

A commencement for conferring degrees in St. John's College was held in the College Hall on the 14th inst. before a numerous, splendid and respectable audience.

After prayer, to the Supreme Being by the Vice-Principal, the candidates proceeded with the public exercises in the following manner:

1. A Latin salutatory oration by Mr. Thomas J. Brice, of Annapolis.
  2. An oration on the study of the law, by Mr. Upton S. Reid, of Frederick county.
  3. An oration on the advantages of education, by Mr. John Guyer, of Annapolis.
  4. An oration on the bad effects of dissensions in a republic, by Mr. James Harwood, of Annapolis.
  5. An oration on patriotism, by Mr. George Mackubin, of Annapolis.
  6. An oration on the moral and civil duties of man, by Mr. John Mercer, of Anne-Arundel county.
  7. An oration on the advantages of peace, by Mr. Henry M. Murray, of Anne-Arundel county.
- The degree of Bachelor of Arts was then conferred on Messrs. Nicholas Carroll, Richard Lockerman, James Murray, Jeff. Ray, Upton S. Reid, Thomas J. Brice, John Guyer, James Harwood, John Mercer, George Mackubin, Henry M. Murray, Lewis Neth and William Pinkney.

At the same time Messrs. William Potts, John Claude, William Campbell, Alexander Hammett, John T. Lomax, John H. Thomas, John L. Kerr, James D. Lowry, William Donaldson, Richard Brown, James Boyle, Thomas B. Dorsey, Walter Fernandes, James S. Grant, Thomas Rogers, John Sanders, Robert C. Stone and Philip Thomas, alumni of the College, were admitted to the degree of Master of Arts.

A validatory oration on the advantages of public seminaries, by Mr. Lewis Neth, of Annapolis.

The Principal then closed the business of the commencement with a short validatory address to the graduates, commending them to the care of the Almighty Governor of the Universe.

In the afternoon of the same day, a number of the students delivered speeches, which were honoured with the applause of the numerous and respectable assembly that attended, and seemed much pleased with their juvenile essays of public speaking, the early promise, it is to be hoped, of future eminence, and distinction.

N. B. Tho' the public donation is withdrawn, the several schools of the College are still continued as they were, till the August vacation, after which the Visitors intend to organize the College on a plan suitable to the state of its funds, and flatter themselves that they will be able to render it still an useful seminary.

### The Knot.

MARRIED, on Sunday last, by the rev. Mr. Compton, Col. RICHARD HARWOOD to Mrs. LUCINDA BATTEE, all of Anne-Arundel county.

On the same evening, in this city, by the rev. Mr. WYATT, Mr. CLEMENT RICHARDS to Mrs. SARAH WYATT.

In pursuance of a decree of the court of chancery, the subscriber will offer, at PUBLIC SALE, on the premises, on the twenty-fourth day of June next, at the hour of eleven o'clock,

PART of a tract of land called WELCH POOL, containing seventy-four and an half acres, lying in Calvert county, near Lyon's Creek, and now in possession of Mr. Lewis Griffith; this land is well calculated for tobacco, corn, or small grain.

At the same time and place will be offered for sale, one undivided moiety of ninety acres of marsh land, lying on Patuxent river, opposite the town of Nottingham.

The above-mentioned lands were formerly the property of Samuel Griffith, by him devised to Anne Griffith, and which descended to her heirs.

The terms of sale are, that the purchaser is to give bond to the trustee for paying the purchase money, with interest, within fifteen months, and on the ratification and confirmation by the chancellor of the sale, and on the receipt of the purchase money, the trustee will convey to the purchaser, in fee simple, all the right, title and estate, which was in the said Samuel Griffith and Anne Griffith, or either of them, and which might be vested in their heirs or devisees, or in the heirs or devisees of either of them, in the said land, claiming under the said Samuel or Anne.

The creditors of Samuel Griffith are desired to bring into the chancery court their claims against him, with the vouchers thereof, on or before the twenty-fourth day of December next.

REZIN ESTER, Trustee.

May 27, 1806.

### NOTICE.

LITTLE respect being paid to my former application to those indebted to me by bond, note, or open account, I am again induced to call on them for a discharge of their respective balances, and at the same time assure them, that unless discharged before the first day of August next, I shall bring suit without respect to persons. I shall give my attendance at my house, in the city of Annapolis, on Wednesday in every week, for the purpose of settling with those who may wish to avoid a suit by their compliance.

JAMES MACKUBIN.

