

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES,
January 19, 1808.

ORDERED, That the bill, entitled, An act to abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the time and manner of electing the senate, and the mode of filling up vacancies in that body, together with the amendments proposed by the senate, be entered at length upon the votes and proceedings of this house, for the information of the citizens of this state.

By Order, J. BREWER, Clk.

An ACT to abolish all such parts of the constitution and form of government as relate to the time and manner of electing the senate, and the mode of filling up vacancies in that body.

BE IT ENACTED, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That from and after the first Monday of October, eighteen hundred and nine, the senate of this state shall consist and be composed of twenty members, one member to be chosen for the city of Baltimore, one other member for the city of Annapolis and Anne-Arundel county, and one member for each of the other counties of this state, and that the senators shall be elected, by ballot, for four years, by the electors of the said several counties and cities qualified to vote for members of the house of delegates, at the same time, and in the same manner, and at the same places, where they shall vote for members of the house of delegates.

II. And be it enacted, That immediately after the senate shall be assembled in consequence of the first election, they shall be divided, by lot, into four classes, and the seats of the first class of senators shall be vacated at the expiration of the first year, of the second class at the end of the second year, of the third class at the end of the third year, and of the fourth class at the end of the fourth year, so that one fourth of the whole number of senators may be annually chosen.

III. And be it enacted, That no person shall be a senator who shall not have attained the age of twenty-five years, and been a resident of the state four years next before his election, and the last year thereof a resident of the county or city for which he shall be elected, unless he shall have been absent on the public business of the United States or of this state, and having in the state real and personal property above the value of two thousand dollars.

IV. And be it enacted, That if the seat of any senator shall become vacant by death, resignation, or otherwise a warrant of election shall issue by the president of the senate for the election of another in his place, in the same manner, and under the same regulations, as warrants of election are issued by the speaker of the house of delegates to supply vacancies in that body; and any senator who may be elected to fill a vacancy shall hold his seat so long as the person in whose place he is elected might have done if no vacancy had happened.

V. And be it enacted, That from and after the first Monday in October, eighteen hundred and nine, the offices and seats of the members of the senate of Maryland, who shall then compose that body, shall cease and be void.

VI. And be it enacted, That the legislature may regulate the aforesaid elections of senators, and all things relating to the judges, places, times and manner thereof, and the mode of declaring and returning the said elections, in as full and ample a manner as the legislature by law can regulate all those things which relate to the elections for delegates to the general assembly and sheriffs of the several counties.

VII. And be it enacted, That if this act shall be confirmed by the general assembly, after the next election of delegates, in the first session after such new election, as the constitution and form of government directed, that in such case this act, and the alterations and amendment of the constitution and form of government therein contained, shall be taken and considered, and shall constitute and be valid, as a part of the said constitution and form of government, to all intents and purposes, any thing to the contrary notwithstanding.

VIII. And be it enacted, That all those parts of the constitution and form of government contrary and repugnant to this act, shall be, and are hereby declared to be, repealed and abolished on the confirmation hereof.

AMENDMENTS PROPOSED.

1. Strike out from the word "state" in the 6th line of the third page to the end of the clause 2. After the word "will" in the 6th line of the 4th page insert "and be it enacted, That from and after the first Monday of October, eighteen hundred and nine, the several counties of this state shall be represented in the house of delegates in proportion to their population, after deducting two fifths of all slaves in each of the aforesaid counties; provided, that not more than one representative shall be allowed for every five thousand inhabitants, except the city of Baltimore, which shall be entitled to six members. And be it enacted, That the population as aforesaid shall be ascertained and fixed by the last census, taken under a provision of the constitution of the United States, and such census hereafter to be taken, agreeably to the provision aforesaid, shall be the standard by which the representation of the several counties of this state shall be fixed and regulated, except as relates to the city of Baltimore, which shall in no case be entitled to a greater number of representatives than is provided by this act." 3. Insert "and representatives."

Advices are said to be received by a mercantile house in this city, stating the liberation of all the American vessels carried into Spanish ports, under the Spanish construction of the Milan decree.

[Aurora.]

