

levy court of the county, conditioned, that the said constable shall well and faithfully execute the same office in all things appertaining thereto, and shall also well and truly account for all moneys placed in his hands for collection, and shall also well and truly collect all moneys of money received by him; and all be the duty of the levy court to have the same entered on record by their clerks, a copy thereof, under the seal of the court, shall be good evidence to prove the execution of such bond in any court of this State. And be it enacted, That an attested copy of the said bond shall be good evidence in the maintenance of an action of debt for the breach of any condition of the said bond, as the same was actually produced and proved in the said court.

And be it enacted, That whenever any process of debts are put into the hands of the constable for collection, it shall be his duty to execute a receipt for the same, if demanded, and upon his neglect or refusal to do so, he shall forfeit the sum of five dollars, to be recovered before any single magistrate by any party grieved, for each and every offence.

Act relating to the act, entitled, An act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed November session, eighteen hundred and five, and to the several supplements thereto. BE it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may be lawful for the county courts of the respective counties, or the several judges thereof during the sittings of the said courts, to extend to all such persons as may apply to such courts for the same, all the benefits and privileges intended to be given to the persons included in the said act, and to the several supplements thereto.

Act authorizing justices of the peace to issue execution in certain cases. WHEREAS great doubts have arisen, whether the justices of the peace of the respective counties within this State are authorized to issue executions on judgments rendered by the justices aforesaid, and superseded under the act, entitled, A further supplement to the act, entitled, An act for regulating the mode of staying executions, and repealing the acts of assembly therein mentioned, and for other purposes, passed at November session, eighteen hundred and eight; for remedy whereof,

2. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That the justices aforesaid respectively be and they are hereby authorized and empowered, to issue executions in the case before mentioned, on the application of the plaintiff or plaintiffs, the said plaintiff or plaintiffs, having first obtained a certified copy of the judgment so rendered and superseded, with the amount of costs, from the office of the clerk of the county to which such judgment and supersedeas were returned.

3. And be it enacted, That the clerks of the several counties in this State shall receive, as a compensation for the certificate aforesaid, such a sum as for services of a similar nature he is by law now entitled to receive.

4. And be it enacted, That in all the above cases it shall be lawful for the clerk of the several counties in this State to issue executions in the same manner that is now usual and customary, if the plaintiff or plaintiffs require the same.

An Act to confirm certain acts done by persons conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS many persons, conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath, have acted as commissioners in many cases in the several counties in this State, and doubts have arisen whether such acts will stand good and valid in law; therefore,

2. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all acts heretofore done, and which may hereafter be done, by any person or persons conscientiously scrupulous of taking an oath, as far as relate to serving as commissioners, be, and the same is hereby declared to be, as good and available in law, to all intents and purposes, as if they had taken an oath, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.

### LAW OF THE UNION.

An Act extending the time for issuing and locating Military Land Warrants.

BE it enacted, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the secretary of war be authorized to issue military land warrants to such persons as have, or shall before the first day of March, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, produce to him satisfactory evidence of the validity of their claims; which warrants, with those heretofore issued, and not yet satisfied, shall and may be located in the names of the holders or proprietors thereof, prior to the first day of October, one thousand eight hundred and thirteen, on any unlocated parts of the fifty quarter townships and the fractional quarter townships, reserved by law for original holders of military land warrants.

[Approved and signed, December 19, 1809]

## Columbian Agricultural SOCIETY.

We this day lay before our readers the Proceedings of a Society, lately established at Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, for the patriotic purpose of encouraging Home Manufactures, and rearing Domestic Animals.—We regret that want of room prevented an earlier insertion.

GEORGE-TOWN,

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 1809.

A NUMBER of the subscribers to the plan for forming a Society for the purpose of encouraging Home Manufactures, and rearing Domestic Animals, met at the Union Tavern, in Georgetown, agreeably to a resolution of a number of gentlemen of the neighbouring country, held at this place on the first instant.

