

corporate companies to make several turnpike roads through Baltimore county, and for other purposes, were read the second time, and passed.  
A petition from Thomas Buckston, of Montgomery county, praying an alteration in a deed from Nicholas Brewer to Kenzy Gittings, was preferred, read, and referred.  
The house adjourns till to-morrow morning.

### LATEST EUROPEAN.

By the arrival at New-York of the brig Jane, Cork papers are received to the 20th November, and London news to the 14th. No information is received by them of the expected blockading proclamation, which was to have been published on the 14th.  
Sir Sidney Smith's Squadron had departed from Plymouth, consisting of five sail of the line. It is to touch at Cork, and the naval part of the expedition is to precede the military.  
The British army at Alexandria had embarked, and are hourly expected at Messina to reinforce the army at Sicily.  
The French have assumed the complete dominion of the Elbe, and capture all vessels from English ports, or with English property on board.

### LEXINGTON, (Ken.) December 8.

By a gentleman just arrived from the south, we are told that he met, between the Saluda Mountain and Madison Court-house, 11,251 hogs going to market; that he also met 35 droves of hories, averaging about 25 in each drove.  
Although it is estimated that we have sent at least 100,000 hogs to foreign markets, yet pork now sells in Lexington at from 2 and a half to 3 dollars per hundred.

### NORFOLK, January 1.

It was not our intention to have noticed a circumstance of some embarrassment in regard to Mr. Rose, the British envoy, but as we find impressions have been made, which in the present moment excite unnecessary alarm, we deem it our duty to state what we are informed.  
On the arrival of the Statira, the British consul addressed letters to the collector of this port, the naval and civil authorities, informing them of the arrival of this ship, and that Mr. Rose, the envoy extraordinary from Great-Britain was on board, desiring to know if this ship would be received in the United States, with the same hospitality, that the ships of any other nation in amity with the U. S. would be received. Our readers will recollect that although the act of congress and the president's proclamation contain provisions in favour of British ships of war coming with dispatches, in distress, &c. they are nevertheless subjected to some other regulations as to supplies, stay, and intercourse. On these latter points explanation was refused. The collector, whose province it is, answered that every attention in his power, consistent with his duty, should be shewed to this ship, at the same time that he was not authorized to make any exceptions to the Statira particularly. Mr. Rose has been, we believe perfectly satisfied with the politeness of the collector, and the other gentlemen applied to, at the same time, for reasons that we are not acquainted with, has thought proper to remain on board until advices are received from Washington. This affair, which has an unpleasant aspect, will be attended with no other public inconvenience than what may arise from the delay to the minister at this juncture. It is presumed that every difficulty will be removed, and we have no doubt that the omission of the government has been accidental. The Statira was expected at Annapolis, where it is probable the necessary orders are lodged.

### Adjutant-General's Office,

Annapolis, December 19, 1807.

WHEREAS the repeated orders and applications to several of the commanding officers of regiments and battalions, for their returns, have hitherto proved abortive; I have now the governor's order, as commander in chief of the militia of this State, explicitly to require such officers, whose returns have been thus neglected, to make them to me without further delay.

The time has arrived when the energies of our country will be called for, but the call will be lost if ineffectual, unless our military orders are more strictly enforced, and more cheerfully obeyed.

SAMUEL WRIGHT, Adj. Gen.

### Twenty-six valuable Negroes

will be exposed to public sale, to the highest bidder, at the dwelling plantation of the Miss Hoods, on Tuesday, the 26th instant.

THE above twenty-six NEGROES, consisting of men, women, boys and girls, which will be sold of separately, one excellent blacksmith, that his trade perfect, several handsome boys from 12 to 18 years of age to 18 years, and girls that can be recommended as good house servants. The terms of sale are, one half of the purchase money to be paid the day of sale, and the balance a credit of six months will be given, on giving bond on interest, with security as I may approve of. No person from any of the Southern States, or their agents, will be admitted to bid. Sale to commence at 11 o'clock, and continue until all are sold, by

WILLIAM WORTHINGTON,

Acting for Miss Hoods.

Several hories, and other articles, will be sold on the same day, at 11 o'clock, on

January 8, 1808.

