of ELIZABETH EVANS, of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, near Patuxent river, between the Governor's Bridge and Hopkins's Mill,

ALL the estate of the deceased, consisting of a few valuable slaves, amongst which is as valuable a house carpenter as any in this county, with tools suitable to his profession, also one negro man well versed in plantation business, one negro woman, who has been well instructed in cooking, washing, and every kind of house business, with one female infant at her breast, and a likely negro boy about three years old, several horses, amongst which is one breeding mare now with foal, cows and calves, one pair work steers, &c. hogs and sheep, tobacco and Indian corn, &c. a parcel of beef, and a quantity of good bacon, plantation utensils, household furniture, and a number of other articles too tedious to enumerate. The terms of sale, cash for all sums under twenty dollars, and those purchasing above that sum to give their notes or bonds, with approved security, (if required) payable on the first day of October next, with interest on the same from the day of sale. The sale to commence at 11 o'clock, and continue till all is sold.

All persons who are indebted to said estate are desired to make immediate payment, and those having claims against said estate are desired to bring them in, legally authenticated, on the day of sale, or present them to the subscribers prior to the same.

HENRY EVANS, } Executors.
JOSEPH EVANS, }
March 29, 1802.

RUNAWAYS.

Sixty Dollars Reward,

RAN away on the 12th of May, 1799, from the subscriber, living in Montgomery county, State of Maryland, near the court-house of said county, and within fifteen miles of the Federal City, a negro man named NED, strait, well made black fellow, five feet ten or eleven inches high, stutters much when examined, has a scar on the back of one of his hands occasioned by the cut of a knife.

On the 7th January, 1802, ran away negro WAT, a remarkable stout bodied black fellow, five feet eight or nine inches high, forty-five years of age, large full eyes, stoops in his shoulders, subject to fainting fits, and very fond of strong liquor; had on and took with him a negro cotton coat, jacket and breeches, a pair of coarse yarn stockings of country make, a pair of double soled shoes, a Bath coating grey coat, the cape bound with yellow, and a pair of red top boots, and sundry other cloaths which have escaped my memory. I expect they have forged a pass, and probably with the county seal. Whoever takes up the said fellows, and secures them so that I get them again, shall receive the above reward, or THIRTY DOLLARS for either of them, and reasonable travelling expences paid if brought home.

SAMUEL WILSON,

February 9, 1802. 100/11/2

To be SOLD, at PUBLIC VENDUE, on Thursday the 22d of April, at the plantation whereon Mr. RICHARD GREEN formerly dwelt, on Anne-Arundel Manor,

ABOUT twenty valuable NEGROES, consisting of young men, women, boys and girls; also a number of plough horses, mares and colts, twenty head of cattle, amongst them three yoke of valuable oxen, some sheep and hogs; with about 100 barrels Indian corn.

Will be offered for sale, at the same time and place, to the highest bidder, (if not sold before at private sale) about 600 acres of valuable land, whereon is a comfortable dwelling-house, negro quarters, and other convenient houses. Terms will be made known on the day of sale.

THOMAS TILLARD.

March 16, 1802. 2

NOTICE is hereby given by the subscriber, that she has obtained letters of administration from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, and requests all persons who have any claims against the estate of NATHANIEL SAPPINGTON, deceased, to bring in their respective accounts, on or before the first day of June next, legally authenticated, so that they may be adjusted, and all persons indebted to said estate, are earnestly requested to make payment on or before the day above mentioned, as further indulgence cannot be given.

MARY SAPPINGTON, Administratrix of
NATHANIEL SAPPINGTON. 2
March 20, 1802.

Two Dollars Reward.

ABSCONDED from the subscriber an apprentice had named RICHARD RAWLINGS, by trade a tailor; he had permission to go into the country for his health, and has not returned. I will give the above reward for bringing him home.

WILLIAM COE.

N. B. All persons are forewarned harbouring or entertaining said apprentice.
Annapolis, March 24, 1802. 2

LAST NOTICE,

By order of the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county.

ALL persons having claims against the estate of JOSEPH BOTTS, late of this county, deceased, are warned to exhibit the same, legally authenticated, to the subscribers, on or before the 20th day of May next, otherwise they will be excluded by law. Given under our hands and seals, this 12th day of March, 1802.

DANIEL MAHONEY, } Executors.
JAMES NEALE, }

P. S. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment. 3 X

Ten Dollars Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber, on the 4th inst. negro SAM, a barber by trade, about twenty-six years of age, spare made, a little knock kneed, has a small scar on one of his cheeks; had on when he went away, a round blue jacket, trousers, and half boots; it is probable he will change his dress, as he has a number of other cloathing.

JAMES GRAHAM.

Port-Tobacco, March 9, 1802. 3 X

THE orphans court of Anne-Arundel county having thought it necessary to alter the time of holding said court, do hereby give notice, that the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county will sit on the first and last Tuesday in every month, for the purpose of granting letters of administration on deceased persons estates, passing accounts, making distribution, settling guardians accounts, and all other matters relative to deceased's estates, the register of wills having the power, will, on any other day, receive inventories and grant letters testamentary.

By order,
JOHN GASSAWAY, reg. wills
Anne-Arundel county.