June 4, 1806.

By virtue of an order from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, will be SOLD, by the subscribers, on Friday, the 27th instant, at the late dwelling of JOHN THOMAS, of the county aforesaid, deceased,

PART of his personal estate, consisting of several valuable negroes, horses, cattle, and household furniture. The property will be sold on a credit of nine months, the purchaser or purchasers giving bond, with approved security, with interest, from the day of sale. The sale will commence at 10 o'clock. It is requested, that all those who have claims against said estate will bring them in on the day of sale, so that they may be made known.

SARAH THOMAS, } Administrators.  
JAMES THOMAS, }

Mrs. JONES,

At the house next below Mr. Nicholas Brewer, RESPECTFULLY informs the ladies of Annapolis, that her SCHOOL will commence on the ninth instant, wherein will be taught reading, writing, grammar, and arithmetic, also plain sewing, marking, open, tambour, and various kinds of ornamental needle work. Mrs. Jones pledges herself that every attention necessary to the improvement of those intrusted to her care shall be strictly attended to. Terms of tuition, for small children in the first rudiments of learning, three dollars per quarter, for those further advanced, four dollars per quarter.

Annapolis, June 4, 1806.

City Tavern.

Annapolis, June 6, 1806.

THE subscriber wishes to hire, for one year, a NEGRO WOMAN, to do the duty of washing and ironing, to whom good wages will be given.

JOHN GWINN, Jun.

In CHANCERY, June 3, 1806.

ORDERED, That the sale made by NICHOLAS BREWER, trustee for the sale of the real estate of Gentry, Esq. mortgaged to John Turner, as stated in the report, shall be called and continued, until called to the contrary be shown before the 1st day of July next, provided a copy of this order be inserted three successive weeks in the Maryland Gazette before the 28th instant.

The report states, that part of a tract of land called *The Second Resurvey on Part of Brashear's Pocoson*, containing sixty-eight acres, was sold for twenty shillings per acre.

True copy,

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,  
Reg. Cur. Can.

In CHANCERY, May 29, 1806.

ON the petition of JOHN GWINN, to rescind and set aside a sale, made under a decree of this court, of the real estate of the heirs of Charles White, on account of the purchase money not being paid by the purchaser, John Haslep, of William, which sale has been ratified and confirmed: it is ordered, that the said petition be heard on the 16th day of June next, unless the said purchase money be paid before that time, with interest from the time when it was due, provided that a copy of this order be inserted two weeks in the Maryland Gazette.

True copy,

Test. SAMUEL HARVEY HOWARD,  
Reg. Cur. Can.

Fifty Dollars Reward.

RAN away from the subscriber, living in Annapolis, a bright mulatto man named NACE, he went off on Sunday morning, the 25th inst. had on a blue coat and pantaloons, and one or two suits of cloaths with him; he is about five feet eight inches high, stout and well made, and has lost one of his upper fore teeth. It is supposed he has some relations living in Old-town, Baltimore, in which part of the city he may likely be found. The above reward will be given for securing him in any gaol, so that I get him again.

May 31, 1806.

ELIZABETH YOUNG.

COMMITTED to my custody, as a runaway, a negro man by the name of HANDY MUNZILLEN, who says he was set free by THOMAS FORREST, of Caroline county, close by the Bowling Green, state of Virginia; he is about five feet eight or nine inches high, and stout made, has a scar on the right side of his chin, and on his left leg, occasioned by a dray running over it; his cloathing is a blue cloth coat, with metal buttons, blue cloth jacket, and parlons grey casimer pantaloons, and new shoes, bound, and an old hat. His master is desired to take him away, or he will be sold for his fees and other expences, agreeably to law.

JASPER E. TILLY, Sheriff of Anne-Arundel county.

April 30, 1806.

Twenty Dollars Reward.

RAN away from White Marsh, in Anne-Arundel county, a negro man named MICHAEL, about twenty years of age, five feet three or four inches high; had on when he went away, a blue vest, Welch kersey short coat, and a pair of nankeen pantaloons. Any person that will secure him in any of the county gaols, so that I get him again, shall receive FIFTEEN DOLLARS if taken in the county, and if out of the county the above reward.

G. B. BITOUZEY.

N. B. All captains and masters of vessels are forewarned carrying off said negro at their peril.

### Poet's Corner.

SELECTED.

#### INFLUENCE OF RETIREMENT.

FOR injured feeling, when fond hope has flown,  
What can suffice, and what in price atone?  
What blest SLOAM shall to health restore  
The cheerless wretch, who bleeds at every pore?