John Tenckle, Esq. was appointed chairman, and Nathan Lufborough, secretary.

Doctor Joseph Kent, from the committee appointed at the first meeting, to procure subscribers to the institution, made report of the names of a number of gentlemen who had subscribed, viz.

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| Henry Maynadier,       | Washington Bowie,  |
| Edward Lloyd,          | Thompson Mason,    |
| Charles Carroll, of C. | William H. Foote,  |
| Upton Scott,           | Walter D. Brooke,  |
| John Shantz,           | Edgar M. Carey,    |
| Arthur Shantz,         | Henry Rose,        |
| Upton Bruce,           | Richard M. Scott,  |
| John P. Mercer,        | James C. West,     |
| John Mason,            | John C. Vowell,    |
| Tench Ringgold,        | Nicholas Fitzhugh, |
| William Crawford,      | William A. Metz,   |
| William Mason,         | Thomas Crauphin,   |
| John B. Bowie,         | John Bowie,        |
| Thomas C. Moran,       | Thomas C. Moran,   |
| William Whann,         | William Whann,     |
| David Wiley,           | David Wiley,       |
| Thomas Peter,          | Thomas Peter,      |
| Matham Waring,         | Matham Waring,     |
| James Dunlop,          | James Dunlop,      |
| Walter Smith,          | Walter Smith,      |
| William Lee,           | William Lee,       |
| A. L. Jucherez,        | A. L. Jucherez,    |
| John W. Bronaugh,      | John W. Bronaugh,  |
| Thomas Davis,          | Thomas Davis,      |
| John C. Morris,        | John C. Morris,    |
| Richard Snowden,       | Richard Snowden,   |
| Thomas Snowden,        | Thomas Snowden,    |
| Joseph Nozce,          | Joseph Nozce,      |
| John Tenckle,          | John Tenckle,      |
| George Calvert,        | George Calvert,    |
| John Cook,             | John Cook,         |
| Daniel C. Brent,       | Daniel C. Brent,   |
| Isaac Briggs,          | Isaac Briggs,      |
| Bernard Galpin,        | Bernard Galpin,    |
| Roger Brooke,          | Roger Brooke,      |

On motion, Ordered, That John Mason, William H. Foote, Joseph Kent, David Wiley and Isaac Briggs, be a committee to prepare a system of general rules for the organization and government of the society, and that they make report to this meeting.

After a short retirement, gen. Mason, in behalf of the aforesaid committee, reported the following system of general rules, which were read, considered, and unanimously adopted, viz.

1st. That the society shall be called "The Columbian Agricultural Society for the Promotion of Rural Domestic Economy," and be continued for the time of three years from the third Wednesday of May next.

2d. That there shall be hereafter in every year two general meetings of the society, to be held on the third Wednesdays of May and November, at such public house or other place, in Georgetown, as may from time to time be appointed, at which meetings the members present shall form a quorum, and be competent to do all business which may properly come before them.

3d. That the officers and agents of the society shall be a President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Standing Committee, who shall be appointed at this meeting, and at every general meeting in November hereafter.

4th. It shall be the duty of the president to preside at the general meetings of the society, and at the meetings of the standing committee—to hold correspondence, immediately, or by means of the secretary, with the members of the standing committee, and such other members of the society, or of other societies, or such individuals in the United States, or elsewhere, as he may deem proper, for the purpose of obtaining and communicating information relative to the objects of the institution, and to be in all respects the organ of the society and of the standing committee, except as to the collection and payment of money.

5th. The vice-president shall, ex officio, be a member of the standing committee, and in case of the absence, death or resignation, of the president, shall supply his place.

6th. It shall be the duty of the secretary to make and preserve a record of the transactions of the society and of the standing committee, to collect, preserve, and, under the direction of the society or president and standing committee, pay out all subscription or other monies due to them, or subject to their control, and at every meeting of the society, to exhibit such statement of his receipts and expenditures, as shall be to them satisfactory, and to do and perform such other matters and things as may be directed or enjoined by the

president, by the standing committee, or by the society.