### Annapolis.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 14, 1808.

TO THOMAS JEFFERSON,

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

WE, the representatives of the people of Maryland, highly appreciating the happiness and prosperity of the United States, would do injustice to our own feelings, and those of our constituents, did we not, in this eventful crisis, offer to you this our testimony of the wisdom and integrity of your administration, and our approbation of those measures which, under the guidance of Divine Providence, have secured to the American people the blessings of peace, whilst war and insatiate ambition have devastated the fairest portions of Europe. But when we indulge in mutual felicitations at the enjoyment of that tranquillity, under the auspices of which our country hath grown rich and great, we have most sincerely to lament, that an honest endeavour to do equal justice to all nations, under a conscientious and dignified neutrality, hath not availed to exempt our happy shores from the sound of war. A national vessel, bound to a distant service, hath been wantonly and unprovokedly attacked by a British ship of war, in sight of our own coast, and almost within our own harbours—the blood of our brave seamen hath flown in this barbarian outrage, and their lives have fallen the victims of piratical domination—other American citizens, sailing under the protection of that flag, and in the service of their country, have been dragged from that protection and service, confined in a degrading captivity, and compelled, ignominiously, to fight in the war of nations with whom we were at peace, and in whose animosities the government of our country evince no participation. The citizens of Maryland, indignant at this flagrant and unprecedented outrage upon our national character, assembled in various districts of the State, and manifested their feelings in addressing the constituted authorities of their country in strong and energetic language, and we, the common organ of their will, would unfaithfully represent that people, did we fail to reiterate their high resentment and patriotic determination, to brave all the calamities of war rather than tamely submit to the tyranny and insolence of any nation.

Well aware that the peace of our country is menaced from various quarters, and that it is our duty to take a firm and decided stand against any nation that may demand concessions incompatible with our honour and independence, we avail ourselves of the moment, to declare our confidence in the wisdom and integrity of the present administration, and our disposition to sacrifice our lives and property in repelling the wanton aggressions or lawless claims of all nations. Although the blood of our countrymen hath been shed, and our citizens led into captivity, by the arm of a foreign power, and although domestic traitors have reared their hydra front, and endangered our peace and national happiness, still we indulge the pleasing reflection, that the government of our country have preserved a manly and dignified attitude, evincing to the world an unflinching determination to concede no point inconsistent with the honour of our country, and the safety of its citizens. But notwithstanding this well grounded confidence, we should do great violence to our own feelings, and those of the citizens of Maryland, did we fail to communicate our sentiments upon one point in dispute between this country and Great-Britain, we mean the general right of our flag to protect all American seamen who sail under it. It is with the most poignant sensations we recognize the fact, that thousands of our native citizens are at this moment confined in ignominious bondage on board of British ships of war, exiled from their country, their families and friends, and compelled gloriously to fight for the establishment of principles repugnant to natural justice and the usages of nations; and it is with strong emotions of contempt we hear this inextinguishable right treated as trivial and unimportant, and declarations made, that the United States ought not to hazard the horrors and calamities of war for the protection of her citizen seamen. Though we fervently deprecate the evils of war, and though we highly appreciate the value of peace, yet we sincerely hope, that the general protection of American citizens, sailing under our flag, will be made the *sine qua non* of our amity with every nation on earth.

Whilst we duly appreciate the motives which induce you to decline being considered among the number of those out of whom the choice of our next President is to be made, and whilst we revere the patriotism which dictated those motives, permit us still to indulge the pleasing hope, that when the next period of presidential election approximates, should the united voice of your country require it, those same motives, and that same patriotism, will induce you to sacrifice your own private wishes and convenience to your country's good. But whatever may be your final determination, whether to retire to the bosom of domestic tranquillity, or to remain the First Magistrate of a Free People, a faithful public service of forty years, hath erected a monument in the hearts of your fellow-citizens, which time will never erase. With a tender of our lives and fortunes to obtain an honourable indemnification for the past, and unequivocal assurances of security for the future, accept our best wishes that the most perfect happiness may await the evening of your days; and receive, as a tribute to your merits, the assurance of our highest consideration and esteem.

BY THE SENATE, JANUARY 6th, 1808.

Resolved, That the Executive of Maryland be requested to transmit the above Address to the President of the United States.

By Order, THO. ROGERS, Clk.

The President of the United States has ordered a Court of Inquiry to sit on General Wilkinson. The court, we hear, consists of Colonel Burbeck, of the artillery, Colonel Cushing, of the infantry, and Colonel Williams, of the engineers. [WASH. FED.]

The following paragraph, translated from the Paris Monitor, under the head of United States of America, will give the reader some idea of the notions that are inculcated respecting this country in France.

PARIS, SEPT. 8.