The emperor of France is stated to be on a visit to Madrid, and that he has signified his purpose to be, to re-establish the national character and resources of Spain; to extricate that ancient and respectable nation from the gloomy subjection of habits antiquated and unsuitable to the genius of the age and the spirit of civilization and philosophy; to establish, in concert with the reigning family, a new order of things, and the total abrogation of institutions which have proved destructive to the Spanish nation.

[Ibid.]

northern part of this state, informs, that the people in that quarter, and in the northern part of Vermont, have determined not to submit to the last supplement to the embargo. He states that they take their produce to market, in companies of from twenty to thirty, and have resolved not to yield to any officers who may attempt to check their progress. It is extremely to be regretted that any such combination should be formed. The law while it exists, should not in any shape be resisted, notwithstanding it may be excellently and unwarrantably oppressive. The people ought, however, to seek and obtain a remedy, but, let them resort to no measures for redress but such as are constitutional and legal. [N. Y. Spec.]

CAUTION TO PARENTS AND NURSES.

A very promising child, near four years old, a few weeks ago, complained of loss of light, and in about a quarter of an hour expired. On opening the body a considerable number of the common wild Jasmine-flowers, (Bignonia Semper virens) were found in the stomach, which she had swallowed while at play, and to which her death was no doubt owing. Those who are intrusted with the care of children, should, if possible, prevent them from playing with these beautiful, though deleterious flowers, least a similar distress should be produced by it.

[Charleston Courier.]

The Senate of the United States have decided on the case of John Smith, two thirds being necessary to expel a member, he was cleared by one vote. The following are the yeas and nays on the resolution for expelling.

Yeas.—Messrs. Adams, Anderson, Conduit, Crawford, Franklin, Gaillard, Gillman, Gregg, Kitchell, McClay, Matthewson, Milledge, Moore, Robinson, Smith, of Maryland, Smith, of T. Sumpter, Tiffin, Turner, 19.

Nays.—Messrs. Giles, Goodrich, Hillhouse, Howland, Pickering, Pope, Reid, Smith, of N. Y. Thurstun, White, 10.

We learn by a gentleman who left Albany on Saturday, that the legislature of this state was to adjourn this day, and that a bill had passed the senate (and would pass in the house) granting a loan from the state of 400,000 dolls. for the use of farmers and others on mortgage, to make good their engagements during the embargo. [N. Y. Gazette, April 11.]

Governor Claiborne has communicated to the legislature of New-Orleans that the money borrowed by the executive from the Branch Bank of the United States has been paid, and that the territory is now free from debt.

[Phil. pap.]

WILLIAM WIRT, Esq; formerly of Bladensburg, in this state, and author of the celebrated Letters of a Briill Spy, has been elected a member of the Virginia legislature for the city of Richmond.

MASSACHUSETTS ELECTION.

The returns for governor from 360 towns are for Gore, 36,792—Sullivan, 38,031.

Married, on Friday evening, at Baltimore, the 8th instant, by the Rev. Mr. Inglis, Mr. LAWRENCE KEENE, of the United States navy, to Miss MARIA MARTIN, eldest daughter of Luther Martin, Esquire, of that city.

Died, at Washington, by the rupture of a blood vessel, JACOB CROWNINGSHIELD, Esq; one of the representatives of Massachusetts, in the congress of the United States.

—, on Friday last, in this city, in the 85th year of her age, Mrs. MARGARET HURST.

NEW-YORK, April 13.

Sailed yesterday morning for Bourdeaux, by permission of government, the ship Arcturus, captain Main. We understand she has on board, including passengers and crew, 110 souls.

We learn by the schooner Experiment, in 17 days from St. Croix, that the island of Martinique, being in a state of starvation, had revolted, and that the inhabitants had solicited the English to take possession of the place; and that the latter had given them a partial supply of provisions.

We further learn that the island of Marigalante, had surrendered to two British frigates, where they found five millions of coffee, which was going on board English vessels ordered there for the purpose of taking it away.

Our informant further adds, that the British islands were well supplied with flour, and that this article was daily arriving at St. Croix from Barbadoes, where it was stated 10,000 barrels remained.

The sloop of war Wasp, capt. Smith, got under weigh yesterday afternoon, and sailed up the North river. We understand she is going as far as West-Point.