7th. The standing committee shall consist of twenty members, selected from the several counties of the District of Columbia, and of the adjoining States; they shall hold their first meeting on this day, and at such other times and places as they may appoint, or as they may be called to meet by the president; the number convened, not less than five, shall form a quorum; it shall be their duty, when so convened, to determine upon, fix and make public, such premiums, under proper restrictions, as they may deem most conducive to promote the views of the society; in the absence of the president and secretary, or either of them, to make a temporary appointment of a suitable person or persons in his or their place, and in general to take such measures, and do such things, under the direction of the society, as shall to them appear meet; and as individuals, it shall be their duty to pay a particular attention to the state of agriculture in their own neighbourhoods, to the manner of raising and supporting stock, and to the progress of domestic manufactures, and, in conjunction with such members of the society as may reside in their vicinage, to use their endeavours to correct such errors, and to introduce such improvements, in rural and domestic economy, as they may be enabled to discover from their own experience and observation, or from their correspondence and communication with the society.

8th. All premiums shall be adjudged at one of the general meetings of the society, by a board of five members, appointed by the president and standing committee, from among such disinterested persons as may be present.

9th. No person shall be allowed to exhibit any article for premium unless it has been raised, grown or made in some county of this district or of the adjoining States, in which there shall reside at least one member of this society, or any article for which a public premium shall have previously been given.

10th. The society will lay no claim to any article for which a premium has been awarded, but the owner or exhibitor may, immediately after the adjournment of the society on the day of exhibition, remove such article and dispose of it at pleasure.

11th. The subscriptions of the members shall be paid to the secretary, on or before the 10th day of April in each year.

Whereupon, Osborn Sprigg, of Northampton, Prince-George's county, Maryland, was appointed President of the Society, Thompson Mason, of Fairfax county, Virginia, Vice-President, David Wiley, of Georgetown, in the District of Columbia, Secretary, and the following gentlemen a standing committee, viz.

- Counties in Virginia.
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| Daniel Carroll Brent and John Brook, of Stafford.         |
| Alexander Henderson and William Tyler, of Prince-William. |
| William Hayward Foote and Charles Love, of Fairfax.       |
| Wilson C. Selden and Wm. W. Bronaugh, of Loudoun.         |

- Counties in Maryland.
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| Charles Carroll, of Carrollton, and Henry Maynadier, of Anne-Arundel. |
| George Calvert and Joseph Kent, of Prince-George's.                   |
| Isaac Briggs and John Bowie, of Montgomery.                           |
| Philip Stewart and Clement Dorsey, of Charles.                        |

- Counties in District Columbia.
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| Nicholas Fitzhugh and Wm. A. Dangerfield, of Alexandria. |
| Tench Ringgold and John Mason, of Washington.            |

Adjourned.

Union Tavern, Georgetown, Nov 29, 1809.

Immediately after the adjournment of the general meeting, the standing committee of the Columbian Agricultural Society met—present, Thompson Mason, Vice-President, who in the absence of the President, presided.

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| Joseph Kent,                                 |
| George Calvert,                              |
| John Mason,                                  |
| Isaac Briggs,                                |
| Tench Ringgold,—together with the Secretary. |

Ordered, That the proceedings of this day be made public under the superintendence of the Secretary, and that he give to the President and gentlemen of the standing committee who are absent, notice of their appointment, and of the time and place of the next meeting of the committee.

Adjourned to meet again at this place on Wednesday the 13th day of December next, at 11 o'clock A. M.

At a meeting of the standing committee of the Columbian Agricultural Society held at the Union Tavern, on Wednesday the 13th day of December, A. D. 1809, it was determined that the following premiums be given

at the general meeting of the society in May next, viz.