"On the 26th of October the Congress of the United States opens its sessions at Washington? no person doubts that the first operation of this assembly will be a formal declaration of war against England! The public mind is so warmed on this subject, that any member of Congress who should dare to vote for pacific measures would run a great risk of being very roughly handled by the people. No person can have an idea of the ardour with which they work in all the sea ports to equip ships of war of all kinds, and above all swift sailers, to spread themselves over every sea, and ruin the profitable commerce of Great-Britain. It appears that their principal attacks will be directed to the north, towards the coasts of Nova-Scotia, and to the south, towards the English islands. The European and East-India seas will not be exempt from their excursions."

### Poet's Corner.

SELECTED.

### THE SHORTEST DAY.

SERIOUS and solemn be the song,  
Which hails this still returning day;  
Let measure guide the rhyme along,  
And gratitude inspire the lay!  
When Spring in all her blooming charms,  
And Summer in her richest dress,  
When Autumn fills the labourer's arms,  
Nor coyly yields her vast increase;  
Oh then! let mortals grateful deem  
Of all the blessings God has sent,  
And in deep Winter's dread extreme,  
Rejoice in plenty and content.  
And while they joy in bounty given,  
Still to the poor their hands extend—  
The first great Delegate of Heaven  
Is he—the wretch's firmest friend.  
Now long, and dark, and dark the night,  
And short the blessings of the day;  
Yet soon the sun's resplendent light  
Shall hail us with a brighter ray!  
And soon shall Winter's blast be o'er,  
And soon returning Spring arrive;  
And then, Oh then! the happy Poor  
Shall thank you they are still alive.  
Grateful to Heaven their vows will rise,  
For blessings you may now bestow;  
And lab'ring brows, and streaming eyes,  
Their sense of obligation show.  
And who, that feels the genial Sun,  
And owns the God that points his ray,  
Would leave the grateful task undone,  
So suited to the SHORTEST DAY!

### Public Sale.

Agreeably to the last will and testament of WILLIAM WOODWARD, late of Anne-Arundel county, Maryland, who he exposed to public sale, on Tuesday, the 2d day of February next, if fair, if not, the first fair day thereafter, at 10 o'clock, A. M. at the late dwelling of the deceased.

PART of the personal property of the deceased, consisting of a variety of household and kitchen furniture, a quantity of Indian corn, corn fodder, and husks, several stacks of hay, rye and wheat straw, together with a number of other articles. Terms of sale are, twelve months credit, on the purchaser or purchasers giving bond, or note, with interest from the day of sale, with such security as will be required.  
HENRY WOODWARD, Executor.  
January 11, 1808.

### This is to give notice,

THAT the subscriber, of Charles county, hath obtained from the orphans court of Charles county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of JACOB MORRIS, 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 August next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate, and all persons indebted to the said deceased are required to make immediate payment to the subscriber. Given under my hand, this tenth day of January, 1808.

JOHN E. FORD, Administrator  
with the will annexed.

### Ten Dollars Reward.

STRAYED or stolen, from the subscriber's yard, on the night of the 5th instant, a large bright bay HORSE, about fourteen hands high, with a white face, and one of his hind feet white, also a remarkable iron grey mark on one side of his belly, it is not recollected which; much rubbed with the breech-band; he is a natural trotter. I will give five dollars for the horse alone, and all reasonable expenses, or for horse and thief the above reward.

JACOB H. SLEMAKER.

Annapolis, January 11, 1808.

In CHANCERY, January 12, 1808.

ORDERED, That the sale made by SAMUEL CHASE, junior, trustee for the sale of the real estate mortgaged by William King and William Hammond to Joseph Clarke, as stated in his report, shall be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary be shewn before the 5th day of March next, provided a copy of this order be inserted three successive weeks in the Maryland Gazette before the 5th day of February next. The report states, that 96 acres of land, in Anne-Arundel county, was sold for 5 dollars and 50 cents per acre, 66½ acres at four dollars per acre, and 51½ acres at 3 dollars 12½ cents per acre.  
True copy,  
Test: NICHOLAS BREWER,  
Reg. Cur. Can.

### For Sale,

A TRACT of LAND, in Anne-Arundel county, near South River church, containing 176 acres, whereon William Cheney now lives.—This land is well adapted to the cultivation of all kinds of produce, and has orchards of choice fruit; the buildings are comfortable and convenient. It is presumed that persons inclined to purchase will first view the property. This land will be sold on accommodating terms to a suitable purchaser. For particulars apply to Nicholas Brewer, of the city of Annapolis.  
FRANCIS YATES,