NOTICE.

THE subscriber is under the painful necessity of announcing to the public his intention to petition the next Calvert county court, or one of its judges in the recess of court, for the benefit of an act of assembly, entitled, An act for the benefit of insolvent debtors, passed November session, 1805 and the supplementary act thereto, passed November session, 1806.

WILLIAM WELLS.

Calvert county, March 2, 1808.

MORGAN RATLER,
FOUR years old this spring, equal in size and degree to any covering JACK in Maryland, stand this season at the subscriber's farm, in Swamp, on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays on Thursdays Fridays and Saturdays, at the residence of the late Mrs. Mayor, Rhode River neck, six dollars for each mare. The object which induces me to farm him being my own mares, and having care beyond the price actually disbursed for the raising that most valuable of all plantation articles the Mule. Five dollars will be received in full, paid by the first of November next.

April 14, 1808.

JOSEPH JENIFER

THE ELEGANT HORSE TAMERLANE,

WILL cover mares this season, on Mondays and Tuesdays at Stephen Waters's mill, in Prince George's county, on Thursdays and Fridays at Ridge Landings, and on Saturdays at the subscriber's dwelling on Severn, at three dollars and one half, and a bushel of oats or corn, payable the first of October, three dollars cash, if sent with each mare, will be received in lieu, and one dollar the single leap.

Tamerlane is seven years old this spring, full hands high, remarkably strong and active, was got by col. Price's Hyder Ally, which was got by Darnley, noted running horse Hyder Ally. Col. Price's Hyder Ally's dam was raised by governor Shelby, of Kentucky, and is allowed to be equal to any mare in this Valley. Tamerlane's dam was got by col. Barnes's noted horse Lyon, from St. Mary's county, which was allowed by competent judges to be equal in carriage and movement to any horse that ever was in this part of the country. Tamerlane has got a number of colts that are very promising for the saddle or harness.

STEPHEN BRYAN.

The season will commence on the 11th day of April and continue to the 11th July.

HENRY BURNETT.

This 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 Zachaeus 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 15th day of August next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 15th day of March, 1808.

WALTER CLEMENTS, Adm'r.

State of Maryland, &c.

Anne-Arundel county orphans court, April 5, 1808. ON application, by petition, of RACHEL ROBERTS, administratrix of Edward Roberts, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, it is ordered, that she give the notice required by law for creditors to exhibit their claims against the said deceased, and that the same be published once in each week, for the space of six successive weeks, in the Maryland Gazette.

JOHN GASSAWAY, Reg. Wills for Anne-Arundel county.

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE,

THAT the subscriber, of Anne-Arundel county, hath obtained from the orphans court of Anne-Arundel county, in Maryland, letters of administration on the personal estate of EDWARD ROBERTS, late of Anne-Arundel 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 5th day of October next, they may otherwise by law be excluded from all benefit of the said estate. Given under my hand, this 5th day of April, 1808.

RACHEL ROBERTS, Administratrix.

BARK.

THE subscriber wants, this spring, one hundred cords of good Spanish water, black or white oak BARK. He will give from seven to nine dollars per cord, or at any rate he will give one dollar more than the Baltimore price, if brought to this city; any one having that article to dispose of, so that it can be brought to Annapolis by water, and finds it inconvenient to peel or deliver it, he will get it himself, and give a good price in proportion.

JOHN HYDE.

Annapolis, March 1, 1808. Those persons who have the above article to dispose of will send their letters to the subscriber as soon as possible.

J. H.

A Runaway.

COMMITTED to my custody, as a runaway, a mulatto man, named MOSEY, who says he belongs to Mr. HENRY WILSON, of the city of Baltimore, said fellow appears to be about 20 years of age, 5 feet 6 or 7 inches high, well made, has a fore leg; his cloathing a surlout coat of light coloured drab cloth, vest of white flannel, faced with red cloth, nankeen pantaloons, ofsnabrig shirt, worsted hose, and old shoes. His owner is desired to take him away, or he will be sold, agreeably to law, for his gaul fees, &c.

JOSEPH MCENEY, Sheriff of Anne-Arundel county.

January 25, 1808.