

Sir Henry Neale is appointed secretary to the board of admiralty, vice Sir Evan Nepean, appointed to a secretaryship in Ireland.

HINT TO OUR FAIR READERS.

The inflammability of muslin dresses may be prevented by rinsing them out in alum water, made by dissolving the proportion of a hen's egg (or even less) in a quart of water.—That by this simple means all danger of life will be prevented, any one may essay, by burying a rag of muslin, so rinsed, and dried, against another rag unprepared; the first will burn gradually, and with difficulty, whilst the second will flame away instantaneously.

DOVER, March 9.

The loudest firing heard here this war has prevailed all to-day on the French coast. Some of the houses shake with it, and it is not doubted to be chiefly bomb-firing. It continues as I write this, but no intelligence relative to it, has arrived. Probably a large squadron of vessels of all descriptions, which went out of the Downs yesterday evening, are engaged with the enemy, and, as the wind is off the French coast, and very light, there cannot be a more favourable opportunity for vessels to stand in with the tide. Whether they are trying to sink any vessels, or not, this is not a trifling engagement.

PHILADELPHIA, April 16.

Captain Bunch, arrived at Providence, informs, that just before he left Surinam, the English admiral sent in a flag, and demanded Surinam to be given up to the English in seven days or he would lay siege to it. There are very few troops at Surinam, for which reason it is expected it will be given up immediately.

Intelligence by the brig Eliza, which arrived at New-York on Saturday, in 16 days from Havanna, mentions, that a day or two before the brig sailed the French general Lavoilet demanded 40,000 dollars from the governor of Havanna for the payment of the French troops, and received for an answer that the demand could not be complied with, as no orders to that effect had been received from the Spanish government. The general then declared that he would not be accountable for the conduct of his people, and in consequence of this declaration the Spanish troops were put under arms with orders to take up and confine every foreigner without any distinction; and they were executing these orders when the Eliza failed.

A Paris paper, of late date, mentions that Mr. Thuro is appointed minister plenipotentiary to the U. States, and that Mr. Petrie (supposed to be the gentleman formerly consul in the state of South-Carolina) is to attend him as secretary of legation.

Annapolis, April 26.

From the AMERICAN DAILY ADVERTISER.

A method for effectually preserving Peach Trees, prescribed by a farmer of Bucks county, the 16th of April, 1804.

Let the trees be carefully examined, sometime about the latter end of April or beginning of May, by removing the surface of the earth from the stalk, and wherever an oozing of gum appears, a cist will be found within the bark, let that be traced with the sharp point of a pen-knife, when a white worm will be found, this take out and destroy, then return the earth again to the stalk of the tree, so as to cover the roots; let it remain in that state, until the beginning of August, at which time let the trees undergo a careful re-examination, for wherever a worm has been left undiscovered in the spring, and has remained in the bark during the summer, there will be found a bed of gum, generally about the surface of the ground, in this gum will be discovered the worm, wrought up and enclosed in a cocoon of gum, and converted into its chrysalid state; this chrysalid during the heat of summer, produceth a bright blue wasp, the females whereof, after copulation, repair to the tender bark of the tree, at the surface of the ground, and there deposit the seed, which again immediately reproduceth the worm, which, feeding upon the inner rind of the bark, prevents the circulation of the sap and the tree dies; it is therefore of the utmost consequence, to destroy the insect in its chrysalid state, in the cocoons of gum, for that once generally attended to, the whole species of course becomes extinct, and the culture and preservation of that delicious fruit, if not also the most profitable of any kind of fruit now cultivated in this country, will become simple and easy.

But as from a want of proper attention in destroying the cocoons of gum, some wasps may be suffered to escape, it will be most prudent again to remove the surface of the ground, from about the stalks of the trees, and to enclose them with a sufficiency of straw bound round them, so as to prevent the wasp from approaching the bark near the surface of the ground, and to draw the earth up again close round the straw; let this covering remain on the tree, until towards the latter end of September, when it ought to be taken off; in doing this let the bark be examined at the upper end of the straw, for the insect, disappointed in its approach to the tree, at the surface of the ground, will sometimes deposit the seeds at the top of the straw, which will discover itself by the oozing of the gum or excrement of the worm, and with the point of a knife may be easily removed.