The piteous youth, beside yon straggling thorn,  
His hair dishevelled, and his look forlorn,  
Whose hollow eyes, by midnight watchings pale,  
With mute reproach upbraid the piercing gale,  
Once thence, like thee, how'er matur'd in grace,  
The manly glory of an ancient race:  
Once, skilled in lore, inform'd with brilliant sense,  
And pour'd Hyblæan strains of eloquence;  
Once gaily pleas'd, for love his heart beguil'd,  
And mutual passion ripen'd, while the smil'd;  
But fate's stern angel, foe of all that's fair,  
With sick'ning envy, and the faithful pair,  
Sped the fell shaft, which bade perfection die,  
And cut the knot he never could untie.

Oft as the village sports at evening close,  
And westering twilight links to short repose,  
Pale as some wither'd corpse, with mutter'd cries  
The pensive mourner thro' the church yard hies,  
Bends o'er MARIA'S grave, in speechless grief,  
With looks that ask, yet seem to mock relief,  
And, craz'd with anguish, turns his frantic glare,  
Raves to the wind, or breathes convulsive prayer:  
Hah! 'tis his voice, that on the rav'ning gale  
Heaves the deep plaint and pours the tender wail—  
It seems, in fitful strains, his woes to moan,  
Or half suppress'd, remurmers in a groan.  
And can the scenes of idle tumult lend  
One gleam of comfort for his perish'd friend?  
Can social glee Lappian balms impart  
To chase one anguish from his narrow'd heart?  
Yet shall RETIREMENT yield some nigglick leaf  
To staunch the wounds of solitary grief;  
And while in softer tones and milder way,  
Round memory's eye the onward breeze flies,  
Fond hope, as life decays, with sweet control,  
To fancy's dreams shall harmonise the soul.

#### On Female Education.

"In enumerating the perfections of his wife, or in retracing the progress of his love, does a man of sense and refined sensibility dwell upon her skill in drawing, or dancing, or music?"

"It will tend to the happiness of society in general, that women should have their understandings cultivated and enlarged. The happiness of domestic life, the virtues and powers of pleasing in the female sex, the yet more desirable power of attaching those worthy of their love, will be increased by the judicious cultivation of the female understanding. A mother is accountable to her daughter's husband for the books her daughter has read, as well as for the company she has kept. Let her imagination be controlled while her mind is enlarged. Her education must not raise her above the taste for necessary occupations, or the numerous small but not trifling pleasures of domestic life. Education should embrace all the duties and relations of that sphere in which the female moves. While her understanding is improved, the DELICACY of her manners must be preserved, and, at all times, that nice sense of propriety which is at once the guard and charm of feminine virtue. When a woman lays aside the DELICACY, mildness and gentleness of her sex, she ceases to be lovely, forfeits her claim on man, and may consistently lay aside the name and habiliments, as she relinquishes the character, of WOMAN."

Twenty-five & Fifty Dollars Reward.

ABOUT three years ago I purchased of Walter A. W. Norman, tanner, in Queen-Anne, a black boy named STEPHEN, then fifteen years old, remarkably well disposed, a little defective in his knees, but otherwise stout and well made. This boy, about 8 weeks ago, by the instigation of some very disreputable person, was enticed from my service, and (from information derived through the boy's own colour) I have reason to believe has obtained a pass, and is now harboured and protected under it. He is supposed to be either in the Swamp of West river, or on Kent-Island, where he has a mother named Esther, lately manumitted by a certain Valentine Carter. I will give twenty-five dollars for apprehending said boy, so that I get him again, and fifty dollars for such information as will merely justify my feelings in inflicting the punishment proper for so great a scoundrel.

THOMAS CONTEE BOWIE

January 30, 1806.

This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber took out letters of administration, with the will annexed, on the estate of FRANCIS BELMEAR, sen. and ELIZABETH BELMEAR, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, and whereas since taking out the letters he had according to law closed the said estates with the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, and is now ready to pay to the legatees of the said Francis and Elizabeth Belmeare their respective parts or portions of said estates, therefore requests the legatees aforesaid to meet, on the second Tuesday of June next, at the orphans court, in Annapolis, to receive their respective parts or portions, according to the distribution filed in the register of wills office.

FRANCIS BELMEAR, jun. admr. w. &c.  
of Francis Belmeare, sen. and Elizabeth.