

Splendid Naval Victory

We have been furnished with the American Extra from which we extract following account of a splendid Victory obtained by the U. S. frigate Constitution, Capt. Hull, and hasten to lay it before readers.

BRILLIANT NAVAL VICTORY

The United States frigate Constitution, Capt. Hull, anchored yesterday in the harbor from a short cruise, during which she fell in with the English frigate Guerriere, which she captured, after short but severe action. The damage sustained by the fire of the Constitution, so great, that it was found impossible to tow her into port, and accordingly crew were taken out and the ship burnt. The brilliancy of this action, however, may regret the occasion that has produced, will still excite the liveliest emotion every American bosom.

Particulars of the late action between U. S. frigate Constitution and the British frigate Guerriere.

[Communicated to the Editors of the B. Gazette by an officer on board the Constitution.] Lat. 41, 42, N. long. 55, 33, W. T. day Aug. 20, fresh breeze from N. W. cloudy; at 2 P. M. discovered a vessel the southward; made all sail in chase; perceived the chase to be a ship on the board tack, close hauled to the wind; at 3 S. S. W.; at half past 3, made out the chase to be a frigate; at 4, coming up, the chase very fast; at quarter before 5, the chase laid her main-top to the mast; in our top-gallant sails, stay-sails, and jib; took a second reef in the top-sails, and the courses up; sent the royal yards and got all clear for action; at 5, on which the crew gave three cheers; the chase hoisted 3 English ensigns, 5 minutes past 5 the enemy commenced firing at 20 minutes past 5, set our colours, each mast head, and one at the mizen and began firing on the enemy, and continued to fire occasionally, he wearing very close and we manœuvring to close with him, avoid being raked; at 6, set the main-top-gallant sail, the enemy having bore up 5 minutes past 6, brought the enemy to action, standing before the wind; at 1 minutes past 6, the enemy's mizen mast fell on the starboard side; at 20 minutes past 6, finding we were drawing ahead, the enemy, luffed short round his bows to us; at 25 minutes past 6, the enemy on board of us, his bowsprit foul of our rigging. We prepared to board, immediately after, his fore and mainmast.

By His Excellency ROBERT BOWIE Esquire, Governor of Maryland. A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the Executive of the State of Pennsylvania hath lately demanded of the Executive of Maryland, Joseph Roche, Thomas Kennedy, John Oram and James Oram as fugitives from justice, alleged to be large in the State of Maryland; and hath transmitted an affidavit, dated the nineteenth ultimo, charging said Joseph Roche, Thomas Kennedy, John Oram and James Oram with felony in kidnapping three negroes from the city of Philadelphia, viz. Solomon Lee, Richard Bailey and Gabriel Jackson. I have therefore issued this my Proclamation, authorizing and enjoining it on all civil officers, and other citizens of this State, to arrest and convey said Joseph Roche, Thomas Kennedy, John Oram and James Oram, to the goal of the county in which they may be found, and give notice thereof to the Governor and Council of this State, in order that the Executive of Pennsylvania may be duly notified of the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of the State of Maryland, at the City of Annapolis, this third day of August, eighteen hundred and twelve.

ROBERT BOWIE By his Excellency's command, NINIAN PINKNEY, Clerk of the Council.

ORDERED, That the above Proclamation be published twice in each week, for the space of four weeks in the Maryland Republican and Maryland Gazette, at Annapolis; in the Whig, Sun, American, and Federal Gazette at Baltimore; the Republican Gazette at Fredericktown; and the Maryland Herald at Hagerstown, the National Intelligencer at Washington, and the Star at Easton.

By order, NINIAN PINKNEY, Clerk of the Council, August 13, 1812.

Anne-Arundel County Court, April Term, 1812.

On application to the judges of Anne-Arundel county court, by petition, in writing, of Joseph Chaney of said county, praying the benefit of the act for the relief of sundry insolvent debtors, passed at November session, eighteen hundred and five, and the several supplements thereto, upon the terms mentioned in the said act and the supplements thereto; a schedule of his property, and in actual confinement; a schedule of his property, and a list of his creditors, on oath, as far as he can ascertain them, together with the assent of more than two thirds of them in value, to his obtaining the benefit of said act, being annexed to his said petition; and the said court being satisfied, by competent testimony, that he has resided in the state of Maryland for the period of two years immediately preceding his application it is therefore ordered and adjudged, that the said Joseph Chaney be discharged from his imprisonment; and that he by causing a copy of this order to be inserted in the Maryland Gazette once a week for three successive months, before the 21st day of September next, give notice to his creditors to appear before the said county court to be held at the city of Annapolis on the said day, for the purpose of recommending a trustee for their benefit, and to shew cause, if any they have, why the said Joseph Chaney shall not have the benefit of said act, and its supplements, as prayed.

By order, William S. Green, Clk.

To the Voters Of Anne-Arundel County, and the City of Annapolis.

GENTLEMEN, You are hereby respectfully informed that I offer myself a candidate for your suffrages at the ensuing election of sheriff. I flatter myself that you will continue to me the support that you generously manifested at the late election, in consequence of which I am now in the office, the gentleman returned first on the then poll having resigned.

I undertook it, gentlemen, under circumstances of considerable difficulty, and flatter myself that my endeavours to give general satisfaction have not been altogether unavailing. Continue to me your confidence and support, and depend upon it that every exertion shall be made on my part to discharge the duties of the office with fidelity and every degree of diligence, that shall comport with justice.

I am, Gentlemen, Very respectfully, Your obedient servant, SOLOMON GROVES.

May 7, 1812.

For Sale, ON ACCOMMODATING TERMS.

A smart, active, Negro Girl, about ten years of age. Apply at the office of the Maryland Gazette.