FOUND,

A GOLD SEAL, weighing five pennyweights five grains, ciphered J G D. The owner is requested to apply at the printing-office. X

At a meeting of a number of democratic republicans of the city of Annapolis, on Friday the 20th day of April, 1804, GASSAWAY WATKINS having been chosen chairman, and NICHOLAS BREWER, secretary, the following resolutions were entered into and ordered to be published in the National Intelligencer, Maryland Gazette, and American.

WHEREAS this meeting have seen published certain resolutions entered into by a meeting of republican citizens of Prince-George's county, at Upper-Marlborough, on the 10th day of April; and whereas this meeting highly approve of the principles contained in said resolutions, and believe that the adoption of similar measures in Anne-Arundel county would tend to secure the election of democratic republican characters as electors of president and vice-president, member of congress, and delegates to the general assembly,

RESOLVED, That it be recommended to the democratic republicans of Anne-Arundel county to meet at the places of holding elections for their respective districts, on the 26th of May next, and appoint five delegates to meet in general committee, at the city of Annapolis, on the 16th of June, to fix on proper characters to be supported as delegates to the next general assembly.

RESOLVED, That the general committee to be thus selected, when assembled as aforesaid, determine on four characters whom they may consider best calculated to unite the democratic republican interest of this county as candidates at the next election of delegates, and this meeting pledge themselves to support the characters that may be designated by the committee aforesaid.

RESOLVED, That it be recommended to the general committee aforesaid, when thus assembled, to appoint a committee of their own body to consult with any similar committee that may be appointed by Prince-George's county, on the proper characters to be run as representatives in the next congress of the United States, and this meeting in like manner pledge themselves to support any character that may be fixed on by such general committee of the two counties.

RESOLVED, That it be recommended to the aforesaid general committee of Anne-Arundel county, to appoint a select committee of their own body to consult with any similar committees of Baltimore city, and that part of Montgomery county composing the electoral district, on the proper characters to be brought forward as electors of president and vice-president, and this meeting in like manner pledge themselves to support the characters that may be thus designated by the committees of this electoral district of president and vice-president.

At a meeting of a number of respectable republicans at Upper-Marlborough, in Prince-George's county, on the 10th day of April, 1804, HUMPHREY BELT, Esquire, having been appointed chairman, and TRUEMAN TYLER, secretary, it was agreed that the following be published in the National Intelligencer and Maryland Gazette.

WHEREAS a general understanding of republicans, as far as is practicable, would tend to ensure success at the ensuing elections of electors of president and vice-president, member of congress, and delegates to the general assembly,

RESOLVED, That it be recommended to the republicans of Prince-George's county, that they meet at the several places of holding elections in their respective districts, on Saturday the 28th day of April, and appoint seven delegates to meet at Upper-Marlborough on the fifth day of May next, and fix on suitable characters to be recommended to the people to represent them in the next general assembly of Maryland.

RESOLVED, That it be recommended to the said delegates when thus assembled, or such committee as they may choose, to consult with any committee that may be appointed by the several election districts of Calvert, Montgomery, and Prince-George's counties, composing the electoral district of president and vice-president, and any character that may be appointed or fixed on, by such general committee of the said counties, this meeting pledge themselves to support, by all fair and upright means.

RESOLVED, That it be recommended to the delegates appointed as aforesaid, to meet at Upper-Marlborough, or such committee as they may choose, to consult with any committee that may be appointed for Anne-Arundel county, on the proper character to represent this district in the congress of the United States, and that this meeting pledge themselves to support, by all fair and honourable means, the person that may be fixed on, as aforesaid, as a candidate at the next election for member of congress.

HUMPHREY BELT, Chairman.
Test. TRUEMAN TYLER, Secretary.

ATTENTION!

THE Members composing the different Volunteer Companies are requested to take notice, that there will be a meeting of said companies, at the usual place of parade, on Tuesday next, the FIRST DAY OF MAY, at 10 o'clock A. M. It is hoped the members generally will attend, with arms and accoutrements in soldier-like order.