- Premium 1—One Hundred Dollars, for the best two toothed Ram Lamb.
- Premium 2—Eighty Dollars, for the next best two tooth Ram Lamb.
- Premium 3—Sixty Dollars, for the third best two toothed Ram Lamb.
- Best (applied to the above articles) as to quality of wool and quantity in proportion to carcase.
- Premium 4—Thirty Dollars, for the best piece of cotton cloth, proper for mens coats or womens dresses, not less than ten yards.
- Premium 5—Thirty Dollars, for the best piece of cotton fancy patterns for vests, not less than ten yards.
- Premium 6—Thirty Dollars, for the best piece of cotton cloth, suitable for pantaloons or small cloaths, not less than ten yards.
- Premium 7—Twenty Dollars, for the best cotton counterpane, full size.
- Premium 8—Ten Dollars, for the best pair of cotton stockings, large size.
- Premium 9—Thirty Dollars, for the best piece of hempen or flaxen sheeting, at least ten yards.
- Premium 10—Thirty Dollars, for the best piece of hempen or flaxen shirting, not less than ten yards.
- Premium 11—Thirty Dollars, for the best piece of hempen or flaxen table linen, not less than ten yards.
- Premium 12—Ten Dollars, for the best pair of hempen or flaxen thread stockings, full size.
- Premium 13—Twenty Dollars, for the best piece of twilled bagging, of hemp, flax or cotton, at least ten yards.
- Premium 14—Twenty Dollars, for the best piece of b. d. picking, of hemp, flax or cotton, or in part of all or either, not less than ten yards.

All premiums shall be adjudged at one of the general meetings of the society, by a board of five members appointed by the president and standing committee, from among such disinterested persons as may be present.

No person shall be allowed to exhibit any article for premium unless it has been raised, grown or made in some county of this District, or of the adjoining States, in which there shall reside at least one member of this society, or any article for which a public premium shall have previously been given.

The society will lay no claim to any article for which a premium has been awarded, but the owner or exhibitor may, immediately after the adjournment of the society, on the day of exhibition, remove such article and dispose of it at pleasure.

Reasonable proof will be required, that the several articles of manufacture, have been either spun or woven, in families from which they shall be exhibited.

The premiums will be paid in cash, or in plate of equal value, with suitable devices, at the option of the fortunate competitor.

Premiums to the amount of at least five hundred dollars will be given at the fall meeting of the society, for neat cattle, woolen manufactures, native dyes, written essays, &c.

It is earnestly recommended by the committee, that every member appear at the meetings of the society, dressed in home manufactures.

By order of the standing committee. DAVID WILEY, Secretary.

To the members of the Columbian Agricultural Society, and to the public in general, some apology may be deemed necessary for the tardy appearance of the proceedings of the institution in a pamphlet form.

The Secretary would therefore beg leave to remark, that it was at first thought sufficient to publish them in Mr. Patterson's paper of this town. It was expected that they would be copied into most of the public prints which circulate in the District of Columbia, and in the neighbouring counties of the adjoining States. That this has not been done, and is to be imputed to the great quantity of congressional debates, and other political matters, with which those papers have been, and still continue to be filled.

In other respects the most sanguine expectations of the society have been gratified. The subscribers are gentlemen of the first character for respectability; their number has already amounted to upwards of eighty; and there is little doubt but it will soon exceed a hundred. At the last meeting of the standing committee the following gentlemen were reported as additional subscribers:—

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| James Irwin,                             | Daniel Dulant,     |
| Robert Patton,                           | Rinaldo Johnson,   |
| Daniel Carroll, of D. W. A. Dangerfield, | George W. P. Cook, |
| Washington,                              |                    |

And the following have since that been received by the secretary.

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| Samuel Ridout,        | Philip B. Key,   |
| Brian J. Worthington, | William Stewart, |
| Atanasius Fenwick,    |                  |

Gentlemen who hold subscription papers, will please to make return to the Secretary of the names of such subscribers they have obtained; still retaining the paper for the purpose of obtaining additional names.

\* May 16, see second general meeting.