To the Voters Of Anne-Arundel County and the City of Annapolis.

The subscriber begs leave respectfully to announce to the voters of the city of Annapolis and Anne-Arundel county, that he is a candidate for the office of sheriff at the ensuing election, and flatters himself, if elected, that he will be able to give general satisfaction in the execution of the various duties connected with that office.

R. WELCH, of Ben. April 30, 1812.

Baltimore Hospital.

6th July, 1812.

THE Board of Visitors of the BALTIMORE HOSPITAL, have the satisfaction to inform the Public, that the Institution is now in excellent order for the reception of such Patients, as may be admitted to its care. The INFIRMARY or that part of the House intended for the use of the sick generally, is so far completed, as to accommodate in the most comfortable manner upwards of one hundred Patients; and the centre building, which contains a large number of spacious apartments, calculated particularly for private Patients, is in a state of forwardness, and will be soon finished.

The ASYLUM erected for Lunatics is completely finished, and is certainly not surpassed by any in the United States, either for comfort or convenience. The rooms intended for Deranged Persons are large and well ventilated, and constructed in such a manner as to be made perfectly cool and pleasant in summer, and to be made perfectly warm and agreeable during the cold weather.

The Visitors have also the pleasure to state, that Mr. and Mrs. Gatchel, the steward and matron of the Hospital, have during their residence in the Institution, afforded them repeated opportunities of witnessing their care and attention to the Patients, and from their long experience in the Pennsylvania Hospital, and the high recommendations they have brought with them, every reliance may be placed on their exertions to give satisfaction.

A suitable number of Nurses have been provided to attend on the sick, and the Institution is furnished with every comfort necessary for the patients, or which may be ordered for them by the attending Physicians.

The situation of the Hospital is high and healthy, the water excellent, and the prospect handsome. Around it is a spacious yard, shaded by forest and other trees; now enclosing with a brick wall; and attached to it, a large garden abounding with vegetables of every kind.

The following gentlemen have charge of the Medical and Surgical departments of the Institution.

Attending Physicians. Doctors Colin Mackenzie, James Smyth.

Attending Surgeon. Dr. W. Gibson.

Consulting Physicians. Doctors George Brown, Miles Littlejohn, John Coulter, John Campbell White, John Crawford, Solomon Birkhead, P. Chatard, John Cromwell, Ashton Alexander.

Visitors of the Hospital. John Hilien, James Mosher, William McDonald, William Ross, Jacob Miller.

Applications for admission may be made to either of the visitors, or to the attending physicians.

The Editors of the Maryland Republican and Gazette at Annapolis, Gazette at Fredericktown, Herald at Hagerstown, National Intelligencer at Washington, Herald at Alexandria, Virginia Argus at Richmond, Republican at Petersburg, City Gazette at Charleston, and the Republican Ledger at Savannah, will please to insert the above advertisement, once a week for eight weeks, and send in their accounts to the office of the Baltimore American for payment.

July 8, 1812.

Thomas Quantill, Hagerstown, Md.

Wm. S. Green, Clerk.

To Rent,

I will rent my Farm on the south side of Severn River, containing 436 acres of well improved land, which is now in high cultivation, together with or without four valuable Negro Fellows.

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NOTICE.

THE subscriber having obtained letters of administration on the personal estate of Frederick Green, late of Anne-Arundel county, deceased, requests all persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased to present the same, legally authenticated, for settlement, & all persons indebted to the said estate to make immediate payment.

WM. S. GREEN, Adm'r.

In Council, July 29, 1812.

ORDERED, That the report of the committee of conference on the bill establishing an equity court on the Eastern Shore, the message from the Senate accompanying the same, and the bill, entitled, An act respecting the equity jurisdiction of the county courts, be published once in August and once in September in the Maryland Republican and Maryland Gazette, at Annapolis; the American, Whig, Sun and Federal Gazette, at Baltimore; the Star at Easton; the Republican Gazette at Fredericktown; the Maryland Herald at Hagerstown; and the National Intelligencer at Washington.

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The committee appointed by the House of Delegates, to confer with the committee on the part of the Senate, beg leave to report, That they have no reason to expect that at this late period of the session, any system can be agreed to by both branches, which will have the effect of gratifying the wants and removing the complaints of the citizens of Maryland, by permitting them to have recourse to the courts organized within their own counties for chancery relief: the bill extending equity jurisdiction in all cases to the county courts has been deemed for the last four years, by the immediate delegates of the people to the general assembly, well calculated to produce these desirable results. Your committee are not aware that any weighty considerations oppose its adoption.

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BY THE SENATE, Jan. 2, 1812. Gentlemen of the House of Delegates,

We have received your message of to-day, proposing a conference between the two houses, on a bill, entitled, "An act separating the business of the court of chancery, and authorising the holding sessions of the said court for the Eastern Shore, and for other purposes." We must on this occasion, in justice to ourselves observe, that on this and all other subjects which are presented for our consideration, we claim all the zeal and interest in promoting the best interests of our citizens, which becomes the representatives of a free people.

The Senate have too high a regard for their own dignity, and too much respect for that decorum which ought to be observed in all communications between the two branches of the legislature to notice that part of the message from the House of Delegates, which insinuates that the complaints of the people as manifested through their immediate representatives, were treated with neglect or contempt by the Senate. Considering the bill to which your message refers as deserving the most mature deliberation, and feeling anxious at all times to unite with you in whatever may appear the best means of effecting a public benefit, we accede with pleasure to your proposed conference, and have nominated Messrs. Lloyd, Tabbs and Williams, on the part of the senate, as a committee of conference, to join the gentlemen who have been nominated by your house.

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