THIS is to give notice, that the subscriber hath obtained from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, letters of administration on the personal estate of MARK FOWLER, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are requested to bring them in, legally authenticated, and all those indebted to make payment, to

JAMES HUNTER, Administrator.

Just received from BALTIMORE, and for Sale at the PRINTING-OFFICE,

(PRICE ONE-DOLLAR.)

The Baltimore Musical Miscellany,

OR,

COLUMBIAN SONGSTER;

Containing a collection of approved Songs, set to Music.

Love Laughs at Lock-Smiths,

A Comic Opera, in 2 acts, translated from the French piece *Une Folie*. (Price 25 cents.)

Patent Machine for Shelling Corn.

WHEREAS by virtue of an act of congress, entitled, An act to promote the progress of useful arts, &c. PAUL PILSBURY, of Newbury, in the state of Massachusetts, hath obtained letters patent for a machine for shelling Indian corn on a new and improved method, bearing date on the 25th day of October, 1803. And whereas the said Paul Pilsbury hath assigned all his right, title, and interest, of and to the said patent machine to Paul Adams, of Newbury, Thomas Burnham, Joseph Swaley, and Joseph Lord, Esquires, of Ipswich, and state of Massachusetts, and thereby giving to them the exclusive right of constructing, using, and vending to others to use the said machine for fourteen years from the date of said letters patent, with full power to receive all benefits and profits accruing therefrom, and to perform and execute all such acts relative to the same as the said Paul Pilsbury might have legally performed or executed.

NOTICE.

That by virtue and authority of the above assignment, the aforesaid Adams, Burnham, Swaley, and Lord, hath given, granted, and assigned, unto James Williams, of the city of Annapolis, the exclusive right, liberty, and authority, to construct, use, and vend to others to be used, the aforesaid shelling machine, during the whole unexpired term of fourteen years, (for which the exclusive privilege has been secured as aforesaid by letters patent) for the state of Maryland, and all that part of the district of Columbia lying on the north side of the river Patowmack. Said Williams has one of the machines, which may be seen at Annapolis at any time, and is now ready to furnish any person or persons with one or more of the said machines, with licence to make use of the same, or to grant licence to make use of them without furnishing the machine, one machine might serve four or five persons in a neighbourhood, by each person getting licence to use it, which will not exceed five dollars each.

This machine has been seen and much approved of by the president, and most of the members of congress, as well as by a great number of gentlemen farmers and others from different parts of the United States. The cost of a machine, with licence to work it, will not exceed thirty dollars. I will sell the exclusive right of making use of this machine for one or more counties, on very moderate terms. A man and a boy with this machine worked by hand, may easily shell one hundred bushels of corn in a day. The machine may be easily fixed to be turned by a horse, or water.

Please to take notice, that no other in this or any other state can grant licence to use this machine within the state of Maryland, or part of the district of Columbia; any person making use of it without a proper licence will be presented if known.

Agreeable to an order of the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, to me directed, will be exposed to PUBLIC SALE, for CASH, on Friday the 18th day of May, at the late dwelling of THOMAS PURDY, deceased,

ALL his personal property, consisting of stock, household furniture, and about twelve hundred weight of tobacco.

All persons having claims against the said estate are requested to bring them in, legally authenticated, and those who are in any manner indebted to the estate to make payment, to

JONATHAN SELLMAN, Executor.

April 20, 1804.

THIS is to give notice, that if the legatees, or some one thereof, doth not appear on or before the twenty-ninth day of May next, and take out letters of administration de bonis non, with the will annexed, on the personal estate of LOCH CHEW, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, that letters aforesaid will be granted to the greatest creditor applying for the same on that day.

By order of the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county,
JOHN GASSAWAY, Reg. Will.

To be Sold.

Will be sold, at public sale, to the highest bidder, at Mr. Caton's tavern, in the city of Annapolis, on Thursday the 24th of May, at 12 o'clock, (if not before sold at private sale, of which notice will be given.)

THE HOUSE and LOT in said city, late the property of RICHARD LEE, Esq; deceased. The terms may be made known any time previous to the sale, by applying to RICHARD H. HARWOOD, who is authorized to dispose of the same.

CORNELIUS MILLS, Auctioneer.

Annapolis, April 26, 1804. C. Mills